

Here is a list of some PB issues and progress since 2005 that exemplifies the awesome power of informed residents working together to solve problems and improve the community.

- **PB Block Party** – Community-wide effort to end event caused the City to deny the permit in 2006 and end the event.
- **PB Special Events Committee** formed to review special events and give feedback to the City regarding permits.
- **Detox Center** – citizens helped thwart relocation to PB
- **Mini-dorms** – citizen effort thwarted them in PB & City adopted new ordinances
- **Alcohol-free Beaches** – Relentless pressure from citizens together with a 2007 beach riot resulted in a 1-year trial in 2008, that became permanent after a city-wide vote on Proposition D. Effect is like “night and day” and has had far-reaching positive impacts on PB residents and Community.
- **Floatopia and Kate Sessions Park** – Became alcohol-free after citizens urged an end to these destructive, dangerous drinking events
- **25 Illegal Pot Shops closed in PB** - due to citizens reporting scofflaws and pressing City to enforce the Code
- **Graffiti** – PBTC Annual Graffiti Clean-up and community education
- **Oversized Vehicles** – Citizens relentlessly urged City to adopt a new ordinance prohibiting overnight parking of RVs, trailers, and over-sized vehicles on residential streets
- **STVR (Vacation Rentals)** – Citizens relentlessly pressed City Council to pass a new ordinance in 2018 but Airbnb signature drive referendum resulted in ordinance being rescinded. Citizens continue efforts...
- **Vehicle Habitation** – Citizens’ campaign resulted in City passing a new ordinance that restricts living in vehicles in residential areas and provides alternative safe parking lots. Citizens continue to press for enforcement by reporting on Get It Done.
- **Too many bars**, too much alcohol-fueled crime – a 2011 PB Planning Group report (detailed the problems, causes and solutions. (Read the 2011 report at SavePB.org) Despite gathering broad-based citizen support from PB, North Park, Hillcrest, and Ocean Beach; the city-wide Community Planners Committee and even the City Planning Commission, the Mayor and City Council have been unwilling to implement these solutions. As a result, enormous Police resources are required in the PB bar district. For now, new alcohol licenses are being somewhat limited by citizens filing ABC protests but citizens continue to press City leaders to adopt proven solutions.
- **E-scooters and Dockless bikes** – Citizens relentless pressing of City Council and Mayor resulted in new regulations, but efforts continue...
- **Neighborhood Watch** has grown from a handful to more than 60 groups in PB due to the tireless efforts of citizens like Marcella Teran and NW block captains. Citizens and police have direct links for better reporting of chronic problems and better police enforcement.
- **PB Schools** - Scores of dedicated PB parents, teachers and Principals fought plans to close schools and instead built PB schools into award-winning schools that attract both local and non-local students.