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April 24, 2024

TO: Beach Commission  
*Cathy M. Stone for*  
FROM: Gary Jones, Director  
SUBJECT: **BEACH COMMISSION AGENDA – April 24, 2024**

The agenda for the April 24, 2024, in-person Commission meeting—which will also be livestreamed virtually (audio only)—is attached. Also attached are the meeting minutes from January 24, 2024, and February 22, 2024, reports pertaining to Agenda Items 3B, 3C, 4A, 5A, 5B, 5C, and the Beach Commission Attendance Reports.

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

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# County of Los Angeles Beach Commission



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## AGENDA

REGULAR Meeting of the Beach Commission

April 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**

January 24, 2024

February 22, 2024

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

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| A. Election and Installation of Vice Chair          | (ACTION) |
| B. Coastal Resiliency Update and Advocacy Letter    | (ACTION) |
| C. <i>Can The Trash!</i> Clean Beach Poster Contest | (UPDATE) |
| D. D.E.I. Workgroup                                 | (UPDATE) |

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

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| A. Marine Mammal Care Center | (PRESENTATION) |
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*Damon K. Nagami, Chair*

*Michael Bustamante  
Rosi Dagit  
Teresa Furey  
Madelyn Glickfeld*

*Judith Meister  
Angela Mooney D'Arcy  
Sharon Musa*

*Shannon Ross  
Bruce Saito  
Kurt Weideman*

**5. STAFF REPORTS**

- 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**

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

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4701 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Burton Chace Park – Community Room  
13650 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2024, MEETING**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Teresa Furey, Chair  
Damon K. Nagami, Vice Chair  
Rosi Dagit  
Madelyn Glickfeld  
Judith Meister  
Angela Mooney D'Arcy  
Shannon Ross  
Bruce Saito  
Kurt Weideman

**ABSENCES**

Michael Bustamante  
Sharon Musa

**STAFF PRESENT**

Gary Jones, Director, Beaches and Harbors  
Carol Baker, Deputy Director, Community and Operational Services  
Catrina Love, Division Chief, Community and Marketing Services Division  
Ken Foreman, Division Chief, Operational Services Division  
Warren Ontiveros, Division Chief, Planning Division  
Chantal Alatorre, Departmental Facilities Planner II  
Kate Ricci, Coastal Resiliency Planner, Planning Division  
Arnulfo Delgado, Real Property Agent, Asset Management Division  
Monica-Sarah Roldan, Sr. Marketing Analyst, Community and Marketing Services Division  
Sevanna Hartonians, Deputy County Counsel  
Fernando Boiteux, Chief Lifeguard, Los Angeles County Fire Department

**MEETING LOCATION**

Burton Chace Park Community Room

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

Chair Teresa Furey called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. At Chair Furey's request, Vice Chair Damon Nagami read the Land Acknowledgement. Chair Furey led Commissioners in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Furey requested a motion to approve the October 25, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Kurt Weideman so moved; Commissioner Rosi Dagit seconded the motion.

**Ayes: 9. Chair Teresa Furey, Vice Chair Damon Nagami, Commissioners Rosi Dagit, Madelyn Glickfeld, Judith Meister, Angela Mooney D'Arcy, Shannon Ross, Bruce Saito, Kurt Weideman**

The minutes were approved.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. INSTALLATION OF NEW CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Commissioner Weideman moved to nominate Commissioner Damon Nagami to be Chair of the Beach Commission. He also moved that the Vice Chair nomination be deferred to the April 24, 2024, Beach Commission meeting. Commissioner Shannon Ross seconded the motion.

**Ayes: 9. Chair Furey, Vice Chair Nagami, Commissioners Dagit, Glickfeld, Meister, Mooney D'Arcy, Ross, Saito, Weideman**

The motion carried.

Chair Nagami thanked everyone for having faith in him and said he is looking forward to the next year. He also expressed his gratitude to Commissioner Furey for leading the Beach Commission the past year.

Chair Nagami welcomed new Commissioners from Supervisorial District Three: Madelyn Glickfeld and Judith Meister. Both said they were excited to be working with everyone on the Commission.

Chair Nagami recognized the contributions of outgoing Commissioner Anthea Raymond.

#### **B. COASTAL RESILIENCY PLAN**

Chair Nagami introduced Department of Beaches and Harbors Planning Division Chief Warren Ontiveros, who said the Department completed the final report for its Coastal Resiliency Plan. Mr. Ontiveros introduced Ms. Chantal Alatorre to present.

Ms. Alatorre said with the Department implemented the study because it wanted to look at how to preserve existing conditions and remove access barriers to coastal resources

and recreational opportunities. The study's goals were to assess vulnerability to existing coastal hazards and sea level rise, identify pilot projects through an equity lens, and increase resilience of the most vulnerable beaches. The study looked at existing conditions, future conditions, amenities and resources, and use. After compiling the data, the Department identified the three most pressing sites: Zuma and Point Dume, Redondo, and Dockweiler beaches. Ms. Alatorre shared the steps needed to restore these beaches and spoke about project benefits.

Commissioner Weideman asked about project funding. Mr. Ontiveros said the Department will submit a report to the Board of Supervisors that explains different funding opportunities and strategies to pursue that funding. Mr. Ontiveros said it will likely require a combination of local, state, and federal funds.

Commissioner Dagit asked if the Department is connecting with The Bay Foundation on the projects. Mr. Ontiveros said the Department intends to partner with The Bay Foundation, which is actively looking for funding to expand the work at Dockweiler Beach.

Commissioner Glickfeld said the Governor of California had recently cut coastal mitigation funds to about \$66 million, of which the Department wants half. She urged the Department to work with the Board to lobby the state legislature against the cuts. She also expressed concerns about the proposed dune habitats not working as well as sea walls and revetments.

Chair Nagami asked if a follow-up meeting regarding the rejected federal funding proposal for coastal resiliency discussed at the last Commission meeting had happened.

Director Gary Jones said such a meeting had not yet occurred. He said the Department had requested a meeting but was informed the priority was to meet with applicants who were selected. Mr. Jones said the Commission will be informed when the meeting occurs. Additionally, he said the Department has identified key elements as to why the proposal was not successful, as well as funding sources to pursue.

Commissioner Dagit asked about the 90-day report the Board previously requested on coastal resiliency. Mr. Jones said the 90-day report had been drafted, and he noted that the Board's direction involves the Department of Beaches and Harbors, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, and the County's Chief Sustainability Officer.

