

Venice Neighborhood Council Board Meeting, October 20, 2026

Agenda Item V.E.7. Supporting Document

WHEREAS, A community-led proposal, the **Venice Gateway Planting Plan**, proposes to **plant 42 trees on [Ocean Front Walk](#) (OFW)**, located **between Dudley Avenue and Navy Street on the east side of the parking lot** with a selection that will primarily feature **Guadalupe Palms ([Brahea edulis](#)) and Mexican Blue Palms ([Brahea armata](#))**, supplemented by a small number of shade trees strategically positioned over the existing public benches;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Council District 11 (CD11) and the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to expedite all necessary local matching approvals and coastal development permit reviews to facilitate project funding through the LA28 Resilience Champions Fund ahead of the October 30, 2026, application deadline;

WHEREAS, the proposed project addresses a previously vetted footprint approved by both the VNC and RAP, which has been modified in response to community stakeholder feedback to substitute the originally proposed native beach pine trees with high-character, drought-tolerant *Brahea* palm species that integrate with the historic visual aesthetic of [Ocean Front Walk](#);

WHEREAS, the project incorporates targeted canopy coverage by adding specific shade trees over public benches to directly improve pedestrian comfort, manage the urban heat island effect, and elevate local park amenities;

WHEREAS, the heavy weight, mature sizing, and heavy machinery required to plant these 42 specimen trees make the project impossible to execute via volunteer membership labor alone, creating a structural dependency on external grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the **LA28 Resilience Champions Fund Round Two** application window closes on **October 30, 2026**, presenting a time-critical window to secure independent funding for community-driven "Cooling Solutions" ahead of the 2028 Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, this refined 42-tree initiative has achieved broad consensus, including written backing from local boardwalk business owners, and active cooperation from RAP and Councilmember Traci Park's office (CD11).

See Resolution on Board Agenda

Distribution List: Council District 11, the General Manager of RAP, and the California Coastal Commission to satisfy community support requirements for subsequent Coastal Development Permit (CDP) processing.

