# City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH



August 7, 2018

# McFadden Avenue Bridge Slated to Close Tonight, Aug. 7

Detours will be in place while the bridge is closed to all traffic for about a year

The McFadden Avenue bridge, over I-405 in Huntington Beach and Westminster, will close to all vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians at 10 p.m. TONIGHT, Tuesday, Aug. 7, for approximately 12 months so it can be reconstructed as part of the I-405 Improvement Project.

The McFadden Avenue bridge is the first of more than 18 bridges to be built, widened or replaced as part of the project, which will speed up travel times on I-405 between Costa Mesa and the Los Angeles County line, an area traveled by more than 370,000 vehicles a day. Drivers should use the following detours while the bridge is closed:

- Eastbound route 1: Eastbound McFadden Avenue to northbound Goldenwest Street to eastbound Bolsa Avenue to southbound Beach Boulevard.
- Eastbound route 2: Eastbound McFadden Avenue to southbound Goldenwest Street to eastbound Edinger Avenue to northbound Beach Boulevard.
- Westbound route 1: Westbound McFadden Avenue to northbound Beach Boulevard to westbound Bolsa Avenue to southbound Goldenwest Street.
- Westbound route 2: Westbound McFadden Avenue to southbound Beach Boulevard to westbound Edinger Avenue to northbound Goldenwest Street.

The bridge closure is in preparation for its demolition, which is expected to begin as early as Saturday, Aug. 18. Demolition work is anticipated to occur over multiple nights. During demolition, both directions of I-405 will be closed overnight from approximately 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. between Beach Boulevard and Bolsa Avenue. Drivers will be routed off the freeway and detoured to the next ramp. The closure is necessary to safely demolish the freeway overcrossing. Up-to-date closure and construction information is available on the project's interactive map at <a href="https://www.octa.net/405map">www.octa.net/405map</a>.

The \$1.9 billion I-405 Improvement Project will add one regular lane in each direction between SR-73 and I-605 and a second lane in each direction in the center of the freeway that will combine with the existing carpool lanes to form the 405 Express Lanes. This 16-mile segment of I-405 is one of the most heavily traveled stretches of highway in the nation, and both the regular lanes and carpool lanes are heavily congested during rush hour and on weekends. The project is critical to accommodate expected employment, population and housing growth throughout the region.

It currently takes drivers about an hour to travel this section of freeway during rush hour and without the project, the commute is projected to double in the next 20 years. Once the project is finished in 2023, it is expected to take about 30 minutes to drive the 16 miles during rush hour in the regular lanes and about 15 minutes in the 405 Express Lanes. People are encouraged to visit the project website at <a href="https://www.octa.net/405improvement">www.octa.net/405improvement</a> to sign up for construction alerts via automated call, text message or email.

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### POLICE DEPARTMENT

## National Night Out—TONIGHT!

Tonight is the night! We look forward to seeing you at our annual National Night Out held at the Target on Adams in Huntington Beach. The event starts at 4 p.m. and goes until 8 p.m. This year we have added numerous vendors and booths from the police department and the community. And have we mentioned we will be raffling off a brand new Ring Doorbell 2?!?

Plan to bring the whole family – especially the kids – to visit with our K9 unit, our police horses, HB-1 helicopter, motor officers, and SWAT officers (and many more!). We will have balloon twisters and face painters, along with a BBQ and shaved ice. We also will have many informational booths from the community, giveaways, and fliers. There's something for everyone!

But most importantly, this is a great way to come out to interact with your local police department and many of our officers. We will see you there!

Aug 7 National Night Out 2018

4-8PM



SOME OF THE DISPLAYS / VENDORS
PARTICIPATING IN NNO:

K9 SWAT HB-1

MOUNTED ENFORCEMENT UNIT
MOTOR OFFICERS

PROJECT 529 - BIKE REGISTRATION
HBFD FIRE TRUCK
HBPD PINK PATCH
HOMELESS TASK FORCE
CNI PUPPY RAISERS
HB SENIOR SERVICES
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

RSVP'S AND VACATION CHECKS
CRIME VICTIMS SERVICES
TARGET

MARINE SAFETY
FACE PAINTERS AND BALLOONS
B2V BBQ FUNDRAISER
SHAVED ICE



## **INFORMATION SERVICES**

# City Expands "MyHB" Mobile App

The Information Services Department launched the "MyHB" mobile app in late 2017. The free mobile app is designed to provide residents, businesses, and visitors the opportunity to access City Hall from anywhere, 24/7. The "MyHB" app gives citizens instant access online or offline to City information.

