

Section 1:

Part #1 (Opening scene with billboard) Strengths:

- Strong visual imagery with the skateboard clattering and the glossy billboard
- Effective establishment of conflict through contrast between luxury development and beach culture

Weaknesses: Underdeveloped Emotional Impact → While you've introduced Zack's reaction, the emotional weight could be stronger. "Stared in disbelief" and "hand quivered" tell rather than show the impact. Consider incorporating physical sensations and internal thoughts to deepen the reader's connection.

Exemplar: "Zack's skateboard clattered to the ground as his stomach dropped. The glossy billboard loomed above him, its message a knife through everything he loved: 'Coming Soon: Sunset Plaza...'"

Part #2 (Developer scene) Strengths:

- Creative physical descriptions, especially the "cubic physique"
- Good use of overheard dialogue fragments to characterise the developers

Weaknesses: Inconsistent Detail Focus → Your description switches between specific details and vague references. "Expensive SUV" and "patted his suit down" need more specific sensory details to match the vivid character descriptions.

Exemplar: "A black Range Rover purred to a stop as two men emerged - the first methodically smoothing his silk tie, while his companion, built like a walking filing cabinet, wedged himself through the door."

Part #3 (Town hall scene) Strengths:

- Strong stakes established through the contrasting arguments
- Effective use of dialogue to convey tension

Weaknesses: Rushed Emotional Climax → The crucial moment of defeat feels hurried. "Zack's eyes watered, blood pounding in his ears" needs more build-up and aftermath to fully impact the reader.

Exemplar: "The mayor's words hit like a physical blow. Zack's vision blurred as the room tilted sideways, his pulse drowning out the developers' triumphant murmurs."

Actionable Task: Take the town hall scene and rewrite it focusing solely on Zack's physical and emotional reactions throughout the entire sequence - from entering the hall to running out. Map out specific sensations, thoughts, and reactions at each story beat.

Overall Score: 43/50

Section 2:

Zack's skateboard clattered to the ground as he stared in disbelief at the glossy billboard. 'Coming Soon: Sunset Plaza – Luxury Shopping, Dining, and Entertainment,' it proclaimed, showing no trace of the colourful Venice Beach Boardwalk he called home. #1

Zack's hand quivered as he reached for his ringing phone. "Zack!" the voice on the other side called, "Have you seen the news about the mall?" ~~"No but I saw the billboard,"~~ ["No, but I saw the billboard," Zack replied,]

The two friends expressed their outrage at the approaching plan, and they decided to call all their friends and stop the developers.

Zack looked at the team of people, each with a different talent but ~~a same goal~~ [the same goal]. "Let's save Venice beach [beach,]" Zack said.

~~'I can cover the boardwalk in awareness posters,'~~ said Lisa ['I can cover the boardwalk in awareness posters,' Lisa said], twirling a paintbrush. 'And I can get social media covered by videos,' Rachel suggested.

Their plans were disrupted by two men stepping out of an expensive SUV. The skinny man patted his suit down, while a man built with a cubic physique struggled to get out. As they trotted towards the nearest building, Zack caught words like [such as] Economical boost, profits, money and a myriad of other words about the new mall. #2

At the Venice Skatepark, Rachel's camera captured it all: Performers playing beautiful music and skaters showing off tricks. This, announced the friends ~~is~~ [is,] Venice beach, and a place that needs to be saved.

Their videos were viral, and more ~~was~~ [were] uploaded everyday, with a line of words 'Save Venice Beach!'

Zack was confident and when he saw the letter ~~the city hall~~ [City Hall] sent him, he yelped in joy. On the day of the presentation, Zack and his friends ~~look~~ [looked] at each other nervously.

"We got this," Rachel reassured, giving the crew a confident smile.

Two lecture tables were placed on the opposite sides of the stage, each equipped with a microphone.

~~The two developers, each describing with overly exaggerated hand gestures the economic boost Sunset mall will generate, while Zack clutched his fist.~~ [The two developers described with overly exaggerated hand gestures how Sunset Mall would generate an economic boost, while Zack clutched his fist.] When it was his turn to speak, Zack told the audience [,"] Venice beach must not be touched."

"If we build Sunset Mall, it would erase all the memories that Venice beach contains. Will our descendants even remember the beach?" Zack yelled. "We would be completely destroying the environment [."]"

"If you see the economics as important, have you considered the money tourism brings to our city [?]" Zack asked his opponents, calming his voice.

Ferocious uproar sounded inside the town hall like thunder, unable to be silenced for half a ~~minuet~~ [minute]. The two developers turned pale [."]"The amount of profit this mall makes will be unlike anything this city has seen before [,"] but it was like the whole world turned deaf to them. #3

~~"Sorry but more people support the development,"~~ ["Sorry, but more people support the development,"] Came the voice of the mayor.

Zack's eyes watered, blood pounding in his ears. Against his friends' warnings ~~he~~ [, he] rushed out onto the streets. The images on the Hollywood Walk of Fame disappeared beneath ~~Zack's~~ [Zack's] flying feet as he raced after the celebrity he just saw. "Please help us stop ~~sunset mall~~ [Sunset Mall] from being built!" Zack begged with enormous round eyes staring at the confused celebrity.

He said in a soothing voice [,"] Kid, I can tell people to stop the development but I can't make sure they listen."

Zack muttered an inaudible voice of gratitude as he sprinted away to develop a ~~festive~~ [festival] with his friends who slowly emerged from the hall.

Before the ~~festive~~ [festival], he and his friends spread awareness articles over the websites, receiving millions of views and likes. A petition was also signed by countless in an attempt to stop the development.

Many weeks ~~late~~ [later], the boardwalk pulsed with energy as thousands gathered for the festival. Skaters, artists, musicians, and vendors.

The impact was so great council members attended. Zack whooped in joy at the new sign. ~~"Venice beach heritage site"~~ ["Venice Beach Heritage Site"] hefted up onto the beach that day.

"We did it!" Zack and his friends cheered.