Venice Gateway Tree Planting Project - OFW





Paloma Ave

Rose Ave

Navy St



Existing Palms



Existing Street Light

----- Scope of work



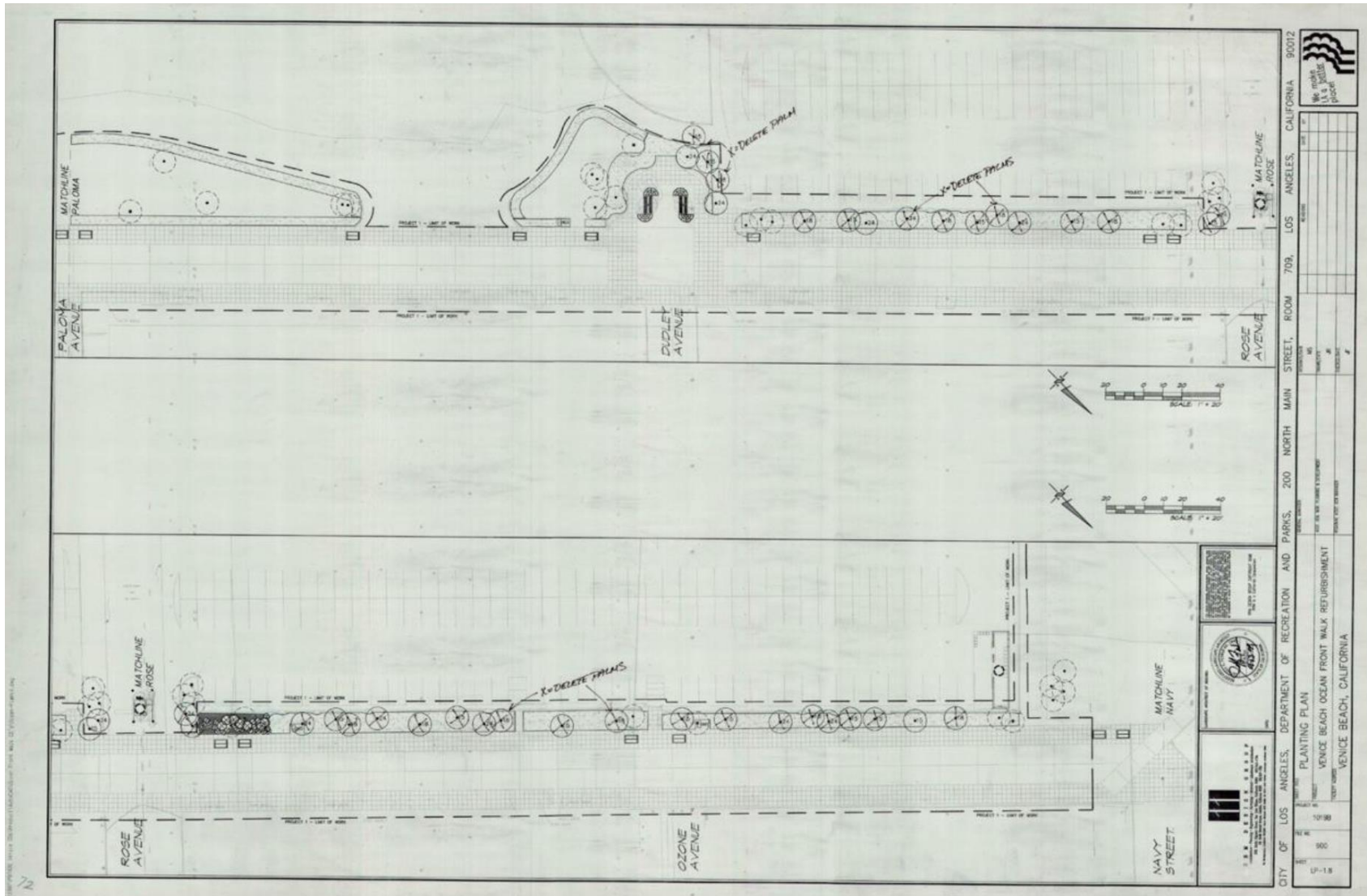
Replacement Palms



Existing Drainage

Original Tree Planting Plan

Out of the original +/-68 trees planted only +/-26 remain.
We propose replacing the 42 trees.



