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July 24, 2024

TO:

Beach Commission

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FROM:

Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT:

BEACH COMMISSION AGENDA – July 24, 2024

The agenda for the July 24, 2024, in-person Commission meeting—which will also be livestreamed virtually (audio only)—is attached. Also attached are the meeting minutes from April 24, 2024, reports pertaining to Agenda Items 3A, 3C, 4A, 4B, 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 July 24, 2024 9:30 a.m. Burton Chace Park Community Room 13650 Mindanao Way Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Members of the public may provide comment during the meeting in person and may also submit written comments prior to the meeting by emailing BeachCommission@bh.lacounty.gov

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 24, 2024

- 3. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. White Point Park Site Improvements Project Final Concept Design (PRESENTATION)
 - B. D.E.I. Workgroup

(UPDATE)

C. Topanga Lagoon Restoration

(UPDATE)

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Beach Certification Program

(PRESENTATION)

B. Summer Activities Update

(PRESENTATION)

5. STAFF REPORTS

A.	Ongoing Activities Report	(REPORT)
B.	Beach and Marina del Rey Special Events	(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

October 23, 2024, 9:30 a.m. at Burton Chace Park

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Department of Beaches and Harbors Marina del Rey Visitors Center 13837 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292 4701 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Burton Chace Park – Community Room
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4533 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION MINUTES OF APRIL 24, 2024, MEETING

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Damon Nagami, Chair
Judith Meister, Vice Chair
Michael Bustamante
Rosi Dagit
Madelyn Glickfeld
Judith Meister
Shannon Ross
Bruce Saito
Kurt Weideman

ABSENCES

Angela Mooney D'Arcy 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
Joan Hernandez, Program Manager II, Community and Marketing Services Division
Sevanna Hartonians, Deputy County Counsel
Daniel Murphy, Lifeguard Section Chief, Los Angeles County Fire Department

MEETING LOCATION

Burton Chace Park Community Room

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

Chair Damon Nagami called the meeting to order at 9:41 a.m. and read the Land Acknowledgement. At Chair Nagami's request, Commissioner Kurt Weideman led Commissioners in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Nagami requested a motion to approve the January 24, 2024, and February 22, 2024, minutes. Commissioner Weideman so moved; Commissioner Teresa Furey seconded the motion.

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Ayes: 9. Chair Damon Nagami, Commissioners Michael Bustamante, Rosi Dagit, Teresa Furey, Madelyn Glickfeld, Judith Meister, Shannon Ross, Bruce Saito, Kurt Weideman

The minutes were approved.

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF VICE CHAIR

Commissioner Weideman moved to nominate Commissioner Judith Meister for the Vice Chair position of the Beach Commission; Commissioner Rosi Dagit seconded the motion.

Ayes: 9. Chair Damon Nagami, Commissioners Michael Bustamante, Rosi Dagit, Teresa Furey, Madelyn Glickfeld, Judith Meister, Shannon Ross, Bruce Saito, Kurt Weideman

The motion carried.

Vice Chair Meister thanked the Commissioners for their vote of confidence and said she was happy to serve as Vice Chair.

B. COASTAL RESILIENCY UPDATE AND ADVOCACY LETTER

Deputy Director Carol Baker introduced Department of Beaches and Harbors Planning Division Chief Warren Ontiveros to provide an update on the Department's coastal resiliency efforts. Mr. Ontiveros said the Department completed the final report for its Coastal Resiliency Plan and reported to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors twice. He said the Department is applying to the California Governor's Office of Planning and Research for a planning grant that would advance the feasibility, early design and permitting of the coastal resiliency projects identified in the 2023 report. He also noted one large stakeholder meeting was held, and he said additional meetings will be held with stakeholders and partners to discuss work product, outreach, further grants and permitting.

Commissioner Madelyn Glickfeld raised concerns about the number and effectiveness of the existing sand dunes and their replenishment costs.

