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1. Introduction

These design guidelines provide the framework for projects to be constructed along the LA Waterfront of the Port of Los Angeles. The LA Waterfront consists of waterfront development and community enhancement projects in the Port’s Wilmington and San Pedro districts. This document brings together open space, architectural, signage, lighting, and sustainability guidelines for the unified development of the LA Waterfront, while also connecting with the unique history and visions of Wilmington and San Pedro.

The LA Waterfront has been developed through a partnership among the Port of Los Angeles and stakeholders, including the City of Los Angeles, the Mayor’s Office, PCAC, the communities of Wilmington and San Pedro, and adjacent tenants. Years of collaboration have yielded numerous plans and studies focusing on land use, development, economics, transportation, engineering, and design.

In 2002 the Waterfront Access Taskforce for the Community and Harbor developed the Promenade and Downtown San Pedro Interface Project: Final Report proposing a continuous grand promenade. Also in 2002 the Urban Land Institute (ULI) investigated downtown San Pedro and issued San Pedro, California: A Redevelopment Plan for the Downtown and Waterfront. After the ULI report was released, the San Pedro Coordinated Plan Subcommittee of the PCAC released the San Pedro Coordinated Framework Plan, seeking to bring together previous efforts. Then in 2003 the San Pedro Waterfront and Promenade from Bridge to Breakwater Master Development Plan was completed by the Port. The planning process hosted over nine public workshops and open houses. In 2004 a concept plan was presented to the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners and the environmental review process was begun. On September 29, 2009, the Board certified the SPWP EIR/EIS, which included a waterfront promenade, new harbors, open space and public access improvements, redeveloped and new cruise facilities, commercial redevelopment, extension of the Waterfront Red Car Line and adaptive reuse of warehouses. A separate study, The Harbor Boulevard Seamless Study, looked at the integration of access and urban design along Harbor Boulevard between the San Pedro waterfront and San Pedro Community.

The Wilmington Waterfront Development Project Environmental Impact Report (WWDP EIR) was certified by the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board) on June 18, 2009. Project elements include open space, plazas, a waterfront promenade, water features, an observation tower, a Red Car Museum, and commercial and light industrial (green tech) development. These Design Guidelines are broad statements that steer the implementation of waterfront projects. The Design Guidelines are intentionally broad; they are meant to allow designers considerable creative latitude when designing projects. Rather than being prescriptive standards, these guidelines express the essence and character, particularly of the public realm, intended for the LA Waterfront through text and accompanying graphics. The guidelines address issues relevant to the entire LA Waterfront while also identifying guidelines that are specific to a particular area.
INTRODUCTION

Goals of Port of Los Angeles Waterfront Property

The LA Waterfront encompasses an area stretching from the Federal Breakwater to the south, and extends north between the water of the main channel and the community of San Pedro, wrapping northeast around the Port to the area adjacent to the community of Wilmington, and ultimately concluding at the water once more at Banning’s Landing.

The San Pedro Waterfront Project area extends from the Federal Breakwater to Vincent Thomas Bridge. This area has been identified in the past as the Bridge to Breakwaters.

The Wilmington Waterfront Development Program project area extends from the Vincent Thomas Bridge on the west, along Front Street, Pacific Avenue, John S. Gibson Boulevard, Harry Bridges Boulevard, Anaheim Street, and Henry Ford Avenue, to the Leeward Bay Marina on the east. The center of activity of the project area is in an area directly adjacent to the Wilmington community between Figueroa Street and Broad Avenue and between C Street and Banning’s Landing.

A unique and adaptable resource, the LA Waterfront embodies the distinctive character and charm of San Pedro and Wilmington’s maritime industrial past and speaks to a future that integrates this history into a modern community amenity. The following are key goals for the development of these two communities:

• Celebrate the significance of the Port, Wilmington, and San Pedro: past, present, and future.
• Improve public access to the LA Waterfront, increasing connectivity and linkages to the communities of Wilmington and San Pedro.
• Create a unified waterfront through the integration of consistent and/or complementary public-oriented improvements.
• Establish world-class design to solidify a regional draw to the Port and enhance the visitor experience.
• Reinforce the vitality of Wilmington and San Pedro and serve commercial opportunities along the waterfront.
• Develop a continuous promenade that affirms the waterfront as a public resource.
• Grow the Port in a sustainable manner.

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Port of Los Angeles Waterfront Design Guidelines
What are the Design Guidelines?

The LA Waterfront Design Guidelines serve as a blueprint for the long-term design and development of Port property. The guidelines serve as a reference to project developers and designers, articulating the overall envisioned character and specific design features desired for LA Waterfront projects. The guidelines identify the best examples of existing fixtures, signage, open spaces, and other elements of the public realm. These existing components establish a desired character for the public realm and should be taken as the starting point for the design process for future projects.

How Should They Be Used?

Project developers and designers should be aware that, while these guidelines are used as a reference by the Public Design staff, developers, and members of the Wilmington and San Pedro communities. These guidelines are intended to be used by port staff when designing or renovating any area of the Port identified in these guidelines. For example, when port staff needs to repair or replace light fixtures within Wilmington, this document will be used as a guide to ensure consistency of style and fixtures. Moreover, when reviewing design documents prepared by outside consultants, the port staff will ensure consultants have copies of this document. These guidelines are intended to be used by port staff, developers, and members of the Wilmington and San Pedro communities. Any general guidelines that apply universally across varying types or topics are presented in a consistent fashion, according to the model shown to the right. Guidelines contain broad directions, and, in the case of lighting fixtures and signage, specifications based on existing installations.

How Are They Structured?

Within this document, each chapter follows a similar organization. Broad goals are presented to communicate the vision and overall objectives of the topic. For example, lighting will improve safety and also provide visual connectivity with surrounding communities. Any general guidelines that apply universally across varying types or topics are presented in a consistent fashion, according to the model shown to the right. Guidelines contain broad directions, and, in the case of lighting fixtures and signage, specifications based on existing installations.

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Vehicle Signage

V1: Vehicle Directional

Applicable Areas

Large vehicle signs provide direction at key intersec-

tions along the entire waterfront corridor and on key

arterials in Wilmington and San Pedro, guiding mo-
tors to waterfront amenities, community build-
ings, and Port-owned parking areas. These signs are

primarily targeted to faster moving traffic and direct
drivers to primary destinations along the waterfront.

Primary vehicle directional signage should be fol-

lowed up by secondary directional signage

Design

10’ tall by 6’ 3” wide 3/16” thick painted aluminium

sign cabinet with reflective vinyl type messages and

17” painted aluminium bar mechanically fastened to

channel cabinet cap attached to existing 8” diameter

steel post with ¾” thick 6” x 2” stainless steel chan-
nel mechanically fastened to sign panels at a total

height of 18’. Painted aluminium disks with applied

vinyl arrows indicating direction of locations at-

tached flush to painted aluminium bars.

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Existing Plans

Over the last 15 years, the Port of Los Angeles has undertaken numerous planning efforts directed at transitioning their waterfront properties adjacent to communities from industrial to more commercial and recreational uses. The following describes two areas and some of the more significant planning efforts for communities adjacent to the Port of Los Angeles that provide the basis for these guidelines.

Wilmington and San Pedro are waterfront gateways to the City of Los Angeles. Both of these vibrant communities sit adjacent to the Port of Los Angeles, which is the largest container port in the country. Following is a more in-depth description of these two communities and their corresponding planning efforts.

Wilmington

The Wilmington Waterfront Development Program, prepared in 2004 with the Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee and accepted by the Board, establishes the broad conceptual framework for the Wilmington Waterfront. It is consistent with earlier plans prepared for this area, including the Wilmington-Harbor City Community Plan, a part of the City of Los Angeles General Plan. The Board approved the EIR in June of 2009.

The Wilmington Waterfront Development Program establishes a framework for public and private improvements that will enhance community life for Wilmington and ensure the long-term viability of adjacent Port of Los Angeles operations. The program creates a vibrant residential community and vital and active industrial uses that can co-exist. This program also reflects the Port’s ongoing efforts to improve Port operations, air quality and overall environmental stewardship, community relations, public access, and the character and “branding” of the LA Waterfront.

San Pedro

Prepared in 2005, the San Pedro Waterfront Master Development Plan establishes the overall conceptual plan and design intent and guidelines for waterfront improvements to the San Pedro portion of the Port waterfront. The planned and implemented improvements in the San Pedro waterfront set the stage and design standards for improvements in Wilmington and along the entire waterfront, contributing to the Port’s vision for a “unified waterfront.” The Board approved the plan in concept (and the EIR based on the plan) in September of 2009.

The principal goal of the San Pedro Waterfront Plan is to improve public access to San Pedro’s main attraction — its working and recreational waterfront. As such, the design of the plan is focused on creating an active, high quality, varied, and accessible environment at the water’s edge through public and private amenities. The success of the plan relies on the proposed public improvements and the character of development that defines and activates the public realm rather than on specific uses. Public improvements, such as an extensive waterfront promenade and network of recreational opportunities, are the backbone of the plan.

Waterfront Sub-Areas

Following is an overview of the character of each of the separate planning sub-areas that constitute the larger LA Waterfront. The description of each sub-area provides a general overview of its existing character and conditions as they exist today, primary land uses and major public infrastructure and open space investments.
INTRODUCTION

Wilmington Sub-Areas

W1: Waterfront District

The Waterfront District is composed of a linear series of plazas, parks, and terraces that provide direct, safe, and inviting access to the water’s edge. Recent improvements have overcome one of the biggest obstacles in reaching the waterfront – the existence of active railroad lines – by placing a 5-acre raised park space on an expansive bridge beginning near A Street to the north. The bridge also crosses Water Street, relocated from the water’s edge and placed adjacent to the railroad. The relocation of Water Street creates a 7-acre open space adjacent to Banning’s Landing and undisturbed access for pedestrians. The park provides places for public gathering, informal playsitting, and promenading.

W2: Industrial District/ Avalon Corridor

The industrial area between Lagoon and Broad Avenues builds upon the area’s existing character, providing opportunities for infill development of light industrial uses. The existing north-south streets afford primary access to area businesses. C Street, although fronted by industrial uses, has more of a pedestrian-character promoted by urban design guidelines and landscape improvements. The multi-use California Coastal Trail and historic Red Car Line form the southern edge of the district along Harry Bridges Boulevard. A diagonal open space parkway provides public access along an historic railroad right-of-way, as well as an outdoor gathering space for the future Red Car Museum.

Avalon Boulevard is a central commercial corridor leading to the Waterfront District. The corridor emphasizes commercial activities, such as maritime-related professional services, storefront retail, and, possibly, an open-air market (Mercado) on the block southwest of the intersection of Harry Bridges and Avalon Boulevards. The street’s character and land uses are oriented to pedestrians. The gateway intersection to the Wilmington waterfront (at Avalon and Harry Bridges Boulevards) incorporates two plazas, one on the northwest corner at the terminus of the historic Red Car and the other on the southeast corner. The plaza on the southeast corner at Avalon Triangle Park commences the network of open spaces leading to the water’s edge.

EAST: North Avalon Boulevard
NORTH: East Harry Bridges Boulevard
WEST: North Marine Avenue/South Fries Avenue
SOUTH: Main Channel

EAST: North Avalon Boulevard
NORTH: East C Street
WEST: Lagoon Avenue North
SOUTH: East Harry Bridges Boulevard
The southern portion of Wilmington Waterfront Park serves as a barrier between Port operations and truck traffic on Harry Bridges Boulevard and surrounding residential areas. This barrier uses raised landforms and a tree canopy to offset visual, noise, and air pollution. It is also an attractive backdrop to the informal play areas and serves as a dramatic location for the California Coastal Trail. In selected areas at-grade, north-south access points along former street rights-of-way connect bicyclists, pedestrians, and emergency and maintenance vehicles through the landform to Harry Bridges Boulevard.

The California Coastal Trail runs atop the landforms on Wilmington Waterfront Park’s southern edge, offering stunning views out to Port operations and the harbor. The Coastal Trail connects to San Pedro and to points east via crosswalks on Harry Bridges Boulevard at Figueroa Street and Avalon Boulevard. The Coastal Trail and an enhanced C Street on Wilmington Waterfront Park’s northern edge provide safe and attractive pedestrian and bicycle connections to Avalon Boulevard and its linkage to the Wilmington waterfront. The historic Red Car Line links San Pedro with Avalon Boulevard along a right-of-way adjacent to Harry Bridges Boulevard.

With the vacation and removal of most north-south streets (King Avenue excluded), the buffer between Figueroa Street and Lagoon Avenue is a mostly continuous open space parkway offering places for public gathering, community events, informal play, sitting, and promenading. An iconic gateway element at the western end of the Wilmington Waterfront Park identifies Wilmington for those traveling on the Harbor Freeway or using the freeway interchange at Harry Bridges Boulevard. Farther east on the north side of the Wilmington Waterfront Park along C Street is a series of multi-use open space fields for informal recreation, pick-up games, and family events. A plaza at the east end, across from the Wilmington Recreation Center, offers a central venue for community events. Public art punctuates the open space, enriching the experience of visitors to the area.

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East: Lagoon Avenue North
North: East C Street
West: Figueroa Street and Mar Vista Avenue
South: East Harry Bridges Boulevard

The Red Car Line Connection area extends on John S. Gibson Boulevard from the Vincent Thomas Bridge on the south to Harry Bridges Boulevard to the north. John S. Gibson Boulevard is a four-lane roadway with a painted or raised median, on-street bicycle lanes on the east side, and a continuous 12-foot wide sidewalk on the east side of the street.

The area is reserved for a potential Wilmington Extension of the existing 1.5-mile Waterfront Red Car Line, a vintage streetcar that links together the waterfront’s key activity centers. The Wilmington Extension will enhance the linkages between San Pedro and Wilmington communities and synergize redevelopment opportunities along the entire waterfront area. The rail segment would be within or adjacent to the John S. Gibson Boulevard right-of-way, using either a median or the current freight corridor on the east side of the street.
**San Pedro Sub-Areas**

**SP1: Cruise Terminal**
This sub-area is characterized by the iconic Vincent Thomas Bridge and working Port operations both at the Cruise Terminal and across the channel. The Cruise Ship Promenade just south of the bridge, the Gateway Plaza and Fanfare Fountain, and the Harbor Boulevard Promenade enhancements completed between 2006 and 2009 have provided a significant opportunity for local residents in the adjacent residential neighborhoods, as well as visitors to the LA Waterfront, to experience the Port and its majestic workings.

