
SCRIPPS PARK YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW: An Action Plan



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AN ACTION PLAN FOR SCRIPPS PARK

SUMMARY

The Ellen Browning Scripps Memorial Park is a 5.6-acre park with coastal bluffs bounded by the Pacific Ocean on the north, to the east by La Jolla Cove, on the west by Shell Beach, and the village of La Jolla to the south. Gently sloping toward bluffs, tidepools, and beaches, the Park is a primarily open-space, landscaped environment heavily used by local residents and visitors from around the world. From its beginning in 1887, the Park has been the centerpiece of the La Jolla community, undergoing, along the way, changes and transformations. But its significance extends further. The spectacular dynamic shoreline, including world-famous La Jolla Cove, and its offshore waters, are a recreational, environmental and ecological resource of worldwide importance.

Located within a major urban center, the Park is increasingly subject to the impact of heavy use and concerns for its continuing preservation and enhancement have grown in recent years. In 1989, a Preliminary Coastal Plan was created by the La Jolla Town Council and has been used by other community groups such as the Community Planning Association and La Jolla Park and Recreation, Inc. Although this Plan made specific recommendations pertinent to the coastline around the Park, it concluded that the Park itself merited more detailed analysis and planning within the framework of “a clear visionary master plan.” However, no action was taken until 2001 when the Scripps Park Project (SPP), a group of interested local citizens, adopted as its mission “**develop and implement a long-term comprehensive plan to preserve, restore, and enhance Ellen Browning Scripps Memorial Park, incorporating extensive community involvement.**” As part of this effort, the Scripps Park Project

conducted significant research related to the Park’s history, development and usage. The findings of this research are the content of Scripps Park Then and Now – A Cultural Landscape and Usage Patterns Report. It has served as a foundation for planning and public processes as well as the Plan itself.

Following a fund-raising effort that drew individual and group donations as well as grant support, a public workshop was held on November 18-19, 2005. Approximately seventy persons heard presentations, toured the Park, completed questionnaires, and engaged in table discussions culminating in the expression of their concerns about the Park and ideas about its future. From this process the Park planning consulting firm, Campbell & Campbell, then provided a report containing recommendations for the Park that, in its view, best addressed the values expressed by the workshop participants. This consultant’s report was subject to several public meetings and a great deal of local media coverage and attention. Responses were then considered and some revisions were made. The most significant of these was the recommendation by the consultant to move the Bridge Club in order to improve views. In light of many negative responses, SPP decided against pursuing this proposal. The following Plan is the result of these processes and outlines important steps that should be taken to provide continuing stewardship of the Park into the future.

The Scripps Park Plan promotes four fundamental objectives

- The recognition of the site’s importance as a natural landscape for human enjoyment and recreation as an integral part of the coastal natural system and processes.
- The requirement to carefully preserve, restore and enhance the Park.

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- The need to locally guide park use and development processes.
 - The need to generate funding for the Park's upkeep and dedicate park resources to its proper preservation, restoration and enhancement.

THE PLAN

The accompanying Plan provides significant opportunities to preserve, restore and enhance the integrity and vitality of this natural landscape and historic Park and reinforce its connections with the ocean and La Jolla Village, as an important heritage feature and visual and recreational signature of this internationally renowned coastal community.

This Plan strives to recognize the defining physical features of Scripps Park- its sweeping bluff tops, cliffs, beaches and ocean waters - that are products of a unique meeting of sea and land. The present appearance and condition of the coastal bluffs and shoreline of the Park are the result of on-going, dynamic environmental processes of natural evolution. These processes are integral to the experience, identity and character of the Park. The dynamic nature of the Park's environment and the necessity that the land and the waters be considered as parts of an inseparable whole are fundamental to understanding the Park, and must underlie public policy guiding all planning, design and environmental management efforts.

This Plan is founded on the integration of many elements into a new vision for Scripps Park based on the following policies

POLICY I

Preserve, restore and enhance the natural systems that

integrate aquatic and terrestrial environment by re-establishing the invaluable natural landscapes and native ecologies of the Park and its coastline including the bluffs, caves, tide pools, beaches, and adjacent La Jolla Ecological Reserve.

The presence of the Park and its off shore waters are integral to the well being of the community. Its landscape serves not merely as an aesthetic presentation, but it expresses the "signatures" of dynamic natural processes, manifesting connection and commitment to the natural world, community, stewardship and re-generation. This Plan recognizes and effectively maintains the dynamic environment through preservation, restoration and enhancement of the site's natural attributes through runoff control and the restoration of native vegetation.

POLICY II

Ensure future design compatibility with the natural environment and historical landscape context of the Park, and institute sustainable design practices.

The landscape and architecture of Scripps Park should be a visible demonstration of advanced sustainable designs and construction, using methods such as solar water heating and lighting, recycling, and other sustainable practices. The design should explicitly showcase cutting-edge technologies that engage and explore new relationships with the environment, and promote sustainable design stewardship.

POLICY III

Future development should complement and complete the Park's beauty and artistic quality, restoring spectacular views and enhancing public access.

Park structures should enhance the spectacular natural setting and views and engage and invigorate but not dominate the historic space. The present sweeping lawn, existing arcing pathways, and small picnic areas provide a public space that is rich in edges, linkages and small gathering places, yet is coherent as a whole. Native bluff top plant communities should be restored and expanded, and sustainable design and stewardship should be supported by a Public Arts Program and approach to designing structures and spaces for human use and celebration as a universal and ongoing commitment to the Park's development.

The safe and welcoming open character of the Park should be enhanced, with barrier free access. Further, improvements should be designed to provide a safe and secure daytime and evening setting for a wide array of informal and organized activities in an artistic setting worthy of the natural setting that is the pride of the community.

POLICY IV

Establish local oversight for Scripps Park use and development through the creation of the Scripps Park Board to oversee the evolution and implementation of this Plan's recommendations

In depth knowledge of localized natural processes and development impacts require that park use and development be monitored closely by a local Scripps Park Board. This Board should be nominated by major existing La Jolla community organizations and established by the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Diego, and should include professionals and others whose chief qualifications are demonstrated engagement with the Park and an ongoing interest in its stewardship.

POLICY V

Secure funding from a multiple sources to implement the Scripps Park Plan

To come to fruition the Plan needs funding commitment. Whereas in the past, funding came primarily from government sources, currently demands on funding are too great for this sole source to be effective. A program of funding that includes not just government funds but private donations, endowments and the Park's, should be pursued.

