

It is official - Los Angeles City Attorney Hydee Feldstein Soto and her deputies James McDougal and Arturo Martinez are officially under investigation by the California State Bar.

The claims being investigated are specifically in regards to Hydee's longstanding pattern of behavior of selectively prosecuting individuals who dare publicly criticize her. These claims come from dozens of anti-Scientology protesters filing complaints with the California State Bar due to the repeated false arrests and frivolous charges – which continued to be dropped – just to make an example of people who dare speak out. After months of anti-Scientology protesters attending public comment sessions speaking out against the frivolous criminal cases pursued against protesters like William Gude, Daniel Gonzalez, Kamrin Marino, Scott Hochstetter, Aaron Smith Levin, Solomon Sassoon, Ashley Ramirez, and Michael Habicht – the California State Bar formally responded by launching investigations into Hydee Soto and her deputies.

Basically, Hydee Soto uses her official powers to prosecute frivolous meritless political cases to silence dissent - with this latest case being a frivolous 1 count criminal misdemeanor vandalism charge against an activist named Enri Marini with case number 24CJCM03837-01. This case comes right on the heels of a major whistleblower trial involving prosecutor Michelle McGinnis speaking out against Hydee Soto for her pattern of behavior of frivolous political prosecutions to quash critics.

In this instance of 24CJCM03837-01, Hydee Feldstein Soto is doing the bidding of Scientology by selectively prosecuting Enri Marini over a clearly frivolous charge of vandalism alleged by a Scientologist who works in the internally staffed militia-like security guard workforce known as "PAC Security". PAC is an acronym that stands for "Pacific Area Command" and it is the militia-like group Scientology allegedly uses for the primary purpose of making sure that no Scientologist escapes to run away from Scientology.

On June 16, 2024 activist Enri Marini removed plastic netting and stakes that were illegally blocking the public right of way on North Catalina Street at the blue campus building owned by Scientology located at 4810 W Sunset Blvd. The most interesting fact about this case is that Enri Marini was not the only person who removed the unlawfully placed netting and stakes (which really are abandoned property) on June 16, 2024, yet he's the only one being prosecuted. Several other anti-Scientology protesters were there removing the litter from the public right of way as captured on live video streams by the very same protesters.

The reason this blockade of the public right of way is illegal is because it lacked a Type R permit, which the city of Los Angeles lawfully requires everyone to obtain whenever the public right of way is blockaded by a private entity.

The following link, taken straight from the Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering, spells out in vivid detail the law and the process required to be followed by all for blockading the public right of way using a Type R permit:

<https://engpermitmanual.lacity.org/revocable-r-permits/permit-overview/1-r-permit-purpose-definition>

The netting and the planters fall into the category of requiring a Type R permit. More specifically, LAMC 62.169 expressly states “(a) No person shall plant, remove, destroy, cut, prune or deface or in any manner injure any tree, shrub or plant in any street in the City, without first obtaining a permit to do so from the Board.”

Scientology did not have the lawfully required permits to blockade the public right of way and were planning to plant thorny bushes on the public easement - essentially serving as barbed wire - to prevent protesters and the public from exercising their First Amendment right. This case is a clear example of one that should have never even been filed with charges - no evidence was ever submitted by Scientology or any of its affiliates to support the claim of vandalism. No invoice for the plastic netting to show ownership, no evidence demonstrating the netting being destroyed & unusable, no malicious intent expressed by Enri Marini. The burden of proof to demonstrate that the allegations are true are on the prosecution – and the public knows the sordid history Hydee Soto has with prosecuting cases frivolously. Hydee Soto has demonstrated a belief that simply because she alleges something to be true, it therefore must be so.

Plastic netting growing thorny plants were not the only blockade that Scientology illegally erected around the 4810 W Sunset Blvd campus on N Catalina Street. Scientology also illegally set up large planters weighing thousands of pounds all around the block on the public sidewalk. Scientology had no permit for these planters. Even worse, Scientology used slave labor from its Sea Org members to place these planters all around the public right of way. The public knows from countless court cases, such as Scott Hochstetter v Jayden Wheeler, that Scientology pays its Sea Org members about \$50 a week to work full-time for Scientology to do tasks like illegally setting up barricades on the public right of way.