**SP2: Downtown Harbor**
The Downtown area is characterized in the upland area by the San Pedro City Hall and the termination of 6th Street, the historic and most important retail street in the downtown area. On the water’s edge is the historic Ferry Terminal (today a Maritime Museum) and Fire Boat Station.

**SP3: Ports O’ Call**
Characterized today by a varied and largely disparate grouping of restaurants and shops along the waterfront, the Ports O’ Call Village does not currently provide a continuous walking/promenading experience along the water. One of the most character-defining areas is the SP Slip, the working fisherman’s harbor, which should be preserved and enhanced as an authentic element of any future plans.

**SP4: Parks District**
The San Pedro Park encompasses approximately 18 acres north of 23rd Street, south of Crescent Avenue, and west of Sampson Way. The San Pedro Park is designed to expand on and complement the 16-acre 22nd Street Landing Park that was previously approved under the San Pedro Waterfront Enhancements Program.
SP5: City Dock No. 1
City Dock offers unique opportunities for marine research including its proximity to the open ocean, alongside space for research vessels, a significant amount of land, proximity to services and businesses in San Pedro, good access to freeways for researchers and students, and an attractive waterfront site. The Historic Warehouse No. 1 will be adaptively reused, as will the wharf-side warehouses and public access will be provided.

SP6: Cabrillo Marinas
The Cabrillo Marinas District serves both visitors and locals, with hotel accommodations, offices, restaurants, boating facilities, public parking, and other waterfront serving uses. A continuous promenade and other public gathering spaces are provided throughout the Marinas District.

SP7: Outer Harbor (left-hand side)
The Outer Harbor Cruise Terminal area contains a Fire Station, a former ship repair facility, and an omni-terminal break/bulk operations. Operations for the omni terminal are anticipated to end shortly. The existing Berths 45–47 are used on occasion by visiting cruise ships and other large wharf vessels, such as the visiting U.S. Navy vessels on Armed Forces Day. Future use includes a 6-acre open space park with landscaping, hardscape, lighting, benches, two new cruise terminals serving two cruise berths, and surface parking.

SP8: Cabrillo Beach (right-hand side)
Beyond Via Cabrillo Marina, extending to the south along the east side of Shoshonean Drive, are the Cabrillo Beach Youth Camp, the Salinas de San Pedro Saltwater Marsh, the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, picnic areas, and the historic beach house. At the terminus of the SP8 sub-area is Inner Cabrillo Beach, a public recreation area used for swimming and other beach activities operated pursuant to agreements with the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks. This area also features a public boat launch and public parking. The aquarium is used for educational purposes and frequently hosts large school groups.
2. Open Space

The open space design guidelines are intended to provide the overall vision for the LA Waterfront along with general direction for the development of open space and public amenities. The guidelines address open space, public access, and public amenities. Included in this section are the unifying elements for the waterfront along with a vision for the open space types, character, landscape elements, and plant materials for the promenade. The open spaces and streets of the LA Waterfront will establish a unified character and high quality public realm for the area and improve connections with Wilmington and San Pedro.

The system of open space and circulation will set the tone for the public realm of the LA Waterfront, creating the lasting fabric for the community and giving the place its character. An inter-connected series of waterfront open spaces, promenades, and street corridors is envisioned to re-establish visual and physical connections to the waterfront, create strong connections from the waterfront to upland areas, and provide much-needed open space. Building upon existing attractions, the waterfront open space system will capitalize on the waterfront location; balance and integrate recreation, art, and nature; and provide a series of open spaces to create an authentic, local waterfront. The central feature of the open space system will be a continuous pedestrian promenade extending from the Federal Breakwater to Banning’s Landing, parallel to the waterfront. This promenade will provide extensive public access to a full range of recreational activities at the water’s edge. The primary feature of the circulation system in Wilmington is the improvement of Harry Bridges Boulevard and adjacent interconnected parks, plazas, and landscaped bridge increasing linkages between the community and the waterfront. The main feature of the circulation system in San Pedro is an improved Harbor Boulevard, promoting both pedestrian and vehicle access to the waterfront and connecting the gateway from the 110 Freeway to Cabrillo Beach. The grand boulevard also integrates the Red Car Line and offers connections to the promenade.

This section presents guidelines for how to configure and design open space and public access, including the promenade, sidewalks and paths, plazas, and playgrounds. These guidelines also address plant materials, site furnishings, paving and wall materials, water features, and public art.
**Public Realm Goals**

- Unify the LA Waterfront through improvements to the public realm.
- Design a vibrant open space system with a continuous waterfront promenade and areas for recreation that serve both the immediate community and visitors.
- Create an active, high-quality, varied, and accessible environment at the waterfront.
- Ensure strong visual and physical connections between the waterfront and upland areas, including Wilmington and San Pedro.
- Reflect the environmental and cultural history of the region as a working maritime community in the design of open spaces and public amenities.
- Showcase the rich marine ecology of the area.
- Encourage low impact, sustainable design within the public realm.
- Use high-quality materials that are well suited for maintenance.
- Site furnishings, railings, fences, bollards, and other features in the public realm should be made of high-quality, durable materials that are suitable for the marine environment with a long lifespan and minimal periodic maintenance.
- These include aircraft-grade stainless steel, aluminum, bronze, brass, concrete, or tropical hardwoods.
- Any tropical hardwoods should come from certified forests approved by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).

**General Public Realm Guidelines**

- **Flexibility**
  - Guidelines for the public realm are general and establish an overall character for the LA Waterfront through common materials and landscape treatments.
  - Flexibility should be maintained to encourage unique designs for projects within the Port that remain consistent with the overall waterfront character.

- **Identity**
  - Hardscapes elements within the public realm should be selected that are appropriate for their use and setting within the landscape and should be designed or selected so as to reinforce the identity and sense of place of the sub-area and the larger waterfront.

- **Materials**
  - Site furnishings, railings, fences, bollards, and other features within the public realm should be in compliance with all applicable city, state, and federal standards. More specifically:
    - sidewalks, paths, and crosswalks and curb ramps, as well as the materials from which they are constructed, should comply with City of Los Angeles, State of California, and Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) codes and standards.
    - Bike facilities should comply with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Highway Design Manual bikeway classification and City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles Department of Transportation codes.
    - Seating, railings, and structures and materials in play areas should comply with ADA codes for accessibility.

- **Code Compliance**
  - Open space and public rights-of-way should be in compliance with the overall character for the LA Waterfront.
  - Hardscape elements within the public realm should be selected that are appropriate for their use and setting within the landscape and should be designed or selected so as to reinforce the identity and sense of place of the sub-area and the larger waterfront.

- **Promenade**
  - A continuous pedestrian promenade lines the LA Waterfront. This path runs from W1 – Waterfront District to SP8 – Cabrillo Beach. It is a unifying open space/circulation element for the LA Waterfront. This multi-purpose public open space corridor is a critical investment toward the redevelopment of the harbor.

  - The promenade provides continuous off-street circulation for pedestrians and bicyclists with views to the harbor. This pathway is seamlessly integrated with water taxis, bike paths, and the Red Car Trolley Line and connects a series of smaller adjacent parks and plazas. It also offers connections to the California Coastal Trail.

  - It offers a generous right-of-way and ample opportunities for seating, walking, rollerblading, biking, people-watching, and fishing, as well as an area to host art shows, festivals, and opportunities for learning about the waterfront. It is also a key site for public art.

  - In most locations, the promenade will have two zones. The zone closer to the water’s edge should focus on providing access to the water and water activities. The zone farther from the water’s edge should include separated walking and cycling paths, seating areas, and facilities for events. It will be characterized by a continuous shaded alley of trees. In some places along the promenade, these two zones will be separated by a grade change. For example, as the promenade runs through Wilmington, it is raised atop a landfill along Harry Bridges Boulevard that is at grade along E Street.
Guidelines

- A continuous promenade should be provided, where possible, at the water’s edge. Generally this path should be 30 feet wide but can vary in width based on anticipated pedestrian and bicycle traffic and given varying site conditions.
- Views of the water should be maximized whenever possible.
- Create and provide for multiple zones of use within the promenade defined by different uses, varying materials, and grade.
- Locate guardrails or low walls as required along the edges of the promenade to protect pedestrians from elevation changes.
- Provide distinct marked paths for walking and cycling to separate use and promote safety.
- Create a unified pathway feeling through the consistent application of design and materials.
- Utilize rows of trees to define pathways.
- To the extent feasible, design with a significant material change within 6 feet of the water’s edge using wood for pathways and metal grating in areas over water.
- Provide seating elements, including benches, seat walls, and stairs, with water views along the length of the promenade.

- Locate furnishings, such as benches and waste receptacles, along a consistent zone adjacent to or within the promenade.
- Integrate pedestrian lighting into the design of the promenade.
- Integrate banners into the light fixtures at the waterfront to advertise events, festivals, and seasonal celebrations.

Steel, wood, and concrete are widely used throughout the site. Granite and decomposed granite are found in smaller quantities. Mediterranean climate adapted plants are the dominant plant materials.

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Rights-of-Way

The public rights-of-way, including sidewalks, paths, and the waterfront promenade, provide essential connections throughout the Port properties while also providing meaningful public spaces. Rights-of-way will be well-designed spaces with public amenities such as seating, lighting, art, and interpretive panels. These spaces will not be barriers but rather function as a seam that connects the waterfront to the neighboring communities. The Port’s sidewalks and paths will offer a great shared public resource.

- Pathways should connect parks and plazas to other public areas. Where segments must be separated, visual cues should provide connections.
- To the extent possible, pathways should connect to existing or planned city-wide and regional trails such as the California Coastal Trail.
- Sidewalks should be the primary pedestrian connections along city streets.
- Sidewalks should have a minimum width of 8 feet to allow pedestrians to move freely and comfortably.
- Sidewalks in areas with higher use and commercial or mixed-use facilities should be wider, a minimum of 12 feet wide.
- Streets should create a complete multi-modal system that prioritizes walking, bicycling, and transit use over private automobile use.
- Design streetscapes to balance a range of functions including safe pedestrian travel, bicycle, transit, and vehicle movement; use as a public space; stormwater management; parking and loading requirements; and emergency access.
- To ensure that sidewalks and paths are active public spaces, provide amenities such as landscaping, lighting, seating, and interpretive displays. These amenities should be balanced with the need for clear and accessible travel for pedestrians.
- Three distinct zones should be established: frontage zone, throughway zone, and furnishing zone. The frontage zone is adjacent to the property line and functions as a transition between private and public space. The throughway zone is for unimproved pedestrian travel. The furnishing zone is for the dedicated sitting of streets trees, landscaping, transit stops, lighting, and other furnishings.
- To improve the safety of the sidewalk, pedestrians should be buffered from moving traffic through the use of landscape, site furnishings, or parallel parking.
- Crosswalks and curb ramps should be located at each corner intersection to provide safe, accessible street crossings. Signalized crosswalks should be provided at major intersections.
- Design intersections to promote pedestrian safety and comfort by minimizing crossing distance, maximizing pedestrian visibility, and slowing traffic.
- Curb cuts should be minimized with alleys used, where possible, for service and access functions to reduce disruption to the streetscape and avoid conflicts with pedestrians and bicycles.
- Wherever possible, commercial, industrial, and large residential properties should consolidate driveways by interconnecting parking lots and loading area entries.
- Utilities should be located to minimize disruption to pedestrian travel and site furnishings or landscaping while still maintaining necessary access for maintenance and emergencies.

Bicycle Facilities

- Bike lanes should be a minimum width of 5 feet, wider if space is available or usage is high.
- Provide designated bike lanes marked with non-dlick reflective material and stencils.
- To increase visibility, lanes can be colored continuously in addition to striping. A portion of a lane can be colored in high-contrast areas to alert drivers to the presence of bicyclists.
- Dashed markings should be used through intersections to guide bicyclists and alert drivers to the presence of bicyclists.
- On lower volume streets, bicycle traffic can share the roadway with vehicles. This should be indicated through stencilled arrows “sharrows” noting the shared lane.
- In active use pathways, bicycle and pedestrian traffic should be separated for safety reasons. These pathways should be indicated with stencils.
- Drainage grates should either not be placed in bike lanes or designed so as not to disrupt safe and continuous travel by bicycles.
- Provide secure and convenient short-term bicycle parking at mixed-use and commercial locations, parks, work sites, and transit stops.

Open Space

Open spaces are noteworthy places on the waterfront because the quality of their design sets the tone for the public realm. The open space system is envisioned to consist of a network of connected smaller outdoor recreational areas that provide amenities for the immediate neighborhoods while also providing places for regional events. The system provides as much enhanced public access to a full range of public activities at the water’s edge as commercial operations and security needs allow. Plazas and open spaces of varying scales along the waterfront are the settings for casual gatherings, public events, informal recreation, and the celebration of the area’s history and culture. Each component of the open space system represents opportunities to develop a strong sense of place unique to the LA Waistfront. The design of open spaces must reflect the environmental and cultural history of the region as well as the current maritime activities.
**Parks**

- All uses should be in compliance with the California Tidelands Public Trust Doctrine and should be water dependent or related. Acceptable uses include recreation, bathing, swimming, boating, habitat, wildlife refuges, and open space.
- Parks should encourage diversity in activities (passive and active recreation uses) to attract a range of users and provide facilities including restrooms, wayfinding, and bicycle facilities.
- Parks should connect and respond to surrounding land uses while providing an overall unified character.
- Develop parks as inviting, urban open spaces with vegetation, continuous pedestrian pathways, and a built edge of appropriate scale and character along its length.
- Parks should connect to citywide, regional, and statewide systems such as the California Coastal Trail.

