



**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

TO: Parking and Public Improvements Commission

FROM: Richard Thompson, Director of Community Development 
Esteban Danna, Assistant Planner 

BY: Erik Zandvliet, Traffic Engineer

DATE: September 24, 2009

SUBJECT: Parking and Traffic Issues Related to the Neighborhood Surrounding Sand Dune Park

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Commission conduct a public hearing and provide staff with direction regarding possible parking meters, permit regulations or other traffic measures in the neighborhood surrounding Sand Dune Park.

BACKGROUND:

On August 4, 2009, the City Council discussed parking and traffic related issues associated with increasing use of Sand Dune Park. After hearing public testimony, the City Council referred the matter to the Parking and Public Improvements Commission to evaluate the feasibility of installing parking meters and implementing a neighborhood parking permit program as a way to regulate overflow parking and park use.

DISCUSSION:

Over the years, the popularity of Sand Dune Park has steadily increased, and is now regularly used by residents, sports teams, athletes, and fitness groups for the unique exercise challenge to walk or run up the Sand Dune. This increased use is particularly noticeable in the summer when attendance spikes due to longer and warmer days and attendance. Along with this increased use come increased neighborhood impacts. Residents in the area have voiced concerns about a multitude of problems including; parking, traffic, noise and trash. To address these neighborhood concerns the City has taken a number of actions over the years, including:

- Constructed a traffic circle at the south end of Bell Avenue adjacent to the park.
- Striped diagonal parking along the west side of Bell Avenue and prohibit parking on the east side.
- Posted noise and litter prohibition signs.
- Posted Playground warning signs.
- Provided supplemental street sweeping.

- Increased hours of Parks & Recreation staff presence.
- Hired a Park Ranger.
- Increased Police Patrol.

These measures have resulted in some relief to residents, however, attendance at San Dune Park continues to rise, aggravating the associated neighborhood concerns.

Metered Parking and Neighborhood Permit Parking

In response to the most recent concerns, the City has considered a variety of possibilities to regulate the Park's activities, including; limiting Park use to residents only; closing the Dune fully or partially; fencing it or charging for its use as a way to control attendance. All of these more direct actions affecting public access or park operations are not the subject of this study or to be formally considered by this Commission.

Rather, the City Council has directed the Commission to consider an alternative concept to reduce the number of visitors to the Park by charging for parking and restricting the availability of free parking elsewhere in the neighborhood. One way to accomplish this is to install parking meters in certain areas such as Bell Avenue and the Public Works parking lot, and implement a Permit Parking program in the neighborhood to address the potential for parking intrusion. This concept has the potential to reduce over-use of the park as well as generate revenue to offset some of the City's costs for monitoring the Dune.

There are several components of a metered parking/resident permit program that are envisioned to meet the intended objectives. Since both systems are currently in place in other areas of the City, this program can be relatively inexpensive and quick to implement on a trial basis. The following list is a working description that can be used for discussion purposes, and is meant to be a foundation on which to a customized program could be built to fit the needs of the community:

1. Metered parking would be installed only in conjunction with a neighborhood parking permit program. Metered parking without permits would just cause more parking intrusion into the residential streets.
2. Metered parking would be limited to curb spaces along all or a portion of Bell Avenue, the Public Works Yard visitor parking lot and possibly one or both sides of Rosecrans Avenue.
3. A payment kiosk could be used in lieu of numerous individual meters to reduce visual impacts and help direct users along certain paths.
4. The metered parking operating hours would match park hours. When the park is closed, all metered spaces would be open for public use. Meter rates can be adjusted up or down during the day to influence demand.
5. Metered spaces may be limited to a maximum time limit of one hour to discourage loitering.
6. The parking permit program regulations would be similar to existing programs in other areas of the City. Hang tag permits would be used on resident vehicles to override the posted time-limit parking restrictions.

