



CITY OF VENICE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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DATE: December 7, 2016

SUBJECT: City Council Agenda Item – Presentation – South Jetty/Humphris Park

I would like the opportunity to update council members of the Venice Police Department's actions to enforce city ordinance violations at Humphris Park.

The South Jetty or Humphris Park is a very well-known destination for local residents and many tourists who visit this area. The beautiful location provides an opportunity to sit in the comfort of a vehicle or walk the jetty and view the Gulf of Mexico. The park is only closed for Fourth of July Fireworks and severe weather, otherwise access is unrestricted. The City Ordinances provide for a safe and enjoyable atmosphere, taking into account the surrounding residences, providing fishing opportunities, surfing and viewing.

We have experienced an increase in violations to the City Ordinance of:

- Speeding vehicles
- Dogs
- Alcohol violations
- Loud music

Sergeant Keith Quick who leads SITE, (Special Investigations Traffic Enforcement), developed an action plan to address these issues. The plan includes the following:

- From November 29, 2016 thru December 11th, 2016, assigned Zones 1, 2, or 3 to spend any time not dedicated to calls for service in and around the area to maintain presence and identify violations
- Officers will document any and all actions, contacts are followed with written warnings, Notice to Appear or arrests
- Conduct and document security checks
- Police Service Aides will routinely patrol the jetty for violations

- In an effort to educate citizens and curb illegal activities, a public notification via the City Facebook page was issued.

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Just A Friendly Reminder for your next visit at the South Jetty...
 Keep in mind that the speed limit down Tarpon Center Drive is **25 mph.**
 This will be **STRICTLY enforced.**

NO PETS ALLOWED NO Pets Allowed at the Jetty. (Code 1982, § 13-38) Sec. 46-62 (9).

DO NOT LITTER NO Littering. (Code 1982, § 13-38) Sec. 46-62 (4).

NO ALCOHOL NO Alcohol. (Code 1982, § 13-38) Sec. 46-62 (11).

Keep the Noise to a minimum. (Code 1982, § 12-37) Sec. 34-34.

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Good Afternoon Everyone!

It's a beautiful day to be out and about in the City of Venice so please keep in mind some rules for when you visit the South Jetty (Humphris Park) The speed limit for Tarpon Center Drive is 25mph until you get to Gibbs Road where it drops to 15mph The Venice Police Department is asking that everyone be aware of your rate of speed through the area because the speed limit will be strictly enforced. Also with the influx of visitors this holiday season we want everyone's experience at the Jetty to be a pleasant one please NO Pets, NO Littering, NO Alcohol, and keep the noise to a minimum for the residents in the area.

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- The data will be examined and enforcement adjusted as needed.

I look forward to presenting this information at the January 10 Council Meeting. If you would like to discuss this with me or have questions, please call me. Thank you.