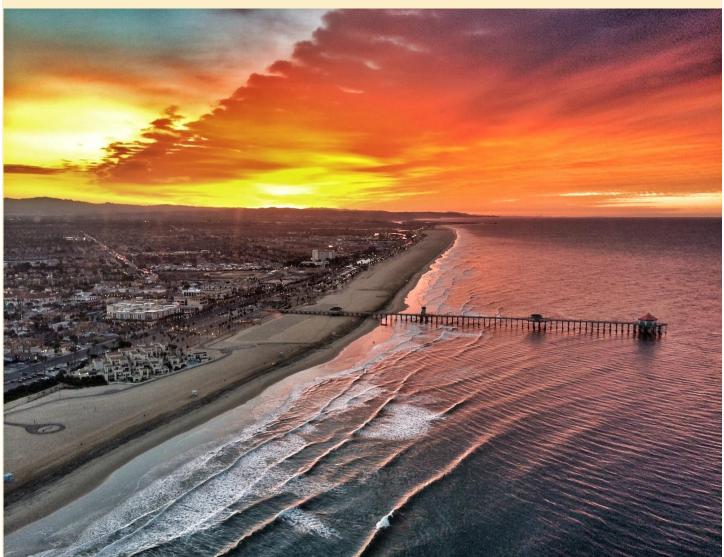
CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

City Manager's Report





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#### In Memory.....

The City of Huntington Beach reflects on those lost in Sunday's tragic helicopter accident. Our hearts go out to the Bryant, Altobelli and Chester families, as well as our own local HB residents Ara Zobayan, and Christina Mauser. May you find peace during this difficult time.

The City is in the process of organizing a candlelight vigil at the Pier in the coming week. Look on our social media platforms for an official announcement.

#### HB Named "Best Run City" in US by Stacker/MSN Money

Last week, Huntington Beach was ranked #1 by Stacker/MSN Money as the "Best Run City" in America! We couldn't have achieved such a prestigious ranking without the amazing work of our talented municipal team here at the City!

The Stacker / MSN Money ranking system built on methodology was developed by Wallethub, and Surf City's performance in the assessment placed us ahead of every city in the country, including numerous peer jurisdictions in California, among them Santa Ana (No. 38), Long Beach (No. 34), Anaheim (No. 27), San Francisco (No. 19), San Jose (No. 11), San Diego (No. 8), and Fremont (No. 5).

Full story here:

https://www.msn.com/en-us/money/markets/best-run-cities-in-america/ss-





On Saturday, Feb. 15, the City will host lifeguard tryouts at 8 a.m. at Lifeguard Headquarters located at 103 Pacific Coast Highway, one block from the Pier. Performance exam consists of three physical events, as well as an oral interview on Sunday, Feb. 16.

Applicants must be 17 by June 1, 2020. Proof required (Age 16 for HB City Beach Junior Guards who have received rank of Captain and are recommended by MS Management). Applications are available online <a href="https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/jobs">www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/jobs</a> and must be submitted, along with the Performance Exam Form, by the application deadline of February 13 at noon. For more information, please call 714-536-5497.

#### 24th Annual Surf City Marathon this Sunday, Feb. 2

This long-time race offers stunning views of the Pacific Ocean and America's true "Surf City," as runners make their way to the finish line by way of Pacific Coast Highway and local city streets. This exciting weekend will include a two-day LifeStyle Expo by the water, "Mile in the Sand" on Saturday, February 1, and close with a full marathon, half marathon, and 5k on Sunday, February 2.



Community members are encouraged to join in on the fun! To plan your day accordingly, here are a few more important notes:

- The 2020 event course will require the closure of Pacific Coast Highway from Beach Boulevard to Warner Avenue. Pacific Coast Highway will be closed between 1 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, February 2. Detours will be in place.
- The race will begin at 6:30 a.m. near the Huntington Beach Pier, at the intersection of Huntington Street and Pacific Coast Highway.
- All three distances (marathon, half, and 5k) will start in the northbound lanes along Pacific Coast
   Highway and return in the southbound lanes. Portions of the bike path will be utilized for the marathon route.
- Detours will be in place and law enforcement will be onsite to assist motorists when safe. For the safety of all involved, please obey all traffic signs and direction from law-enforcement.

