

City Managers Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

March 10, 2015

CITY CLERK

Fireworks Stand for Lottery: Apply Now through March 31, 2015

With the passage of Measure T, it is now legal to use safe and sane fireworks in the City of Huntington Beach on the Fourth of July between the hours of noon to 10 p.m. (see ordinance for requirements on places of discharge). The City Council wrote new regulations to help qualified organizations raise money and for all residents to have a safe Fourth of July. Qualified organizations may apply for the opportunity to operate one of 15 allowed fireworks stands to raise funds for their charitable cause. **Applications will be due by Tuesday, March 31 at 5 p.m. in the City Clerks' office.**



Points of Interest

- FIREWORK STAND APPLICATIONS
- LIFEGUARD TRYOUTS
- CENTRAL LIBRARY CELEBRATES 40 YEARS
- SPRING AND SUMMER REGISTRATION
- EDINGER AVENUE BRIDGE CLOSURE
- UPCOMING EVENTS

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call the City Clerk's Office at 714-536-5227 or visit www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/fireworks/

REMINDER: This Weekend is Lifeguard Tryouts!

Lifeguard tryouts will take place this **Sunday, March 15 at 8 a.m.** at Lifeguard Headquarters located at 103 Pacific Coast Highway, south of the Pier.

The City of Huntington Beach is hiring approximately 25 responsible men and women to provide first-line protection to the City's beaches. The performance exam will take place at the Lifeguard Headquarters, south of the Pier.

Events are conducted in prevailing conditions around and through the Huntington Beach Pier. Applicants must satisfactorily complete all performance exam events to be eligible for further consideration.

For more information please visit: <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/announcements/attachments/Lifeguard%20Tryouts2015.pdf>

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Call the City Gym & Pool at 714-960-8884

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Spring & Summer Preview Registration

Registration for **Spring & Summer** classes is available online at HBSands.org or at any community center (see below). Sign up now for swimming classes, special interest camps (Hunger Games, Harry Potter & more), and the brand-new day camp, Camp HB!

City Gym & Pool
1600 Palm Avenue
714-960-8884

Edison Community Center
21377 Magnolia Street
714-960-8870

Murdy Community Center
7000 Norma Drive
714-960-8895

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AT ANY COMMUNITY CENTER OR ONLINE AT HBSANDS.ORG

Soccer Programs

Come join us for a semi-competitive introduction to soccer! Our Pee Wee (ages 3-5) & Junior (ages 6-8) soccer programs are a great way to start boys and girls off with a positive and fun learning experience in youth sports. Players will be introduced to the fundamentals of soccer through game based drills, hands on instruction, and scrimmages. The program will take place at the Central Park Sports Complex on the artificial turf soccer fields. Each participant will receive an HB recreation shirt and all soccer equipment will be provided each day. Classes begin April 11 and will continue every Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday until May 21.

On Saturday March 21, the Huntington Beach Council on Aging, in conjunction with the Orange County Association of Realtors, will host an e-waste paper shredding event at Rodgers Seniors Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., located in the parking lot. This is an easy way to safely dispose of old records and junk mail and protect your identity. You are limited to five banker boxes or paper bags of material per person.

E-Waste Paper Shredding

For more information please contact the Rodgers Seniors' Center front desk at 714-536-9387.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

On February 28, at approximately 10:45 a.m., Fire Department units responded on a Heavy Rescue with an overturned vehicle at Brookhurst and Hamilton. There was one trapped victim who was quickly extricated and transported to the hospital. HBPD is investigating the cause of the accident.

HEAVY
RESCUE AND
MULTI-
CASUALTY
INCIDENT

Motor Home Fire

On March 4, at approximately 3 p.m., fire units responded to a reported vehicle fire on Talbert with potential victim(s) trapped. On arrival, fire crews found a fully involved motor home. Once the fire was extinguished, there was one fatality inside the motor home and one victim was transported to the hospital. Both HBPD and HBFD are investigating the incident.



Junior Lifeguards

The City of Huntington Beach Junior Lifeguards (Jr. Guards) completed its 51st season and registration is now online to provide a greater level of convenience.

