



County of Los Angeles Beach Commission

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AGENDA

REGULAR Meeting of the Beach Commission
January 24, 2024
9:30 a.m.
Burton Chace Park Community Room
13650 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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1. CALL TO ORDER, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes October 25, 2023

3. OLD BUSINESS

None

4. NEW BUSINESS

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| A. Installation of New Chair and Vice Chair | (ACTION) |
| B. Coastal Resiliency Plan | (PRESENTATION) |
| C. White Point Park Project | (PRESENTATION) |
| D. Concession License Agreements – County Owned
and Operated Beaches | (PRESENTATION) |
| E. Women and Girls Initiative | (PRESENTATION) |

Teresa Furey, Chair
Damon K. Nagami, Vice Chair

Michael Bustamante
Rosi Dagit
Madelyn Glickfeld

Judith Meister
Angela Mooney D'Arcy
Sharon Musa

Shannon Ross
Bruce Saito
Kurt Weideman

5. STAFF REPORTS

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| A. Ongoing Activities Report | (REPORT) |
| B. Beach Special Events/Activities | (REPORT) |
| C. Beach Projects Report | (REPORT) |
| D. Lifeguard Report | (REPORT) |

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Communication from the public will be from those who attend in person.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

April 24, 2024, 9:30 a.m. at Burton Chace Park

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January 24, 2024

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Gary Jones*

SUBJECT: **BEACH COMMISSION AGENDA – January 24, 2024**

The agenda for the January 24, 2024, in-person Commission meeting—which will also be livestreamed virtually (audio only)—is attached. Also attached are the meeting minutes from October 25, 2023, reports pertaining to Agenda Items 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 5A, 5B, and 5C, and the Beach Commission Attendance Report.

Please contact Donalyn Anderson at (424) 526-7873 if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Enclosures



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION
MINUTES OF October 25, 2023, MEETING

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Teresa Furey, Chair
Damon K. Nagami, Vice Chair
Michael Bustamante
Rosi Dagit
Sharon Musa
Anthea Raymond
Shannon Ross
Bruce Saito
Kurt Weideman

ABSENCES

Madelyn Glickfeld
Angela Mooney D'Arcy

STAFF PRESENT

Carol Baker, Deputy Director, Community and Operational Services
Catrina Love, Division Chief, Community and Marketing Services Division
Ken Foreman, Division Chief, Operational Services Division
Joan Hernandez, Program Manager II, Community and Marketing Services Division
Warren Ontiveros, Division Chief, Planning Division
Kate Ricci, Coastal Resiliency Planner, Planning Division
Emiko Innes, Coastal Resiliency Planner, Planning Division
Parjack Ghaderi, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Fernando Boiteux, Chief Lifeguard, Los Angeles County Fire Department
Adam Uehara, Assistant Chief Lifeguard, Los Angeles County Fire Department

MEETING LOCATION

Burton Chace Park Community Room and online via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Teresa Furey called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m. At Chair Furey's request, Vice Chair Damon Nagami read the Land Acknowledgement and Commissioner Shannon Ross led Commissioners in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Furey expressed gratitude for Commissioner Cris Liban's service on the Beach Commission. He served for eight years and was the only Chair to serve two consecutive terms. She noted his extensive expertise and help with issues relating to the beaches. Chair Furey announced the appointment of Commissioner Madelyn Glickfeld to the Commission from the Third Supervisorial District.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Furey requested a motion to approve the July 26, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Kurt Weideman so moved; Commissioner Rosi Dagit seconded the motion.

Ayes: 9. Chair Teresa Furey, Vice Chair Nagami, Commissioners Michael Bustamante, Rosi Dagit, Sharon Musa, Angela Mooney D'Arcy, Shannon Ross, Bruce Saito, Kurt Weideman

The minutes were approved.

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. GLADSTONES SITE UPDATE

Chair Furey noted the item was continued.

B. COMMISSION D.E.I. WORKGROUP

Vice Chair Nagami said the group met once since the last meeting and talked about the Department of Beaches and Harbors' (Department) upcoming study on coastal resilience and efforts to find resources to help fund various coastal resilience projects. He said the role of the D.E.I Workgroup is to help the Department emphasize the importance of equity in coastal resilience for people from all over Los Angeles County to come enjoy the beach. A vacancy in the Workgroup has occurred.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. SUMMER ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Chair Furey introduced Ms. Catrina Love and Mr. Ken Foreman to present on the Department's summer activities. Mr. Foreman provided updates on summer hiring for seasonal beach maintenance workers. He noted supply chain issues delaying repairs to Department vehicles and equipment. The Department contracted with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to use traffic control officers for the 4th of July at Dockweiler Beach. Zuma Beach underpass is still affected by prior flooding from storms. Illegal fires on the beaches have increased, although 80 fire rings are available at Dockweiler Beach. In recent weeks, Los Angeles County Lifeguards and Los Angeles Police Department have been working to crack down on the illegal fires on the beaches. Code Enforcement Officers have encountered more illegal vendors, unpermitted events, dogs, and violent acts against them on the sand. People have been parking RVs in the Dockweiler Beach parking lot and setting up day camps. Hurricane Hilary was downgraded to a tropical storm by the time it came to the South Bay area, but it caused more debris than anticipated for the time of year.

