

OFW MOTIONS (both 4-0-0)

MOTION TO REDUCE TRASH ON VENICE BEACH

The Venice volunteer group "Clean Up the Beach," founded by Makayla Cox, has adopted Venice Beach and has committed to monthly beach clean-ups since September 2022. Ms. Cox has discovered two conditions at Venice Beach that contribute to the increase of the amount of litter.

WHEREAS,

1. There are wooden posts, partially hollow at the top, adjoining the parking lot at Venice Blvd., which are frequently used as trash receptacles and thus require frequent clearing of trash and;
2. The current trash cans used on Venice Beach do not have attached sturdy lids, which leads to animals and people going through them, occasionally dropping trash on the ground.

THEREFORE the VNC asks that the City Council provide financial support to the Recreation and Parks Department to either replace or cover the hollow wooden posts located on the perimeter of the Boardwalk and the North Venice parking lot in order to decrease their use as trash receptacles and that the City Council replace the current trash cans on the Venice Boardwalk with trash receptacles that have attached sturdy lids, in order to avoid trash being rummaged through and falling to the ground with letters sent to CD11 and LARP.

MOTION TO RESTRICT MOTORIZED SCOOTERS, BIKES, MINI BIKES, AND MOTORCYCLES FROM THE BOARDWALK AND BIKE PATH

WHEREAS, the Venice Boardwalk, also known as Ocean Front Walk (OFW), is solely for pedestrian use, and the Bike Path is solely for bicycles, and motorized scooters, bikes, mini bikes and motorcycles are a danger to people on OFW that are walking and a danger to the people on the Bike Path that are riding human powered bikes;

WHEREAS, motorized and electric items available at stores on OFW should be geo-fenced/ programmed to stay off the Boardwalk and the Bike Path, giving these store owners a year is sufficient time for them to adjust their inventory and abide by the current ordinance (CVC 21207.5, that motorized bicycles may not be used on trails, bike path, or lanes);

WHEREAS, if these store owners do not abide to geo-fencing within a year, there should be tickets given to the businesses, or they are to shut down their rental of said items.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Venice Neighborhood Council send letters to CD11, LAPD, LARP, LADOT & the Venice BID asking that this issue be resolved by Spring of 2024, and that the city shall enforce the current ordinance which bars motorized vehicles on OFW and bike path and evaluate if new ordinances are necessary to stop this and further, that the city require these rental companies to notify customers where they may ride, and inform them that they will be ticketed if they ride on the bike path or on OFW.