

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

September 16, 2013

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Huntington Beach Senior Services – Senior Services is Our Park

Join the Singing Goodtimers and spread the joy of music throughout the community. The Singing Goodtimers is a performance group open to those 62 and older who enjoy singing songs of yesteryear. The group practices songs coordinated around a monthly theme each Wednesday at 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center, 1706 Orange Avenue. Each week, they take their group "on the road" to perform at Bella Terra, local schools, assisted living facilities, and hospitals. The most recent gig was opening Senior Saturday at the Huntington Beach Pier. An audition is not required - just come in, sit down and sing. "There is such a spirit of joy in the group," singer Joni Dodge pipes. "Its good therapy," choruses Dianne Shirley. For more information, contact Diane Swarts, Volunteer Services Coordinator, DSwarts@surfcity-hb.org 714-374-1544.



43rd Annual Huntington Beach Surf Contest

The 43rd Annual Huntington Beach City Surf Contest, sponsored by The City of Huntington Beach Community Service Department, Huntington Surf & Sport, and Dukes was held on September 14 and 15. Participation was limited to persons residing in the Huntington Beach Union High School District. Winners of each division received awards and prizes donated by Huntington Surf & Sport and Dukes. One hundred sixty people surfed in 10 divisions of all ages. This is the third year that the contest was part of "Surf City Days," a local beach festival put on by the Downtown Business Improvement District.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Next Downtown Task Force Meeting on September 26

The second meeting of the Downtown Task Force (DTTF) will take place at 5:30 p.m. at the Main Street Library, located at 525 Main Street. The DTTF serves as an ad-hoc advisory group to the City Council, established with the purpose of reviewing how to create a sustainable and vibrant downtown economy while maintaining a safe environment and high quality of life for the residential neighborhood. The DTTF is comprised of three City Council Members and 12 members of the community, including residents, business owners and representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, Marketing and Visitors Bureau and Downtown Business Improvement District. The first meeting was September 12 - all meetings are open to the public. For more information on the DTTF, and to view meeting agendas for the DTTF, please visit:

http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards_commissions/downtown_task_force.cfm.

Monthly Downtown Artwalk on September 16

With the lovely September weather continuing to shine upon Surf City, we can think of no better way to enjoy a Thursday evening than to enjoy a visit to the monthly Downtown Artwalk. The next Artwalk is September 16 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., with artists scheduled at nineteen locations on Main Street from Pacific Coast Highway to Pecan, on Walnut and on 5th Street from Pacific Coast Highway to Olive. The Artwalk is free and visitors can stop by the International Surfing Museum parking lot to obtain a wristband which is as a ticket to the many restaurant specials available throughout the evening. For more information on the event or to become a host or featured artist, please visit: www.hbdowntown.com.

FIRE**REMINDER - 2013 Huntington Beach Disaster Preparedness Expo**

The City of Huntington Beach (HB) would like to invite residents to the annual Disaster Preparedness Expo. The event is sponsored by the HB Fire Department Emergency Management and Homeland Security Office and will have representatives from the HB Police Department, HB Fire Department Urban Search & Rescue (USAR), FireMed, National Weather Service, American Red Cross, HB Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), HB Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES), Ready OC, and more.

The Expo is free of charge and will have fun and exciting demonstrations by experts in disaster preparedness. Learn about the hazards facing Huntington Beach and what you need to do to prepare such as, how to use a fire extinguisher, prepare a grab-n-go bag, 72 hour survival kit, etc. In addition, disaster preparedness vendors will be on scene to provide literature about equipment and kits that can be purchased. The event will be held at the entrance to the Huntington Beach Central Library on September 21, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information, call 714-374-1565.

National Preparedness Month – Make a Plan

National Preparedness Month (NPM) is observed in September and should encourage Americans to take simple, but important steps to prepare for emergencies.

Preparing for a disaster is a priority of the city's Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program. Countless hours have been spent preparing for emergencies that may occur in our community. However, we cannot do it on our own.

