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## Written Communications for the May 21, 2020 Hermosa Beach City Council Special Meeting

Hermosa Beach City Council Members,

In response to The Strand and Parking re-opening in Hermosa Beach, please take account the following considerations:

- 1. There has been a huge influx of cyclists riding the streets in Hermosa Beach since The Strand has been closed. Many of these adult and child cyclists have only used The Strand and are not as street savvy as other cyclists. This reality presents additional physical dangers to both cyclists and pedestrians.
- 2. Currently the number of people that you would normally see walking, jogging or cycling on The Strand in Hermosa are now on (Beach Drive) which is the alley way behind The Strand homes. This new use of Beach Drive has created a duplication of The Strand.
- 3. The number of people with pets, who previously walked on The Strand, can't take advantage of the now opened beach. Allowing pet owners to walk up against the Strand wall barrier, on the sand side, could help with "Social Distancing".
- 4. If The Strand re-opens in Hermosa for the first time on July 4<sup>th</sup>, along with the Los Angeles County-wide re-openings, it will be madness on The Strand. A softer, earlier re-opening would ease people into being socially responsible on The Strand, which is the primary concern for everyone. If a "soft re-opening" of The Strand is an option, it would be a good idea for people not to congregate on The Strand, which is now what takes place on the beach.

Thank you for your attention in this important matter.

Mary Ann and Alan Benson