**Plazas**

- Provide pathways that link to pedestrian and bicycle systems.
- Allow appropriate hardscape to accommodate a variety of uses.
- Reinforce views of the harbor.
- Encourage accessory uses such as restaurants or pavilions.
- Design active recreation spaces for a range of multi-users.
- Design paths, crossing spaces, and seat groupings to encourage incidental social interactions. Shaded places and sheltered outdoor spaces can provide this opportunity.
- Security cameras may be included in all open spaces to encourage safety.
- Parks should engage the public, be accessible to the community, and provide opportunities for public/semi-private gatherings.
- Plazas should be constructed of the highest-grade materials in the landscape.
- Infrastructure for special events, including water, power, and data, should be designed into the layout of select plazas.
- Plazas should incorporate shade either through structures and/or tree canopies.
- Opportunities for seating should accommodate both individuals and groups.
- Furnishings, such as waste receptacles and bike racks, should be accessible from plazas but located away from paths of travel, gathering areas, or viewsheds.
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**Landscape Elements and Plant Materials**

The waterfront climate consists of a mild marine environment with usually foggy mornings, clearing to warm afternoons. The temperatures are typically mild in the winter and warm to hot in the summer, and the air seldom ever dry. Most of the open space areas are not directly in contact with the ocean influence; however, on-shore winds carry salt spray inland. The soils throughout much of the area consist of fill materials due to the expansion of Port operations over the past century.

The selection of planting materials should be carefully considered to create a palette that enhances the character and image of the open space while responding to the local climate. Due to the different functions, context, and physical and geographical constraints of the open space areas, a distinct planting list should be determined based on design requirements and the soil, horticultural, and microclimate conditions of the specific sites. Native, naturalized, robust plants should be selected, and all species selected should be researched to ensure they are not designated as invasive in the state of California. Additionally, care should be taken when selecting planting materials adjacent to water features given the potential impact of persistent moist conditions as well as chemicals used for water treatment.

Plant palettes should focus on increasing biodiversity and reducing water and fertilizer usage as well as maintenance needs. A combination of California native plants and Mediterranean climate adapted plants are acceptable choices. Water consumptive plantings shall be used sparingly. Ornamental grasses shall also be used extremely sparingly due to high eco-friendly consumption.

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Maintenance

- Select plants that can be maintained in their natural forms to reduce required trimming, energy use, and green waste.
- Develop plantings with a hierarchy of maintenance needs where highest use areas and selected gardens can afford higher maintenance.

Spatial Considerations

- Use vegetation to support spatial definition, define views, or to enhance sense of place.
- Maintain required sight distances and visibility along streets and at curb cuts.
- Vines and shrubs should be used to screen parking, service, and loading areas from public view. When adjacent to pedestrian walls, plant materials should be appropriately scaled to minimize hiding areas or pockets.

Sustainability

- Reduce, if not eliminate, dry weather runoff flows through the use of landscaping irrigation controls.
- High efficiency irrigation equipment compatible with the Port systems should be used for all planting areas. Irrigation systems should be fully automatic and designed with moisture sensors and automatic shut-offs. The system should be designed for future integration into a non-potable water system.
- Install reclaimed water systems for landscaping.
- Where trees are surrounded by pavement, utilize porous pavements to allow for water and gas exchange. Use decomposed granite as the surface of tree wells wherever possible.
- Install a minimum of 20%, with a goal of 50%, native or drought-tolerant plants.

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Use appropriate plantings for screening undesirable views. Avoid overly dense shrub plantings that create security and public safety hazards. Where possible, use a naturalistic planting design with native plants to create a sense of place and history as well as to minimize maintenance needs. Use naturalistic plantings to create landscape that allows for future integration into a non-potable water system.

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Site Furniture Palette

- Select appropriate plant materials and use other methods to minimize the amount of landscaping waste. Compost green waste on site or allow green waste to be used as mulch in planting beds.
- Select plants with low water use. Where moderate and higher water use is required, plants should be consolidated and grouped by hydro-zone for water use efficiency.
- Select shrubs and groundcovers that can serve as wildlife habitat, encouraging the presence of migratory birds, butterflies, and other species.
- California native or compatible plant species should be used where possible.
- Select plants that require minimal fertilization and pest control to improve stormwater quality. Use integrated pest management when possible.
- Select plant materials for bioswales or other stormwater cleansing based on filtration qualities.
- Shade trees should be used in surface parking lots to reduce the heat-island effect at a minimum ratio of one tree per every six spaces.

Site Furnishing

The relationship of landscape furnishings to buildings, plazas, walks, and promenades is important to the character of the designed landscape. All of these elements, in combination, reinforce the design, provide identity, and create a sense of place. These elements range from the smaller scale of materials such as pavings, railings, and plantings to the larger scale of public art and site furnishings. While all furnishings are functional some additionally serve as art pieces, such as the sinuous benches along the San Pedro waterfront or tiles inlaid in concrete benches.

Site Furnishing

The family of furnishings for the LA Waterfront consists of seating, waste and recycling containers, bike racks, drinking fountains, picnic tables, and shade structures. They are made of a consistent palette of materials including wood, concrete, and steel that are appropriate to the waterfront location. All of these elements have the potential to reinforce strong design themes, identity, and sense of place. A palette of the elements for Wilmington and San Pedro is found below. New site furnishing should be of a similar materiality and character.

- All elements of the site furnishing palette should support and enhance the maritime nature of the site.
- Site furnishings should be designed or selected in concert with the site interpretive program.
- Appropriate and durable materials suitable for the marine environment include stone, metal (bronze and brass), concrete, and hard woods such as ipe and teak (when allowed to weather naturally).
- Metals should have rust-inhibiting finishes such as galvanization or powder coating and be resistant to UV light, chipping, flaking, and salt spray.
- Anti-graffiti coating (either liquid-applied non-sacrificial surface sealer or liquid-applied sacrificial surface coating) should be used to minimize maintenance.
- Waste receptacles should be identifiable as recycling collection containers, and quantities should be determined to allow the separated collection of waste by glass/plastics, paper, and general waste, unless other recycling programs are conducted.
- Waste receptacles should have lockable covers.
and removable liners to conceal waste and allow for simple maintenance. They should be sized appropriately based on anticipated use of areas to reduce maintenance.

- Seating should be selected to provide comfortable opportunities for resting, and different sizes should be grouped to facilitate diversity in usage.
- Seating should allow a free flow of pedestrian traffic, offer clear sight lines, and not pose a hazard to anyone using the streets, sidewalks, or plazas.
- Freestanding movable seating should be capable of permanent attachment except where moveable furniture is utilized and stored in a secure location.
- Seating material should be timber or other material that does not conduct heat or cold excessively.
- Seating may be detached, constructed, retaining walls, or terraced steps. Inviting seating such as seatwalls and steps are appropriate for public plazas.
- Shade structures or umbrellas should be utilized to provide shaded seating areas. These structures should be designed to withstand coastal winds and UV light.

Paving

Consistent use of selected paving materials enriches the pedestrian environment, improves its functional and aesthetic qualities, and furthers the Port’s unified waterfront goals. Paving materials should be compatible with the desired intent and function of the space in which they are used. The family of paving materials, commonly used in marine environments, should include concrete, colored concrete, concrete and stone pavers, wood decking, aggregate, and turf.

- Paving should have a low albedo (minimum 0.3 factor) to reduce glare and heat absorption thereby decreasing the heat-island effect.
- Permeable paving materials should be used to the extent possible given specific soil conditions of a site to reduce stormwater utility infrastructure and promote the infiltration and collection of stormwater.
- Paving should be used to tie the promenade together.
- Paving materials should incorporate recycled materials when possible such as glass aggregate, fly ash, or recycled aggregates.
- Mesh metal walkways should be used over water. Wood decking such as ipe should be used in areas adjacent to water.
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Seat Wall Palette
Walls

Walls in the landscape retain slopes, create raised planters, or separate outdoor spaces. They can also be used to integrate outdoor seating into the landscape.

- The family of wall materials includes stone veneer, formed concrete, and precast concrete.
- Anti-graffiti coating (either liquid-applied non-sacrificial surface sealer or liquid-applied sacrificial surface coating) should be used on pre-cast and cast-in-place concrete walls to minimize maintenance.
- Walls should be designed to discourage skateboarding or inline-skating use along wall edges and on surfaces.
- Wall design should incorporate opportunities for seating when possible.
- Walls can be softened with landscaping to tone down the impact of hardscape.

Fences and Railings

Fences may serve as barriers for pedestrians where anti-graffiti coating (either liquid-applied non-sacrificial surface sealer or liquid-applied sacrificial surface coating) should be used to minimize maintenance in addition to providing another type of barrier for pedestrians but only physical, not visual.

- Fences should be tall enough to screen unwanted views but not over-scaled if located adjacent to a pedestrian environment.
- Fences should accommodate vine plantings when possible.
- Fences materials should be compatible with adjacent architectural materials, colors, and textures.
- Anti-graffiti coating (either liquid-applied non-sacrificial surface sealer or liquid-applied sacrificial surface coating) should be used to minimize maintenance.

Railings

- Use railings where necessary to protect pedestrians from sudden changes in elevation or provide assistance along stairs and ramps.
- Railings should not act as obstructions in pathways.
- Railings should not be used on the working water’s edge where they would impede maritime use.

- Anti-graffiti coating (either liquid-applied non-sacrificial surface sealer or liquid-applied sacrificial surface coating) should be used to minimize maintenance.

Bollards

Bollards should be used to limit vehicle access to selected roads, walks, and plazas. In addition, they can provide seating to pedestrians.

- Bollards should be selected that are appropriate for their use and setting within the landscape.
- If removable bollards are used, they should be hydraulic or pneumatic retractable.
- Bollards should incorporate lighting as an integral feature, where appropriate.

- Anti-graffiti coating (either liquid-applied non-sacrificial surface sealer or liquid-applied sacrificial surface coating) should be used to minimize maintenance.

Public Art

- The inclusion of public art makes the LA Waterfront a unique destination, reflecting its history and diversity and giving voice to its grand civic position.
- It should reference the waterfront and surrounding communities’ history and should reflect the people that live in Wilmington and San Pedro. Public art should be encouraged throughout the waterfront to enhance the quality of life for the community with beauty, identity, and meaning. Art will also make a contribution to the aesthetic environment and stimulate interest and cultural vitality.
- All public art in both Wilmington and San Pedro should refer to the LA Waterfront Public Art Master Plan and Implementation Guidelines for siting, funding and selection requirements.
- Art should reflect the unique history, culture, and environment of the location and the Port’s history and function as a working waterfront.
- Specific sites and ideas for public art should be determined in the early phases of development.
- Opportunities should be created for the design of public art by local residents and schools.
- Public art can use lighting as a feature.

Water Features

Water features can activate spaces while providing a cooling effect on hot summer days. The use of water in the landscape can take on many forms based on its desired function. Plans for both Wilmington and San Pedro identify a variety of water features including splash fountains for children, cascading water weirs, wave pools, and watery marsh gardens that are located at areas of high public use. Water features should be active-generating and respond to the waterfront location.

- Water features should provide a range of experiences including public gathering spaces, places for quiet contemplation, iconic features, and play areas.
- Lighting should be integral to the water feature as the nighttime appearance is just as important as the daytime.
- Equipment should be housed in adjacent buildings or below-grade vaults.
- The impact of water features on adjacent landscape should be minimized.
- To offset the high water demand of fountain elements, all efforts should be made to use recycled water. To reliably clean captured stormwater, new technologies (such as UV filtration, bio-filtration, ozone, and activated carbon filters) should be explored for feasibility.

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Palette of Water Features
This section provides guidelines for the architectural elements of buildings along the waterfront. While the majority of the spaces within the Port property on the LA Waterfront are open spaces, opportunities do exist for future waterfront development. The architectural guidelines establish the character and quality for new development desired by the Port and the community. These design guidelines do not set a particular style of architecture or design theme. Rather, they establish a greater sense of quality, unity, and conformance with surrounding communities, balancing the physical assets and civic role of the public realm of the LA Waterfront. In addition, the guidelines establish principles of good design including treatments and materials that complement the promenade and waterfront location, visual and physical access to the water, and pedestrian orientation.

Areas identified with specific architectural development opportunities include:

- **SP3 – Ports O’ Call**: Ports O’ Call is envisioned as a revitalized retail and restaurant district that capitalizes on the views and improves pedestrian access to the water.
- **SP4 – Parks District**: Warehouses 1, 9, and 10 provide opportunities for development of arts spaces and/or offices for design firms.
- **SP5 – City Dock No.1**: Opportunities exist for educational uses and supporting commercial/restauranteur uses.
- **SP6 – Cabrillo Marinas**: Opportunities exist for additional development of restaurants and commercial spaces serving the marinas.
- **SP7 – Outer Harbor**: The Outer Harbor has opportunities for adaptive re-use of historic warehouse buildings. Additional opportunities exist for educational uses and additional cruise ship facilities.
- **W1 - Waterfront District**: A new visitor-serving waterfront development with potential for restaurants, cultural facilities, and educational uses exist for this area.
- **W2 Industrial District/Avalon Corridor**: Existing piers and warehouses can be re-used for new industrial uses.

This development is envisioned to be mixed use and commercial in nature. Architectural design guidelines should be developed for each of these areas as development agreements are prepared. These guidelines should be consistent with the general guidelines identified within this document.

Several iconic historic buildings are found throughout the waterfront in Wilmington and San Pedro including the Maritime Museum, warehouses found throughout the waterfront, the fish market, the Bekins Building, and the bath house at Cabrillo Beach. These buildings should be preserved and revered in future development, not necessarily mimicked. New iconic buildings with varying styles should be designed to create a vibrant waterfront. As such, the architectural guidelines focus on building form rather than architectural styles. The guidelines address buildings’ relationships to public streets and pathways, buildings’ overall character, street-level treatment, and parking and service access. The guidelines will help ensure that each incremental development will consistently contribute to the area’s character and pedestrian orientation.

### 3. Architectural Character
Architectural Goals

The design emphasis for the redevelopment of the LA Waterfront is the creation of a system of mixed-use development sites organized around major public improvements. The scale of the project is intended to have a level of complexity in building design common to urban areas constructed over a number of generations. Thus, variety in architecture is purposely sought to avoid an appearance of the redevelopment being constructed at one time. The anticipated build-out of the redevelopment is expected to range between 20 and 30 years. This length in time in itself will assist the main goal of creating a long-lived and human-scaled place.

• Create a long-lived, human-scaled place that embraces the waterfront location.
• Develop at a scale similar to surrounding communities and reflect the environmental and cultural history of the Port as a working waterfront.
• Ensure strong visual and physical connections between the waterfront and upland areas, protecting views of the water whenever possible.
• Design architecture with a variety of scales and styles to avoid the appearance of redevelopment being constructed at one time.