This month, the Information Services Department expanded "MyHB" by adding two new topics to "Report an Issue" and "Ask a Question." Now, when you see a problem around town, simply open the app, select a topic/issue, take a picture and submit – the app sends your request directly to the appropriate City staff depending on the topic/issue you select. You will also be able to track the status of your requests.

See a pot hole or a sidewalk that needs to be fixed? Use the "Report an Issue" option. You can include a photo, address (use your phone's location setting or manually key in) and a brief description of what needs service.

Need to know how to apply for a business license? Use the "Ask a Question" option. You can include file attachments and details about your question.

Citizens can also engage with us via our website to "Report an Issue" (<a href="https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/report-issue/">https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/ask-question</a> (<a href="https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/ask-question/">https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/ask-question/</a>).

To download the free app, visit the App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Google Play (Android). Search for "MyHB App" or "City of Huntington Beach."



### FIRE DEPARTMENT

### **DROWNING PREVENTION**

The Huntington Beach Fire Department encourages everyone to be safe in the water. Drowning is preventable. Anyone can drown. Drowning can be fast and silent, and occur without a struggle or splash. The Orange County 2017 statistics recently released by the Orange County Health Department show that drowning seriously affects young and old:

- Infants and young children from 0 to 4 years had the most non-fatal accidents
- Adults aged 50 years and older had the most fatal accidents

Drowning prevention is most effective with a "layers of protection" approach:

- Never leave a child alone near water, even for a few seconds. Young children can drown in any body of water, including a bucket, bathtub, sink, pool or spa.
- If a child four-years-old or younger is near water, a supervising adult should be close enough to touch the child.
- Keep a constant adult eye on children, even if they are wearing a personal flotation device.
- Adults, especially those over 50-years-old, should not swim alone.
- Swimming pools should have fences, alarms, and drains that meet regulations.
- Pool gates should be self-latching, opening outward, with a latch that is out-of-reach for a child.
- Keep reaching and throwing aids near a swimming pool.
- Parents and child caregivers should know how to perform rescue techniques and strategies to respond in an emergency.
- If a child is missing, check the pool first.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.ochealthinfo.com/phs/about/family/mcah/dp">www.ochealthinfo.com/phs/about/family/mcah/dp</a>

	2017		
Age Group Breakdown	TOTAL INCIDENTS	FATAL INCIDENTS	NON- FATAL INCIDENTS
0 - 4 Yr. Old Victims	39	5	34
5 - 14 Yr. Old Victims	8	1	7
15 - 19 Yr. Old Victims	4	1	3
20 - 34 Yr. Old Victims	8	5	3
35 - 64 Yr. Old Victims	27	18	9
65+ Yr. Old Victims	15	13	2
Total	101	43	58

Incidents involving adults	00	22 fatal
age 50 & older	30	8 non-fatal

Precipitating Event	2017
Boating accident	0
Caught in drain	0
Did not know how to swim	8
Diving accident	0
Excessive breath holding	0
Head or spine trauma	0
Intoxication	8
Lack of barriers	4
Lapse in supervision while in water	14
Lapse in supervision out of but near open water	1
Lapse in supervision, inadequate barriers	11
Medical issue	6
Reliance on flotation device in place of active supervision	7
Sudden unresponsiveness while in the water	8
Suicide	7
Suicide attempt	0
Surf conditions exceeded ability	8
Surfing accident	2
Swept out to sea while walking on shore	0
Swimming alone	4
Unknown	13
Total	101

Water Source Breakdown	2017
Backyard Pool/Spa	30
Community Pool/Spa	33
Ocean/Bay	21
Lake/Lagoon/Pond	2
River/Channel/Canal	1
Bucket/Fountain/Puddle	0
Bathtub	14
Other	0
Unknown	0
Total	101

## OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

## **Mobile Home Advisory Board Member Recruitment**

The Mobile Home Advisory Board (MHAB) is currently seeking applications for vacant positions from Huntington Beach mobile home park owners/manager. Board Members currently meet quarterly in January, April, July, and October on the fourth Monday at 6 p.m. to review mobile home park issues and provide a forum for communication on matters affecting the City's 18 mobile home parks. Anyone interested in obtaining an application should contact the Office of Business Development at (714) 536-5470. Applications are also available online at <a href="https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov">www.huntingtonbeachca.gov</a>.

