Ocean Beach Planning Board



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TO: Jennifer Campbell, Councilmember District 2

CC: Venus Molina, Chief of Staff

Manny Reyes, Ocean Beach Liaison to Council Member Campbell's Office

RE: FY2024 Budget Requests

Councilmember Campbell:

In accordance with the budget memo released by your office on September 30th, the Ocean Beach Planning Board would like to submit the following requests to be included in the City's Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. The board believes all these request will meet your office's goals of livable neighborhoods, increased economic activity/development, and public safety.

The requests fall into these categories:

- 1. Infrastructure and Unfunded CIPs
- 2. Transportation and Pedestrian Safety
- 3. Park Improvements and Maintenance
- 4. Enforcement and Public Spaces

Infrastructure and Unfunded CIPs

As you may know, access to San Diego's beautiful coastline is a main economic driver for tourism and local business. Continuing to fund coastline improvements, which are most of the board's CIP requests, is an important factor in maintaining San Diego's advantage in tourism and the local economy.

Requests include:

- Lifeguard tower replacement.
- Storm water and drainage repair and improvements.
- Santa Cruz Ave. beach access stair and walkway repairs.

Transportation and Pedestrian Safety

As part of Vision Zero and to promote walkable neighborhoods the OB Planning Board makes the following budget requests.

Requests include:

- Controlled pedestrian crossing on Sunset Cliffs Blvd at Brighton, Niagara, and Orchard.
- Controlled pedestrian crossing at Voltaire & Froude.

- Continental crosswalks at Newport Ave. & Bacon.
- Streetlight repairs along Abbott and Bacon streets.
- Additional electricians, funding, or contracts to address streetlight repair backlog.
- Completion of pedestrian beacon lights at Bacon & W Pt. Loma roundabout.
- Resurfacing of Bacon street.
- Signage and turn lane dividers on Sunset Cliffs Blvd southbound from I-8 to W Pt. Loma.
- Improvements to turn lanes and bike lanes at Nimitz & W Pt. Loma.

Park Improvements and Maintenance

Parks and outdoor recreation opportunities are important to the overall health of our communities. As such, the OB Planning Board makes the following budget requests:

- Ebers & Saratoga children's park: perimeter fencing, shade structures, bottle-filling station and a play structure for older children.
- Saratoga Park at beachfront: children's playground and adult fitness area per conceptual design from Ocean Beach Community Development Corporation (OBCDC).
- Robb Field: youth clubhouse at sports fields.
- Increased staffing for maintenance of existing parks.

Enforcement and Public Spaces

Protecting and maintaining the investments the City is making in public spaces is equally important. In conjunction with the OB Planning Boards improvements requests, we also make the following requests for public safety and maintenance:

- Gated overnight closures at dog beach and lifequard tower lot. (midnight to 5am)
- More public trash cans more pickup frequency, including cans with lids at beach front.
- Cleaning of commercial sidewalks outside of the Newport Ave Maintenance Assessment District.
- Full-time homeless outreach programs (PATH).
- Off-leash dog enforcement and signage

Sincerely,

Andrea Schlageter

Chair, Ocean Beach Planning Board

Approved by an Action of the Ocean Beach Planning Board on November 2nd, 2022