Commissioner Dagit asked about the parking signs at Dockweiler and Zuma Beach

parking lots. Mr. Foreman said the parking digital sign pilot was implemented at Venice Beach and Dockweiler Beaches but did not work out because the signs were not accurate due to environment challenges causing the detectors to not work properly. A portable message sign was used at Dockweiler, Zuma and Will Rogers beach parking lots to let the public know when the lots are full.

Commissioner Sharon Musa asked if beach shuttle services or traffic maintenance contracts with LADOT would be an option. Mr. Foreman said the contract with LADOT was specific to traffic management at Dockweiler Beach. Ms. Carol Baker said available off-site parking is very hard to find, and it would be needed if a shuttle service was used. She explained that special events at Venice Beach are not permitted because that area is so impacted. Some special events are permitted at Dockweiler Beach and, in those cases, the permittee is required to obtain a shuttle service and work out a traffic plan. She said Vista del Mar's free street parking was reduced because of the city's "road diet" and hasn't been restored, and either a public transportation plan or more beach parking would be needed to help solve the parking problems.

Commissioner Ross asked about safety issues in the Dockweiler Beach parking lot regarding RV patrons using it for day camping. Mr. Forman replied that several RV parking spaces were identified for use at Dockweiler Youth Center, and the RVs are moved there for the day which, frees up parking spaces and reduces safety concerns.

Vice Chair Nagami said the D.E.I. Workgroup is reviewing Department permitting policies to make sure that when people visit the beach from communities that are less likely to come—the African American and Latino communities and residents of inland communities—they feel included, welcomed, and informed about Department policies, safety rules and permitting procedures for events. He also noted the consistent pollution issue at Mother's Beach and asked about the County's position and efforts being made there for access. Ms. Baker said the higher bacteria count there stems mostly from bird guano and because the beach is a back basin and not subject to the typical flushing that would out clean bacteria. Different solutions have been tried, and it's been an ongoing challenge.

Commissioner Dagit said source identification of the bacteria is an emerging science that was started about 10 years ago. Tools to identify what type of feces are in the water makes a difference in whether it is a health factor, and it's been a challenge to get the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board to adjust their regulatory structure to accommodate situations like Mother's Beach.

Commissioner Anthea Raymond noted that she launches boats at Mother's Beach three times per week. She asked about an experiment with poles and lines to manage the birds. Mr. Foreman said attempts to address the issue in the past have included installing an underwater fan near the storage dock to churn the water and installing elevated monofilament fishing lines to keep birds from roosting. Ms. Baker said feeding the birds is also discouraged.

Commissioner Musa asked about plans for management of the existing flooding at Zuma underpass and the upcoming El Nino season. Mr. Foreman said Caltrans is scheduled to excavate their portion of the underpass, and when that occurs, it should reduce the level of water and lower the chances of flooding during the winter.

Commissioner Dagit asked for an update on the Caltrans planning process on the redesign of the Pacific Coast Highway bridge and Arizona Crossing. Mr. Foreman said he will need to do some research and provide an update when he can.

Ms. Love provided a summer recap of events and programming activities. Some highlights at Dockweiler Beach were Coastal Cleanup Day, a *Can the Trash!* Poster contest winner event, the WATER Youth Program, and a Racial Justice Learning Exchange. Marina del Rey programming included an MdR for All Celebration, July 4th Fireworks, summer concerts, and Marina Drum Circle. Ms. Love also shared upcoming winter programming at Burton Chace Park, which included Marina Lights, Holiday Boat Parade, and a New Year's Eve Fireworks and Glow Party.

Ms. Baker invited the Commissioners to attend the Emergency Preparedness Fair happening that day in the Boat Launch Ramp parking lot.

Vice-Chair Nagami said he attended the Racial Justice Learning Exchange event and said the documentary film screening of *Wade in the Water* was phenomenal and recommended it to everyone.