The Jr. Guard program continues to provide an education-based curriculum emphasizing environmental awareness, physical fitness, and lifesaving skills. It is designed to build confidence and personal pride through a disciplinary structure that also involves hands-on learning of environmental identification of rip currents, marine life, geographical changes in the beach typography, and the general operations of the Marine Safety Division.

In addition to the daily physical fitness routines, swimming, snorkeling, bodysurfing, and surfing, the students are able to experience, campouts, surf days at Dog Beach, Raging Waters, regional competitions, a hot dog BBQ, pancake breakfast, "The Dance," graduation, and trips to Catalina, San Clemente, and San Onofre.

This program could not function without the instructors who give it their all each summer by providing the necessary guidance on a daily basis. Add to the equation, the Friends of Huntington Beach Junior Lifeguards, our parent group who donate their time without any compensation, and it equals a successful program. It is because of their efforts and the support of local business that we enjoy one of the finest facilities designed for the education of our youth.

**Huntington Beach City
Junior Lifeguard**



Tryouts
April & May 2015
www.juniorguard.com
714-374-1501

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PUBLIC WORKS

SENIOR CENTER CONSTRUCTION STATUS UPDATE

A website dedicated to the development of the Senior Center will be developed in the next few months for residents to go to and get regular updates regarding progress of the construction. Construction is expected to be complete by mid-2016.

CURRENT STATUS

- Water connections in Goldenwest Street have been completed
- Temporary signal modifications are completed to accommodate construction traffic
- Rough grading of the site has started

TWO MONTH LOOK AHEAD

- Rough grading of the site continues until mid-March
- Install field offices
- Begin trenching for utility services to building
- Excavate building foundation and set steel reinforcement
- Building slab to be poured April through June in stages

SENIOR
CENTER—
FEBRUARY
CONSTRUCTION
STATUS REPORT



EDINGER AVENUE
BRIDGE—LONG
TERM BRIDGE
CLOSURE

The County of Orange has closed the Edinger Bridge over the Bolsa Chica Channel due to structural damage. They will work on the repairs to the bridge. The City is currently working with the County of Orange, but at this time, there is no specific information as to when the bridge will be re-opened.

For further information, please contact Orange County Public Works at 714-438-9707

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“**Fix a Leak Week**” is a great reminder to improve your home’s water efficiency. Innocent leaks like a dripping faucet, a running toilet or a leaking irrigation system buried underground typically waste more water (and money) than you think.

- **Free Rainwater Harvesting Class** - Saturday, March 14, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., 19001 Huntington St. (Utilities Yard). Purchase rain barrels at www.rainbarrelsintl.com, select the “events” tab, City of Huntington Beach or call (919) 602-6316.
- **Free California-Friendly Landscape Class** – Saturday, March 21, 9 a.m. to noon, 19001 Huntington St. (Utilities Yard). Sign-up online at: www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events or call our Water Conservation Hotline at (714) 536-5922.
- **Free home water surveys for H.B residents.** The City of Huntington Beach is partnering with the Municipal Water District of Orange County. For more information on the Water Smart Home Certification Program, please visit: www.mwdoc.com/wue or call our Water Conservation Hotline at (714) 536-5922.

**Fix a Leak
Week—March 16
through March
22**



CITY OF
HUNTINGTON
BEACH WEB
SURFING TIPS:

INFORMATION SERVICES

Did you know that by having .gov in our website top-level domain name, site visitors can be assured that our website is a legitimate official government website? This domain name required a letter of authorization from the Mayor and was submitted to the US General Services Administration (GSA) for approval.

<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov>

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LIBRARY

We're celebrating 40 years of the Central Library in Central Park and the public is invited to join the fun! The Richard Neutra-designed facility opened on April 7, 1975. We've got lots of games and activities planned to mark this anniversary. There will be story times, face painting and crafts for the kids, plus trivia, bingo, library tours, scavenger hunts, and even some disco dancing. And, of course, we'll have time for some cake and munchies! The celebration starts at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 7. Best of all, it's all FREE!