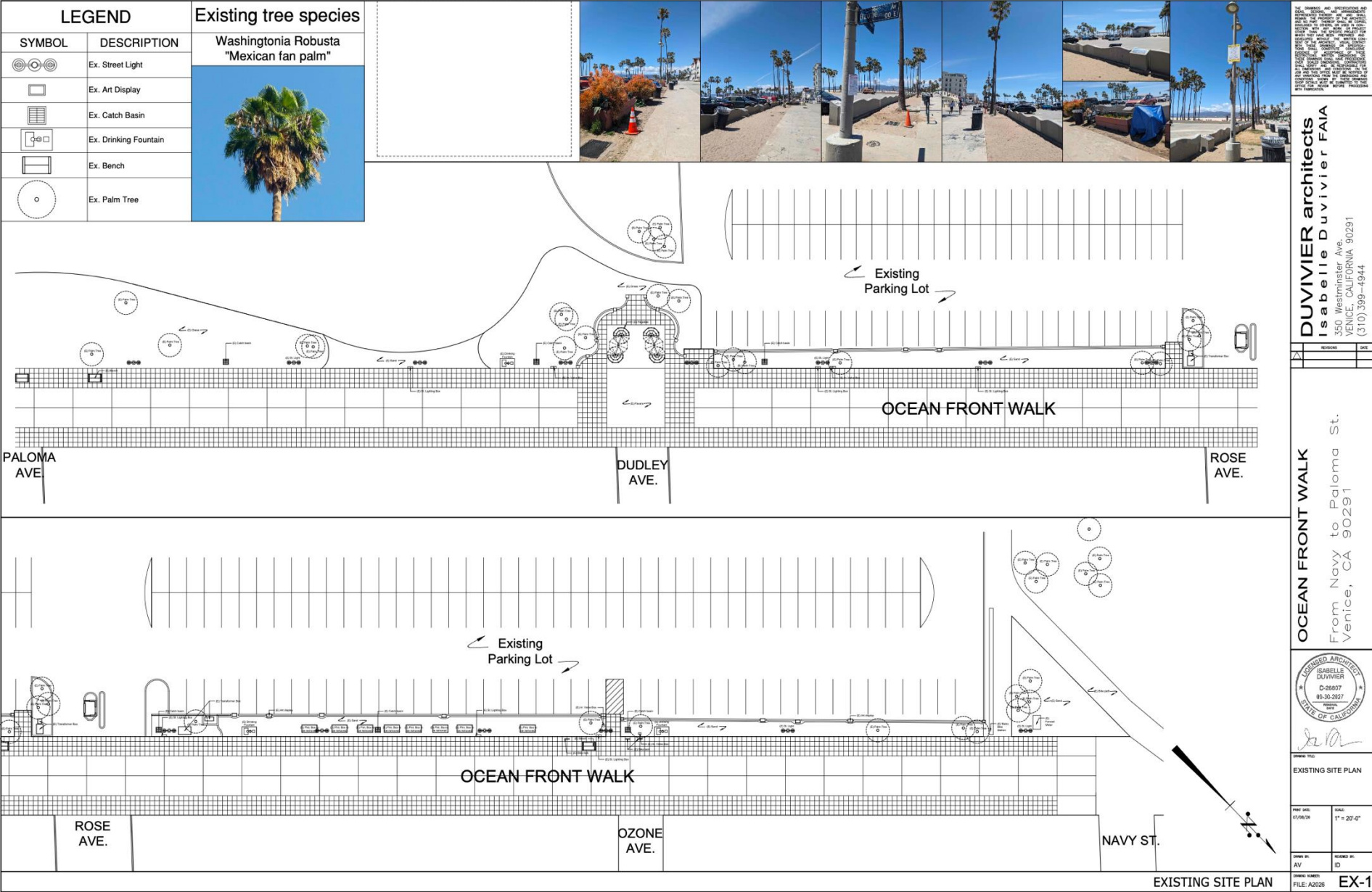
BEACH PARK 1	Park	168	2	BEACH PARK 1	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BEACH PARK 1	Park	173	2	BEACH PARK 1	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BEACH PARK 1	Park	149	2	BEACH PARK 1	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BEACH PARK 1	Park	150	2	BEACH PARK 1	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BEACH PARK 1	Park	148	2	BEACH PARK 1	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
IDAHO AV	Side	1	901	15TH ST	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
IDAHO AV	Front	1	1,508	IDAHO AV	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BAY ST	Front	2	503	BAY ST	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
PALISADES PARK	Park	402	2	PALISADES PARK	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BAY ST	Front	2	511	BAY ST	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
BAY ST	Front	1	512	BAY ST	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
OCEAN PARK BL MEDIAN FR...	Median	3	600	OCEAN PARK BL MEDIAN FR...	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata
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21ST PL	Side	4	2,201	MARGUERITA AV	MEXICAN BLUE PALM	Brahea armata

