

South Beach / Rincon / Mission Bay Neighborhood Association Meeting

Monday August 10, 2026

MINUTES

6:00PM-7:00PM

HYBRID MEETING

ATTENDEES	4 Officers, 3 Presenters, 30 residents (Zoom + In-Person)
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NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 9/14, 6 PM – REVIEW PROPOSAL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER

TOPIC	An update on the South Beach Resilience Project
• Welcome and Introductions (Alice Rogers) • Announcements – Gary spoke of two upcoming events, both announced via the NA Google Group. Bay Bridge lane closures on Thursday thru Sunday nights 10p to 7am starting 8/10 and lasting through the end of October – due to the bridge being painted. Also, the SF Fire Dept Local 798 Union is hosting Blood Donation Drives on Tues/Wed August 11/12. • An Update on the South Beach Coastal Resilience Project SF Port presenters included Waterfront Resilience Program Director Brad Benson, Project Manager Matt Wickens, and Senior Planner Luiz Barata. This Program started in 2018 and was established to take actions to reduce seismic and climate change risk. We have major risks along the waterfront as the seawall was built over the period from 1878 to 1915, long before we knew much about engineering for earthquake risk. There's also flood risk along The Embarcadero, with the example of the 2023 bomb cyclone event which occurred during low tide. We've had occasions where northbound lanes of The Embarcadero have flooded. The SF Port has been working with the Army Corp of Engineers to look at the hazard, the problem, a range of potential solutions, and the cost of those solutions relative to the damages. After 8 years, the study has been completed. It recommends raising the shoreline to address 1.5-3.5 feet of sea level rise. The plan calls for raising several structures including the Ferry Bldg – a little more than 5 feet to get to the new shoreline elevation. The plan includes 3 miles of engineering with nature features, as well as flood-proofing buildings and infrastructure, and managing stormwater in the future. The estimated price tag is \$17.8 billion over a 30-year implementation period. If this plan is approved by Congress, the federal government would pay up to 2/3 of the cost of the plan. The question remains as to how we're going to fund our local share. There are three major projects in first phases of this plan: the Downtown Coastal Resilience Project (likely the first project), the South Beach Project, and the Fisherman's Wharf Forward Project. Brad spoke a bit about the Downtown Project. Brad closed his portion by stating that we're in the public engagement phase now. They are looking at holding another meeting in the Fall, with conceptual design by Spring 2027. Matt continued with an overview of the South Beach Project which runs from Harrison St to Townsend St (Piers 24 to 40). They are looking to gain at least 2 feet of elevation, and perhaps up to 4-5 feet higher than the existing elevation. Piers 30/32 and 40 are separate development projects currently in process with the Port and, if/when approved, would incorporate adaptations compatible with the findings of the Army Corps study.	

Luiz concluded with a recap of the timeline. They began with a community meeting; now starting to work on developing the construction design concepts and come up with some options. They will schedule another community meeting to review those options; next they will develop a draft design concept, returning in Spring 2027 to review with the public. By Summer 2027, they expect to have a final concept. Luis reviewed some of the comments from the community meeting, comments, and surveys.

Followed by Q&A.

Community Surveys are available through the end of September.

****South Beach Coastal Resilience Project: [HERE](#)**

****Downtown Coastal Resilience Project: [HERE](#)**

For more info on the South Beach Coastal Resilience Project, website [HERE](#).

To view the presenter's PowerPoint Slide Deck: [HERE](#)

Zoom recording of tonight's meeting: [HERE](#)

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Our next meeting is scheduled for September 14th. Topic: A review of the City Charter and the current ballot proposal to amend it.