7. The permit parking time of day would be limited to the park operating hours. There would be no parking restrictions when the park is closed. This could free up parking in front of homes currently occupied by park users.
8. Time limit parking would be posted in the permitted area to allow up to 20 minutes during park hours for short-term resident parking, while discouraging park users.
9. Parking permits would be available to residents along a street segment that "opt in" to the program. This would allow flexibility in the permit parking boundaries based on actual need.
10. The permit parking zone should be large enough to significantly reduce parking intrusion impacts while not relocating them to other residential areas.
11. Parking permits could be obtained for all vehicles registered to the address.
12. Temporary parking permits would be available for use by non-registered guest and home service vehicles at the discretion of the resident.
13. Park users not living within the resident permit zone would have to park in metered spaces (or walk/bike to the park).
14. Any parking space or pad partly or fully within the public right-of-way would be subject to parking permit restrictions.
15. The costs associated with permit issuance should not be burdensome on the residents.
16. Meter revenues should offset any meter implementation and maintenance costs with the remainder used for park services.
17. Parking citation revenue should offset expected enforcement costs.
18. Other safeguard measures should be incorporated as needed to prevent abuse of the parking regulations.

The Commission has been asked to seek neighborhood and community input, and consider these and other aspects that may affect the possible implementation of such a program. The goal of this meeting is to listen to public input and provide guidance on the elements that would need to be incorporated into a parking based solution.

NEXT STEPS

Pursuant to the published and mailed public notice, all interested parties have been invited to this public workshop to discuss this matter and provide comments. The Commission should consider all comments and discuss all pertinent issues of a possible metered parking/resident permit program. Staff will take the direction offered by the Commission today and present findings and recommendations for a draft program at the scheduled Commission meeting on November 19, 2009. Representatives from a number of City departments including Police, Parks and Recreation, Public Works and Finance can also be available at that meeting to help answer questions that have arisen during the evaluation process. At the November 19 meeting, the Commission will discuss and make a recommendation to City Council for initiating a particular regulated parking program that could begin to regulate park usage as well as address the ongoing traffic and parking issues.

- Exhibits:
- A. Neighborhood Vicinity Aerial Map / Area Map
 - B. Chronological History for Sand Dune Park
 - C. Meeting Notice and Notice Area Map
 - D. City Letter to Residents
 - E. Public Correspondence

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Exhibit A



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Department of Community Development

**SAND DUNE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD
Metered Parking / Resident Permit Program
Study**

Rosecrans Ave.



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Chronological History for Sand Dune Park

Between 2000 and 2004, the City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission and a city/neighborhood committee met numerous times to develop and implement measures that would counteract the problems that were occurring at Sand Dune Park.

The problems that were communicated to the City by the residents (most living at the bottom of the dune) were:

- Noise from car alarms and stereos
- Noise from participants shouting and using bull horns
- Speeding along Bell Avenue
- Blocking driveways
- Trash and litter left behind on the streets
- Disrespecting park rules
- Monopolization of the dune by adults
- Before and after hours use violations

In the year 2000, the City implemented the following measures to initially address the above problems.

2000

- Open the park daily at 6:00 a.m. instead of opening at dawn
- Close the park at 9:00 p.m. from April 1 through October 31
- Establish quiet hours (enforced by Parks and Recreation staff member) from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to closing, daily
- Eliminate the four parking spaces in the parking lot south of the tot lot for all except service vehicles and handicap parking (two spaces each)
- Divide the dune 50/50 with 50% for exercise use the 50% for recreational/youth use
- Staff the park daily with Parks and Recreation personnel to enforce the above policies for an initial period of at least six months starting at 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily
- Post signs at the top and bottom of the stairs adjacent to the dune that state "For your safety please no running or jogging on the stairs"
- Remove and replace all current rules and regulations signs. Install signs that were developed by the sub-committee that welcomes users of the park and requests their cooperation in a friendly manner

2002

- Added an additional \$22,155 to annual budget to staff the park all operating hours with part-time staff
- Post signage along Bell and in the park to communicate operational rules

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- Passed an ordinance prohibiting running on the stairs
- Installed a temporary fence on the dune for two weeks to get the attention and cooperation of those participants creating problems in the neighborhood
- Place extra trash cans along Bell Avenue and at the bottom of the dune
- The group use permit requirement was lowered from 50 to 15
- Groups were prohibited from using the dune any time other than Monday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