Mr. Ontiveros explained the 90-day report discusses outreach to stakeholders and potential partners, and funding strategy to articulate specific grant opportunities. The 120-day report will provide details on potential beneficial use of sediment that might come from upland sources as well as dredged marina or ocean sediment, including the permitting pathways for obtaining the sediment and placing it on the beaches. Additionally, the 120-day report will define necessary resources for projects.

Mr. Jones said that the Department has clear direction from the Board and noted that adaptive strategies require creative thinking and collaboration. He said the Department

will be clear in responding to the Board, securing funding sources, and implementing projects as soon as possible.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked if it would be appropriate to urge the Board to find funding for the projects. County Counsel Sevanna Hartonians said if it would be appropriate, the matter should be added to the agenda of the next Beach Commission meeting.

Commissioner Bruce Saito recommended looking into the climate water bond proposed in the California Legislature. If it is passed in June for the November general election ballot, it would go a long way toward addressing the issues. He said he hopes to have a presentation by the bond initiative team by early summer.

Commissioner Dagit said individual Commissioners may contact their own District's Supervisor instead of waiting to send a Commission-sponsored letter to the Board in April.

Chair Nagami asked about funding from the Coastal Conservancy. Mr. Ontiveros said he will follow up as the money may no longer be available.

Commissioner Judith Meister asked if there was a statewide effort regarding coastal resiliency. Mr. Ontiveros said there is no organized statewide effort, however, Los Angeles County is looking to form alliances to help advocate for southern California in Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

### C. WHITE POINT PARK PROJECT

Mr. Ontiveros introduced Coastal Resiliency Planner Kate Ricci from the Department's Planning Division and Ms. Jessie Jones, a planning and environmental services consultant to the Department.

Ms. Ricci provided an overview of White Point Park, its history, and the proposed \$3.5 million renovation. Her presentation detailed two conceptual designs for the park—one with a focus on coastal bluff ecology and the other an active shoreline concept. She discussed design proposals and timeline, noting bidding would start March 2025.

Commissioner Shannon Ross said she visits the park weekly with her granddaughter and would like to see the gated play area remain because it is a nice, safe place for children.

Commissioner Dagit encouraged the use of native plant species and consulting with Indigenous tribes to incorporate culturally important plants.

Commissioner Angela Mooney D'Arcy asked if any memoranda of understanding regarding interpretive signage and plant species would involve the tribes creating or approving the signage about Indigenous tribes, and whether the tribes would have final approval over the species of plants used. Ms. Jones said the tribes, who will be an important part of the process, would be consulted on both subjects.

Commissioner Meister asked if the playground designs are universally accessible. Ms. Jones said there are requirements for playgrounds overall to be accessible, but individual pieces of equipment may not be. If it's a priority of the community to make the entire playground accessible, it would be possible.

Commissioner Ross asked if the parking lot was going to be changed. Ms. Ricci said the lot was upgraded a few years ago and to stay within the budget, there were no plans to change the parking lot. Ms. Jones said parking lot changes might be considered for the next phase of planning.

Commissioner Meister asked if it would be possible to have a beach shuttle to help with parking issues. She also said the Palos Verdes Peninsula is known for landslides and asked if a coastal geologist had looked at the plans. Ms. Jones said the project does not require such studies.

Commissioner Ross suggested a field trip to White Point Park so Commissioners could better understand the project site.

A Commissioner suggested it would be helpful to attend the San Pedro Neighborhood Council meeting. Ms. Baker said information would be provided to the Commission.

#### D. CONCESSION LICENSE AGREEMENTS – COUNTY OWNED AND OPERATED BEACHES

Mr. Arnulfo Delgado provided an overview on the concession license agreements for beaches owned and/or operated by the County. He noted the Department was in the final year of license terms for all existing concession licenses, which expire March 30, 2024. He provided the new lease term details, along with the types of concessions, activities associated with them, and their locations. He described the bidding requirements and rent proposals for vendors, and the extensive advertising and outreach for the process.

Mr. Delgado said the Department received 32 bids. He said a special Commission meeting will be scheduled for February or March to request the Commission's endorsement of the recommendations of the selected concessionaires before the Board reviews the agreements in March. If approved, the new licenses would be effective May 1, 2024.

Commissioner Dagit asked how many bids were from existing concessionaires and whether existing concessionaires were allowed to renew. Mr. Delgado said all existing concessionaires submitted bids.

Commissioner Meister asked if any of the beaches operated by the Department are owned by the State of California and whether the State would need to conduct a review. Mr. Delgado said the State is not involved in the approval process for these concessions.

Chair Nagami asked if the Department participated in an equitable contracting effort aligning with the County's Anti-Racism, Diversity and Inclusion (ARDI) Initiative. Mr. Delgado said the outreach efforts and publication was based on that initiative. He said he would share more information at the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Dagit said it would be helpful to see the matrix used as criteria for evaluating different concessions.

Commissioner Glickfeld recommended having rock climbing classes or educational classes about rock climbing at Point Dume Beach.

Mr. Jones said the Department will present its recommendation of the selected concessionaires to the Board, but first will ask the Commission to review and endorse the recommendation at the next meeting.

#### E. WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE

Ms. Catrina Love and Ms. Monica-Sarah Roldan presented on the Women and Girls Initiative (WGI). Ms. Love said the Board mandated that County Departments apply a gender lens to basically everything. Ms. Love explained the WGI Workgroup efforts, needs, and goals relating to gender equity.

As part of the WGI workgroup's efforts, the Department's mission statement was revised with a gender and ARDI lens. Additionally, Ms. Love said the Water Awareness Training Education and Recreation Program, which serves about 6,000 youth from diverse communities each year, has a goal to increase the participation of girls. She also said the Department aims to increase gender inclusivity on application forms used for events.

Ms. Roldan discussed the Department's demographics and strategies to make recruitment more gender inclusive. Sixty-seven percent of employees are men and 33 percent are women, with the largest disparity in the Operational Services Division (86 percent men and 14 percent women). The most balanced category was supervisors, with 37 men and 35 women.

The Department's efforts to bridge the gender gap include:

- Developing internal and external training and outreach programs;
- Working with County partners;
- Changing language in job bulletins to be gender inclusive and more appealing to women;
- Updating the Department's intranet site and delivering hard copies of information to staff without regular internet access to make information about family friendly

benefits more accessible; and

- Publishing *The Vibes* newsletter as a platform for employees to share information, support, and resources.

