

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Selich & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager

DATE: December 4, 2015

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Dave Kiff, City Manager To:

Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director From:

City Manager's Newsletter Subject:

December 4, 2015 Date:

Construction Project Updates

As 2015 draws to a close, here is an update on some major projects.



Newport Beach Country Club: The construction of the Newport Beach Country Club is progressing and is anticipated to be completed by mid 2016.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



<u>San Joaquin</u>: The new 524-unit upscale apartment project located at San Joaquin Hills Road and Jamboree Road continues to move at a rapid rate with completion expected in early 2017.



<u>Meridian</u>: The final certificate of occupancy was issued for the Meridian which is a beautiful 79-unit condominium project located at 1001 Santa Barbara Drive.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Coast Highway Commercial Corridor Clean Up

In response to concerns about the lack of regular property maintenance at some properties located adjacent to Coast Highway, Code Enforcement staff has been meeting with business owners and property owners to discuss ways to improve the overall appearance of their

properties and businesses. Some of the items that are being looked at include dilapidated signage, excessive or illegal signage, accumulated trash and debris especially around trash enclosures, and work without permits. Keeping Coast Highway clean and inviting is a priority for staff as visitors develop their first impressions of the City based on the appearance of this corridor.









CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER Finance Department

Date: December 4, 2015

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Treasury Report Update

The October 2015 Treasury Report is available on the City's website at: www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury.



As of October, the City's portfolio totaled just over \$202 million, from all sources. It is invested in broadly diversified high-grade securities with an average credit rating of AA+. Roughly \$28 million of this portfolio is highly liquid, meaning that it is available for cash flows associated with day-to-day operations and cash funding of major construction expenditures.

The medium-term portfolio (\$170 million) has a weighted average effective maturity of 1.81 years. The total return for the medium-term portfolio for the trailing twelve months was 0.98%. This return compares favorably to our benchmark for the same period, the BAML 1-3 Year Treasury index which returned 0.78%.



Sales Tax and Local Holiday Shopping

It's that time of the year with good holiday cheer and some gift buying. Where are you shopping? The National Retail Federation projects holiday online sales to increase between 6% and 8% from 2014 sales. Shopping online is so convenient these days; however, most shoppers do not realize that choosing an online retailer versus a store in Newport Beach has an impact on the City's sales tax base.

Cities generally receive 1% of the taxable sales tax generated by businesses located in the city. Sales tax revenues are the City's second highest General Fund revenue source. In Fiscal Year 2014, the City of Newport Beach received over \$30.8 million in total sales tax.

When a resident buys from an online retailer not located within in the City, instead of at a Newport Beach store, 1% of the sales tax for the purchase goes to the Orange County pool, rather than directly to the City. The sales and use tax from county-wide online purchases are pooled together. Individual cities will receive a percentage of the pool tax dollars based on the total taxable sales reported within their city divided by the total taxable sales reported county-wide.

The City of Newport Beach taxable sales represent about 5.4% of total Orange County taxable sales. What's the sales tax impact of buying online rather than at a local store? Let's assume that you are considering purchasing a pair of boots for \$300 at Nordstrom. This is a simple illustration of the sales tax impact to the City of buying at the Nordstrom in Fashion Island versus buying online at nordstrom.com:

BOOTS PURCHASE COMPARISON

	LOCAL Nordstrom <u>Fashion</u> <u>Island</u>	
Sales Price	\$	300.00
Total Sales Tax	\$	24.00
1% of Sales	\$	3.00
Sales Tax to City	\$	3.00

	ONLINE Nordstrom	
	nordstrom.com	
Sales Price	\$	300.00
Total Sales Tax	\$	24.00
1% of Sales	\$	3.00
Sales Tax to OC		
Pool	\$	3.00
City % of OC Pool		5.40%
Sales Tax to City	\$	0.16

The online purchase resulted in a 94.7% reduction of the sales tax to the City's General Fund. We encourage you to shop locally whenever you can. Local businesses will be supported and all residents will benefit. **Happy holidays!**



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: December 4, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

EMS DIVISION

On December 17, 2015, EMS Division Chief Cathy Ord will be retiring from the Newport Beach Fire Department. Cathy joined us in August 2004, taking over from then EMS Manager Vickie Cleary.