2003

- **Park Ranger Hired** - The full-time position of Park Services Enforcement Officer (Park Ranger) was established to provide staff support in the area of park rules and regulations in all city parks, fields and facilities. The Park Ranger has the authority to write citations for municipal codes.
- Bell Avenue was redesigned to create angled parking on the west side while red curbing the majority of the east side adjacent to resident's homes
- A traffic circle (roundabout) with a drop-off area at the entrance of the park was installed to improve traffic congestion

2004

- Dune closed temporarily for two weeks with a fence to change the behavior of the participants at the park
- Staff to conduct hourly rounds to remove excessive trash left on Bell Avenue
- Rearrange the Park Ranger's priorities and routine. Now the ranger goes directly to Sand Dune and waits for a slow period to make his visits to other parks
- Signage installed on the roundabout advising motorists "No stopping anytime-violators will be cited"
- Police Department and PACS officers assigned to enforce violations that are observed through routine and directed patrols
- The area traffic officer and area parking officer assigned to work with park leaders to address issues or problems as they arise
- The Police Department works closely with the on-duty park ranger to provide consistent and coordinated enforcement efforts
- Municipal Code #12.48.055 was adopted, which allows the Parks and Recreation director to temporarily close the dune when necessary
- Municipal Code #12.48.053 was adopted prohibiting the use of personal exercise equipment
- Increased street sweeping on Bell Avenue



SAND DUNE PARK PARKING STUDY

As directed by the City Council, the Parking and Public Improvements Commission (PPIC) will conduct a Public Workshop to discuss the feasibility of implementing parking restrictions, resident permit parking, and parking meters in the neighborhood surrounding Sand Dune Park as a way to minimize traffic and parking impacts related to park activities.

PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION

SAND DUNE PARK PARKING STUDY

- PUBLIC WORKSHOP -

WHEN: September 24, 2009 at 6:30 pm
WHERE: Council Chambers, City Hall
1400 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach

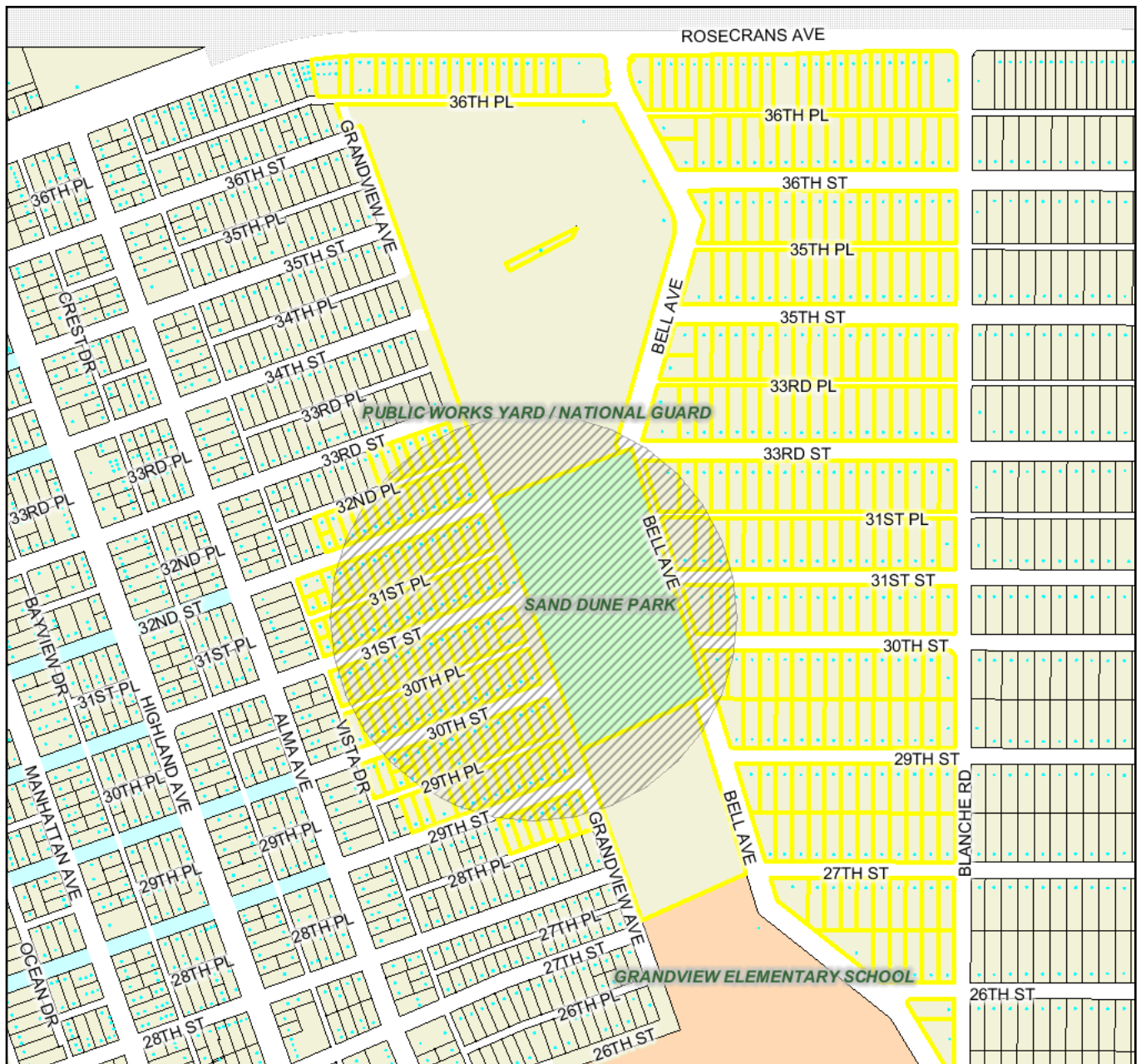
Residents are encouraged to attend and participate. The Staff Report will be available at www.citymb.info on September 18 after 5 pm.