B. COASTAL RESILIENCY EFFORTS

Chair Furey introduced Mr. Warren Ontiveros, who said coastal resiliency is an equity issue, noting 18 beaches over 75 miles of coastline are visited by about 70 million people on an annual basis. Los Angeles County includes half of California's most disadvantaged census tracts, and most of those are located farther inland, which means preserving and enhancing access to our coast is an important equity issue. He thanked Commissioner Mooney D'Arcy for her input on engaging tribes located on ancestral lands in the project areas. Mr. Ontiveros introduced Ms. Emiko Innes to present on the Department's coastal resiliency efforts. Ms. Innes said the Department applied for a large grant offered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Office (NOAA) for coastal management called the Climate Resilience Regional Challenge. The Department's proposal was called "Deploying Hybrid Living Shoreline Adaptations to Save LA County Beaches for All." The project proposed risk reduction projects for four beaches totaling a cost of 75 million dollars. The project would use climate resilience, adaptation strategies to preserve and enhance beach accessibility for communities of highest need for recreation, open space and cultural and economic opportunities existing along the coastline. Although the Department was not selected for the grant, other funding opportunities will be pursued.

Ms. Innes said proposed projects are among the most vulnerable beaches identified in

the recent coastal resiliency study, which are Zuma, Point Dume, Dockweiler and Redondo Beaches. She shared the steps needed to restore these beaches as well as the next steps to pursue other funding opportunities.

Commissioner Dagit shared input on grant funding and suggested convening a technical advisory committee for assistance. She recommended reading the email recently sent by Dr. Karen Martin of the Beach Ecology Coalition. She also said The American Shore and Beach Preservation Society Association (ASBPA) would be having its Southern California coastal meeting at the end of October 2023. Ms. Baker said those emails would be shared internally and staff would work on distributing information to the Commission. She also said Mr. Jones is President of the ASBPA.

C. LIFEGUARD DIVISION OVERVIEW

Chief Boiteux and Assistant Chief Uehara presented a video overview of the Los Angeles County Lifeguard Division. The presentation highlighted recruitment, training, rescue operations, youth programs, Junior Lifeguards, and marine technical search teams. Assistant Chief Uehara talked about increased community outreach, Access to Water Activities Readiness Education (A.W.A.R.E.), 2023 recruitment efforts and the 2024 recruitment plan. He noted the average enrollment for Junior Lifeguards in 2023 was about 4,000 kids, and no one was denied a scholarship that qualified. He also said the Women's Lifeguard Prep Academy enrollment continues to grow, showing 143% growth from 2022 to 2023.

Commissioner Bustamante asked for information on signing up for, or to be involved with the Junior Lifeguard Program. Assistant Chief Uehara said the website, as well as social media, would have that information starting in January 2024.

Vice Chair Nagami said it seemed like some communities are disadvantaged by distance and being underserved. He asked if transportation funding exists as part of the Junior Lifeguard scholarships. Assistant Chief Uehara said most of the underserved communities are provided with transportation, and they are looking to expand the areas served.

Commissioner Musa asked if demographic information about racial recruitment and matriculation was available regarding prep programs or full-time employment. Assistant Chief Uehara said they have some of the demographics but are still working to gather data.

Vice Chair Nagami offered his help with recruitment and thanked Assistant Chief Uehara for the great presentation.

D. MARINA DEL REY HARBOR DREDGING

Mr. Ontiveros provided some history about Marina del Rey, and noted the Marina was a

federally project built and is the largest man-made recreational harbor in the Western Hemisphere, having the largest public boat launch ramp and only 24-hour facility of its kind in the region. He noted the Boat Launch Ramp parking lot is identified as a location for mobilization in the event of a disaster emergency response. Marina dredging happens on an as-needed basis to keep the navigation channel open. The Army Corps of Engineers last performed dredging in 2016, but due to the pandemic, sediment removal was delayed. Because of storms, extreme amounts of sand have accumulated, which restricts about half of the north entrance, impeding the flow of boats to the harbor. The project will remove sediment from the Marina and move it to Dockweiler Beach, just north of Imperial Highway. Dredging is scheduled to begin in December 2023 and will be completed in May 2024. He said the placement of sediment materials will help with coastal erosion and making the beach more resilient.

Commissioner Dagit asked when the coastal resiliency study would be available, and if it would be shared with the Beach Commission. Mr. Ontiveros said the final report is expected late December 2023 and the information would be shared or presented to the Commission.

E. NOMINATIONS OF 2024 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Ms. Baker said a nominating committee would be convened to select a new Chair and Vice Chair of the Beach Commission for 2024. She explained that typically, the Vice Chair would ascend to the Chair, and because there is a rotation among coastal districts, a Vice Chair candidate would be selected from the Third Supervisorial District. She said an email would be sent out to ask for participants in the nomination committee and that it could be made up of a maximum of five people.

5. STAFF REPORTS

A. ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT

Ms. Baker said the Board of Supervisors approved the Manhattan Beach Parking Infiltration Project that the Commission had recommended. Related to tropical storm Hilary, the Department, and the Department of Public works (DPW), was asked to report back within 90 days to the Board on the experiences regarding the amount of debris and discharge from storm drains and other water channels that ended up back on the beaches. She explained the Department, along with DPW, is responding on protocols for cleaning the beaches, and the first draft of the report had been submitted to the Board. She noted the Office of Emergency Management had also been asked to respond on working with municipalities to alert them to storm events.