As if that was not bad enough, the excess weight of these planters destroyed the public sidewalk, resulting in a disabled wheelchair bound woman to get stuck on a chunk of sidewalk skewed upwards due to the seesaw effect of the planter counterbalancing the concrete chunk of the sidewalk. All of this captured on live stream video footage thanks to the dozens of anti-Scientology protesters putting it out on social media for the world to see. The woman who was stuck on the sidewalk is an anti-Scientology protester who has a social media channel called “AuditLA” on YouTube, Twitter, and TikTok.

As if that was not enough, LAPD has been well aware of the clear violation of the law by Scientology when Scientology chose to blockade the public right of way without permits. An internal communication legally obtained through California public records sent by LAPD Northeast commanding officer Gary Walters clearly shows Scientology was educated by LAPD that blocking the easement and public right of way with netting and planters is illegal and grounds for suppression of First Amendment rights claims. Scientology even went so far as to repeatedly lied to LAPD claiming that protesters were assaulting PAC security guards – a false allegation in which Gary Walters clearly objects to noting the anti-Scientology protesters live video footage shows nothing of the sort occurred.

This communication between LAPD and Scientology took place June 2, 2024 – well before the case of Enri Marini. All of culminates into the events that transpired on June 16 – whereby Scientology was still illegally blockading the public right of way as well as dispatching four different LAPD officers from Northeast division to intimidate and harass activists like Enri Marini to stop them from exposing Scientology's continued violation of the law. Even more interesting is the fact that all four officers who arrived on scene claimed there was a permit, failed to provide a copy of the alleged permit when challenged on their claims, refused to make any arrests, and refused to declare that any laws were being broken when the activists peacefully removed the abandoned litter barricading the public right of way.

The names of the officers who showed up on scene to harass and intimidate Enri Marini were Fernando Galindo 41803, Garcia 45732, Alexis Barajas De Villar 44460, and Justin Castro 41320. Fernando Galindo in particular has a sordid history of harassing anti-Scientology protesters, one in particular being a child named Solomon.

Given all this information regarding Hydee Soto's sordid prosecution history, any reasonable person would conclude that Hydee colludes with criminal enterprises like Scientology to silence free speech. Exhibits containing screenshots, videos, and copies of the public encroachment law are all listed below.

Links

- Enri Marini explaining his case
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KkV8Q0z5yn4>
- LAPD Officer Fernando Galindo 41803 harassing Solomon
 - <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/7bShTzzLh8M>
- June 16 - LAPD Officers Fernando Galindo 41803 and Garcia 45732 lie about permits
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWYh3ELJj08&t=1s>
- June 16 - LAPD Officer Fernando Galindo returns to harass and threaten protester Enri Marini with frivolous arrest
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t8cl51lp3Ns&t=1s>
- June 16 - LAPD Northeast Division Officers Alexis Barajas De Villar 44460 and Justin Castro 41320 harass Enri Marini with baseless pre-emptive trespass and lie about permits on behalf of Scientology

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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pB-M7UcZEjQ>

Exhibit 1 – Official letter from California State Bar officially investigating Hydee Soto for her frivolous prosecution of people that dare publicly criticize her



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SENT VIA EMAIL TO: opensourceadvocacy@protonmail.com

Enri Marini

Re: Respondent: Hydee Feldstein Soto
Case Number: 24-O-22332

Dear Enri Marini:

Your complaint against attorney Hydee Feldstein Soto has been reviewed and forwarded to the Enforcement Unit for further investigation and prosecution, if warranted.

Investigator Max Master and Trial Counsel Catherine Kimel have been assigned to investigate your complaint. We are in the process of evaluating your complaint and may request your assistance in providing additional information and documentation after we obtain a response from Hydee Feldstein Soto. It is important that you provide the State Bar with your current email address and telephone number so that we can reach you if we do require additional information.

For your information, all documents that you send to the State Bar, whether copies or originals, become State Bar property and are subject to destruction. **If you have any questions, or if you have a change of address or telephone number, please call Investigator Max Master directly at 213-765-1048.**

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Exhibit 2 - Official letter from California State Bar officially investigating Scientology lawyer Kendrick Moxon for his frivolous lawsuits against people that dare publicly criticize Scientology.



