



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Muldoon & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager

DATE: July 21, 2017

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: July 21, 2017

Mariners' Mile Revitalization Master Plan Withdrawn

Based upon concerns expressed by the community regarding the configuration of Coast Highway, staff believes this is not the appropriate time to pursue the adoption of the [Mariners' Mile Revitalization Master Plan \(Plan\)](#). Therefore, staff has withdrawn the Plan from further consideration at this time. Staff anticipates that the draft Plan may be considered again following the comprehensive General Plan update, scheduled to begin in late 2017.



In 2011, the City Council designated Mariners' Mile as one of six "revitalization areas" in the City, and Mariners' Mile is the last of these areas to be examined. The Plan was envisioned to be a consensus building process to develop a vision for future improvement in the area based on the existing General Plan. To date, a community consensus has not been realized.

Many public comments centered around the Plan to widen West Coast Highway, which is a requirement that has been in place since the 1970s and is reflected in both the General Plan and Regional Master Plan of Arterial Highways. While this topic is not part of the Plan, many commenters requested that Coast Highway needed reexamination before proceeding. With the Plan on hold, the General Plan update can comprehensively address the policy direction in respect to the widening of West Coast Highway, development density/intensity limits, and building height in Mariners' Mile.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Farewell to Outgoing Planning Commissioners

On July 6, 2017, the Planning Commission said farewell to outgoing Commissioners Ray Lawler and Brad Hillgren, and welcomed new Commissioners Lauren Kleiman and Lee Lowrey. Chair Kory Kramer thanked both Brad and Ray for their years of service on the Commission and their



commitment to the City. Later that evening, the Commission selected Peter Koetting as the new Chair, Peter Zak as the new Vice Chair, and Erik Weigand as the new Secretary.

Property Owners or Lessees May Join City's Appeal of FEMA's Flood Hazard Maps

The City of Newport Beach is preparing to appeal the proposed flood hazard determination made by the Federal Insurance Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The City has hired Everest Consulting International Inc. to conduct an independent scientific and technical review of the preliminary maps. Digital copies of FEMA's maps are available at: <http://www.fema.gov/preliminaryfloodhazarddata> or on the City's website at: <http://www.newportbeachca.gov/fema>

Before any new or modified flood hazard information becomes effective for floodplain management purposes, FEMA provides an opportunity for the community to appeal the proposed flood hazard information. During the appeal period, any owner or lessee of real property may appeal the determination with the City.

It is important to note that the sole basis for such an appeal is the possession of knowledge or information indicating that the proposed flood hazard determinations are scientifically or technically incorrect. By filling out a form available from the City (see link below), property owners have the opportunity to combine their appeal with the City's appeal, based on the same scientific and technical grounds the City is preparing.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

The FEMA appeal period ends September 7, 2017. If you believe your property rights are adversely affected by the Federal Insurance Administrator's proposed flood elevation determination, please complete and sign the Appeal of Proposed Flood Elevation Determination that can be found the City's website at: <http://www.newportbeachca.gov/home/showdocument?id=55862>. Once the appeal has been signed, email it to: femaAppeal@newportbeachca.gov or mail it to the City at the following address by August 28, 2017:

City of Newport Beach
100 Civic Center Drive
Newport Beach, CA 92660
Attn: Community Development Department- FEMA APPEAL

City staff will include all submitted appeal forms to FEMA at the end of August 2017. Should you have any questions, please contact City of Newport Beach Principal Civil Engineer Samir Ghosn at (949) 644-3277 or at sghosn@newportbeachca.gov.

Jennifer Biddle takes 2nd Place in the Destruction Derby!

For the fifth time, mild-mannered Jennifer Biddle got behind the wheel in the annual Santa Maria Fair Destruction Derby! Her skill and determination resulted in a Second Place finish in the Compact Vehicle Division. She was the only female competitor in the division. "High Five" was her slogan and Jennifer is already making plans for 2018! Way to go Jennifer!





Date: July 21, 2017

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Congratulations, Shaun!



The Finance Department would like to recognize Shaun Tormey, Inventory Analyst, for graduating from the California State Fullerton Leadership Development for Public Agencies program. Selected as a City representative in the Program's spring 2017 group, Shaun invested his time in attending the 14-week program consisting of classes including delivering effective presentations, group facilitation and leadership development. The program incorporates a roster of instructors that have a wealth of consulting experience with government agencies, enabling the program to be taught from a unique and practical perspective. The skills and experience gained from his time in the program will assist Shaun while interacting with the City's internal and external customers and foster his continued professional development.

Newport Beach Fire Department

Safety, Service & Professionalism

DATE: July 21, 2017
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Chip Duncan, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER



FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION

STRUCTURE FIRE AT FLAGSHIP HEALTHCARE CENTER

On July 9, the Newport Beach Fire Department responded to a reported structure fire at Flagship Healthcare Center, a skilled nursing facility. After first in crews arrived and encountered smoke at the rear of the structure, the fire was escalated to a working structure fire with personnel responding from Costa Mesa and Huntington Beach Fire Departments.