Vice Chair Meister asked why the dune restoration projects seemed far from the shore at Zuma Beach in the proposed plans. Mr. Ontiveros explained that seasonal erosion greatly narrows Zuma Beach, and he encouraged Commissioners to visit the Trancas and Westward stretches of Zuma Beach to see how erosion narrowed the areas for themselves. He said the restoration plan for Zuma Beach calls for bringing in enough sand to widen the beaches by 25 feet. He also noted the dune projects will be completed in phases.

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Chair Nagami asked when the next feasibility and concept design phase update would be presented to the Commission. Mr. Ontiveros said the next update would be in about nine months. Chair Nagami recommended Commissioners review the handout on the subject that was included in the agenda packet.

Chair Nagami also asked if Commissioners had any input or questions regarding the letter supporting the Department's efforts regarding coastal resiliency and pursuing funding resources before it is sent to the Board.

Commissioner Dagit moved to send the letter to the Board. Commissioner Michael Bustamante seconded the motion.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked that the letter emphasize the percentage amount of budget cuts. Ms. Baker said that would be checked and added into the letter.

Chair Nagami asked for approval of the letter, including Commissioner Glickfeld's addendum.

Ayes: 9. Chair Damon Nagami, Commissioners Michael Bustamante, Rosi Dagit, Teresa Furey, Madelyn Glickfeld, Judith Meister, Shannon Ross, Bruce Saito, Kurt Weideman

The motion carried.

C. CAN THE TRASH! CLEAN BEACH POSTER CONTEST.

Program Manager II Joan Hernandez provided an update on the *Can the Trash!* Clean Beach Poster Contest. He said the Department received 437 entries, surpassing 2023's entries of 331. He attributed the increase in submissions to personal outreach to teachers and specialized staff, along with a focus on individual schools. He showed a few of this year's winning posters, which will be displayed on beach trash barrels.

Mr. Hernandez also said the Department partnered with Heal the Bay to host a Kids Earth Day Beach Cleanup at the Dockweiler Youth Center on April 13, 2024.

D. D.E.I. WORKGROUP

Chair Nagami explained that the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Workgroup provides an opportunity for a small group of Commissioners to meet informally with Department staff quarterly or on an as-needed basis. He welcomed Commissioners Michael Bustamante and Shannon Ross to the group. Chair Nagami said there had been discussions about developing the Equity-Based Beach Use Permitting Policy as part of the Department's "Beaches for All" initiative. He said the policy aims to increase beach access and recreational opportunities, especially among marginalized communities, through the issuance of beach use permits.

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Ms. Baker said lack of transportation and not knowing how to swim are significant issues within marginalized communities. She also said the Department's Russell Walker WATER Program helps youth experience the coast, including those who live within five miles of the beach but have never visited.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. MARINE MAMMAL CARE CENTER

Ms. Baker welcomed John Warner, CEO of the Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC) located in San Pedro, California. Mr. Warner's presentation provided background on the center, which is responsible for marine animal rescues and stranding response along the Los Angeles County coast. The MMCC treated thousands of sea lions suffering from domoic acid toxicity during the summer of 2023. Mr. Warner discussed the MMCC's financial situation, research, rehabilitation and community outreach. He also shared success stories of animals who were rescued and returned to the ocean.

Commissioner Bustamante asked if U.S. Rep. Robert Garcia, who represents Long Beach, had been contacted regarding funding for the MMCC. He also asked for information on volunteering at the center. Mr. Warner said the congressional delegation in California is very supportive of increased funding and recommended going to the MMCC's website to learn more about volunteering.

Commissioner Meister asked if the MMCC had relationships with coastal cities for additional funding. Mr. Warner said the MMCC uses a fee-for-services model with cities, rather than relying on donations from municipalities.

5. STAFF REPORTS

A. ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT

Ms. Baker submitted the report and noted the concession license agreements for beaches operated by the County, which were approved by the Commission, went to the Board for approval.

B. BEACH SPECIAL EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Community and Marketing Services Division Chief Catrina Love said the Dockweiler Youth Center had been open to the public for over a year, and bird watching, shore fishing, Zumba and yoga classes have resumed. She highlighted upcoming programming at Burton Chace Park, including Marina Culture Jam sessions and the Marina del Rey Summer Concert Series.