Commissioner Dagit asked if there were metrics to measure the success of the program. Ms. Love said such metrics exist.

## **5. STAFF REPORTS**

### **A. ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT**

Ms. Baker said the Department would be replacing some refuse trucks and other vehicles. She said repairs on vehicles have taken longer since the pandemic, which places a heavier burden on staff who must manually empty the beach trash barrels.

### **B. BEACH SPECIAL EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**

Ms. Love said the Dockweiler Youth Center is open to the public. She highlighted the winter programming at Burton Chace Park, which included Marina Lights in December 2023, the New Year's Eve Glow Party and fireworks show, and free COVID-19 vaccine and flu clinics.

### **C. BEACH PROJECTS REPORT**

Mr. Foreman introduced Assistant Division Chief Maria Romero to the Commission. He requested Commissioners review the report for details on updates to completed projects, and he provided updates on storm activity along the coastline. He noted flooding in parking lots, erosion at several locations, and stranded boats and debris on beaches; however, no Department facilities were damaged during recent storms.

Commissioner Weideman asked if the license permit fees for the Torrance Beach concessionaire will cover the \$963,000 estimate to rehabilitate the building. Mr. Delgado said funding for building rehabilitation is coming from the federal government's Community Facilities Reinvestment Program.

Commissioner Dagit asked if the Department had any difficulties resulting from Hurricane Hilary. Mr. Foreman said Hilary, which downgraded to a tropical storm by the time it reached LA's coastline, was not a problem.

Commissioner Meister asked if all the projects listed in the report were funded. Mr. Ontiveros said all projects were in stages of design, preconstruction, or construction. Even if all funding hasn't been identified, there is sufficient funding to advance the preconstruction.

#### D. LIFEGUARD REPORT

Chief Lifeguard Fernando Boiteux said the December storms were substantial and thanked Mr. Foreman's crew for their extensive work protecting the coastline and lifeguard infrastructure. Chief Boiteux said 250 lifeguards are needed for the County's coastline and 110 lifeguards are needed for the Junior Lifeguard Program during peak season, which runs from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. He added that the Fire Department provided conditional offers to 120 candidates and expects 80 to graduate as lifeguards.

#### 6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Weideman expressed his appreciation to Commissioner Furey for her leadership as Chair in 2023.

Commissioner Dagit said the draft environmental impact report for the Topanga Lagoon Restoration Project should be ready by January 29, 2024.

Chair Nagami said there was an opening in the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) workgroup.

Commissioner Meister asked if the Commission had other committees. Ms. Baker said no and explained that the DEI workgroup is an informal space where members exchange ideas before bringing them to the full Commission.

#### 7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from public.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT / NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Chair Nagami adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

The next regular Beach Commission meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Donalyn Anderson

Commission Secretary

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2024, SPECIAL MEETING**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Rosi Dagit  
Teresa Furey  
Madelyn Glickfeld  
Judith Meister  
Shannon Ross  
Kurt Weideman

**ABSENCES**

Michael Bustamante  
Angela Mooney D'Arcy  
Sharon Musa  
Damon K. Nagami, Chair  
Bruce Saito

**STAFF PRESENT**

Carol Baker, Deputy Director, Community and Operational Services  
Warren Ontiveros, Division Chief, Planning Division  
Arnulfo Delgado, Real Property Agent, Asset Management Division  
Sevanna Hartonians, Deputy County Counsel

**MEETING LOCATION**

Burton Chace Park Community Room and online via Zoom

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

Department of Beaches and Harbors Deputy Director Carol Baker called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. At Ms. Baker's request, Commissioner Rosie Dagit read the Land Acknowledgement, and Ms. Baker led Commissioners in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. SELECTION OF CHAIR PRO TEM**

Ms. Baker said the Commission would need to select a Chair Pro Tem because the Commission Chair was absent. Commissioner Kurt Weideman nominated Commissioner Teresa Furey to be Chair Pro Tem. Commissioner Rosi Dagit seconded the motion. Ms. Baker requested a motion to elect Commissioner Furey as Chair Pro Tem.

**Ayes: 6. Commissioners Rosi Dagit, Teresa Furey, Madelyn Glickfeld, Judith Meister, Shannon Ross, Kurt Weideman**

The motion carried.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **B. LETTER TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING COASTAL RESILIENCY**

Ms. Baker announced the Old Business would be taken out of order and introduced the Department's Planning Division Chief, Mr. Warren Ontiveros.

Mr. Ontiveros expressed the Department's gratitude to Supervisors Horvath and Mitchell for their leadership on coastal resiliency. He said the Department transmitted the first report to the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors regarding living shoreline projects and sediment management. The report outlines the Department's strategy for outreach and pursuing funding opportunities to implement the three demonstration projects described in the recently completed coastal resiliency study.

Commissioner Dagit recommended submitting a letter from the Commission in support of the Department's actions toward coastal resiliency. She asked who would draft the letter and what the next steps would be.

Ms. Baker said Department staff will draft the letter with input from Commissioners. She said the draft could be reviewed by the Commission at the April meeting.

Mr. Ontiveros reminded Commissioners that the Department is looking for short- and long-term funding sources. Ms. Baker said the letter could comment on the Department's capacity for undertaking the immense endeavor of making beaches more resilient.

Commissioner Dagit asked if there were any grant deadlines prior to the April Beach Commission meeting. Mr. Ontiveros said that the proposed letter of support is more suited toward State or Federal grants, which have a longer timeline.

Commissioner Judith Meister said it would be important to look at what other cities in the region are doing, such as the City of Santa Monica's efforts to expand its dune restoration project across the beach.

Ms. Baker recommended that Commissioners send opinions for the letter to her or Mr. Ontiveros, so it will be ready for review at the April Beach Commission meeting.

Commissioner Madelyn Glickfeld said she attended the Beach Ecology Forum, which was very educational. She said Cardiff State Beach has installed a rock revetment with a sand dune on top of it, which might hold better. Ms. Baker said it might be possible to have a presentation from Cardiff at a future Commission meeting.

Commissioner Dagit suggested a presentation by Beacon, which ran the H2O conference

in November 2023. Mr. Ontiveros explained H2O is the Headwaters to Ocean conference put on by the California Shore and Beach Preservation Association.

Ms. Baker said the Commissioners would be provided with the information to receive the Beach Ecology Newsletter.

