

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

March 5, 2012

CITY CLERK

Lions Club Shred-A-Thon – Saturday, May 26, 2012 – 8:00 to 1:00

Records, and their proper and secure destruction when necessary, are important in the City Clerk's Office. We would like to make you aware of a free public shredding event for your personal records hosted by the Surf City Lions Club. The event will be held Saturday, May 26 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The location is Realty One Group (back office parking lot) at 19126 Magnolia Avenue, #101, in Huntington Beach.

Drive up and drop off your outdated, expired confidential documents, tax records, cancelled checks and old bills. Representatives from a professional, licensed and bonded document shredding company will take possession of the old documents and shred them for free. No limit. Donations are accepted. The event is sponsored by Realty One Group (714) 925-5361.

Food and beverages will be available. Donations benefit the Lions Club charities. Follow this link to information about the suggested retention and destruction of personal documents: http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/files/users/city_clerk/family-records-doc.pdf

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Huntington Beach Senior Services

The Senior Home Inspection Program, "Project SHIP," is a volunteer partnership between the Huntington Beach Fire Department and Huntington Beach Senior Services. Trained volunteers do free home safety checks for residents age 60+; install carbon monoxide detectors (now required by state law); provide free smoke detectors; or replace the batteries in installed smoke detectors. Daylight Savings begins on Sunday, March 11. Remember, "*Change your Clock-Change your Batteries.*" This simple act cuts the risk of dying in a home fire nearly in half. The Inspection Request Hotline is 714-374-1615.

Huntington Beach Art Center

Reservations are available for the once in a lifetime opportunity to view a collection of fine art in a residential setting. The Private Collection Tour is planned for March 30 from 6:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M. The stunning residence was designed to present large-scale art works. The collection of over 100 pieces includes works by renowned artists including Dale Chihuly, James Rosenquist, David Hockney, and others. Tickets are priced at \$100 and the evening includes hors d'oeuvres and beverages. All proceeds benefit the Huntington Beach Art Center Foundation. Call 714-536-5258 for information and reservations.

Recreation Programs

Edison Community Center is offering several new tot classes for the spring session! Creative Learning Hour will get your two and a half to four year old child excited about learning their ABC's and 123's. This parent participation class combines circle time, singing, reading and playing to create a fun, educational experience for your little one. Young Rembrandts Preschool Drawing will allow your three and a half to five year old to kick off the spring months with excitement drawing astronauts and tree houses. Young Rembrandts ends in May with a beautiful flower basket drawing. Registration for spring recreation classes begins online and in-person on March 6. For additional information on these new classes, please visit www.hbsands.org or contact Edison Community Center at 714-960-8870.

Spring Break Soccer Camp! – Sign up for the Spring Break Soccer Camp today! Coast 2 Coast will be offering a camp at Murdy Community Center the week of April 9 from 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. Children ages 4 to 14 will be taught by enthusiastic Irish coaches for a fun-filled week with quality training. There will be a focus on nutrition while teaching new soccer skills and fundamental techniques of how to play. For more information contact Murdy Community Center at 714-960-8895 or register online at www.hbsands.org.

Adult Arena Soccer Sign-Up – The Community Services Department offers year round adult arena soccer leagues at the award winning Central Park Sports Complex. Games will be played under the lights on artificial sports turf beginning the week of April 3, 2012. Team registration is \$400.00 per 8-week season and referee fees of \$20.00 per game paid directly to the official by each team. League play will be 6 vs. 6 including the goalie. Men's leagues are offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and Coed leagues on Thursday and Friday. All teams must have uniforms with numbers. Registration packets are available at City Hall, on the City website, or by mail. For league information visit, www.hbsands.org on page 31, or to be placed on the individual players list, please call 714- 536-5486. The deadline to turn in team registration to City Hall is March 23, 2012.

Children's Needs Task Force Annual Youth Character Awards

The Huntington Beach Children's Needs Task Force, together with the City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department, is sponsoring the American Youth Character Awards program to honor young people who are the real and proper role models for their generation. Anyone can nominate a praiseworthy youth by completing a Nomination Form and attaching a brief statement describing the facts that support the nominee as an example of good character. Nominees must be in grades 3-12 and reside in the City of Huntington Beach.

Nomination forms are available on the city website at www.surfcity-hb.org. The deadline for submission is Friday, March 30, 2012, at 4:00 P.M. All youth nominees will be invited to attend a recognition ceremony at the Century Theater amphitheater, in Bella Terra, on May 19 at 10:00 A.M. Selected honorees will also be recognized at a City Council meeting on June 4, 2012. The American Youth Character Awards program endeavors to join with schools and youth service organizations throughout Huntington Beach in strengthening our moral community by celebrating and awarding character in our youth!

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Save the Date

Attend the 25th Annual Economic Conference Huntington Beach hosted by the Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce "Why Huntington Beach? Development Destination Jobs" on Wednesday March 21, 2012 from 7:30 a.m. to Noon at the Hyatt Regency Huntington beach Resort and Spa. Come hear keynote speaker Andrew Policano, Dean UC Irvine Paul Merage School of Business and exciting panels of Development, Destination and Jobs. For additional information contact the Chamber of Commerce at (714) 536-8888 or www.hbchamber.com Pre-registration through March 9, 2012 is \$75 members and \$100 non members.

FIRE

Change your Clock, Change your Battery

As the time change approaches on Sunday, March 11, the Fire Department wants to remind you to make another change that could save your life - when you change your clocks to Daylight Savings Time, remember to change the batteries in your smoke and/or carbon monoxide alarms too! Keep in mind, most fire deaths occur during the sleeping hours of the night. The simple act of changing your battery and testing your detector could mean the difference between life and death. If your smoke detectors are over seven years old, it might be time to replace them. Like any other device, they do not last forever. Consider replacing it with a new detector.