Cathy started her nursing career at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center in 1980, where she continued until 1997. She also worked at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital and Downey Community Hospital during her time in nursing. In 1993, she began working as an EMS Educator with the Long Beach Fire Department. She continued working there for 11 years, eventually

promoting to EMS Director, a position she held until she saw the light and joined us here in Newport Beach.



Cathy has spent nearly her entire career working to improve that care provided to patients. She has taught Basic Cardiac Life Support, Communicable Disease, Ambulance Billing classes and everything in between. She is highly regarded by her peers as an authority in all matters of EMS and is part of, and represents, several different organizations on local and state levels. Most recently, Chief Ord was the Co-Program Manager for the Orange County Community Paramedicine Pilot Study.

We will miss her wisdom, experience, willingness to lend an ear, and her infectious laugh. While we are sad to see her go, we wish her a wonderful and long retirement during which she plans to travel and spend more time with her two grandchildren.

(EMS Captain Phil Puhek and EMS Division Chief Cathy Ord)

LIFE SAFETY SERVICES

Orange County Fire Prevention Officers (OCFPO)

As 2015 comes to a close, two members of Life Safety Services will complete their current Executive Board positions and move to the next officer level. Raymi Wun, who served as Secretary, will take the Oath of Office as Vice President for 2016. His duties will now include scheduling presenters to provide monthly training programs to the organization and assist the President as necessary. Nadine Morris, who served as President, will take the Oath of Office as Past President for 2016. This position serves as a liaison to the Southern California Fire Prevention Officers Section (SoCal FPO) and as a legislative liaison, tracking fire prevention related legislation and reporting back to the membership.

The Executive Board's goal each year is to continue to provide education and training to the membership. At each monthly meeting, a speaker was provided who presented current and pertinent information to the membership. Some of this year's training included LED Signaling and Mass Notification, Implementing Fire Protection Plans (WUI), Wireless Fire Alarm Systems, and



(pictured far left: Nadine Morris, Raymi Wun)

Aerial & Theatrical Fireworks. The Board also updated the Constitution and By-Laws to better describe today's activities of the organization and officer duties. The last adoption was dated 1997 and no accurately described organization, such as the method of communication (US mail vs Email). In addition, the Official Oath of Office was revised to coincide with the newly revised officer duties as adopted Constitution and By-Laws. The Board worked with the Orange County Fire Marshals and Orange County Fire Chiefs' Association regarding the adoption of these documents.

In 2016, the Board will work on forming committees to address hot topics such as Residential Care Facilities, Public Safety Radio Systems (800 MHz), and Hazardous Materials Fire Code requirements. These committees will conduct research and present their findings to the membership in order to attain consistent enforcement within Orange County.

It is important to the organization to maintain relationships with surrounding agencies, so the Board will continue to invite Riverside County Fire, LA County Fire, LA City Fire, and San Bernardino County to the monthly meetings and training events.

Safety Tips for the Holidays

Decorating homes and businesses is a long-standing tradition during the holiday season. Unfortunately, these decorations increase the chance of a fire. By following just a few simple Christmas tree and decoration safety tips, you can ensure a safe holiday season.

CHRISTMAS TREES

- When selecting your live Christmas tree, choose a fresh one with green needles.
- Recut the trunk at least two inches above the old cut as soon as you get it home. This allows
 it to continue to pull moisture into its foliage.

- Put the trunk in water immediately after it is recut. Moisture is the key to keeping the tree fresh and enhancing its fire resistance. If the tree will be kept outside for a few days, stand it in a bucket of water until you are ready to bring it indoors.
- Check the water levels daily. Never let the water level go below the bottom of the trunk. Commercial floral preservatives can also be added to the water to help keep the tree fresh.
- Locate any tree at least three feet away from sources of heat. Avoid placing any tree, live or artificial, near a heater outlet, or fireplace. Put in the coolest location possible.
- Never leave a lighted tree unattended.
- Remove the tree immediately after the holidays. Even a properly cared for tree will get brittle and dry. Take it to a recycle center or leave for your refuse collector.