Additional information and full event schedule can be found online at www.runsurfcity.com

### Scott Haberle Set to Serve as Surf City's Next Fire Chief

City Manager Oliver Chi has announced the appointment of Scott Haberle as the City's next Fire Chief, effective February 10, 2020. Chief Haberle joins Huntington Beach with 27 years of fire service experience, with the past five years in the capacity of Fire Chief for the City of Monterey Park. The City Council approved Chief Haberle's employment contract on January 21.

Full press release here:

https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/announcements/announcement.cfm?id=1392



New Fire Chief Scott Haberle



#### Oak View Library News

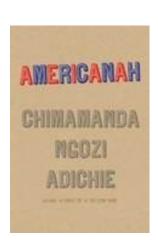
**Thursday, January 30** — Oak View Library will host its first "Fair Housing Foundation Walk-in Clinic" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 pm. All interested tenants, landlords, owner, managers and/or brokers can get more information about any rental housing issue or dispute, such as reasonable accommodations, rent increases and housing discrimination. A housing counselor will be on hand to answer questions about Fair Housing Laws. For more information about this FREE event, visit www.fhfca.org.

**Friday, January 31 –** Toddlers ages one to three can attend the Bilingual Spanish/English Storytime from 10 to 11 am. This week's theme Rain, and Miss Amy will have stories, delightful music, finger-plays and an easy craft to go along with it. Parents and older children can come as well.



**Monday, February 10 –** The whole family is invited to a free Valentine's Day Card Making Session from 2 to 3 p.m. Everyone in attendance can make a beautiful Valentine's Day card (or cards!) for their loved ones.

All needed supplies will be provided by the library. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. To register, please visit the library's calendar at <a href="https://hbpl.libcal.com/calendar/branches/?cid=6565&t=d&d=2020-02-10&cal=6565">https://hbpl.libcal.com/calendar/branches/?cid=6565&t=d&d=2020-02-10&cal=6565</a>. The Oak View Library is located at 17251 Oak Lane and can be reached by calling 714 375-5068.



#### Main Street Library News

**Thursday, February 13 –** All interested adults ages 18 and above can look forward to the next Main Street Book Club from 5:30-7:00 pm. The featured book for this month is Americanah, by Nigerian-born Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. This acclaimed work, which won the National Book Critics Circle Award, tells the story of Ifemelu and Obinze, two star-crossed lovers who leave their military-oppressed homeland for the West.

Americanah, the author's third novel, was named one of the New York Times Top Ten Best Books of 2013. Join other like-minded bibliophiles for free refreshments at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a book discussion at 5:45 p.m.

The Main Street Library is located at 525 Main Street and can be reached by calling 714 375-5071.

Join us for our annual Authors'
Valentine Tea, held on Wednesday,
February 12 at 2 p.m. at the Huntington Beach Central Library. This year's tea features a trio of talented mystery authors. Ellen Byron is the author of the Cajun Country Mysteries. Anne Louise Bannon's latest novel is Death of the City Marshal. Naomi Hirahara is the Edgar award-winning author of the Mas Arai Mysteries.

Tickets are available at <a href="https://www.fotlhb.com/reservations.html">https://www.fotlhb.com/reservations.html</a>. The price for Friends of the Library members is \$25; non-members pay \$30.



Authors' Valentine Tea | Feb 12th, 2020

#### **Other Library News & Notes**

There were 78 Library events scheduled for January 2020!