<Insert Scripps Park Daytime and Nighttime Observation Drawings>

POLICIES, RECOMMENDATIONS AND PHASING

The Policies established for this Action Plan represent the results of the Scripps Park Project Committee and the consultant's analysis of background studies, and plans previously prepared as well as materials produced by the November 18-19, 2005 workshop as reflected in individual workbook comments and group discussions. The workshop participants experienced the Park as both an evening and daytime environment. Opportunities and constraints maps permitted participants to submit individual diagrams as well as written comments related to their experiences at the Park and ideas for the Park's evolution in the 21st Century. Group discussions produced consensus in many areas, and were the subject of assembly discussions and consultant analysis.

The process identified the following overriding Policies and related recommendations for the development of Scripps Park. Recommendations for actions to be taken are designed to implement the Policies stated, and are organized into a phasing program of:

A. Administrative actions that are designed to prepare the groundwork, construction drawings, and specific programs necessary to bring the recommendation to fruition during the Short, Mid, and Long Range phases of development;

B. Short range or initial actions to be accomplished in the first year upon adoption of this Plan that are primarily critical maintenance activities;

C. Mid-range actions to be taken in the first five years upon adoption of this Plan; and,

D. Long-range actions are to be accomplished within 10 years of adoption of this plan.

A number of recommendations are accompanied by descriptive background statements to provide a proper context. However, most of the recommendations entail basic maintenance or restoration, and require no further explanation.

POLICY I

PRESERVE, PROTECT, AND ENHANCE THE NATURAL SYSTEMS THAT INTEGRATE AQUATIC AND TERRESTRIAL ENVIRONMENTS BY RE-ESTABLISHING THE INVALUABLE NATURAL LANDSCAPES AND NATIVE ECOLOGIES OF THE PARK AND ITS COASTLINE INCLUDING THE BLUFFS, CAVES, TIDE POOLS, BEACHES, AND ADJACENT LA JOLLA ECOLOGICAL RESERVE

DISCUSSION:

Site analysis found that storm and irrigation water runoff and the presence of bluff-top exotic ice plant and rodent

populations is leading to erosion of the bluffs, water pollution and consequent degradation of the quality of the bluff, beach and ocean environment and is a health hazard to users of the Park's beaches and off-shore waters. Furthermore, the specific interrelationships among shoreline erosion processes, surface and groundwater flow patterns, water quality, geology and soils, and flora and fauna of the site must be taken into consideration in the development of landscape design and engineering plans and on-going environmental management.

Published research (Coastal Bluff Erosion in San Diego County, G. B. Griggs, UC Santa Cruz) has shown that while the bluffs at La Jolla are actively eroding, they are typically associated with relatively low average rates of erosion (3 cm/yr). The presence of waves, groundwater and the rock and soil composition of the bluffs all contribute to the continuing erosion of the shoreline. In Scripps Park the key erosion factors are bluff soil conditions and groundwater runoff.

Studies undertaken during the 1980's and 1990's provide information on the effects of "shoreline processes" on the Park perimeter and an environmental quality analysis by the consultant produced recommendations and guidelines and a plan addressing water quality; an integrated conceptual design response including grading, drainage and habitat management to minimize erosion; and a recommended approach to vector animal control.

This report recommends an integrated concept design with civil engineering/landscape architectural elements related to managed shoreline retreat; management of groundwater and surface runoff; habitat management for flora and fauna (including vector animals); control of erosion at outfalls; and low flow diversion of runoff from drains opening onto the shoreline at Scripps Park.

The concept design (see figure 3-1) addresses and implements responses to environmental issues described above through an integrated approach including the following:

- a) Careful management of turf irrigation water application;
- b) On-site modifications to surface grading, pathway construction and landscape planting;
- c) Habitat management; and
- d) Off-site construction of low flow urban runoff diversion facilities.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Administrative Actions

1. Use only non-polluting pest control and fertilizer products

2. Prepare grading and landscaping construction documents consistent with the Conceptual Grading Plan, pathway realignment and the lists of vegetation materials included in this Plan.

Use the conceptual grading plan provided in this document (figure X) and incorporate the appropriate location and scope of native vegetation materials from lists provided by this Plan.

3. Prepare a Maintenance Management Program listing all maintenance activity and their optimum scheduling per the recommendations of this Plan

Develop and adopt an environmental management and maintenance plan specific to Scripps Park. This plan can

successfully address environmental issues immediately and over time. The most critical issues are those related to irrigation and have to be addressed immediately by adjusting water application schedules and repairs of defective system components. Management and maintenance over a longer time frame will successfully restore habitat through the phased replacement of invasive exotic plants (ice plant) with native coastal bluff species, and control vector animal species through a combination of habitat alteration and ecologically safe integrated pest management.

B. Short Range, Immediate Actions

1. Carefully adjust water irrigation schedules and repair defective system components.

The careful adjustment and repair of irrigation systems will provide an immediate relief regarding bluff erosion, water quality, waste water, and reduction in the propagation of invasive plants and improved sanitation through animal vector and runoff control.

2. Replace exotic plant species such as ice plant with the introduction of native coastal bluff plant species and control of infestation of the bluffs and other areas by vector animals.

The proposed replacement of existing exotic ice plant and other non-native plant species along the Park's bluff perimeter with appropriate, deep-rooted, indigenous plant species will reduce erosion and provide native wildlife habitat, to help stabilize coastal bluffs and reduce infestation by vector animals.

Recommended Native California Bluff Plants:

Agave America – Century Plant
Artemesia – Coastal Sagebrush – Several
Atriplex lentiformis ssp. breweri –Coastal Quail Bush
Camissonia cheiranthifolia – Beach Evening Primrose
Ceanothus – California Lilac - Several
Coreopsis - Several
Distichlis spicata – Salt Grass
Dudleya – Live Forever - Several
Erigeron glaucus ‘Arthur Menzies’ – Compact Beach Aster
Eriogonoum parvifolium – Coastal Buckwheat
Galvesia speciosa – Bush Island Snapdragon
Isocoma menziesii var menziesii
Lavatera assurgentiflora – Tree Mallow
Limonium californium – Coastal Statice
Lycium californium – Box Thorn
Perityle incana – Guadalupe Island Rock Daisy
Rhus integrifolia – Lemonade Berry
Salvia – Sage– Several

3. Contract with an arborist/horticulturalist to report on the present health status of the Park’s existing trees and make recommendations for immediate and long-term maintenance to ensure their future health and public safety, and prepare maintenance recommendations.

