



**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH**  
**City Manager's Newsletter**

**TO:** Mayor Duffield & Council Members

**FROM:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**DATE:** July 6, 2018

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Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Seimone Jurjis, Community Development Director

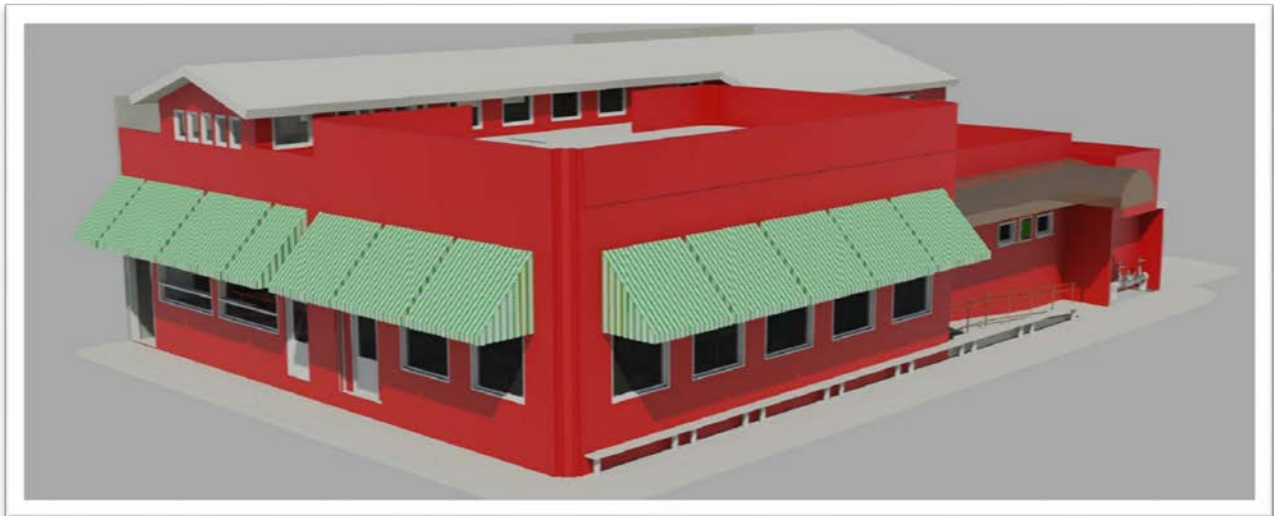
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### ***Long Live the Crab Cooker!***

The iconic Peninsula restaurant, the Crab Cooker, suffered inadvertent structural damage from recent construction activities on the neighboring property. Given the age of the structure and the extent of the damage, the owner decided to pursue a complete redevelopment. Demolition and construction permits were issued on a brand new building to replace the existing.



*A rough rendering of the proposed redevelopment of The Crab Cooker (signage not included).*

The new building will retain much of the same character as the current restaurant. The design brings the entire structure into compliance with current codes and includes an updated back-of-house with an improved kitchen, an upstairs office, and increased storage areas. Also included is a new outdoor dining area fronting on Newport Boulevard. The “don’t look up here” fish-shaped sign that adorns the rooftop today is nonconforming and would not be allowed by the current Zoning Code. The owner is pursuing its designation as a heritage sign which would allow it to be restored and reused on the new restaurant building. The owner indicated the food and much of the restaurant’s operation will not change and there are even plans to try to keep some components operating during construction. Overall, the redevelopment will result in a new and improved Crab Cooker that future generations will enjoy!



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### ***Construction to Begin on Environmental Nature Center Preschool***

The much anticipated Environmental Nature Center (ENC) preschool project is about to get under way with the issuance of building and grading permits on July 2. The preschool will be on the ENC's long vacant lot located off Dover Drive just north of West Coast Highway. The school's curriculum will focus



on generating an understanding of nature and the natural world. In addition to classrooms, the campus has large outdoor learning environments with play areas modeled after national parks such as Joshua Tree and Sequoia. In furtherance of its mission of conservation, the ENC is seeking LEED Platinum certification which is awarded to buildings that are energy and resource efficient not only because of construction materials and techniques but also operationally.

### ***Enforcing Visual Blight Violations***

Code Enforcement staff strives to maintain a desirable living and working environment by proactively enforcing property maintenance violations. Staff enforces various nuisance violations throughout the city such as weeds, overgrown vegetation, and neglected undeveloped lots. Not only are neglected properties an eyesore but in some cases overgrown vegetation can present a fire hazard. If you see a property in neglect or have further questions on neighborhood blight, please contact the Code Enforcement Division at 949-644-3215.

