

# The Olympic Peninsula Explorers Volkssport Club Welcomes You to the Port Angeles – Historical Tour Walk

The “Upper” 5k route walks with the 10k (both 2A) on the portion of the 10k that is on the bluff above Port Angeles. It is a good choice for groups where everyone wants to walk together for as much of the two routes as possible. The 10k “Lower” 6k routes walk both the bluff and the waterfront but do not walk together if started simultaneously. All three walks are on almost entirely on pavement with some moderate hill or stair climbing. Jogging Strollers: Yes, Wheelchairs: No, Pets: Yes, Restroom: Yes, public restroom can be found at various locations on the routes.

A walk on city streets and sidewalks passing a variety of historical buildings and enjoying the unique outdoor art display. Information on the historical buildings is included at the end of the walk directions. Enjoy the statues and fountains, a peek at the Olympic Mountains, and an incredible view over the Strait of Juan de Fuca and into Canada on a clear day (10k and “upper” 5k only). Note: The 6 km option does not go up to the College Campus or the Fine Arts Center. There is numerous Geocaches in the Port Angeles area.

The walks start and end at The Blackbird Coffeehouse, 336 E 8th St, Port Angeles, WA 98362. This business has a very

small parking lot, so please park on the street nearby.

## **Walk Registration:**

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box, on <http://my.ava.org>. Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

## **Walk Completion and Walk Credit:**

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the “My Start Box” tab, then the “Finish Table” tab, then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped “virtual” insert cards that you may choose to print out.

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"Upper" 5 km and 10 km Rated 2A **YRE 0608**

**ESVA Challenges:** Clallam County; That's Entertainment (Port Angeles Fine Arts Center), Anniversaries Hurrah; Tell Me a Story (Little Libraries: 1 on 5k; 2 more on 10k [Erikson Playfield & Georgiana])

**AVA Special Programs:** 50 States/51 Capitals, A-Z (Port Angeles); Par for the Course (10k only - Erickson Playfield); Step to the Beat (10k only - Peninsula Music); Walking with America's Veterans (10k only - Veteran's Park), Rails to Trails (10k only - Olympic Discovery / Waterfront Trail)

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1. Leaving the Coffeehouse and facing 8<sup>th</sup> Street, turn **RIGHT** and walk 8<sup>th</sup> Street to Race Street.
2. **CROSS** Race Street.
3. Turn **RIGHT** and continue uphill on Race Street.
4. **CROSS** Lauridsen Street.
5. Turn **LEFT** on Lauridsen.
6. **CONTINUE** along Lauridsen until reaching the entry drive to Peninsula College (note large concrete sign at Ennis Street).
7. Turn **RIGHT** at the sign and enter the campus.
8. Continue **STRAIGHT** and walk up the pedestrian campus walk to and under a pedestrian overpass (look like arches).
9. Walk **UP** the steps to the flagpole.
10. Turn **LEFT** at the flagpole and walk to Maier Hall.
11. **CONTINUE** past Maier Hall's entry doors and walk the campus path through a wide opening in the building/sort of underpass built into the structure.
12. After passing through the opening and reaching the end of the building on the left, turn **LEFT** on the sidewalk immediately along the building exterior wall.
13. **CONTINUE** on this sidewalk until it meets the fire lane behind Maier Hall.
14. Continue **STRAIGHT** on the fire lane until a campus pedestrian walkway (with three bollards) is on the left.
15. Turn **LEFT** onto this path, walking past the bollards.
16. At the first intersection with a path to the right, turn **RIGHT** towards a building with a covered walkway.
17. Upon reaching the covered walkway, turn **LEFT** and walk between buildings U and V.
18. **CONTINUE** under the walkway until it ends.
19. Veer **RIGHT** and transition to asphalt parking area and its access road (Lauridsen, unmarked)
20. Continue **STRAIGHT** on Lauridsen and leave Peninsula College on the parking access road.
21. Now you are back at the Peninsula College sign.
22. Stay **LEFT** on the sidewalk and continue on Lauridsen.
23. After the intersection with Liberty Street, look for a curb cut on each side of the street where an old crosswalk appears to have been. Turn **RIGHT** and cross Lauridsen.
24. Turn **LEFT** and continue on Lauridsen.
25. In a block or so you come to the Port Angeles Fine Arts Center (4); turn **RIGHT** (after the water tank and at PAFAC sign) and enter on the parking entry drive.

