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STAFF REPORT: PERMIT AMENDMENT

Application Number: 5-03-030-A2

Applicant: City of Long Beach

Agent: Mark Sandoval, Manager, Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine

Project Location: 4300 E. Ocean Boulevard (on the public beach seaward of the Belmont Plaza Public Beach Parking Lot), City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County

Description of Original Permit Approval 5-03-030 (June 1, 2003):

Install two 8-foot high signs to designate a 2.9-acre (705' x 180') beach area as an unfenced off-leash dog exercise/play zone (for twelve-month pilot period).

Description of Permit Amendment 5-03-030-A1 (Approved January 21, 2005):

Install four 12-foot high poles with yellow flags to better identify the boundaries of the 2.9-acre dog exercise/play zone, and eliminate Special Condition Two of the underlying permit which limited the development to a twelve-month pilot period.

Description of Permit Amendment Request 5-03-030-A2:

Expand the unfenced off-leash dog exercise/play zone (Rosie's Dog Beach) from 2.9 acres (705' x 180') to 4.1 acres (1000' x 180'). The western boundary will be moved one hundred feet east, and the eastern boundary will be moved 395 feet east, for a net gain of 295 linear feet of shoreline.

Staff Recommendation: Approval with conditions

SUMMARY OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

A coastal development permit is required from the Commission for the proposed development because it is located within the Commission's area of original jurisdiction. The Commission's standard of review for the proposed development is the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act. Staff is recommending that the Commission **APPROVE** the permit amendment with special conditions relating to permit compliance and protection of water quality. The permittee agrees with the recommendation.

See Page Three for the motion to carry out the recommendation.

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PROCEDURAL NOTE

The Commission's regulations provide for referral of permit amendment requests to the Commission if:

- 1) The Executive Director determines that the proposed amendment is a material change,
- 2) Objection is made to the Executive Director's determination of immateriality, or
- 3) The proposed amendment affects conditions required for the purpose of protecting a coastal resource or coastal access.

In this case, the Executive Director has determined that the proposed amendment is a material change to the previously approved project. If the applicant or objector so requests, the Commission shall make an independent determination as to whether the proposed amendment is material. [14 California Code of Regulations 13166].

I. MOTION AND RESOLUTION

Motion: *I move that the Commission **approve** the proposed amendment to Coastal Development Permit 5-03-030 pursuant to the staff recommendation.*

The staff recommends a **YES** vote. Passage of the motion will result in approval of the permit amendment as conditioned and adoption of the following resolution and findings. The motion passes only by an affirmative vote of a majority of Commissioners present.

Resolution: *The Commission hereby approves the coastal development permit amendment on the ground that the development as amended and subject to conditions, will be in conformity with the policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act and will not prejudice the ability of the local government having jurisdiction over the area to prepare a Local Coastal Program conforming to the provisions of Chapter 3. Approval of the permit amendment complies with the California Environmental Quality Act because either 1) feasible mitigation measures and/or alternatives have been incorporated to substantially lessen any significant adverse effects of the amended development on the environment, or 2) there are no feasible mitigation measures or alternatives that would substantially lessen any significant adverse impacts of the amended development on the environment.*

II. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF AMENDED PERMIT 5-03-030

The amended permit is subject to the following special conditions of the original permit.

1. **Permit Compliance.** All development must occur in strict compliance with the proposal as set forth in the application for permit, subject to any special conditions. Any deviation from the approved plans, no matter how minor, must be submitted for review by the Executive Director to determine whether an amendment to this coastal development permit is required.
2. **Twelve-Month Pilot Period.** [Special Condition Two was deleted by Permit Amendment 5-03-030-A1, January 21, 2005]. ~~As proposed by the City, the approved development is authorized for a twelve-month pilot period, which shall commence on June 13, 2003. At the end of the twelve-month pilot period (June 12, 2004), the City shall remove all development authorized by this permit and restore the site to its prior condition. The City may request, and the Commission may approve or reject, a permit amendment to extend the term of the proposed development.~~
3. **Best Management Practices (BMP) Program.** By acceptance of this permit, the City agrees that the dog zone will be managed in a manner that protects water quality. The City shall be responsible for the implementation of the following BMPs:
 - A. The City shall ensure that free provisions (e.g. refuse bags) for the proper disposal of pet feces are provided in the parking lot adjacent to the dog zone, on trash receptacles, and on the sign posts approved pursuant to this coastal development permit.
 - B. The City shall ensure that adequate trash receptacles are provided in the dog zone.

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- C. The City shall ensure that the trash receptacles are maintained and routinely emptied in order to prevent spillage of refuse.
 - D. The City shall provide informational and advisory signage in the parking lot to inform people of the necessity and method for proper disposal of pet feces.
 - E. The City shall monitor the use of the dog zone and shall cite persons who neglect to properly collect and dispose of their dog's waste.
 - F. The City shall clean the area and keep a record of any unclaimed dog waste.
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Flagpole and dog zone identification sign, with appropriate Municipal Code section, to be set at the inland boundary of the dog zone. Dog waste pick-up bags will be mounted on poles of dog zone signs. A dog zone sign with free waste pick-up bags will be located every 250 linear feet of the boundary.

III. FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS

A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Coastal Development Permit 5-03-030, approved in June 2003, authorized the City to install two 8-foot high signs on the beach to designate a 2.9-acre (705' x 180') beach area as an unfenced off-leash dog exercise/play zone. This designated dog zone, called "Rosie's Dog Beach", is the only dog-legal beach in the City. The permit was last amended in 2005 to eliminate Special Condition Two of the underlying permit, which originally limited the development to a twelve-month pilot period.



City of Long Beach Proposed Rosie's Dog Beach Expansion (Belmont Shore).

The current proposal would expand the unfenced off-leash dog exercise/play zone (Rosie's Dog Beach) from 2.9 acres (705' x 180') to 4.1 acres (1000' x 180'). The western boundary will be moved one hundred feet east, and the eastern boundary will be moved 395 feet east, for a net gain of 295 linear feet of shoreline (Exhibit #2). The shift to the east will move the dog zone closer to Granada Launch Ramp (a sand launch for small vessels and personal watercraft), which is a natural paved entrance to the dog zone. All previously existing public recreational activities in the project area, such as swimming and sunbathing, continue to be available to all visitors within the dog zone, even if they do not bring a dog.

The current proposal also includes the placement of two ten-foot high flagpoles to designate the two inland corners that comprise the boundaries of the expanded dog zone. The inland (northern) boundary of the expanded dog zone will be demarcated by several six-foot high posts with 12" x 18" signs (one sign every 250 linear feet) that identify the dog zone and list the dog zone rules. These signposts will also have waste-bag dispensers, and at least six trash containers will be distributed throughout the dog zone in order to encourage dog owners to pick up after their dogs. The trash containers are monitored on a daily basis



Welcome Sign/Rules and Regulations - located in the sandy area between the beach parking lot and the dog zone.