Commissioner Raymond asked for information regarding the Gladstones restaurant. She also asked if the Department was involved with the bridge project between George Wolfberg Park and the parking lot at Will Rogers State Beach. Ms. Baker said the

restaurant remains open and will continue to operate with an interim operating agreement. Mr. Ontiveros said he believed the bridge is a City of Los Angeles project and would not have an impact on the parking lot. Ms. Baker said the Department would investigate the project for any impact on parking.

B. BEACH SPECIAL EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Chair Furey requested the report to be noted as submitted.

C. BEACH PROJECTS REPORT

Mr. Foreman requested Commissioners review the report for details on updates to completed projects and timelines for the beginning of new ones. He provided an update on the Blue Flag program, congratulating the hard work of the Department's Planning Division, which led the project. He said the water quality testing passed the American Shore and Beach Preservation inspection in June 2023, and the flag had never been temporarily drawn due to non-compliance. September 30, 2023 was the last day of the program for the Department, and the flag was removed from its location at Zuma Beach. The Department is planning to reapply for Blue Flag status next year and possibly add a location in Redondo Beach.

Mr. Foreman also noted the transfer of ownership of the lifeguard towers back to the LA County Fire Department's Lifeguards. He also said that starting November 6, 2023, the winter berms would be built up along the beaches.

D. LIFEGUARD REPORT

Chief Lifeguard Boiteux noted the report as presented earlier in the meeting.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Nagami said a member of the public reported a misleading beach access sign near the Lechuza Beach Access Point. Mr. Ontiveros asked for the photo of the sign and said he would forward it to the proper city officials and Coastal Commission. Vice Chair Nagami said it would be great to invite Mr. Liban back to a future meeting to recognize his long service with the Beach Commission.

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from public.

8. ADJOURNMENT / NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Chair Furey asked for a motion to adjourn and said the next Beach Commission meeting would be held January 24, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Weideman so moved; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Dagit. There were no objections.

Chair Furey adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Donalyn Anderson
Commission Secretary



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January 24, 2024

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *afm*
Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT: ITEM 4B – COASTAL RESILIENCY PLAN

Staff will present on the Department of Beaches and Harbors' Coastal Resiliency Study Final Report.

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Gary Jones*

SUBJECT: ITEM 4C – WHITE POINT PARK PROJECT

Department of Beaches and Harbors staff and the design consultant (Placeworks) will present on the White Point Park General Improvements Project - Conceptual Design.

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: Gary Jones, Director 
SUBJECT: **ITEM 4D – CONCESSION LICENSE AGREEMENTS – COUNTY OWNED AND OPERATED BEACHES**

Staff will present on the Department of Beaches and Harbors' concession license agreements.

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT: ITEM 4E – WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE

Division Chief Catrina Love and Senior Marketing Analyst Monica-Sarah Roldan will present on the Department's efforts to support the Los Angeles County Women and Girls Initiative.

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: 
Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT: **ITEM 5A - ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT**

BOARD ACTIONS ON ITEMS RELATING TO BEACHES

On November 7, 2023, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) waived the \$250 beach use permit fee, the \$3,442.50 gross receipts fee, which is 75% of the estimated gross receipts, and \$45 in parking fees for five volunteers to set up the event on Saturday, November 11, 2023, and up to \$900 for up to 100 volunteers on Sunday, November 12, 2023, at Dockweiler State Beach, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Heroes of Hope Race for Brain Tumor Research event, held on November 12, 2023.

Also on November 7, 2023, the Board instructed the Director of Beaches and Harbors, with the assistance of the Chief Sustainability Officer and the Director of Public Works, to report back to the Board in writing within 90 days with an outreach and fundraising strategy for the implementation of the Coastal Resiliency Strategy based on deploying living shorelines at County beaches, with the funding strategy to identify Federal, State, and foundation funding targets, and a proposed coalition of partners, including coastal cities, tribes, non-profits, academic institutions, and potential technical and regulatory experts that can participate in regular convenings; and take the following actions:

Instructed the Director of Public Works, acting as the Chief Engineer of the County Flood Control District, with the assistance of the Chief



Sustainability Officer, to report back to the Board in writing in 120 days with a strategy for the beneficial reuse of sediment, including environmental and transportation considerations (including consideration of natural sediment transport), and including fiscal impacts and funding opportunities, that could be used to address coastal erosion and other potential uses of sediment;

Instructed the Director of Beaches and Harbors, with the assistance of the Chief Sustainability Officer, to report back to the Board in writing in 120 days with a strategy for beneficial reuse of dredged marina and ocean sediment and of the feasibility, permitting requirements, and other considerations for reusing sediment - regardless of source - on beaches and for Departmental uses; and

Instructed the Directors of Beaches and Harbors and Public Works, acting as the Chief Engineer of the County Flood Control District, to separately report back to the Board in writing within 120 days on any staffing or other resources needed to implement these strategies.