In case of emergency: Dial 9-1-1 - Event related assistance: Todd Oberlander: 360-620-0810

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26. Continue **STRAIGHT** through the small parking lot.
27. Just before the stairs, turn **RIGHT** and take the wide graveled trail.
28. At the first trail intersection to the left, turn **LEFT** on a similarly wide gravel trail.
29. **CONTINUE** on this trail to the Meadow where there are picnic benches and art. Note: While not part of the official volksmarch – there are numerous side trails that take visitors closer to the many art installations scattered throughout this park (Webster Woods). Please feel free to enjoy them.
30. Continue **STRAIGHT** on the gravel, circling the edge of the meadow and walking uphill to the right.
31. **CONTINUE** on this wide gravel trail keeping right as the path circles the edge of the park. (After climbing away from the meadow, look right to the view over Port Angeles, the Strait, and into Canada).
32. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** on the wide gravel trail, walking up to and **RIGHT** along the exterior wall of the Fine Arts Center.
33. Veer **RIGHT** at the next intersection and walk **STRAIGHT** out, staying on the gravel path (do not return to parking lot). You will be on Jones Street.
34. Continue **STRAIGHT** on Jones, turn **RIGHT** on 9<sup>th</sup> Street and go downhill.
35. **CONTINUE** on 9th Street to Washington, **CROSS** Washington, and turn **RIGHT** to continue downhill on Washington.
36. Turn **LEFT** at 5th Street and continue to Race Street.
37. **CROSS** Race Street at the light and turn **RIGHT** continuing downhill on Race Street.
38. Turn **LEFT** on 4th Street, passing Erickson Playfield (5) on the right. (Restrooms in park building behind courts.)
39. **CONTINUE** on 4th to Albert Street.
40. **RIGHT** continuing downhill. (Note: On the NE corner of this intersection is a building which once was part of the Ediz Hook Light House (6).)
41. **CONTINUE** on Albert to 2nd Street, **CROSS** 2<sup>nd</sup>, and turn **LEFT**.
42. **CONTINUE** on 2<sup>nd</sup> to Vine Street and turn **RIGHT**.
43. **CONTINUE** on Vine to 1st Street and turn **RIGHT**. (Note: On the SE corner of 1st and Vine is the old First Congregational Church building (7).)
44. After walking about 1 block on 1<sup>st</sup> street to Albert, turn **LEFT** carefully **CROSS** 1st Street at the crosswalk.
45. **CONTINUE** on Albert to Front Street.
46. **CROSS** Front Street carefully at the crosswalk.
47. **CONTINUE** on Albert to Georgiana and turn **RIGHT**.
48. **CONTINUE** on Georgiana Street to Race St and turn **LEFT**. (If in need of a restroom, follow signs to hospital “Walk-In” clinic where there is a single restroom, double back to the right of the reception desk.)
49. **CONTINUE** on Race St one-half block to an alley on the left (first street to the left after turning on Race St).
50. Turn **LEFT** onto the alley heading downhill.
51. **CONTINUE** about one block along alley to Frances Street.
52. Turn **RIGHT** and follow Francis Street into 9/11 Memorial Waterfront Park.
53. Walk **DOWN** through the Park (concrete pedestrian path to the left has steps, asphalt drive to the right does not) to the Waterfront Trail.
54. Upon reaching the waterfront trail at the shoreline, turn **LEFT**.
55. **CONTINUE** on the Trail back to Lincoln Street (first intersection when trail meets downtown; restrooms on pier) and turn **LEFT** and head uphill. (Note: On the NW corner of 1st Street and Lincoln is the Elks Naval Lodge (1). As you climb the hill on Lincoln, on your left you will be passing the Elwha Klallam Museum, Veteran’s Park, and the Clallam County Courthouse (2).)
56. Turn **RIGHT** on 5<sup>th</sup> St.
57. Turn **LEFT** on Laurel.
58. Turn **LEFT** on 7<sup>th</sup> to Lincoln St.
59. Turn **RIGHT** on Lincoln, continuing up the hill. (Note: On the NW corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Lincoln is a Masonic Temple (3).)