Architectural Design Guidelines

Pedestrian Orientation

Key north-south streets within Wilmington and east-west streets within San Pedro that provide access to the waterfront are envisioned as highly active pedestrian streets. These streets will enhance pedestrian linkages from upland areas, improving connections to the surrounding communities, and enliven the waterfront. Areas on the waterfront along the promenade will also be highly active pedestrian spaces. Therefore, new development in these areas should have a strong pedestrian orientation. Façades should come to the edge of the sidewalk and maintain a strong relationship with the street and waterfront promenade. A large portion of buildings should come to the front of the lot, creating a consistent street wall. Entrances should be oriented to the sidewalk. Building faces should be transparent and individually articulated to engage pedestrians.

• Generally, all buildings should be brought to the front of the lot to provide a consistent street wall that frames the pedestrian space/promenade. Ideally, setbacks will range from 0 to 5 feet. This is important in key locations such as buildings along the promenade where it is desirable to frame the space and have an attractive public realm.
• The maximum setback from the front lot line is 10 feet.
• Setbacks should provide for landscaping, particularly along building walls that are inactive and/or are without windows and entries.
• Building setbacks should be employed to ensure that views to the water are preserved and enhanced from upland areas and building massing is mitigated.
• Building setbacks and stepbacks should be in compliance with the City of LA Building and Safety Code.

Setbacks and Stepbacks

Building Orientation

• Buildings should be oriented to existing public spaces such as plazas or courtyards. New buildings should be clustered to define active public spaces.
• Pedestrian access to the water’s edge should be maintained where possible (exceptions can be made for purposes of security and for existing use issues). On larger lots, mid-block connections should be offered.
• A building’s primary entrance should be oriented to the street. Where a building fronts on more than one public street, the primary entrance should generally face the higher order street.
• The principal entrance should be easily identifiable as such from the sidewalk.
• Buildings at corner parcels should orient to both streets with the primary entrance located at the corner.
Building Façade
- Commercial buildings and buildings on the promenade should locate active uses such as retail, offices, public activities, and employee gathering along the waterfront promenade to create an inviting and interesting pedestrian environment.
- Windows are encouraged to provide visual interest and a connection between the promenade and activities within the buildings, particularly on the ground-level.
- The use of black or reflective glass is prohibited.
- Place windows to maximize views of the water.
- The use of blank walls should be minimized by the incorporation of architectural features of interest and utility.
- Long walls that do not require windows or entries should be articulated in a way to break up long, monotonous planes.
- Building façades should be articulated to create variety and interest.
- Ground floor spaces should be articulated as distinct parts of the building façades, with materials and treatments that offer visual interest to the pedestrian.
- The first two floors should be articulated with architectural detailing such as storefront design and awnings.
- Buildings on the corner of intersections should have articulated treatments on the two façades adjoining at the corner. Special features could include rounded or cut corners, articulated corner entrances, display windows, pronounced articulation and cornice lines, and/or corner roof features.
- The use of awnings is encouraged to provide shelter and shade for pedestrians. Awnings should not block views to the water however.
- Extending outdoor cafés or other active uses into the promenade is encouraged to reinforce the sense of place and vitality of the public realm.

Storage and Equipment
- Outdoor storage of materials should be minimized to the extent practical. Materials stored outdoors should be screened from public rights-of-way, with screen walls and landscaping. Materials should not be stored above the height of the walls.
- Rooftop mechanical equipment should be located and/or screened so that it is hidden from public view. Screening devices should be architecturally integrated with the design of the roof and building.
- Mechanical equipment at ground level and exterior trash and recycling should be screened in a manner that is compatible with the overall building design and streetscape treatment. This may include landscaping, fencing or walls, or a combination of these elements.

Building Form
New development along the LA Waterfront should be active, high quality, and varied. New and existing uses are major draws not only for the surrounding communities but for regional visitors. Therefore, buildings need to be visually attractive and enhance the overall character of the public realm, responding to and supporting the character established in the waterfront promenade and other open spaces. Buildings also need to respond to the existing context of Wilmington and San Pedro. Taken together, the public realm and buildings will give prominence to the waterfront, create a cohesive streetscape, and provide continuous waterfront access.
- All buildings frontages should be articulated to that façades contribute to public realm with details scaled to the viewpoints of pedestrians.
- To mitigate the scale of development and create a pedestrian-friendly environment, building massing should be modulated and articulated to create interest and visual variety.
- Unarticulated, monolithic buildings that negate or turn their back on the street or promenade are discouraged.
- Blocks designed by one entity should use a diverse architectural vocabulary to ensure variety.
- Long buildings should be divided to maintain views to the water.
- Clearly differentiate between the base, middle, and top of buildings.

Avoid long, blank walls that detract from pedestrian realm
Locate active uses along the promenade to create an interesting pedestrian environment
Differentiate the base, middle, and cap or top of buildings
Maintain views and public access to the water
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Height

Fundamental to the development of the LA Waterfront is the desire to create exceptional public spaces that take advantage of the unique environment of Wilmington and San Pedro and their waterfront. As such, buildings should be developed in a way that protects view corridors from the existingcommunities to the harbor. In general, building heights should decrease as they approach the water and tower elements should be used to decrease the bulk of buildings. Additionally, building heights should be suitable so that new developments integrate with the existing scale and character of Wilmington and San Pedro.

• Buildings should protect upland views to the water and adhere to the existing scale of development in Wilmington and San Pedro.

• The maximum building height for development should comply with the City of Los Angeles Zoning Ordinance. Where deemed appropriate by the Port, however, buildings can exceed this height through a variance.

• Roof elements such as poles and masts and other structures that occupy no more than 10% of the roof area are exempt from building height limits.

• Buildings should generally decrease in height as they approach the waterfront, with taller buildings away from the water and shorter buildings nearer the promenade.

• Tower elements or those portions of a building over 60 feet should be designed as slender structures to minimize view obstructions from inland areas and maintain upland views and east-west view corridors from existing streets.

Historic Context

A rich collection of historic buildings is found in both Wilmington and San Pedro. These buildings are important to the identity of these communities, and it is important that new development not only preserve existing historic buildings but also reflect them in their design. New buildings adjacent to historic structures should be of similar scale, use similar materials, and use similar architectural treatments.

• Architecture should not mimic historic buildings. New buildings can either reflect historic architecture or choose to contrast with a varying style.

• Any alterations to buildings that are listed on the State and/or National Register of Historic Places or are deemed architecturally relevant by the Port should be carried out in a manner that is consistent with all applicable state and federal requirements.

• New buildings adjacent to or near existing historic buildings should be respectful in scale, character, massing, materials, siting, and degree of façade articulation.

• New development could incorporate historic façade elements and details (e.g., cornice, belt course, display window, canopies and awnings, hanging or otherwise unique signage, transom windows, kick plate, recessed entry way, parapet) to maintain the street wall articulation.

Vehicle Access

While the promenade offers opportunities for circulation by pedestrian and alternate modes of transit, vehicles will continue to need to access the Port. A strategy is envisioned that reduces points of conflict with pedestrians and bicycles while shielding surface and structured parking to mitigate negative impacts on the pedestrian environment.

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Architecturally relevant historic buildings in Wilmington

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• Off-street parking standards should comply with the City of Los Angeles Zoning Ordinance.
• Where not functionally required, parking should be located away from the water’s edge.
• Surface parking lots should be located to the rear of the building. A pleasant pedestrian passage should be provided from the rear parking to the street/primary building entrance. If this is not possible, a less desirable alternative is to locate surface parking to the side of the building.
• Surface parking should be well-screened from public street views by the placement of trees, a low hedge, wall, or fence within the landscaped setback and should be well-lit.
• Above-ground structured parking should be designed to conceal the views of all parked cars to eliminate direct headlight intrusion into adjacent buildings, mitigate noise, and avoid unsightly views at the pedestrian scale.
• Structures can be clad or screened by plantings, green walls, or architectural elements. The ground level can be lined with other active uses.
• Ceiling-mounted lighting within the structure should be screened from grade-level view.
• Above-grade parking should be designed to appear as an integral part of the building façade. Openings should be carefully composed within the structure’s wall to appear as well-proportioned windows rather than a continuous open strip.
• Where feasible, use green roof, roof garden, or solar panel systems on all or a portion of the roof of structured parking to mitigate solar heat gain and provide an amenity. Roof drainage should be collected and reused for irrigation.
• Driveways and access to parking areas should meet City standards.
• Driveway curb cuts should be as narrow as possible and as limited in number as possible.
• To reduce the number of driveways and parking lots, shared parking is encouraged.
• Where possible, the primary point of entry to parking lots should be on side streets or alleys.
• Parking circulation should be designed to allow vehicles to maneuver on site without obstructing pedestrian or vehicle circulation.

Green roof treatment for a parking structure
Conceal views of parked cars and headlights with green planted screens

Building Design Typologies Precedents

The following photos illustrate recommended development types. Through visual cues, these precedents describe those features recommended by different land uses. These examples are not intended to recommend that particular architectural styles or building forms are copied, but rather that the salient elements that contribute to the character of those forms be incorporated in new development. The recommendations are meant to create an environment that relates to the waterfront, promenade, and surrounding communities’ unique history and environment and ensure a character and quality of development desired by the Port of Los Angeles.

Waterfront Restaurant/Commercial Structure
To the right are examples of the types of structure that are recommended for the waterfront promenade. Commercial uses include cafe or restaurant and/or retail stores. Similar structures are recommended at, but not limited to, the Downtown Harbor District, SP Slip/Ports O’ Call District and at appropriate locations in the 22nd Street/Marinas and Beach Districts. The following elements contributing to the character of this building are recommended:
1. Oriented to views of the water.
2. Indoor/outdoor connection enforced through use of glass and multiple openings.
3. Shaded outdoor areas (awnings, umbrellas, etc.) and seating to provide access to water.
4. Use of light colors to reflect location.
5. Materials including timber, glass, and metal.
ARCHITECTURE

Working/Commercial Wharf

To the left are examples of the types of structure and space recommended for the SP Slip area of the San Pedro waterfront. Elements of these building should be incorporated in, but not limited to, the water’s edge at the SP Slip and the Warehouse District. The following elements contributing to the character of this space are recommended:

1. Working wharf located underneath a public promenade to minimize conflicts.
2. Active public ground level with public promenade that has cafes, retail, and restaurants (outdoor dining) above or at grade.
3. Articulated (warehouse) roofs that reflect maritime character.
4. Glass and light colors give open and light feel.
5. Second floor balcony provides views.
6. Strong base, middle, and top to convey a sense of human scale and visually identify transitions between building floors.

Maritime Structure

To the right are examples of typical maritime structures recommended for the waterfront, including cruise terminals. The Maritime Museum is an excellent example of the Art Deco style of building found throughout San Pedro and its waterfront. Elements of this building should be incorporated in, but not limited to, the water’s edge at the SP Slip and Ports O’Call. The following elements contributing to the character of this structure are recommended:

1. Civic in scale.
2. Primary emphasis is horizontal to reflect maritime character.
3. Vertical emphasis at the entry and decorative vertical detailing break massing of building up horizontally.
4. Repetition of lines and geometric forms articulate the façade and mimic historic character.

Working/Commercial Wharf typologies

Maritime structure typologies
Parking Structure

To the left are examples of typical parking structures recommended for the waterfront. The following elements contributing to the character of this structure are recommended:

1. Appropriate scale to urban context. Replicates a building façade in scale, proportion, and form.
2. Active ground floor uses to maintain continuity in pedestrian orientation.
3. Punched openings in the façade that read as windows.
4. Contributes to the pedestrian environment through awnings, hanging signs, etc.
5. Vehicles on roof and inside structure screened to views from street, adjacent buildings, and higher elevations.
6. Articulated roofline so garage reads as building.
4. Signage

This section provides guidelines for the public signage and environmental graphics for the overall waterfront and individual areas in the Wilmington and San Pedro communities. Public signage, along with lighting, is a unifying element for the whole of the Port’s waterfront, connecting Wilmington and San Pedro.

Signage should be consistent and continuous throughout the LA Waterfront with key elements such as directional signage for vehicles and maps and directories for pedestrians. In addition, identity signage should reinforce the overall character of the LA Waterfront, such as stanchions attached to Angel Lights, and highlight distinct sub-areas within the waterfront, such as the different banner signs.

This suite of signs serves multiple purposes: to unify various sub-areas within the waterfront, provide a comprehensive wayfinding system to direct visitors and community members to key points-of-interest throughout the area, and to connect the waterfront to surrounding neighborhoods.

Outlined below are the goals and general and technical design guidelines for signage used throughout Wilmington and San Pedro. The guidelines apply to public signage. Signs on private property will be subject to administrative review on a case-by-case basis.

The design guidelines outline three signage types, detailing where graphic change within sub-areas, and general equipment standards. Recommendations for signage types are provided based on existing installations on Port property. The guidelines encourage well-designed and properly placed signs of a high quality construction and finish, contributing positively to the vitality and future development of the waterfront.

Signage Goals

The custom signage program for the LA Waterfront should:

• Use public signage as a unifying element to help create an integrated waterfront.
• Design public signage that reflects the unique character of the Port, Wilmington, and San Pedro.
• Use public signage to strengthen connectivity with surrounding communities.
• Create clear, concise, and consistent wayfinding and signage.
• Provide signage that informs and educates visitors about the history, cultural, and natural features of the waterfront.
Following are general guidelines that apply to all types of signs.

**Flexibility**
- While the proposed suite of signs is designed to be universally applied throughout Wilmington and San Pedro, flexibility should be maintained allowing the design of unique signage for sub-areas that remain compatible.

**Identity**
- Signs along the developed areas of the waterfront should be inspired by the colors of the Port and enliven the areas with their vibrancy.
- The design and color palette of the custom sign program should announce to pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers that they have entered a new place. More specific color palettes can be found below.

**Scale**
- Signs should be scaled based on their environment and intended user. For example, larger signs should be used for drivers moving at faster speeds while smaller signs should be used for pedestrians.

**Location**
- Signs should be located where most effective in terms of decision points and information needs. They should be located for prominence and readability.

**Visibility**
- Signs should be illuminated uniformly and use appropriate contrasting backgrounds to ensure visibility and legibility, even during night hours. Glare and reflection should be minimized.