Wifi Stats - week of January 13, 2020

- 4,451 unique sessions
- 1,318 clients per day
- January 13 highest use day, with 1505 clients

Kanopy - Streaming video service

2,720 during the week of January 13, 2020



Pre-K to 3rd Grade Winners at the Writing & Illustrating
Contest

#### Key events:

- HB Reads presents The 57 Bus panel discussion, Thursday, January 30, from 7 pm 8 pm
  - ♦ Join us for a discussion of gender and identity in Dashka Slater's The 57 Bus with a panel of speakers from local LGBTQ+ organizations
  - ♦ Featured speakers include: Cynthia Olaya (School Psychologist at Fountain Valley High School) & Rose Nicewarner (Fountain Valley High School student).
- More than 19 Children's authors who have visited the schools return to the library to sign books and
  meet with the public. The January 28 awards ceremony for the writing and illustrating contest was held
  in the Tabby Theater. Over 455 entries were received this year! Award winning works are displayed in
  the children's department.
- Silent Book Club Friday, January 31, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Introverts unite (quietly)!
- Join us for a silent reading session. We will start with a 10-minute meet-and-greet and then dive into reading. After every 20 minutes, you'll have a chance to break and chat before we jump back into our books. Coffee, tea, and light snacks will be provided.

# **Library Services**



# HBPL Makerspace Grand Opening

Saturday, February 8 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Ribbon Cutting @ 10 AM

The Makerspace is a place to learn new technologies and make things using the latest equipment. Our Makerspace includes:

- · 3D printing
- Sewing machines / serger
- littleBits coding
- Button Maker
- Laser engraving
- Green Screen
- · Oculus Virtual Reality
- Cricut Maker

Join us as we celebrate the opening of our HBPL Makerspace and learn how you can become part of the Maker Community in Huntington Beach.

Share a skill you already have, or learn something new.



#### **Huntington Beach Public Library**

Central Library 7111 Talbert Avenue Huntington Beach, California 92648 | 714.842.4481 www.hbpl.org

#### **Public Works Department**

#### **Atlanta Avenue Widening Project Nearly Complete**

After almost 15 years, the Atlanta Avenue widening project, located near Pacific City, is nearing completion. This journey began in 2005, when the City Council authorized Public Works staff to apply for federal funding for the project. The application for the project to start preliminary engineering and acquire additional right of way, prior to construction, was conceptually approved later that year, resulting in a grant of \$70,000 for design and approximately \$2,200,000 for acquisition of right of way and relocation of tenants.

With grant funding deadlines pending, the City Council awarded a construction

contract in June of 2018. A settlement agreement was approved by the City Council in December of 2018, and staff was then released to begin construction, which commenced shortly thereaf-

ter.



As of now, with the street fully widened, it is anticipated that construction will be substantially completed by February 1. This project has been a team effort on behalf of the Public Works Department, Community Development Department, City Attorney's Office, and Office of Business Development's Real Estate Services to collaboratively bring this project to fruition.

### **Public Works Department**



#### Sharing the Love of Engineering

Several engineers from the City's Public Works Department served as guest speakers at Career Center events for both Ocean View High School and Huntington Beach High School. Besides encouraging the students to pursue engineering careers and talking about what a civil engineer actually does, our PE staff shared details regarding their engineering career with interested students.

#### HB Streets Employee Named "Emerging Leader of the Year"

One of our very own in our Streets Department – Joe Pinel – received the prestigious American Public Works Association award as "Emerging Leader of the Year."

As a second-generation public servant, Joe followed in his family's footsteps into municipal employment. While his family suggested firefighting as a future, Joe found himself interested in the construction industry. Working as a laborer, a cabinet maker, and a plumber, he worked hard to pave the way for a rewarding career with the Huntington Beach Public Works Department. His combined ten years of private and public construction experience has been instrumental in helping facilitate Huntington Beach's street sweeping and Pavement Management programs.



In his spare time, Joe enjoys traveling with his wife Kristine and their two border-collies, Finnigan and Harper. His family frequents the Colorado River and they use every chance they can.

## **Community Services Department**

#### Winter Workshops

The Huntington Beach Art Center not only offers a fantastic schedule of classes but also presents opportunities to enjoy one-day workshops. Spend a Saturday afternoon this February exploring new skills and techniques in sessions taught by professional artists. Call (714) 374-1650 for more information or register online at hbsands.org.

#### Contemporary Art Workshop

Saturday, February 1 | 1 - 3:30 pm



This one-day workshop explores traditional and non-

traditional principles of visual composition in abstract paintings. Focus on finding your unique style of expression, while gaining knowledge of the concepts and color relationships in abstract and non-objective art. The workshop is for artists of all levels who want to challenge their creativity. Beginning and advanced students welcome.



