



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF POLICE

SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA

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April 29th, 1932

Mrs. J. W. Morgan, Chairman,  
Civic Dept., Mission Beach Club,  
Box # 127,  
Mission Beach, California

Dear Madam:-

Replying to your communication of recent date, be advised that the city of Santa Monica is at present organizing a Life Guard Service.

There is no ordinance in effect at the present time, with the exception of one which prohibits tents on the beach, and the dressing and undressing in cars on the highways.

We contemplate the employing of twelve to fourteen guards during the month of June, July and August, and up to September 18th, then cutting the force of guards as needed during the balance of the months. These guards will be in charge of a Captain, at a salary of \$200.00 per month. The salary of the guards has not been set as yet.

As to the cost of maintenance, I cannot state at this time, as the organization and expense thereto has not been completed, but a committee of citizens has made a request to our commissioners to embody in the next fiscal year's budget an amount equal to approximately \$17,000.00 to the Life Guard Division.

I will be glad to communicate with you at a later date when the division is formed and the maintenance cost is totaled.

As to bath suits -- we have no ordinance pertaining to bath suits, other than those which are indecent, charges being filed under the State Law, but a contemplated uniform ordinance was under discussion recently at a conference at the City Prosecutor's office in the city of Long Beach, whereby the various chiefs and city officials





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discussed this matter.

I am enclosing a copy of a tentative uniform ordinance which was drawn up at this meeting, but I do not believe that any city up to the present time has passed the same. Apparently they are waiting for the city of Los Angeles to draft such an ordinance, and the other cities will follow suit.

I am,                      Trusting the above is the information desired,

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. E. Webb". The signature is stylized with a large, looping "C" and "E".

CHIEF OF POLICE

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