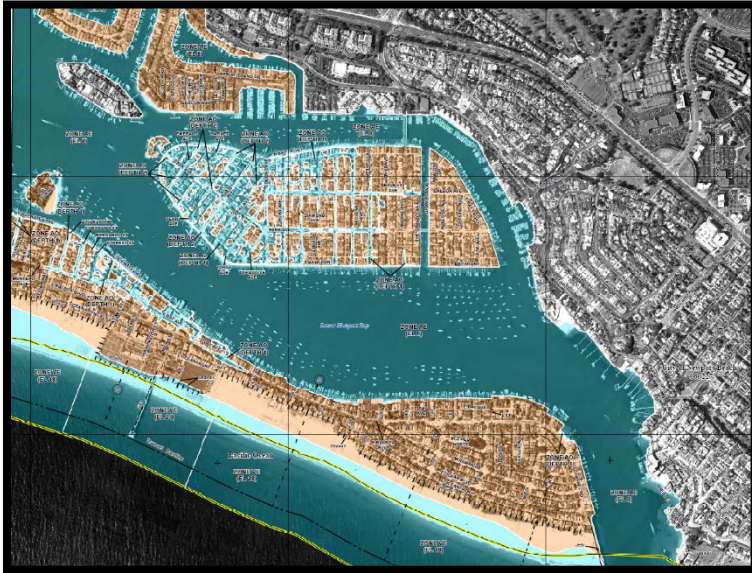




## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### ***FEMA Flood Map Changes!***

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) published revised preliminary Flood Insurance



Rate Maps (FIRM) as a result of staff's two-year effort in working with FEMA. The revised maps include significant changes to the preliminary FIRM maps originally published in early 2016. The revised maps reduce the areas designated as flood zones, but still have a direct effect on properties located on Balboa Peninsula (both on the harbor side and open coast side), Balboa Island, and Bay Island.

**The revised maps can be found on the City's website:**

[www.newportbeachca.gov/fema](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/fema)

Please submit comments related to the newly revised FIRM maps to Samir Ghosn, Chief Building Official, City of Newport Beach, no later than July 16, 2018, at the close of the business day. Comments may be sent by:

Email: [CDD@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:CDD@newportbeachca.gov)

Or

Mail: City of Newport Beach  
Community Development Department  
100 Civic Center Drive  
Newport Beach, CA 92660  
Attention: Samir Ghosn



Date: July 6, 2018

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

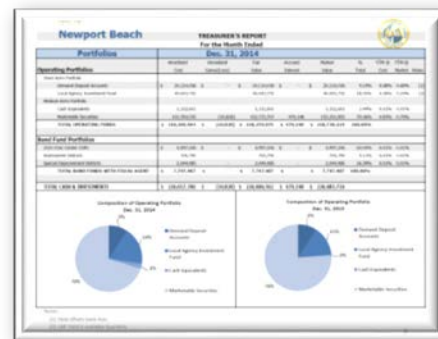
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### **Treasury Report Update**

The May 2018 Treasury Report is available on the City's website at: [www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury).

As of May, the City's portfolio totaled just over \$279 million, from all sources. Roughly, \$53 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 (\$194 million) had a weighted average effective maturity of 1.67 years. With interest rates on the rise, the total return for the short-term portfolio was suppressed by unrealized losses from the declining market value of bonds (bond values move inversely to the direction of interest rates). Including these unrealized losses, the trailing twelve months' total return was 0.41%. This return compared favorably to our benchmark for the same period, the BAML 1-3 Year Treasury index, which returned -0.02%. The income yield on the portfolio, a better measure of income derived from the portfolio, was 1.49%.



# Newport Beach Fire Department

*Safety, Service & Professionalism*

**DATE:** July 6, 2018  
**TO:** Dave Kiff, City Manager  
**FROM:** Chip Duncan, Fire Chief  
**SUBJECT:** CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER



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## FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION

### Fourth of July

The Fourth of July is historically the busiest day of the year for the fire department. People from all over flock to the beaches on the peninsula to enjoy themselves on our national day of independence. Simply put, an increase in population means an increase in emergency calls. Medical aid calls dominate with an increase in calls for fireworks and increased fire activity. This year, the fire department handled 70 calls for the busy 24-hour period. Crews were up most of the night assisting on a fire in Costa Mesa on the corner of 17<sup>th</sup> and Newport Blvd. The fire was located in the facade of the small strip center, and is under investigation. We'd like to say, "Thank you" to our Police Department, who once again maintained the order effectively, amid a chaotic holiday scene. No significant injuries reported from fireworks within the city.

