

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

May 27, 2013

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Marine Safety

Strong rip currents, big surf, warm water, nice weather and large crowds kept City Lifeguards busy over the Memorial Day Weekend. Marine Safety statistics for the three-day period were the following: Attendance - 195,343; Rescues - 245; Preventative Actions - 7,715; Law Enforcement Contacts - 552; Medical Aids - 33; Lost & Found Children - 14.

Huntington Beach Art Center

The Huntington Beach Art Center invites you to join us for Art for Lunch on Thursday May 30 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Bring your lunch and a few friends to enjoy dining in the galleries as you view the current exhibition the *Studio Upstairs*. The exhibition features nine local artists who share a studio to study and draw from the human anatomy. The HBAC Foundation will provide beverages and desserts. Call the Art Center at 714.374.1650 for information.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Summer is Heating up in Downtown!

The month of June has plenty in store to keep you busy with early summer fun! Whether your idea of fun is food, art, or shopping, there is something for everyone to enjoy in the downtown. The 6th Annual Chili at the Beach returns Saturday, June 15, featuring a chili cook off and salsa tasting - a fun family event to enjoy on Father's Day Weekend. It's a nice price too – presale tickets are only \$10 and \$15 in person on June 15. All proceeds from the day's festivities will benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Huntington Valley.

Getting to the event is easy, as the Surf City Downtown Shuttle will provide free transportation and free parking for shuttle passengers at the HB Civic Center from 10:00 a.m. to 10 p.m. The HB Civic Center is located at 2000 Main Street. If biking is more your thing, try the free and secured bicycle parking provided by Pedego Electric Bikes at 5th and Olive.

The monthly Artwalk theme for June is "Art Emerging" and will feature...you guessed it...emerging artists. June's event will take place on the twentieth from 6:00-9:00 p.m., with a variety of businesses hosting artists of all kinds. As always, the Artwalk is free and open to the public and most works shown are available for purchase. Both the Artwalk and Chili at the Beach are presented by the Huntington Beach Downtown Business Improvement District. More information on these exciting events can be found on their website at www.hbdowntown.com.

FIRE

Learn "Hands Only" CPR for FREE

The Orange County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and the American Heart Association (AHA) are coordinating Orange County's "Sidewalk CPR Day" event on June 4, 2013, at various locations. This free event will teach the public "Hands-Only" CPR and will be held at Pier Plaza in Huntington Beach from noon to 4:00 p.m.

This Sidewalk CPR Program is designed to give people basic skills to potentially save a life utilizing "Hands-Only" CPR (chest compressions, but no mouth-to-mouth breathing). When someone goes into sudden cardiac arrest, every second is precious to save that life.

FACTS

Sudden Cardiac Arrest

- It is more common than most people realize with nearly 300,000 occurrences annually in the United States.
- It is not the same as a heart attack. A heart attack occurs when the blood supply to part of the heart muscle is blocked. This typically causes chest arm or back pain.
- It is an electrical disorder of the heart which causes it to stop beating. Without blood flow, the brain stops working and the victim collapses and is unconscious.
- It can strike anyone anywhere at any time
- Many victims appear healthy with no known heart disease
- Less than 10% of the people who suffer a sudden cardiac arrest outside the hospital survive
- Approximately 80% of cardiac arrests happen at home. Survival depends greatly on immediately getting CPR, but less than 1/3 of the people who experience a cardiac arrest at home, work, or in a public location, gets that type of help.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

- CPR is a temporary measure that may help keep these organs alive until EMS arrives and uses a defibrillator or other advanced treatments to restart the heart.
- The earlier CPR is started the better.
 - For every minute without bystander CPR, survival from cardiac arrest decreases by 7-10%.
 - The interval between the 9-1-1 telephone call and the arrival of EMS personnel can take longer than five minutes, so;
 - A cardiac arrest victim's survival is likely to depend on a public trained in CPR.
- Effective bystander CPR provided immediately after sudden cardiac arrest can up to triple a victim's chance of survival.

More information about "Hands-Only CPR can be found at www.handsonlycpr.org/ Anyone can learn CPR – and everyone should! If you see an unresponsive adult who is not breathing or not breathing normally, call 9-1-1 and push hard and fast on the center of the chest until EMS arrives.

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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. See: <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov>

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

“Peter and the Wolf” @ the Library

The Huntington Beach Symphony Orchestra will perform “Peter and the Wolf” by Sergei Prokofiev under the direction of Grant Sevdayan on Sunday, June 23, at 3:30 p.m. at the Central Library. Comedian Emo Phillips will narrate. The Orchestra’s Children’s Choir will sing patriotic songs to round out the program. Pre-sale tickets are \$20 for adults or \$18 for students/seniors and can be purchased online from www.hbsymphony.com. Tickets will be \$25 at the door. For more information or tickets please contact the HB Symphony at (714) 274-5524.