C. BEACH PROJECTS REPORT

Operational Services Division Chief Ken Foreman submitted the report and announced the Department was in the process of hiring maintenance workers for the summer.

Chair Nagami announced that this would be Mr. Foreman's final Beach Commission meeting as he was retiring.

Mr. Foreman said he was retiring after spending most of 39 years of County service with the Department. He said he enjoyed working with all the Commissioners and planned on staying in contact with Department staff.

Department of Beaches and Harbors Director Gary Jones said the Department was sorry to see Mr. Foreman retire, but wished him the best after his distinguished, lengthy career.

D. LIFEGUARD REPORT

Lifeguard Section Chief Daniel Murphy said two Ocean Lifeguard academies were currently under way, with graduation set for June. Chief Murphy said lifeguards expect the Junior Lifeguard Program to have about 4,000 children enrolled this summer.

Commissioner Bustamante asked how the Junior Lifeguard Program's registration system works. Chief Murphy said the current program's application period was over; however, the information for next year's program will be posted on social media throughout the fall, and program applications will open in the winter. Four-week sessions are held in June and July.

6. <u>COMMISSIONER COMMENTS</u>

Commissioner Shannon Ross said some families are concerned about rusted equipment at White Point Beach. Ms. Baker said the Department is already addressing the issues.

Commissioner Dagit announced that the grunion are running. She encouraged anyone who hasn't experienced a grunion run to visit the beach in the evening during high tide.

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Lee Barr addressed the Commission about the Los Angeles County Code's prohibition on flying motorized aircraft, including drones, over any beach. He would like the Department to establish an area on the beach where he can fly his drone.

8. ADJOURNMENT / NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

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Chair Nagami adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Donalyn Anderson

Commission Secretary



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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

ITEM 3A - WHITE POINT PARK SITE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT -

FINAL CONCEPT DESIGN

Department of Beaches and Harbors staff and Placeworks' design consultant Jesse Jones will present on the final concept design for the White Point Park Site Improvements Project.





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SUBJECT: ITEM 3C - TOPANGA LAGOON RESTORATION

California State Parks, Caltrans, Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors and the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains are working to restore the Topanga Lagoon ecosystem, one of the last coastal wetlands in Southern California. Despite shrinking from 30 acres to only about a half-acre, lagoon is a natural filtration system, stormwater buffer, and home to rare and endangered species, and its associated beach sees more than one million visitors annually. The Topanga Lagoon Restoration project aims to preserve and expand the area's biological, cultural and recreational resources.

The Final Environmental Impact Report has been released for public review until August 13, 2024 and a summary of findings will be presented. The preferred hybrid alternative has been selected and a public zoom meeting to discuss the selection of the alternative will be held on August 5 from 6-8pm.

Speaker: Rosi Dagit, Principal Conservation Biologist, Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains

Principal Conservation Biologist Rosi Dagit has been working to conserve nature's resources throughout the Santa Monica Mountains since 1987. Ms. Dagit has served as the Principal Investigator or Lead Scientist for a variety of long-term research and monitoring projects, including those concerning the federally endangered steelhead trout and tidewater gobies. Prior to coordinating the planning and grant funding for the Topanga Lagoon Restoration Project, she was instrumental in creating the Topanga Creek Watershed Committee, where she served as coordinator from 1998 – 2003, and her

expertise in strategic resource planning and implementation resulted in the restoration of Lower Topanga Creek by removal of the Rodeo Grounds Berm in 2008.

As technical advisor and editor, she helped develop a multitude of conservation management plans for the Topanga Creek watershed and L.A. County's oak and native trees, as well as a rapid response plan for invasive beetles in the Santa Monica Mountains. Ms. Dagit currently serves as a technical advisor to the California Oak Foundation and the Caltrans Fish Passage Advisory Committee Leadership Action Team. She has served on the Los Angeles County Beach Commission since 1996.