Approximately 50 residents and staff evacuated, and many residents were in need of assistance to evacuate. The fire was extinguished and isolated to a storage basement. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.



The story is online at ocregister.com and by clicking [here](#).

FIRES ACTIVE IN CALIFORNIA

Newport Beach Engines 63 and 66 deployed to the Alamo Fire in San Luis Obispo. Fire Facilities Coordinator Ralph Gerardo took this picture with Engine 63 on scene (right) while watching the news.



Newport Beach Fire personnel also deployed to the Whittier Fire in Santa Barbara County and a fire medic deployed to the Pilot Fire in Fresno.



TRAINING

This past week we held our eight-month test for our five probationary firefighters. During the first 18 months with the fire department, firefighters test on many skills to assure proficiency. These include and are not limited to rope rescue, hose, ladders, and emergency medical services. Along with giving classes to the crew throughout probation, they are studying and practicing their manipulative skills. These folks will spend hundreds of hours training to make sure they are adept in each area. The process is nothing short of stressful, and all five showed up prepared and performed admirably. Congrats to our five for doing so well!



ENGINE PUMP TESTING

The Newport Beach Fire Department conducted Engineer probationary testing on July 7.



CERT BOOTH AT CONCERTS ON THE GREEN

On July 9, fire department CERT volunteers staffed a CERT booth at the first City Summer Concert on the Green with the band Flashback Heart Attack. Many attended the concert. Our CERT volunteers distributed safety and disaster preparedness information to concert goers. The fire department will staff these booths at all four Concerts on the Green this summer.



PROJECT GRATITUDE

On July 12, parishioners from Christ Church by the Sea dropped off thank you notes to all fire personnel for all three shifts at Stations 1, 2, and 4. Christ Church by the Sea is located on the Balboa Peninsula and the congregation has been working on "Project Gratitude" for the past few months, starting with the teachers at Newport Elementary School. Members of the congregation have been writing thank you notes to fire personnel at these three stations for the past few months and all of the cards were delivered. Special thanks to Christ Church by the Sea staff for organizing such a great project. Fire personnel are touched to receive letters of thanks and support from our community.



CAMP 911

Station 3 participated in *Camp 911*, a two-day camp at the Newport Beach Country Club for their children's camp discussing the basics of calling 911 and emergencies.



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) DIVISION

CUSTOMER SURVEYS



- I felt as they were treating me as their best friend. The Best.
- My expectations are very high, and are based on the past encounters.
- As a physician, I have had 40 years contact with Newport paramedics – superb!!
- They were more than terrific!

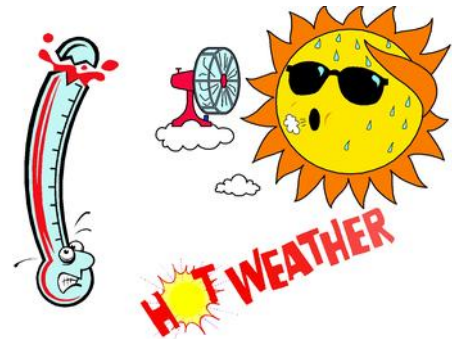
MARINE OPERATIONS DIVISION

The month of July has been warm and HOT! Newport's beaches have had great weather, surf and large crowds. The water temperature has been in the high 60s and low 70s, while the air temperature has been in the mid to high 70s. There are 75 lifeguards staffed daily that continue to remain vigilant in protecting our beaches.



LIFEGUARD STATISTICS FOR JULY 1-18, 2017

Public Assists	9,348
Boat Calls	785
Code Enforcement	7,867
Preventatives	25,877
Rescues	972
Animal Calls	160
First Aid/Medical Calls	501
Total calls	45,510
Beach Population	1,429,469



NOTABLE EVENTS AND RESCUES



On July 10, Hoag Hospital hosted the 38th Annual Project Wipeout Lifeguard Conference, focusing on spinal awareness. This annual lecture attracts over 400 lifeguards throughout Southern California to listen to speakers discuss saving lives and preventing injuries at the beaches. Project Wipeout was founded by a group of doctors, Newport Beach lifeguards and firefighters. Lifeguard Captain George “Skeeter” Leeper was the MC for the event. EMS Division Chief Kristin Thompson and Fire Captain Phil Puhek were guest lecturers on “Care for Patients with Cervical Spine Injuries.” Congratulations to Lifeguard Alex Brandt, who received the Excellence in Lifesaving Award for two rescues where he performed CPR and had positive outcomes.