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Enri Marini

Re: Respondent: Kendrick Lichty Moxon
Case Number: 24-O-22334

Dear Enri Marini:

Your complaint against attorney Kendrick Lichty Moxon has been reviewed and forwarded to the Enforcement Unit for further investigation and prosecution, if warranted.

Investigator Max Master and Trial Counsel Catherine Kimel have been assigned to investigate your complaint. We are in the process of evaluating your complaint and may request your assistance in providing additional information and documentation after we obtain a response from Kendrick Lichty Moxon. It is important that you provide the State Bar with your current email address and telephone number so that we can reach you if we do require additional information.

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Exhibit 3 - Official letter from California State Bar officially investigating City Attorney Deputy Arturo Martinez for colluding with Hydee Soto to frivolously prosecute people who dare publicly criticize Hydee and her affiliates - such as Scientology.



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Enri Marini

Re: Respondent: Arturo A Martinez
Case Number: 24-O-22333

Dear Enri Marini:

Your complaint against attorney Arturo A Martinez has been reviewed and forwarded to the Enforcement Unit for further investigation and prosecution, if warranted.

Investigator Max Master and Trial Counsel Catherine Kimel have been assigned to investigate your complaint. We are in the process of evaluating your complaint and may request your assistance in providing additional information and documentation after we obtain a response from Arturo A Martinez. It is important that you provide the State Bar with your current email address and telephone number so that we can reach you if we do require additional information.

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SENT VIA EMAIL TO: opensourceadvocacy@protonmail.com

Enri Marini

Re: Respondent: James A McDougal
Case Number: 24-O-22331

Dear Enri Marini:

Your complaint against attorney James A McDougal has been reviewed and forwarded to the Enforcement Unit for further investigation and prosecution, if warranted.

Investigator Max Master and Trial Counsel Catherine Kimel have been assigned to investigate your complaint. We are in the process of evaluating your complaint and may request your assistance in providing additional information and documentation after we obtain a response from James A McDougal. It is important that you provide the State Bar with your current email address and telephone number so that we can reach you if we do require additional information.

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Exhibit 5 - Official letter from California State Bar officially investigating Scientology lawyer & Jeffrey Epstein family lawyer Leah Saffian for her frivolous lawsuits against people that dare publicly criticize Scientology.



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SENT VIA EMAIL TO: opensourceadvocacy@protonmail.com

Enri Marini

Re: Respondent: Leah S. Saffian
Case Number: 24-O-22335

Dear Enri Marini:

Your complaint against attorney Leah S. Saffian has been reviewed and forwarded to the Enforcement Unit for further investigation and prosecution, if warranted.

Investigator Max Master and Trial Counsel Catherine Kimel have been assigned to investigate your complaint. We are in the process of evaluating your complaint and may request your assistance in providing additional information and documentation after we obtain a response from Leah S. Saffian. It is important that you provide the State Bar with your current email address and telephone number so that we can reach you if we do require additional information.

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Exhibit 6 – Lawful order from the Los Angeles Board of Public Works to Scientology telling Scientology to
remove their unlawful blockades of the public right of way


CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION TELEPHONE: (213) 847-6900		BOOK NO.: 086689		 4/5	
Date of Violation 08/07/2024	Time 11:15 PM	Day Of Week Wednesday	MD 107	CD 13	
Name (First, Middle, Last)					
Spouse Name (First, Middle, Last)					
Address					
City					
State					
Zip Code					
Driver's Lic./ID No.		State	Class	Age	Birth Date
Sex	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	Race
Vehicle License No. or VIN		State			
Yr. of Vehicle	Make	Model	Body Style	Color	
Contractor's License Number					
Company Name					
Company Address					
City					
State					
Zip Code					
Violation Description(s) 1. LAMC 56.08(e)(1): Other obstruction on Street/Sidewalk/Parkway 2. 62.169(A): NON-STANDARD VEGETATION (THORNY PLANTS)					
Location of Violation(s) 1300 N CATALINA CA					
Violation Noticed was: <input type="checkbox"/> Posted <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Served <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mailed					
Comments REMOVE OBSTRUCTIONS AND THORY PLANTS					
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true correct.					
Investigator Jovanny Marin		408441 Serial Number			
213-716-0755 Investigator Telephone Number		7am - 8am and 3pm - 3:30pm Office Hours			
Signing this notice is not an admission of guilt; only confirmation that the notice was received.					
X Signature MAILED					
YOU ARE REQUIRED TO:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPLY WITH THIS NOTICE AT ONCE.					
<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLY WITH THIS NOTICE WITHIN _____ DAYS FROM THE DATE SHOWN ABOVE.					
<input type="checkbox"/> PAY FEES AND/OR FINES IN THE AMOUNT OF _____ PLEASE SEND PAYMENT TO THE ORDER OF THE "CITY OF LOS ANGELES" TO THE ADDRESS SHOWN BELOW:					
BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES, INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION 1149 S. BROADWAY, SUITE 350 LOS ANGELES, CA 90015					
FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS NOTICE MAY RESULT IN FURTHER LEGAL ACTION, AND/OR CITY ACTION AT THE PROPERTY OWNER'S					