Also on November 7, 2023, the Board approved the proposed Aubrey Austin Park Rehabilitation Project, Capital Project, No. 89222 (Project), located at 4500 Via Marina in Marina del Rey (2), with a total Project budget of \$1,500,000;

Approved an appropriation adjustment to transfer \$973,000 from the Services and Supplies Marina Replacement Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund to the Project, to fully fund the Project;

Authorized the Director of Public Works to deliver the proposed Project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract;

Authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to waive the right-of-entry permit fees for the proposed Project; and

Found that the proposed Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

Also on November 7, 2023, the Board retroactively waived parking fees, in an amount not to exceed \$22,450, for 25 vehicles at the Rose Avenue parking lot located at 300 Ocean Front Walk, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Departments of Mental Health and Health Services, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, Venice Community Clinics, and St. Joseph's Center staff parking for the Venice Ocean Front Walk Homeless Outreach Pilot Program, to be held Monday through Friday from October 16, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

On November 21, 2023, the Board waived the \$9,330 in parking fees for 30 vehicles at Torrance Beach, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for students and teachers attending surf classes sponsored by South Torrance High School, to be held Monday through Friday from November 21, 2023, through June 14, 2024.

Also on November 21, 2023, the Board approved the proposed Dockweiler RV Park Parking Lot Renovation Project, with a total budget of \$2,509,000;

Approved an appropriation adjustment to transfer \$2,509,000 in Departmental savings from the Department of Beaches and Harbors Salaries and Employee Benefits budget to the Project;

Authorized the Director of Internal Services to deliver the Project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract; and

Found that the proposed Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

On December 5, 2023, the Board waived an estimated \$1,802 in parking fees at the Zuma Beach parking lot, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for The People Concern outreach team, Monday through Friday, from November 13, 2023, through November 13, 2024.

Also on December 5, 2023, the Board waived \$1,166.25 in visitors boat dock fees, \$397.50 in community building fees, and \$160 in parking fees for 20 vehicles at Lot 4 in Marina del Rey, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the 61st Annual Holiday Boat Parade, held December 9, 2023.

Also on December 5, 2023, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 2023-0056 entitled, "An ordinance amending Title 17 - Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas of the Los Angeles County Code, with changes to Section 17.04.260, to authorize enforcement officials to remove and exclude individuals from County parks who fail to comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations. This ordinance establishes set periods, starting with 30 days, for which an individual will be excluded, as well as an appeal process and a database to keep track of exclusion orders." This ordinance took effect on January 4, 2024.

Also on December 5, 2023, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 2023-0057 entitled, "An ordinance amending Los Angeles County Code, Title 17 - Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas, by adding Section 17.04.455, to establish permit requirements for events and activities." This ordinance took effect on January 4, 2024.

On December 19, 2023, the Board approved the revised total project budget of \$535,000, an increase of \$187,000 from the previously Board-approved budget of \$348,000, for the

Marina Del Rey Boat Launch Restroom Renovation Project, to fully fund the scope of work;

Approved an appropriation adjustment to transfer \$187,000 from the Marina Replacement Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund Services and Supplies budget to the Project; and

Found that the recommended actions are within the scope of the Board's previous exemption finding from the California Environmental Quality Act for the Project.

Also on December 19, 2023, the Board authorized the Director of Internal Services, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to solicit and proceed with the acquisition of two additional refuse trucks and two replacement dump trucks to perform beach maintenance, at a total estimated amount of \$2,750,000; and

Found that the proposed action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.

On January 9, 2024, the Board, acting as the Governing Body of the County Flood Control District, approved the Boone Olive Pump Station Upgrade Project (Project) in the City of Los Angeles and adopted the plans and specifications at an estimated construction contract amount between \$4,500,000 and \$6,750,000;

Advertised for bids to be received before 11:00 a.m. on February 27, 2024;

Found pursuant to State Public Contract Code, Section 3400 (c) (2), that it is necessary to specify designated items by specific brand name in order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion;

Instructed the Director of Beaches and Harbors to waive parking fees in an estimated amount of \$30,000 for 24 vehicles at Parking Lots 7 or 8 in the unincorporated community of Marina del Rey, for the Project, to allow for staging of construction equipment for the duration of construction;

Found that the proposed Project and related actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; and

Authorized the Chief Engineer of the County Flood Control District to take the following actions:

Determine whether the bid of the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid is, in fact, responsive and, if not

responsive, determine which apparent responsible contractor submitted the lowest responsive bid;

Award and execute a construction contract for the Project with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range or that exceeds the estimated cost range by no more than 15%, if additional funds have been identified; and

Extend the date and time for the receipt of bids, allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders, execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works, accept the Project upon its final completion, and release retention money withheld.