RESCUES



At approximately 7:05 p.m. on July 12, off duty Seasonal Lifeguard Jeff Pratt was with his daughter on 30th Street, when he saw two swimmers caught in a rip current and struggling. Jeff sent his daughter to the shore and swam to help the swimmers while yelling for someone to contact lifeguards.

A beach goer offered to help Jeff and both were pulled out into the fast moving current. Neither Jeff nor the beach goer had fins or a buoy. After 10 minutes in the water, the beach goer grew fatigued and stated he was going to drown. Seasonal Lifeguard Carter Walton was locking up his tower when someone notified him of the incident. Carter responded to assist the group to shore. Jeff yelled for three surfers to help with their boards. All three victims made it to a board. Jeff swam back to shore to call lifeguard dispatch for backup. Jeff returned to the water to help Carter bring the victims to shore. The victims were fatigued but otherwise okay; the beach goer swallowed a lot of water and became exhausted. The beach goer was treated with oxygen and transported to Hoag Hospital.



At approximately 5:15 p.m. on July 17, Seasonal Lifeguard Kyle Lawrence (Tower 74) was alerted to trouble in the river about half way to the bridge. Kyle found a drowning victim, floating face down in the water. The victim's brother and father were unable to get the victim out of the water on their own, due to a swift current flowing from the incoming tide. Kyle pulled the victim to the riverbank, discovered that the victim was pulseless, and began CPR. A bystander offered assistance and performed mouth to mouth while Kyle did compressions. Seasonal Lifeguards Keegan Beavers and Wyatt Muller arrived and set up the AED. The AED advised for a shock and they delivered the shock. After one more cycle of CPR, the victim was responsive. Lifeguard Officer Andrew Matsuyama arrived, administered oxygen, and helped place the victim on the backboard. Newport Beach Truck 62 personnel Captain Brett Sutherland, Engineer Andy Hopper, Paramedic Bryan Carter and Tiller Matthew Natelborg along with Newport Beach Medic 63 Paramedics Joseph Laser and Jeremiah Martin arrived and worked together with lifeguards to safely get the victim over the rocks and up to the ambulance. The efforts made by fire and lifeguard personnel and the bystander, ultimately saved this victim's life.



FIRST AID

On July 17, Newport Beach Lifeguards started using the new Sting Ray Wound bags. A lifeguard truck carries these bags and an insulated cooler to hold hot water. They are able to treat on site on the beach instead of coming back to lifeguard headquarters for supplies. Patients can now stay with their families and go home when they are ready. The bag is theirs to keep. These bags also allow for lifeguards to go back in service within five minutes rather than 20 or more minutes.



JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS



On July 13, we celebrated our 37th annual Junior Lifeguard Hot Dog Dinner. Our Junior Lifeguard Instructors cooked 4,000 hot dogs for our participants and their families. The families also contributed some great desserts!



On July 17 and throughout the week, the Newport Beach Junior Lifeguards completed their pier jump from the Newport Pier. Age groups 9 to 15 participated in this annual activity. Many are nervous, and have an increased level of confidence once they jump and land in the water.





HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

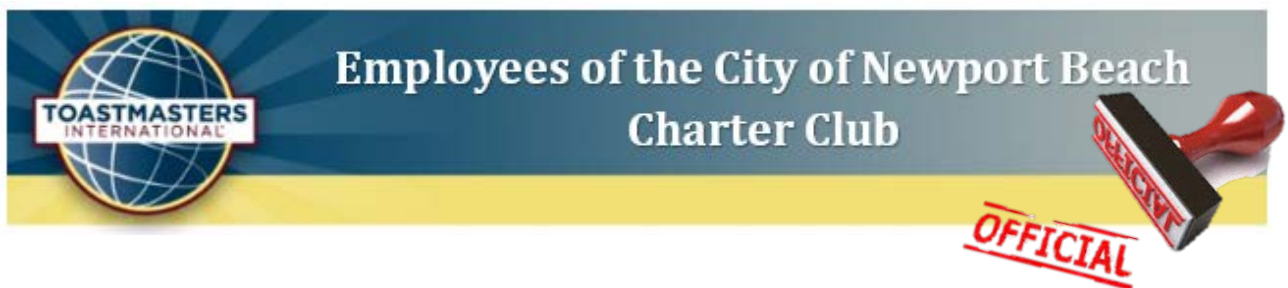
CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: July 21, 2017

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources



TOASTMASTERS CHARTER CLUB CEREMONY

On Thursday, July 20, the Employees of the City of Newport Beach Toastmasters Club held its Chartering Ceremony at the Police Auditorium. This was a significant milestone for the club to reach, as it marked the official recognition of the club by Toastmasters International. Dr. Diana Dee, Distinguished Toastmaster, facilitated the ceremony, which included a presentation of the club banner, charter club certificate, and charter member certificates to each of the club's members in attendance.