## **Business Visit--Four Sons Brewing**

On July 26, Councilmembers Patrick Brenden, Jill Hardy, and staff from the Office of Business Development (OBD) stopped by Four Sons as part of OBDs ongoing business visit program.

A true family business, Four Sons has been doing business in Huntington Beach since 2014 and includes Duke (father), Dauna (mother) and sons Deven, Derek, Drew, and Dustin. They have various types of beers including IPAs, ale, blondes, and stouts, and have given their beers fun names such as "Nightmare on Gothard St.," "Surf City Pale Ale," and "Not So Dum." Business has been great and they have expanded a total of four times since opening their doors. They will soon be selling spirits and will expand their space once again to accommodate this growing industry.

You can learn more about this business including hours of operation by visiting <a href="https://www.foursonsbrewing.com">www.foursonsbrewing.com</a>.



## BJ's Numbers Up

BJ's Restaurants Inc. has been having great success. The Huntington Beach-based business reported net income of \$16.9 million, up 76 percent year-over-year, on revenue of \$287.6 million, up 8 percent, in its most recent quarter. They have also seen success in same-store sales with an increase of 5.6 percent higher from the previous quarter and opened two new restaurants, including its 200th location overall, in Albany, N.Y. During the quarter, BJ's paid down about \$48.5 million in debt and repurchased about \$1.1 million of its shares. Shares were up 5 percent recently to a market cap of \$1.3 billion.

## CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

Archivist and historian Kathie Schey is honored to be an invited panelist at the 2018 national meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Washington D.C. She will be joining representatives of other types of archives – corporate, museum and university – discussing her work as a municipal archivist in the Huntington Beach City Clerk's office and sharing the great story of Surf City, USA!



Kathie will also participate in numerous in-depth workshops exploring the use of local government records in K-12 curriculum development and various other sessions including those on intellectual property. Kathie is especially looking forward to volunteering as part of a 20-archivist team helping to reorganize and re-box historic materials at the District of Columbia Public Records Office.

In addition to the SAA, she is an active member of numerous historic and archival boards and organizations including the National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators and the American Association for State and Local History. Here at home, Kathie is chair of both the Huntington Beach Historic Resources Board and the city's Design Review Board.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

## **Planning Commission**

On Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers the Planning Commission will hold a meeting to review the following items:

#### TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 18-005/ CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 18-002 (THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE):

**TPM:** To 1) consolidate six parcels into one, approximately 76,340 sq. ft. parcel and 2) allow payment of a fee in-lieu of undergrounding existing overhead utilities. **CUP:** To demolish an existing three-story commercial building and construct an approximately 9,997 sq. ft. single-story building to accommodate a civic and cultural use (day care facility). The request includes a reduced front yard building setback along the secondary street (Cypress Drive) of 4.33 ft. in lieu of a minimum 10 ft setback and is located at 17131 Beach Boulevard (west of Beach Blvd. and north of Cypress Dr.). Please contact Jessica Bui for more information.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 17-026/VARIANCE NO. 18-005 (G & M OIL): CUP: To permit 1) the construction of a 4,412 sq. ft. service station, a 2,168 sq. ft. retail building, and other on-site improvements and 2) allow offsale beer and wine sales (ABC License Type 20) within a proposed retail building; and VAR: To permit 1) a retail building at a reduced setback of eight ft. in-lieu of the required minimum 15 ft. setback; 2) a metal awning at a reduced setback of seven ft. in-lieu of the required minimum nine ft. setback; and 3) landscape areas with a reduced width of five ft. and eight ft. in-lieu of the required minimum 15 ft. width. The proposed project is located at 16990 Beach Blvd. (northeast corner of Beach Blvd. and Warner Ave.). Please contact Joanna Cortez for more information.

