COASTAL COMMISSION RESPONSE

On Aug 14, 2008, at 10:12 AM, Chuck Posner wrote:

Hi Robin – Nice to hear from you again. Unfortunately, we don't have the staff resources available to attend the meeting. Besides, Venice fence heights are not really a high priority issue for the Coastal Commission, unless the proposals include fences built on public properties, accessways or other rights-of-way (e.g. walk streets). It's important to distinguish between a person's right to have a fence on their own property, and the public's right to enforce restrictions on the private use of public property. In most cases, the Commission does not regulate fence heights on private property where there is an existing residence (one exception to this would be where a barrier would block a public view of the coast). In regards to the private use of the walk streets, the City's Land Use Plan for Venice clearly sets forth the policy for preserving the character of these unique coastal resources. I hope this helps.

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