



Greetings from Port San Luis Harbor District June/July 2020 Newsletter

Harbor Manager Notes - Welcome to the June/July 2020 Edition of the Port San Luis Harbor District Newsletter. This newsletter is provided to you in an effort to keep the community informed about what's going on at the Port. Enjoy the news.



Upcoming Holiday Office Closures

❖ Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.

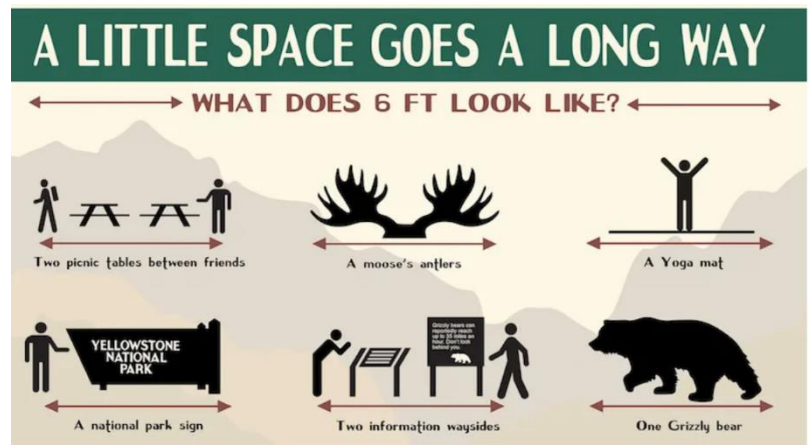
❖ Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our office remains locked and we are responding by telephone and email and practicing social distancing for those who stop by the office. We expect to reopen the office in the near future and will keep our website www.portsanluis.com updated on these changes

Port San Luis Updated COVID 19-

Status – Port San Luis has remained open as an essential government service during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please understand that safe practices such as **face coverings, washing hands and social distancing** will help the District keep our visitors healthy and our essential workforce in place.

Here are the latest updates on services/businesses and facilities at Port San Luis:



Businesses and Services

- **Water taxi service** is limited to 2 patrons per run and essential trips only.
- **Fat Cat's** and **Mersea's** are happy to provide you with Take- Away Orders and their expanded outdoor seating with proper distancing.
- **Avila Beach Paddlesports** is open, with some restrictions.
- **Mermaid Market** is now open, with some restrictions.
- **Patriot Sportfishing** is open, with some restrictions.
- All **Board, Committee** and **Workshop meetings** will continue to be held virtually and the District has posted the Zoom meeting connection information on each agenda.

Facilities

- Camping Reservation system is open.
- The Trailer Boat Launch is open.
- Avila Parking lot is open.
- Hoist #1 on Harford Pier is open.
- Avila Pier is closed.
- Fish Cleaning Station is closed.
- Swings and slide on Avila Beach are closed.
- Fire pits have been removed on Olde Port Beach

Action from the June 23, 2020 Commission Meeting - The agenda and staff reports can be found here:

Open Session included 1 Presentation, 6 Consent items and 5 Discussion items; the discussion items were as follows:

- Public Hearing for 2020-21 Final Budget: Receive public comment and approve Final Budget; Resolution 20-15 adopted.
- Harford Landing Parking Time Limits- Ordinance No. 20.020: Reviewed exemptions, approved.
- Appointment of a Gear Storage Ad-Hoc Committee: Identified Commissioners Brandy and Vessely for the new ad-hoc committee.
- Review of Licensee/Agreement, Gear Storage, Skiff, and Mooring Permit Fee Reduction Applications: Reviewed submitted applications, approved majority of submitted requests.
- Discussion of Lease Terms – Compliance with Law & Governmental Requirements: Reviewed recommendation from the Property Committee; provided direction to staff.



Action from the July 27, 2020 Commission Meeting - The agenda and staff reports can be found here: <https://www.portsanluis.com/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/07282020-437>

Closed Session included 3 items:

- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2): Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation. Number of potential cases: One (1).
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a): Conference with legal counsel regarding the matter of Lowry v. Port of San Luis Harbor District.