<u>(HUNTINGTON STREET SFDS)</u>: <u>TPM/CDP</u>: To subdivide a 5,832 sq. ft. lot into two parcels to allow for the development of two single family dwellings; and <u>VAR</u>: To permit 1) a front entry garage with a reduced setback of five ft. in-lieu of a required setback of 20 ft. and 2) a building height of 30 ft. within the rear 25 ft. setback area in-lieu of the maximum allowed height of 25 ft. The project is located at 601 Huntington St. (northwest corner of Huntington St. and Frankfort Ave.). Please contact Joanna Cortez for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website at <a href="http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/agendas/">http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/agendas/</a>

## **Zoning Administrator**

On Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at 1:30 PM in Room B-8 the Zoning Administrator will hold a meeting to review the following items:

#### CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 18-008 (PETER'S LANDING PARKING PROGRAM - CONTINUED FROM THE AU-

<u>GUST 1, 2018 MEETING)</u>: To establish a shared parking program for an existing 98,823 sq. ft. shopping center (Peter's Landing), which includes a reduction in the number of parking spaces required for the existing and future commercial uses at the commercial shopping center (retail, office, restaurant, marina, and religious assembly located at 16330-16470 Pacific Coast Highway (properties northeast and southeast of Anderson St. and Pacific Coast Highway). Please contact Lindsay Ortega for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website at <a href="http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm">http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm</a>.

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# **Design Review Board**

On Thursday, August 9, 2018, at 3:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the Design Review Board will hold a meeting to review the following items:

<u>DESIGN REVIEW NO. 16-011 (ASCON FINAL REMEDY):</u> To review the design, colors, and materials of a 6-foot tall perimeter fence for the Ascon site located at 21641 Magnolia Street (southwest corner of Magnolia Street and Hamilton Avenue). Please contact Ricky Ramos for more information.

<u>DESIGN REVIEW NO. 18-019 (SURF CITY SCREEN):</u> To review the design, colors, and materials of a temporary decorative screen along an existing chain link fence located at 21622 Pacific Coast Highway (northeast corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Beach Boulevard). Please contact Joanna Cortez for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website at https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/PJB/drb1/.

## LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

## The Fun Never Stops at the Branch Libraries!

All creative types are invited to meet at the Oak View Branch Library for the second installment of the fabulous **Paper Flowers Workshop**, which will take place on **Wednesday**, **August 8**, **at 2:30 p.m**. Paper florals add color and life to any room, are easy to make, and require practically no maintenance! Perfect for those without a "green thumb."





This fun and creative workshop, led by Miss Marina, will teach participants how to fold some truly beautiful paper flowers! Advance sign-up is required. Those interested are encouraged to call the library at 714 375-5068 to register. The Oak View Branch Library is located at 17251 Oak Lane in Huntington Beach.



The next meeting of the **Main Street Library Book Club** is coming up on **Thursday, August 16, at 5:30 p.m**. This month's featured title is "Everything I Never Told You," by Celeste Ng. This thrilling debut novel captures the tensions caused by both

culture clash and the generation gap, which are seamlessly combined into the dynamics of the Lee family, whose favorite daughter Lydia, was found dead in the local lake. Her death tumbles the already fragile family into chaos and makes them face the real struggles they have been having all along to understand one another.

Come to the library at 5:30 p.m. for refreshments, followed by a thought-provoking discussion at 5:45 p.m. The Main Street Branch Library is located at 525 Main

Street in Huntington Beach. Call 714 375-5071 for more information.

# **College Application Essay Workshop**

Do you know a teen who is applying to colleges soon? A well-written college essay can help them get into their top school. Central Library will be hosting Jody Cohan-French, author of "The Write Way Into College." She will teach incoming high school seniors how to get organized for the demanding college application process, interpret and break down the Common App and UC essay prompts, conquer the "why essays," tap into the details of topics to find personal story angles, and break away from conventional structure to find their voice.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, August 11, from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Talbert Room at Central Library. Students can register online on the library events calendar at hbpl.org. Attendees should bring a laptop or paper and pen so they can work on their essays.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**



#### **ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND**

The City of Huntington Beach's Adventure Playground is open for business, but come experience it soon before it closes for the summer! Adventure Playground is located east of the Central Park Library and is open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday and is closed on Sundays. Adventure Playground will close for the summer on August 17. The cost is \$4 per participant and all adult chaperones are FREE.

