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**From:** Steven C. Shepherd, Architect <steve@shepherdarchitects.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 5, 2021 1:09 PM  
**To:** supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL  
**Subject:** SUPPORT FOR AGENDA ITEM #23 - Municipal Code E-Bike Use Regulations on City's Beach Path

Hello Huntington Beach City Council,  
I am contacting you today to offer my strong support for allowing E-Bike use on the City's Beach Path.

I have a fairly unique perspective on the use of multi-use paths. I am both an avid e-bike rider and one who regularly walks our multi-use paths. While I rarely ride my e-bike on the HB Beach Path, I walk portions of it several times per week. While excessive speed is often an issue, e-bikes are no more guilty than traditional bicycle riders, skateboarders, and rollerblades.

Both as an e-bike rider and a pedestrian I strongly support e-bike being allowed on HB's Beach Path and suggest any revised policy consider the following:

1. Bicycles, tricycles, scooters, wheelchairs, and all other modes of transportation powered by electric motors should be allowed on all multi-use paths in the City of Huntington Beach. (I intentionally exclude gas-powered motors due to the noise and pollution associated with such machines).
2. All those operating any wheeled mode of transportation should be subject to standard rules regarding rights-of-way and speed limits. (Pedestrians must always be given the right-of-way regardless of their awareness/unawareness.)
3. The City of Huntington Beach should invest in both education (website information, physical beach path signage, and warning citations from HBPD) and enforcement of beach path rules.
4. The City of Huntington Beach, in collaboration with State and County DoT's, should invest in providing safe bicycle infrastructure on PCH. There is a difference between multi-use paths and bike lanes and each serves a specific purpose. Unfortunately, due to the lack of bicycle infrastructure along PCH, many cyclists whose express purpose is to get from point A to point B are forced to use the beach path. A considerable amount of the issues on the beach path can be attributed to this factor.

Thank you for your support on Agenda Item #23!

Steve Shepherd  
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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Monday, April 5, 2021 1:54 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Motorized vehicles on the bike/pedestrian path

**From:** Donald Kato <dbkato@yahoo.com>  
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**To:** Carr, Kim <Kim.Carr@surfcity-hb.org>  
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**Subject:** Motorized vehicles on the bike/pedestrian path

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Ms. Carr,

I understand that motorized vehicles are not permitted to use our bike/pedestrian path. If this is the case, 1) why is there no signage to that effect and 2) why aren't violators being cited?  
As of this morning, I continue to see motorized vehicle buzzing up and down the path. Further, it appears that the concession at the base of the pier is still offering motorized vehicles for rent.

Donald Kato