Pictured: Ben Zdeba, Toastmaster Club President; Dr. Diana Dee, DTM

The Employees of the City of Newport Beach Toastmasters club currently has 28 members. It is a great opportunity for City employees to build confidence with public speaking and network with their coworkers. Employees interested in joining the club, or attending a meeting as a guest to see what all the buzz is about, are encouraged to contact Rebecca Redyk at extension 3304 or rredyk@newportbeachca.gov.



Row 1: Dan Matusiewicz, Lauren Whitlinger, Rachel Johnson, Julie Duncan, Rebecca Redyk, Desiree Giessmann, Marlene Burns
Row 2: Dr. Diana Dee, Ben Zdeba, Kevin Pekar, Shane Burkle, Mary Locey, Andy Tran, Su Derego, Marissa Sur, Peter Tauscher

HR ROAD SHOW COMING SOON

HR staff will be hitting the road during the upcoming Open Enrollment period to assist employees with completing their elections for plan year 2018. Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

- Wednesday, September 13, 2017 – General Services Corporate Yard, 1 - 4 p.m.
- Thursday, September 14, 2017 – Police Department, 3:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 20, 2017 – Community Room, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 26, 2017 – Police Department, 6 – 11 a.m.
- Wednesday, September 27, 2017 – Back Bay Conference Room (1B), 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 3, 2017 – Bay Island Conference Room (2A) 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m





LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Library – Cultural Arts



July 21, 2017

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

Summer Reading Program.

Children's Services is very busy with summer programs that encourage learning and creativity in STEM-related fields (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). Kids have been building cities and cars with boxes, participating in hands-on science experiments, and creating their own special projects. Most importantly they are reading. The Green Wall in the Children's area at Central is covered with yellow book reviews turned in by hundreds of kids.

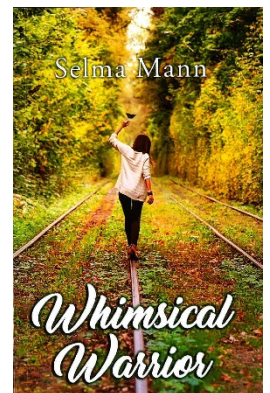


#NBPLreads

We are getting a good response on the #NBPLreads promotion. Photos of Newport Beach readers are showing up on Instagram – including quite a few of the City staff. We are encouraging participants in Summer Reading Programs to post their favorite reads with a bookmark handed out when they turn in their book reviews. Take a look at the library's Instagram page or #NBPLreads to see who's reading.

Summer Poetry

The Corona del Mar Branch Library hosted local poet Selma Mann last week in a special Adult Summer Reading program. Selma talked about the joy of writing and her insights about the gifts of loss, gratitude and journeys that have shaped her writing. She describes her recently published book "Whimsical Warrior" as a tribute to resilience, and to aging with grace, laughter and whimsy.



Congratulations to Mariners Branch Librarian Rebecca Lightfoot who recently graduated from the Leadership Development for Public Agencies Certificate program at Cal State University Fullerton. Rebecca completed courses designed to enhance her talents as a leader and provide critical skills and knowledge for leadership success in today's workplace.



Cultural Arts Services

Flashback Heart Attack

This 1980's cover band packed in the fans on Sunday, July 9 as the first Concert on the Green kicked off. The group, who recently won a first place award in the Huntington Beach 4th of July parade, has a strong local showing which came out to hear the great hits of the 80's.



Pacific Symphony Concert

The public came out in force to enjoy the music of the Pacific Symphony, under the direction of Maestro Carl St.Clair. There was plenty of fun before the performance with the pre-show Musical Playground. The Symphony welcomed musicians Danielle and Sarah Liu as well as Southern California Children's Chorus.





MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

July 21, 2017

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Directors

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

Fire Ring Relocations

Last Friday morning, Field Maintenance Division staff relocated fire rings at Corona del Mar State Beach to comply with the plan approved by the Coastal Commission. Crews utilized heavy equipment to rearrange the fire rings to their new location, and a beach cleaner cleaned the old fire ring locations.

The plan includes a total of 24 fire rings at Corona del Mar; 16 wood-burning and 8 designated for charcoal. Four of the wood-burning fire rings are designated for ADA access.

Additionally, next week we will add three fire rings to Newport Dunes, which will bring its total to eight wood-burning fire rings. In the coming weeks, new signage will be installed at the Dunes, and Balboa and Corona del Mar beaches.



Marine Avenue Tree Removal Update

At its May 2, 2017 meeting, the Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commission approved removal of two Special Trees at 318 and 326 Marine Avenue. The trees were identified as potential liabilities for failure. On Tuesday, the two Special Trees were removed by the City's tree contractor, Great Scott Tree Services.

In preparation for the removals, MOD staff worked with Traffic Engineering to develop a detour plan that allowed outbound traffic on Marine Avenue with inbound traffic using the North Bayfront alley. The detour allowed the contractor to remove the trees safely and quickly.



