



The Week in Review

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September 6, 2019

Upcoming Events

Saturday, September 7
[Green on Green and Disaster Preparedness Expos](#)

Civic Green
100 Civic Center Drive
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sunday, September 8
Concert at Marina Park – Tijuana Dogs

1600 W. Balboa Boulevard
4 – 6 p.m.

Monday, September 9
Mayor Town Hall

Marina Park
1600 W. Balboa Boulevard
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10
City Council Meeting

City Hall, Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Dr.
4 p.m.

Thursday, September 12
Zoning Administrator Mtg.

City Hall, Corona del Mar
Conference Room (Bay1E)
100 Civic Center Dr.
3 p.m.

Special Meeting Held on Addressing Homelessness

On September 4, 2019, the City Council held a special meeting to discuss homelessness and whether to initiate negotiations on potential private sites for a homeless shelter in the City. Due to the changing legal landscape, the City needs to have shelter beds available in order to enforce our anti-camping ordinance. To address this need, the City Council has tasked staff with evaluating public and private sites for a shelter facility and pursuing partnerships with neighboring cities. This meeting allowed the City Council to provide direction on three private properties and receive community input. The City Council voted unanimously, 7-0, to remove the site of the former Pine Knot Motel from consideration as a shelter facility due to its location in the Coastal Zone. The City Council also provided direction to initiate negotiations for the property at 4200 Campus Drive and to take no further action on 825 W. 16th Street unless directed to do so by the Council. Any future action on 825 W. 16th Street would require Council direction at a noticed public meeting. In addition, Council directed staff to evaluate the City-owned Municipal Yard on Superior Avenue for a homeless shelter for cost comparison purposes, and continue discussions with neighboring cities for regional partnerships. Moving forward on this Council direction is top priority for staff.

Throughout the evaluation process, the safety and security of residents, staff, and visitors are paramount in driving the planning and implementation of a shelter facility. Any shelter facility under consideration would require a reservation-only intake process, 24/7 on-site security, and a buffer zone of code enforcement responsibilities to ensure safe and orderly access. The reservation process involves partnering with law enforcement, clearing background checks, and processing intake assessments with City Net. City Net is the City's contracted social service provider.

In addition to evaluating shelter options, the City Council and staff continue to pursue a multifaceted approach to solve issues

Visit the City's website for a complete listing of meetings and events at newportbeachca.gov/events.

**Thursday, September 12
General Plan Steering
Committee**

Marina Park
1600 W. Balboa Blvd.
6 p.m.

**Thursday, September 12
[Mariners / Dover Shores
Neighborhood Traffic
Calming Study - Town Hall](#)**

City Hall, Community Room
100 Civic Center Drive
6:30 – 8 p.m.

**Thursday, September 12
City Arts Commission
Meeting**

Small Conference Room,
Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
5 p.m.

**Sunday, September 15
Concert on the Green –
Flashback Heart Attack**

Civic Green
100 Civic Center Drive
6 – 7:30 p.m.

**Monday, September 16
Board of Library Trustees
Meeting**

Small Conference Room,
Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
5 p.m.

**Monday, September 16
Proposed Changes to
Short-Term Lodging
Stakeholders Meeting**

City Hall, Community Room
100 Civic Center Drive
6 p.m.

**Tuesday, September 17
Homeless Task Force**

City Hall, Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive
4 p.m.

resulting from homelessness. City staff is working closely with OCTA and the Irvine Company to address the concerns at the OCTA Transportation Center. This week, OCTA provided authorization for the Newport Beach Police Department to enforce trespassing violations at the Transportation Center when the center is closed at night. Following posting of additional signage, we anticipate enforcement to occur in the coming days. The Homeless Task Force, which includes three Council members and seven members of the community, is working on long-term strategies and a comprehensive community plan for addressing homelessness.

GP Update Steering Committee Meeting

On Thursday, September 12, 2019, the General Plan Update Steering Committee (GPUSC) will meet in the Bay Island Room (second floor) of Marina Park beginning at 6 p.m. The entire community is invited and encouraged to attend, as this will be an exciting meeting with much to talk about!

The GPUSC will review the design concepts for branding and messaging of the community engagement and outreach program, as well as the draft outline for the program itself. It will also discuss the community-wide launch event tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 26, and will review the highly interactive online platform that will serve as an integral tool throughout the program.

The GPUSC will then meet again on September 25, at 6 p.m. in the City Council Chambers to continue the discussion and further refine the items discussed at its September 12 meeting. For additional information, the Committee's page is found [here](#). You can also check out the General Plan Update webpage at www.newportbeachca.gov/gpupdate.

