
CHAPTER 50.

An act granting certain tidelands and submerged lands of the State of California to the city of Laguna Beach upon certain trusts and conditions.

[Approved by the Governor April 6, 1929. In effect August 14, 1929.]

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There is hereby granted to the city of Laguna Beach, a municipal corporation of the State of California, and to its successors, all of the right, title and interest of the State of California, held by the State of California by virtue of its sovereignty, in and to all of the tidelands and submerged lands, whether filled or unfilled, bordering upon, under, and situated below the ordinary high-tide line of the Pacific ocean, or of any harbor, estuary, bay or inlet, which are within the corporate limits of said city, to be forever held by the city of

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Laguna Beach and by its successors, in trust for the uses and purposes and upon the express conditions following, to wit:

Uses.

(a) That none of said lands shall be used or devoted to any purposes other than public park, parkway, highway, playground, or public recreation or enjoyment, the establishment, improvement and conduct of a harbor and the construction, maintenance and operation thereon of wharves, docks, piers, slips, quays, and other utilities, structures and appliances necessary or convenient for the promotion and accommodation of commerce and navigation; and the city of Laguna Beach, or its successors, shall not, at any time, grant, convey, give or alien said lands, or any part thereof, to any individual, firm or corporation for any purpose whatsoever; *provided, however*, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the use or granting of easements, franchises or leases for limited periods, or rights of way in, under, over or across said tidelands or submerged lands for power, telephone, telegraph or cable lines or landings, sewage disposal conduits and other sewage works, wharves and other public uses and purposes consistent with the trusts upon which said lands are held.

Improvement

(b) That such lands devoted to the conduct of a harbor shall be improved by the city of Laguna Beach without expense to the state and such harbor shall always remain a public harbor for all purposes of commerce and navigation, and the State of California shall have, at all times, the right to use, without charge, all wharves, docks, piers, slips, quays and other improvements constructed on said lands, or any part thereof, for any vessel or other water craft, or railroad, owned or operated by the State of California.

(c) That in the management, conduct or operation of said harbor, or any of the utilities, structures or appliances mentioned in paragraph (a) no discrimination in rates, tolls or charges, or in facilities for any use or service in connection therewith shall ever be made, authorized or permitted by the city of Laguna Beach or by its successors.

(d) The absolute right to fish in the waters of the Pacific ocean over said tidelands and submerged lands, with the right of convenient access to said waters over said lands for such purpose is hereby expressly reserved to the people of the State of California.