**Communication**
- Whenver possible, graphic symbols should be used as they are easily identifiable and bridge language barriers.

**Compliance**
- Signage should comply with all applicable city, state, and federal standards.

**General Technical Guidelines**

**Message Quantity**
- The ideal number of messages for wayfinding signage is three with one message per panel. There should be a maximum of six messages per side of a sign.

**Directional Order**
- The directional order for messages on vehicle signs is left turn messages first, at the bottom of the sign.

**Type Size**
- The recommended type size should vary depending on the purpose of the sign and the speed of traffic viewing it.

**Font**
- The font type “Neutra” by House Industries has been selected as the font style and is currently used at the Cruise Ship Terminal in San Pedro. Signs in Wilmington and San Pedro should be consistent with this font style. A secondary type face that complements Neutra may be used.

**Material**
- Signage should be made of high quality, durable materials that are suitable for the marine environment, require minimal periodic maintenance, and are vandal resistant.

**Visibility**
- Visibility should be ensured by using appropriate reflective materials. The use of lower case ascenders (b, d, f, h, k, l, t) and descenders (g, j, p, q, y) helps the viewer read from afar.

**Type Setting**
- Messages should be spaced out with both upper and lower case lettering. At a distance it is easier to read words with only the first letter capitalized because the use of lower case ascenders (b, d, f, h, k, l, t) and descenders (g, j, p, q, y) helps the viewer read from afar.

**Reflective Sign Panels**
- Vehicle signs should have reflective lettering that can be viewed at all times without depending on external light sources, other than a car’s headlights. It’s recommended that the entire sign panel be covered with reflective 3M film and screened over with transparent 3M inks (or equivalent). This has been shown to improve message readability. Pedestrian signs should also be reflective when possible to improve legibility.
SIGNAGE

Color

• Most Departments of Transportation prefer that directional sign colors be of a cool palette. Warm colors such as red, orange, and yellow already have specific meanings attached to them such as “stop”, “caution,” and “yield.” The darker colors of the cool palette are more suitable to sign backgrounds since white, contrasting lettering can be placed on it that will be easy to read day or night.

• To the left is the approved color palette for universally applied vehicle and pedestrian signage found in both Wilmington and San Pedro. This palette was designed to reflect the waterfront location, primarily using shades of blue and green with accents of orange and yellow. All colors come from the catalog of Matthews Paint. Rather than cite the colors used in each type of sign in the guidelines, users should use this color palette as a guide and use the specific paint colors indicated in the construction specs.

• Wilmington has a unique color palette for its signs as identified below to maintain a distinct identity for the community. A palette for the larger Wilmington Waterfront design was developed with public input and reflects the preference of residents. The sign palette flows from these overall colors.

Color palette for Wilmington.

Color palette for Wilmington and San Pedro signage.

Sign with San Pedro color palette

Sign with Wilmington color palette
Signage Style Guidelines

Environmental graphics include directional, informational, and identity signage, district identifiers and gateways, and interpretive panels and banner programs all of which are important elements in the built environment. The guidelines have bundled the environmental graphics into three different signage types:

Vehicle Signage – These signs provide directional information to vehicles.

Pedestrian Signage – These signs provide direction to pedestrians and bicyclists

Identity Signage – These signs provide a unified character and a sense of place to Wilmington and San Pedro, as well as unique sub-areas within these two communities. They also serve as beacons, assist with wayfinding, and provide interpretive information.

The following graphic demonstrates the families of environmental graphics within each of the three signage types. The following design guidelines are organized by the three types. Within each type, areas where this signage type may be used are indicated. Detailed specifications are then presented for each sign type and any options. The guidelines address the design specifications including materials, dimensions, siting, and lighting.
To implement the most user-friendly wayfinding signage, the LA Waterfront must be considered as a whole. It is recommended that all existing directional signage be removed and replaced with the new sign system. Vehicle directional signage should be a consistent, citywide system, functioning as single, seamless units to guide drivers from the freeway, along Harbor Boulevard, and to the different destinations of the city.

These signs should vary in size according to the street size and speed limits of the areas they are located; they are made up of a family of signs, each designed for a specific purpose. Larger signs are required for bigger open areas and wider streets with faster moving traffic. Medium signs should be used on streets with less traffic. Special district names signs can be attached to the sign pole but on a separate panel. The district name would change while the overall look of the sign remains the same.

The following section examines the standards for each type of vehicle signage.

**V1: Vehicle Directional**

**Applicable Areas**

Large vehicle signs provide direction at key intersections along the entire waterfront corridor and on key arterials in Wilmington and San Pedro, guiding motorists to waterfront amenities, community buildings, and Port-owned parking areas. These signs are primarily targeted to faster moving traffic and direct drivers to primary destinations along the waterfront. Primary vehicle directional signage should be followed by secondary directional signage.

**Design**

10’ tall by 6’ wide 3/16” thick painted aluminium sign cabinet with reflective vinyl type messages and 16” painted aluminium bar mechanically fastened to cabinet channel cap attached to existing 8” diameter steel post with ¾” thick 2x2” stainless steel channel mechanically fastened to sign panels at a total height of 18’.” Painted aluminium discs with applied vinyl arrows indicating direction of locations attached flush to painted aluminium bars.

**V2: Vehicle Secondary Directional**

**Applicable Areas**

Secondary signs should provide direction to key destinations to drivers on streets with less traffic in Wilmington and San Pedro. The size of the sign and lettering should be smaller commensurate with the slower speed of traffic.

**Design**

6’ 6” tall by 4’ wide 0.25” thick rectangular aluminium sign panel with vinyl applied graphics on both sides securely mounted to an internal aluminium tube frame with counter set screws on top and bottom of sign cabinet mechanically fastened to a 5 ¾” break away four-sided extruded galvanized metal post by Holophane (or approved equal). One side to have text and arrows indicating directions for vehicles. The other side to have large LA Waterfront logo.

**Lighting**

In-ground up light spotlight centered on panel.

**V3: Vehicle Tertiary Directional**

**Applicable Areas**

These signs should be smaller signs indicating destinations. They are of a scale that they can be used by either vehicles or pedestrians and are located on smaller arterial streets in Wilmington and San Pedro. These signs are free-standing but could also potentially be attached to existing poles, such as light poles, if necessary.

**Design**

4’ tall by 2’ 6” wide aluminium panel with silkscreened graphics on front and back welded to 4” steel square tube painted to match Holophane poles. Aluminium sign bracket welded sign panel back. Mechanically attaches panel to post with counter-sunk tamper-resistant fasteners. One side to have text and arrows indicating directions for vehicles. The other side to have large LA Waterfront logo.
V4: Vehicle Trailblazer

**Applicable Areas**
Nearing a major attraction, when an entire directional sign is not needed for multiple messages, a series of trailblazers can lead the way. This system of symbol signs enhances the existing vehicle system and directs visitors to major destinations along the waterfront. Typically used symbols are well-known, easily recognizable, and especially designed to be read at average vehicle speeds. Trailblazers can also be used to direct visitors back to main access routes such as the freeway. This type of sign should be used in Wilmington and San Pedro.

**Design**
2' square 0.25” thick painted aluminum panel with vinyl applied graphics securely mounted to internal aluminum tube frame with counter-sunk set screws on top and bottom of sign cabinet mechanically fastened to break-away pole provided and installed by Holophane. Multiple aluminum sign panels can be stacked on a 12’ pole to provide numerous directionals.

V5: Parking Sign

**Applicable Areas**
Public parking signs and parking lot/structure identity signs should be integrated with the directional system. For instance, the same shape and color used on the directional signs should be used on the parking signs to allow for easy recognition as the driver becomes accustomed to looking for the established design. These signs should be used in all current and future Port parking facilities in Wilmington and San Pedro.

**Design: Light Pole Sign**
1’ 6” tall by 2’ 6” wide ¼” thick mounted painted aluminum plate with vinyl applied graphics attached to V1 fixture (see Lighting Guidelines) by stainless steel straps. The bottom of the sign should be 8’ 5” high off the ground.

**Design: Freestanding Sign**
10’ 4” tall by 2’ 7 ½” wide free-standing sign consisting of 1’ 4” tall 2” thick double-sided painted aluminum cabinet with applied 3M vinyl graphics with 1” thick aluminum square rod spacers inset 1” from cabinet edge stacked on top of a 6’ 9” painted 2” thick aluminum cabinet welded to a ½” thick square structural steel vertical post with exposed 1” Hex-bolt.

**Lighting**
In-ground up lights centered on sign.
Pedestrian Signage

The pedestrian sign program should be continuous and consistent throughout the entire waterfront. Continuity in the system will unify various sub-areas of the waterfront and establish a comprehensive wayfinding system. Pedestrian signs should include directional and maps that direct visitors on foot and travelling by bike to destinations and services off and on the promenade, as well as major destinations within the downtown area within walking distance from the waterfront, such as the California Coastal Trail or major parks.

These elements of the system should be consistent throughout the entire waterfront. Additional pedestrian signs should have elements that change from district to district. These elements might include banners and interpretive panels and would have their own look and feel, while still relating in some way to the overall system.

P1: Pedestrian Directional

**Applicable Areas**

Pedestrian directional signs are smaller and lower than vehicle signs and direct the visitor from parking areas and public transit stops to their final destination. These directional signs can contain more information than vehicle signage since pedestrians can easily stop to read the messages. 'Walking Times' could be listed on signs for distances that are more than a 10 minute walk from the sign location. These signs should blend into park settings.

**Design**

6' tall by 2' 3" wide rectangular 2" thick aluminium sign cabinet with applied 3M vinyl graphics welded to vertical unfinished two-sided extruded galvanized Holophane post.

**Location**

Minimum 1’ 6” setback from the sidewalk edge.

**Lighting**

In-ground spotlight on either side centered on sign.

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P2: Pedestrian Map/Directory

**Applicable Areas**

Maps and directories are an essential part of the pedestrian system and improve circulation throughout the waterfront. They should be consistently located at all major gathering places or points of decision, such as intersections, exits of parking lots and parking structures, and at transit stops. They should include a map of the downtown waterfront and locating all major destinations, parking facilities, and transit routes within the waterfront and in the surrounding community and can include walking times from point to point. Detailed information about the area can be found on these directories to inform the viewer of additional points of interest, even outside of the immediate district, to encourage further movement through the community and show connections between the community and the waterfront.

Maps should always be oriented so that the top of the map is the direction the viewer is facing. For example if the viewer is facing a map that is facing east, then the direction at the top of the map should also be east.

**Design**

7’ 8" tall 2’ 9 ½” tall double-sided aluminium sign panel painted metallic silver with clear-coating on all visible surfaces with a 32” LCD touch screen, information text screen printed, and a map of the downtown San Pedro waterfront etched on the face. ¼” thick clear acrylic push-through letters with frosted white faces and frosted blue returns that run vertically down the side of the sign. A ½” thick round aluminum panel with the logo graphic for San Pedro should be attached to the sign cabinet. A ½” thick decorative aluminum cover at the base should have SS Marine-grade bolts.

**Lighting**

Push-through letters lit with white LED light strips.
P3: Angel Stanchion

**Applicable Areas**

This type of sign is found in areas designated in conjunction with the Angels Walk. These signs commemorate the history, architecture, and culture of neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles and encourage pedestrians to explore the city on foot and on public transportation. Through photos and text, these stanchions tell pedestrians about the history of San Pedro. They should be located in any area designated to be part of the Angels Walk trail.

**Design**

Center light fixture with glass panels. Two ¼” low iron clear glass panels with polished edges and copy etched and in-filled second surface sandwiching film with photographic images and laminated together to hold film in place. Three of these glass panels of different heights (5’, 3’, and 4’ high) attached to a 2 ½” square aluminum channel painted to match Holophane post with linear fluorescent lighting fixture with internal ballast. Channel attached to four-sided galvanized metal post by Holophane (or approved equal) with angel light fixture (see Lighting Guidelines Type S2). Copy and photos to be determined and designed by Angels Walk LA.

**Location**

Minimum 1’ 6” setback from landscaping or sidewalk.

**Lighting**

In-ground spotlight centered on glass panel and fluorescent lighting fixture with internal ballast in aluminum channel attached to Holophane post.

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P4: Bike Route Marker

**Applicable Areas**

Bike route markers provide special lanes for bicycles and caution pedestrians and cyclists alike on POLA waterfront property. They should also dot the pathway to keep bicycles on the correct route and provide directional information as needed. Signs can be combined onto other poles along the bike route to reduce visual clutter and unnecessary poles.

**Light Pole Design**

½” thick 1’ 9” diameter circular aluminum painted with powder-coated finish panel with applied vinyl welded to aluminum cabinet encasing existing light fixture (see Type P1 Boulevard Light). Bottom of sign set at 6’ 9” off the ground.

**Color**

Aluminum panel painted to match existing light pole. Triangle applied white reflective vinyl. Black lettering/symbol.

**Free-Standing Design**

½” thick 1’ 4” tall triangular aluminum painted with powder-coated finish panel with applied vinyl mechanically attached to 1” thick steel rod space inset 1” from cabinet edge welded to vertical post with ½” thick square structural steel tubes with exposed 1” hex-bolts running vertically.

**Color**

Aluminum panel, space, and vertical post painted to match existing light pole. Triangle applied white reflective vinyl. Black lettering/symbol.
The use of scale is important in a big Port such as this. Within the large area of the Port, it is important to use smaller gateways throughout. These gateways should identify the communities of Wilmington and San Pedro and smaller sub-areas and should create memorable icons for residents and visitors alike. Multi-functional gateways are suggested, for example a tower that is also an attraction, allowing visi-
tors to elevate themselves above the city for breath-
taking views of the Port and coastline.

Identity signage is used to promote the overall LA Waterfront and smaller sub-areas and destinations and to help people navigate their way. Sub-area names and signs are attached to other environmen-
tal graphic elements to designate sub-area names throughout the waterfront. This helps define the character of the waterfront as a whole and its indi-
vidual sub-areas, as well as aids in wayfinding by de-
marcating borders.

Identity Signage

Custom designed gateway markers should not only serve to symbolize Wilmington and San Pedro and their sub-areas but also make useful contributions to wayfinding as they are beacons from a distance. As such these signs should be large enough to be seen from several blocks away, serving as orienting points that inspire travel from downtown to the piers and docks.