Make a Plan

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes so it is important to plan in advance:

- how will you contact one another
- how will you get back together
- what to do in different situations

The following emergency plan templates are available at www.ReadyOC.org

- Family Emergency Plan
- Pet Emergency Plan
- Senior Emergency Plan
- Evacuation Plan
- Shelter-in-place Plan

Regardless of the type of disaster, there are things you can do to prepare. Contact your local Red Cross chapter or visit the FEMA Website to be aware of the potential for natural disasters in your community. After identifying the types of disasters that could strike where you live, create a family emergency disaster plan. Make it simple so everyone can remember the details.

- Discuss what to do in an evacuation. When told by officials, go immediately to a shelter as instructed or to the home of a family friend or relative who lives out of the area. Find out about your local shelters beforehand.
- Know evacuation routes. Pre-establish several different routes in case certain roads are blocked or closed.
- Family members can become separated during an emergency. Be prepared by creating a plan for how to reach one another. Establish an out-of-area contact (such as a relative or family friend) who can coordinate family members' locations and information should you become separated. Make sure children learn the phone numbers and addresses, and know the emergency plans.
- Post emergency phone numbers by the phone
- Assemble a family disaster supplies kit and keep a small one in the trunk of your vehicle

For preparedness questions specifically for the City of Huntington Beach, contact Brevyn Mettler, Emergency Services Coordinator at 714-374-1565 or at bmettler@surfcity-hb.org.

Disaster Preparedness On-line Resources

www.ReadyOC.org
www.HuntingtonBeachca.gov/CERT
www.Ready.gov
www.ShakeOut.org
www.AlertOC.org

AlertOC – Annual Test of the County's Regional Mass Notification System

On September 24th, the City of Huntington Beach will be participating in the third annual test of the County's regional mass notification system which is being held in conjunction with National Preparedness Month. This test replicates a large scale, multi-jurisdictional emergency requiring thousands of numbers to be called simultaneously across 24 cities and unincorporated areas. This year, more than two million Orange County residents will receive a call at 10:00 a.m. The phone message will urge all residents to prepare for real-life emergencies by registering their contact information at www.AlertOC.com for the best chance to receive vital, timely information when away from home.

The key feature of AlertOC is the ability for residents to register more than one contact method at a specific address. This enables landlines, cell phones and e-mail addresses to be incorporated into a single notification system and increases the potential of reaching the greatest number of community members as rapidly as possible.

Emergencies can happen at any time. A wildfire could spread or a flood could close the roads to a neighborhood while residents are away from home. In these instances, AlertOC is a critical link for residents to immediately learn of any required actions. Residents are encouraged to self-register their cell phone numbers and other alternate numbers to be a part of the regional test at www.AlertOC.com.

Please contact Brevyn Mettler, Emergency Services Coordinator at 714-374-1565 or at bmettler@surfcity-hb.org if you have any questions.

INFORMATION SERVICES

Did you know that you can purchase an Annual Beach Parking Pass that allows parking at the City beach? To find a link to this page, click on the Residents tab and then Parking Information: http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/parking/parking_pass.cfm

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Literacy Fundraiser at Daphne's

Daphne's California Greek Restaurant at Bella Terra is supporting Huntington Beach Library Literacy Services through a fundraiser on Thursday, September 26. Eat at Daphne's anytime between 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. and Daphne's will donate 20% of the order total to Literacy Services **only when a flyer is presented**. Pick up flyers at the Central library, distribute to family and friends, and join Daphne's in supporting Literacy Services.

Daphne's California Greek, Bella Terra Shopping Center, 7801 Edinger Ave., Suite 126, HB 92647, (714) 903-2317.

Information about Literacy Services can be found on the library website at: http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Library/literacy_programs/index.cfm or on Facebook: Literacy Volunteers HBPL.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, September 18, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the following items are scheduled for the Zoning Administrator:

1. **COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 12-014/ CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 13-027 (LARSON RESIDENCE ADDITION):** To permit an approximately 1,935 sq. ft.

building addition, an approximately 694 sq. ft. garage addition, and approximately 488 sq. ft. decks and balconies addition to an existing two-story single family residence at 3761 Nimble Circle, 92649 (terminus of Nimble Circle – Trinidad Island). Please contact Tess Nguyen, Associate Planner, for more information.