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SUBJECT: ITEM 4A - NEW BEACH CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

The Beach Ecology Coalition, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that aims to balance natural resource conservation and recreational use at beaches by providing educational outreach for beach management. The group, which includes beach managers and maintenance staff, lifeguards, coastal ecologists and engineers, aquarium staff and marine biologists, among others, is developing a basic curriculum for certification and continuing education in beach ecology. The program will teach beach workers on topics such as ecology, local species, seasonal beach changes, climate change, cultural and spiritual beach uses, and more.

Speaker: Karen Martin, PhD

Dr. Martin has lived in Los Angeles for 40 years. She earned a doctorate in biology at UCLA, completed a Friday Harbor Post-Doctoral Fellowship at the University of Washington, and is Distinguished Professor Emeritus at Pepperdine University in Malibu. She has published over 60 papers and three scholarly books on coastal fish physiology and beach ecology. She co-founded the Grunion Greeters, a group of community scientist volunteers that have monitored grunion runs for the past two decades. She works with the Beach Ecology Coalition to improve beach management and coastal resilience in southern California.





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SUBJECT:

ITEM 4B - OPERATIONAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY AND

MARKETING DIVISIONS SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Division Chiefs Penelope Rodriguez and Catrina Love will present on the Department's Community and Marketing and Operation Services Divisions summer activities.





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SUBJECT:

ITEM 5A - ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT

BOARD ACTIONS ON ITEMS RELATING TO BEACHES

On May 7, 2024, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, waived the \$9 per vehicle parking fee for 60 vehicles for two days for a total amount of \$1,080, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the parking lot located at 2100 Ocean Front Walk, for participants of the Women's Lifeguard Prep Academy event, held on May 18 and 19, 2024.

On May 21, 2024, the Board waived the \$250 beach use permit fee, the \$933.90 gross receipts fee, and the \$15 per vehicle parking fee for 30 vehicles, in the amount of \$450, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Will Rogers State Beach, for the 37th Annual Los Angeles Black Pride Beach Party hosted by Los Angeles Black Pride on June 29, 2024.

Also on May 21, 2024, the Board approved and authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to execute a contract with Hornblower Yachts, LLC, for the provision of WaterBus service during the summer months for community events for residents of, and visitors to Marina del Rey, for a three-year term, with three one-year extension options, commencing on June 21, 2024 through June 20, 2027, at an annual contract amount of \$1,392,200, for a total maximum amount of \$9,188,520 over the potential total term of six years, which is inclusive of an additional 10% annually for unforeseen services, with sufficient funding included in the Department of Beaches and Harbors' Operating Budget to cover the cost; found that the proposed action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act; and authorized the Director to take the following actions:



Prepare and execute contract amendments to extend the contract for three additional one-year optional renewals, if, in the opinion of the Director, Hornblower Yachts, LLC has 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 this contract, subject to the availability of funds in the Department's operating budget; 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 May 21, 2024, the Board waived parking fees in an amount not to exceed \$33,975 for 25 vehicles, where the total fee includes the \$6 Winter Season rate per space on 78 regular weekdays, \$8 per space rate on five County holidays, the \$9 Summer Season rate on 86 regular weekdays, and the \$18 per space on four County holidays, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the Rose Avenue parking lot located at 300 Ocean Front Walk, for the Departments of Mental Health and Health Services, the 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, held Monday through Friday from May 3, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

On June 4, 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.

