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City Council Approves \$750,000 to Restore Crystal Pier
Construction on historic Pacific Beach pier to be completed before summer 2015

San Diego, CA – Today the San Diego City Council unanimously voted to finish a \$1.2 million dollar restoration project of the City-owned portion of Crystal Pier in Pacific Beach. The Pier, which was constructed in the 1920's, is in need of immediate structural repair prior to the beginning of the summer season.

“Pacific Beach’s Crystal Pier is an iconic landmark and popular vacation destination,” said Councilwoman Lorie Zapf. **“With today’s action, the City is investing in structural improvements to not only enhance the safety of the pier, but to allow the pier to be enjoyed by millions of visitors and locals for years to come.”**

Crystal Pier is jointly owned by the City of San Diego and the Crystal Pier Hotel. Today’s action authorized the final \$750,000 to repair or replace damaged or deteriorating portions of the pier including timber piles, pile caps, joists, and bracing on the City-owned sections of the pier. The Hotel will be funding repairs and construction for their portion of the pier. The restoration project will use “in-kind” replacement materials to preserve the aesthetics of the historic pier.

The project is expected to be completed before Memorial Day, and may include the temporary removal and off-site storage of cottages, as well as underwater work to replace existing deteriorated piles to a point where they are structurally sound for repair.

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