

LA JOLLA SHORES ASSOCIATION – MINUTES - Approved
Wednesday, January 21, 2026
ZOOM ONLY FOR JANUARY

6:00- Welcome: Introductions & Establish Quorum – John Pierce
Committee Members in attendance : Keys Allen, Tracey Andrae, Terry Kraszewski, Sharon Luscomb, Ed Mackey, Karen Marshall, Mike Mc Cormick, Mary Munk, Andrew Perry, John Pierce , Angie Preisendorfer, Joe Stalder

Not in Attendance John Shannon, Kathleen Neil

Motion made to Approve the Agenda by Angie Preisendorfer, 2nd Keyes Allen. **VOTE 8-0-0**

Approval of Minutes- November minutes not distributed . **No motion or vote**

President's Report – **NONE**

Treasurer's report- **balance in the account \$6,013.42**

Secretary's Report - **Board attendance, Elections coming up see below**

Public Comment: Non-agenda items:

Janie Emerson announced an event Saturday Jan 24, 2026 12-4pm at the main San Diego Library with local authors

Bob K (last name not said) thank you to LJSA for the letter of support regarding the glider port.

Tamera O'Brien informed LJSA about the extreme low tide events, large crowds via social media touching sensitive tide pools, with no regard to the sea life exposed and disrupting the creatures. Would like appeal to have some Ranger or life guard presence to help educate and control the crowds. People were pulling starfish from the pier.
Future extreme tides coming end of January and end February.

Kurt Hoffman concerned about the lack of recycle containers in The Shores. South end of the boardwalk, Avenida de la Playa, Roseland, Spindrift dr. "I regularly pick plastic and plastic lids" Would like a resolution from LJSA to request some recycle help from the local businesses.
Request to be on the next agenda for February.

Representatives' Reports:

SD Lifeguards - Lt. John Maher- Beautiful weather drawing crowds to SD beaches. Stats for San Diego beaches Pt Loma to Bath tub rock at Blacks Beach
31,845,000 visitors to SD Beaches including Mission Bay.
6,105 water rescues
420,305 Preventive acts ie rip currents
161 Boat response rescues
47 Cliff rescues
2,221 Medical aid including 1,356 sting rays
Sting Rays issues continue at LJ Shores, Blacks Beach and Pacific Beach

Tide pool concerns, strict laws for the Matlahuayl Marine reserve, it is unlawful to take even a grain of sand.

San Diego-Scripps coastal SMCA from the pier to Box canyon (below the glider port) Only pelagic species, ie bait fish, mackerel, sardines etc.

Working to develop a plan with UCSD, SIO Lifeguards and Rangers to educate, signage for the tide pools.

Discussion regarding Sierra Club, Birch Aquarium, Seal Society, SIO, Life guards, UCSD.

Most pressing areas North and South tide pools and Scripps Pier.

Terry Kraszewski suggested "Educate with a look but don't touch approach." It is such a treat to observe the sea life at low tides, it painful to see the abuse of the delicate creatures. Having docents from SIO or Birch Aquarium would be great during the extreme low tides.

Mary Munk suggested contacting all the news media before the tides to remind viewers of the fragile tide pools

Lt John Maher stated that is unlawful to injure, damage, take or possess any living geological or Cultural marine resource. SD Lifeguards have a PR person that can send out a notification to the media

John Pierce will reach out to the Birch Aquarium

SDPD - Northern Div - NONE

Mayor's Office - Fatima Maciel, (Gloria) State of the city speech available on you tube. The Mayor's focus is on housing, homelessness, safety, budget deficit. Saving \$270 million on consolidating departments and contracts. 8000 new homes permitted, 100,000 new affordable units. Homelessness is down 14% 63% downtown. Crime down 6%.

Ballot measure coming up regarding taxing 2nd homes.

Council District 1 -Joaquin Quintero (LaCava) Council President Joe LaCava is pursuing a balanced budget. Continuing engagement with the community. Working on the under grounding of LJ Shores.