LIGHTS & DECORATIONS

- Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep decorations away from heat sources, windows and doors.
- Make sure your holiday lights are properly installed and have the label of an independent testing laboratory.
- Be sure to use indoor lights inside, and outdoor lights outside.
- Make sure all electrical cords are free from frayed or cracked wires, or broken sockets.
- Do not attempt to repair a worn light set! Throw it away and purchase a new one.
- Do not overload electrical outlets.
- Do not link more than three light strands, unless the directions indicate it is safe.
- Do not leave lights on unattended, or for prolonged periods.
- Keep your exits clear by keeping decorations away from windows and doors.
- In addition to being shatterproof and shock resistant, LED lights produce almost no heat, making them safe to touch and greatly reducing the risk of fire.

MARINE OPERATIONS

Over the Thanksgiving Holiday, Newport Beach experienced water temperatures in the mid 60's. Newport Beach also experienced winds blowing over 30 miles per hour and high tides ranging from 6-6.7 feet.

Lifeguard Stats for November 1-30, 2015

PUBLIC CONTACT	788	PREVENTATIVES	264
ENFORCEMENTS	1	RESCUES	4
REUNITED PERSONS	1	BEACH POPULATION	314,400
MEDICAL AIDS	64		



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Library - Cultural Arts

December 4, 2015

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

NBPL Honored as Star Library

We are very pleased that the Newport Beach Public Library was selected as one of America's Star Libraries, a national ranking compiled by "Library Journal" in its eighth edition of the Library Journal of Public Library Service. Newport Beach Public Library earned three stars and is the only library in Orange County to have been designated an America's Star Library in 2015. There were 7,663 public libraries in the comparison study with 261 named as America's Star Libraries, 11 of them in California, most of which were in the higher spending categories. Needless to say, we are very proud that City leadership, support groups and staff have been so dedicated to our customers that we were able to earn the Library Journal Star rating.



The Credit Union is Open

The Credit Union of Southern California opened on Monday, November 23 upstairs at the Central Library. We hope City staff and others will take advantage of the convenient location and drop by to do their banking or obtain very useful financial information.



Holiday Events

We are in the holiday spirit here at the library and expect to be very busy this weekend with two fun family events. On Saturday, December 5, Festival Ballet Theatre will present a shortened version of "The Nutcracker" with two performances set for 2:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the Central Library Friends Room. The talented dancers will perform the holiday classic in beautiful costumes to what we know will be an enthusiastic and packed house. To streamline crowds we will begin handing out tickets an hour before each show.

Holiday Open House

The Corona del Mar Branch Library will host a Holiday Open House as part of the 36th Annual Corona del Mar Christmas Walk on Sunday, December 6. Guests will enjoy refreshments, crafts and magic shows by talented Mark Gibson from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Cultural Arts Services

Art Exhibit: American Alchemy

An Artist's Reception was held for Joe Lewis on Saturday, November 21. Joe Lewis is a nationally known artist, arts administrator, educator, and professor of Art at the University of California. Irvine.

Mr. Lewis talked about his work and methods, and took questions from the audience. His exhibition, American Alchemy, has generated many positive comments and has proved to be a thought provoking and engaging display.

American Alchemy uses cultural iconography and historical moments: the eagle, the flag, oil rigs, documents, etc., as springboards for the audience to reinvestigate their personal relationships with the American historical experience. The work commemorates the environment, our political system, and occasionally takes a whimsical view of our foibles.



Sculpture Exhibition Brochures

This week we installed three brochure holders in the Civic Center Park in order to better serve the public looking for information about the sculptures and other programs. The outdoor literature displays have weather-resistant lids and can be easily removed or moved to a different location. Currently they have been installed along the pathways at the entrances near La Cage aux Folles, Odyssey and by the bridge to the dog park. We have had numerous individuals and groups requesting information about the sculptures, so this easy access to the brochures should make it more convenient and enhance their park experience.



New Arts Commissioner

The City Arts Commission is pleased to welcome newly-appointed Arts Commissioner Michael Kerr. Mr. Kerr is a resident of Corona del Mar and the president and owner of Bluestone Communities, an Orange County real estate development company. He is a dedicated supporter of the arts and has served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Pacific Symphony and on the Board of Directors for the Irvine Barclay Theater and other arts-related organizations. We are very fortunate that he has chosen to share his talent, expertise and energy in support of arts in Newport Beach and look forward to having his participation on the City Arts Commission.

