

Parks and Recreation Department

Proposed Overnight Parking Lot Closures for Mission Bay Park

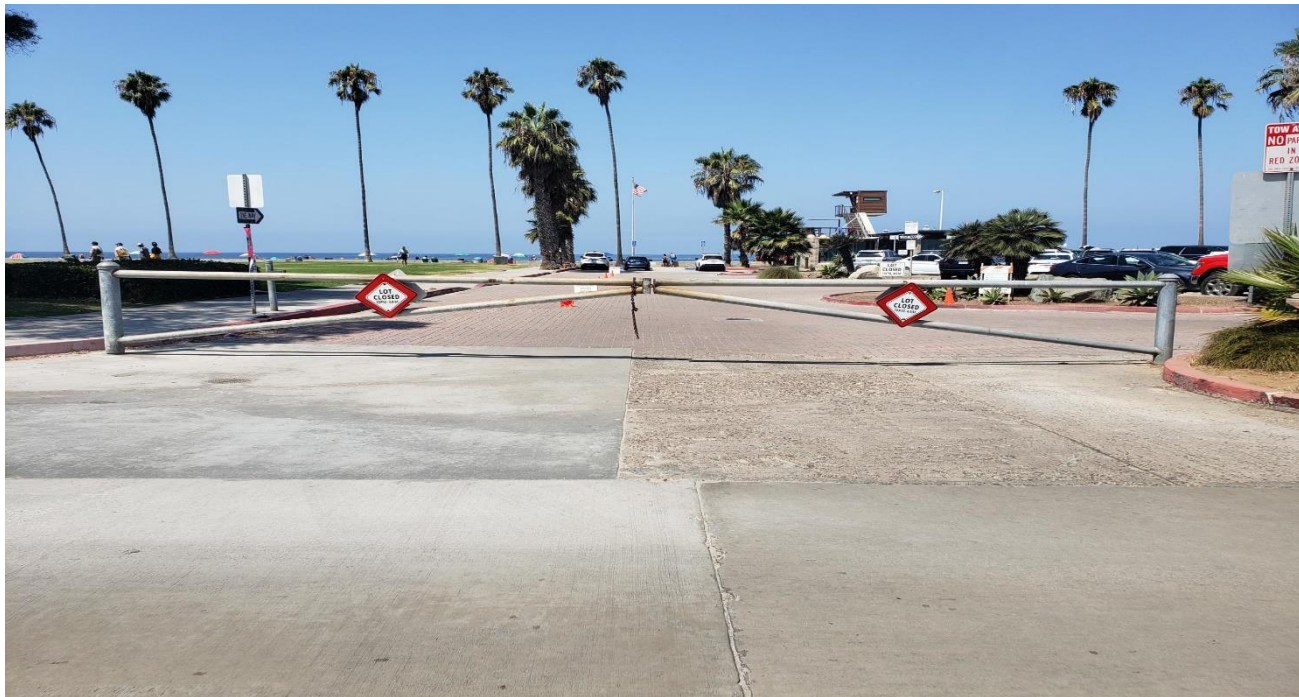
Mission Bay Park Committee

Item No. 201

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Action

- The Parks and Recreation Department will submit a Coastal Development Permit to the California Coastal Commission for the installation of nighttime gates and signage in parking lots within Mission Bay Park.



Background

- California Coastal Commission requires Coastal Development Permits for various parking lot locations.
- This requirement includes parking lots in Mission Bay Park.
- All overnight gate closures and parking restrictions require Coastal Commission approval within a coastal zone.

Background

- The Department intends to address community concerns regarding gang activity, overnight parties and illegal camping in parking lots in Mission Bay Park.
- Proposed hours of closure would be from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. or midnight to 6 a.m. with gates to be closed by security service.
- Gate closures would reduce service calls and crime, deter gang activity, overnight parties and illegal campers, and increase safety for park patrons and surrounding neighborhoods.



Community Engagement & Support

- Park and Recreation Board
- Pacific Beach Town Council
- Mission Bay Park Committee

Considerations

Potential Park Impacts

- Annual increase of approximately \$6,000 per parking lot. Final cost would be determined upon CDP approval.
- Provides SDPD with additional enforcement tool to reduce and prevent after-hours illegal activity.

Department Recommendation

- Approve Department recommendation to submit Coastal Development Permit to the California Coastal Commission in the interest of reducing crime and improving the quality of life in Mission Bay Park.



Questions