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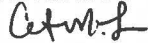
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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: 
Gary Jones, Director
SUBJECT: **ITEM 5B – BEACH AND MARINA DEL REY SPECIAL EVENTS**

BEACH EVENTS

DOCKWEILER YOUTH CENTER ZUMBA CLASS

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista Del Mar ♦ Playa Del Rey
Tuesdays
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

Get cardio-fit at the beach while moving to the rhythms of Latin-inspired dance and music! Come join the Department of Beaches and Harbors' (Department) Zumba class at the Dockweiler Youth Center. Each class is limited to 15 people. Pre-registration for each class is required by emailing dyc@bh.lacounty.gov

For more information: Call (310) 726-4128 or email beaches.lacounty.gov

DOCKWEILER YOUTH CENTER YOGA CLASS

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista Del Mar ♦ Playa Del Rey
Fridays
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE



Visit the Dockweiler Youth Center for a yoga session at the beach to connect with nature and community. Classes are offered to all, regardless of age or ability. Children should be able to follow along or sit quietly with a parent or guardian. Participants must bring their own mat and water bottle.

For more information: Call (310) 726-4128 or visit beaches.lacounty.gov

NOTHIN' BUT SAND BEACH CLEANUP

Zuma Beach Tower 2 ♦ 3000 Zuma Access Road, Malibu
January 20, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Help keep the oceans clean and safe from harmful trash at this monthly beach cleanup. Volunteers ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers under 18 years old must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian. Bags and gloves will be provided. However, you can help make Nothin' But Sand a zero-waste event by bringing your own buckets, garden gloves, and water.

Cleanups are held on the third Saturday of each month. Heal the Bay will provide registered participants with the cleanup location on or before the 1st of every month via email confirmation.

For more information and to register: Visit healthebay.org

VENICE OCEANARIUM GRUNION PARTY

Venice Breakwater ♦ Venice Beach
Friday, April 26, 2024, 10:45 p.m.

The Venice Oceanarium is sponsoring a free Grunion Party! An information booth will be on the beach at the Breakwater to answer questions, and will display and hatch grunion eggs, which will be released into the ocean.

For more information: Visit veniceoceanarium.org

MARINA DEL REY EVENTS

BURTON CHACE PARK WALKING CLUB

Burton Chace Park ♦ Lobby ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey

Tuesdays and Thursdays
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Cost: FREE

Looking for a new way to exercise? The Department offers a weekly walking group to help you get moving to increase your heart rate and daily step count while taking in beautiful views of the Marina del Rey harbor. Registration is required by emailing chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

DRAWING & PAINTING CLASS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Wednesdays
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

The Department offers a free drawing and watercolor art class for beginners (ages 14 years and older). Classes are limited to 15 people and supplies are provided. Pre-registration for each class is required by emailing chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

BURTON CHACE PARK ZUMBA CLASS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Thursdays
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

Ditch your boring workout and join the Department's free outdoor Zumba class at Burton Chace Park to get cardio-fit while moving to the rhythms of Latin-inspired dance and music! Each class is limited to 15 people. Pre-registration is required for each class by emailing chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

MARINA DEL REY FARMERS' MARKET

Lot #11 ♦ 14101 Panay Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Saturdays
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Each Saturday, the Department and Southland Farmers' Market Association present the Marina del Rey Farmers' Market, offering fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies (organic and conventional). Also, enjoy delicious prepared and prepackaged foods, and shop for artisanal crafts from local small vendors. Paid parking is available for 50 cents for every 15 minutes.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7900 or visit marinadelrey.lacounty.gov

COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC and FLU SHOT CLINIC

Burton Chace Park Community Room ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Cost: FREE

This COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic is open to everyone 6 months and older, regardless of insurance or immigration status. Flu shots are also available at this clinic. Minors must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Make an appointment at bit.ly/dbhvaccine. Walk-ups are welcome!

Vaccines available:

- COVID-19 vaccine
- Updated Moderna COVID Vaccine
- Flu Shots

For more information: Email cms@bh.lacounty.gov.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND E-WASTE ROUNDUP

Dock 52 Parking Lot ♦ 13483 Fiji Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Saturday, February 17, 2024
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles are sponsoring the annual Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic-Waste Roundup collection event for the proper disposal of environmentally harmful household substances and electronic waste.

For more information: Call Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County at (800) 238-0173 or visit LACSD.org/HHW

MARINA DEL REY DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Saturday, March 2, 2024
7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Join the Los Angeles County Dragon Boat Club, in collaboration with the Department, for the Marina del Rey Dragon Boat Festival at Burton Chace Park! This free event will feature local and out-of-state dragon boat teams and clubs competing to be the fastest boat on the water. Paddlers between the ages of 12 – 80 years old will compete. Spectators are encouraged to cheer and watch the races from Burton Chace Park.