Many of the existing trees in Scripps Park are more than 95 years old. Their viable life-span needs to be assessed and a plan for their maintenance, restoration or, in some cases, replacement needs to be prepared. Some species of trees and shrubs have survived in a tough coastal environment, but their health and future viability also need to be assessed. The information developed will be key to the ongoing maintenance and long term restoration of the Park’s vegetation.

4. Control rodent population in the Park to reduce erosion

and other damage.

Absence of natural predation and presence of food sources from refuse and feeding by the public have allowed unacceptable population levels of vector animal pests including pigeons, Beechy Ground Squirrels and other rodents in Scripps Park. These vector animals cause environmental damage from accelerated erosion to bluffs brought about by burrowing, and are associated with potential public health concerns as carriers of parasites and disease. Effective control of these vector animals in bluff top public shoreline parkland has been achieved in a setting similar to that of Scripps Park in the City of Santa Barbara through habitat alteration by the frequent removal of refuse, public education through signs explaining the negative impacts of feeding, and the use of an environmentally safe EPA exempt cornmeal based non-persistent pesticide product marketed as “Rodetrol.”

5. Incorporate Scripps Park in the La Jolla Ecological Reserve Area Special Biological Significance Study for water quality monitoring and enhancement planning.

The City of San Diego and Scripps Institute of Oceanography are currently working together in the context of a water quality enhancement planning grant from the State of California related to the La Jolla Ecological Reserve Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS). As Scripps Park is not presently within the boundaries of the Reserve, the waters of the Park are not included in this water quality enhancement planning effort. Because of the immediate proximity of Scripps Park to the area of study, it is recommended that said area be expanded to include Scripps Park. The heavy public use of the waters off Scripps Park, and use of Scripps Park as a “portal” to the La Jolla Ecological Reserve provide a basis for inclusion in this study. The inclusion of Scripps Park in the study will

reinforce the constituency of support in the community for continuing public investment in water quality efforts.

C. Mid Range Actions

1. Divert all water runoff from landscaping away from the bluffs by reconfiguring the Park's grading and drainage patterns and irrigation system to minimize storm and irrigation water discharge onto the bluffs and into the ocean.

Management of groundwater and surface runoff from sources within the Park can address the shoreline erosion process and positively influence water quality (see Water Quality discussion above) through careful irrigation system maintenance and water application management of turf areas, the introduction of permeable paving surfaces, the use of native plants requiring no supplemental irrigation, and contouring of Park topography through grading to direct runoff away from bluff tops to infiltration swales. A grading plan for the park along the lines identified by the Conceptual Grading Plan included with this Plan should minimize mature vegetation disruption at the same time that it diverts water flow away from the bluffs.

<NOTE: Place Grading Plan here – add elevation to lines>

2. Protect the bluffs from accelerated erosion activity

Realign segments of the bluff top pathway at both the west and east ends of the Park. Managed shoreline retreat in areas of active erosion requires the inland relocation of improvements such as pathways, moving them further away from active erosion zones. Control pedestrian access through the introduction of low barriers of bands of native drought adapted ground cover planting at the bluff top edge.

3. Reconfigure and renovate the Scripps Park storm water drainage system to bring it into compliance with the California Ocean Plan to reduce erosion and pollution. Improve or replace existing irrigation systems to conserve water, prevent over-watering and on-going breakage and other maintenance problems.

This is one of the most important issues affecting shoreline ecological stability. Isolated areas of bluff erosion associated with concentrated runoff related to storm water discharge points are present in some areas. Present potential detention and diversion of low flow runoff from discharge points, while primarily addressing water quality issues (see above Water Quality discussion), will have some positive effect on reducing erosion from these locations during low flow conditions, but with the exception noted above, the presence of discharge points of concentrated storm water flows is not addressed by the City's presently planned diversion program. Additionally, pollutants present in urban runoff from city storm drains and surface water flows, adversely affect the quality of the waters of Scripps Park. The Park is adjacent to the La Jolla Ecological Reserve –designated as an "Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS)," and subject to a major State funded water quality enhancement planning project. Levels of pollutants in urban runoff conducted at the Scripps Park shoreline have not been quantified, and only one of the storm drains directly adjacent to the Park has been identified as a candidate for the City's coastal low flow diversion program, which directs runoff to treatment facilities.

Over time, a number of documents and government policies have been produced related to this topic. The recently adopted La Jolla Community Plan states that: "To address current development and redevelopment projects, including all development projects in La Jolla, the City's development

regulations have been revised to include a combination of site design, pollution prevention, source control, and treatment control Best Management Practices (BMPs).”Currently, only one of the storm drains flowing into the waters directly off shore at Scripps Park is prioritized for diversion by the City. This drain, (see diagram below) the most easterly one has been designated a “priority IV” diversion- the lowest priority for implementation. Informal observation confirms that urban runoff is present on the beaches and waters of Scripps Park during both low flow and storm flow conditions. Implementation of this diversion project should be accelerated.

<NOTE: Add Drain Diagram here>

4. Dead and diseased trees should be replaced with species that thrive in coastal conditions, enhance coastline and ocean views to and through the Park, and can withstand the specific conditions of their siting – for example turf irrigation and heavy soil compaction.

Recommended trees include:

- Brahea edulis – Guadalupe Palm
- Chamaerops humilis – Mediterranean Fan Palm
- Dracaena Draco - Dragon Palm
- Ficus rubiginosa – Rustleaf Fig
- Howea forsteriana – Paradise Palm
- Livistona australis
- Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius – Catalina
- Ironwood (Best in groves a little away from bluff edge)
- Metrosideros excelsus – New Zealand Christmas Tree (can withstand turf conditions)
- Phoenix reclinata – Senegal Date Palm
- Pinus torreyana – Torrey Pine (away from direct bluff

edges)

- Syagrus romanzoffianum – Queen Palm
- Washingtonia robusta – Mexican Fan Palm

5. Trees or shrubs that block views, should be pruned or replaced to improve views add shade and help deflect winds. These include the Italian Stone Pine at the intersection of Lower Girard and Coast Boulevard, some Australian Tea Trees around the picnic areas and overgrown, windbreak shrubs such as the Pittosporum.