- Pursuant to Government §54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiators. Property: Trailer Boat Launch Building Lease Site Area A/ SLO Coast Kayaks LLC dba Avila Beach Paddlesports. Under Negotiation: Lease Agreement Price and Terms of Payment.

Open Session included 9 Consent items and 2 Discussion items; the discussion items were as follows:

- COVID-19 – Lessee Recovery Plan Review: Review and discuss input received from Lessees; provided direction to staff.
 - Public Hearing to Amend Code of Ordinances: Opened Public Hearing and received public input on proposed changes to the District Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20 – Vehicle Restrictions- 20.020 B -- Paragraph B- Time Limits; adopted Resolution No. 20-17.
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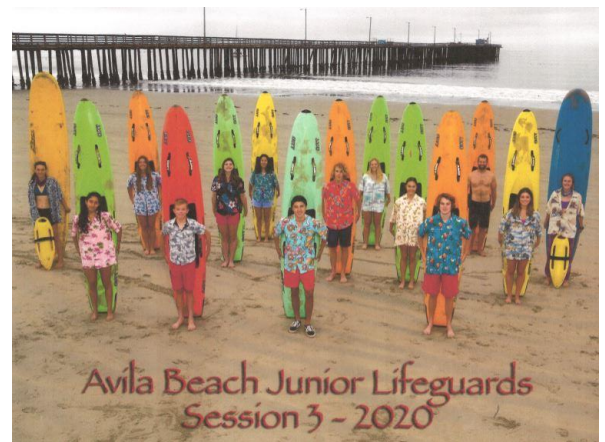
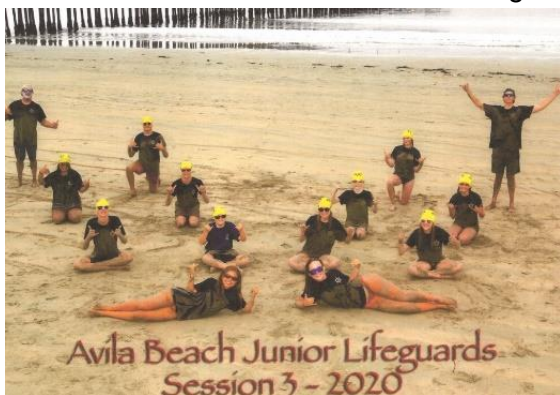
HARBOR TERRACE PROGRESS REPORT –

Construction has been going for approximately 25 weeks on the Harbor Terrace project. Grading has been completed and trenching is occurring for utilities. The RV cabins for the site have been ordered and the Harbor Use areas are being prepared including the Commercial Fishermen's Gear Storage area.

Related, the Harbor District was successful in having the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission hearing for the Minor Use Permit for the Gear Storage units (temporarily located in the Harbor District owned Avila Parking Lot) continued until December 2020.



Avila Beach Jr. Lifeguard Program – Thanks to the creative and diligent work of Russ Edwards and the other Jr. Lifeguard Staff, the program was able to be offered this summer to 200 children. Small groups, enhanced staffing, social distancing, and other protocols were put into place to be able to continue this program in summer 2020. Here are two pictures of the small groups of youth that participated.



Upcoming Meetings/Events

****Board of Commissioners Special Meeting** – the Board of Commissioners will hold a special meeting on August 13th beginning at 10:00 a.m. to hear presentations from the Harford Site Plan proposers. A decision on the finalist will be at the regular Board of Commissioners meeting on August 25, 2020. Please see www.portsanluis.com for the specific times, dates, Zoom link and agendas.

****Board of Commissioners Committee Meetings** – Committee meetings are generally held on the 2nd Thursday of the month. The next meetings will be held on August 13th. Please see www.portsanluis.com for the specific times, dates, Zoom link and agendas.

****Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting** – The Board Meeting is held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, and is scheduled for Tuesday, August 25th. Please see www.portsanluis.com for the specific times, dates, Zoom link and agendas each month.

Quote of the Month

“The time is always right to do what is right”.

~Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Our Mission

To serve the public with an array of commercial and recreational boating, fishing, and coastal-related opportunities, while ensuring an environmentally responsible, safe, well-managed, and financially sustainable harbor that preserves our marine heritage and character.

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