December 4, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Directors

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

Thanksgiving Week King Tides

The second series of three "King Tides" for 2015 occurred during Thanksgiving week. The tides were running 1.3' - 1.4' higher than predicted in the tide books. In preparation for this event, 6,000 filled sand bags were placed by staff on the Peninsula, Balboa Island, the Fun Zone and several boat yards to protect areas where seawall overtopping was anticipated. Municipal Operations staff members also deployed pumps to pump any water back into the bay that entered the streets over the seawalls or from leaks in the seawall during the high tide period.

The highest tide occurred on Wednesday, November 25 with an 8.4' tide. Thanksgiving morning the tide peaked at 8.3'. Twenty-six staff members from Wastewater, Water Maintenance & Repair, Concrete & Asphalt, Parks, and Recreation pumped water to minimize the impact to the area. Staff again worked Friday morning, as rain fell in the area and the tide peaked at 8'. No property damage occurred in part due to the preevent planning by staff.

The last "King Tides" of the year will occur during Christmas week, with the highest tides on Christmas Eve morning and Christmas morning. A big thank you goes out to all staff members who gave up their Thanksgiving weekend to ensure that the City's residents and businesses were protected.





Air Valve Replacement Program

The City currently has 209 Combination Air Vacuum Relief Valves attached to the water system. Over the past 12 months, the Water Maintenance and Repair Division has replaced 55 of these air valves and plans to replace an additional 55 valves in 2016. Combination Air Vacuum Relief Valves in water main systems serve two primary functions:

- They release accumulated air collected at the high points of a pressurized water pipeline system.
- They allow air into the system when the internal pressure of the pipeline drops below atmospheric pressures.

Both functions of releasing and admitting air are especially effective when draining a water main to make a repair and pressurizing the water main once the repair has been made.





Parks Enhancements

Last year, the Landscape Division re-landscaped Cliff Drive Park with drought tolerant plants. These plants have thrived since their installation. Recently, this park received four new picnic tables which were donated in memory of loved ones. With these added amenities, area residents and visitors will be enjoying the park for years to come.





In November, Park Maintenance crewmembers replaced high water use turf with drought tolerant plants at Galaxy Park. Park Maintenance staff will continue to identify additional projects throughout the City where the transition to drought-friendly vegetation will provide the greatest benefit to the community.







NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: December 4, 2015

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

MEET HONDO



Please join me in welcoming our newest canine: Hondo! Hondo is a 14-month-old Belgian Malinois, which is the Department's preferred breed. Malinois are known for being active, intelligent, friendly, protective, alert, and hardworking. (These are traits we look for in all of our staff - not just the four-legged kind.)

Hondo is currently training in the K9 Academy Course with his handler, Officer Shawn Preasmyer. After graduating from the course, Officer Preasmyer and Hondo will complete two weeks of Field Training with other area Canine

Handlers before they join the regular field deployment in Newport Beach.

I am pleased to note that Hondo, like Kajo before him, already has a special tie to this Community. Purchasing and training a police service dog costs thousands of dollars, but Hondo's presence is *not* the product of taxpayer dollars or a City budget allocation. Instead, donations from the public and the incredible fundraising efforts of the Newport Harbor Elks Lodge made Hondo a part of our team. We are extremely grateful for the support of the Elks, our residents, and local business community members.

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NBPD IN THE COMMUNITY

Our staff has numerous interactions with the public each day as they go about their business. We answer phone calls, respond to traffic collisions, help with domestic disputes, conduct investigations, write tickets, and take crime reports. Our community needs us, and we meet those needs.

But we also take the time to step out of those roles and form relationships with members of our community. From time to time, we are welcomed at events that give us the opportunity to better know the residents, business people, and visitors of Newport Beach. Last Saturday, we had two such opportunities.



Deputy Chief Lewis (left); Volunteers Paul Heller, Mary Morgan and Marcia Strack (far right)

Deputy Chief Jon Lewis, Detective Chris Kimble, and three NBPD Volunteers joined hundreds of attendees at the Newport-Mesa-Irvine Interfaith Council's Humanitarian Day. The event was held in the morning at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Dover Drive. The theme of the day was "service to others", a fitting and uplifting message.