Exhibit 7 – Email from LAPD lieutenant Gary Walters notifying Scientology since June 2, 2024 that Scientology is illegally blockading the public right of way and that Scientology is making false reports against protesters – alleging that the anti-Scientology protesters are assaulting Scientologists.

From: GARY WALTERS
Sent: Monday, June 3, 2024 12:29 AM
To: MICHAEL VENTURA; JAPHET HOM; KEVIN AUSTIN
Cc: LEOPOLDO REY; CESAR RIVAS; MICHELLE GOMEZ
Subject: Re: Scientology

Copy

Gary Walters
Patrol Commanding Officer
Northeast Division LAPD

From: MICHAEL VENTURA <30741@lapd.online>
Sent: Sunday, June 2, 2024 11:27:20 PM
To: JAPHET HOM <30475@lapd.online>; GARY WALTERS <27959@lapd.online>; KEVIN AUSTIN <39130@lapd.online>
Cc: LEOPOLDO REY <32490@lapd.online>; CESAR RIVAS <38595@lapd.online>; MICHELLE GOMEZ <34514@lapd.online>
Subject: Scientology

Scientology security is claiming that they are doing "maintenance" and attempting to block out protesters by installing construction stakes and plastic contractors netting in the sidewalk area adjacent to their property.

In return, the protesters are claiming Scientology is attempting violate their 1st Amendments rights to gather and protest by illegally denying them access to the public right of way.

Scientology is now claiming the protesters are vandalizing their property by pulling up the stakes and tearing down the netting.

I shared my opinion to keep the peace and to advise Scientology that they cannot obstruct public access with their stakes and netting and any obstruction of a sidewalk, street or curb, can only be done with the express permission and permitting by the Bureau of Street Services. Any obstructions of the public space without such a permit would be illegal.

██████████ will be the supervisor out there starting at 1500 hours.

We are monitoring the livestream in the WC office and there is no battery of the Scientology guards as they are trying to claim.

Detective III Michael Ventura
PM Watch Detective

Exhibit 8 – Los Angeles city law LAMC 62.169 explaining plants cannot be planted on the public right of way without first getting a permit.

SEC. 62.169. PERMIT REQUIRED TO PLANT IN STREETS.



(Amended by Ord. No. 183,474, Eff. 4/19/15.)

(a) No person shall plant, remove, destroy, cut, prune or deface or in any manner injure any tree, shrub or plant in any street in the City, without first obtaining a permit to do so from the Board.

(b) No permit is required by the owner of property fronting the parkway portion of the street in an area zoned for residential use in order for the owner to remove existing shrubs and plants, but not trees, and replace the shrubs and plants with landscaping, including edible plant materials, provided the owner complies with the Residential Parkway Landscaping Guidelines adopted by the Board. Landscaping not consistent with the Residential Parkway Landscaping Guidelines shall only be allowed if the owner first obtains a permit from the Board.

(c) The owner of property fronting the parkway portion of the street in an area zoned for residential use who landscapes the owner's parkway shall be required to maintain the landscaping in accordance with Residential Parkway Landscaping Guidelines adopted by the Board, and the provisions of this Code.

(d) The Board shall adopt Residential Parkway Landscaping Guidelines that shall identify the types of landscaping, including edible plant materials, which may be planted without a permit, as well as planting, siting and maintenance requirements for such landscaping.