Do-It-Yourself Hold Requests

Many readers like to place holds on books before they are published in order to be among the first to read the new book when it comes in. Others place holds on books because every time they visit the Library to check to see if a book is available, it’s always checked out, and they tire of the chase. Readers can save time (and gas!) by placing hold requests 24/7 with a Huntington Beach Library card. Holds can be placed in person by Library staff or they can be done online from the comfort of home. From the Library’s website www.hbpl.org, click on the beige “Search Library Holdings” tab and search for the desired book. Select “Full Title Display,” then select the “Request Item” button and follow the instructions. The Library will notify the patron by phone when the book is ready to be picked-up! Please note that there is a \$1.00 service fee per request (payable at time of pick-up).

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Surf City Nights Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration

The Surf City Nights street festival has been operating every Tuesday night on Main Street since May, 2008. A request to permit Surf City Nights for an indefinite period of time and to expand onto a portion of 5th Street was submitted and further CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) analysis has been performed. Staff has prepared a draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) analyzing the proposed request.

The draft MND will be available for public review and comment commencing Thursday, May 30, 2013, and ending Friday, June 28, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. at the following locations:

1. City website at <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/Planning/Environmentalreports.cfm>
2. Planning and Building Department, 3rd floor, Civic Center, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648;
3. City Clerk, 2nd floor, Civic Center, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648;

4. Central Library, 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92647; and
5. Main Street Library, 525 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648

The draft MND concludes that all environmental impacts from the project are less than significant or can be mitigated to a less than significant level. Any person wishing to comment on the request may provide written comments to Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner, City of Huntington Beach, Planning and Building Department, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648 by Friday, June 28, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. Ethan Edwards can also be contacted by email at ethan.edwards@surfcity-hb.org or telephone (714) 536-5561.

Following the close of the comment period, a public hearing will be scheduled before the Zoning Administrator. The public hearing is tentatively scheduled for July 2013 and will include the staff recommended MND in conjunction with Coastal Development Permit No. 12-001, Conditional Use Permit No. 12-026, and Noise Deviation Permit No. 13-009.

The project is located on Main Street between Pacific Coast Highway and Orange Avenue including portions (half-block) of Walnut Avenue and Olive Avenue (between 3rd Street and 5th Street) and on 5th Street between Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut. The project involves the closure of Main Street and 5th Street and associated side streets every Tuesday night between 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. to allow for an outdoor street festival (Surf City Nights) between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. for an indefinite period of time. The festival will consist of approximately 65 street vendors and includes various activities such as sidewalk sales, farmer's market, live entertainment, food preparation and tasting, and children's activities (bounce house and train). A shuttle program will be provided via a remote parking lot located at 2000 Main Street (City Hall) with a free shuttle service to/from the festival to accommodate overflow parking year round.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Candlelight Vigil on Tuesday, May 28 at 8:00 p.m.

Please join Orange County law enforcement for a special Candlelight Vigil on Tuesday, May 28 at 8:00 p.m. at the site of the new Peace Officers' Memorial Monument in Tustin. For more information: <http://ocsd.org/events>.

Several Good Investigations Lead to Arrests

On May 23, 2013, an officer investigated the theft of a wallet from a taxi driver. Based on the description and information from the victim, the officer following up on where the victim's credit cards were being used. The officer identified the suspect and took her into custody Saturday, May 24 at the Walmart in Huntington Beach.

Saturday morning, an officer investigated the theft of a mobile phone from a vehicle in the 16100 block of Windemeir Lane. The victim had the phone tracking system activated and gave the locate code to the officer. The officer, using his own phone, tracked the stolen phone to an address in the 5700 block of Heil Avenue. The officer was invited into the house and activated the alarm on the stolen phone. The phone was located and suspect arrested.

Saturday night, officers working the Beach Detail observed a couple suspicious males under the pier near the bike racks. The officers determined one male was being a look out (but he

did not notice the officers watching him) and the second male was in possession of bolt cutters. Both admitted to the plans to steal bicycles and were taken into custody.

Four people were arrested after officers conducted DUI investigations.

PUBLIC WORKS

Lambert Park Slope Repair Project, CC-1337

A portion of the existing slope within Lambert Park, located at 18321 Newland Street, experienced a surficial slope failure in June 2006. As the failure did not present an imminent threat to public safety, a geotechnical engineer was contracted by the City to analyze the existing slope conditions and design a project to reconstruct the slope and minimize the potential for future slope failure in this area. The Lambert Park Slope Repair Project will accomplish this by reconstructing the slope using biaxial geogrid layers and a crushed rock "wedge" along the bottom of the slope. Although the slope reconstruction work will require the removal of all existing vegetation within the slope repair area, several new trees will be planted near the top of the reconstructed slope and replaced in other areas adjacent to the slope repair area. The construction contract, awarded to Excavating Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$238,975.00, will commence June third and is expected to be completed later this summer.