Saturday, February 8 | 2 - 4 pm

You want to write, but don't know where to start? Begin with a session of guided writing exercises and tips on how to put your ideas into motion for books, scripts, short stories, poetry, and non-fiction. We'll discuss structure, technique, characters, and conflict. This one-day intensive class, taught by a published writer and former magazine editor, will encourage both the novice and experienced writer. Bring writing supplies.





#### **Fire Department**

#### Trauma for Teachers Workshop

How would you react to an emergency situation on a school campus? What resources would you use to help control bleeding? How would you triage patients? What patients would you give priority to?

These are questions Senior Sophia Cendro had been asking herself on campus at Huntington Beach High School.

Sophia, a Huntington Beach City Ocean Lifeguard, realized that there are constant threats of violence across the country and only a few staff members at her school



have the knowledge and resources to treat trauma patients. She believes that the issue, "if left unresolved, will result in the continued, unnecessary loss of innocent life on school campuses."

These questions and concerns allowed her to design the "Trauma for Teachers" Program that was taught on Monday, January 27 in collaboration with the Huntington Beach Fire Department, along with support from Children's Hospital of Orange County, Huntington Beach Hospital, and the Orange County Health Care Agency at Huntington Beach High School to approximately 200 staff members. The instructors included Huntington Beach City Lifeguards, Firefighter Paramedics, SWAT Paramedics, doctors, and nurses. The training taught staff members techniques in bleeding control, including tourniquet use and hands-only CPR.



Mayor Lyn Semeta with student Sophia Cendro, along with Chief David Segura, Chief Michael Baumgartner and fire staff

Every classroom and specific areas on campus was equipped with a bleeding control kit that complemented the skills taught during the class. These kits include items such as tourniquets, gloves, and compressed gauze.

Trauma for Teachers benefited the lives of more than 3,000 students at Huntington Beach High, and hopefully spread to other high schools in the area. Sophia is helping create a safer place for her fellow students and future students at Huntington Beach High School.

#### **Police Department**

#### **HBPD Cracking Down on Illegal Placard Use**

Beginning February 1, HBPD Parking Control Officers will have a new tool to help combat the rampant abuse of disabled person's parking privileges.

A new ordinance passed by City Council makes the illegal use of a disabled person's license plate or placard a City violation carrying a fine of \$880. This ordinance will provide our Parking Team with an opportunity to enforce the growing trend of misuse.

For more information, check out the DMV's website for details: https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/pubs/brochures/fast\_facts/ffvr07

The Unit's goal is to deter fraudulent use of disabled parking privileges and ensure equitable and accessible parking for all citizens. Citations can be contested within 21 days by visiting www.pticket.com.



#### **Community Development Department**

#### RHNA Update from SCAG - Workshop Feb. 3

SCAG recently shared that they will move forward to seek formal adoption of the proposed 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Methodology without any changes. If adopted as is, the current State-approved SCAG housing calculation formula assigns Huntington Beach with a housing allotment of 13,321 units for the 2021 – 2029 RHNA cycle.

From a procedural perspective, the decision isn't finalized yet, as SCAG is in the process of coordinating the administrative approval process that must take place before the methodology can be finalized. That process starts with a RHNA Subcommittee meeting (Feb. 24); consideration by the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (March 5); and formal consideration by the Regional Council Meeting (March 5). After those processes are completed, the housing allocation methodology will be tentatively finalized, subject to the completion of a 90-day appeals process. Only after that formal appeals process is completed will the ultimate housing allocation determination for the 6th Cycle be finalized.

**SCAG** will host a workshop on February 3, from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., that will explain the process for appeals and associated timeline. This meeting will be held at SCAG's main headquarters and videoconferenced to regional offices, and a webinar option is also available. To participate, please RSVP at: <a href="https://scag.wufoo.com/forms/webinar-workshop/">https://scag.wufoo.com/forms/webinar-workshop/</a>

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## **Community Development Department**



Attention HBUHSD 6th -12th grade students! The Art Contest is on now! Submit your artwork to the City between March 18-25. See link for all details and application:

https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/announcements/announcement.cfm?id=1390



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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
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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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