For additional information, please call Esteban Danna at (310) 802-5514 or email at edanna@citymb.info

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Manhattan Beach GIS



Legend

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- Addresses
- Parcels
- Basemap**
- BEACH
- BLOCK
- DEADEND (cont)
- PARK
- PIER
- PRIVATE STREET
- SCHOOL
- STREET
- WALK STREET

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If you would like to discuss any of this with me please feel free to call 310-802-5053 or email gdolan@citymb.info.

Thanks for taking the time to read this and I encourage you to attend the PPIC meeting on Thursday, September 24th, 6:30 p.m. If you are unable to attend please email your comments to Esteban Danna, edanna@citymb.info and he will provide them to the Commission.

Sincerely,
Geoff Dolan
City Manager

33rd Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
August 14, 2009

Dear Mr. Gross,

I was pleased that the Council and City staff listened to the concerns of the citizens relating to the inappropriate usage of the dune at Sand Dune Park. I was surprised that there was little discussion of the environmental impact and the actual total cost to the City given the present situation.

To protect and sustain the dune, create a natural habitat for native plants, wildlife, and migrating birds and then add a meandering path for lovers of nature.

This green solution protects our dune and the quality of life in the neighborhood:

- Overuse and bulldozing/trucking will not erode the dune and 32nd St.
- Costly meters, unsightly signage, and neighborhood inconvenience will be unnecessary.

This solution satisfies the Council's priority goal for sustainability:

- The City Manager writes that we need "to identify opportunities and best management practices that we can consider adopting, thus becoming an even more environmentally sensitive city" and that "we will continue to look for opportunities to be the best stewards of our community and planet resources."

This solution saves the City money:

- The City will not need to transport sand on a monthly basis at a huge, un-green expense.
- The City will eventually need to replace the sand that is constantly dumped in the streets.
- Fewer paramedics and police will be needed to maintain park safety and security.
- The money saved could reinstate some of the recently cut recreation programs.

This solution realizes the goals of Parks & Recreation mission statement:

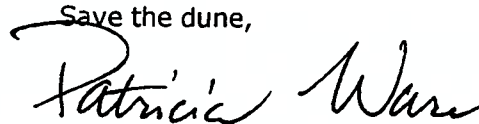
- To protect environmental resources, to strengthen community image and sense of place, and to strengthen safety and security.
- Parks & Rec. should not be advocating putting meters on public streets to control overuse of their parks and to raise revenue - this is not their mission.

This solution is vital for both our community and for the region as well.

- In LA County, the coastal sand dune habitat is nearly obliterated, so we have an obligation to protect our dune.
- More families will again picnic at the park and more nature-lovers will use the dune.

