

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 19, 2009
To: Harbor Commission
From: John N. Bridley, Waterfront Director
Subject: **Director's Report**

WEST BEACH FEASIBILITY REPORT

As mentioned previously, the Department working together with Redevelopment Agency staff and Pat Saley & Associates will undertake a planning feasibility process involving West Beach. This process is, in part, a phase of the ongoing Pedestrian Improvement Project along Cabrillo Boulevard and the area between the harbor and wharf. Funding for the planning process and report will be paid by Redevelopment Agency funds.

The "kick off" community meeting to initiate this process will be held on April 15, 2009, at 6 p.m. in the Marine Center Classroom located at 125 Harbor Way.

The purpose of this planning process will be to evaluate the feasibility of expanding public use, recreational activities and the possibility of structures on West Beach. The process will also update the Harbor Master Plan along with comparing City and Coastal Act goals and policies pertaining to uses on the beach. The initial part of the process will focus on the community's interests and recreational needs for the area. All stakeholders, neighbors and user groups will be encouraged and invited to attend.

TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS FOR MARCH

- Harbor Laundry Lease Agreement