

**5/21/20 AGENDA, ITEM 1 - CONSIDERATION OF MODIFICATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER
SUPPLEMENTAL EMAIL SUBMITTED BY JON MITCHELL TO THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE ON
5/21/20 AT 7:30 A.M.**

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Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 7:30 AM

To: City Council <citycouncil@hermosabeach.gov>; City Clerk <cityclerk@hermosabeach.gov>

Subject: open hermosa beach

Please consider fully opening Hermosa beaches (and businesses) immediately. Allow beach volleyball, and sitting on the beach. LA county's extended shutdown is irrational. I am from Santa Monica, but spend almost every weekend in Hermosa at youth volleyball tournaments, or playing myself South of the pier.

The County's July 4 opening is irrational, and not based on "data". The curve is flat, hospitals have capacity, it is time to open. California (3,240 dead) is NOT New York (28,339 dead).

It is time to move away from "lockdown mentality". Georgia has been fully open for three weeks, their numbers continue to drop. Florida locked down 10 days AFTER California, their numbers are similar to California. (both have fully opened beaches)

Please be brave and lead the way . LA County's beach policy is based on an irrational "fear of a spike" or their "models" (consistently wrong). There is no research that shows outdoor beach activity is dangerous. In fact multiple studies show that viral transmission is dramatically diminished outdoors by sunlight and wind.

Please consider fully opening now. You would lead the way toward doing the right thing, and your local businesses would benefit too.

thank you for reading this,
jon mitchell
Santa Monica CA