Restoration of Bronze Plaques

Last week, a historical bronze plaque was restored by Restoration ArTechs under the direction of City staff. The 1930's plaque came from the old Little Balboa Island Bridge before the demolition started. The contractor will reinstall the new piece before the new bridge is re-opened on July 25, 2017. The restoration process required stripping, cleaning, staining and applying a protective clear coat. Staff could not locate any documentation when the last time this bronze plaque was serviced.

Before



After



Sewer Lateral Replacement

The Wastewater Crew recently replaced a sewer lateral (the pipe between the property and the sewer main) on Setting Sun Drive by pulling a High Density Polyurethane pipe while pipe bursting the existing clay pipe which had become inundated with roots at every joint. The new technology of pipe bursting and pulling new pipe is faster and more efficient than digging up the whole line and replacing it. The new pipe material will provide years of service and restrict root intrusion as compared to the old clay pipe.



Sewer Spill

Thanks to the quick response recently on Superior Ave by the Water Maintenance Crew, they were able to reduce the amount of sewage reaching the bay. Crews built a berm at a storm drain catch basin and Vacuum truck operators captured about 500 gallons of sewage that would otherwise enter the bay. The spill was caused from an overflow on private property but the City will always respond when sewage enters the streets or storm drain system. Great job!





NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Jon T. Lewis, Chief of Police
DATE: July 21, 2017
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO FOUR NEW FACES!



Our Volunteers in Policing (VIP) Program is officially four Volunteers stronger! Stella, Robert, Lynn and Patrick joined the NBPD on Monday, and are in the midst of receiving all of the orientation and training they will need to continue the excellent work of our VIPs. Please join me in welcoming them!

REMEMBERING LEVI

The NBPD is saddened to report the passing of retired Police Horse Levi. Levi was a quarter horse and one of the original members of the NBPD Mounted Unit. He began working with his partner, Officer Shawn Dugan, on June 1, 2013. Levi was a familiar sight at many community events, including National Night Out and Public Safety Day. He loved working around town, greeting children during the holiday season at Fashion

Island, patrolling the beach on the 4th of July, and greeting the students in our Citizens Academies and Teen Academies. Levi also worked several events outside of Newport Beach as a member of the Orange County Regional Mounted Enforcement Unit, including protests, Angel's baseball games, the Strawberry Festival, and the Knott's Berry Farm Halloween Haunt.

Levi was a personable and capable Police Horse. He trained with Officer Dugan every month to maintain his "work skills," but those close to him also know that he was wonderful with children and was very fond of rolling around in the dirt and grass when he was "off duty" out in the pasture. If you ever met Levi, you may have admired his coloring or his personality... but few people noticed one of Levi's most unique features: his unusually small feet.

We are sad that Levi is no longer with us, but we know he lives on in the hearts and memories of all the people—young and old—who got to know him during his four years with the NBPD.



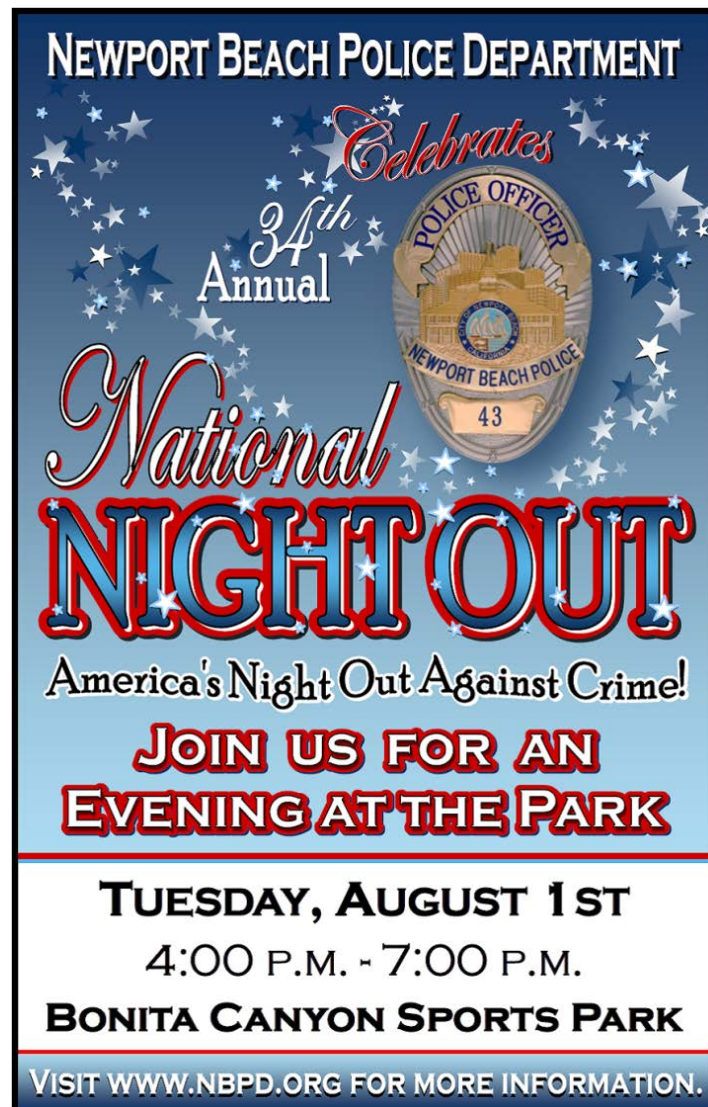
Levi and his partner, Officer Dugan, at a Citizens' Police Academy demonstration.