Nearby, members of our Peninsula Enforcement Team stopped by the 24th Annual Chili Cook-off for the Balboa

Peninsula Point Association (BPPA). Sergeant Brandon Rodriguez and Officer David Sarega joined members of the association on the sand for this fun event. They answered questions and handed out plenty of "Future Officer" badge stickers to the kids before returning to their regular patrols.

Top: Sergeant Brandon Rodriguez with BPPA president Alison Ryffel

Bottom: Officer David Sarega distributing badge stickers



NEW PROGRAMS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

In the past weeks, the Department has launched two new projects online.

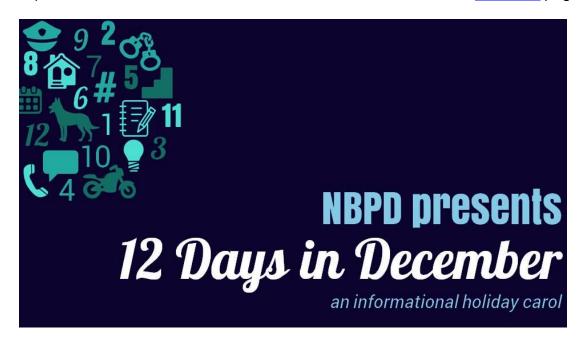
"Let's Ask" is a series of Facebook posts that aim to answer some of our followers' burning questions. In our first installment, which is focused on Parking Control, we asked people to send us their parking questions at pco@nbpd.org.

We received lots of great emails and each one received a personal reply from a Parking Control Officer. Certain questions were highlighted on our Facebook page, along with their answers.



Have you ever wondered if a person with a handicapped placard can park in a metered space without paying? Or why we can't tow a random car out of your driveway? If so, you might want to head over to <u>Facebook</u> to find out.

On December 1, we also started a series of informational videos, titled 12 Days in December. We are releasing a new verse of the carol each day until December 12. As an example, today's lyric is "On the fourth day of December, NBPD gave to me: four Area Lieutenants, three helpful Dispatchers, two Belgian canines, and a tip to prevent a crime spree." For more content, and to see all of the videos, visit our <u>YouTube</u> page.



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NOTABLE ARREST



On Thanksgiving morning, our Dispatchers received a call regarding suspicious activity at a home that was undergoing fumigation. The caller advised that he had seen a man exit a grey Infiniti sedan and run along the side of the tented residence.

As officers responded to the scene, a second caller reported that two men were seen running down the

hillside behind the fumigated home, carrying a bag with unknown contents. The grey Infiniti was also seen leaving the area.

Investigation revealed the subjects had removed the clasps holding the fumigation tent together and pried a rear window open to access the home. They had then removed purses, wallets, jewelry, and cash.

The California Highway Patrol located the Infiniti and a pursuit ensued. The pursuit ended in the area of Harbor Boulevard on the northbound 405 freeway, where the driver was taken into custody. The three passengers fled the area on foot, but were arrested shortly thereafter.

THE FINAL RESOLUTION CHALLENGE

If you've been participating in our 2015 Resolution Challenge, the end is in sight! Our final challenge of the year has been announced.

Here are some tips to keep your season merry, and theft-free:

Package Theft Prevention

- Always track your package deliveries, so you know when they are expected to arrive.
- Make sure that someone is home to receive the



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delivery, or that a trusted neighbor is available to receive the delivery on your behalf.

- Never leave your deliveries unattended on your front porch.
- Always require a signature when having items delivered.

Mail Theft Prevention

- Always send outgoing mail via a USPS collection box or deposit your mail inside your local post office.
- Whether you have a home mailbox or use a post office box, you should always collect your mail on the day it is delivered. Never leave it in the mailbox overnight.
- Never send cash or coin through the mail.
- When reordering checks, have them sent to your bank.
- When you travel, ask a trusted friend or neighbor to pick up your mail.
- If you don't receive a check, bill, or other mail that you are expecting, contact the issuing agency immediately.
- Mail thieves look for bank statements and credit card bills, which can be used to create counterfeit checks or fake identifications. Ensure that this type of mail is secured as quickly as possible.
- Thieves also look for personal checks enclosed in your utility bill payments or other remittances in outgoing mail. They take the stolen checks, remove the ink, and then fill out the blank check with their name and the desired check amount.