2. **COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 13-013 (JOHNSON RESIDENCE ADDITION):** To permit an increase of more than 10% of internal floor area for an approximately 766 sq. ft. second story and a new 208 sq. ft. first floor covered entryway with privacy wall at 16792 Coral Cay Lane, 92649 (west of Coral Cay Lane, south of Courtside Circle). Please contact Hayden Beckman, Planning Aide, for more information.
3. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 13-021 (VERIZON MONOPOLE):** To permit the installation of five unpermitted antennas on an existing monopole, replacement of three - 4 ft. long antennas with three - 6 ft. 4 in. long antennas, and addition of three new radio remote units at 15871 Springdale Street, 92649 (northwest corner of Springdale Street and Edinger Avenue – Marina High School). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, for more information.
4. **SITE PLAN REVIEW NO. 13-003 (HARBOR BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTION):** To permit a new curb cut adjacent to Able Lane, an approximately 10,000 sq. ft. fleet maintenance shop within an existing building, 15 new delivery dock doors, and modifying the existing conditions of approval to allow 24-hour trucking operations for a wholesale beverage distributor at 5901 Bolsa Avenue, 92647 (northwest corner of Bolsa Avenue and Springdale Street). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website. Please contact the Planning Division, at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Motorcycle Training and Skills Competition

The Orange County Traffic Officers Association's annual Police Motorcycle Training and Skills Competition is Wednesday, September 18 at the parking lot on Newland and PCH, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This is Southern California's premier Motor Rodeo and draws officers from all over the western states. This year's event will include: All New Patterns - Individual Competition - Team Competition - Top Gun Competition - Raffle and Prizes - Competitor Awards - Achievement Awards - Exhibitors & Vendors.

Search and Rescue Fundraiser

Please print and bring this page to Slater's 50/50:



Who?

Huntington Beach Search & Rescue

What?

Slater's 50/50 will donate 20% of event sales to our organization!

When?

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

At the Slater's 50/50 located at

Huntington Beach – Beach & Adams



Rules: Flyers must be distributed prior to the date & time of the event and not in or around the restaurant. Flyers must be presented day-of event upon seating. No other discounts/ coupons are accepted during fundraising events. Fundraiser events exclude alcohol sales.

PUBLIC WORKS

Warner Avenue Gravity Sewer and Lift Station C

The City Public Works Engineering Department has contracted with Vido Arthkovich and Sons / VIDMAR Inc. to construct the Warner Avenue Gravity Sewer and Lift Station C. This project is anticipated to begin construction in October of 2013 and last for one calendar year. The majority of the project underground pipeline work will be on Pacific Coast Highway from 2nd Street to Warner Avenue, and on Warner Avenue from Pacific Coast Highway to Brightwater Drive. A new sewer lift station will also be constructed in the City owned parking facility adjacent to the Warner Fire Station and the Huntington Harbor Yacht Club.

The City's Construction Project Management Team will be conducting pre-construction neighborhood meetings to provide information to the citizens that live near this project. In addition, periodic project progress and updates will be posted on the City's web page and through the City Manager's Report.

Landscape Class

Irrigation Systems, Watering & Garden Maintenance (September 21, 2013) - Learn about the different types of installation and maintenance of irrigation systems and general garden maintenance from Master Gardner Steve Williams.

This three hour class will explore in depth:

- Principles of Irrigation
- System Uniformity
- How to audit Outdoor Water use
- Choosing and installing the right system to meet your plants needs
- Water Efficient Devices

Classes hosted by the City of Huntington Beach Public Works Water Conservation

located at :

19001 Huntington Street

H.B., CA 92648

9:00 a.m. to noon

To register log on to:

www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events/

Or call: 714.536.5921