#### A. CONCESSION LICENSE AGREEMENTS

Mr. Arnulfo Delgado, Real Property Agent, presented on the Concession License Agreements. He asked for the Commission's endorsement on the recommendation for the Board to consent to the proposed licenses. He said the current license term commenced May 1, 2014, and expires March 31, 2024. He described the available concessions, explained the Invitation for Bids solicitation and advertisement and outreach process, and presented the bid amounts.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked why the Venice Beach concessions were so valuable compared to the rest. Mr. Delgado said the price reflects the demand. Ms. Baker said Venice Beach is the largest tourist attraction in Los Angeles County.

Mr. Delgado compared the combined rent between the years, noting 2014 was \$446,000 and 2024, \$574,310. He also explained the bidding matrix showing the location and rank of the bidders, which included Local Small Business Enterprise qualified bids.

Commissioner Weideman asked what happens when a concessionaire does not exercise the option to extend the agreement. Mr. Delgado said the location could be opened for bids, or the Department could ask for delegated authority to ask for a sole source contract.

Commissioner Glickfeld noted the Chautauqua concession was hard to locate and asked if there was a consideration to move it. Mr. Delgado agreed that the location was challenging.

Commissioner Meister asked if some concessions could be moved to generate more income and why Venice Beach concessions weren't expanded to serve food. Mr. Delgado said extensive renovations would be required to serve food at the Venice Beach locations; such renovations may be considered in the future.

Mr. Delgado requested the Commission's endorsement. Chair Pro Tem Furey asked for a motion to endorse. Commissioner Shannon Ross so moved, and Commissioner Meister seconded the motion.

**Ayes: 6. Chair Pro Tem Furey, Commissioners Dagit, Glickfeld, Meister, Ross, Weideman**

The motion carried.

#### **4. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Dagit said she had business cards about the Topanga Lagoon Restoration Project, noting the draft environmental impact report for the project was released February 12, 2024, and would be open for comments for 60 days. She also provided dates for upcoming public meetings.

#### **5. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from public.

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT / NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION**

Chair Pro Tem Furey asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ross so moved, and Commissioner Weideman seconded the motion. Chair Pro Tem Furey adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

The next regular Beach Commission meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Donalyn Anderson  
Commission Secretary



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April 24, 2024

TO: Beach Commission  
FROM: *Catherine M. Love for*  
Gary Jones, Director

**SUBJECT: ITEM 3B – COASTAL RESILIENCY UPDATE AND ADVOCACY LETTER**

Item 3B on your Agenda pertains to a summary of the Beach Commission's questions and feedback on the Department's Coastal Resilience Study. In addition, a letter has been drafted to the Board of Supervisors on the Beach Commission's behalf. This letter supports the Department's efforts regarding coastal resiliency and advocates to pursue funding resources.

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Attachments



## **Coastal Resilience Study – Beach Commission Questions & Feedback**

### **Is LiDAR topography data from 2009 and 2016 the most up to date information?**

Yes, the LIDAR data are the most accurate and comprehensive data that exist for the region. There are no more current comprehensive County-wide data than this prior to the Coastal Resilience Study's (CRS) September 2022 start date. While beaches in 2024 are not necessarily the same as in 2016, the LIDAR data are sufficient to allow DBH to identify trends and the most vulnerable beaches during in light of dynamic coastal conditions. Updated analyses may occur over time (e.g., every 5 to 10 years) to determine whether adjustments to the beaches' vulnerability rankings are needed.

### **Table 2: Why do future physical beach conditions have such a low score? Isn't the projected beach narrowing and effects of future erosion very significant in terms of the effects on the other factors?**

Future beach conditions are based on predictions by the USGS model (CoSMoS) using 2011 beach positions as the baseline. As the 2011 beach position is somewhat outdated, and the accuracy of the model's predictions is limited, the weight of the future condition was reduced to not inappropriately bias the analyses. However, taken together the existing and potential future physical conditions make up 60% of the total vulnerability score. And resources/amenities (20%) and use (20%) are significant factors to ensure that future investments are focused on equity i.e., where meaningful public access, especially for people residing in disadvantaged communities located farther inland, will be preserved and enhanced.

**It has been about two decades since this Broad Beach problem arose. While the city formed a Geologic Hazard Abatement District to facilitate the funding of a sand replenishment project, the District has never found a source of sand that they could get approval from the Commission, the Department of Fish and Game, the sand contributing local governments and the City residents. Each entity opposes various proposed projects for different reasons. The Commission denied the request to dredge sand from the ocean and said that soil needed to come from land sources. So, in order to use upland soils for sand replenishment, DBH will need to work very hard to find locations where numerous stakeholders can agree on moving inland deposits to the beach. On the other hand, ocean dredging from the site off of Dockweiler Beach and barging the sand to the County Beaches that need them is a much easier solution, if allowed by the Coastal Commission and Department of Fish and Wildlife.**

Yes, while the County continues pursuing beneficial use of sediment from inland flood control facilities, dredging of offshore sand is typically more cost-effective and environmentally responsible and therefore the most likely method for the Zuma/Point Dume demonstration project. Recent examples of this type of work include the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) Surfside-Sunset Beach renourishment project in north Orange County, and the San Diego Regional Beach Sand Projects I and II by the San Diego Association of Governments. Approvals for such efforts in L.A. County are typically coordinated by USACE through the

Southern California Dredged Material Management Team (SC-DMMT) which includes agency representatives from the Federal (US Environmental Protection Agency, Fish and Wildlife, and Marine Fisheries Service) and State levels (Coastal Commission, Department of Fish and Wildlife, State and Regional Water Quality Control Boards). State Lands Commission involvement might also be required for the offshore site(s).

**I think that the staff and Commission need to investigate why the Broad Beach project has failed to get a source of sand, and what has been learned from it to help formulate a better solution for all three areas: Zuma, Point Dume State Beach, and Broad Beach within your project area.**

Broad Beach GHAD has informed DBH that its project was approved by the Coastal Commission based on an inland sand source. BBGHAD is also included in the list of stakeholders for the County's coastal resilience efforts. And as described above, offshore dredging and pumping of sand onto Zuma is the more likely method for our proposed demonstration project.