Thank you for taking the time to consider why we should save our dune. I am looking forward to your response.

Save the dune,



Patricia Ware
p.ware@verizon.net

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From: BG [onthecourt@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2009 3:31 PM
To: Esteban M. Danna
Cc: Portia P. Cohen
Subject: Sand Dune

Appreciate the opportunity to give my view as I will be unable to attend the Sand Dune meeting.

I understand the parking meters/residents permits being a quick fix, but I also believe it to be no more than a band aid on the situation. Reduction of parking, or charging for parking will only promote car pooling, as well as filtering into other neighborhoods. The fact that other neighborhoods can "opt in", I'm sure, does not make anyone more comfortable. Needless to say, the number of people on the Dune will not be able to be controlled by only addressing parking.

The "user permit" system appears to be the one and only way to limit the number of people at any given time to be on the Dune. If "x" amount of permits are sold for specific days and time lots, the number of duners would be totally controlled. Permits could be sold at City Hall ahead of time, and when "x" amount of permits for a particular day/time are sold, no more would be issued. User permits have been successful at Live Oak Tennis Courts, Mira Costa Courts, Alta Vista in Redondo Beach, etc. It makes no sense to me not to apply a user permit system. It is the only way to control numbers. If the tennis courts were a free-for-all like Sand Dune, the same problems would occur there. Granted enclosing Sand Dune would be an expense, but the money from selling permits could be applied to that expenditure as well as future maintenance.

Thank you.

Beverly Gurling

From: Robert Hess [robert.hess@tsg.la]
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 10:06 AM
To: Esteban M. Danna
Subject: FW: Thoughts on Sand Dune Park
Dear Mr. Danna:

Below is a copy of the message I send to city council this morning for your information.

Best regards,

Robert Hess
551 33rd Street

----- Forwarded Message

From: Robert Hess <robert.hess@tsg.la>
Date: Mon, 14 Sep 2009 08:50:03 -0700
To: <CityCouncil@citymb.info>
Cc: <gdolan@citymb.info>, Richard Gill <rgill@citymb.info>, <jprice@citymb.info>, Rita Chavers <rmchavers@yahoo.com>, Lisa Grady <gradymoore@aol.com>, Julia Tedesco <ju2tedesco@verizon.com>, Chelsea Fredrick <chelseafredrick@hotmail.com>, Victoria Peters <victoriapeters@earthlink.net>
Conversation: Thoughts on Sand Dune Park
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Good Morning All:

As one of the families living very close to the bottom of Sand Dune Park, I would like to provide our thoughts about life with the Dune portion of Sand Dune Park closed:

1. The volume of vehicle traffic, and the associated noise and congestion, is significantly lower. The children riding their bikes to school along Bell and 33rd Street have much less traffic to contend with.
2. The parking spaces along Bell remain full. People seem to have transferred their exercise routine from the Dune to the stairs. The noise currently coming from the Park, however, is greatly diminished. Most likely because of the lower number of people.
3. There is significantly less dust on our cars and outdoor furniture.
4. We have not had to call the police about after hours park use since the closure.
5. The "tot lot" in the park area continues to be used by local residents and some from outside Manhattan Beach.
6. We have not been awakened at 5:45 am by the arrival noise of the early Dune user community.

Our Thoughts

1. The adverse impacts on the community seem to stem from the sheer volume of people that use the Dune portion of the park and the types of activities that they engage in on the Dune.
2. A large number of people from outside Manhattan Beach are continuing to use the stairs for exercise. We don't know what experiences other nearby residents have had, but the parking, noise, and vehicle traffic at the current usage level with the Dune portion of the park closed is tolerable.
3. We agree with a proposal for an extended closure of the Dune portion of the park to allow Dune users to find alternative sand-based exercise locations, which are easily available. The funds saved by not needing to reposition the sand could be used to improve the stairs and replant the park area in grass to make it more attractive for the children after school programs.

Best regards,

Robert Hess

----- End of Forwarded Message

From: Robin McCall [robinmccall@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 9:10 AM

To: Esteban M. Danna

Subject: Sand Dune Park

Mr. Danna,

I am a resident of the 400 block of 31st St. and I have been very unhappy with the increased use of Sand dune Park this summer. I have encountered criminal and aggressive behavior by some of the park users, leading to situations where I have feared for my safety. Since the park was closed in August, we have had much relief from the crowds and traffic.

