

Sunray Beach Access Now Open to Public

Public access to Sunray Beach is once again open to the public with the completion of a staircase located at the north end of Sunray Road. This new staircase will now provide safe beach access for the public.

Completion of the stairs supports the 2005 Parks and Open Space Master Plan and public demand for a formal public beach access at Sunray Road. Cost of the project was \$158,340.

The staircase has four landings and 97 steps and is constructed from structural marine grade aluminum with reinforced concrete decking and stair treads. The alignment of the stairs considered the steep terrain and obstacles within the right of way.

"We expect the Sunray stairs to be just as popular with residents as the Doehle Street stairs have been for years," said Mayor Burger. "As well as providing safe beach access, residents use the stairs as part of their regular exercise routine."

The project was first started in 2012 with engineering design and a public information session held in March 2012. Tenders received for the project in 2012 were outside of the scope of the City's approved project budget and the tender was reissued in early 2013. Work on the slope and fabrication of the staircase was completed over the summer months with installation of the staircase and landscaping during October and November.

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