**The report assumes that wave conditions will be the same in the future as stated in the paragraph on the bottom of Page 11. Given the rise in sea temperatures due to sea level rise and increased storm surge, will conditions really be the same in the future?**

Yes, for the purposes of this feasibility study it can be assumed that wave conditions will be relatively the same in the future as occur they today. Future wave conditions are predicted to show a possible shift to a more southerly swell influence over time. Also, episodic storm wave events may become more severe, but they would be likely infrequent. The timing of these changes is unknown so factoring it into relative short-term actions (in the next 10 to 20 years) was determined to not be a useful consideration at this time.

**On Page 13, you clearly state that the future will be different from the past more erosion because of sea level rise and increasing temperatures. You should adjust the wording on the bottom of page 11 accordingly.**

To clarify, for California the changes in future shoreline conditions are more a function of sea level rise rather than increasing sea temperatures. The two variables are viewed independent of each other rather than related.

**Figure 8: Why is forecasted impacts so variable on the beach? In some places, the beach will be underwater. At the north end, the parking lot will be underwater, and in other places, the amount of wave encroachment is much lower.**

Results of the CoSMoS model, shown on pages 8 and 9, are variable because the model uses measured LIDAR topography from 2011 that indicate subtle low and high spots along the beach – i.e., the beach is not a consistently flat plane.

**There is no sand dune habitat proposed on Zuma Beach and only four small sites are proposed on Pt. Dume State Beach. This would seem to be too small a project to effectively hold sand on both of these beaches. I know that the Department has a goal of maintaining and expanded flat beach towel space and providing access across the beach for mechanical beach cleaning. However, it is my opinion that more dune habitat is needed to accomplish stabilization. Otherwise, frequent continued sand replenishment might be needed.**

Sand dunes are proposed at locations that do not have them now and that would be positioned back from the water to prevent them from being damaged by wave attack. However, living shorelines (dunes) can be redrawn to be larger in area/footprint if desired. These types of specific decisions will be discussed and vetted during the project's feasibility and design phases. Zuma presently contains new dunes near the volleyball courts and adjacent to Zuma Creek. Proposed dunes were positioned to not interfere with volleyball activities. And to clarify, dunes alone are not a shoreline protection device to prevent beach erosion, but rather a reservoir of additional sand stored at the back of the beach to be released into the ocean if waves reach that far back. Dunes naturally form at beaches that have sufficient width, and that have a prevailing wind pattern blowing sand from the beach towards the land. Sandy beaches with sufficient width have to exist prior to the formation of dunes.

**The report states that the east end of Pt. Dume State Beach cannot be replenished because it is in the marine reserve. Have you discussed the need for sand replenishment on the east end of Pt. Dume with Coastal and Fish and Wildlife officials? Do they agree that sand replenishment is forbidden under these circumstances? Or does the Marine Preserve language specify that needed replenishment is not allowed when beaches are eroding due to sea level rise?**

When the regulations were being developed Fish and Wildlife clarified that beach nourishment will be prohibited within Marine Protection Area (MPA) boundaries. However, sand naturally moves along the Zuma and Point Dume shoreline, feeding both beaches. If sand is placed outside of the Marine Protected Area along Zuma, it will spread southeast towards Point Dume naturally and provide the desired benefits of a wider beach. The MPA is silent as to beach changes caused by predicted sea level rise.

**How often do you anticipate that sand replenishment will need to be repeated? Later in the report, it states that it will be required every 7-9 years. Is that assuming sea level rise?**

Nourishment would likely be required once a decade initially. Frequency could be reduced to 15-to-20-year intervals if the beaches respond and widen with sand being retained between Point Dume and Lechuza Point. SLR could change this to become more frequent.

**Figure 21 Page 31: Based on projected erosion at Dockweiler, when will sand replenishment be required there?**

No additional replenishment is currently recommended for Dockweiler. The beach there is so wide that beach erosion will not reach the dunes before 2075 or later. Additionally, USACE

routinely nourishes Dockweiler Beach with sand dredged from Marina Del Rey entrances and main channel. The ongoing beneficial reuse of sediment from Marina del Rey serves to significantly widen Dockweiler beach.

**Figure 25 page 36 shows projected erosion right up to the eastern boundary of the beach. It will likely result in wave action on the inland private and public properties. Does the Coastal Resilience Plan involve the City of Redondo Beach working with the County DBH to protect those properties?**

Yes, section 7.2 of the Study indicates that the County needs to partner with all local agencies along the coast, including the City of Redondo Beach, on planning activities. For clarification, the prediction shown in the graphic is for 2 meters of SLR which may occur in 2100 and combined with a 20-year coastal storm wave event, so it is so far in the future and well after the proposed beach widening would occur. The purpose of the proposed project is to protect against this exact type of shoreline retreat. Therefore, if the project is implemented and succeeds, then this predicted condition may not occur.

**Page 41 refers to the sand retention component of this project would “require a concrete sheet pile driving along the pier deck assuming the pier can support construction loads. If the pier cannot support a pile driver, then the marine contractor may need to access the site from a barge alongside the pier. Piles can be vibrated into place in the ocean floor rather than being driven by a pneumatic hammer. Concrete piles are recommended to avoid the corrosion of steel and to allow for the opportunity to use E-concrete either for the actual pile materials (if that is possible considering concrete strength requirements) or for a coating on the piles to attract marine growth more effectively than standard concrete”. Can you point out in your maps of this area exactly where the concrete sheet pile will be?**

Yes, the sheet pile wall is shown as a blue line alongside the south boundary of Redondo Beach Pier on Figure 26 – i.e., coterminous with the edge of the existing King Harbor.

**What organizations are you collaborating with?**

We are working with The Bay Foundation and USC Sea Grant and having early discussions with Surfrider Foundation. On the Southern California super-regional level, we have met with BEACON, Orange County Parks, and SANDAG.

**How will smaller non continuous areas of dune habitat work if a revetment wall is continuous?**

The dune concepts in the Resilience Study are only symbolic dunes and may be enlarged and improved to function for increasing resilience. They are only shown as small, isolated dots on the plan to represent one component of resilience, but they were not yet fully developed as a design. DBH is proceeding into the next phase of the project which consists of feasibility and further development of concept design of the projects, during which specifics of the dunes will

be discussed and modified. They will very likely be larger, longer, and possibly relocated to be optimally positioned and dimensioned (length, width, elevation, surface area, etc.). The entire resilience project effort is intended to result in the long revetment being naturally buried in sand as the beach along Point Dune State Beach becomes wider from repeated nourishments at Zuma Beach. Therefore, the revetment should only serve as a last line of defense in the future if the new beach were stripped away by winter storms.