One large Welcome Sign with the Dog Zone Rules and Regulations is posted in the sandy area between the beach parking lot and the dog zone. Dog access to the dog zone is allowed only at ninety-degree angles from the parking lot.

B. WATER QUALITY

The proposed project is located adjacent to coastal waters. The Coastal Act sets forth policies that require that marine resources and water quality be protected from adverse environmental effects.

Section 30230 of the Coastal Act states:

Marine resources shall be maintained, enhanced, and where feasible, restored. Special protection shall be given to areas and species of special biological or economic significance. Uses of the marine environment shall be carried out in a manner that will sustain the biological productivity of coastal waters and that will maintain healthy populations of all species of marine organisms adequate for long-term commercial, recreational, scientific, and educational purposes.

Section 30231 of the Coastal Act states:

The biological productivity and the quality of coastal waters, streams, wetlands, estuaries, and lakes appropriate to maintain optimum populations of marine organisms and for the protection of human health shall be maintained and, where feasible, restored through, among other means, minimizing adverse effects of waste water discharges and entrainment, controlling runoff, preventing depletion of ground water supplies and substantial interference with surface water flow, encouraging waste water reclamation, maintaining natural vegetation buffer areas that protect riparian habitats, and minimizing alteration of natural streams.

Pet waste can contain bacteria and parasites, such as campylobacteriosis, giardiasis, salmonellosis and toxocariasis. However, the risk of adverse impacts to water quality and human health can be minimized with the implementation of proper mitigation measures at the dog zone. Therefore, it is important for the City to ensure that pet waste is picked up and disposed of properly.

The City will continue to monitor the water quality in the area and maintains the ability to terminate the dog zone if it is determined that the dog zone is having a detrimental effect on water quality. The City's water quality plan includes the following measures to minimize the potential for adverse impacts:

- The City will ensure that sufficient dog-waste bag dispensers and trash containers are placed in the area.
- The City will provide informational and advisory signage in the parking lot.
- The City will monitor the use of the dog zone and will cite persons who neglect to properly collect and dispose of their dog's waste.
- The City beach maintenance staff will clean the area and monitor the amount of any unclaimed dog waste.
- The Long Beach Recreation Dog Park Association will continue its public education programs and will also supplement the City's maintenance efforts.

The dog zone is limited to a clearly defined area of the urban beach where dogs will have a minimal impact on the environment. There is no stream or drainage in the dog zone that can carry waste into the ocean. The City (since 2003) enforces specific rules and regulations reduce the impact of having dogs on the beach (Exhibit #3). The City provides trash containers and free bags for picking up pet waste in the dog zone. All dogs on the beach must wear tags and have current vaccinations, and no dogs under four months old are allowed on the beach. The City and volunteers continually monitor the dog zone to make sure that all pet waste is placed in the trash containers.

The proposed project's potential negative effects on coastal resources have been adequately mitigated by the City's ongoing water quality plan, its joint beach use policy, and the special conditions of the amended coastal development permit. Therefore, as conditioned, the Commission finds that the proposed project conforms with Sections 30230 and 30231 of the Coastal Act regarding the protection of water quality to promote the biological productivity of coastal waters and to protect human health.

C. PUBLIC ACCESS AND RECREATION

One of the basic goals stated in the Coastal Act and is to maximize public access to and along the coast. The Coastal Act has several policies that protect public access along the shoreline and public recreational opportunities.

Section 30210 of the Coastal Act states:

In carrying out the requirement of Section 4 of Article X of the California Constitution, maximum access, which shall be conspicuously posted, and recreational opportunities shall be provided for all the people consistent with public safety needs and the need to protect public rights, rights of private property owners, and natural resource areas from overuse.

Section 30211 of the Coastal Act states:

Development shall not interfere with the public's right of access to the sea where acquired through use or legislative authorization, including, but not limited to, the use of dry sand and rocky coastal beaches to the first line of terrestrial vegetation.

Section 30213 of the Coastal Act states:

Lower cost visitor and recreational facilities shall be protected, encouraged, and, where feasible, provided. Developments providing public recreational opportunities are preferred...

The dog zone is a lower cost recreational facility that provides people with dogs an opportunity to enjoy access to the shoreline. The proposed project, as conditioned, does not interfere with public recreational use of coastal resources and will not have any new adverse impact on public access to the coast or to nearby recreational facilities. The proposed development, as conditioned, protects coastal areas suited for recreational activities. Therefore, the Commission finds that the proposed development, as conditioned, is in conformity with the public access and recreation policies of the Coastal Act.

D. HABITAT

Section 30240 of the Coastal Act states:

(a) Environmentally sensitive habitat areas shall be protected against any significant disruption of habitat values, and only uses dependent on such resources shall be allowed within such areas.

(b) Development in areas adjacent to environmentally sensitive habitat areas and parks and recreation areas shall be sited and designed to prevent impacts which would significantly degrade such areas, and shall be compatible with the continuance of such habitat areas.

The project site is not a sensitive habitat area. It is a popular urban beach next to a large public parking lot, a beach bicycle path, and a snack bar/restroom. Birds, the only wildlife in the project area, are often seen roosting on the much wider sandy beach hundreds of feet east of the dog zone. As conditioned, the development will not result in significant degradation of adjacent habitat, recreation areas, or parks, and is compatible with the continuance of those habitat, recreation, or park areas. Therefore, the Commission finds that the project, as conditioned, conforms with Section 30240 of the Coastal Act.

E. VISUAL RESOURCES

Section 30251 of the Coastal Act states:

The scenic and visual qualities of coastal areas shall be considered and protected as a resource of public importance. Permitted development shall be sited and designed to protect views to and along the ocean and scenic coastal areas, to minimize the alteration of natural land forms, to be visually compatible with the character of surrounding areas, and, where feasible, to restore and enhance visual quality in visually degraded areas. New development in highly scenic areas such as those designated in the California Coastline Preservation and Recreation Plan prepared by the Department of Parks and Recreation and by local government shall be subordinate to the character of its setting.

The proposed development is located within an existing developed area and, as conditioned, will be compatible with the character and scale of the surrounding area. Therefore, the Commission finds that the development, as conditioned, conforms with Section 30251 of the Coastal Act.

F. LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM

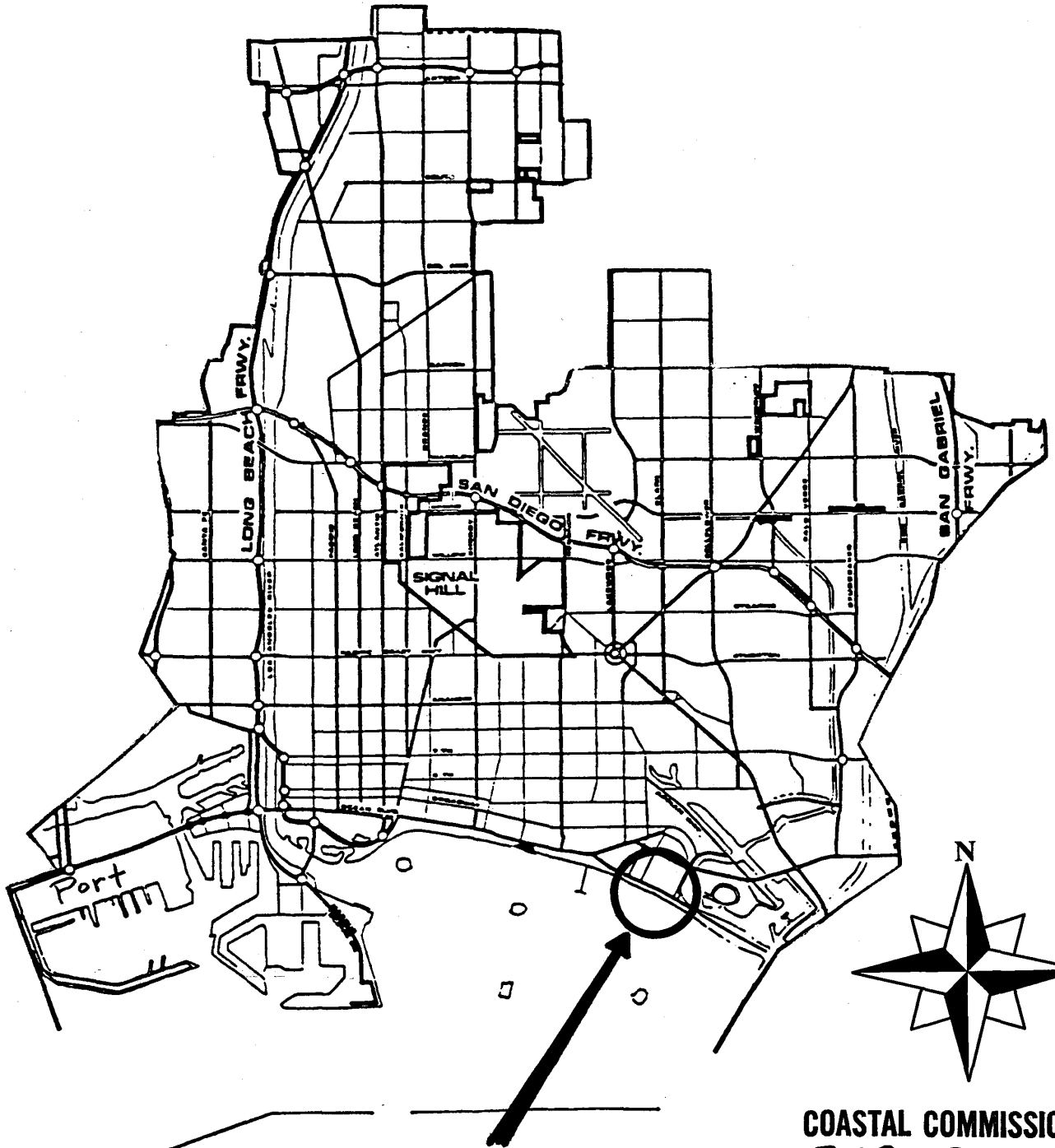
A coastal development permit is required from the Commission for the proposed development because it is located within the Commission's area of original jurisdiction. The Commission's standard of review for the proposed development is the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act. The City of Long Beach certified LCP is advisory in nature and may provide guidance. The Commission certified the City of Long Beach LCP on July 22, 1980. As conditioned, the proposed development is consistent with Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act and with the certified LCP for the area.

G. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

Section 13096 Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations requires Commission approval of a coastal development permit application to be supported by a finding showing the application, as conditioned by any conditions of approval, to be consistent with any applicable requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Section 21080.5(d)(2)(A) of CEQA prohibits a proposed development from being approved if there are feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen any significant adverse effect which the activity may have on the environment.

In this case, the City of Long Beach is the lead agency for purposes of CEQA review of this project. The City issued a CEQA Exemption for the proposed project on February 2, 2012 (CE-05-12). As conditioned, there are no feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen any significant adverse effect which the activity may have on the environment. Therefore, the Commission finds that the proposed project, as conditioned to mitigate the identified impacts, is the least environmentally damaging feasible alternative and can be found consistent with the requirements of the Coastal Act to conform to CEQA.