With this in mind, my preference would be to have the park permanently closed!!

Thank you,

Robin McCall

From: Kunkee, Elizabeth [elizabeth.kunkee@adelphia.net]
Sent: Saturday, September 12, 2009 1:52 AM
To: Portia Cohen - External email
Cc: Esteban M. Danna; Geoff Dolan
Subject: RE: SAND DUNE PARK: Message from the City Manager
 Ms. Cohen,

Awesome email! I am so happy to see such clear and open communications as well as the careful and methodical thought behind it.

We have really enjoyed the 7 week vacation from the crowds. Our family has started going to Sand Dune again and we run into neighbors there now, something that we have not experienced in years.

My creative solution would be to ask that the Dune be "kids only" for the next year. Adults could be allowed on the dune only if accompanied by a kid.

I think the Council and City are doing a wonderful job with this issue, you have my heartfelt thanks,
 Elizabeth

From: Portia Cohen [mailto:portia_cohen@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 10:59 AM
To: pcohen@citymb.info
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From: Ed McPherson [emcpherson@mcphersonrane.com]
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 2:55 PM
To: Esteban M. Danna
Cc: Marlene McPherson; sterngail@aol.com; Geoff Dolan
Subject: Sand Dune Park
Mr. Danna:

I understand from the City Manager that, if we cannot attend the PPIC meeting on September 24, we are to write our comments to you concerning Sand Dune Park. My wife and I, who live at 440 31st Street, will be out of town on that date.

Our comments are as follows:

I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 26 years. We currently own homes on 31st Street, Crest Drive, and Manhattan Avenue. I have lived at 440 31st Street for 15½ years. In all of my time in Manhattan Beach, and specifically in the 400 block of 31st Street, I have never seen so many people invading our neighborhood who obviously do not live in the neighborhood. The increased crime reports speak for themselves. In addition, although parking has always been difficult on 31st Street, it has never been as bad as in the past year.

We vigorously support any measures that are calculated to decrease the amount of out-of-city people using Sand Dune Park and the adjacent stairs, including closing the Park altogether. If the Council decides to restrict parking at Sand Dune Park with parking meters or some other alternative, we are completely supportive of such a measure; however, we do not think that it would be fair to charge residents for such parking.

If resident permits (which we support) are being considered so that residents would not be charged for such parking, we strongly request and recommend that parking permits be issued to residents at the top of the Park as well as the bottom. We also strongly request and recommend that the permits not be limited to 30th Street alone. If permits are required to park on 30th Street, out-of-city Park users will simply park on 31st Street and 33rd Street.

It is imperative that (1) parking permits be issued to residents of 31st Street; (2) the area be policed regularly; and (3) non-commercial vehicles that are parked on 31st Street without such permits be cited or towed.

We do not believe that limiting the permit requirements to the hours of operation of Sand Dune Park will be effective because (1) people use the Park at all hours of the day and night; and (2) people use the adjacent stairs to work out at all hours of the day and night.

Thank you very much.

Best,
-Ed and Marlene McPherson

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From: June Moberg [june.moberg@adelphia.net]

Sent: Sunday, August 30, 2009 3:48 PM

To: Esteban M. Danna

Subject: Sand Dune Park

Dear Mr. Danna,

Thank you very much for talking to me last week regarding plans for Sand Dune Park. I will appreciate your forwarding my thoughts on the problem to all concerned persons in the city offices.

I am against parking meters at Sand dune Park for two reasons:

1. It will do nothing to stop the use of the sand dune as an adult recreation/training facility, thus continuing the erosion of the hill.

2. None of the other parks in the city are surrounded by parking meters. If the city needs money make it universal.

My recommendation for solving the problems at Sand Dune Park is to limit the use of the sand dune to children. A sign with a height indicator on it (as used at Disneyland) would make regulation easy. Erosion on the sand dune would be reduced and I believe traffic, trash etc. would be reduced once it's use as a training facility was eliminated. We would not need a fence around the dune and our park would be available for local use. This might require supervision to begin with, but I'm sure locals will be more than happy to alert police should this regulation be abused.

Yours truly,

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