They should mark the entry points into a sub-area and introduce the character for project areas. These elements provide opportunities for public artists and designers to capture the essence of the community and make a unique statement. They should reflect the qualities and characters of their sub-areas and of Wilmington and San Pedro.

Design

Two sign panels offset at a 14 degree angle with two pipes of sign being 1’ 8” apart on one side. Rear sign to be perforated metal panel painted two colors with 2 1/2” metal tube frame around perim-
eter welded to two 6” – 7” diameter aluminium pipes with 3/8” minimum wall thickness with varying heights with the shorter pipe roughly 21’ tall and the taller pipe ranging from 23’ to 26’. Taller pipe to have 3’ 6” diameter fabricated aluminium cabinet with orange medallion indicating sub-area or blue me-
dallion indicating berth number. Cabinet to have 1/2” thick acrylic push-through graphics with translucent vinyl overlay, internally illuminated, and attached to pipe by welded metal arm.

Lighting

Backer to flat cut out aluminium letters on top of sign to be lit from below with LED in 2” x 4” tube struc-
ture. Letter faces to be internally illuminated with 15 MM 6500 degree white neon. Letters/numbers on attached decorative disc to be internally illuminated. Front of sign to be up lit with three at-grade lights (see Type S10 in Lighting Guidelines).

11: District Gateway

Applicable Areas

Forward sign between 13’ 6” and 14’ 6” wide by 3’ 4” to 3’ 10” tall panel with three 2” by 4” metal tubes interspersed with eight 1” square metal bars attached to 17’ 2” to 17’ 8” metal flange pole with 6” diameter on left and square fabricated metal cabinet on right with 1’ diameter on top, increasing in width toward the ground. Metal cabinet to house electri-
cal and transformers. Fabricated aluminium chan-
nel letters with white acrylic faces attached to metal tubes indicating district name. Shorter flat cut-out aluminium letters with oversized contour cut backer attached to top of sign panel.

Port of Los Angeles Waterfront Design Guidelines
**I2: Destination Identity**

**Applicable Area**

These signs are found in SP1: Cruise Terminal, SP3: Ports O’Call, and SP8: Cabrillo Beach. These signs identify destinations and provide directional information. They also serve as beacons for both vehicles and pedestrians.

**Design**

Rear sign 15’ 8” tall by 3’ 6” wide vinyl sign panel printed with digital color bolted to 3” channel with Hex-bolt fasteners. Channel welded to 21’ 6” tall 7” diameter flag pole with metal bar spaces on right and 24’ tall flag pole on left.

Forward sign panel attached to same 24’ tall flag pole and offset at an angle by 2’ 6”. 1” square aluminium tubes attached to sign poles with attached fabricated aluminium channel letters with white acrylic faces running vertically announcing destination. ¾” aluminium disc mounted to back side of tube with contrasting color. ¾” aluminium directional arrow mounted to front of tube and centered in disc.

Two 2” by 4” by ¾” aluminium tubes framing fabricated aluminium channel letters with sub-area name topping sign panel attached to flag poles.

**Lighting**

Aluminium channel letters on top of sign and running vertically down sign to be illuminated with 15 mm 6500 degree white neon. Disc and arrow not to be illuminated. Front of sign to be up-lit with at-grade light (see Type S10 in Lighting Guidelines).

**Options**

1. Two 2” by 4” by ¾” aluminium tubes framing fabricated aluminium channel letters with sub-area name attached in middle of sign panel to flag poles.

2. Addition of Type I3 sign.

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**I3: Pier, Dock, or Berth Identity**

**Applicable Area**

Identity signs for all piers, docks, and berths located within the LA Waterfront to educate visitors about Port operations and continue the unified appearance of the Port’s waterfront. In addition, these signs identify locations for water taxis, the Angelina Port Police slips, and public piers. These signs should be used in conjunction with vehicle and pedestrian directional signs to enhance wayfinding.

**Design**

3” thick fabricated channel letters with illuminated faces and berth number on push-through acrylic double-faced 8” thick 3” 4” diameter disc with numerals and graphics on both faces welded to 29’ pole for additional identifying information about pier, berth, or dock at destination.
14: Interpretive Panel
Applicable Areas
Interpretive panels along the promenade and waterfront should explain the history and ecology of the Port, identify types of marine craft or life in the harbor, support the Maritime Museum exhibits, and/or explain the geography of the immediate area and deal with other themes related to the area. These panels should relate to the sign system but may have a very different character within each sub-area. Two options are detailed below, presenting a horizontal and a vertical treatment.

Interpretive panels should set a tone for the area and for the destination they are marking. These unique signs should be contextually harmonious and aesthetically pleasing to create interest in the places they identify. They can be found on walls, around streetscaping, and in the paving.

Horizontal Design
5’ 9” wide by 1’ 3” tall angled painted aluminium cabinet with open back with powder-coated finish and recessed LED lighting. A sun ray graphic should be etched on the second surface of the glass panel and a solar panel attached to structural steel posts at top of sign with 1’ space between top of glass panel and bottom of solar panel.

Vertical Design
Bridge Kiosk Panel: 9’ 4” tall, ½” thick structural glass panel with silk-screen photographs and etched filled typography on first-surface inset into square structural steel vertical posts with powder-coated finish and recessed LED lighting. A sun ray graphic should be etched on the second surface of the glass panel and a solar panel attached to structural steel posts at top of sign with 1’ space between top of glass panel and bottom of solar panel.

15: Banner/Festival Decoration
Applicable Areas
Banners and art displays reinforce the identity and increase the interest and attractiveness of the waterfront. These types of signs provide opportunities to celebrate and announce Port events, community festivals, or local art programs. A flexible system of signs along major arterials (such as Harbor, Gaffey, Harry Bridges Boulevard, Audson Boulevard, and C Street, and connecting downtown streets in San Pedro) and the promenade should allow for changeable promotional banners along with the pedestrian lights. The infrastructure could also be used to support holiday and festival decorative elements, lighting, and sound systems. These systems should be designed to comply with any City street lighting standards.

Similar to the interpretive panels above, banners should relate to the overall sign system, although variety may exist between sub-areas. Two options have been detailed below to provide direction for banners at both the pedestrian and vehicle scale. In general, banners should be the same scale as the two options presented below and use the established color palette and font type to reduce visual clutter. However, additional designs can be used with the approval of the Port. For example, historic images can be used to reference a sub-area’s history and culture.

Vehicle Scale
16’ tall by 2’ 6” wide vinyl banner with digitally printed graphics attached to existing light poles (see Lighting Type V1: Street Light). Banner may include either vertically oriented words with bands of bright color from the established color palette, or icons relating to the historic culture and use of the working waterfront.

Pedestrian Scale
2’ wide vinyl banner with color theme from established palette with vertically oriented words digitally printed attached to existing light fixture (see Lighting Type P1: Boulevard Light) with custom aluminum and bracket finished and painted to match existing light pole. Bottom of banner to be 5’ 0” off the ground.
16: Trail/Pavement Marker

Applicable Area
This type of sign is found throughout the waterfront in San Pedro. It is found along the pedesrian walk and used to mark this high-use promenade. The logo reinforces the identity of the larger waterfront, and text surrounding the medallion etched into the concrete functions as a story rope, providing educational information and creating interest for visitors.

Design
2’ wide diameter circular Terrazzo pattern inlay with 1/8” wide horizontally brushed 316 gauge stainless steel medallion compass framework inset flush into medallion. Medallion attached to concrete pad with 3/4” tamper resistant stainless steel bolts that allow medallion to be removed for lighting access. Terrazzo pavement medallion inset flush into existing pavement. Medallion must be completely level and engineered to withstand the weight of vehicle traffic. Medallion must face true north.

Lighting
Internally illuminated with inset custom LED units. Manufacturer and Catalog: Gardco 101-MT-243-[VOLT]-NP=WG; Lamp Type: PLT42/830/GX240-4/4P 42 WATT PL-T CFL 82 CRI/3000 K 12,000 Hours) behind 1” thick acrylic face on four points of star sandblasted for inset stainless steel letter and behind star. Provide at least 4” LED setback from acrylic for even diffusion of light across surface. Maximum watt is 84, and center of fixture should be mounted at 7’ 3” A.F.G.

17: Custom Regulatory

Applicable Areas
It is recommended that regulatory signs be upgraded to be part of the custom sign package. By integrating the look of these (often times off-the-shelf) signs into the color and type scheme of the city’s sign system, a real sense of place becomes uniquely and cohesively established. Below is a detailed description of each of these custom regulatory signs.

Crime Free Zone
A 1’ 6” by 1’ painted aluminium panel with silk-screened graphics front and back welded to sign bracket. Sign bracket sleeves over and mechanically fastens to a 2” steel square tube.

Rules and Regulations
A 3’ 10” by 2’ 6” aluminium panel with silk-screened graphics front and back welded to sign bracket. Sign bracket sleeves over and mechanically fastens to a 4” square steel tube.

Passenger Drop-Off
A 1’ 3” by 1’ painted aluminum panel with silk-screened graphics front and back welded to sign bracket. Sign bracket sleeves over and mechanically fastens to a 2” steel square tube.

Restroom
2’ 4” diameter circular aluminum cabinet with 1/4” thick white acrylic push-through images welded to 3’ long square tube spaces welded to 7” diameter metal flag-pole to be tapered/modifed by sign fabricator. Base of circular cabinet to be mounted at 10’ 3” above the ground on 13’ tall metal pole. Numbers to be internally illuminated. Electrical transformers and components for illuminating images to be located in dirs.

Materials
Terrazzo pattern inlay should be epoxy resin composition incorporating marble chip aggregates. Finish should be thin-section, jointless and durable.

Location
Trail marker to be installed in center of concrete pad.

Access to Parking
A 2’ 10” by 1’ 5” painted aluminum panel with applied vinyl graphics on front panel welded to sign bracket. Sign bracket sleeves over and mechanically fastens to a 2” steel square tube.

Parking Regulatory
A 2’ 10” by 1’ 5” painted aluminum panel with applied vinyl graphics on front panel welded to sign bracket. Sign bracket sleeves over and mechanically fastens to a 2” steel square tube.

Restroom
2’ 4” diameter circular aluminum cabinet with 1/4” thick white acrylic push-through images welded to 3’ long square tube spaces welded to 7” diameter metal flag-pole to be tapered/modifed by sign fabricator. Base of circular cabinet to be mounted at 10’ 3” above the ground on 13’ tall metal pole. Numbers to be internally illuminated. Electrical transformers and components for illuminating images to be located in dirs.

Passenger Drop-Off
A 1’ 3” by 1’ painted aluminum panel with silk-screened graphics front and back welded to sign bracket. Sign bracket sleeves over and mechanically fastens to a 2” steel square tube.

Restroom
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SIGNAGE

Artifacts/Exhibit Information

I8: Artifacts/Exhibit Information

Panels

Applicable Area

This type of sign is found in SP2 – Downtown Harbor. It is used to provide public information at key pedestrian intersections or circulation paths. This panel accompanies artifacts and contains educational and historic information.

Design

½” thick 3/16L-Marine-grade solid brushed stainless steel embedded into recessed finished grade with welded threaded studs. 6” H by 1” wide square with 4 ½” space for text or 9” diameter circle with 7 ½” inch diameter area for text. Frame to be flush to the ground. 1/8” deep etched inner surface. Text 1/16” deep etched. Letter’s type style Neutra demi for headline, painted-filled black. 1/16” deep etched key line. Text to be provided by exhibit designer. Exact location to be coordinated in field.
5. Lighting

This section provides guidelines for illuminating public open spaces along the LA Waterfront. The guidelines primarily apply to lighting provided by the Port. Lighting on private property would be subject to administrative review on a case-by-case basis. Outlined below are the goals for both the general lighting of the waterfront and the lighting of specific areas in Wilmington and San Pedro. Lighting types are described for the general character of the waterfront and any additional detail by sub-area is described. Recommendations for lighting types are provided based on installations. Equipment guidelines seek to create a uniform electrical system and maintenance program for all standard lighting elements in public spaces. The LA Waterfront Design Guidelines establish an integrated lighting program to create a unified look and feel. The lighting guidelines outline lighting types for specific areas and general lighting and equipment standards.

Lighting Goals

The following goals define the overall approach to lighting within the LA Waterfront:

- Foster a unified LA Waterfront through high-quality, consistent, and complementary lighting design throughout the LA Waterfront.
- Utilize lighting to increase connectivity with the surrounding communities through common lighting elements.
- Create an attractive, safe, and active daytime and nighttime waterfront environment for vehicle, pedestrian, and bicycle use.
- Provide sufficient, uniform light for designated tasks based on activity levels and minimize light pollution, trespass, and glare.
Lighting Guidelines

The following guidelines apply to lighting in all areas of Wilmington and San Pedro.

Flexibility
- While the lighting types establish a suite of fixtures, flexibility remains to allow other lighting types.
- Proposed lighting should, however, maintain a high level of quality and complement established lighting design precedents in areas adjacent to the project area.

Connectivity
- A high priority is placed on strengthening visual connectivity between LA Waterfront project areas and the communities of Wilmington and San Pedro.
- Careful attention should be paid to the design, placement, and illumination levels of lighting, among other considerations.

Lighting Type Variety
- The use of the three lighting types (Vehicle, Pedestrian, and Specialty) is encouraged within each project to emphasize a variety of public access means and to give depth to the waterfront at night.

Light Levels
- Light levels are recommended to go beyond meeting minimum light level requirements to enhance prominent features, break up space, and establish character.

Activity Levels
- Light levels as measured in foot candles should be proportional to varying levels of activity.

Pole System
- To reduce visual clutter, a Holophane modular urban pole system has been selected for the waterfront. This pole design addresses lighting, signage, communication, traffic, and security within a unit.
- Where possible, this distinctly stylized pole should be used to create a strong linkage element along the waterfront.
- Pole design and configuration, including the fixtures and bases, should be unique to each sub-area.
- Pole placement should be coordinated among various agencies to ensure that poles are placed in locations advantageous for all current and future needs.

Compliance
- In general, all lighting should comply with Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IES-NA) standards, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Lighting, and the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA).
  - Vehicle lighting should comply with the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Lighting for local and collector streets.
  - For vehicle lighting, also specifically consult the Recommended Practices for Roadway Lighting (RP-08) IESNA for compliance with the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Lighting.