Residential Structure Fire

On March 4, 2012, at approximately 1:00 p.m., firefighters responded to a call for a garage fire in a single family residence on Thor Drive. Arriving crews found smoke filling the residence as well as coming from the attic vents. Fire was found in the garage and was declared under control 10 minutes after receiving the initial 911 call and there were no injuries reported.

The two occupants that were home reported smelling smoke and found fire in the garage. They asked a neighbor for help as 911 was being called. They were unable to extinguish the fire using a garden hose and smoke filled the house and attic as Fire Department crews arrived on scene. The smoke was removed from the house and attic, but not before the smoke stained and damaged the interior of the house.

Safety Tip - The door and wall between the garage and the living space of a house is designed to keep fire from spreading from one area into another. It is a good idea to make sure there are no holes or openings in the wall unless they have been designed with features to stop the spread of fire. The door leading in to the house should have an automatic closer that works properly. If a fire is found in the garage, the door to the house should be kept closed to stop the spread of fire while 911 is called for the fire department to extinguish the fire.

INFORMATION SERVICES

Interested to see what is scheduled to air on HBTv3? You can download the HBTv schedule on the city website at: <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/videos/>

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Mulan, the Ballet @ the Library

Tickets for Ballet Etudes' Mulan go on sale Saturday, March 17 at 9:00 a.m.

Performances are scheduled on Tuesday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 18 at 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Central Library Theater. Tickets are \$5 each and purchases are limited to 10 tickets per person. The ballet is about 60 minutes long and ticket holders should plan to arrive at least 20 minutes before the show starts.

In the event that the shows sell out, interested patrons can check to see if there have been returns. Any and all refunds must be made at least 24 hours before the day of the show. For more information, please call (714) 375-5107.

Volunteer at the Central Library

Attention - teens and adults interested in volunteering in the Children's Department - The next volunteer workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, March 7 at 4:00 p.m. in the Tabby Theater. The workshop lasts about one hour and focuses on shelving children's library books and reading aloud to children. There will be a short alphabetizing quiz following the workshop. Volunteers 18 years and older will need to be fingerprinted before they can start volunteering.

Children's Events at the Central Library

Family Evening Pajama Storytime is Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Tabby Theater. Children can enjoy stories, songs and puppets about spring, leprechauns, Easter and more, PLUS children may wear their pajamas to storytime! The National Charity League will be providing refreshments to the children afterward. This event is free and open to the general public.

APA student acting troupe will be making a special appearance at the Crafty Kids Arts and Crafts Storytime, Thursday, March 8 at 3:30 p.m. in the Tabby Theater.

PLANNING AND BUILDING

Planning Commission

On March 13, 2012, at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the following items:

DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 11-002/ COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 09-011/ CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 09-037/ SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 12-001 (WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT & HILTON EXPANSION) to permit the expansion of the Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort including a nine-story tower providing a total of 156 new guestrooms with appurtenant facilities and grant a 5 year extension of time to the existing Amended and Restated Development Agreement adopted on October 21, 1998 (21100 Pacific Coast Highway, 92648 - bounded on the north by Pacific Avenue, on the east by

Twin Dolphin Drive, on the south by Pacific Coast Highway, and on the west by the existing Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort.) Contact Ethan Edwards, project planner, at 714-536-5271 for further information;

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 11-030 (GYU KAKU RESTAURANT OUTDOOR ALCOHOL SERVICE) to permit the establishment of alcohol service within an existing 193 square foot outdoor dining area located in front of an existing restaurant that currently provides interior beer and wine sales and service (7862 Warner Avenue, Suite 109, 92647 – southwest corner of Warner Avenue at Beach Boulevard). Contact Hayden Beckman, project planner, at 714-536-5271 for further information;

12-MONTH REVIEW OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 09-001 (DIGG'S RESTAURANT & BAR) to review compliance with the conditions of approval for Conditional Use Permit No. 09-001 and applicable Chapters of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance. (8052 Adams Avenue, 92646 - southeast corner of Beach Boulevard and Adams Avenue). Contact Jill Arabe, project planner, at 714-536-5271 for further information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

MADD Awards

Police Chief Small and Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) representative Edward Calligos presented the MADD Awardees at the Council meeting this past Monday. Mr. Calligos honored the following five officers with 25-99 DUI arrests in 2011: Officer Wilson (28 arrests), Officer Kansaku (28 arrests), Officer Dexter (34 arrests), Officer Smiley (49 arrests), and Officer Altenbach (59 arrests). Officers with more than 100 DUI arrests in 2011 will be honored at a luncheon later this week at the Nixon Library.

PUBLIC WORKS

Final Paving on Edwards Street Completed

In June of 2011, City Council awarded a construction contract to R.J. Noble Company in the amount of approximately \$2.6 million to rehabilitate the pavement on Edwards Street from Talbert Avenue to Warner Avenue and Delaware Street from Yorktown Avenue to Main Street. Delaware was completed in late 2011 and final paving was completed on Edwards this week.

Staff appreciates the patience and cooperation from the public during construction, especially on Edwards. Construction on Edwards appeared to move slowly since the project was phased to allow for Southern California Edison to install underground conduits for future communications. In addition, the type of pavement construction utilized for the project requires "curing" of cement-treated base material, which results in time periods of contractor inactivity. This type of pavement construction results in substantial savings over conventional pavement construction, thereby allowing funding of additional street improvement projects.