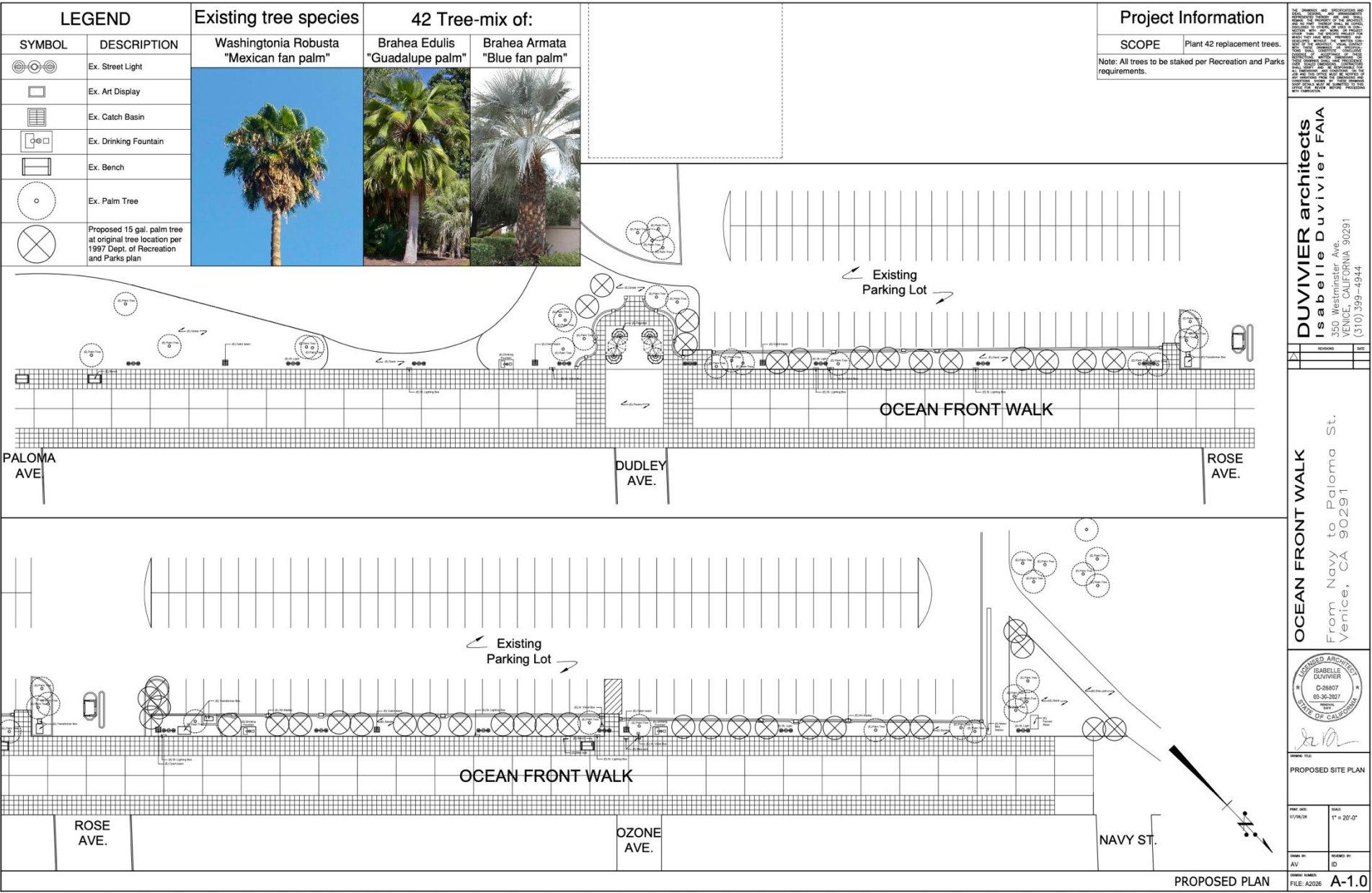


Brahea armata at Ocean Park Brahea edulis at South Beach Park (Marine in SM)

17TH ST	Front	2	1,035	17TH ST	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
SOUTH BEACH PARK PI AV...	Park	21	2	SOUTH BEACH PARK PLAYG...	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
SOUTH BEACH PARK PLAYG...	Park	22	2	SOUTH BEACH PARK PLAYG...	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
SOUTH BEACH PARK	Park	61	2	SOUTH BEACH PARK	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
SOUTH BEACH PARK	Park	62	2	SOUTH BEACH PARK	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
MOOMAT AHIKO MEDIAN A...	Front	15	1,500	MOOMAT AHIKO MEDIAN A...	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
5TH ST	Front	2	1,115	5TH ST	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
5TH ST	Front	1	1,118	5TH ST	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
5TH ST	Front	3	1,115	5TH ST	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
MONTANA AV	Front	3	2,107	MONTANA AV	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
MONTANA AV	Front	4	2,107	MONTANA AV	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
CENTINELA AV	Front	3	1,527	CENTINELA AV	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis
SOUTH BEACH PARK PLAYG...	Park	22	2	SOUTH BEACH PARK PLAYG...	GUADALUPE PALM	Brahea edulis







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OCEAN FRONT WALK

From Navy to Paloma St.
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REGISTERED ARCHITECT
ISABELLE DUVIVIER
C-28807
09-30-2017
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROJECT TITLE

PROPOSED SITE PLAN

DATE

11/16/2018

SCALE

1" = 20'-0"

DESIGNED BY

AV

PLANNED BY

ID

DATE

11/16/2018

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