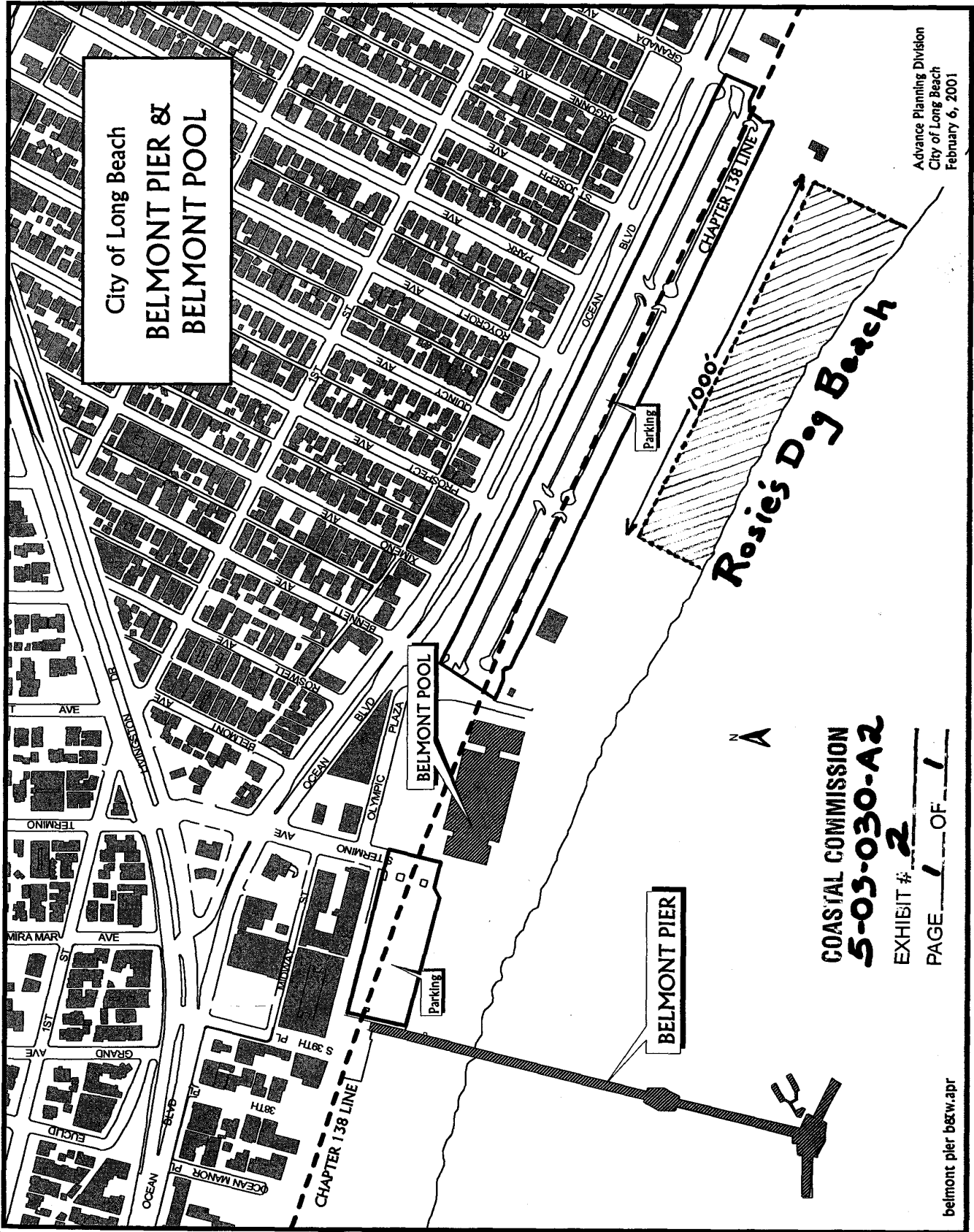
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Enforcement:

Three City departments are authorized to enforce rules for the Dog Zone. The rules and regulations are included in the Long Beach Municipal Code, Section 6.16.310, and include the following rules:

With regard to said use of this designated part of the beach of the City of Long Beach:

- A. The dog exercise area must be accessed from the adjacent parking lot in a ninety degree (90;deg;) angle to the marked boundaries of the dog exercise area.
- B. Each dog must be under the control of an adult person responsible for the dog, and only one (1) dog per adult is permitted. The dog must be under visual and voice control by the person responsible at all times. Dogs that do not respond to voice commands are not permitted.
- C. All dogs must wear a collar with current tags.
- D. All dogs must have current vaccinations and licenses.
- E. As a condition of admission to such dog exercise area, the person responsible for such dog shall use a suitable container or instrument to remove dog feces and shall dispose of it in waste containers provided for that purpose.
- F. Dogs previously declared vicious pursuant to this chapter, and/or any other state law or local ordinance, and aggressive dogs are not permitted. The persons responsible for such dogs are legally responsible for any injury caused by their dog(s).
- G. Dogs shall not be left unattended.
- H. Dogs under four (4) months old are not permitted.
- I. Female dogs in estrus (heat cycle) are not permitted.
- J. Professional dog trainers may not use the dog exercise area to conduct classes or individual instruction.
- K. Children shall be accompanied by an adult and shall not run, shout, scream, wave their arms, or otherwise excite or antagonize dogs.
- L. Bicycles, rollerblades, roller skates, skateboards, strollers and the like, are not permitted. Wheelchairs and other aids for the disabled are permitted.
- M. Spiked collars on dogs are not permitted.

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N. The person responsible for a dog must have in his/her possession a leash for the dog which shall be worn by the dog at all times that the dog is ingressing/egressing the dog exercise area.

O. The person responsible for a dog shall provide drinking water for their dog.

P. No food of any kind is permitted in the dog exercise area during the designated hours.

Q. The person responsible for a dog shall otherwise comply with all rules governing the beaches and relevant parking regulations.

R. No one shall play any team sport including, but not limited to, football, baseball, soccer, rugby and volleyball during the designated dog exercise hours. The use of a frisbee or a small, retrievable ball is permitted.

S. Use of the dog exercise area by the dog shall constitute implied consent of the person responsible for the dog to all regulations and shall constitute a waiver of liability to the City of Long Beach and an agreement to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Long Beach, its officials and employees for any injury or damage caused by a dog when the dog is not on a leash.

T. The director of parks, recreation and marine shall have the discretion to terminate the program.

The departments authorized to enforce these rules are the Police Department, including the Marine Patrol Division, the Fire Department, including the Marine Safety Division (Lifeguards) and Parks, Recreation and Marina, Animal Services Bureau. While there is no dedicated enforcement force in place during all hours of operation, all three departments do include the Dog Zone as part of the routine beat.

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Letters from persons interested in Rosie's Dog Beach:

OPPOSING the proposed expansion: 14 – all attached

SUPPORTING the proposed expansion: 142 - 15 attached

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: anngadfly@aol.com
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2013 2:00 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Rosie's Dog Beach

Dear Mr. Posner:

I oppose the proposed extension of Rosie's Dog Beach in Belmont Shore, Long Beach. In fact, I believe that beaches are for people, not dogs. This is not because I don't like dogs, but for sanitary reason and other reasons

It is almost impossible to clean up all the dog feces in the sand and the urine remains in the sand above the tide zone. It would seem to me that this creates a breeding ground for disease. Have there been any studies done on the bacteria count at the current dog park? Not only the public, but other dogs and sea life could be in danger from what is essentially a doggie litter box.

It is only natural that dogs like to chase the shore birds, which is another concern for allowing dogs on the beach. Birds that are constantly chased are unable to obtain food. True, they no doubt have learned to avoid this area, but there are few safe foraging areas left on local beaches. Please don't take another foot away from them.

Even with responsible owners, it is impossible to control a dog at all times in this environment. Without leashes, how can dog owners protect their dogs from an aggressive dog? Allowing animals who are used to fences and leashes to run wild at the ocean is asking for trouble, for both other dogs and for the public.

I see one of the arguments for enlarging the dog park is to move it closer to the concrete boat ramp to allow easier access for disabled dog owners. If owners are so disabled they can't walk in the sand, how are they going to be able to catch their dogs in case of an emergency?

In looking at the map for the planned extension, I see there will be very little area left for the public, especially if the planned widening of the present bike/pedestrian path is done. The California Coastal Commission is charged with protecting public, not dog, access.