For more information: Visit losangelescountdragonboatfestival.com

LOS ANGELES COUNTY BLOOD DRIVE

Burton Chace Park Community Room ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Thursday, March 14, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Take part in this lifesaving blood drive hosted by the Department. Please remember to eat well and increase your fluid intake a couple of days before and on the day of your donation appointment. A photo ID is required.

To schedule your donation, visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: LACBH or contact Naomi Guzman at nguzman@bh.lacounty.gov.

For more information: Call (800) RED-CROSS

W.A.T.E.R. PROGRAM SPRING SAILING CLASSES

Boathouse - Burton Chace Park ♦ 13640 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey

Los Angeles County Lifeguards will instruct the Department's sailing courses that teach students basic sailing knowledge and terms, boat maintenance and rigging, knot tying, tacking, docking and instruction to ocean sailing. Students will learn to sail on 14-foot Capri sailboats (with main sail and jib) and Laser sailboats. In the final days of the session, students may get experience on Catalina 275 Sport.

Financial aid is available for qualified families. Please call for details.

2024 SPRING SESSION:

Dates: March 26 – 29 (4-day session)

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Ages: 11 – 17 years old
Class Size: 6 – 10 students with 3 Lifeguard instructors
Level: Beginning

Fee: \$300

*NOTE: Applicants must successfully complete a 100-yard swim test in 2 minutes and 20 seconds to be eligible.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7888 or visit marinadelrey.lacounty.gov

SUNSET SERIES REGATTAS

Marina del Rey
Wednesdays, April 17 - September 4, 2024
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Spectators can watch boats race from restaurants along the Marina del Rey harbor on Wednesday evenings between 6:00 p.m. (sailboats leaving the harbor) and 8:00 p.m. (race finishes at California Yacht Club).

For more information: Visit calyachtclub.com/regattas

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January 24, 2024

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Gary Jones*
Gary Jones, Director
SUBJECT: **ITEM 5C – BEACH PROJECTS REPORT**

Item 5C on your agenda provides the Commission with a summary of the Department's beach projects that exceed \$50,000 and are being planned, designed, or under construction.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3

- Zuma Beach – Renovate restrooms (#2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7 and #8) – estimated cost \$9,689,000, (#3, #4 & #6 completed).
- Zuma Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment (completed).
- Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment for fleet vehicles.
- Point Dume Whale Watching Area – Refurbishment of accessway and outlook.
- Topanga Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Will Rogers Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Venice Beach – Maintenance yard renovation (\$1,846,000) and Lifeguard Headquarters. demolition (\$1,000,000) – total estimated cost \$2,846,000.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2

- Marina Del Rey Marina – USACE maintenance dredging – estimated cost \$8,500,000.
- Dockweiler Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Dockweiler RV Park – Annual RV parking lot maintenance – estimated cost \$2,510,000.
- Redondo Beach – Replace Avenue A access ramp – estimated cost \$6,800,000.
- Redondo Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4

- Torrance Beach – Beach concession rehabilitation – estimated cost \$963,000.
- Torrance Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- White Point Park – Refurbishment of existing park – estimated cost \$4,000,000.



SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3

Zuma Beach Restrooms Renovation (#2, #4, #5, #6, #7, and #8) – \$9,689,000

The project includes deferred maintenance structural repair, building accessibility improvements, replacing plumbing, electrical, and new exterior and interior finishes.

Status: Construction started on restroom #7 in September 2023 with restroom #5 and #8 to follow. Project completion is anticipated by December 2024. The Department of Beaches and Harbors (DBH) completed addressing the septic tank maintenance repairs. Restrooms #3, #4 and #6 are completed.

Zuma Beach Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Project

The County's Internal Services Department (ISD) is leading the initiative for purchasing, installing, and commissioning EVSE and related infrastructure throughout the County. ISD is also participating in the Southern California Edison (SCE) Charge Ready 2 Program, which is designed to deploy the infrastructure needed to serve qualified charging stations at various County locations. This project includes installation of EVSE for 20 vehicles within Zuma Beach Lot #5, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready 2 Program funding.

Status: Completed and operational.

Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for six fleet vehicles within the Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready Transport Program funding. Under the SCE Charge Ready Transport Program, SCE designs, constructs, and installs the necessary infrastructure on both the utility-side and customer-side of the electric meter.

Status: The project is in the design phase and utility company coordination phase.

Point Dume Whale Watching Area

The project includes refurbishing the existing whale watching area with improvements to the access trail and outlook area. Scope of work includes improvements to access steps, fencing, and handrails. The project will incorporate benches, interpretive signs, and observation binoculars.

Status: Coordinating with consultant on design proposal and deliverables.

Topanga Beach EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for twenty-two vehicles within the existing parking lot, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready 2 Program funding.

Status: SCE provided final designs for the project, and SCE is moving forward with obtaining the required permits for the project.

