

Electric Scooter Beach Path Pilot

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Overview

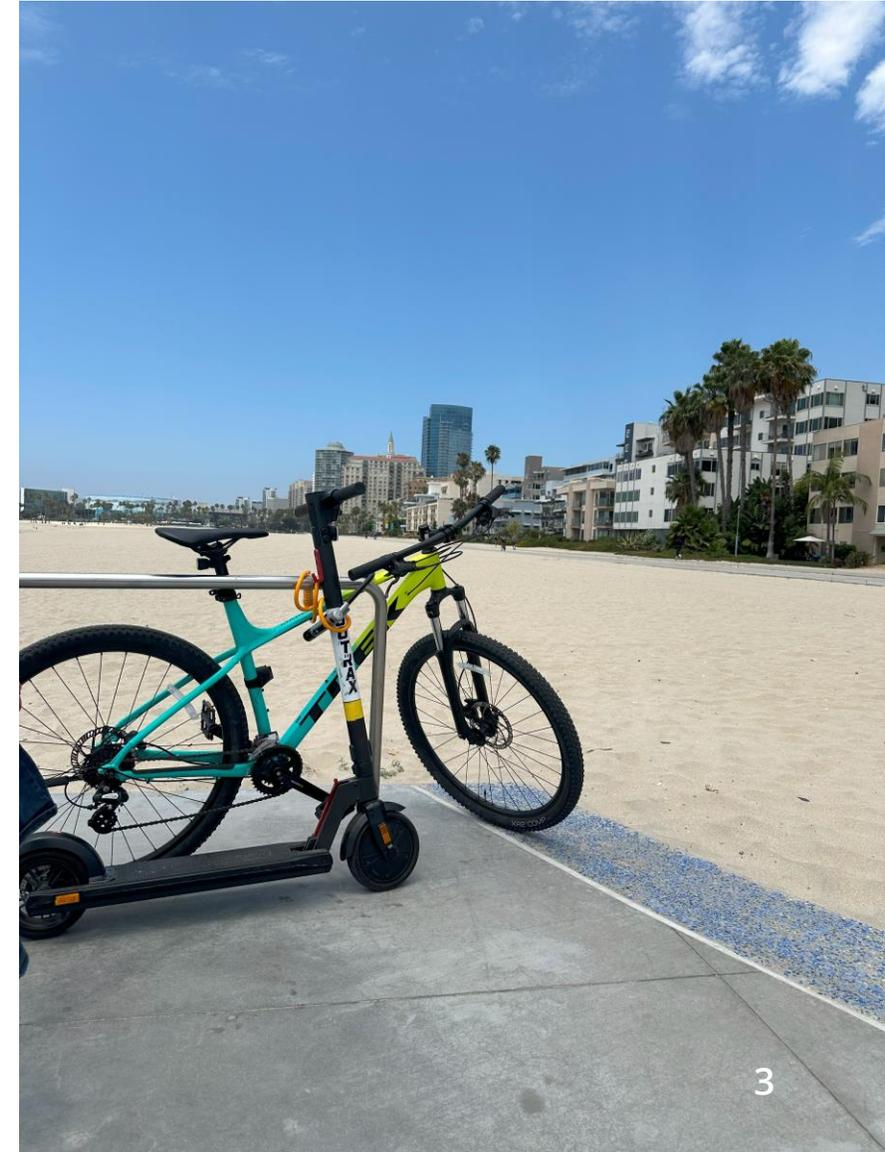
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Recommendation

Municipal Code Amendments

- Allow Electric Scooters on the beach path
- Establish speed limits on the beach path



