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WATERFRONT ENHANCEMENTS and
“COMMUNITY CHARACTER”
TOPICS OF APRIL 26 COMMUNITY MEETING

SAN PEDRO, CA - The Port of Los Angeles will host a community meeting on Tuesday, April 26, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. at Ports O’ Call Restaurant, Berth 76, San Pedro to present detailed images of design elements for its Waterfront Enhancements project.

These elements are all part of the proposed Waterfront Enhancements, short-range projects that are expected to be constructed in phases beginning in Fall 2005, and include a new San Pedro “landmark” sign, handrails, benches, and decorative lighting that will complement new landscaped pedestrian pathways, plazas, and parks for Ports O’ Call and Downtown Harbor.

Images of textured sidewalks and crosswalks with color treatments that will improve safety and create a more favorable environment for walking between Downtown and the Waterfront will also be presented, as will plans to create a new grassy area for 22nd Street.

Port staff and project designers will be on hand to present plans and images of the design elements that will establish the “community character” -- the “San Pedro” look and feel -- for the new Promenade, and to answer questions. The public is invited to attend and offer their opinions and comments.

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Community Meeting
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The objectives of the San Pedro Waterfront Enhancements are to make the waterfront accessible, vibrant, and pedestrian-friendly for the community as quickly as possible, and to continue the momentum that began with the Cruise Ship Promenade. Waterfront Enhancements are intended to augment the long-range From Bridge to Breakwater Master Development Plan.

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