Will Rogers Maintenance Yard Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for four fleet vehicles within the Will Rogers Maintenance Yard, utilizing funds provided by ISD through the County's Energy Efficiency Projects Master Agreement budget.

Status: The project is in the design phase and utility company coordination phase.

Venice Beach Maintenance Yard Renovation and Lifeguard Headquarters Demolition– \$2,846,000

The project includes the demolition of the existing lifeguard tower, roof repairs, and general improvements to the maintenance yard. The removal of the tower and subsequent improvements to the maintenance yard will be done in two phases. Phase I will remove the tower and repair the roof structure, with an estimated cost of \$1,000,000. Phase II will include refurbishing the maintenance building and yard, with an estimated cost of \$1,846,000.

Status: Plans for Phase I were approved by Building and Safety in August 2020. The Coastal Development Permit waiver was cleared at the Coastal Commission's public meeting on July 14, 2022. The Venice Neighborhood Council and local residences recently voiced concerns with the demolition of the facility's upper level. The DBH has engaged a consultant firm to perform an updated assessment of the Lifeguard Tower to determine its condition. Anticipate assessment completion by May 2024.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2

Marina del Rey Marina, USACE Maintenance Dredging – \$8,500,000

Marina del Rey main channel dredging will address sediment that has accumulated in the harbor entrance and main channel. Maintenance dredging was last conducted in 2012. In addition to over a decade of accumulated sediment, the recent storm seasons, king tides, and huge surf have caused extreme shoaling of sediment at the harbor entrance and main channel.

Status: USACE started project on January 2, 2024, and is anticipated to be complete by April 2024.

Dockweiler Maintenance Yard Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for four fleet vehicles within the Dockweiler Maintenance Yard, utilizing funding provided by ISD through the County's Energy Efficiency Projects Master Agreement budget.

Status: The project is in the design phase and utility company coordination phase.

Dockweiler RV Parking Lot Annual Maintenance– \$2,510,000

The project includes a 4" asphalt grind of the existing RV parking lot and a new 4" asphalt overlay with new parking lot striping.

Status: Currently in construction, completion anticipated by end of January 2024.

Redondo Beach Avenue 'A' Access Ramp – \$6,800,000

The project consists of designing, permitting, and construction of an ADA-accessible replacement pedestrian access ramp to Redondo Beach from Esplanade at Avenue A.

Status: The existing ramp was closed in November 2021 after the County's consultant engineer concluded that the ramp was in deteriorating condition. DBH is engaging an Environmental Consulting firm to prepare an initial study for the project. Projected construction anticipated to start early 2025.

Redondo Beach Warehouse Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for six fleet vehicles within the Redondo Beach Warehouse parking lot, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready Transport Program funding.

Status: The project is in the design phase and utility company coordination phase.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4**Torrance Beach Concession Building Rehabilitation – \$963,000**

The project includes general rehabilitation of the existing building by replacing flat roofing; repairing and replacing roof rafter hangers at four corners of hip roof and repairing broken clay tile pieces; HVAC and exhaust equipment replacement; patching stucco at rear of building; and repainting the patch stucco to match exterior.

Status: ISD has received permitted construction plans and is working with a Job Order Contractor (JOC) on a final proposal. ISD's construction start date is anticipated for March 2024.

Torrance Beach Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment

The project includes installation of EVSE for 50 vehicles within the existing parking lot, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready 2 Program funding.

Status: SCE provided final designs for the project, and SCE is moving forward with obtaining the required permits for the project.

White Point Park Improvement Project - \$4,000,000

The site improvement project will upgrade the irrigation system, existing landscaping, entry park monument sign, children's play area, and picnic and seating areas. Provide new fitness equipment, an ocean overlook, interpretive signage, shade element, improvements to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

Status: An as-needed consultant is developing two preliminary alternative concepts for the park improvements for consideration.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION ATTENDANCE REPORT 2023

Commissioner/ Appointed by	Jan	April	July	Oct	Total Meetings Attended 2023
Bartlett/Hahn	X	**	**	**	1
Bustamante/Barger	X	X	X	X	4
Dagit/Kuehl	X	X	X	X	4
Furey/Hahn	X	X	X	X	4
Liban/Kuehl	X	X	X	***	3
Mooney D'Arcy, Angela/Mitchell	X	X	X		3
Musa, Sharon/Mitchell	X			X	2
Nagami, Damon K./Mitchell	X	X	X	X	4
Raymond/Kuehl	X	X		X	3
Ross, Shannon/Hahn	n/a	n/a	X	X	2
Saito/Solis	X		X	X	3
Weideman/Hahn	X	X	X	X	4
Glickfeld/Horvath	n/a	n/a	n/a		0

INACTIVE MEMBERS (Missed three or more meetings in a row)

No regularly scheduled meetings in February, March, May, June, August, September, November and December

X=Present ☐=Absent ☐= Absent due to Expired Term * = No meeting ** = Resigned this year ***=Board Removal