Lido Isle 4<sup>th</sup> of July with Councilmember Diane Dixon



## **Long Beach Fire Department Captain David Rosa Memorial**

On July 3, the Newport Beach Fire and Police Departments attended the celebration of life ceremony for Captain David Rosa. The service took place at the Long Beach Convention Center, with public agencies from across the nation in attendance. Captain Rosa was killed in the line of duty while responding to a structure fire. He is survived by his wife and two sons.



## **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM**

The next round of CERT classes begins in late September with a Tuesday-Thursday evening class and an all-day Saturday class. All CERT program information is available at [www.nbcert.org](http://www.nbcert.org).



## Balboa Bay Resort Annual Safety and Employee Appreciation Luncheon

Approximately 60 employees attended the annual safety and employee appreciation luncheon at the Balboa Bay Resort. Employees were recognized for various safety and customer service achievements. During that time, Life Safety Specialist II, Raymi Wun, gave a presentation on basic fire code requirements, fire protection systems/equipment, utility controls and emergency preparedness (CERT).



## MARINE OPERATIONS DIVISION

The end of June was chilly in the mornings and sunny in the afternoons. The water temperatures have averaged in the mid 60s, while the air temperature has averaged in the mid 70s. Lifeguards started staffing all towers on Saturday, June 23, 2018. The towers will remain staffed until Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 2018.

<u>Stats</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July 1-5</u>
Animal Calls	283	19
Public Assists	5,885	1,888
Boat Calls	46	30
Code Enforcement	1,915	285
First Aid/Medical Calls	428	126
Preventatives	15,367	4,381
Rescues	747	151
Other	491	309
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>25,162</b>	<b>7,189</b>
<b>Beach Population</b>	<b>1,163,998</b>	<b>310,000</b>



There was light surf at the beach and warm conditions on the Fourth of July. Lifeguards made 603 preventatives, 24 rescues, 992 public assists, and 38 medical aids with a beach crowd of 100,000.





## **Notable Events**

### **Junior Lifeguards**

On June 26, we kicked off the first day of the 2018 Newport Beach Junior Lifeguard Program. The first day went great with lots of excitement and energy. Lifeguard Captain Brian O'Rourke and Lifeguard Officer Andy Hayes did a great job emceeding the first day. Hayes did have to do a few pushups for saying the "y-word" ("yeah"). The team is looking forward to the upcoming weeks with fun events including the Hot Dog Dinner on July 12.



### **Ben Carlson**

On Friday, July 6, the Newport Beach Fire Department will honor the fourth anniversary of Lifeguard Benjamin M. Carlson's line of duty death, where he was rescuing a swimmer in distress off 17<sup>th</sup> street in turbulent water conditions.

This year the Newport Beach Junior Lifeguard Program will host the first annual "Ben Carlson Day" at Junior Lifeguard Headquarters. This event is based on Ben's daily workout with each JG honoring Ben's legacy with their efforts. The public is welcome to watch at the Balboa Pier or along the shore to the Wedge.

Just before 5 p.m. on July 6, lifeguards, fire staff and the public will assemble as a community, near Tower 17 to recall Ben's heroism and pay tribute to his sacrifice. Safety is one of our first operating principles and because our mission takes us into harm's way to serve the public, we use this anniversary as a time to reaffirm our daily commitment to safety.





## HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

### CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: July 6, 2018

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

### ***Join Our Team!***



Check out the current job openings for the City of Newport Beach! Select a position for more details. The City is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

**Apply Online !**

- [Budget Analyst](#)
- [Building Inspector II -P/T](#)
- [Human Resources Specialist I/II](#)
- [IT Analyst - Applications](#)
- [Marketing Specialist](#)
- [Police Cadet](#)
- [Police Dispatcher -FT/PT](#)
- [Police Mechanic](#)
- [Public Works Technical Aide - P/T](#)
- [Senior Fiscal Clerk - P/T](#)
- [Student Aide - P/T](#)

# RISK MANAGEMENT



### ***Health and Safety Tip - Preventing Heat-Related Illnesses***

This weekend's weather forecast predicts high temperatures throughout Southern California, and with extreme temperatures comes the risk of heat cramps, heat exhaustion or even heat stroke. While it would be ideal to stay inside with the air conditioning on as much as possible, in the event that you find yourself outdoors this weekend, here are a few tips to avoid heat-related illnesses:

- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight clothing
- Limit your outdoor activities to the cooler times of day (morning and evening hours)
- Take frequent breaks
- Wear sunscreen
- Stay hydrated

Stay informed by routinely checking the weather forecast to ensure that you are properly prepared for the day ahead. More tips and information on heat illnesses can be found at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/extremeheat/heattips.html>

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Promotions & New Hires - Full Time

Please congratulate our colleagues on their well-deserved promotions and welcome the City's newest employees!