For a full schedule of events, please visit the Library website www.hbpl.org.

CENTRAL LIBRARY
CELEBRATES 40
YEARS!



SHARE YOUR
MEMORIES AND
PHOTOS OF
CENTRAL LIBRARY

As part of the Central Library's 40th Anniversary Celebration, we're gathering a scrapbook wall of pictures and stories from the last four decades. Remember a favorite librarian or anecdote about a library visit? Was there a particularly memorable event or program you attended at the library? What about your child's first story time or summer reading program -- was it a hit or miss? We'd also love to see any photos you have from the library over the years, especially any photos from the Dedication Ceremony on April 5, 1975 or Grand Opening on April 7, 1975.

Send your memories and/or photos to library@hbpl.org with "Central Memories" as the subject.



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BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

When it comes to the excitement surrounding Pacific City, it seems there's something new to talk about almost every week. This emerging icon is shaping up to be quite the destination of choice for retailers and restaurants alike, all of which are clamoring to be located in one of the most unique and picturesque settings lining the Southern California coast.

The Bungalow restaurant will be expanding to Pacific City, having been highly successful at its Santa Monica location. Seal Beach favorite Mahe will be bringing Ola, an entirely new twist on Mexican cuisine to town. Ocean Blue Gallery, The Plantation Home & Gift, and Saint Marc Bakery & Kitchen will soon call Pacific City home.

THE LATEST ON
PACIFIC CITY
RETAILERS AND
RESTAURANTS



PLANNING AND BUILDING

MITIGATED
NEGATIVE
DECLARATION
NO. 14-006

Notice is hereby given that Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for public review and comment commencing Thursday, March 5, 2015, and ending Monday, April 6, 2015. Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration No. 14-006 analyzes the potential environmental impacts associated with maintenance activities on the existing Brookhurst Street bridge as follows: Remove and replace concrete barrier and chain link railing with corrosion-resistant materials; remove and replace existing asphalt concrete (AC) overlay to protect the bridge and channel from water leaks and to provide a durable driving surface; and remove unsound concrete and patch concrete at the bridge bents and columns.

The Brookhurst Street bridge spans approximately 163 linear feet over the Talbert Channel — a tidally influenced waterway connecting the Pacific Ocean with the Talbert and Brookhurst marshes. The bridge is a five-span pre-stressed voided slab bridge with six traffic lanes and a pedestrian sidewalk on both sides.

A copy of the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review at the Planning & Building Department, City of Huntington Beach, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California 92648; Central Library, 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach, California, 92647; City Clerk's Office, 2000 Main St., Huntington Beach, California; and on the internet at <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/Environmentalreports.cfm>

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PLANNING AND BUILDING

On Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers the Planning Commission will review the following item:

Planning Commission

- 1. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-029 (L.A. FITNESS HEALTH CLUB—CONTINUED FROM JANUARY 13, 2015)** Request: To permit the establishment a 45,400 sq. ft. health club including a fitness studio, workout areas, cycling and aerobics rooms, outdoor lap pool, spa, locker rooms, basketball court, and kids klub within an existing multi-tenant commercial center. This project includes removal of the existing outdoor garden center and outdoor storage area to construct an outdoor pool area and create a new parking area (87 spaces) and landscape improvements at 19330 Goldenwest Street, 92648 (northeast corner of Goldenwest Street and Yorktown Avenue) City Contact: Tess Nguyen, Associate Planner

A copy of the agenda is available on the City’s website <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/pcl/PCAgendas.cfm>). Please contact the Planning Division at 714- 536-5271 with any questions.