If there is to be any change in Rosie's Dog Park, I would ask that it be made smaller, not larger, or better yet, eliminated altogether.

Sincerely,

Ann Cantrell
3106 Claremore
Long Beach, CA 90808
562/596-7288

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Melinda Cotton <mbcotton@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 1:20 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Oppose City of Long Beach Application to Expand the beach Dog Zone

Dear Mr. Posner,

I'm very concerned about the proposed expansion of the City of Long Beach Dog Zone. This proposed expansion has gone to the Coastal Commission without prior input or hearings held by the City of Long Beach to allow for public input. I am not aware of any study that has been done to explain the reasons for this expansion. In addition, there appear to be no studies offered of the effect of the existing Rosie's Dog Beach on Long Beach ocean water quality, or the effect of the existing dog zone on quality of life and health issues of beach goers. The City also apparently has failed to provide the Coastal Commission with information and data about the many problems associated with the current Rosie's Dog Beach.

Long Beach Marine Safety Chief Randy Foster has reported an incredible number of citations and issues related to Dog Beach. That information should be updated and submitted to the Coastal Commission. Safety of beach goers should be important to all.

When Justin Rudd requested and launched the existing Dog Beach he promised the City there would be "volunteer" Ambassadors there at all times to control dog owners and dogs and make sure they adhered to the boundaries and rules of Dog Beach. That didn't work out and the area was nearly unsupervised for a long time. The City Life Guards were reluctant to have to take on the job, feeling their responsibility was keeping swimmers, etc. safe. Only in the last year or so did the Life Guards actively try to enforce the rules of Dog Beach. Since we rarely see life guards in the fall/winter/spring months, we don't know if there is any enforcement going on.

So it's really been something of a free for all. There have been accidents, loose dogs tangling with bicycle riders, pedestrians, etc. And of course as we know ocean and marine water quality in Long Beach has often been in the D or F category. Clean and safe ocean water is a top priority.

We would urge the Coastal Commission to ask the City of Long Beach to hold public hearings and provide complete information on all these issues. We urge the Coastal Commission to oppose the expansion of the dog zone at this time and require further information.

Sincerely,
Melinda Cotton
30 year resident of Belmont Shore
and frequent beach goer

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Del Whan <delmwhan@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2013 11:47 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal; Del Whan
Subject: Fw: Expansion of Long Beach Dog Beach

Subject: Expansion of Long Beach Dog Beach

Hello,

I am writing in support of the expansion of Rosie's dog beach in Long Beach. My dog Jake and I use it frequently. Jake is a two year old 95 pound Labrador who needs to get out a run. It is beautiful to see him cruise up and down the beach at top speed.

It makes sense to expand the length of the dog beach toward the east where there is a handicapped accessibility roadway. It also makes sense to move the dog beach away from the volley ball area as proposed.

The only improvement I might suggest would be to also WIDEN the designated dog beach because there is so much unused sand between the parking area and the dog beach. Nobody uses that area except to get to the dog beach.

The dog beach is used by hundreds of dogs and people, especially on weekends when it can be very active and crowded. The 25% expansion may help to ease the crowding to some extent. But if the dog beach were also widened there would be less density of dogs and people. It would be great if there were some quiet areas to just sit and relax with our dog(s) without being run over by other activities.

I hope the Coastal Commission gives a speedy approval to this plan.

Sincerely,

Adele Whan
2900 East 6th St., #A
Long Beach, CA 90814

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Fred Khammar <beachclub2001@charter.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 12:55 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Dog Beach...

Good day Mr. Posner,

We have met on a few occasions, I am and have been the City of Long Beaches beach concessionaire for the past 23 years. One of our locations is located along the Granada Ave launch ramp, which will directly impacted by the expansion of Dog Beach...I am in total favor of Dog Beach and have been since its inception, but this current expansion plan raises many questions. We currently produce many free to the public events in that space, Movies, Sand Sculpting events, weddings, corporate events, etc. We have seen many problems this past season with the amount of dogs being washed off at the Granada showers, making it impossible on some days for human beings to use the facilities. I agree with expansion but to the west where the beach is totally under utilized, not to the east where the beach is already over utilized by Jet skiers, kite surfers, and public events.

If you should want to chat regarding this subject I am available at your convenience.

Thanks,
Fred Khammar
562 477 6820
www.alfredosbeachclub.com

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Tedd Pitts <Tedd@LlamaWords.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 3:51 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Rose Dog beach expansion

Dear sir;

I vehemently oppose the expansion of Rosie's dog beach. I walk the beach, the peninsula and the shore, frequently in the morning, and I already am harassed by owners who run their dogs outside of the dog beach off their leash. I have had to start carrying mace because I have been approached by aggressive dogs, barking and chasing me. The owners are unapologetic about their flagrant disregard of the rules. The expansion would mean those people trying to walk down the Granada boat launch ramp, including children, would be approached by dogs off their leash, and typically not under their owners control.

Thank you for your consideration of the matter.

Theodore Ross Pitts
Long Beach, CA

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Jonathan P Dryhurst Roberts <jonathan.dryhurst@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 3:10 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: DO NOT EXPAND ROSIES DOG BEACH

I live across the street from the dog beach, and it's BIG ENOUGH.

Jonathan P Dryhurst Roberts
jonathan.dryhurst@gmail.com
US: 562-242-4355

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: TOLEDO Rossana (MORPHO) <rossana.toledo@morpho.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 10:58 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: I support expansion of ROSIE's DOG BEACH, Long Beach

Mr. Charles Posner
c/o Coastal Commission
200 Oceangate 10th Floor
Long Beach 90802-4302
ph (562) 590-5071

Dear Mr. Posner –

I would like to express my support for the expansion of ROSIE's DOG BEACH in Long Beach.

I have been a Long Beach resident for about 17 years and one of the GREAT assets of this beautiful city is that it is very dog friendly - it even has its OWN dog beach!

You don't know how jealous my friends who live in other cities are of the dog beach - - -

I don't know if you are a dog owner.....but if you are..... you definitely know what a pleasure it is to take your dog for a walk/swim at the beach – either SUMMER OR WINTER !!!!

It's not only good for the dog, but for the OWNER too !!!!

An hour or two at the beach, walking and playing with your dog, is BETTER therapy than going to a shrink.

The dog beach makes dogs AND humans HAPPY !!

I also have to comment that most of the dog owners (95%+) are very responsible about picking up after their dogs – and when we see a “lazy” owner who doesn't do the right thing, believe me.....there are plenty of us that will MAKE that person pick up their poop!

I REALLY hope you will support the expansion of ROSIE's DOG BEACH.