Recommended color, groundcover and wind deflecting shrubs:

- Agapanthus – Lily of the Nile - Several
- Aloe - Several
- Bougainvillea - Shrub Forms
- Cistus – Low Forms
- Erigeron several
- Lantana montevidensis – Several
- Lavendula – Several
- Pittosporum tobira – Several Dwarf Varieties
- Phlomis fruticosa –Jerusalem Sage - Several
- Rhaphiolepis – Low Growing Varieties
- Rosa rugosa– Sea Tomato - Several

POLICY II

ENSURE COMPATIBILITY OF FUTURE DESIGN WITH THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND HISTORICAL LANDSCAPE OF THE PARK, AND INSTITUTE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES

DISCUSSION:

The Park’s historic landscape design is presently degraded

and requires appropriate restoration. Further, the Plan recommends the preparation of a horticultural analysis and a Landscape Master Plan (see Policy I) that will guide the restoration and re-visioning of the Park's historic landscape design features. Additionally, immediate and long term sustainable design and maintenance practices should be implemented for the Park. These sustainable practices include use of renewable and non-polluting energy sources such as solar energy, water quality control and recycling, recycling of waste materials, use of recycled materials, use of non-polluting pest control and fertilization products, etc.

RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Administrative Actions

1. Use only sustainable materials and methods when repairing, renovating, restoring or replacing Park features and amenities including but not limited to walls, paving, barriers, signage, site furniture, planting and every element of the Park's structures.

This will include use of building and plant materials and site furnishings that are both sustainable and appropriate to the small scale, coastal, historic La Jolla character of the Park. The design, construction processes, and materials of all of the Park's built elements shall support "SMART sustainable" (Sustainable Management of Scarce Resources in the Coastal Zone) planning practices and lifetime sustainable design principles specifically suited to this coastal exposure.

2. Prepare Development Guidelines to ensure that all Park additions, renovations, repairs, event selection and scheduling, and maintenance practices reflect, contribute

to and enhance the unique, inherent, natural coastal landscapes, ecologies and historic and cultural landscape of the Park.

The Cultural Landscape and Usage Patterns Report prepared for this Scripps Park Project provides a context regarding use of traditional materials used such as wood framed and clad structures similar to the Bridge Club building (Richard Requa 1930), or use of stucco and block. These materials and forms should be the inspiration for future design of structures and other park development.

3. Prepare Development Guidelines for Organized Events that will be used to review requests for event activity at the Park (See Park Board responsibilities)

The Usage Patterns Report prepared by the Scripps Park Project identifies numerous uses made of the Park by individuals as well as groups and organized events. The activity increases yearly. As any area subject to high human use, the Park has a definite carrying capacity beyond which the facility begins to deteriorate and cannot be properly maintained. Further, these events displace popular informal activities such as picnicking and reading. This makes it mandatory that a detailed analysis be made of the various activities in the Park, and their consequent impact on the improvements, to assess any desirable limits, and the level of impact fees that should be assessed for the Park's use in order to properly maintain and manage this precious public facility.

B. Short Range, Immediate Actions

1. Initiate a re-cycling program for the Park.

2. Add solar water heating for the bathhouse showers.

3. Modify the lawn area between the bathhouse and the Cove to appropriately accommodate its heavy use.

The grass area immediately in front of the existing bathhouse is often water clogged and in need of reseeding; City work crews cannot keep up with the demand and maintenance this area requires. A careful analysis needs to be made of the area towards establishing a better design and surface material that will be able to withstand the human use.

4. Preserve and, if necessary, augment the rows of Mexican Fan Palms (*Washingtonia robusta*) along Coast Boulevard.

The existing row of palm trees along the southern edge of the Park were planted in 1910; the life-span of these trees is estimated to be approximately 100 years. The trees close to exceeding their known life-span, and although they appear to be in good condition, plans need to be made to replace or augment them in order to restore the ambience presently established by this wonderful row of street trees.

5. Restore and maintain the belvederes as long as their present sites remain viable, and, if necessary, relocate the Park's historic belvederes with historically appropriate, sustainable materials and methods.

The small green structures along the coast known as belvederes have lost much picturesque charm and historic significance due to extensive renovation and replacement. These structures should be maintained as long as their present sites remain viable. If erosion or undermining

become to great, they should be removed or relocated away from the bluff edge.

6. Correct the interface between the turf and the decomposed granite paving of the picnic areas – raise the DG, lower the turf, or add access points. This is an on-going maintenance process.

C. Mid Range Actions

1. The Cove Cave reinforcing structure installed by the WPA (Works Progress Administration, 1930's) needs immediate repair and renovation to insure public safety.

2. Redesign the lifeguard tower facilities ensuring that any proposal to make changes to the existing lifeguard tower and/or provide ADA access in a way that fully preserves and protects the current use and space of the terrace and surrounding environs.

A Lifeguard Tower project has been in design process for sometime. The community has in the past raised concerns about its development based on previously proposed massive requirements for grading of the bluffs to provide ADA access. It is proposed that ADA access be achieved without such ramping and resulting grading by making the emergency/first aid function of the new lifeguard tower accessible to all. Additionally, the design of this facility should be coordinated with an upgraded and possibly relocated bathhouse to assure that these facilities are properly and efficiently integrated, avoiding the helter-skelter approach to development of the past.

3. Stairs to Shell Beach and the Cove need repair to provide safe access.

C. Long Range Actions

1. *Replace the present bathhouse to enhance views; design the structure to appropriately recall the small scale, coastal, historic La Jolla character, to withstand coastal conditions, to improve function, to be accessible and sustainable and to serve its heavy use.*

This structure needs replacement. The facility should be designed to enhance rather than block views through the center of the Park toward the Cove. Its design and construction materials should recall the intimate scale and simple “beach cottage” style of earlier Park and La Jolla structures. The new design should incorporate the concepts of a Public Arts Project. It should provide full ADA access, limited Park maintenance, storage and solar heated water.

<NOTE: Conceptual Sketches of Bathhouse here>

**POLICY III.
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD COMPLEMENT AND COMPLETE THE PARK’S BEAUTY AND ARTISTIC QUALITY, RESTORING SPECTACULAR VIEWS AND ENHANCING PUBLIC ACCESS**

DISCUSSION:

Ad hoc construction, and placement of Park facilities and furnishings and vegetation management practices have resulted in degradation of the Park’s visual connections with its spectacular ocean views, and impaired the public’s access and enjoyment of this important resource. Future

actions to restore and develop the Park would benefit from a greater use of a Public Art Projects approach designed to foster environmental protection, restore the spectacular views afforded from the Park to the ocean, coastline and hillsides, encourage public access and enjoyment, and celebrate the human spirit through quality design. Safe, universally accessible paths of travel should be maintained and provided.

RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Administrative Actions

1. *All built elements in the Park should enhance rather than degrade views to, through and from the Park*

This is a Policy Action that should apply to all development in the Park. Every project undertaken should be evaluated in relation to its effect on the spectacular views of the Park. Only projects that do not affect existing views or enhance them should be approved. Others should either be modified to meet this standard, or should not be built.

2. *Extensive use should be made of the Public Arts Projects concept for all proposed improvements to the Park.*

Public Art has the power, over time, to maintain and improve the image of the Park in a way that residents and visitors alike will delight in the experience of the Park. Public Art can assure that the quality of the Park’s public infrastructure will be much more than mechanically utilitarian, and will bring joy to those that use it and experience it. The City’s Public Arts program strives to create artwork that celebrates the extraordinary ecology, human diversity and history of our community. For that purpose, the City’s Public Arts Commission has a Public

Arts Program that lists local and internationally renowned artists that have the capability of undertaking a full scope of Public Arts Projects. The Commission and its staff are able to outreach and manage complicated Public Arts programs for the enhancement of the city's public space and improvements, in a manner that the art defines the special community identity. The Lifeguard call-box presently located in front of North Boomer Beach in the Park is an example of the beauty and delight that can come out of a human made work of art, that otherwise would have been an ugly utilitarian metal box.

- 3. Conduct a feasibility study to determine if diagonal parking can be added along the village side of Coast Boulevard. The study should assess the viability of adding diagonal parking along the hotel side of Coast from Lower Girard to the turnaround.**
- 4. Develop uniform, Park-specific design guidelines to regulate all of the Park's signage – typeface, size, materials, colors, and concentrate all Park signage to two or three low monuments at the Park's primary access points, at the ends and/or middle of the Park**

B. Short Range, Immediate Actions

- 1. Maintain the wide, open lawn that sweeps through the center of the Park northwesterly from around the Lincoln Memorial to the maintenance access way**
- 2. Replace the existing raised, bright blue, trash container**

lids with lower, less obtrusive ones

- 3. Remove or, where necessary, replace the existing chain link fencing and pipe safety barricades along the bluffs with less obtrusive barriers such as native California plants or low cable barriers.**
- 4. Restore the signage that existed at North Boomer Beach adjacent to the call box, with one similar to that existing to the south.**

Boomer Beach is a special body surfing area with a long history of use, one of the very few in existence. An identification sign existed in the area, that was mysteriously removed, should be replaced next to the call box. This sign should be incorporated into the comprehensive sign program at a later date.

- 5. Remove obstructions such as planters and overgrown trees and shrubs that are blocking the existing pedestrian access ways from Prospect to Coast Boulevard.**

Note: A sketch would be good here.

- 6. Redesign the Point La Jolla area to better capitalize on it as the Park's best and most prominent view by clearing the area of insignificant vegetation and unnecessary hardware and providing an off-sidewalk, ADA accessible viewing station.**
- 7. Add ADA Parking spaces at either end of the Park and provide additional access ramps**

8. Add turnaround striping and raised planter at the north end of the Park at Coast Boulevard.

Note: a sketch would be good here.

9. Repair and maintain paths from the Park to the ocean, where appropriate.

10. Repair the damaged stairs from the Park to beaches in an appropriate and timely manner.

11. Repair potholes in walkways in an appropriate and timely manner.

12. Re-grade and maintain the decomposed granite surfaces and turf edges of the picnic areas and pathways to accommodate universal access for wheelchairs, strollers, including the provision of an off-sidewalk ADA accessible viewing area at Point La Jolla. As natural processes undermine existing perimeter walkways, relocate them back from the bluff edges.

13. Where possible, replace poured concrete paving with vegetation or permeable, durable paving such as stabilized decomposed granite or pavers set in sand.

C. Mid Range Actions

1. Replace steep ramp to the belvedere above Shell Beach with stairs.

Presently, there is a steep ramp going from the ramp to the belvedere above Shell Beach. Access should be made safer by replacing the ramp with steps.

2. Add universal access companion-seating places next to existing benches and future bench locations where appropriate, and maintain them in an inviting, open condition.

3. Remove or, where necessary, replace the disparate collection of perimeter railings with a uniform system designed to enhance views - preferably a low seat wall similar to the existing one along the Point

Develop a consistent railing design for the Park that does not detract from the spectacular views. Use railing only where necessary, relocating the perimeter walk away from the direct bluff edge where intense erosion or undermining occurs. The workshop recommended extending the use of the low seat wall presently used at the Point. Replace heavy aluminum and wood railing with less obtrusive, low seat wall or railing. A Public Arts project in selected areas where railings are absolutely necessary, could further enhance the appearance of the Park.

4. Relocate scattered, disparate signage to two or three, low monuments at the ends or center of the Park along the sidewalks. Develop and implement a uniform signage system for the Park – size, materials, type face, color, etc.

This is another project where a Public Arts project should be encouraged. Signs should not only include directional, legal and identification signs, but also educational exhibits and perhaps seating areas or other street furniture. The scope of the project should be established as part of the Public Arts project preparation, with public meetings and input.

The sign identifying the location and historical context of boy surfing activity at Boomer Beach should also be incorporated into the comprehensive sign program.

- 5. Reopen, re-designate and generally improve the existing historic pedestrian access ways between Prospect and Coast Boulevards. Add clear signage at the top and bottom, benches at the stair landings and step lighting where possible.**

Renovate and improve existing pedestrian access ways between Prospect Street and Coast Boulevard as vital pedestrian and view linkages between the village of La Jolla and Scripps Park, coastline and ocean. This recommendation includes actions to remove obstructions blocking access and views through these corridors. Clear, uniform signage should be installed at entries along Prospect and Coast to clearly identify them as public-right-of-ways, including a liability disclaimer. Add step lighting to these access ways and other low, walkway lighting, handrails and benches at landings.

- 6. Replace existing pole light standard with low, unobtrusive, solar-powered walkway lighting for the perimeter bluff-top walks and the accessible walkways to improve nighttime access and safety. Remove the spot lights on the La Jolla Cove Suites.**

D. Long Range Actions

- 1. Create ADA accessible ramp to the newly created observation platform at the lifeguard station, and add equivalent facilitation of views by providing an off-sidewalk, ADA accessible viewing station.**

A Public Arts project could enhance the ADA access and make it especially fun to traverse, creating a sense of “place” and further beautify the area without endangering access.

