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PRESS RELEASE **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Strand in Manhattan Beach Re-Opens

Manhattan Beach, CA (May 14, 2020) - Beginning today, the City has re-opened the Strand for walking and running following Los Angeles County's modified public health order issued yesterday re-opening the beach for active recreation. Social distancing requirements must be observed while utilizing the Strand and, as required by the County, visitors must wear face coverings around others.

"Re-opening the Strand for walking and running will allow residents to enjoy the beach view that we all cherish while exercising at a safe distance from others. I encourage everyone to be kind and respectful to the neighbors nearby by maintaining six feet distance and following the guidelines put into place by our health officials," said Mayor Richard Montgomery.

As a reminder, dogs must be leashed and cleaned up after while on the Strand, and all other public places. Skateboarding and bicycling is not permitted on the Strand. The bike path on the beach remains closed and can only be re-opened by the County of Los Angeles.

The City will continue to monitor and evaluate the conduct and behavior of visitors, their willingness to exhibit safe practices, and Coronavirus trends in the community. The City may adjust openings and closures based on such information.

The County of Los Angeles has indicated that face coverings are required while on the beach (and not in the water) and when around others. Visit the [Center for Disease Control](https://www.cdc.gov) for guidance on how to properly wear and care for your face covering or the [LA County Department of Public Health's](https://www.lapublichealth.org) guidance.