THANK YOU in advance for your help.

Rossana Toledo
Long Beach Resident
(562) 506-5016

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: DonnieLynn@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 4:25 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Do not expand Rosie Dog Park, Please

Mr. Charges Posner,

I am adamantly opposed to enlarging the size of Rosie's Dog Beach.

It is baffling to me how a dog park was approved along our precious coastline in the first place.

(By the way, I am not opposed to dog parks in general but am opposed to them being built in environmentally sensitive areas.)

To expand an already bad idea is just poor public policy and land management.

I am sure you are aware of the many environmental pressures our coastline is already dealing with. Huge amounts of pollution from storm drain run off during rainy season. To add pollution from the beach side just seems criminal. Where does it stop?

Currently the City of Long Beach maintenance department has enough to do, just to keep up with the littering that goes on at the beach on a daily basis. There is no way those machines can pick up all of the fecal matter left from the dogs.

I can't imagine what kind of screens would be necessary to actually collect all of the small bits of fecal material that infiltrates the sands along the beach. Wave action only brings the pulverized matter into the water which is, sad to say, already polluted.

Please, do not allow the expansion of Rosie Dog Park.

Thank you.

Donnie Haigh
6061 Belen St.
Long Beach, CA 90815

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Justin Rudd! <justin@justinrudd.com>
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2013 12:15 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: I support expanding the dog beach in Long Beach.

Please do not reduce it on the west, and please increase it on the east. So many dogs enjoy this dog beach year-round. I started this dog beach. And, before that I started the monthly 30-Minute Beach Cleanup that takes place in and around the dog beach area on the third Sat. of each month. The Coastal Commission gave me the "volunteer of the year" award a few years back for my work with keeping this beach cleaned up. This is such a great place for those of us who live in Long Beach, and for those that bring their dogs there from a few hours away.

- Justin Rudd!

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: UcanLove@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 1:27 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: dog beach

ah come on! do it for the dogs! thank you!
Rev. Shipp

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Joey Lumsden <jolumsden@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 11:09 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal; Justin Rudd
Subject: expansion of the dog beach

This is an e-mail in support of enlarging the dog beach - it's a wonderful place and is so popular and a great asset to the City of Long Beach and it's citizens.

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Marcos Gonzalez <marcosjon@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 12:49 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Cc: Justin@Justinrudd.com
Subject: Expansion Of Rosie's Dog Beach

Dear Mr. Posner:

I am writing this to let you know that I support the planned expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach in the Belmont Shore area of Long Beach. I am a 15 year resident of Long Beach and I am proud to point out to those not fortunate enough to live here, that we have a great facility in Rosie's Dog Beach.

I believe that the proposed would be beneficial all citizens of Long Beach and my beliefs are twofold:

While the ADA regulations may not fully cover access to public beach amenities, the proposed expansion is definitely within the spirit of the law. An expansion will allow our visitor's to the beach who are wheelchair bound to get much closer to an amenity currently only enjoyed by the able-bodied.

The beach is very popular and brings folks to Long Beach from all over the area, however, at times, particularly on weekends, it becomes very crowded.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email. I look forward to hearing of the commission's decision.

Marcos J. Gonzalez
1242 E. 4th St # 1
Long Beach, 90802

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Dyana Mason <dyanamason@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 9:54 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal; justin@justinrudd.com
Subject: Expand Rosie's Dog Beach

Mr. Posner,

I am writing in support for the current proposal to expand Rosie's Dog Beach to the boat launch. Since those going to the dog beach often have to trudge through the sand in the proposed area anyway, this area is already traversed by many dogs and owners moving to and from the dog beach. In addition, it will allow the beach to be accessible to those in wheelchairs, and service dogs who may be assisting them or their companions.

I will look forward to your reply!
Dyana Mason

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Stephen Rutherford <steverutherford@earthlink.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 9:51 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Expansion of Dog Beach in Long Beach--Opposed

I am opposed to the expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach. This area is quite messy, with dog waste, and the dogs already roam beyond the boundaries. The owners of the dogs also see no harm in allowing their dogs to run from the parking lot to the approved area off leash. This presents a danger to bikes and peds.

As a frequent sand runner it is very challenging to cross that portion of the beach without dogs charging at you or cutting you off. Expanding it will only make it more difficult to travel the distance along the water line.

Steve Rutherford

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Tarin <tarinfrances@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 3:14 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal; george.chapjian@longbeach.gov
Subject: RE: Proposal to expand Rosie's Dog beach

Dear Mr. Chapjian & Mr. Posner:

While I understand the luxury of Rosie's Dog Beach in Belmont Shore as a benefit to dogs and dog owners, the marked area is not beneficial for the rest of the community; therefore, I write to suggest moving the location and/or not increasing this space for dogs.

Rosie's Dog Beach is often dirty due to the dog feces and the urine in the sand left by dog owners. Additionally, the dogs can be aggressive, interfering with runners and bikers, and frightening children in the area. I now rarely walk on this stretch of the beach due to these dirty and difficult conditions. I have been amazed when dogs are granted the best part of beach as is the case in Long Beach as well as the dog park at the Cliffs in Huntington Beach.

Alternatively a dog area would also work well at the end of the peninsula where there is an easy access parking lot and less people and children walking and enjoying the beach, leaving more room for dogs and their owners.

I appreciate your time in considering alternatives to the location and practice of a dog beach. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Tarin Olson
Belmont Heights Resident

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Lori Flashner <lorirun@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 09, 2013 8:36 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Cc: Justin@JustinRudd.com
Subject: Rosie's Dog Beach Expansion

Dear Mr. Charles Posner,

I am writing in support of the expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach in Long Beach. When I heard of the proposed expansion I was extremely pleased. As a homeowner in the Alamitos Beach section of Long Beach, I am able to walk/run with my 3 year old boxer to Rosie's. Once we start heading in that direction, he knows exactly where we are going and there is no stopping him! I have been exercising and socializing him there since he was 5 months old and just this past Fall he actually started to swim. Boxers aren't known for swimming and he certainly isn't the most graceful, but he LOVES it and it is very therapeutic for him.

Sometimes, however, I have to think twice about taking him based upon the time of year and time of day. The reason for this is that the beach can get so crowded with dogs that it is almost too hectic for both of us to just relax and enjoy our time there. The dogs are almost on top of one another at times and it can be very distracting for the dogs. A longer beach front would be very beneficial to the dogs and their owners and would also keep me coming there as opposed to driving down to Huntington when I feel Rosie's will be too crowded.

