

M.C. Sungaila Named to ReStore Costa Mesa Recovery Team

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Haynes Boone Partner M.C. Sungaila has been appointed to the reStore Costa Mesa Recovery Team by Mayor Katrina Foley. The goal of the committee is to help jump start the local economy once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

Here is an excerpt from the *City of Costa Mesa News*:

Spearheaded by Mayor Katrina Foley, the Costa Mesa City Council has enlisted corporate, labor and government leaders to form a new reStore Costa Mesa Recovery Team. ...

The reStore Recovery Team held its first meeting on May Day, Friday, May 1 with more than 40 individuals taking part in a nearly two-hour discussion. Those leaders provided a very detailed and high-level overview on how Costa Mesa can get its business community going in a safe and responsible fashion.

“Our local businesses are struggling right now, and we need to do whatever we can to help them through these difficult times,” Mayor Foley said. “We have recruited a star-studded team of professionals to guide us and allow us to move quickly once we are able to and move into a recovery period. I’m grateful for the dedication of these community leaders who will help us get out of this crisis with a safety-first approach.”

The team is made up of economic and public health advisors and representatives from the hospitality, tourism, personal care and fitness and community services sectors. Also represented will be the faith-based and parks and recreation industries.

To read the full article, click [here](#).

Bloomberg Philanthropies featured the task force’s work in a recent video. To watch the clip, click [here](#).

Sungaila and Associate Marco Pulido [recently contributed](#) to a trial court victory in a pathbreaking, high-profile case concerning the placement of coronavirus-positive patients from the Diamond Princess Cruise Ship. Sungaila and Pulido served as appellate and trial-strategy counsel for Costa Mesa alongside the city’s trial counsel, Jennifer Keller and Nahal Kazemi of Keller/Anderle LLP.

Costa Mesa Mayor Katrina Foley said: “M.C. Sungaila and her team at Haynes Boone were critical to our success. They worked side by side with the Keller Anderle team, providing valuable legal and strategic insight. We are grateful for the excellent work M.C. and her team have done on this and other significant cases for the City.”