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## PACIFICA MUNICIPAL PIER AND PACIFICA SKATEPARK RE-OPENING

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Pacifica, CA) – The City of Pacifica has been actively working on figuring out how services, programs, and facilities will gradually re-open and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, the **Rev**. **Herschell Harkins** Memorial **Pier** (a.k.a. the Pacifica Municipal **Pier**) and the Pacifica Skatepark will open.

Once they are open, it will be incumbent upon skatepark and pier users to follow new guidelines including physical distancing, non-gathering, mask-wearing, and any other posted requirements.

It is our hope that park and pier users will abide by the rules and encourage others to follow health and safety guidelines while using these facilities, which will allow us to keep them open safely. Otherwise, the City may have no choice but to close the skatepark and pier again to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

During the COVID-19 sheltering-in-place orders, the City of Pacifica closed the Pacifica Municipal Pier. While the pier was closed, the Public Works-Field Services team took the opportunity to upgrade and make the facility safer and improved. The crew worked on:

- Repairing voids on the pier deck by filling and leveling with traffic-rated concrete;
- Replacing the fish cleaning station tabletops and plumbing;
- Replacing three large steel expansion joint plates due to deterioration;
- Repainting of all rule and regulation signs;
- Rehabilitation of the men and women's bathrooms;
- Power-wash rails, benches, drinking fountains, and deck.

While using the pier, we are asking users to abide by the following rules and procedures:

- Wear face masks: NO MASK, NO ENTRY;
- Social distancing is necessary, please maintain 6 ft. distance from our essential workers and others;
- Social distancing is necessary at the fish cleaning tables;
- Pier continues to be open from 4 AM to 10 PM daily;
- All pier restrooms located by the street will be open.

If you plan to use the skatepark, the rules are as follows:

- Wear face masks in the park, except when skating;
- Please maintain a distance of 6 ft. apart at all times;
- Please be courteous to other skaters, please be mindful of those waiting to skate and limit your time accordingly;
- Skatepark is open Mon-Sat from 9 AM to sunset and Sun 10:30 AM to sunset;
- Community Center outside restroom is open, located on the west side of the building.

The City Council, Commissioners, and City staff understand how difficult the Coronavirus impact has been on the community and we take our responsibility for the protection of public health and safety very seriously. We appreciate the Public's patience and cooperation.

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