REMINDER: NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

The NBPD is hosting a Community Safety Fair at Bonita Canyon Sports Park between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1. Come join us for fun, food, information and entertainment! Here are some of the displays and activities we have planned:

- S.W.A.T.
- CSI
- Games
- Police K9s
- C.E.R.T.
- Bike Safety
- Free Food
- Crime Prevention
- Balloon Art
- Face Painting
- Bounce House
- Animal Control
- Police Vehicles
- Mounted Unit

We hope to see you there!





To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director
Date: July 21, 2017



**Park Avenue Bridge
Grand Opening!!!**

Tuesday
July 25, 2017

Gathering & Car Show
2:30 p.m.

Ceremony
3:00 p.m.

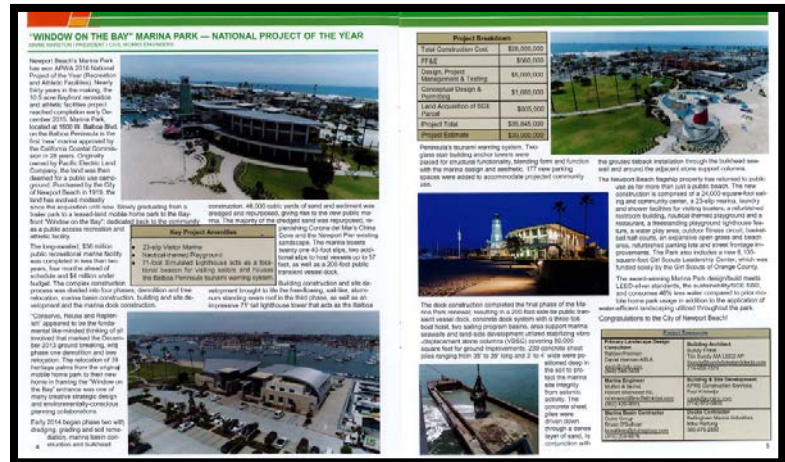
First Drive
3:30 p.m.

Big Canyon Ribbon Cutting

On Tuesday, July 11, Public Works hosted a ribbon cutting for the Big Canyon Restoration and Water Quality Improvement Project



The Accolades Continue – On the Cover of APWA Magazine

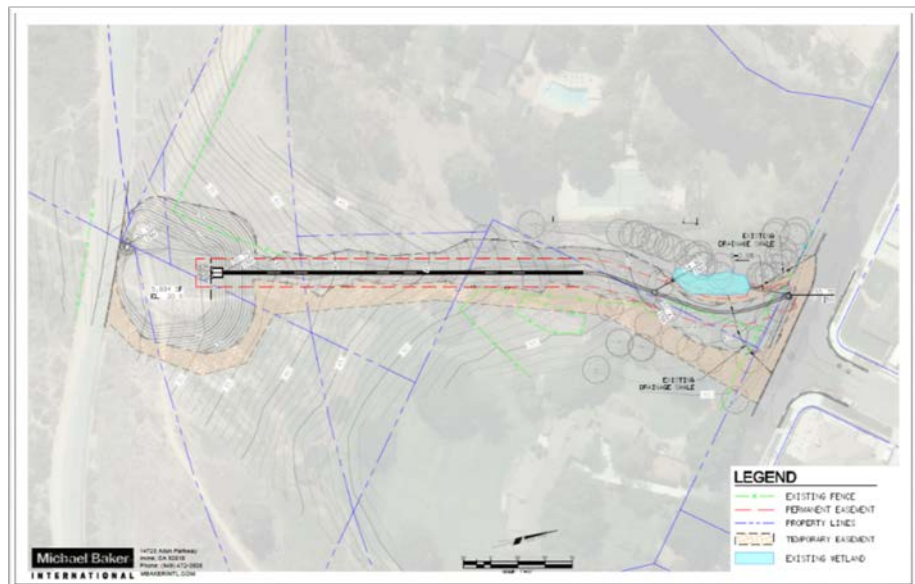


Marina Park was recently named the National Public Works Project of the Year by the American Public Works Association (APWA). The City will be presented with the award during APWA's International Public Works Expo held this August in Orlando, FL. The local Southern California Chapter chose Marina Park as its cover story for its most recent magazine. Cover photograph by Dan Herman, Rabben/Herman Design Office.