**10km Directions:**

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60. Turn **LEFT** on 8<sup>th</sup> and continue to The Blackbird Coffeehouse.

**5km Directions:**

37. **CROSS** Race Street at the light and **CONTINUE** on 5<sup>th</sup> St.

38. At Peabody Street, turn **LEFT** and continue uphill to The Blackbird Coffeehouse.

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### DESCRIPTIONS OF THE ATTRACTIONS

1. The Elks Naval Lodge was founded in the 1890s when the US Pacific Fleet began annual summer visits to Port Angeles. The five story Renaissance Revival style building is on the National Register.
2. The Clallam County Courthouse was completed in 1915, if open, take time to visit and enjoy the restored interior and the old photographs. It was placed on the National Register in 1987.
3. The Masonic Temple was completed in 1921, with a neoclassical facade and colonnaded portico. The Lodge was established in 1890.
4. The Port Angeles Fine Arts Center building is open Thursday through Sunday with changing exhibits of Northwest art. Enjoy your walk-through Webster’s Woods, the award-winning outdoor art park featuring more than 125 unique installations and pieces.
5. K.O. Erickson, an early businessman left this park to the city many years ago.
6. The stark white house at the NE corner of 4th and Albert was once part of the Ediz Hook Lighthouse complex begun in 1864. When the lighthouse buildings were replaced in the 1930s, this one, built in 1908, found a new home on Albert Street.
7. This imposing looking church building was completed about 1887. It has been added on to but can still be recognized.
8. The museum is housed on the Old Carnegie Library. After over a year of correspondence and negotiations, a \$12,000 grant from the Carnegie Foundation was awarded to the City of Port Angeles for the construction of the library. The building was formally dedicated January 5, 1919 and served the town’s library needs well for 50+ years. This building was added to the National and State list of Historic Places in 2011.

Port Angeles Civil Historic District of 1915 – 1931 includes a two-block section of the city’s downtown area that contains three contributing buildings spanning from 1915 to 1931. The period of significance for the district begins in 1915, with the completion of the Clallam County Courthouse and ends in 1931 with the opening of the City of Port Angeles Fire/Police Station. For more information about the Port Angeles Civil Historic District of 1915 – 1931 please visit <https://wadahp.wordpress.com/2011/04/04/recent-national-and-state-register-listings-march-2011/port-angeles/#:~:text=After%20over%20a%20year%20of,needs%20well%20for%2050%2B%20years.>