Exhibit 9 – Los Angeles city law explaining Type R permits. Definitions and the law shown are copied directly from the Bureau of Engineering. Exhibit is broken down into 7 screenshot images.

The screenshot shows the official website of the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering. The page is titled "1 - R-Permit Purpose & Definition" and is part of a series of pages explaining permit types. The left sidebar contains a menu with various permit categories: Construction "A" Permits, Excavation "E" Permits, Excavation "U" Permits, "B" Permits, Above Ground Facilities (AGF), Revocable "R" Permits, and Maintenance Hole "MH" Permits. The main content area features a search bar, a breadcrumb trail (Home > Revocable "R" Permits > Permit Overview > 1 - R-Permit Purpose & Definition), and a "PURPOSE" section. This section includes a target icon and text explaining that the purpose of a Revocable Permit ("R" Permit) is to grant conditional encroachment of the public right-of-way by private parties not authorized to occupy the public right-of-way. It also states that the "R" Permit review process verifies that encroachments are checked for compliance with the City's specifications for design, use, material, and inspection. A final paragraph notes that the most significant factor in considering whether the City approves a request for an encroachment of any type is the status of the encroachments of other properties in the neighborhood.

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► Maintenance Hole "MH" Permits


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Revised on 09-04-2024

PURPOSE

 The purpose of the Revocable Permit ("R" Permit) is to grant conditional encroachment of the public right-of-way by private parties not authorized to occupy the public right-of-way. The "R" Permit review process verifies that encroachments are checked for compliance with the City's specifications for design, use, material, and inspection. It is important Applicants understand that R-Permits are discretionary in nature since the Board of Public Works can change BOE's recommendations.

The "R" Permit is also a mechanism to allow, in special circumstances, placement of private structures in the public right-of-way where a hardship would be created due to topography or other constraints within private property. Generally, private structures should not be permitted in the public right-of-way.


The most significant factor in considering whether the City approves a request for an encroachment of any type is the status of the encroachments of other properties in the neighborhood. If there are no other similar encroachments and the proposed encroachment is significant, it may be advisable to seek neighborhood opinion by way of a questionnaire.



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Revocable Permits are granted in conjunction with a construction/installation permit such as A, B or Excavation E Permit.


DEFINITIONS



A street is defined as any public thoroughfare or way, including the sidewalk, parkway, and any other public property bordering upon a public way. A street serves several purposes or uses. Primarily, it serves as a passageway for vehicles and pedestrians. The borders of streets, although in some instances not used as passageways, are still used by the public for setback purposes, and therefore should be maintained clear of obstructions where feasible.

The following is the description provided in the [LAMC Section 62.118.2](#).

Where the City Engineer finds that a building, structure or improvement maintained or proposed to be constructed within a public street will not interfere with the maintenance or use of the street, and is not intended for use by the public, the Bureau of Engineering may issue one or more permits for the maintenance or proposed construction of such building, structure or improvement, or for an excavation in connection with such maintenance or construction. The Bureau of Engineering shall charge and collect a fee to conduct an investigation to determine whether to issue a permit pursuant to the provisions of this section, and shall charge a fee of \$556 if no field investigation is required (Tier 1 fee), and shall charge a fee of \$1,854 if a field investigation is required (Tier 2 fee). If a field investigation has already been completed under a separate action (ie. LAMC 12.37 field investigation, land use report investigation), then the Tier 1 fee would apply for the Revocable Permit. If an applicant paid a Tier 1 fee and the Bureau of Engineering determines that it will be required to conduct a field investigation, the Bureau shall charge and collect from the applicant a fee of \$1,298 in addition to the \$556 already paid. If the Bureau is required to prepare a report of its investigation for consideration by the Board, the applicant shall not owe a Tier 1 or Tier 2 fee, and instead the Bureau shall charge and collect its actual costs (Tier 3 fee) and a deposit of such costs as determined and collected pursuant to the provisions of [LAMC Section 61.15](#).