**Has DBH talked to Coastal Conservancy about the projects and potential funding for planning and environmental review?**

Yes, DBH has informally discussed the demonstration projects with Coastal Conservancy. The Governor's Office of Planning and Research and L.A. County Measure A are being pursued for the projects' preconstruction phases. Depending on the State budget, Coastal Conservancy may be a viable option for project implementation funding.



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April 24, 2024

Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors,

This is to express the Los Angeles County Beach Commission's support of the Department of Beaches & Harbors' (DBH) efforts to build resilience along our coast in light of extreme erosion from storms, high tides, tall surf, and in preparation for projected sea level rise. The 18 beaches operated by DBH provide meaningful public access and low-cost recreational opportunities to the nearly 10 million residents in our County, and countless visitors from across the globe.

Moreover, our beaches serve as natural cooling centers during heat waves, which disproportionately impact our County's inland communities, including many residents of marginalized groups that have traditionally faced barriers in accessing the coast. Beyond meeting critical recreational needs, our beaches provide important connections to nature for individuals seeking respite from highly urbanized neighborhoods, as well as habitat for sensitive and endangered species.

Despite the importance of our beaches, DBH is without the permanent resources (funding, staffing, etc.) required to implement the demonstration projects identified in its recent Coastal Resilience Study – let alone provide the levels of public information and outreach needed to meaningfully educate communities about the dynamic nature of the coast and ongoing investments required for its management and sustainability.

This lack of resources makes Governor Newsom's current proposed cuts to budgeted coastal resilience funding particularly concerning. The County already faces the significant challenge of elevated costs and complicated jurisdictional permitting that make our region's projects less competitive for Federal funding. For these reasons, we urge

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your Board to continue working with the County's delegation and advocates in Sacramento, as well as the California delegation and advocates in Washington D.C., to pursue resources to preserve and enhance our beaches for current and future generations.

Very Truly Yours,

Damon Nagami  
Chair  
Los Angeles County Beach Commission

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April 24, 2024

TO: Beach Commission  
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Calvin M. Love for*

**SUBJECT: ITEM 3C – CAN THE TRASH! UPDATE**

Program Manager II Joan Hernandez will provide an update on the Department's *Can the Trash!* program.

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TO: Beach Commission  
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Cathy M. Love for*

**SUBJECT: ITEM 4A – MARINE MAMMAL CARE CENTER**

The Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC) in San Pedro specializes in rescuing and rehabilitating marine mammals. In the summer of 2023, the center rescued and rehabilitated hundreds of sea lions suffering from domoic acid toxicity. MMCC CEO John Warner will present on the center's efforts.

**Speaker: John Warner, Marine Mammal Care Center**

Before joining MMCC as its CEO in 2023, John Warner served as Chief Development and Communications Officer and interim Program Officer at The Marine Mammal Center in the San Francisco Bay Area. He holds a BA from the University of San Francisco and an MPA from San Francisco State University.

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TO: Beach Commission  
FROM: *A.M. Love for*  
Gary Jones, Director

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

**BOARD ACTIONS ON ITEMS RELATING TO BEACHES**

On February 6, 2024, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved and instructed the Chair to sign three-year contracts, with three one-year extension options, with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc. and HCI Environmental & Engineering for the provision of as-needed hazardous waste removal services at various sites, facilities and properties within the County under the jurisdiction of the Department of Beaches and Harbors, commencing on March 1, 2024, through February 28, 2027, at an annual contract amount of \$242,000 for both contracts, for a total maximum amount of \$1,597,200 over the potential total term of six years, which is inclusive of any potential increase of up to 10% annually for unforeseen services, but excludes any potential Cost of Living Adjustments; found that the proposed action was not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act; and authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to take the following actions:

Execute contract amendments to extend the contracts for three one-year extension options, if, in the opinion of the Director, the contractors have effectively performed the services during the previous contract period and the services are still needed and required;

Increase the contract amount by up to an additional 10% in any year of the contract, including any extension option period, for any additional or unforeseen services within the scope of the contract, subject to the



availability of funds in the Department's budget, and make any potential Cost of Living Adjustments after the first three years of the contract; and

Approve and execute change orders and amendments to incorporate necessary changes within the scope of work, execute amendments should the contracting entity merge, be acquired, or otherwise change entities, and suspend or terminate the contract if, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the County.

Also on February 6, 2024, the Board retroactively waived \$2,400 in parking fees for 300 vehicles at the Dockweiler Youth Center parking lot, located at 12505 Vista Del Mar in Playa del Rey, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Charity Polar Plunge event hosted by the CT3 Foundation at the Manhattan Beach Pier, held on February 4, 2024.

On February 27, 2024, the Board instructed the Director of Beaches and Harbors to retroactively waive the \$55,662.19 gross receipts fee, which is half of the gross receipts of \$111,324.38, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Run Malibu Half Marathon and 5K that was held on November 4 and 5, 2023.

Also on February 27, 2024, the Board waived \$1,605 in gross receipts fees, the \$495 Transient Dock Slips fees, and \$200 in parking fees for 25 volunteers at Burton W. Chace Park in Marina del Rey, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the 2024 Dragon Boat Festival, hosted by the Department of Beaches and Harbors and the County Dragon Boat Club, held on March 2, 2024.

Also on February 27, 2024, the Board waived parking fees for up to 100 vehicles on May 11, 2024, and 100 buses and up to 300 vehicles on May 23, 2024, for a total estimated amount of \$5,000, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Dockweiler State Beach in Playa del Rey, for the Malibu Foundation's "Kids Ocean Day Adopt-A-Beach Clean-Up" event.