Also on June 4, 2024, the Board revised a recommendation, instructing the Executive Director of Racial Equity to consult with each County Department, and any other parties that the Director deems appropriate, to review the Final Report of the California Task Force to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans and report back to the Board in writing within 120 days with the following:

Actions that each County Department can take or initiate within the six months following the report back to provide reparations to County residents consistent with the Report including, but not limited to, residents of the class that the Report recommends should be eligible for cumulative compensation ("Community of Eligibility Residents"); and

Proposed language for a Board resolution that acknowledges and apologizes to African Americans and their descendants on behalf of the County and the County's role in structural racism, acts of violence, and other such harms, including but not limited to those described in the Report, and recommits the County to ending the ongoing harms resulting from these past actions, with the resolution to do the following:

Be developed using a robust community engagement strategy and, in consultation with the affected communities, including individuals with lived experience, and established or recognized experts in civil rights, racial justice, history, and other relevant fields;

Recognize and affirm the County's responsibility for all harms and atrocities it has committed its active participation and facilitation of chattel slavery and its enduring legacy, from which the systemic structures of racism and discrimination have come to exist; and

Commit to additional specific County actions that restore dignity and repair harm of affected peoples; and

Instructed the Executive Director of Racial Equity to report back to the Board in writing within 180 days on potential additional County actions to provide reparations consistent with the Report, incorporating best practices from other local, State, Federal and international efforts including, but not limited to, the following:

Establishing a framework for a policy to prioritize housing for descendants of those who were displaced from their homes in the County;

A framework for financial restitution to individuals who have suffered particular injuries;

A study of best practices in providing monetary reparations with recommendations on a sustainable source of funding, including a review of current or future specialized taxes, Federal, State, and local grants, and philanthropic sources;

Targeted support for economic empowerment and wealth-building, including technical assistance to access grant and loan funding for those who have been harmed, and waived permitting fees for Black-owned businesses; and

Assessment of all County services or facilities for which a fee is charged and identification of which may be appropriate to waive;

Instructed the Executive Director of Racial Equity, in collaboration with the Center for Strategic Partnerships, to identify and pursue philanthropic resources to support the work set forth in the above directives;

Adopt the findings of the Report (pages 16 and 17), in support of its recommendations for reparations, and further, find that extending access to Community of Eligibility Residents to County assets from which they historically have been excluded, which advances the County's commitment to addressing racial discrimination by government, serves a direct and substantial public purpose; and

Instructed the Directors of the Natural History Museum, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Beaches and Harbors, and other relevant Department Heads, in coordination with the Executive Director of Racial Equity, to provide free access for one day on or about, and in celebration of, Juneteenth 2024, to appropriate facilities, such as museums and beach parking, for Community of Eligibility Residents who self-attest to their eligibility in writing and register with the County for formal confirmation of eligibility through a future local or State-run process.

On June 25, 2024, the Board waived the \$250 permit fee and the \$1,350 gross receipts fees, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Torrance Beach, for the 18th Annual

South Bay Dozen Lifeguard Competition hosted by the Jimmy Miller Memorial Foundation on July 6, 2024.

On July 9, 2024, the Board waived \$4,000 in parking fees for up to 500 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the Dockweiler Youth Center parking lot for participants of the Ocean Lifeguard Candidate Swim at Dockweiler State Beach, hosted by the County Fire Department, to be held on October 12, 2024.



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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

Come join the Department of Beaches and Harbors' (Department) Zumba class at the Dockweiler Youth Center. Get cardio-fit at the beach while moving to the rhythms of Latin-inspired dance and music! 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

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

BEACH MOVIE NIGHTS

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Playa del Rey Fridays through August 30, 2024 Movie start time: 8:00 p.m.

Pack your picnic baskets and bring the family to the Dockweiler Youth Center on Friday nights to enjoy free outdoor movie screenings on the sand.

Movie Lineup:

July 19	Migration
July 26	Lilo & Stitch
August 2	Wish
August 9	King Fu Panda 4
August 16	The Little Mermaid (2023)
August 23	Ruby Gillman, Teenage Kraken
August 30	Trolls Band Together

For more information: Call (424) 526-7900 or visit

beaches.lacounty.gov/beachmovienights

NOTHIN' BUT SAND BEACH CLEANUP

July 20, 2024
Will Rogers State Beach, Tower 7 ♦ 17000 Pacific Coast Hwy. ♦ Pacific Palisades
August 17, 2024
Torrance

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 beach cleanup 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 <u>healthebay.org</u>

2024 INTERNATIONAL SURF FESTIVAL

Cities of Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance July 31 – August 4, 2024

Join the cities of Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance for the 61st International Surf Festival. Participants will partake in a range of activities at Hermosa Beach, this year's host city. Festivities include a surfing contest, bodysurfing contest, volleyball tournament, beach run, paddleboard races, dory race, youth events and more.