Coastal Commission September Meeting

The California Coastal Commission will hold their next meeting (September 11-13) in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Each day's agenda starts at 9 a.m. and the agenda can be viewed at the Coastal Commission website [here](#). The agenda for Wednesday September 11 includes consideration of the City's request for a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for Phase 2A of the Big Canyon Coastal Habitat Restoration and Adaptation Project. Coastal staff is recommending approval. Please note that the agenda for Thursday, September 12 includes an item requested by Southern California Edison related to the decommissioning of onshore portions of Units 2 and 3 of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. This item may draw a crowd. On the Friday, September 13 agenda, Coastal staff will be making a presentation on sea level rise vulnerability in the Orange County area. They also will provide information related to the insurance industry about sea level rise considerations.

Wednesday, September 18
Balboa Village Advisory
Committee (BVAC)
Marina Park
1600 W. Balboa Blvd.
4 p.m.

Thursday, September 19
Planning Commission
City Hall, Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Dr.
6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 20
Movie in the Park:
Hotel Transylvania 3
Bayview Park
99 Pelican Court
6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Update

On August 22, 2019, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) issued their final [Regional Housing Needs Assessment \(RHNA\) determination](#) of 1,344,740 total housing units for the six-county Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) region. This number reflects the number of new housing units the region must plan for in the October 2021-October 2029 planning period. This regional determination is significantly higher than projections recommended by SCAG and does not reflect SCAG's growth forecast, data inputs, or analysis that was previously developed collaboratively with HCD. Therefore, SCAG will file a formal objection to HCD's determination and recommend an alternative proposed determination of between 821,000 to 924,000 units. Upon receiving the objection, HCD will have 45 days to make a final written determination.

SCAG is also in the process of determining how to distribute the final HCD regional determination to each individual cities in the region, including Newport Beach. Each local jurisdiction is then required to plan for the inclusion of these new housing units in their local Housing Elements of the General Plan.

SCAG is currently seeking public comments on three proposed options for allocating the regional determination through September 13, 2019. Following the conclusion of the public comment period, SCAG is expected to adopt a Final Proposed RHNA Allocation Methodology on November 7, 2019. Utilizing the three proposed draft allocation options using the current HCD regional determination of 1,344,740 units, Newport Beach is projected to receive a local allocation as follows: Option 1) 3,245 units; Option 2) 5,292 units; or Option 3) 2,336 units.

Small Cell Technology Site Available

Wireless data consumption has grown remarkably in the last few years, outpacing the capacity of current telecommunication infrastructure. Smartphones, tablets, smartwatches; the collective devices we use to live chat with friends and stream video and music, have created an unprecedented wireless data demand. Small cell technology is being deployed around the country as the leading solution to meet soaring data usage and make coverage more reliable. Small cell technology will also help deploy future technologies like 5G, driverless cars, and other concept technology like the Internet of Things. To improve wireless signal strength in the community, the City is working closely with wireless carriers to deploy small cell technology on existing public infrastructure. The City is committed to ensure small cell proposals comply with all State, zoning, building and fire code requirements and that the aesthetic integrity of the City of Newport Beach is preserved. For more information, please visit

the City's Small Cell Technology Frequently Asked Questions page at: newportbeachca.gov/smallcell.

Treasury Report

The July 2019 Treasury Report is available on the City's website at: www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury.

As of July, the City's portfolio totaled just over \$277 million, from all sources. Roughly \$31 million of this portfolio was highly liquid, meaning it was available for cash flows associated with day-to-day operations and cash funding of major construction expenditures.

The short-term portfolio (\$217 million) had a weighted average effective maturity of 1.87 years. The trailing twelve months' total return was 3.78%. This return was close to the benchmark for the same period, the BAML 1-3 Year Treasury index, which returned 3.84%. The income yield on the portfolio, a better measure of income derived from the portfolio, was 1.77%.

Water Transmission Main Valve Replacement Project

This year's Water Transmission project targets deteriorated valves along Eastbluff Drive and San Joaquin Hills Road. Valve replacement work began mid-August for the valves located along Eastbluff Drive and is now complete. The contractor (T.E. Roberts) was able to bring in additional crews to complete this work before the new school year and avoid traffic related issues with school drop-off and pick-up times. Next up are the valves located along San Joaquin Hills Road. The contractor plans to replace these valves in a few weeks once peak water usage decreases.

Another Successful Summer for the Balboa Peninsula Trolley

This past Labor Day weekend marks the close of another successful summer for the Balboa Peninsula Trolley. For beach-going locals and visitors alike, this efficient, convenient and free trolley service ran weekends from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. all summer long from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Having received great customer feedback, we look forward to continued ridership for the 4th summer of operation commencing in May 2020.