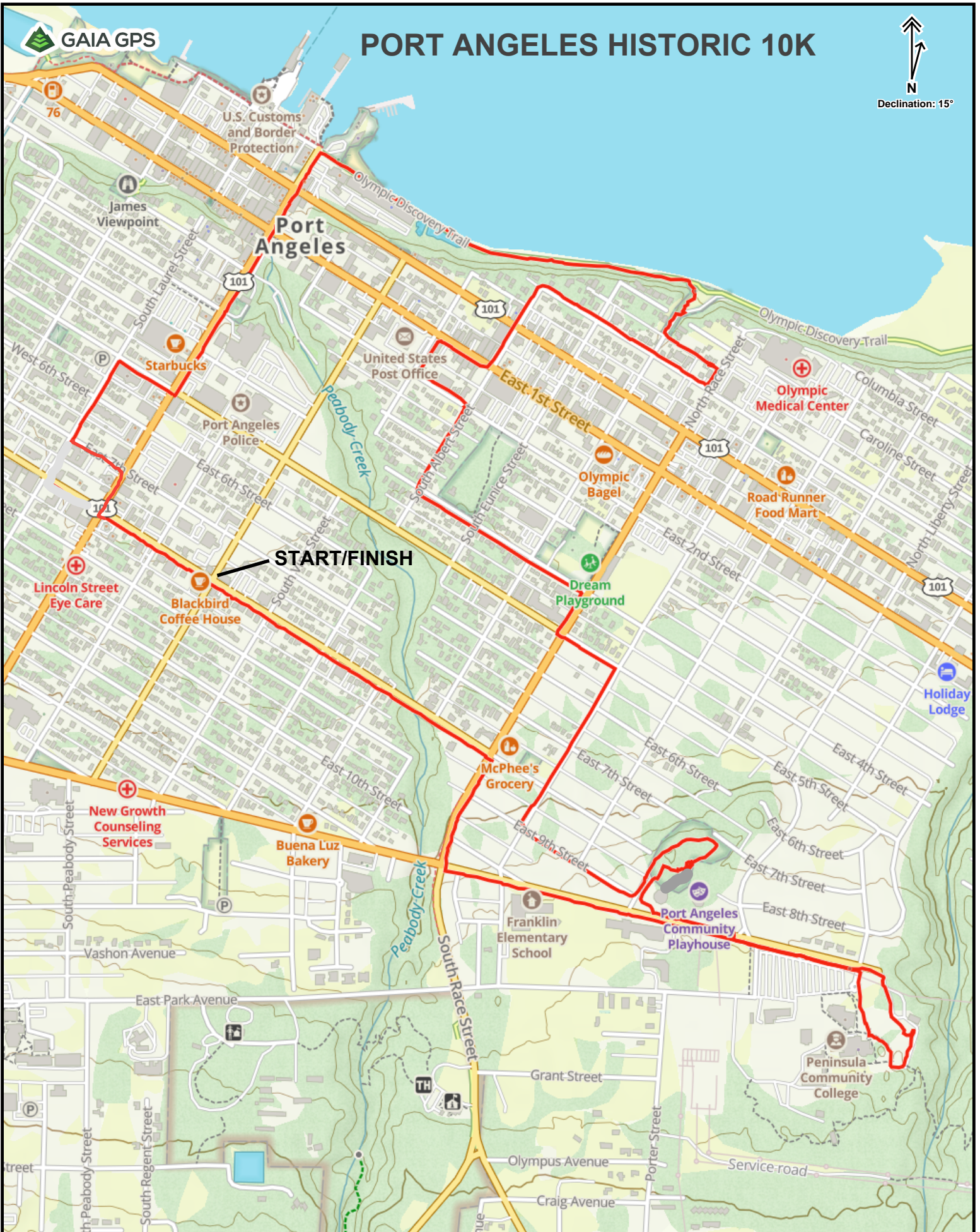
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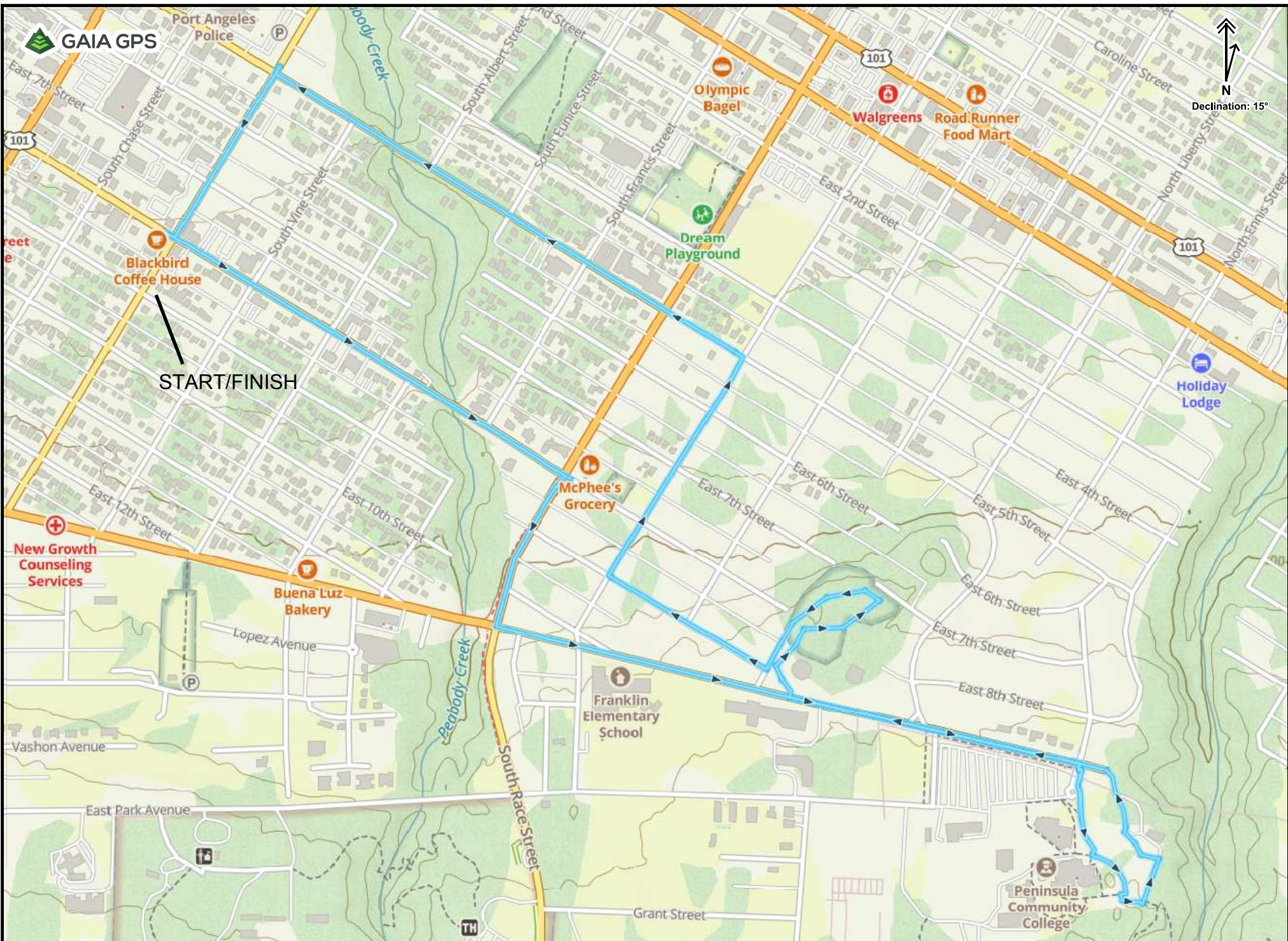
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4. Turn **RIGHT** on Vine Street.
5. Turn **RIGHT** on 5th Street.
6. Turn **LEFT** back onto Albert Street continuing downhill.
7. Turn **RIGHT** on 4th Street. (Note: On the NE corner of this intersection is a building which once was part of the Ediz Hook Light House (4).)
8. Continue on 4<sup>th</sup> street passing **JESSIE WEBSTER PARK** on your **LEFT**.
9. Turn **LEFT** on S Eunice St.
10. Turn **LEFT** on 2nd Street.
11. Turn **RIGHT** on Vine Street.
12. Continue to 1st Street. On the SW corner is the Post Office. On the SE corner of 1st and Vine is the old First Congregational Church building (5).
13. Turn **RIGHT** on 1st Street and continue one block to crosswalk at Albert Street.
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26. Turn **LEFT** on 4<sup>th</sup> St.
27. Turn **RIGHT** on Peabody.
28. Turn **RIGHT** on 5th St. You will pass the Police Station and City Hall.
29. **CONTINUE** on **5<sup>th</sup>** (crossing Lincoln), passing the Fire Station on your left.
30. Turn **LEFT** on Laurel.
31. Turn **LEFT** on 7th and continue to Lincoln, crossing streets carefully.
32. Turn **RIGHT** on Lincoln. Note the MASONIC TEMPLE (3) on the NW corner of 7th and **LINCOLN**.
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