The area features a rafting pond, an opportunity to balance on the rope bridge, splash down the mudslide and build with hammers and saws. Adults are required for all children under the age of 12. Closed toed shoes like tennis and running shoes are a must for everyone entering the area. NO OPEN toe shoes or crocks allowed! No exceptions!! Reservations are required for groups of 10 or more. For more information please contact Adventure Playground at 714-842-7442.

# This Fall, the HB Art Center will Offer NEW Art Classes Specifically for TEENS!

These new art classes will offered offsite at the Rodgers Center (1706 Orange Avenue, HB), and include classes in cartooning, photography, painting, ukulele, guitar, and yoga!

Visit <a href="http://www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org/new-offsite-teen-classes.html">http://www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org/new-offsite-teen-classes.html</a> for a complete list of classes and schedules, and visit <a href="https://www.hbsands.org">www.hbsands.org</a> to enroll online. Registration begins August 7!

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

# 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Saturday Community Festival Showcases Products and Services for Seniors and Families

On Saturday, September 8, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Huntington Beach Council on Aging will hold its annual Senior Saturday Community Festival at the beautiful Pier Plaza in downtown Huntington Beach.

Senior Saturday is the largest Senior Expo in Orange County that is free to the public.

Sponsor booths will provide valuable information on products and services specifically geared to a growing community of baby boomers, older adults and their families. This is an excellent op-

portunity for Boomers, seniors and their families to spend a Saturday by the Pier while gathering pertinent information amid a festive atmosphere.

In addition to the sponsor booths, there will be a \$2 breakfast, \$2 lunch, giveaways, fun demonstrations, and free entertainment throughout the event. No pre-purchase needed. Ticket purchases are available the day of the event.



The Huntington Beach Council on Aging is a non-profit corporation that supports programs and services for Huntington Beach Seniors through the Senior Center in Central Park.

Bring your family and friends for a fun filled morning and afternoon. There will be free shuttle service provided by the Surf City Seniors on the Go Buses from the Senior Center in Central Park to Pier Plaza. For more information, please call the Senior Center at (714) 536-5600.



## **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

## **Annual Huck Finn Fishing Derby Coming August 11—FREE Family Fun!**

Summertime calls for a fishing day at the Huntington Beach Pier! The Huck Finn Fishing Derby is for kids under the age of 15.

There will be an award for the "Best Dressed" Huck Finn and Beck Thatcher, along with an award for "Largest Fish Caught" in each age division. The divisions are: 7-years-old and under, 8-11 years old, and 12-15 year old. It is a **FREE** event taking place on Saturday August 11, from 9:15 a.m. to noon.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. There is a **LIMITED** amount of loaner rods and bait available. If you have any questions or concern can call the Edison Community Center at (714) 060, 8870.





# Hosted by:

LET'S GO FISHING
Cliff and Marian Johnson on the Huntington Beach Pier

Special Thanks to our Sponsor:

California Department of Fishing and Wildfire
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Newport Landing Sport Fishing
AND MANY MORE!

## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

## \$70,000 Fine for Not Recycling a Thermostat! TRC has the Solution

Who knew that those old thermostats could cost you \$70,000? That's the fine for failing to recycle mercury thermostats. Why such a hefty penalty? When mercury thermostats are discarded with everyday trash, the mercury bulb inside the thermostat will break, spilling mercury and creating a dangerous hazard.

According to California State law, it's illegal to dispose of mercury thermostats in the trash or leave them at customers' premises. Everyone can comply with the law and avoid the \$70,000



fine by bringing in their mercury thermostats to Rainbow/Republic Services. Rainbow/Republic Services will collect your mercury thermostats in a safe container and send them in for proper disposal.

Staying compliant with the law is a good thing, but what's even better is that you may be eligible for a \$5 rebate for every recycled mercury thermostat. Visit this website to see if you qualify: <a href="http://bit.ly/TRCCAReg">http://bit.ly/TRCCAReg</a>.

For questions about the program, contact Sara Bethel at <a href="mailto:sbethel@sgamarketing.com">sbethel@sgamarketing.com</a> or 562-597-0205.

# **City Hall Directory**

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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