Also on February 27, 2024, the Board approved and instructed the Chair to execute an amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Lease for Parcel 125-R Marina del Rey Small Craft Harbor, as amended, which will provide for a revised rent schedule for the remainder of the Lease term and establish a payment schedule to fund, in part, infrastructure and capital improvements needed on the Marina City Club leasehold facilities, and Memorandum of Lease;

Authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors, on behalf of the County, to execute and deliver such other ancillary documentation, including without limitation, a ground lease estoppel certificate and the Memorandum of Lease, as is acceptable to the Director relating to the implementation of the Amendment;

Authorized the Director to execute and deliver, on behalf of the County, any required amendment to the Master Sublease or any other documents relating to the prior and future conversion of Category B units to Category A units; and

Found that the proposed actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

On March 6, 2024, the Board consented to the proposed assignment of the Amended and Restated Lease Agreement for Parcel 43 in Marina del Rey from MDR MARINA, L.P., a California limited partnership, to MARINA DEL REY SMI ALMAR, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company;

Authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to execute any documentation necessary to effectuate the proposed assignment of the Lease, and take necessary and appropriate actions to implement the proposed assignment; and

Found that the proposed actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

On March 19, 2024, the Board approved and authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to award and execute 10 licenses to various licensees/vendors for the provision of concession services for food and beverage concessions, and/or recreational activities at County-owned and operated beaches, for an initial term of four years and 11 months, with five one-year extension options, effective upon execution, with an estimated combined total first-year rent to the County for the 10 licenses of approximately \$574,310; found that the proposed concession licenses are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; and authorized the Director to take the following actions:

Exercise the extension options if, in the opinion of the Director, the licensees have effectively performed the services during the previous license term, conduct competitive solicitations and/or negotiate sole source contracts, as appropriate; and

Award and execute replacement license agreements during the initial term and extension periods, and in the event any licenses terminate early, negotiate rent increases for additional services and activities not included within the initial authorized activities and which are subject to approval by the Director; and

Execute amendments and take the necessary and appropriate actions to implement the proposed licenses.

Also on March 19, 2024, the Board approved an increase to the maximum annual amount for the As-needed Environmental Consulting Services Master Agreement by \$500,000 from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, to fund the increased need for environmental consulting services to meet compliance directives related to septic system monitoring in County-owned, controlled, and managed beaches, and to address increasing regulatory requirements at Marina del Rey and County-owned, controlled, and managed beaches, effective upon Board approval, and for the fourth optional renewal year, increasing the maximum aggregate amount for all executed master agreements from \$3,850,000 to \$4,400,000, which is inclusive of an additional 10% annually for unforeseen services; found that the proposed action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act; and authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to take the following actions:

Increase the aggregate master agreement by 10%, in any year, including any extension option, for any additional or unforeseen services within the scope of these agreements; and

Award and execute master agreements to add additional contractors as they become qualified throughout the term of the master agreements, execute and amend individual work orders to incorporate changes as necessary, execute amendments should a contracting entity merge, be acquired or change its entity, add or delete services and categories to the master agreement as they become necessary, and suspend or terminate agreements if, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the County

On April 9, 2024, the Board waived the \$9 per vehicle parking fee for approximately 40 vehicles for a total amount of \$360, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Will Rogers State Beach for the Earth Day Clean Up on April 20, 2024.



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April 24, 2024

TO: Beach Commission  
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Cate M. Love for*  
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.

For registration or information: Call (310) 726-4128 or email [dyc@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto:dyc@bh.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 email [dyc@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto:dyc@bh.lacounty.gov)

**NOTHIN' BUT SAND BEACH CLEANUP**

April 20, 2024

Santa Monica Pier ♦ Santa Monica

May 18, 2024

Location ♦ TBD

June 15, 2024

Venice Breakwater ♦ Venice Beach

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Help keep the oceans clean and safe from harmful trash at this monthly beach cleanup. Volunteers under 18 years old must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian, and those age 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. 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 1<sup>st</sup> of every month via email confirmation.

For more information and to register: Visit [healththebay.org](http://healththebay.org)

**VENICE OCEANARIUM GRUNION PARTY**

Venice Breakwater ♦ Venice Beach

April 26, 2024

10:45 p.m. – 11:55 p.m.

The Venice Oceanarium is hosting a free interpretive party during grunion season! This event is open to all, including kids accompanied by an adult. Bring warm clothes, a flashlight, and your sense of adventure!

For more information: Visit [veniceoceanarium.org](http://veniceoceanarium.org) or email [info@veniceoceanarium.org](mailto:info@veniceoceanarium.org)

**FISHERMAN'S VILLAGE WEEKEND CONCERT SERIES**

13755 Fiji Way ♦ Marina del Rey

Sponsored by Pacific Ocean Management, LLC  
Sunday, May 12, 2024  
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Illunis Music (Black Keys)

For more information: Call Pacific Ocean Management at (310) 306-0400

### **SHORE FISHING**

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Playa del Rey  
Sundays: May 12, 2024, and June 9, 2024  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Cost: FREE

Enjoy a morning of fishing from the shores of Dockweiler Beach! All ages welcome. Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Anyone over the age of 16 years old must present a valid California fishing license to participate. Fishing licenses can be purchased locally at:

- West Marine: 4750 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA, 90292 or
- Big 5 Sporting Goods: 2515 East El Segundo Blvd., El Segundo, CA 90245.
- Visit [ca.wilflicense.com](http://ca.wilflicense.com)

Each session is limited to 10 participants. Pre-registration is required.

For registration or information: Call (310) 726-4128 or email [dyc@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto:dyc@bh.lacounty.gov)

### **TOUR DE PIER**

Manhattan Beach Strand ♦ 2 Manhattan Beach Blvd. ♦ Manhattan Beach  
Sunday, May 19, 2024  
7:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour de Pier is a unique cancer fundraising event that brings stationary cycling to Manhattan Beach allowing participants to ride in place with an ocean view. In addition to cycling, the event will include a Health & Fitness Expo with several fitness/health related exhibitors, music and entertainment, samples of healthy food and beverages, and a Cardio Kids Zone with tot-sized stationary bikes, games, moon bounces and more.

For registration or questions: Visit [tourdepier@pancreatic.org](http://tourdepier@pancreatic.org)

**BIRD WATCHING**

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Playa del Rey  
May 20, 2024, and June 17, 2024  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Cost: FREE

On the third Sunday of each month, the Department hosts a coastal bird watching adventure. Surround yourself in nature and spot California's native birds along LA County's shoreline. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothes and bring binoculars, sunscreen, and water.

Each session is limited to 10 participants. Pre-registration is required.

For registration or information: Call (310) 726-4128 or email [dyc@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto:dyc@bh.lacounty.gov)

**FIESTA HERMOSA**

Hermosa Beach ♦ 1007 Hermosa Ave ♦ Hermosa Beach  
Memorial Day Weekend May 25 - 27, 2024  
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Fiesta Hermosa kicks off Memorial Day weekend with festivities in downtown Hermosa Beach along Hermosa Avenue, Pier Avenue, and Pier Plaza. The annual three-day event, organized by the Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, will include over 250 art, craft, and retail vendors, a food fair, carnival, concerts, and a beer and wine garden.