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### Promotions:

David Lee – Assistant Planner  
Brittany Ramirez – Administrative Analyst

### FINANCE

#### Promotions:

Cyntia Melero – Fiscal Clerk  
Rochelle Myers – Fiscal Specialist - Payroll

### HUMAN RESOURCES

#### New Hire:

Briza Morales – Risk Manager

### POLICE

#### Promotions:

Connor Miller – Police Recruit  
Kyle Ramseyer – Police Recruit  
Caroline Staub – Police IT Analyst  
Sara Verschueren – Crime Prevention Specialist  
Lauren Wyse – Senior Police Dispatcher

#### New Hires:

Steven Arnett – Police Recruit  
Shay Brackett – Police Recruit  
Ragan Grego – Police Officer  
Vincent Kyzer – Rangemaster-Armorer  
Heather Thomson – Police Officer  
Ryan Tran – Police Recruit



### PUBLIC WORKS

#### New Hires:

Ryan Gosselin – Maintenance Worker II  
Parker Keil – Park Maintenance Crew Chief  
Ramey Torres – Maintenance Worker II

### UTILITIES

#### Promotion:

Patrick Piersall – Utilities Crew Chief

EMPLOYEE NEWS  
&  
EVENTS



**Leadership Tomorrow - Board of Directors**

Congratulations to HR Manager Rebecca Redyk, Class of '09 alumni, who was recently voted in to serve as a 2018-2019 Board Member for Leadership Tomorrow, a non-profit civic leadership organization serving the communities of Costa Mesa, Irvine, Newport Beach and Tustin. Through Leadership Tomorrow, corporate and business people, residents, community activists, and public sector employees come together to learn more about our community and to cultivate, inspire, connect and empower effective community leaders. Rebecca will make many admirable contributions to the program and the community in this new role. Congrats Rebecca on this well-deserved appointment!



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To learn more about Leadership Tomorrow and the program, visit [www.leadershiptomorrow.org](http://www.leadershiptomorrow.org).



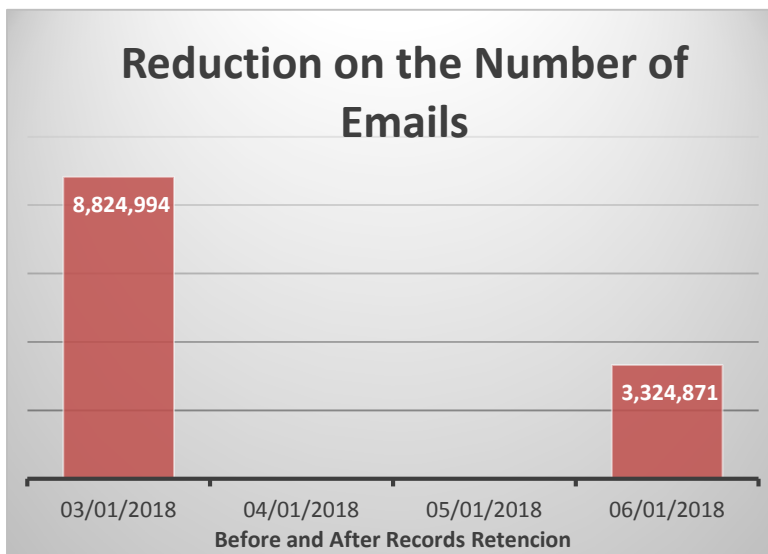
# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

## City Manager's Newsletter

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: Jackeline Luengas, IT Manager  
Date: Friday, July 6, 2018

### Email Record Retention Implementation Update

IT started the implementation of the City's record retention policy using Exchange 2016 scripting in March of 2018.