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Projects an Applicant may apply for a Revocable Permits include:

1. Fences and gates that conform to Zoning Code requirements. Over-height fences shall require a variance from the Department of City Planning ("Planning")
2. Pre-existing commercial pole signs
3. Planters
4. Tree grates
5. Reversed sidewalk/parkway configuration
6. Nonstandard non-vegetative groundcover
7. Landscape materials (except per the exemption granted by [LAMC 62.169](#))
8. Irrigation Systems
9. Active or non-standard storm water capture systems
10. Non-standard tree well sizes
11. Hand rails
12. Special sidewalk pavers/art pieces (embedded within sidewalk, replacing sidewalk, etc.)
13. Awnings, Canopies, Architectural Features, Steps, and Mechanical Equipment
14. Marquees and Signs
15. Gateway monuments
16. Boat docks
17. Emergency exit doors
18. Minor residential encroachments on paper streets
19. Hardscape (fountains, sculptures, monuments, river rocks etc.)
20. Art (sculptures)
21. Commercial conduits
22. Electrical conduits

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23. Vaults / Access Hatches

24. Non-Standard lights (landscape lighting, embedded lights, etc.)

25. Gates for nuisance alleys

26. Closure of streets/alleys prior to vacation

27. Driveway bridges

28. Retaining walls (not considered controversial will also require a B-Permit and structural plan check)

29. Benches (decorative, not at bus stops)

30. Street furniture (non-City installed/maintained trash receptacles, bike racks, etc.)

31. Tables and chairs for sidewalk dining (fast-food or full-service)

32. Existing underground storage tanks to be abandoned in-place (requires Board of Public Works approval)

33. Wayfinding signage

34. Pedestrian bridges/walkways


35. Portions of a building or private structure

36. Areaways

Controversial Projects: One of the main reasons why a request may be considered controversial would be when proposed encroachments are not consistent with existing conditions of the surrounding neighborhood. The local Council Office, Neighborhood Council or Homeowners Association should be notified to obtain their position on the proposed encroachment. The District Engineer may consult the City Attorney's Office on any controversial subject for their recommendation.

Underlying Fee Title: A title concept in which ownership of all interest or estates in real property are less than or inferior to the most absolute interest one can have - that of fee ownership. It lies beneath all the other interests; it is basic, fundamental and implicit.

Pedestrian Zone: Also known as the Pedestrian Access Route (PAR), the Pedestrian Zone is a continuous and unobstructed



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path of travel provided along the Sidewalk Area. The pedestrian zone is intended to be a seamless pathway for wheelchair and white cane users, composed of a firm, stable, and slip-resistant surface (typically concrete). It should be at least 5 feet wide to provide adequate space for two pedestrians to comfortably pass or walk side by side. BOE refers to the paved pedestrian path as the "sidewalk".

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LAWS, CODES, AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE ISSUING OF REVOCABLE "R" PERMITS

- [LAMC Section 61.118.2 - Improvements in Public Streets - Issuance of Revocable Permits](#)
- [2016 California Building Code, Part 2, Volume 2, Chapter 32, Section 3201 and Section 3202 - Encroachments into the Public Right-of-Way](#)
- [LAMC Article 1, Division 32, Section 91.3201](#)
- [LAMC Article 1, Division 32, Section 91.3202](#)
- [City Planning Complete Street Design Guides](#)
- [Board of Public Works Report dated April 3, 2019 - Revised Policy on Sidewalk Dining](#)
- [Board of Public Works Report dated April 10, 2006 - Revisions to Recommended Modifications to the Bureau of Engineering's Policy on Sidewalk Dining Within the Public Right-Of-Way, Adopted September 16, 2005 - Clarification of Language in Recommendation No. 2 \(obsolete\)](#)
- [Board of Public Works Board Report from September 16, 2005 \(missing transmittals\)](#)
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- [LAMC Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 12.03 Definitions](#)
- [Council Motion 08-3167 for Penalty Fees \(As of 1/22/2018, no Ordinance was prepared per the 5/11/10 Amended Council Action\)](#)
- [12-15-71 BPW – Termination of Rental Fees \(Historical Information Only\)](#)
- [Adopt-a-Median Background Information](#)
- [Bureau of Street Services, Residential Parkway Landscaping Guidelines \(obsolete\)](#)
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- [White Paper - Street Damage Restoration Fee Ordinance \(December 6, 2018\)](#)
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