Bayview Heights Restoration Mitigation Project Gets Approved!

After a very lengthy application process, the City's Bayview Heights erosion control project received Coastal Commission approval on July 13, 2017.

The project consists of drainage improvements, erosion repair and habitat restoration on the northern side of Upper Newport Bay (end of Mesa Dr.). Extensive erosion of this natural drainage area has resulted in a substantial amount of sediment entering Upper Newport Bay. To reduce erosion the City will install a storm drain, repair the eroded areas and perform habitat restoration.



With permits in hand, Public Works looks forward to starting another important water quality project for the community!

Bonita Canyon Sports Pickleball Courts Update

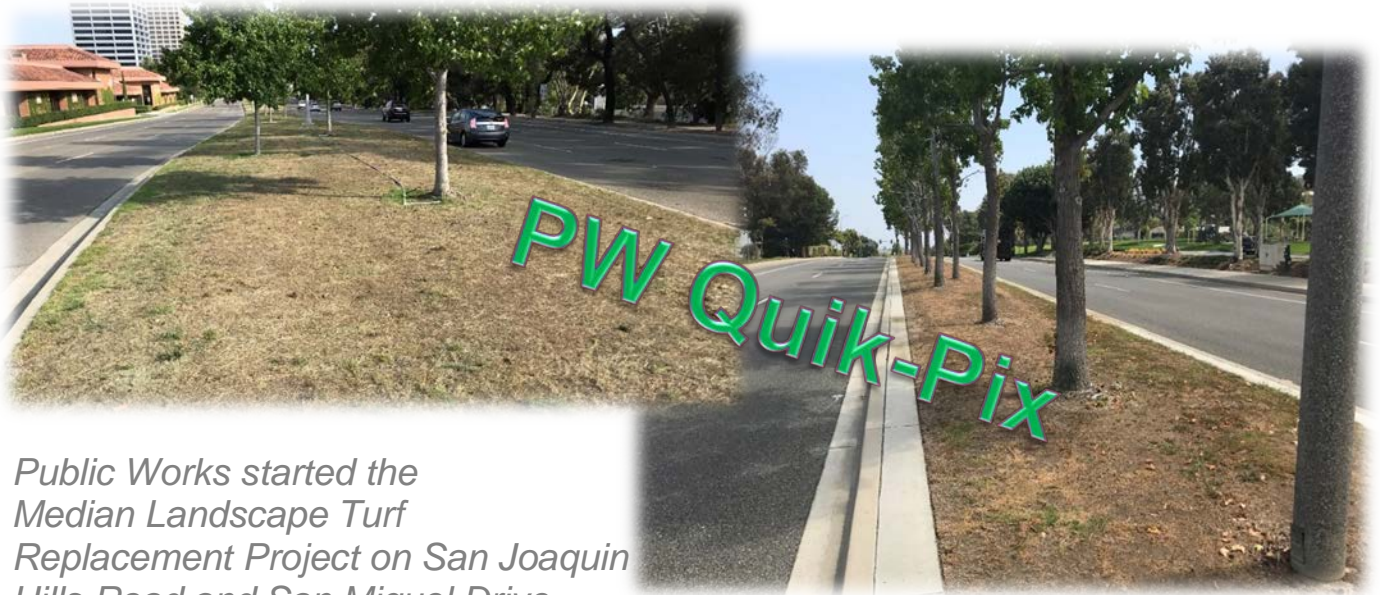
On July 11, 2016, an OxBlue camera was installed at the construction site for the Bonita Canyon Sports Park Pickleball Courts. OxBlue is a construction camera company focused on providing cameras for site monitoring and improved project delivery. This construction time-lapse camera takes images of the construction site every 10-15 minutes, allowing the project team to monitor and document the construction site. Once the project is complete, the pictures taken during construction of the pickleball courts are compiled to produce a video showing the time-lapse construction project.



Last week, the OxBlue camera captured moments during the pouring of the V-gutter drainage; installing the fence post and placing concrete forms for two of the pickleball courts. This week, the camera took pictures of the concrete pour for the first two post-tension concrete pickleball courts.

In the upcoming weeks, the fencing and two remaining post-tension pickleball courts will be installed.

Median Landscape Turf Replacement Project



Public Works started the Median Landscape Turf Replacement Project on San Joaquin Hills Road and San Miguel Drive.

This project removes and replaces dead grass on both medians with fresh green California water friendly landscaping. Work began July 17 and will be complete by December 2017.