So, this month, let's work together to put a stop to disappearing deliveries. For more information, and to enter to win an NBPD Lapel pin, see our website <u>here</u>.

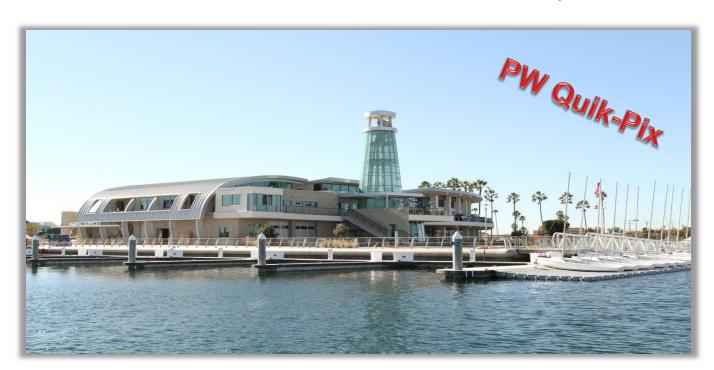
Public Works Department City Manager's Newsletter

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director

Date: December 4, 2015

After 2 years of construction, please join us for the grand opening of Marina Park on December 5, 2015 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.!





CORONA DEL MAR POCKET PARK

On December 1, 2015, the City officially dedicated Pocket Park. The park is located on East Coast Highway between Larkspur Avenue and Jasmine Avenue in Corona del Mar and is approximately 1,300 square feet. The Park's property was generously donated to the City by the Myrtle Cox family.

The site was re-graded and now includes five new benches, a trashcan, new lighting fixtures, new drought-tolerant landscaping, and irrigation and drainage systems.

The completed project has aesthetically enhanced the area and provides a place for the public to enjoy the scenery along Coast Highway.





Mayor Pro Tem Dixon, Councilmember Curry, Mr. Cox, Mayor Selich

Superior Avenue / Coast Highway Pedestrian Improvements

With the beginning of the soccer season at Sunset Ridge Park came a large increase of pedestrians crossing Superior Avenue at Coast Hwy. In response, Public Works staff worked with Caltrans and the Municipal Operations Department (MOD) to install countdown pedestrian indications and a high visibility "continental" crosswalk to provide improved conditions for those utilizing this intersection.

Countdown pedestrian indications tell pedestrians how much time is left to cross the street and "continental" crosswalks increase awareness of the crosswalk for motorists.



Annual Concrete Pavement Replacement Program

This year's annual concrete replacement project was awarded by City Council on November 24, 2015. The project includes reconstruction of deteriorated sidewalks. driveway approach, curb and gutter, and ADA curb access ramps for the John Wayne Airport Eastbluff area. and Newport Center communities. The contractor. Unique Performance Construction Inc., is scheduled to begin work in January 2016 and the project is expected to be completed by May 2016.

For questions about this project, please call Alfred Castanon, Associate Civil Engineer, at 949-644-3314 or Tom Legault, Public Works Inspector, at 949-270-8134.



ADA Curb Access Ramp Reconstruction

2043 Westcliff Drive Medical Office – From Traffic Study to Construction

The building and parking structure at 2043 Westcliff Drive is underway! The Public Works Traffic Engineering Division reviewed this project during the planning stages, including management of the Traffic Phasing Ordinance study in 2014. The study looked at traffic impacts on the surrounding streets, including site access. The project includes retail, medical offices, restaurants, bank uses and a 3-level parking structure.



Encroachment Permits

The number of encroachment permits processed by Public Work Development Services staff has steadily increased over the past several years. Thus far this vear. staff has processed encroachment permits. Encroachment permits vary in type from simple sidewalk panel replacement or curb drain installation to more complicated water main installations or utility vault replacements. Manv encroachment permits require extensive coordination between a Traffic Engineer, Engineering, Inspection and the Municipal Operations Department.



ENCROACHMENT PERMITS PROCESSED

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 (as of Dec. 2nd)
Encroachment Permits Processed	393	434	498	585	597

Yes! You do Need a Permit for That Dumpster in The Street

As 2015 comes to a close amidst a haze of last minute shopping, family gatherings and more comfort food than you might care to admit to consuming, you may be toying with the idea of

cleaning out your garage.