General Technical Guidelines

All lighting for the LA Waterfront included in these design guidelines should comply with the following:

Color Rendering
- Site areas requiring the quality of true color rendering at night, such as plazas and paths, should use a source with a CRI of 80+, such as ceramic metal halide, induction, or fluorescent.
- Incandescent sources greater than 100W are not permitted.
- Where possible, T6, G12 based ceramic metal halide sources should be used for low wattage (35-150W) applications.

Safety
- Vertical luminance should be maximized for nighttime facial recognition (use reflector/reflector optics with cut-off).
- All fixtures within public reach from the ground should be safe for human touch (for single lens metal halide fixtures, 70W or less is generally regarded as acceptable).
- Luminaires should be mounted to poles at a height of 10 feet minimum and 20 feet maximum for all pedestrian fixtures.

Sustainability
- All fixtures should be arranged and screened to reflect light away from adjacent properties.
- Glare and light trespass should be mitigated through the provision of louvers and shields.
- All outdoor fixtures should be equipped with photocells and/or astronomical time clocks.
- Methods for reducing illumination at “curfew” hours are encouraged as long as minimum lighting levels are maintained.

Maintenance
- Fixture finishes should be marine-grade for thermal, chemical, and UV resistance.
- Above-grade fixtures should be graffiti resistant.
- Measures to deter perching birds should be considered where possible.
### Lighting Style Guidelines

Lighting types are divided into three different categories:

**Vehicle Lighting** – applies to city streets and parking areas.

**Pedestrian Lighting** – applies to pathways, promenades, and park settings.

**Specialty Lighting** – may apply only to special areas or special types of lighting needs.

The following graphic demonstrates the families of light fixtures within each of the three lighting types. The following lighting design guidelines are organized by the three lighting types. Within each lighting type, areas are identified which are currently used, as well as how it may be used in future areas. Detailed specifications are then presented for each fixture type. The guidelines outline the lamp type and manufacturer and catalog number for each fixture, maximum wattage, and base type. Where they exist, additional options for a fixture are described. These options include variations in height, the addition of luminaires, varying bases, and maximum wattage. The range of fixtures presented offers a broad and flexible range of potential lighting fixtures for the LA Waterfront.

The lighting types described below are recommended to maintain consistency with the high quality lighting types installed along the LA Waterfront and increase connectivity with adjacent communities.

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Vehicle lighting refers to all lighting fixtures adjacent to public and private roadways and in parking areas. These roads include all local and connector streets adjacent to the LA Waterfront subject to these design guidelines, subject to city permitting. Vehicle lighting ensures safe streets for vehicle traffic by increasing visibility but also provides opportunities to create a unified environment, connecting the roads of Wilmington and San Pedro. Fixtures can also provide opportunities for additional design features such as banners and pedestrian-scale lighting. The following text describes the family of vehicle lights and their specifications.

V1: Street Light

**Applicable Areas**

This type of lighting is found in SP2 – Cruise Terminal, SP2 – Downtown Harbor, SP4 – Parks District, SP6 – Cabrillo Marinas, and SP8 – Outer Harbor. This type of lighting should be used on all city streets or major internal project roads in the LA Waterfront. Banners can be added to the fixtures to activate the waterfront and create a unified appearance within the Port lands (see Signage Type I5: Banner and Festival Decoration).

**Specifications**

- Full cutoff custom decorative streetlight with Sitelink T-3 pole 29' 6” tall, lower banner bracket at 13' 3”, custom cast base, and GFI receptacles at top and bottom oriented toward parking lot. Manufacturer and Catalog: Holophane Pole: SLT32800DKXS0094; Pole Kit: SCLT3PLEKT5132S094; Luminaire: P200MHXXNFAS.
- Lamp Type: Osram Sylvania M250/PS/U 65 CRI/3800K 12,000 Hours.
- Base Type: Decorative base with 17” square base plate.
- Finishes: Pole and base meteor gray finish. Roadway luminaire, both arms, arm brackets, and suspension pieces accented in silver finish.
- Options: 1. Optional 13’ 6” tall by 3’ 5” wide banner attached with cross arm and bolt attachment parallel to luminaire.

V2: Historic San Pedro Light

**Applicable Areas**

These types of lighting should be used primarily on side streets and parking areas in SP2 – Downtown Harbor. This lighting should only be used in areas adjacent to community areas that already use this light. The lighting style matches the lighting style of Downtown San Pedro and should be used to increase connectivity.

**Specifications**

- Lamp Type TBD. Maximum Wattage: 100-250 Watts.
- Base Type: Single 4’ West Liberty decorative arm.
- Finishes: Amershield Spring Street Green BS5500CU polyester powdercoat.
- Options: 1. Two 4’ West Liberty decorative arm and two Utility Memphis Style luminaires Luminaire/Arm/Base/Pole TSG000386ModDual Luminaire/Arm at 200 – 500 Watt.
   2. Single 4’ West Liberty decorative arm with Utility Memphis Style luminaire and clamp-on decorative arm.
V3: Parking Light

Applicable Areas
This lighting style should be used for parking areas for all Port properties in Wilmington and San Pedro. Other types of lighting may be considered for parking areas only upon review and approval by the Port of Los Angeles.

Specifications
Smooth, round tapered 25’ pole with single full-cutoff type III luminaire with flat lens on Holophane Lumimag arm.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Luminaire: Holophane P250MH20FFASPR; Pole: Holophane RT250KNMGMB9A.

Lamp Type
P-15DMH-20-W-f-AS-NEMA 150 MH-PR.

Maximum Wattage
150 Watts.

Base Type
Decorative collar, base plate, and bolt pattern by manufacturer with Holophane DCBasecover. Poured in place concrete pier extends 36” above finish grade. 4” x 6” handhole at base.

Finishes
Meteor Gray

Options
1. Two fixtures with Type III Distribution with a maximum wattage of 90.
2. Two fixtures with Type II Distribution with a maximum wattage of 50.
3. Additional suspended, shrouded luminaire with teardrop prismatic glass refractor with Holophane Lumimag arm assembly in bright silver booted to pole.

Pedestrian Lighting
Pedestrian lights can help unify the design of the landscape while providing a distinction between areas of different activity. Complementary pedestrian fixtures create a unified appearance to the Port within the LA Waterfront. Light level and color are important in creating associations between different activities in pedestrian areas. The following describes the family of pedestrian lights and their specifications.

P1: Boulevard Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting should be used along promenades and pathways within Port of Los Angeles areas. It is found in SP1 – Cruise Terminal, SP2 – Down- town Harbor, SP4 – Parks District, and SP6 – Cabrillo Marinas. It is the primary pedestrian-scale light fixture and is used to visually connect all areas of the promenade. Other types of lighting may be used for promenades and pathways only upon review and approval by the Port of Los Angeles.

Specifications
Custom decorative Holophane mast light with 1 luminaire, 3’ 6” tenon cap, suspended Prague/Esplanade Glass luminaire with 70W T6 lamping, 20’ 6” Sitelink T-2 pole, 18’ A.F.G. dual luminaire arms with stainless steel cable suspension, and 3’ 6” custom rope base with 3’ cast rope and 6” smooth shaft/rivets.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Holophane: SLT22006K-0P4HTB-0306CAP-ROPE/CYLBASE-(1)PGw/PLA1.

Luminaire Type
Prague luminaire and banner arm - UGC08MDSYS27X.

Manufacturer and Catalog

Lamp Type
CDM70/76/830, 70 Watt T6, 81 CRU/10300K 12,000 hours, Philips Mastercolor or similar by others.

Maximum Wattage
140 Watt.

Base Type
Custom cast clashing with 13” base plate.

Finishes
Graphite gray Kynar paint (Meteor Gray), arms accent in silver Kynar finish (KYN320413-C-Silver TMC).

Options
1. Poured in place concrete pier extends 36” above grade, decorative collar, base plate, and base cover in Holophane DCbasecover finish in Meteor Gray.
2. Varying pole heights up to 21’-6”.
3. Dual arm with two teardrop luminaires.
P2: Park Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is found in SP1 – Cruise Terminal, SP4 – Parks District, and SP5 – Cabrillo Marinas. This type of lighting applies to all park areas on Port property in all sub-areas of San Pedro.

Specifications
Suspended, shrouded metal halide luminaire with teardrop prismatic refractor in IES Type IV distribution with yoke mounting assembly mounted to 14” straight 5” pole with standard cast base. Entire assembly mounts flush to finished grade.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Holophane Pole: RS-A1450HGDSA; Luminaire: GP70CMHXXYAS94; Base: NBRECASTS5RASA; Anchor Bolt: ARBSA1450.

Lamp Type
CDM70/T6/830, 70 Watt T6, 81 CRI/3000K 12,000 hours.

Maximum Wattage
70 Watt.

Base Type
Decorative coiled rope cast base.

Options
1. Single Prague luminaire mounted at 15’ 2” with overall arcing pole height not to exceed 17’ at 70 Watt.

P3: Boardwalk Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is used at the overlook and fishing pier at SP5 – City Dock No.1. It may also be used in similar types of situations for overlooks and fishing piers along the water’s edge in San Pedro. This style should be considered for the Port O’ Call area throughout the promenade along the water’s edge.

Specifications
Curved tapered pole, hot dipped and galvanized in and out with pole curvature oriented toward water like a fishing pole modified for Avia oval luminaires with roadway options mounted at 23’ and 26’.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Holophane/Ghisamistieri: AD40043.dwg HF-03-MD-2005-(2)AVIA250-150W ED17MH.

Lamp Type
MHC150/U/M/4K/ALTO 150 Watt ED-17 MH, 85 CRI/4000K, 20,000 Hours, Phillips Master-color or similar by others.

Maximum Wattage
300 Watt.

Options
1. Faro 960NQ with slanted steel pole at 7.5 degree incline.

P4: Walk Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is found in the Wilmington waterfront in the W3 – Wilmington Waterfront Park area on pathways and along streets. It can also be used in parking lots.

Specifications
Luminaire housing smoothly transitioning to inverted tapered pole, appearing as one continuous form, with an angular steel bracket extending up and suspending an aluminum roof housing a secondary reflector system producing a uniform light pattern on the ground.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Hess America Faro 960 150 Watt metal halide.

Height
16.4’ mounting height.

Options
1. Faro 960NQ with slanted steel pole at 7.5 degree incline.
Specialty Lighting

Specialty lighting provides opportunities to emphasize unique areas, prominent features, and landscape components, as well as highlight interpretable nodes and gateways using accent and novelty lighting. Specialty lighting should be used selectively on a project-by-project basis and integrated into a larger collective intent for the Port’s waterfront. The following describes the family of specialty lights and their specifications.

S1: Angel Light

Applicable Areas

Currently, the Angel Light is used in SP1 – Cruise Terminal, SP2 – Downtown Harbor, and SP3 – City Dock No. 1. This lighting style is intended to be used throughout the LA Waterfront in informal clusters at special nodes or gathering areas. They should never be used in a line or symmetrically. The Angel Light should serve as an identifying light through the entire waterfront while also functioning as a beacon to define active public spaces.

Specifications

Decorative Angel Light fixture assembly to consist of 10’ A.F.G. Sitelink 10’ T-2 pole with integral mounting channel, standard base, and standard and base plate cover, finished in silver Kynar paint, and fitted with custom angel fixture with a downlight reflector. Angel light luminaire consists of stainless steel body and frosted acrylic wings edgelit with two 36W T5 3000K fluorescent lamps.

Manufacturer and Catalog

Cole Lighting: E1304d, Holophane: SLT21000KIP4H-DCVR-4x375TENON.

Lamp Type

36 Watt T5 82 CRI/3000 K, 12,000 Hour, Osram Sylvania or similar by others; CDM35/T6/830 70 Watt T6 MH 81 CRI/3000 K, 12,000 Hours Philips Mastercolor or similar by others.

Options

1. Decorative angel light luminaire edgelit with 36W T5 3000K fluorescent lamps and downlight reflector with frosted acrylic lens and 35W T6 metal halide lamp.
2. 13” square base plate flush in grade to be used with Angel Light Stanchions (see Signage Type P3).

Maximum Wattage: 125 Watt.

Height: 10’ pole height, 13’ overall height.

Base Type: Round, smooth two-piece clamsheel base with 13” square base plate.

Finish: Aluminum pole shaft and base: AKZO Nobel Kynar paint KM3C20413C Silver TMC.
S2: Event Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is currently used in SP1 – Cruise Terminal and SP6 – Cabrillo Marinas to light large event spaces with downward flood light fixtures. This lighting may be used in areas in San Pedro with high public night time use such as the bocce courts, and Downtown Harbor.

Specifications
Event pole consisting of 20’ A.F.G. SiteLink T-2 pole with integral mounting channels, standard base cover, and standard base plate fitted with a single adjustable yoke mounted floodlight at 19’ in standard aluminium finish.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Holophane: SLT22000K1P0H-DECVR.

Lamp Type
MHC100/U/M/3K/ALTO 100 Watt ED-17 MH 85 CRI/3000 K, 16,000 Hour Philips Mastercolor or similar by others.

Maximum Wattage
N/A.

Base Type
Round, smooth clamshell base in bright silver finish with 13” square base plate with 11” bolt circle and 4 anchor bolts.

Finishes Pole: Akzo Nobel Kynar paint KM3C20413-C Silver TMC.

Options
1. Fitted with two adjustable floodlights mounted at 19” at two channels oriented 90 degrees.
2. Fitted with three adjustable floodlights mounted at 19” at two channels oriented 90 degrees.
3. Fitted with four adjustable floodlights mounted at 19” height at all four channels.
4. 25’ high event pole fitted with two adjustable floodlights mounted at 24’ at two channels oriented 90 degrees.
5. 25’ high event pole fitted with four adjustable floodlights mounted at 24’ height at all four channels.

S3: Plaza Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is found along the Wilmington waterfront in W3 – Wilmington Waterfront Park and is used to light large, open areas such as plazas.

Specifications
Tapered column of galvanized steel with anchorage points for multiple luminaires providing well-distributed uniform light. The choice and angle of the reflectors ensures that light is shed vertically.

Manufacturer
Escofet Serie Ful Holophane Predator Lamp.

Maximum Wattage
150 Watt.

Height
22’ 9” mounting height.

Color
Finely textured matte custom color.