For more information: Visit surffestival.org

SWIM THE AVENUES

Redondo Beach Sunday, September 8, 2024 8:00 a.m.

The 6th Annual Redondo Beach Open Water Swim competition returns to Redondo Beach with a one-mile and half-mile ocean swim.

For more information: Visit <u>raceroster.com/events/2024/88774/redondo-beach-swim-the-avenues</u>

BIRD WATCHING

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Playa del Rey July 21, August 18, and September 15, 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

COASTAL CLEANUP DAY AT DOCKWEILER BEACH

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar, ♦ Los Angeles Saturday, September 21, 2024 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Department is partnering with Heal the Bay to host a beach clean-up. Registration is required. Safety and cleaning materials will be provided. While on site, visit the Department's *Can the Trash!* pop-up tent for giveaways and poster contest materials.

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

MARINA DEL REY EVENTS

BURTON CHACE PARK YOGA CLASS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey Sundays 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Join the Department and instructor Anastasia for a yoga session at the water's edge to connect with nature and community. Classes are offered to all, regardless of age or ability for \$10 per class. Children should be able to follow along or sit quietly with a parent or guardian. Students must bring their own mats and water bottles. Pre-registration for each class is required.

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

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

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

SUNSET SERIES REGATTAS

Marina del Rey
Wednesdays through 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 <u>calyachtclub.com/regattas</u>

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

BEACH EATS – GOURMET FOOD TRUCK EVENT

Lot #11 ♦ 14101 Panay Way ♦ Marina del Rey Thursdays through 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

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/

FISHERMAN'S VILLAGE WEEKEND CONCERT SERIES

13755 Fiji Way ♦ Marina del Rey Sponsored by Pacific Ocean Management, LLC Saturdays and Sundays 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

> Saturday, July 20 Josh Rogan (Coastal Rock and Roll)

Sunday, July 21 Jerry Costanzo (Jazz, Swing, Big Band)

> Saturday, July 27, 2024 Trevan (Pop, Rock)

Sunday, July 28 Scotty Bramer (Jazz, Blues, R&B)

For more information: Call Pacific Ocean Management at (310) 822-6866

BEACH SHUTTLE

Through September 29, 2024 Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Sundays and 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 beaches.lacounty.gov/beachshuttle

2024 MARINA DEL REY SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey Concert Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

The Department presents free Symphonic and Pop Concerts at Burton Chace Park. This summer bring the family out to the park on Saturday nights to enjoy a variety of musical evenings under the stars.

Symphonic Concerts

• Saturday, August 10 Marina del Rey Symphony | Cinema Fantastique

Pop Concerts

Saturday, July 20 Drive-By Truckers (Rock, Alternative Country)
 Saturday, July 27 Musiq Soulchild (R&B, Jazz, Blues, Gospel)
 Saturday, August 3 Goapele (R&B, Trip Hop, Neo Soul)
 Saturday, August 17 Lila Downs (Latin, Latin Rock)

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

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

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

Los Angeles County Lifequards instruct the Department's sailing courses that teach students basic sailing knowledge and terms, boat maintenance and rigging, knot tving. 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:

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

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

MARINA DEL REY WATERBUS

Through 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

Labor Day:

11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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

KILLER RIDES

Killer Shrimp Restaurant ♦ 4211 Admiralty Way ♦ Marina del Rey 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Killer Shrimp Restaurant & Bar opens its parking lot to hot rod, classic car, and motorcycle displays. Free admission. Event takes place on Sundays, July 28, August 25, and December 15, 2024.

