



The Week in Review

City Manager Grace K. Leung

December 13, 2019

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 15

Sunday Musicale

Friends Meeting Room, Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
3 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Monday, December 16

Board of Library Trustees meeting

Corona del Mar Library
410 Marigold Ave.
5 p.m.

Friday, December 20

[Marina Park Family Fun Night](#)

Marina Park
1600 W Balboa Blvd
5:30 p.m.

Monday, January 6

[City Council Ad Hoc Committee on Election Reform](#)

January 6, 2020
Friends Meeting Room, Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
5 - 6 p.m.

Homeless Update

Success Stories - The City continues to have success with our housing our homeless population. Over the past four months, City Net (our contracted social services provider) has housed twelve people who were previously homeless in Newport Beach. Five people are now in supportive housing, four people are in shelters with services and housing resources, and three people are staying in motels until their housing vouchers can be used for housing. In addition, we are actively working with fifty-three additional individuals with the County of Orange Continuum of Care process to identify and access appropriate resources for their situations.

Lido Hedge Heights

On Lido Isle, there are conflicting regulations between Lido Isle Community Association (LICA) and the City pertaining to hedge heights allowed in front yard setbacks abutting stradas. While LICA allows for hedges to grow to 5 feet, the City restricts hedges to 3.5 feet in all front setback areas. Due to the conflicting regulations and confusion this has caused homeowners, LICA requested that the City process a Code Amendment to change the maximum hedge height from 3.5 feet to 5 feet in front setback areas abutting stradas on Lido Isle. On December 5, 2019, the Planning Commission reviewed the request and unanimously voted to recommend approval of the Code Amendment to the City Council. The Amendment is tentatively scheduled to be heard by the City Council on February 11, 2020, and if approved, will be presented to California Coastal Commission on a future date.

SCULPTURE EXHIBITION PHASE V

The Newport Beach City Arts Commission is preparing for the fifth installation of sculptures in the City's 14-acre Civic Center Park, designed by renowned landscape architect Peter Walker, with designated areas for public art. Artists, private collectors, galleries, and museums/non-profit institutions are

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invited to submit entries by January 15, 2020 for display of artwork from May 2020 to June 2022. Arts Orange County is coordinating the application process using the online platform Slideroom.com.

If you are an artist or you know an artist who might be interested in this exhibition, please refer to the [Application and Selection Criteria](#) link on the [City website](#).

Breakfast with Santa Event

Breakfast with Santa was held at the Newport Coast Community Center on Friday, December 6. The event kicked off with boys and girls from our Preschool 101 class singing Christmas carols as Santa rode in on a big red firetruck! Over 200 Tots and their families enjoyed breakfast, themed crafts, jolly train ride, bounce house, and of course a personal photo opportunity with Santa. Each family went home with a printed photo with Santa and countless memories.

Mayor's Youth Council Participants Give Back for the Holidays

The Mayor's Youth Council (MYC) volunteered and assisted the OC Thanksgiving Basket Brigade on Sunday, November 24. Every member hosted a toy and food drive to gather items to donate for this worthy cause. Donations were sorted and organized into baskets for deserving families in Orange County. Volunteers also delivered the baskets the same day so they had it in time for Thanksgiving. The MYC consists of high school students interning with the City of Newport Beach to gain career education, service hours and opportunities for community engagement. This internship is an educational tool to help students learn about the different careers offered in local government.

APWA 2019 Project of the Year Award

The City accepted an award for 2019 Project of the Year for Bayside Drive Roadway Improvements yesterday at the APWA 20th Annual Awards Luncheon in Lakewood.

The award won under the category: Traffic, Mobility and Beautification. This project resurfaced Bayside Drive between PCH and Jamboree Road. The work included new retaining walls and sidewalk extension, enhanced bike lanes with buffer striping, new landscaped medians, and renovated landscaping along the Promontory Bay bike path, traffic signal upgrades and decorative striping in the median for enhanced visibility and safety.