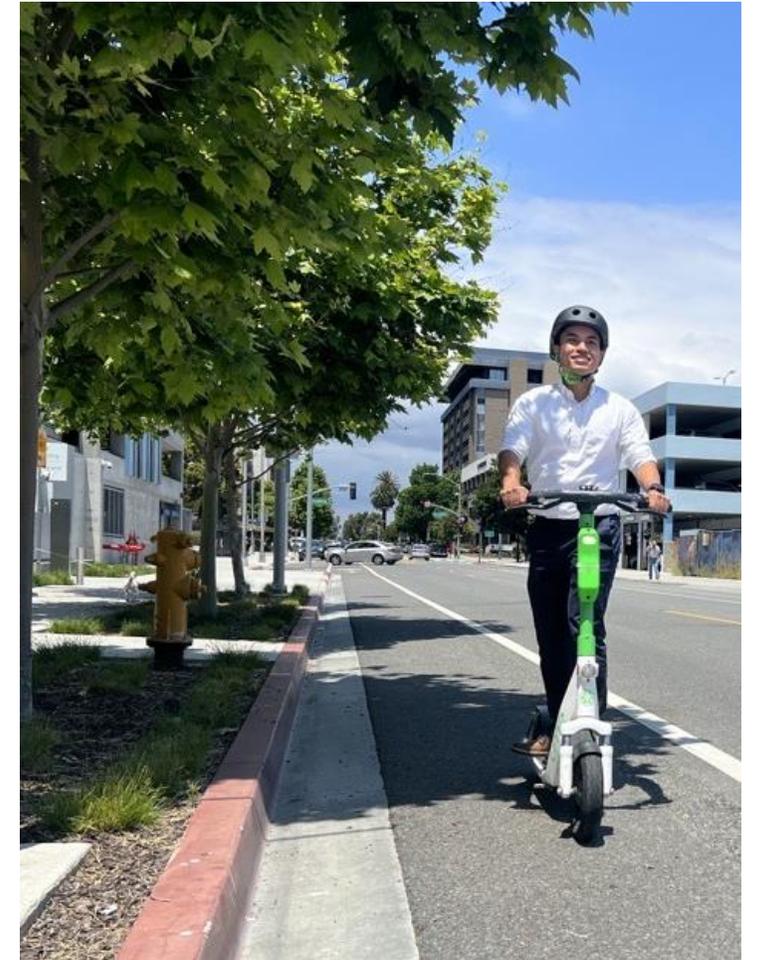
Oversight of Micromobility

Traffic Engineering Division, Engineering Bureau

- Set speed limits
- Post Signage
- Collect and Evaluate Data

Micromobility Division, Environmental Services Bureau

- Micromobility Permit Compliance
- Vendor Coordination



Beach Path Speed Limits

Statewide 15mph limit for all electric scooters

Recommendation: 20mph limit for all other path users

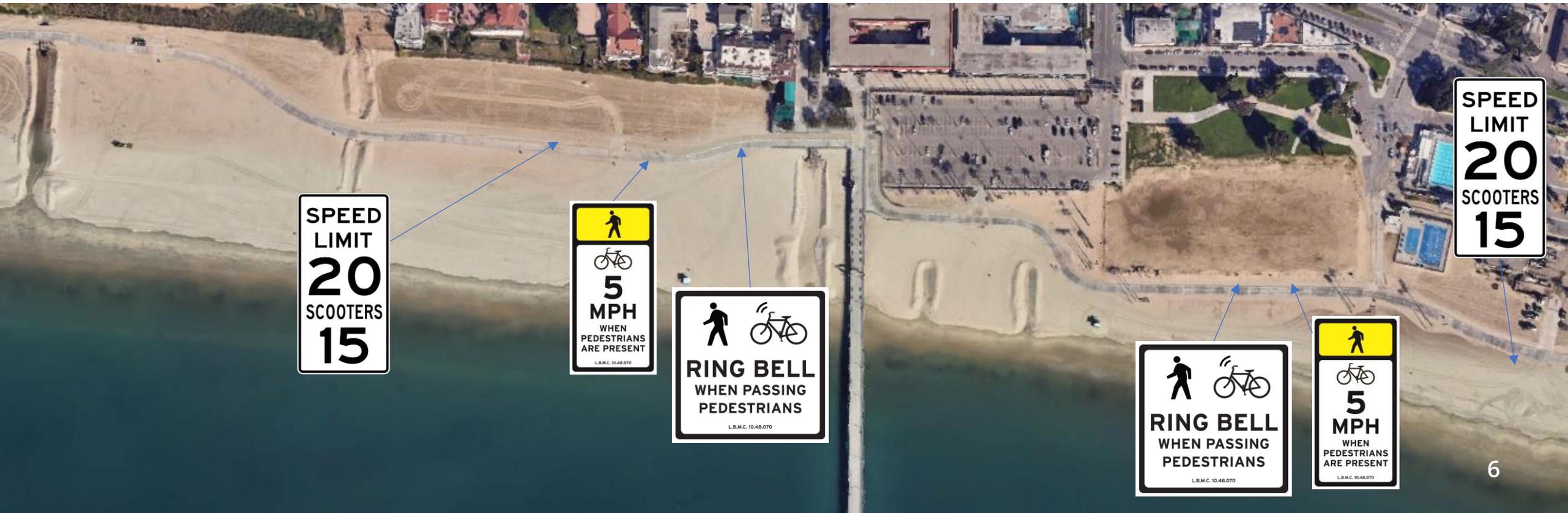
5mph limit for all users when pedestrians are present



Beach Path Speed Limits

Pedestrian Zone Signage – High Volume Pedestrian Areas

- Concession Areas, Parking Lots, Belmont Pier, Dog Beach, Marina
- ### Speed Limit Signage
- Intervening Segments



Pilot Operations - Operators

Scooter Parking

- Drop Zones proposed by operators, reviewed by Traffic Engineering
- Paved areas within Path area will be considered
- Parking Incentive Programs

Device Collection

- E-bikes
- 2-hour Compliance



E-scooter batteries,
collected by E-bike

Pilot Operations – Public Works

Drop Zone Approvals

Data Collection

- Number and speed of path users

Permit Compliance

- Violation trends
- Impounding



Pilot Operations – Enforcement

- Coordination with Fire Department, Police Department
- Periodic enforcement



Timing

- April 15, 2025: First reading of new Ordinance
- April 22, 2025: Second reading of new Ordinance
- Purchase and installation of signage
- May 2025: Pilot begins*

*Soonest start would be May 22; 30 days after signing of Ordinance on April 22. Target dates subject to change pending rapid consensus and coordination with Operators and partner departments.



How is this pilot being communicated to the public?

The Public Works and Fire Departments will be partnering with the Operators to help with education efforts on the pilot and path use rules.

Where will signs be placed?

At high-volume pedestrian areas, path entrances, and mid-segment locations.

How will abandoned scooters be picked up?

With cargo e-bikes or e-bikes with trailers.

Will there be time restrictions for operations?

Operations are limited to the hours between 6am and 11pm.

Who is responsible for enforcement?

The Police Department has enforcement authority in beach areas.

How do violations work?

Fines are levied on operators if devices are not collected/relocated within two hours of receipt of notification of non-compliance.

Are private scooters subject to these rules?

All scooters, including privately owned devices, are subject to the 15mph limit.

Thank you!