For information: Visit [fiestahermosa.net](http://fiestahermosa.net)

**MUSCLE BEACH INTERNATIONAL CLASSIC**

Venice Beach Recreation Center ♦ 1800 Ocean Front Walk ♦ Venice  
Memorial Day, May 27, 2024  
Pre-Judging at 10:00 a.m., Finals at 1:00 p.m.

Hundreds of amateur athletes will line the stage for their chance to be crowned Muscle Beach International Classic Champion. Categories include: Men's Bodybuilding Novice, Figure Open, Bikini, Men & Women's Physique, Men's Classic Physique, Wellness, Couples (mixed pairs), Vintage Swimsuit, and Angel Bikini. The event is open to the public and admission is free.

For more information: Visit [musclebeachvenice.com](http://musclebeachvenice.com)

## **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.

For registration or information: Call (424) 526-7910 or email  
[chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto: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 painting class for beginners (age 14 and older). Classes are limited to 15 people and supplies are provided. Pre-registration for each class is required.

For registration or information: Call (424) 526-7910 or email  
[chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto: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.

For registration or information: Call (424) 526-7910 or email  
[chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto:chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov)

**BEACH EATS – GOURMET FOOD TRUCK EVENT**

Lot #11 ♦ 14101 Panay Way ♦ Marina del Rey  
Thursdays, May 9 – October 31, 2024  
5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Beach Eats, the Department's summer gourmet food truck event, returns to Mother's Beach every Thursday, this May through October. Grab a bite from gourmet trucks that rotate weekly with an assortment of menu options, including desserts, burgers, BBQ, tacos, lobster rolls, and more. Paid parking is available for 50 cents for every 15 minutes.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7900 or visit [bestfoodtrucks.com/beacheats](https://bestfoodtrucks.com/beacheats)

**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 [instagram.com/marinadelreyfm/](https://instagram.com/marinadelreyfm/)

**2024 MARINA CULTURE JAM**

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey  
Cost: FREE

Don't miss Marina Culture Jam, sponsored by the Department in partnership with The Music Center's Arts Grown LA program. This free arts series will feature a diverse range of live cultural performances in addition to cultural arts & crafts activities. Performance dates are:

**Sunday, April 21**

11:30 AM Musical Theatre Guild – Revolution!  
1:30 PM The Alley Cats

**Sunday, May 26**

11:30 AM Taiko Project  
1:30 PM Melody of China

**Sunday, June 9**

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11:30 AM String Family Players – All Strings Considered  
1:30 PM Beth Sussman – A Touch of Classical

For more information: Call (424) 526-7900 or visit [beaches.lacounty.gov/marinaculturejam](https://beaches.lacounty.gov/marinaculturejam)

**SUNSET SERIES REGATTAS**

Marina del Rey

Wednesdays, April 17 - September 4, 2024

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Spectators from restaurants can watch boats race 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](https://calyachtclub.com/regattas)

**BEACH SHUTTLE**

May 25 - September 29, 2024

Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Sundays & Labor Day: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Catch a free ride on the Beach Shuttle between Playa Vista, Marina del Rey, and the Venice Beach Pier to enjoy surf, sand, and the attractions and surroundings of Marina del Rey. The Beach Shuttle operates on weekends and select holidays every spring and summer.

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

**W.A.T.E.R. PROGRAM SUMMER SAILING CLASSES**

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

Los Angeles County Lifeguards 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 SUMMER SESSIONS | BEGINNER LEVEL:**

Dates: June 10–14, June 17–21, June 24–28

July 1–3, July 8–12, July 15–19, July 22–26, July 29–August 2  
August 12 - 16

Time: 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Ages: 11–17 years old

Class Size: 6–10 students with 3 Lifeguard instructors

Fee: \$375 per 5-day session  
\$300 per 4-day session  
\$225 per 3-day session

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 [beaches.lacounty.gov/waterprogram](https://beaches.lacounty.gov/waterprogram)

### **MARINA DEL REY WATERBUS**

June 14 – September 2, 2024

Park your car and ride the WaterBus for a unique water's-eye view of Marina del Rey. Eight boarding stops throughout the Marina offer opportunities to shop, dine, and recreate in one of the most beautiful Southern California residential and tourist areas. Bikes and strollers are welcome on board, but no pets are allowed. Please notify the Dock Attendant if you have a wheelchair or limited mobility and need any additional assistance. The fare is \$1 per person, for a one-way ticket. Paid parking is available at nearby Los Angeles County lots.

#### **WaterBus Schedule:**

Fridays and Saturdays 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Sundays: 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

#### **Holiday Schedule**

July 4<sup>th</sup>: 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Labor Day: 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

For more information: Call (310) 984-7337 or visit [marinawaterbus.com](https://marinawaterbus.com)



April 24, 2024

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TO: Beach Commission  
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Kenneth Foreman for*  
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, #8, and #9) – estimated cost \$9,689,000.
- Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment for fleet vehicles.
- Point Dume Whale Watching Area – Refurbishment of accessway- estimated cost \$1,000,000.
- 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.  
**COMPLETED**
- 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, #8, and #9) – \$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 #2 in April 2024; restrooms #3, #4, & #6 have been completed; restroom #5 is in construction; and restroom #7 is being completed by mid-April 2024. Restrooms #8 and 9 to follow. Project completion is anticipated by December 2024.

### **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– \$1,000,000**

The project includes refurbishing the existing whale watching area with improvements to the access trail. Scope of work will include improvements to the access steps.

Status: Coordinating with consultant and California Conservation Corp. design and implementation.

### **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 end of 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: **Completed 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 mid-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: In April 2024, ISD has started the construction on the repairs.

### **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, improvements to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

Status: By May 2024, DBH consultant Placeworks will have a finalized concept for the park improvements for review.

## 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

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION ATTENDANCE REPORT 2024**

Commissioner/ Appointed by	Jan	Feb	April	July	Oct	Total Meetings Attended 2024
Bustamante/Barger						0
Dagit/Kuehl	X	X				2
Furey/Hahn	X	X				2
Glickfeld/Horvath	X	X				2
Meister/Horvath	X	X				2
Mooney D'Arcy, Angela/Mitchell	X					1
Musa, Sharon/Mitchell						0
Nagami, Damon K./Mitchell	X					1
Ross, Shannon/Hahn	X	X				2
Saito/Solis	X					1
Weideman/Hahn	X	X				2

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