For more information: Call (310) 578-2293 or visit killershrimp.com

MARINA DRUM CIRCLE

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13640 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey Sundays August 18 – October 20, 2024 Sessions: 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Discover the excitement of interactive group drumming at the water's edge! Drums and other percussion instruments will be provided. Choose from one of two free 60-minute sessions that are available for enthusiasts of all ages and skill levels.

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

MARINA MOVIE NIGHTS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey Saturdays August 24 – October 26, 2024 Movie Start Time: 8:00 p.m.

The Department presents free Marina Movie Nights at Burton Chace Park. This summer pack your picnic baskets and bring the family out to the park on Saturday nights to enjoy our outdoor movie screening under the stars.

Movie Lineup:

August 24 Back to the Future Part II

August 31 Meg 2: The Trench

September 7 Mean Girls
September 14 50 First Dates

September 21 Ferris Bueller's Day Off

September 28 Sixteen Candles

October 5 Haunted Mansion (2023)

October 12 Get Out

October 19 Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire

October 26 Hocus Pocus

For more information: Call (424) 526-7900 or visit

beaches.lacounty.gov/marinamovienights

DANCE MDR

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13640 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey Fridays

September 6 – 27, 2024

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Dance the night away under the stars at Burton Chace Park to live music from some of L.A.'s top DJs and local bands. Learn new dance moves in different styles at this free event.

September 6 Salsa September 13 Disco

September 20 Line Dancing

September 27 Hip-Hop

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



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July 24, 2024

TO:

Beach Commission

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FROM:

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, #8, and #9) estimated cost \$9,689,000.
- Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment for fleet vehicles.
- Blue Flag Update Awarded Blue Flag eco-award for the second year in a row at Westward Beach.
- 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.
- 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.

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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: Restroom #2 expected completion by Labor Day 2024. Restrooms #3, #4, & #6 have been completed. Restrooms #5 and #7 were signed off by Inspector of Record. 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.

Blue Flag Update

For the second year in a row, the Department has been awarded the Blue Flag eco-award for the portion of Zuma Beach commonly referred to as Westward Beach. The flag will be flown during the Blue Flag summer season from May 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024. Blue Flag is a voluntary international eco-award program for beaches, marinas, and tourism boats, which promotes environmental education and information, environmental management, safety and services, social responsibility, and responsible tourism.

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 has obtained the required jurisdictional permits and awarded a construction contract for the project. A preconstruction meeting is being scheduled for late July 2024 and construction is expected to commence shortly thereafter.

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.

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<u>Venice Beach Maintenance Yard Renovation and Lifeguard Headquarters Demolition</u> \$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. DBH engaged a consultant firm to perform an updated assessment of the Lifeguard Tower to determine its condition. The resulting report was received in June 2024 and is currently being reviewed internally.

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: Project complete, USACE anticipates conducting the next dredge event in 2027-2028.

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.

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.

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SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4

<u>Torrance Beach Concession Building Rehabilitation – \$963,000</u>

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: On July 9th, staff presented final design and sign package to SD4 and will present to Beach Commission on July 24th.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION ATTENDANCE REPORT 2024

Commissioner/ Appointed by	Jan	Feb	April	July	Oct	Total Meetings Attended 2024
Bustamante/Barger			Х			1
Dagit/Kuehl	X	X	Х			3
Furey/Hahn	X	X	Х			3
Glickfeld/Horvath	X	Х	Х			3
Meister/Horvath	X	Х	Х			3
Mooney D'Arcy, Angela/Mitchell	X					1
Musa, Sharon/Mitchell						0
Nagami, Damon K./Mitchell	X		Х			2
Ross, Shannon/Hahn	X	Х	Х			3
Saito/Solis	X		Х			2
Weideman/Hahn	X	Х	Х			3

No regularly	scheduled mee	tings in February, March, May, June	, August, Septemb	er, November, and
December	(February was	a special meeting)		
X=Present	=Absent	= Absent due to Expired Term	* = No meeting	** = Resigned this
year ***=Bo	oard Removal			
INACTIVE MI	EMBERS (Misse	d three or more meetings in a row)		