If you do decide to take on this arduous task, and you need to place a dumpster or storage pod temporarily in the street in front of your home, a permit is required and easy to obtain.





An application for a

Temporary Street/Sidewalk or Dumpster Placement Permit can be obtained by visiting the City's website here or by coming down to the City's permit center to fill it out in person. The typical fees for a temporary street closure permit are \$26.00 without Engineer review and Temporary No Parking Signs are \$.80 each. Please remember that your dumpster will need to be provided by an approved franchised hauler. A complete list of participating vendors can be obtained here.

A quick trip to City Hall and a member of our Public Works Permit Staff will happily process your application and fees, usually within a matter of minutes, and you will be on your way to having a clutter free garage and fresh start to 2016.

Southern California Edison Work Throughout The City

The Public Works Department is coordinating with Southern California Edison (SCE) to permit their work to replace portions of the electrical system throughout the City within the public right-of-way.





Work that is being completed by SCE's contractor, PAR Electric, include removing and replacing aging electrical poles, aging underground vaults, aging electrical equipment including aerial and underground electrical cables, and transformers.

How Does a Traffic Signal Know I'm There?

There are many ways the traffic signal system can detect your vehicle to give you a green light. The most common form of "vehicle detector" is the traffic "loop." Loops are the circles you often see on the roadway near the crosswalk. The metal in your car, motorcycle or bicycle is detected by the loop and lets the signal know a car is waiting.

Video cameras can also be used to detect vehicles. This technology recognizes a change in the background image when a vehicle approaches the intersection. Recent improvements in video technology allow this system the ability to tell the difference between vehicles and bicycles. This can allow for less delay for waiting vehicles by giving more time to cyclists.

Radar is a relatively new technology that the City is testing at the entrance to the Civic Center. The detector looks similar to a pizza box (white square device), is mounted on the side of the traffic signal pole and casts a radar beam toward the waiting cars. This technology is proving to be a contender with its reliable detection in all weather conditions (not affected by direct sunlight, fog, or rain), accurate bicycle detection and lower maintenance.

FACT OR MYTH?

The size and weight of my vehicle matters - MYTH
This myth is based on technology of long ago, where vehicles were detected by passing over a pressure plate in the roadway.

I can trigger the signal by flashing my high beam headlights really quickly as I approach the signal – MYTH

This myth was based on older technology the fire trucks previously used. Fire trucks emitted a white strobe light

that some folks thought could be recreated by flashing their high-beam headlights REALLY quickly. Unfortunately (for them), the flash rate and sequence could not be recreated...even by the best high-beam operator.



Detectors only work if you stop in the correct place. Detection "zones" are set up immediately behind the limit line and generally continue back 20 to 40 feet.

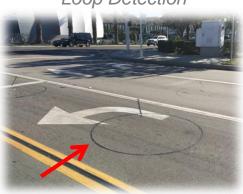




Detection Camera









To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: December 4, 2015



REMINDER - The Marina Park Community & Sailing Center Grand Opening is SATURDAY!!

WHEN – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5
TIME – 10:00A.M. – NOON
SHUTTLE PARKING PROVIDED AT
3300 NEWPORT BLVD (FORMER CITY HALL)



Santa is Coming to Town or rather the Newport Coast Community Center

Santa is visiting on Friday, December 11th and he is hungry! The attendees will enjoy a fun filled breakfast as they wait for the guest of honor Santa to arrive via a Newport Beach Fire Engine. After the Big Guy's grand entrance, guests will have a chance to get the coveted picture with Santa, take a ride on a toy train, play games and complete various arts

and crafts.





Bonita Creek Osprey Received Nest Upgrade

Last week a field light at Bonita Creek Park was fitted with a nesting platform for the resident OSPREY and her nest. Prior to the platform, the large nest sat directly on top of the lights. The installer took extra caution to transfer the intact nest from the lights and into the box. This winter, we are hopeful the young OSPREY couple will once again return to this location to lay their eggs.





Volunteers Hit the Beach to Educate Public about Western Snowy Plovers



The Pacific coast population of western Snowy Plovers has been in decline for several years due to the loss of their habitat, along with disturbances resulting from human developmental and recreational presences. The lush beaches in Newport Beach provide a tremendous habitat for this endangered creature. Newport Beach has the largest non-breeding population of western Snowy Plovers in LA and Orange County and the only known nesting site on a public beach in southern California. Natural Resource Volunteers have monitored the number of western snowy plovers while maintaining an adequate habitat for a large roost size for the past 6 years.