- 2. Improve views and pedestrian connections between La Jolla Village and the Park along Lower Girard Avenue, widen the sidewalks along Lower Girard Avenue and add diagonal Parking along the southeast side of Lower Girard Avenue.**
- 3. Reconfigure the intersection of Lower Girard and Coast Boulevard to include special pedestrian and ADA crossing paving and significant planting areas to frame views of the Park and note pedestrian crossings.**

A Public Arts project would enhance this important intersection that should be designed for automobile movement, pedestrian access, and view enjoyment. The program should consider the context given to the area by the historical structures such as the Red Rest and Red Roost, Brockton Villa, and those lining the Coast Walk trail to the east.

- 4. Add a shuttle to and from remote parking structure(s) or lots, if and when such facilities are available.**

POLICY IV.

A SCRIPPS PARK BOARD WILL BE ESTABLISHED TO OVERSEE THE EVOLUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PLAN’S RECOMMENDATIONS

DISCUSSION.

At present, Scripps Park is identified by the City of San Diego

Progress Guide and General Plan as a *Resource Based Park* A number of Resource Based Parks in the City are monitored by City Council appointed special commissions that review all activity and are charged with overseeing the Park's development. It is critical that a continuous oversight and close monitoring be achieved in the implementation of this Plan. The most effective method is through a community based and oversight Board established by the Mayor and ratified by the City Council of the City of San Diego, to assure that activities and development at Scripps Park are monitored on a day to day basis and that the maintenance and development of the Park is consistent with the policies and recommendations established by this Plan. The benefit of having a local Board is that its members can readily see the progress of their actions and can take remedial action, if necessary, more expeditiously and effectively.

- 1. Establish a single, unified Scripps Park Board comprised of appointees recommended by the La Jolla Town Council, the Community Planning Association, and Promote La Jolla with attention paid to participants' relevant expertise and demonstrated engagement with the Park and interest in its ongoing stewardship. The Scripps Park Board will be made up of 7 or 9 members, and include some who have expertise in various professions such as Coastal Ecology and Geology, Landscape Architecture, Park Design, Architecture, Public Art, Promotion, Marketing, Recreation, Civil Engineering, Traffic and Transportation Planning. The Board will serve in an advisory capacity to the Parks Department, taking action on the following:**

- a. Secure funding for improvements, restoration and maintenance of the Park.
- b. Develop guidelines for organized events within the Park, and review requests for event activities. Advise regarding proposed uses that may not conform to the guidelines. As a living environment, the Park has capacity limits determined by its ability to successfully withstand and recover from its heavy, year around, daily use and these special events. For example, the struggling lawn between the bathhouse and the Cove illustrates the detrimental effects of constant use. Extra maintenance, renovation and replacement can help to counter these impacts. Nevertheless, the Park's plantings and surrounding natural environments need recuperative periods to not only thrive but also survive. In addition, organized events often displace or impede use of the Park for popular informal uses. The Park Review Board will review and develop guidelines for organized events within the Park. Advise regarding proposed uses that may not conform to the guidelines.
- c. Develop and establish design guidelines then oversee and review all of the Park's alterations, events and major maintenance procedures, including specific, seaside and aesthetically appropriate, sustainable designs or product designations for site materials and furnishings including but not limited to paving materials, walls, railings, signage, recycling/trash receptacles, light fixtures, drinking fountains, benches, picnic tables, fire pits and barbecues, etc
- d. Develop a detailed, long-term, Park Management and Maintenance Plan with specific maintenance guidelines to direct the implementation.

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- e. Initiate a public art and memorials program to enhance the park, and develop consistent guidelines for acceptance and placement.

2. The Scripps Park Board will:

- a. Insure that high standards of design are maintained in the development and construction within Ellen Browning Scripps Memorial Park.
- b. Protect and preserve, as nearly as practicable, the charm and beauty of the Park and the beauty, integrity and health of its adjacent natural landscapes and environments including the historical style, qualities, characteristics and scale of its structures, built features and planting associated with and established by its memorable and distinguished past. These include but are not limited to paving, walls, stairs, railings, site furnishings, signage, lighting, etc.
- c. Review, approve and conditionally approve or disapprove all proposed design, construction and maintenance procedures within the Park. Including but not limited to:

Any alteration to any building or structure

- Grading alterations
- Paving alterations
- Retaining or other wall alterations
- Stair and ramp alterations
- Site furnishing alterations
- Planting alterations including their replacement, heavy pruning, or removal
- Signage alterations
- Lighting alterations
- Urban design/streetscape alterations in the vicinity of the Park or as related to the Park

- Alterations of access to the Park including the alterations to the existing pedestrian access ways between Prospect and Coast Boulevard
- Alterations to Park Parking and loading including input into remote Parking lots and shuttles.

3. The Scripps Park Board will work with community organizations and the City to seek funding for the implementation of this Plan, and, together with the City, oversee the expenditure of funds and the scheduling and completion of Capital Improvement Projects.

**POLICY V.
SECURE FUNDING FROM A MULTIPLE SOURCES TO
IMPLEMENT THE SCRIPPS PARK PLAN**

DISCUSSION:

At present, funding for improvements at Scripps Park is provided from the City's General Fund and allocated annually on a citywide basis. From time to time, the City also seeks and obtains funding from government grants for specific projects within the Park. In this effort, Scripps Park competes with other parks in the City, and often does not enjoy timely improvements due to other more pressing city demands. It is critical that a local citizens group such as the Scripps Park Board focus on funding resources and priorities. Through its efforts, funding must be secured to implement both the necessary immediate maintenance and long-term improvements; Establishing a mechanism to dedicate funds generated in the Park to the Park is essential. Since Scripps Park is a public facility, the major portion of the rental and permitting fees generated by use of the Park should go to maintaining and improving the Park "to preserve and make available to the public areas of

outstanding, scenic, natural, or cultural interest.” In addition, grants and endowments should be sought.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Establish an annual Budget based on the recommendations of the Management and Maintenance Plan, using various funding sources available including the City of San Diego General Fund, Special Funds, Government Grants, Private Grants, Endowments, and Fees.

2. Identify and apply for specific governmental grants and funds set aside for specific projects mentioned above, such as California State Resources Agency grants for infrastructure planning and public access and park improvement grants from the State Coastal Conservancy.

3. Seek private funding grants and endowments for specific projects within the park and for its maintenance. A large endowment fund could sustain much needed maintenance activity.