This may be more information than you needed but I thought you should hear from a community dog owner about why the proposed beach front expansion would make a positive impact.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Lori Flashner

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Retha Ott <peteretha@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 3:08 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Expansion of Rosie's dog beach

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I support the expansion of Rosie's dog beach. We live on Ocean Blvd. and don't think it harms the environment. Our dogs love to run there, and we don't see people abusing the rules.

Sent from my iPad
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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: wps30@aol.com
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2013 1:41 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Cc: eric.lopez@longbeach.gov; george.chapjian@longbeach.gov; Julie.Maleki@longbeach.gov; district1@longbeach.gov; district3@longbeach.gov; district4@longbeach.gov
Subject: Opposition to dog beach extension

Charles R. Posner
Coastal Program Analyst
200 Oceanate - Tenth Floor
Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Mr. Posner,

My name is Bill Sheehan, and I'm a Long Beach resident. I oppose the proposed expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach because the City of Long Beach has failed to control and monitor the existing dog beach.

While many dog owners obey the rules, others do not. I see violations of the one-dog-per-person and out-of-bounds rules every day. For example, last weekend I saw one man with two dogs let his dogs defecate on the sand outside the dog beach before bringing both dogs into the dog beach -- a double violation. Last evening, a couple were walking an unleashed dog outside the dog beach.

The city created the dog beach but didn't provide funding for monitoring or rules enforcement. A volunteer group of ambassadors to patrol the dog beach quickly fizzled out, with one of the ambassadors saying she was verbally abused by the violators. Parks and Recreation and Animal Care passed over enforcement to the lifeguards. At a community meeting, Long Beach Marine Safety Chief Randy Foster said lifeguards in 2011 issued thousands of warnings to dog owners but only about six to eight tickets. **There is no resolve to ticket offenders, so the violations continue on a daily basis.** Without policing, it is just a matter of time before a serious incident occurs in or near the dog beach.

The area east of the current dog beach already receives heavy usage with jet skiers, kite surfers, swimmers and sunbathers. Many annual events are held on or near the Granda Launch Ramp and the Flip Flop Cafe. Why bring another activity to this specific area when the city has three miles of coastline to choose from?

Bill Sheehan
wps30@aol.com
562 883-5624

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: jeanine birong <jeanine.birong@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 4:13 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: I Oppose expanding Rosie's dog beach

Dear Mr. Posner,

I read today that there is a proposal to expand Rosie's Dog Beach. I am writing to tell you I oppose this idea. The dog beach is an environmental disaster. It smells like dog feces--to the point on same days you can't even walk there. The water is unswimmable in my opinion, but sadly the junior life guards still must swim there--my kids. I'm willing to tolerate the current dog beach, but expanding the smell another 200 feet is not acceptable. Not every one in town finds dogs as cute and amusing as their owners. When my child was small she was bitten more than once by supposedly friendly dogs out in public. The dog owners aren't careful about restraining their dogs near the bike path and not do they pay attention when they cross the bike path.

Our for dogs is getting ridiculous. They shouldn't be allowed at restaurants--so I've started avoiding the restaurants that allow it. We've already set up numerous dog parks, and they already have 800 feet of beach! I am a non-dog owning tax payer--enough is enough. Dogs are not equal to humans despite what their deluded owners believe. The heavy dog concentration in this area is already making the beach less enjoyable for people. The dogs do not need more space to pollute.

Sincerely,
Jeanine Birong
562-743-2029

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Chris Campbell <ChrisLCampbell@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 10:44 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: LONG BEACH DOG BEACH

I am writing to express my opposition to any expansion of the dog beach in Belmont Shore. The dog beach has created a situation where dog owners feel they can bring dogs to any part of the beach from Alamitos Avenue to Bayshore Drive and the City simply doesn't have the capacity to monitor the abuse. Additionally, the posted dog beach rules are disregarded by most of the owners who permit unleashed dogs to bolt across the bike path wreaking havoc on runners and cyclists. Lastly, the amount of dog excrement along the beach has visibly increased since the creation of the dog beach.

Thank you,

Chris

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: LARRY FINLEY <larryfinley1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 9:22 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach

I love Rosie's dog beach. I don't own a dog, but I have friends who do. When my friend visits me, her dog gets excited when he sees us take beach towels out of the closet. The dog doesn't go into the water, or chase balls or play with dogs. The dog just likes to be at the dog beach. I know that there are commissioners out there who believe that public use should be for exclusive use of old people who want to walk down the sand, but this ocean is for all of us. Long Beach alone is 4 miles or 20,000 feet. Dogs are forbidden on 19,000 feet. But the dog beach is busy while the rest of the beach is not.

So I hope you make the right decision
Larry Finley

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Brenda Brennan <bjbrennan1@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 1:14 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Cc: justin@justinrudd.com
Subject: Please support expanding the Dog Beach

Please support the expansion of the Long beach dog beach. By moving the off-leash area much closer to the concrete Granada Ave. boat launch ramp we can allow wheelchair accessibility to those wishing to go to the dog beach. This is a win for everyone. Thank you for your support.

Brenda Brennan
(562) 432-7658

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: onemouse11@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 8:17 AM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Opposed to expansion of Long Beach Dog Beach

Mr. CharlesPosner
Coastal Commission

Dear Mr. Posner

It is my understanding the City of Long Beach submitted a request to the Coastal Commission to expand the dog beach.

In the past couple of years issues regarding the current dog beach were raised to Gary DeLong, Third District Councilmember.

IE: dogs running after bike riders and runners, dog poop not being picked up, along with accumulation of urine both causing bacteria build up that leaches to the ocean. To date, little has been done to resolve continuing issues. While many canine owners abide by the current rules of the canine usage on the beach, others do not. The City of Long Beach, it seems cannot provide adequate control and monitoring of the existing dog beach of the many daily violations that occur. In addition, environmental concerns exist with the present dog beach area. How in the right mind of environmentalists or green oriented city representatives can a City such as Long Beach propose to the Coastal Commission a request to expand the current dog beach?

I am opposed to the expansion of the dog beach, additionally it my understanding the application process to the Coastal Commission was completed prior to advising the whole of Long Beach. It appears when the City of Long Beach wants to make a request to your commission regarding the Beach, posted notices are raised during the winter months on or near the beach, when few citizens frequent the beach.

In a recent posting on www.RosiesDogBeach.com, in part it was stated the area will allow the move of the off-leach area closer to the concrete Granada Avenue boat launch ramp allowing handicapped individuals to avail themselves with dogs to access the dog beach.. Question: if a handicapped person were to use the beach with a dog off the leash, if some thing happened how would the individual regain control of their pet?

It is of great concern as our beaches need to be kept clean and safe.