Great strides are being taken to protect the local western Snowy Plovers. Snowy Plover Educators, in partnership with the Natural Resource section of the Recreation Department, are heading out throughout the area to educate

the public. The Snowy Plover Educators are highlighting important facts such as, the plover's nests are often ravaged when dogs and other human activities travel through their nesting areas, as well as the importance of leaving driftwood, shells, and seaweed where they are found as they serve vital resources for the Snowy Plovers to make their nests and to feed on.

The Natural Resource Team continues to work hard to protect these birds and educate the public. Look for the Snowy Plover Educators out in the field and ask to take a look through their binoculars to see the wonderful western Snowy Plover!

OASIS Pays it Forward

During the week of Thanksgiving, OASIS staff gave participants the opportunity to "Pay It Forward" by putting up hundreds of Post-It notes filled with positive messages, compliments and thank you notes. Participants were encouraged to pick up a note and pass it along to a friend, relative, class mate, instructor or even a complete stranger! The goal was to spread a little happiness and kindness to all who come to OASIS. The project even inspired the son of one of our fitness instructors: "You inspired my 12 year old son! I brought home sticky note compliments and he decided to make his own and give them out!"









Thanksgiving Luncheon

With the help of OASIS staff, city employee volunteers, Friends of OASIS and our meals program - Age Well, the Center hosted the Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 25. Approximately 175 seniors were served a wonderful Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings. The Zydeco band provided the entertainment. The staff at OASIS thanks everyone, including the City Manager, who helped to make this a special day for the seniors.

Special Movie Screening

A Special Movie Screening took place at the OASIS called "The Age of Love". This documentary follows the humorous and poignant adventures of 30 older adults who signed up for a Speed Dating event exclusively for 70 – 90 year olds. After the movie a discussion was held to share ideas on ageism, stereotypes, gender and our enduring urge to connect. OASIS is now considering having a speed dating event in the future.

HOLIDAY Outreach Programs

It's that time of year again to think of ways that we can enhance the lives of others during the holidays. OASIS has developed traditions over the years and we ask that members do what they can to help spread the spirit of the holidays to those less fortunate.



Donations to the following holiday programs will be accepted until Monday, December 7.

Holiday Angel Tree

The OASIS staff will be collecting gifts for the "Angels" on our tree to support the Council on Aging's holiday outreach efforts. Last year the COA gave out over 4,000 gifts to isolated seniors and OASIS was a part of that. "Angels" are gift requests from low-income seniors in the county. Come in and pick up an Angel, purchase the gift and bring it back to OASIS so it can be gift-wrapped and delivered. Collection period: November 16-December 7



Other Ways to Help

- Canned Food Drive Canned and nonperishable food items will be collected for SOS (Share Our Selves). Collection boxes will be available for your donations in the OASIS Lobby.
- Handmade Lap-size Afghans Staff collects handmade afghans to distribute in the local nursing homes during the
 holidays. If you have a new afghan to donate or know of someone who would enjoy receiving one, please let staff
 know.
- Handmade Hats for the Homeless It's cold on the streets at night, so handmade hats are collected and staff donates them to SPIN (Serving People In Need). SPIN distributes them to homeless people living on the street.
- Homebound Seniors Outreach The OASIS likes to remember homebound seniors during the holidays. If you know
 OASIS members who can no longer participate at OASIS, staff would like to send them some holiday cheer.

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	Newport Theatre Art Center (NTAC) "Moonlight & Magnolia" NTAC-2501 Cliff Drive, for tickets and info visit: www.ntaconline.com
Sun. 12/6 Ilam-4pm	CdM Chamber of Commerce - Christmas Walk FREE For more information visit: www.cdmchamber.com/events
Fri. 12/11 9:30-11am	Breakfast with Santa \$15/person NCCC-6401 San Joaquin HIIIs Rd, for more info call 949-270-8100
Sun. 12/13 am-4pm	Balboa Island Holiday Home Tour \$25/person For more information visit: www.cdmchamber.com/events
12/16-12/20	107th Annual Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade For more information visit: www.christmasboatparade.com