4. Require that a portion of all funds generated within the Park, beyond the reasonable operational costs of the organizations involved and fees required by the City, be dedicated to accomplishing the particular recommendations contained within the adopted Plan for the Park. Fees required by the City should be reviewed to ensure that they cover the direct and indirect mitigation of all impacts from any of these Park activities. Funds generated specifically for officially sanctioned fund raising events by recognized charitable organizations should be exempt after any mitigation costs are covered.

IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX

ADMINISTRATIVE

This phase is to be accomplished within the first one to three years from plan adoption. It is designed to prepare enabling documents, to organize, provide design or development guidelines and construction plans to properly implement Short, Mid, and Long Range Phases for this Plan.

POLICY Action	TIMING	COST	FUNDING	LEAD Support	NOTES
I. PRESERVE, PROTECT AND ENHANCE NATURAL LANDSCAPES AND ECOLOGY					
1. Use non-polluting pest control and fertilizing products	Operating policy Immediate		City General Fund Park Generated Funds	City Scripps Park Board	
2. Prepare grading and landscaping plan for construction	Fiscal Year 2008		Government Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	Public-Private Match Funds
3. Prepare Maintenance Management Program	Fiscal Year 2008		Government Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	Public-Private Match Funds
II. ENSURE COMPATIBLE FUTURE DESIGN WITH NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, HISTORICAL LANDSCAPE AND INSTITUTE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES					

<p>1. Use only sustainable materials and for repairing, renovating restoring or replacing park features and amenities</p>	<p>Operating Policy Immediate</p>		<p>City General Fund Park Generated Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>2. Prepare Development Guidelines Park additions, renovations, and maintenance</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>CA. Coastal Conservancy Grant Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	<p>Public-Private Match Funds</p>
<p>3. Prepare Guidelines for Organized Events</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>Government Grant Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board, City Lessees</p>	<p>Public-Private Match Grant</p>
<p>4. Initiate Recycling Program</p>	<p>Immediate</p>		<p>City Environmental Fund, General Fund, Park Generated Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>III. DEVELOP PARK AS A “WORK OF ART”, RESTORE SPECTACULAR VIEWS AND ENHANCE PUBLIC ACCESS</p>					
<p>1. All built elements in the park enhance rather than degrade views to, through and from the Park</p>	<p>Operating Policy Immediate</p>		<p>City, other government or private funds</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>2. Extensive use made of Art Project Concept for all proposed improvements to the Park</p>	<p>Operating Policy Immediate</p>		<p>All funding for all projects</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City, City Arts Commission</p>	

3. Conduct feasibility study on diagonal parking along village side of Coast Blvd	Fiscal Year 2008		City and CA. Transportation Funds, Coastal Funds, La Jolla BID Funds,	Scripps Park Board City La Jolla BID	
4. Develop Guidelines for Park signs	Fiscal Year 2009		Government Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
5. Maintain wide open lawn	Operating Policy Immediate		City General Fund Park Generated Fund	Scripps Park Board City	
6. Develop Designs for Barriers throughout	Fiscal Year 2009		CA. Coastal Conservancy Grant City Art Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City Arts Commission City	
7. Structural Design for Cove Cave stabilization	Fiscal Year 2009		City General Fund CA. Coastal Conservancy	Scripps Park Board City	
8. Lifeguard Tower design concept and construction documents	Fiscal Year 2008		ADA and other Government Grant City General Fund	Scripps Park Park City	
9. Designs for restoring historical accessways from Prospect and construction documents if necessary	Fiscal Year 2009		City General Fund CA. Coastal Conservancy Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
10. Design and construction documents for new Bathhouse	Fiscal Year 2011		Government Grant	Scripps Park Board City	

11. Design and construction documents for Lower Girard improvement	Fiscal Year 2011		Transportation Funds	Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission	
IV. ESTABLISH SCRIPPS PARK BOARD TO OVERSEE EVOLUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION					
1. Draft Board operating procedures	Immediate		City Funds Community Pro-Bono support	Community Groups, SPP City	
2. Community Organizations propose candidates to Mayor and Council	Immediate		Community Groups	Community effort	
3. Mayor appoints members and Council ratifies	Fiscal Year 2008		City Funds	City	
V. SECURE FUNDING FROM A MULTIPLICITY OF SOURCES TO IMPLEMENT PLAN					
1. Establish Annual Budget	Immediate Ongoing effort		City General Fund Park generated funds	Scripps Park Board City	
2. Identify and apply for government grants	Fiscal Year 2008 Ongoing effort		City General Fund Park generated funds	Scripps Park Board City	

<p>3. <i>Seek private funding grants and Endowments</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>City General Fund Park generated funds Private Grants or Endowments</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City Endowment Officer</p>	
<p>4. <i>Develop and establish Policy for Park income distribution</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>City General Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City Lessees</p>	

SHORT RANGE IMMEDIATE ACTIONS

Immediate actions are primarily important maintenance actions that should be undertaken immediately to stabilize the ecology of the park. These actions should be taken within the first year of adoption of the Scripps Park Plan.

POLICY Action	TIMING	COST	FUNDING	LEAD Support	NOTES
I. PRESERVE, PROTECT AND ENHANCE NATURAL LANDSCAPES AND ECOLOGY					
1. Adjust water irrigation schedules	Immediate Ongoing		City General Fund	City Scripps Park Board	
2. Replace exotic plants with natives on the bluffs	Fiscal Year 2008		City General Fund Park generated funds Coastal Conservancy Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
3. Contract arborist-horticulturist to report on health of vegetation and Make recommendations	Fiscal Year 2008		Coastal Conservancy Grant CA. Open Space Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
4. Control vector and rodent populations	Immediate		City General Fund	Scripps Park Board City	
5. Incorporate Scripps Park into La Jolla Ecological Reserve	Fiscal Year 2008		City General Fund	Scripps Park Board City	

<p>II. ENSURE COMPATIBLE DESIGN WITH NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, HISTORICAL LANDSCAPE AND INSTITUTE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES</p>					
<p><i>1. Add solar water heating for bathhouse showers</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund Energy Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p><i>2. Modify existing lawn area between Bathhouse and Cove to accommodate heavy use</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p><i>3. Preserve and if necessary, augment rows of Mexican Fan Palms along Coast Blvd</i></p>					
<p><i>4. Restore and if necessary relocate historic belvederes</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund Park Generated Funds</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p><i>5. Correct the interface between turf and decomposed granite paving of picnic areas</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	

