

# HB Pier Gets Back To Basics

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Plastic-coated steel did not hold up with City Council as the material to re-build the Huntington Beach Municipal Pier.

Instead, council unanimously decided to build the landmark out of concrete after studies proved plastic-coated steel was not acceptable.

The Pier Design Committee originally proposed the steel, but upon further investigation, decided to go back to basics.

The design committee had scuba divers check out the San Clemente Pier, which was reconstructed five years ago using the polyethylene-coated steel pilings.

Deterioration was detected, which included rust.

The committee had endorsed the plastic coated steel because it was cheaper and the pier could be built quicker. But in light of San  
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Clemente findings, the committee asked council to approve a more concrete foundation.

The pier has been closed since September due to safety reasons. The structure was found unsound as a result of the January 1988 storm that also swept away a third of the monument.

