



MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER: Edward Lavalley, City Manager **E-SIGN:**
FROM: Kathleen Weeden, PE, City Engineer
DEPARTMENT: Engineering
DATE: 11/10/2022 **MEETING DATE:** 11/29/2022

SUBJECT / TOPIC: Accept Public Beach Access Easement – Gregory Kaplan

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The western dead-end of Alhambra Road has historically been used as an “informal” public access to the sandy beach and for residents to walk the upper-dune further north to reach Venice Beach. This access has served the surrounding neighborhood for years and currently there are approximately six (6) street parking spaces available at the end of the roadway. After further review by the City, it is apparent that a portion of this beach access crosses over a private property “dune lot”. The owner of this private property is Mr. Gregory Kaplan and he is also building a new residential dwelling adjacent to Alhambra Rd. This new home will limit much of the existing street parking once the home is completed.

City staff have been working cooperatively with Mr. Kaplan in order to help resolve this private property issue and formalize this well used beach access point. The attached easement represents an agreement by Mr. Kaplan to allow legal public access across his “dune lot” for the benefit of the neighborhood residents and the City in perpetuity. In return, the City agrees to limit the liability to Mr. Kaplan for said public use, and to install and enforce additional “No Parking” signage around the new residential structure. This will allow for the Alhambra Rd. beach access to be formally recognized as a City Public Beach Access, and will limit the use to passive, neighborhood access.

SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN: Goal Six: Preserve the Venice Quality of Life through Proper Planning

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: Accept and Execute Public Ingress and Egress Access Easement Agreement with Gregory Kaplan.

Yes	N/A	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	City Attorney Reviewed/Approval
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cc: James Clinch, PE, Asst. City Manager