Aileen Colon
onemouse11@aol.com
562 743 8891

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: C Janisch <cmjanisch@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 09, 2013 1:33 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Plans to expand Rosie's Dog Beach in Long Beach

Dear Mr. Posner -

I am writing in response to the article that I saw in The Grunion Gazette re the expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach. The article said to e-mail you with comments.

The dog beach should not be expanded and I am against any efforts to do so. I play on the volleyball courts that the owners take their dogs through to get to the dog beach -- courts that were there well before the dog beach existed. When the dog beach started, dog poop on the volleyball courts became a problem, and it's just gotten worse as the dog beach has become more popular. I have to pick up dog poop every time I want to play volleyball. About a 1/3 of the owners don't keep their dogs on leashes when they go through the courts, and the dogs run on the courts and stop play, or they go to bathroom on the courts or they pee on a volleyball. When it comes to the owners that keep their dogs on leashes, about 1/4 of those dogs go poop next to the courts on their way to the beach. This stops play until the owner picks it up, which sometimes doesn't happen until after the owner goes all the way to the dog beach to set his or her stuff up first, and then comes back for it. And then there's the people who just don't care and leave the dog poop there. I've seen all of this happen and it shouldn't be allowed to continue.

The article talks about moving the start of the dog beach east by 100 feet toward the Granada Avenue boat launch. The 100 feet won't solve the problem, as some of the volleyball courts will still be in front of some of the dog beach. Even if the 90 degree rule is enforced (which it never was and never can or will be), owners and their dogs will still be going through the volleyball courts.

The dog beach should never have been permitted to be where it's currently located, and I for one think it should be closed. But if that proves too difficult, there may be another solution -- move the entire dog beach east of the Granada Avenue boat launch. There's basically nothing on the beach on that side of the boat launch, so people wouldn't have to be as concerned about horrible dog owners not keeping their dogs on leashes or not picking up dog poop. I realize moving the entire dog beach east of the boat launch wouldn't make the parking as convenient, but I'm sure dog owners wouldn't mind having to walk a little further if they were faced with the dog beach closing down entirely.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

C. Janisch

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Jennifer Galindo <JGalindo@BlecherCollins.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 3:30 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Support for Expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach in Long Beach

Mr. Posner,

I write this email in support of the proposal to expand Rosie's Dog Beach. As the only off-leash dog beach in Los Angeles County, Rosie's Beach is a unique and resource for area dog owners -- and for many of us a regular outing that we look forward to (as do the pups). Expanding the area that dog's can lawfully enjoy off-leash makes sense, especially given the beach's popularity and weekend density.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my opinion on this matter.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Galindo
Los Angeles (San Pedro) Resident & Rosie's Dog Beach User

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Miriam Medrano <mirmed403@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 12:54 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Rosie's Dog Beach

Dear Sir,

I am writing this to express my support for the expansion of Rosie's Dog Beach.

The fact that the expansion would also allow wheelchair accessibility is more than icing on the cake.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

Meeling Miriam Wee
Qwi - my 21 months Terrier mix

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Bob Pickell <pickelljr@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 09, 2013 10:56 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Expansion of Long Beach Dog Beach

Dear Mr. Posner,

I would like to submit my opinion on Long Beach's application to expand their dog beach - do not allow it. The reason? No enforcement of existing rules - the number of people I encounter on an almost daily basis walking their dogs on sections of the beach and along the bike/pedestrian path where the dogs are not allowed. I'm at the beach a lot. I ride the bike path everyday.

I often politely inform the dog owner that their dog is not allowed where they are walking it and that they could get a ticket. I know that is a joke; I have never once seen a dog owner get a ticket from Long Beach Marine Police for having their dog on the beach or bike path where they are not allowed. That is why people keep doing it. Some people say they didn't know that it was not allowed, despite numerous signs everywhere.

I'm not a dog hater. I like dogs. I see how much they enjoy the dog beach, having a great time in the surf and sand. I agree that getting more people out to enjoy our coastline is a great thing for the Californians.

I just want dog owners to follow the rules, and for those rules to be enforced. Long Beach hasn't shown the initiative to do that.

Regards,
Bob Pickell
249 Tivoli Drive
Long Beach

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Francis Orlando <francis@orlandocreative.net>
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2013 1:21 PM
To: Francis Orlando
Subject: Proposed Expansion of Dog Beach

Dear Mr. Posner,

After reading the article in the Grunion, I feel the need to express my displeasure with the proposed expansion of the Dog Beach over to the Granada Launch Ramp. As a frequent user of the bike path and the beach, I think that this encroachment will cause more harm than good. If anything, I the Dog Beach should be moved further towards downtown and away from the Granada Beach Shack that is located along that stretch of beach. That beach shack (Sunsets on the Beach) is the site of many popular Sea Festival Events including all the Movies on the Beach in the Summertime. Having all those dogs — and the waste they generate — so close to a public area does not make good sense. Just the way it is currently is already disgusting. I've personally witnessed dog feces and loose dogs running around the beach showers and public bathrooms at that location — and allowing them to get closer is only going to make matters worse.

We all love our dogs, and want to give them a place to run free, but having them so close to that Beach Shack — where food is regularly consumed is not the way to go. The beach is for people first. The fact that dogs are even allowed at all on this public beach is a privilege. Please don't let the animals take over one of the brightest spots for human enjoyment on an otherwise underutilized Southern California beach. Please expand Dog Beach towards downtown if necessary, and keep them away from that Beach Shack and the Granada Launch Ramp.

Thanks for listening,

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Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: cindy ashworth <cindy_k_ashworth@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2013 12:57 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Rosie's Dog Beach

To Charles Posner c/o Coastal Commission

I'm sending a letter of support to expand Rosie's Dog Beach. As the human population grows so does the population of dogs. It is only fair. It is things like this that is meaningful for society itself and canine owners and just the right thing to do. Long Beach has earned such a privilege as to accommodate to all it's citizens including the pets of our community.. Pet owners get their loved ones shots and pay their licenses to be accounted for. Lets give our pets what they deserve and there entitlement. Not only do our pets have a place in our heart, they deserve their place in Long Beach. Give them this space.

Thank You,

Cindy Ashworth

Posner, Chuck@Coastal

From: Sherri Lynn <Sherri@TRGOE.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2013 12:33 PM
To: Posner, Chuck@Coastal
Subject: Dog Beach

Please expand Dog Beach in Long Beach, we are a very dog proud community!
To set aside a small amount of beach for family's who consider their dogs as an important member of the family and be able to have a day out that isn't cramped and congested means the world to our kind of family. I have seen the other areas of the beach and Dog Beach is by far the cleanest too!
Thank you
Sherri

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