



The Week in Review

City Manager Grace K. Leung

December 10, 2021

Upcoming Events

Monday, December 13 **City Council Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee**

City Hall, City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive

[\(See agenda for instructions on how to participate\)](#)

6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 14 **City Council Regular Meeting**

City Hall, Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive

4 p.m.

[\(Insider's Guide\)](#)

Thursday, December 16 **Zoning Administrator**

Via Zoom

[Register here.](#)

10 a.m.

Friday, December 17

[Marina Park Family Fun Night](#)

5:30 p.m.

Community Members:

Starting January 1, a new state law will require all Californians to recycle organic waste, including food waste and green waste, along with standard recycling materials. The City is updating our waste collection practices to minimize landfill disposal and align with the state's mandate to reduce organic waste by 75% by 2025.

You will be receiving more information on the City's expanded recycling program in the coming weeks and months. Please be on the lookout for a direct mail newsletter that will be delivered to all residents before the holidays.

I also encourage you to visit our updated web page at www.newportbeachca.gov/recycle and check out this list of [frequently asked questions](#) for information on the changes you'll be seeing in the new year.

COVID-19 Cases in Newport Beach

As of December 9, the total cumulative number of COVID-19 cases in Newport Beach was 5,372, an increase of 132 cases since December 2. The total number of cases in Orange County as of December 9 was 316,070, an increase of 2,683 cases since December 2. The number of recovered COVID-19 patients countywide as of December 9 was 303,753. These figures are provided to Orange County by the California Department of Public Health. The County's daily, weekday update of COVID-19 case information is [available at this link](#). Those seeking vaccination options can visit the HCA page [at this link](#).

Mariners Vincent Jorgensen Community Room Kitchenette Gets Makeover

The long-awaited kitchenette remodel at the Mariners Park Vincent Jorgensen Community Room is quickly moving along. The \$74,750 project will include new

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flooring, paint, cabinets, countertops, sink, stove and oven, refrigerator, and a Dutch door. City staff expects the project to be complete in early 2022.

Rain and Sprinklers do NOT go together

We are happy to have some rain this week and see rain forecasted next week. We need this rain for our drought conditions and it's a great opportunity to save water. Most residents understand that their lawn does not need water after a rainfall. And it's actually a violation of our Municipal Code, which reads: "No customer shall use potable water to irrigate lawns, groundcover, shrubbery or other ornamental landscape material during and within forty-eight (48) hours after a measurable rainfall event." Please adjust your sprinklers accordingly and save water and money.

Support Troops and Their Families during "Operation Christmas" Toy Drive

The City is once again supporting the "Operation Christmas For Our Troops & Their Families" gift drive, organized by [Yellow Ribbon America](#), now in its 17th year. Please consider donating new, unwrapped toys and sports equipment, new or used DVDs, or gift cards to support military service members and their families this holiday season. You can drop off items at any of the City facilities listed below between now and December 22 at noon. The gifts will be delivered later that day for distribution to families of active service members.

Drop-off locations are:

- Newport Beach City Hall, 100 Civic Center Drive - Revenue (1A), Community Development (1C), City Clerk's Office (2E)
- OASIS Senior Center, 801 Narcissus Avenue
- Newport Coast Community Center, 6401 San Joaquin Hills Road
- Marina Park Community & Sailing Center, 1600 W. Balboa Boulevard
- Police Department, 870 Santa Barbara Drive
- Balboa Peninsula Fire Station #1, 110 E. Balboa Boulevard
- Lido Fire Station #2, 475 32nd Street
- Fashion Island Fire Station #3, 868 Santa Barbara Drive
- Balboa Island Fire Station #4, 124 Marine Avenue
- Corona del Mar Fire Station #5, 410 Marigold Avenue
- Mariners Fire Station #6, 1348 Irvine Avenue
- Santa Ana Heights Fire Station #7, 20401 Acacia Street
- Newport Coast Fire Station #8, 6502 Ridge Park Road
- Newport Beach Central Library, 1000 Avocado Avenue
- Balboa Library, 100 E. Balboa Boulevard
- Crean Mariners Library, 1300 Irvine Avenue
- Corona del Mar Library, 410 Marigold Avenue

For more information or questions please contact our City Clerk's office at 949-644-3005.

Homelessness Update

- 19 people who had been experiencing homelessness in Newport Beach are now sheltered in the Costa Mesa Bridge Shelter.
- City Net, the City's contract homeless services agency, helped several clients obtain Emergency Housing Vouchers. Emergency Housing Vouchers, funded by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, allow people to pay affordable rent based on their fixed incomes. Nine people experiencing homelessness in Newport Beach have been awarded vouchers. The voucher program is administered by the Orange County Housing Authority. City Net is assisting Newport Beach clients with completing the necessary paperwork, obtaining bank statements, touring potential rental apartments, and more.
- City Net completed housing paperwork for a person newly matched to an Emergency Housing Voucher.
- City Net completed housing paperwork for a couple who obtained a housing voucher through the County's Coordinated Entry System of care. The Coordinated Entry System matches people with permanent housing opportunities based on their needs and income.
- City Net toured potential apartments with a client who was awarded an Emergency Housing Voucher.
- City Net transported a client to a skilled nursing facility and completed the intake appointment with the facility's case manager.
- City Net enrolled a client into the Cold Weather Shelter operated by the County of Orange. The shelter, located in Santa Ana, provides on-site services and housing navigation for 80 people. The shelter is open from December to the end of March.
- Staff continues to provide food gift cards, support, and case management to people sheltering in motels while they await placement into permanent, supportive housing with Emergency Housing Vouchers.

To donate to those experiencing homelessness in Newport Beach, please visit our [Good Giving Program web page](#).

Insider's Guide for the Newport Beach City Council Meeting on December 14, 2021

Our next City Council meeting is Tuesday, December 14. Items that may be of interest are highlighted below. The entire agenda, and all reports, can be viewed [here](#).

The regular session begins at 4 p.m., with a special order of business (reorganization) beginning at 4:30 p.m. The Council reorganization will include:

- Remarks from outgoing Mayor Brad Avery.
- Election of Mayor.
- Election of Mayor Pro-Tem.
- Seating arrangements on Council dais.
- Remarks from incoming Mayor.