<p>III. DEVELOP PARK AS A “WORK OF ART”, RESTORE SPECTACULAR VIEWS AND ENHANCE PUBLIC ACCESS</p>					
<p><i>1. Maintain wide, open lawn that sweeps through the center of the Park</i></p>	<p>Immediate Ongoing</p>		<p>City General Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p><i>2. Replace existing raised, bright blue trash container lids with lower less obtrusive ones</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund Park Generated Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p><i>3. Remove or replace existing chain link fencing and pipe safety barricades with less obtrusive barriers or native vegetation</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund Private Grant Arts Commission Funds</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission</p>	
<p><i>4. Remove obstruction blocking pedestrian access ways from Prospect Street</i></p>	<p>Fiscal year 2008 through 2010</p>		<p>City General Fund Park Generated Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p><i>5. Restore the Point La Jolla area to capitalize on its view by clearing the area of significant vegetation and unnecessary hardware</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>City General Fund Park Generated Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	

<p>6. Add ADA parking at either end of the Park, along Coast Blvd and implement results of Parking Feasibility Study</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>Transportation Fund ADA Funding City General Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board</p>	
<p>7. Add turnaround stripping and raised planter at the north end of the Park on Coast Blvd</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>Transportation Funds Arts Commission Funding Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission</p>	
<p>8. Repair and maintain paths from the Park to the ocean, where appropriate</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>City General Fund CA. Conservancy Grant Park Generated Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>9. Repair damaged stairs from Park to beaches</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund CA. Conservancy Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>10. Repair potholes in walkways in an appropriate and timely manner</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2008</p>		<p>City General Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>11. Re-grade and maintain decomposed granite surfaces and turf edges in picnic areas</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>City General Fund</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	
<p>12. Replace concrete paving with vegetation or permeable durable paving throughout</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2009</p>		<p>CA. Conservancy Grant Open Space Grant Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City</p>	

MID RANGE ACTIONS

Mid-Range actions are primarily address maintenance actions and some simpler improvements that should be undertaken to restore the park. These actions should be taken within five years of adoption of the Scripps Park Plan.

POLICY Action	TIMING	COST	FUNDING	LEAD Support	NOTES
I. PRESERVE, PROTECT AND ENHANCE NATURAL LANDSCAPES AND ECOLOGY					
1. Divert water runoff from landscaping away from the bluffs by reconfiguring grading and drainage patterns and irrigation system	Fiscal Year 2010		CA. Coastal Conservancy Grant Water Quality Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
2. Protect bluffs from accelerated erosion by realigning bluff top pathways and controlling access	Fiscal Year 2011		CA. Coastal Conservancy Grant Open Space Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
3. Reconfigure storm water drainage system into compliance with CA Ocean Plan	Fiscal Year 2012		Water Quality Grant City General Fund CA Coastal Conservancy Grant	Scripps Park Board City	

4. Replace dead and diseased trees with species that thrive in coastal conditions	Fiscal Year 2010 Ongoing as needed		City General Fund Open Space Fund Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
5. Prune and replace trees or shrubs that block views	Fiscal Year 2010		City General Fund Park Generated Fund	Scripps Park Board City	
II. ENSURE COMPATIBLE FUTURE DESIGN WITH NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, HISTORICAL LANDSCAPE AND INSTITUTE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES					
1. Repair and renovate the Cove Cave structural reinforcement structure	Fiscal Year 2008		City Engineering Funds CA Coastal Conservancy Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
2. Redesign new Lifeguard Tower facilities	Fiscal Year 2011		CA Parks Grant City General Fund City Arts Commission	Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission	

3. Maintain Belvederes	Fiscal Year 2010		City General Fund Park Generated Fund	Scripps Park Board City	
III. DEVELOP PARK AS A “WORK OF ART”, RESTORE SPECTACULAR VIEWS AND ENHANCE PUBLIC ACCESS					
1. Replace steep ramp to belvedere above Shell Beach with stairs	Fiscal Year 2010		City General Fund CA Coastal Conservancy Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
2. Add universal access companion seating places next to existing benches	Fiscal Year 2010		ADA Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City	
3. Remove and replace perimeter fences with a unified system	Fiscal Year 2011		CA Coastal Conservancy Grant City Arts Commission Grant Private Grant	Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission	
4. Relocate signage to three low monuments at the ends and center of Park along sidewalks	Fiscal Year 2012		Private Grant City Arts Commission Grant CA Coastal Conservancy Grant	Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission	

5. Reopen, re-designate and improve existing historic pedestrian access ways between Prospect and Coast Blvd	Fiscal Year 2010		City General Fund Transportation Grant CA Coastal Conservancy Grant City Arts Commission Grant	Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission	
6. Remove existing pole light standards and add low walkway lighting along perimeter walks	Fiscal Year 2013		Energy Grant Private Grant City Arts Commission Grant	Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission	

LONG RANGE ACTIONS

Long-Range actions are primarily address new improvements, major restorations, or reconstructions that should be undertaken to finalize the total restoration of the park. These actions should be taken within ten years of adoption of the Scripps Park Plan.

POLICY Action	TIMING	COST	FUNDING	LEAD Support	NOTES
I. PRESERVE, PROTECT AND ENHANCE NATURAL LANDSCAPES AND ECOLOGY					
1. Oversee, maintain and restore as necessary	Ongoing		City General Fund Park generated Fund	Scripps Park Board City	

<p>II. ENSURE COMPATIBLE FUTURE DESIGN WITH NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, HISTORICAL LANDSCAPE AND INSTITUTE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES</p>					
<p><i>1. Replace the present bathhouse to enhance views, sustainable and within park context</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2015</p>		<p>CA Recreation Grant City Assessment Benefit Fund City Arts Commission Grant Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission</p>	
<p>III. DEVELOP PARK AS A “WORK OF ART”, RESTORE SPECTACULAR VIEWS AND ENHANCE PUBLIC ACCESS</p>					
<p><i>1. Create ADA accessible ramp to new observation platform at lifeguard station, and off sidewalk ADA viewable stations</i></p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010</p>		<p>ADA Grant Transportation Grant Private Grant City Arts Commission Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City City Arts Commission</p>	

<p>2. Improve views and pedestrian connections along Lower Girard</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2016</p>		<p>Transportation Grant City Arts Commission Grant Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City Arts Commission</p>	
<p>3. Reconfigure intersection of Lower Girard and Coast Blvd</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2017</p>		<p>Transportation Grant City Arts Commission Grant Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board City Arts Commission</p>	
<p>4. Add shuttle to remote parking when available</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2018 when available</p>		<p>Transportation Grant La Jolla BID Funds Private Grant</p>	<p>Scripps Park Board La Jolla BID Board City</p>	