Asked about the surplus City land, Joaquin Quintero stated it was a lengthy process that is just starting.

Mike McCormick asked about the "Mushroom House" status. The house built on Black's Beach the doors have been removed, it is now open to the public. Rep had no updated status of the property.

3rd County District - NONE

77th CA Assembly District - NONE

38th CA Senate District - NONE

UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS

Update on 23 story tower- Janie Emerson stated that a December 23, 2015 DSD memo stated the project can not be approved. DDS needs clean fact based information. The current plans lack necessary information, unresolved issues. Emerson said it was a good move forward, Case law with good direction.

Charlie Brown will put information on the LJSA web site.

60th Anniversary of LJSA- Idea for events throughout year. The 60th anniversary date is February 14. A house warming at the next LJSA meeting February 18th 2016, with an early refreshments on the deck of the Martin Johnson House.

Angie Preisendorfer will plan the event.

John will reserve the venue for a half hour early. 5-6pm

Elections and running for the Board: Committee, Angie, Terri, Karen, met and discussed 7 openings on the board with 2 running, leaves 5 open spots. Candidates need to declare by the end of the meeting February 18, 2026 6:00pm.

ACTION ITEMS

Scholastic Surf Series - Approval requested for event January 24th 2026. Becky Takahashi, and Sue, we are Middle School surf contest. 150 surfers and the parents attend staggered during day. Set up on the north end of the parking lot. Small pop up tents, no permanent structures. Leave no trace. Youth engagement, middle schools from all SD.

Motion to approve the Scholastic Surf Series event January 24, 2016, made by Sharon Luscomb, 2nd Terri Kraszewski.

VOTE 12-0-0

Surplus Land on Lookout Drive/Boulevard

Karen Marshall said the on November 8, 2025, the City of San Diego released a list of 5 properties that the City is considering as surplus land, one lot is located in LJ Shores. First off the description of the lot is not correct. The address states it can be accessed from Torrey Pines Rd. On a satellite photo it appears to be be accessible, it is not. There is no easy way to access. On Boundary Place or Boulevard Place. (Different names of the street) Confusing.

Describing how this lot can be used and accessed. The lot is south of the large concrete wall on Torrey Pines Rd, this wall has been replaced 3 times since 1961. Would have to vacate the the Boundary/ Boulevard extension. Lots of problems. Concern does not match the reality of the lot, not as reported by the City. Long process to sell the property.

Write a letter to Council President Joe LaCava, copies to all City Council description is not accurate and does not match. No access to Torrey Pines Rd.
Need an accurate description.

Motion made to write a letter to Council President Joe LaCava, with copies to all City Council describing our problems with description of this parcel, and to update the description .

John Pierce , 2nd Angie Preisendorfer

VOTE 11-0-1 Keys Allen abstain.

Tides of Creativity

- Set date for 2026
- Mary Munk made a Motion May 9 2026, 2nd Terry Kraszewski
- **VOTE 11-0-1 Keys Allen abstained**

7:30 Committee and Community Reports

Azure Maintenance Committee **NONE**

Beach Fire Committee **NONE**

Coastal Coalition- **Janie Emerson working on the Turquoise Towers**

Coastal Resilience Master Plan **NONE**

Marketing and Membership Committee -**Ed Mackey dates for Tides of Creativity, Fundraising**

LJ Shores Business District **NONE**

Traffic & Transportation- **Mike McCormick** stated issues with valet parking. **State Bill 50-8645** accessing speeding in La Jolla. A 5 year program to help make a difference. **Request The Mayor and Joe LaCava** to get involved with the study.

Land Use: LJSPDAB, LJSPRC & LJCPA **NONE**

Banner District Committee **NONE**

Event Planning Committee **see above regarding Open house next meeting and date for Tides of Creativity**

7:28 Adjourn to next meeting: February 18th at 5:00 pm at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, T-29 Martin Johnson House

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