Balboa Pier Repairs

The wave actions from the winter storms earlier this year destroyed the lumber utilities access system and a number of pile cross braces that existed under the Ruby's Restaurant at the end of the Balboa Pier. Since access to the under-deck utilities must be maintained, the City contracted with John S. Meek Company to reconstruct the platforms, catwalks, railings, ladder, etc. as well as installing replacement pile braces.

Ocean piers construction work is a specialty trade with limited contractor availability. Meek Company answered the City's call by mobilizing their crews from their other on-going projects.



Construction Cost Inflation!

Two recent reports from the private sector indicate that strong market conditions continue to put pressure on construction costs (materials, equipment and labor). According to Turner Construction's Second Quarter 2017 Turner Building Cost Index, **costs have a year over year increase of 4.96%**. Turner is ranked as the largest general contractor in the United States. Rider Levett Bucknall, a national leader in construction management, is tracking that the **national average construction costs have increased approximately 4.80%** between April 2016 and April 2017. Inflation varies in different parts of the county and low commodity prices have helped. However, over the last 6-8 months, Public Works is definitely noticing **construction costs are creeping up** and seem to be higher than the consumer price index inflation.

Lido Village & West Newport Water Main Replacement



*New Water Main in Alley
Located Between
43rd/42nd Street
& Balboa
Blvd/River
Avenue*

Ocean Front Speed Signs Are Installed

*Public Works teamed up
with The Police
Department to deploy
radar speed signs on the
ocean front to help
cyclists maintain a
reasonable speed.*



Annual Concrete Replacement Program



*The Concrete
Replacement Program is
now underway at the
Balboa Yacht Basin. The
City is improving the
sidewalks around the
basin that are used to
access the docks.*



Recreation & Senior Services DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director
Date: July 21, 2017



UPDATE ON THE SENIOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE REPAIR PROGRAM (SHARP)



The Senior Housing Assistance Repair Program is in full effect, having completed one project with four others in the works. The program aims to help income-qualified seniors in need of critical home repair, and forms a unique partnership between the OASIS Senior Center and Habitat for Humanity. So far, projects have replaced roofing, repaired plumbing, improved handicap accessibility, and addressed code enforcement concerns such as tree trimming, landscaping and painting. Applications and further guidelines can be found online at www.newportbeachca.gov/oasis.

TUESDAY NIGHT TOPICS-VOYAGE OF THE FIRST FLEET

Join us at OASIS on Tuesday, July 25 at 6 p.m. for an exciting and informative presentation by David A. Grant, Orange Coast College President Emeritus. Mr. Grant will discuss the year 1787, the taking of English convicts from England to southeast Australia — where they were intended to spend the rest of their natural lives. The voyage alone is one of the most astonishing journeys in all sea-faring history. Please RSVP for this free lecture by calling 949-644-3244.

SENIOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE RECEIVES GRANT FROM HOAG HOSPITAL

Staff just received great news that the OASIS Transportation program will receive a grant from the Hoag Community Benefit program for \$150,000! This is the largest grant this program has ever received! This grant will assist in the cost of providing excellent transportation service to our senior residents for FY18.

The OASIS transportation service provides approximately 15,000 rides per year for City residents age 60 and over who have retired from driving, either temporarily or permanently. Rides are provided from a resident's home to the OASIS Senior Center, medical appointments, grocery stores and any other essential errands that they may need. Transportation is available within City limits with a few exceptions to areas in Costa Mesa and Irvine. Seniors using the service report that they have a marked increase in quality of life: access to healthcare, socialization and essential services and a decrease in isolation and depression, common maladies in older adults.

BMX SUMMER CAMP

Our BMX Summer camp received an unexpected treat when X-Games pro and BMX star Mike "Hucker" Clark stopped by and put on a demo for the participants! His enthusiasm and riding skills made this popular camp an even more memorable experience for the kids. Thanks to camp leader Ryan Brennan for making summer great for these 13 little BMX stars!



NCCC RECEIVES MORE NATURAL LIGHT!

The Newport Coast Community Center retrofitted the classroom doors to include a glass panel for easy viewing, better transparency, and additional natural light. The project took approximately two weeks to complete and provides parents the ability to watch their kids in our programs without disturbing the class. The new windows also provide NCCC staff the ability to better monitor the facility throughout the day, and it has brightened up the facility's main hallway.

UP COMING EVENTS



8/3 THU 8AM

FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS

REGISTRATION FOR ACTIVE KIDS & PRESCHOOL 101

8/12 SAT 5:30PM

BUCK GULLY UPPER LOOP EVENING HIKE – NCCC

8/26 SAT 9AM

MONTHLY BEACH CLEAN-UP – SANTA ANA RIVER

9/9 SAT 8AM

BRIDGES OF BUCK GULLY – OASIS SENIOR CENTER

10/14 SAT 10AM

ART IN THE PARK – CIVIC CENTER GREEN