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

On Thursday, March 12, 2015, at 3:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the following item is scheduled for review by the Design Review Board:

- 1. **DESIGN REVIEW NO. 15-002 (MONOGRAM RESIDENTIAL PUBLIC ART):** To review the design, colors, and materials of the public art elements for the residential development (formerly Pedigo Apartments) at 16001 Gothard Street, 92647 (southwest corner of Gothard Street and Edinger Avenue). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, for more information.
- 2. **DESIGN REVIEW NO. 2014-005 (TELEPACIFIC ROOFTOP ANTENNAS):** To review the design, colors, and materials of a rooftop wireless communication facility. The project proposes to relocate the existing seven (7) panel antennas, six (6) microwave dishes, two (2) equipment cabinets, and install one (1) new panel antenna on the roof of an existing commercial building at 18800 Delaware Street (eastside of Delaware Street, between Main Street and Garfield Avenue). Please contact Joanna Cortez, Assistant Planner, for more information.
- 3. **DESIGN REVIEW NO. 2014-012 (VERIZON WIRELESS MONOEUCALYPTUS):** To review the design, colors, and materials of a proposed 55 ft. high monoecalyptus with twelve (12), six-foot long panel antennas and one microwave dish and a 278 sq. ft. equipment enclosure at 18652 Florida Street (southeast corner of Florida Street and Professional Circle, south of Main Street). Please contact Joanna Cortez, Assistant Planner, for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City’s website (<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/PJB/drb1/index.cfm>). Please contact the Planning Division at 714-536-5271 with any questions.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Founded in 1968, Huntington Beach was the first air support unit in Orange County, and the second in California. HB1, the call sign for all three of HBPD's helicopters, is responsible for also patrolling Newport Beach and Costa Mesa, and is often called to help other cities without air support such as Irvine, Tustin and Westminster. Six pilots make up the HB1 unit, along with two dedicated mechanics — Glen Erickson and Mike Cavanaugh.

The air unit is more than felony car chases and foot pursuits, though they get their fair share of those as well. They help find lost children on the beach, enforce traffic laws from the air, and even help spot and arrest drunken drivers. "Last year, we either made or assisted in about 200 drunken driving arrests," said officer Mark Wersching. HB1 also patrols city events and scans the ocean on busy summer days looking for distressed swimmers. "We can spot a rip tide from two miles away," said Sgt. Chris Nesmith. HB1 is equipped with floatation devices the pilots can throw to swimmers in trouble as lifeguards swim to make the rescue.

Some of HB1's impact on community safety may go unnoticed by residents, but not by the pilots who see the action first-hand. "Its presence prevents crime and that is never quantified because those crimes never occurred," Nesmith said.

For the complete article, please visit the Behind the Badge website:

<http://behindthebadgeoc.com/cities/hbpd/hbpd-air-unit-catches-bad-guys-makes-rescues-saves-lives/>

HB1

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- **The 15th Annual Beachcruiser Meet** - A popular gathering of beach cruising vehicles manufactured through 1972, featuring nomads, woodies, VW Transporters, convertibles, steel wagons and other beach cruisin' vehicles of the era. Event hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on **Saturday, March 21** and 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on **Sunday, March 22**. Please visit <http://www.surfcityusa.com/> for more information and registration details.
- **Cherry Blossom Festival** - **Sunday, March 22 from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.** located at Huntington Beach Central Park Bandstand at 7111 Talbert Avenue, directly behind the Library. Come down and enjoy a fun day featuring Japanese food, cultural exhibits, crafts, games, and entertainment. <http://www.hbjapanesefestival.com/>



City News

Cities Celebrates Special Olympics Host Town Delegation Announcement at Huntington Beach Pier

On Wednesday, March 4, city officials, residents, business and community leaders from Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley held an event at the pier to announce its Special Olympics LA2015 Host Towns. The City of Huntington Beach will host more than 100 delegates from Australia, while Fountain Valley will host nearly 80 delegates from the Netherlands. Our guest will arrive July 21 through July 24, prior to the Games beginning on July 25.

The two cities plan to provide the delegation of athlete's culture, accommodations, training and an experience of a lifetime. The 2015 Special Olympics World Games will be held in Los Angeles July 25-August 2, 2015. During the Games, 177 countries will be represented by 7,000 athletes and 3,000 coaches.

To learn more visit: Host Town Webpage: www.la2015.org/host-town/huntington-beach
Facebook Fan Page: www.facebook.com/HTHuntingtonBeach?ref=hl



City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 536-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5542
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
Planning & Building	(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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