Options
1. 32” 8” height with two additional luminaires.
2. 29” 5” with greater horizontal arm.

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S4: Landscape Accent Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is used to provide accent lighting of palm trees at SP1 – Cruise Terminal and SP2 – Downtown Harbor. This type of lighting can be used in San Pedro for landscape accent.

Specifications
Surface-mounted lightstrings at Washingtonia robusta with white LEDs, 9.85” O.C. wrapped around trunks of palm trees at 1’ spacing between wraps from group to below pineapple and stapled as required to hold lightstring to tree using stainless steel staples inserted less than 1” into the trunk. Locate one driver per tree under tree grate or local in-grade hand box. As trees grow, light strings should be reinstalled to avoid maintenance issues. As LEDs dim over time, lights should be replaced.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Tokistar; Lightstring: SLBK-9.85-WH-0.10-Watt/8-VDC, 100’ length; Driver: #LDR8-25-277VAC.

Lamp Type
(120) 5200 K white LEDs 0.10 W/8-VDC 100’-0” total length.

Maximum Wattage
0.12 Watt/ft or 12 Watt/tree; Locate driver at each uplight junction box.

S5: Tree-Mounted Ring

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is used in SP2 – Downtown Harbor to accent palm trees at night time in areas with high pedestrian activity. It can be used in other waterfront areas in San Pedro for a similar effect.

Specifications
Tree-mounted ring with two metal halide adjustable downlights and two metal halide fixed uplights with integral ballasts.

Manufacturer and Catalog
BK Lighting SS Strap with 2 fixed EV-“C” Uplights and 2 EV-“A” 360SL Downlights.

Lamp Type
GE CMH39/T/U/830/G1Z 35 WATT T6 82 CRI/3000K 10,000 hours or equal.

Maximum Wattage
140 Watt; provide Corraclad MC cable by Coleman Cable to feed power up tree to fixtures; Paint Corraclad to match finish of trunk and run up trunk opposite of main public view.

Options
1. Tree-mounted ring with two metal halide fixed uplights with integral ballasts and maximum wattage of 92.

S6: Festoon Lighting

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is used in SP2 – Downtown Harbor to illuminate public paths. It may be used for 7th Street. The design of the bollard reflects various elements from historic buildings in San Pedro and uses art deco themes. While this design is unique to Downtown Harbor, similar lighted bollards may provide additional lighting along paths in other areas in Wilmington and San Pedro.

Specifications
Surface-mounted, free-standing art deco bollard with “Harbor Light” prism steplight on land side and wash light on water side installed at edge of walkway in-line with handrail. Wired for 2-circuit operations with steplights on/off at dusk/dawn and wash lights one for special events (e.g., tall ships).

Manufacturer and Catalog
Penwal Industries, Inc. PEN-PB-12x15-SP.

Type
CDM70/T6/830 70 Watt T6 1 CRI/3000K 12,000 Hours Philips Mastercolor or similar by others.

Maximum Wattage
80 Watt.

Finishes
Meteor Gray finish with satin aluminum accents.

S7: Bollards

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is used in SP2 – Downtown Harbor along the water to match the Vincent Thomas Bridge and accent the setting. These lights are placed on the bulkhead along the lower promenade. This type of lighting should not be used in other sub-areas.

Specifications
Adjustable blue LED fan-shaped accent light with adjustable locking tilt and five 1-watt blue LEDs with integral LED driver.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Farright LED Fan-shaped-beam-Blue-277.

Lamp Type
Integral Blue LEDs. Maximum Wattage 7.5 Watts; fixtures to be aimed with lighting designer at night.

Type
COM70/T6/830 70 Watt T6 1 CRI/3000K x 12,000 Hours Philips Mastercolor or similar by others.

Maximum Wattage
80 Watt.

Finishes
Meteor Gray finish with satin aluminum accents.

S8: Accent Blue Light

Applicable Areas
This type of lighting is used in SP2 – Downtown Harbor to illuminate public pathways in other areas in Wilmington and San Pedro.

Specifications
Adjustable blue LED fan-shaped accent light with adjustable locking tilt and five 1-watt blue LEDs with integral LED driver.

Manufacturer and Catalog
Farlight LLC LED fan-shaped-beam-Blue-277.

Lamp Type
Integral Blue LEDs. Maximum Wattage 7.5 Watts; fixtures to be aimed with lighting designer at night.
**S9: 35 Watt In-Grade Up-Light**

**Applicable Areas**

This type of lighting provides accent lighting of major trees, other landscape elements, and signage at SP1 – Cruise Terminal and SP2 – Downtown Harbor. It can be used throughout San Pedro to accent landscape such as palm trees through up-lighting.

**Specifications**

Adjustable in-grade 35 Watt T6 metal halide stainless steel well-light with dual flat clear top lens, convex lamp module lens, and internal source shield for uplighting signage and landscaping.

**Manufacturer and Catalog**

Hydrel M9420-SS-35CM6-VOLL-FLC-[CONDUIT ENTRY]-SS.

**Lamp Type**

GE CMH39/T/U/830/G1Z/35 WATT T6 82 CRI/3000 K, 10,000 Hours or equal.

**Options**

1. Well-light with narrow flood reflector.
2. Well-light with narrow-spot reflector.

**Maximum Wattage**

46 Watt; fixture to be aimed within lighting designer at night.

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**S10: 12 Watt In-Grade Uplight**

**Applicable Areas**

This type of lighting provides accent lighting of major trees and other landscape elements at SP1 – Cruise Terminal and SP2 – Downtown Harbor. It can be found throughout San Pedro to accent landscape such as palm trees through up-lighting.

**Specifications**

Adjustable 9" in-grade 12 Watt LED uplight stainless steel well-light with medium flood optics and flat, clear, anti-slip lens.

**Manufacturer and Catalog**

Hydrel M9420-SS-12LED-WMW-208V-MFL-FGAS-[CONDUIT] LP.

**Lamp Type**

Integral 3000K White LEDs.

**Maximum Wattage**

15 Watt; fixture to be aimed within lighting designer at night.
6. Sustainability

The benefits of applying sustainable design principles in the early stages of planning can significantly improve the efficiency of a building or site and the quality of the environment provided for occupants and users. The application of sustainable principles in site engineering and landscape design can reduce costs associated with infrastructure construction, reduce costs for landscape maintenance, reduce building operation costs, reduce impacts on natural systems, and provide attractive outdoor spaces for recreation and leisure users. Sustainable design principles must be applied at the earliest phases of design, at all levels of development, and continuously from planning through occupancy. For success, sustainable principles must be developed in an integrated manner involving the design team working closely with the client who will manage the facilities.

Projects on Port property are subject to the Port of Los Angeles Engineering Design Guidelines. In addition, the following are sustainability design guidelines apply.

### Planning and Design Process

The early and integrated involvement of the design team in the form of charrettes or other collective analyses and design efforts is essential to developing attainable goals and solutions. Conceptual designs should be reviewed for compliance with the sustainability goals. Project design options should be prepared to evaluate benefits, costs, and trade-offs. Project documents should be reviewed at key points during their production to evaluate their compliance with the sustainability goals. Specifications for the operation and monitoring of sustainable maintenance practices should be developed to ensure the long-term success of sustainable practices.

### Sustainability Benefits

Some of the specific benefits of sustainable design include:

- Reduced water use for landscape irrigation and plumbing fixtures.
- Reduced impacts on the natural environment from sensitivity to siting of facilities.
- Reduced infrastructure construction costs.
- Increased comfort and reduced energy costs through the use of natural daylight and ventilation and localized controls.
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Sustainability Guidelines

The Port of Los Angeles’ world-class reputation is based on a commitment to remaining on the cutting edge of port development. The Port actively incorporates environmental measures to ensure that development is carried out in a responsible manner. To this end the Port has developed a comprehensive set of guidelines related to planning, design, and construction: the Port of Los Angeles Sustainability Guidelines for Engineering and Construction. The guidelines also identify strategies to measure and compare success in improving sustainability performance. In addition to being a planning tool, the guidelines provide a reporting and approval system whereby projects will always be evaluated and monitored to ensure that the Port is implementing all feasible sustainability provisions wherever possible.

Any new project should consider and incorporate the Port of Los Angeles Sustainability Guidelines for Engineering and Construction. As this document will continue to evolve and change in response to the development of new technologies and concepts, designers should refer back to this document. Several additional guidelines are outlined below that go above and beyond the existing Port guidelines.

Stormwater

Areas along the LA Waterfront are the last place possible to capture stormwater and treat it before it enters the harbor. Various strategies can be used including permeable paving, flow-through planters, swales, and rain gardens. Stormwater quality and quantity can also be addressed through the landscape plan and a stormwater management plan. The construction of paved areas with permeable surfaces or groundwater recharge systems will assist in groundwater recharge and reduce the need for stormwater drainage infrastructure. Capturing and treating stormwater on site will contribute to the incremental restoration of the health of the region’s watersheds, protect the ocean, and build a greener more livable environment.

- Implement a stormwater management plan that reduces impervious surfaces and minimizes the concentration of contaminants and generation of concentrated stormwater runoff from the site.
- Where possible, preserve and protect existing waterways, wetlands, and vegetation. These natural drainage features define the character of a site and act as natural stormwater management measures. Rehabilitate functions and values of any streams, wetlands, or shorelines that have been artificially modified through techniques such as daylighting.
- Where possible, preserve natural drainage patterns and topography and use them to inform design.
- Develop an operations plan.
- Use Low Impact Design (LID) to capture and treat stormwater runoff on site through decentralized site strategies that are integrated with the urban environment. Treatment facilities should not only manage stormwater but provide a visual amenity and improve the public realm. LID will reduce loads on existing stormwater infrastructure and can decrease stormwater costs for new development.
- Promote rainwater catchment and reuse for irrigation or groundwater infiltration on site.
- Select native plant materials for bioswales and other stormwater cleansing based on filtration qualities, adaptability, and the context of the surrounding landscape.
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Shoreline

Traditionally, developed shorelines have been hard edges used to keep land from eroding into the water. An alternative design that softens this edge can provide ecological and recreational benefits. A softer shoreline can provide access to the water, create shoreline habitat, provide flood storage, reduce wake, and minimize pollution from stormwater. Not only does this type of shoreline provide a healthier environment, but it is also more compatible with increased public use and recreation.

- Provide soft waterfront edges, where feasible, at strategic locations either in areas of high pedestrian traffic or areas ideally situated for habitat to facilitate water access, manage stormwater, mitigate flooding, control wakes, and provide habitat. Design solutions that allow people to touch the water.
- Design seawalls that absorb and dissipate wake energy by using porous, sloped, gentle, or terraced embankments, or a combination of horizontal and vertical surfaces.
- Create micro-habitat to encourage the formation of a crust of filter-feeding marine organisms that function as a living water filtration system. This can be accomplished with coves or crevices that retain water during low tide; the use of rough textured and porous surfaces such as mussel, oyster, and clam shells that facilitate the attachment of organisms; and/or integrated ecosystem-enhancing treatments such as oyster baskets.
- Use concrete and steel pilings instead of wood pilings treated with petroleum to preserve the quality of the marine habitat.
- Consult with natural resource experts before and during design and construction to avoid causing damage to sensitive habitat areas and native populations of flora and fauna.
- Where erosion is an issue, use bioengineering methods such as planting a riparian buffer rather than employing hard reinforcements such as concrete as these materials may cause further erosion and undercutting.
- Docks should not bisect habitat corridors. Concrete structures should be designed with gaps, tubes, or cleavage to allow movement of animals and growth of plants in a continuum.
- Safety tips should be posted to avoid damage to local ecology as well as tidal information.

Site Construction

Sustainable concepts for site construction and landscape planning should be implemented as an integrated manner by the engineering and design team from the earliest site design phase. Site construction operations such as grading and site clearance can have negative impacts on the natural environment. Balancing soil cut and fill on site eliminates the need to transport soil off site by vehicle. This can reduce negative impacts on air quality and natural stormwater drainage patterns. It will eliminate the need for fill sites and maintain topsoil resources.

- Meet local codes concerning erosion control during and after construction.
- Prevent the loss of topsoil by stockpiling on site for future use in an area protected from erosion or wind.
- Prevent sedimentation of storm sewers or receiving streams through erosion controls such as silt fencing, sediment traps, and construction phasing.
- Develop and communicate to the construction team a soil management plan to limit disturbance, assist soil restoration efforts, and define the location and boundaries of all vegetation and soil protection zones.
- Limit the disturbance of healthy soil to protect soil horizons and maintain soil structure, existing hydrology, organic matter, and nutrients stored in soils.
LEED Certification

The Port of Los Angeles is committed to maintaining a leadership role in the advancement of sustainable practices in buildings. The Port has established an aggressive green building program, promoting the incorporation of creative technologies and dedicating resources to innovation. The Port's program requires a minimum LEED Gold Rating and the incorporation of additional energy and water efficiency elements to newly constructed buildings. When possible, new buildings should also incorporate solar panels and the best available technology for energy and water conservation. The Port maintains a staff dedicated to the advancement and continuous refinement of its sustainable building practices.

- All buildings of new construction 7,500 sq. ft. or greater and meeting the intentions set forth by LEED NC (new construction - i.e. office buildings) without compromising the functionality of the building purpose as operational support for its marine use will be designed to a minimum standard of LEED NC Gold.

- All buildings of new construction 7,500 sq. ft. or greater and of the typology that was not the primary focus for LEED NC (i.e. marine utilitarian buildings such as building used to maintain equipment) without compromising the functionality of the building purpose as support for its marine use will be designed to a minimum standard of LEED NC Silver.

- All Port-owned existing buildings 7,500 sq. ft. or greater will be inventoried and evaluated for their applicability to the LEED EB (Existing Building) standards. The operation and maintenance procedures of the building will then be used to determine the priority for certification to LEED EB standards.

- All other buildings not encompassed above will be designed and constructed to comply or be consistent with the highest practical and applicable LEED standards or their equivalent to the extent feasible for the building’s purpose.

- In addition to meeting LEEDs standards all new Port buildings will incorporate solar power to the maximum feasible extent as well as incorporate the best available technology for energy and water efficiency.

Existing LEED Gold building at Port of Los Angeles.

Solar power should be incorporated to the maximum feasible extent.

Green roofs are one way to improve energy efficiency for buildings.
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