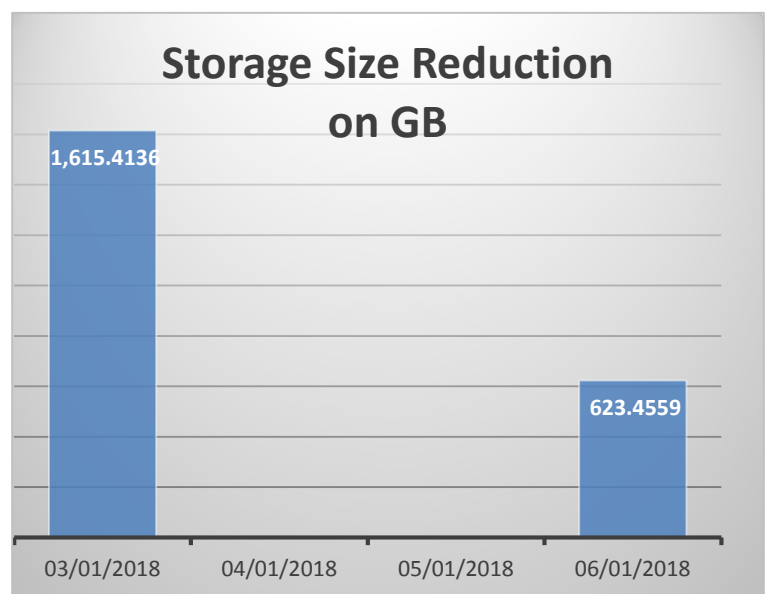
The last department was completed in May of 2018, and as a result of the implementation, we have been able to reduce the number of emails by 5,500,123, a 62% reduction. The reduction not only makes us compliant with our own policy but has sped up PRAR searches and our own email box searches.

Another benefit is being able to honestly say to a court that we have produced all emails in our possession that relate to a particular case.

There is also a great reduction in the storage of emails. We were storing 1.6 Terabytes of emails, and now we only have 623 Gigabytes, a saving of 991 GB of email storage.

We currently auto delete around 300,000 emails per week.

**Thank you for helping us implement the City's email Records Retention Policy!**



## Get to Know your IT Staff

Name:

Joey Bencie

Favorite Hobby:

When I have time, I enjoy photography. I like taking pictures of almost anything, but because of my kids, I tend to do mostly sports photography.

Favorite High School Song:

Wu-Tang Clan – C.R.E.A.M.

Family/Friend Highlights:

I've been married to my wife Ling for almost 12 years. She currently teaches math at Millikan High School in Long Beach. We have two boys: Edison, who is 8 and Ken, who just turned 7. Everything pretty much revolves around the kids these days since there is always some kind of activity they're involved in. Right now, I'm helping coach their baseball team, so the family is spending a lot of time on the baseball field. So, if you ever bought a candy bar from me, know that your donation is being put to good work. 😊



How long have you worked for the City?

10 years

What did you do before that?

I was a Network Engineer for the Impac Companies, a mortgage company in Irvine.

Current Role:

Sr. Network Engineer

What you like about working here:

There are multiple things I like about working here. First, I love working with all the people here. I like that it is such a family atmosphere here...everybody knows everybody and everyone is so friendly to each other. Another thing I like is that I'm always doing something different every day. Whether I'm working on a project, or I'm helping somebody with an issue, I'm always working on something different and challenging. There is also a great sense of satisfaction when helping somebody resolve a problem they are having.

Interesting Fact about you:

Received an award in high school for perfect attendance all four years.



## NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
FROM: Jon T. Lewis, Chief of Police  
DATE: July 6, 2018  
**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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### LINDA'S STORY

Today marks the 45th anniversary of the abduction of Linda Ann O'Keefe, an 11-year-old girl who lived in Corona del Mar. Linda was last seen alive on Friday, July 6, 1973, as she walked home from summer school. Her body was discovered the next morning in the Back Bay area. Her killer was never found.



Starting this morning at 7:45 a.m., we are giving Linda a voice once again. Readers can follow along on [Twitter](#) as we share Linda's story. Tweets in Linda's "voice" will be

published throughout the day and into Saturday morning, narrating the last hours of her life.

Evidence, including photographs from the original investigation and a new Parabon Snapshot of the suspected killer, will be included throughout the event. (A Parabon Snapshot is a composite image created through DNA phenotyping.) The tweets will culminate in a video overview of the homicide case, as told by the detectives who have been working on this investigation.

Years have passed since this heinous murder, but the NBPD remains dedicated to justice for Linda, and committed to finding her killer.

*For more information on Parabon, or to read the press release about this event, please see the "News" section on the front page of our [website](#).*

## HONORING CAPTAIN ROSA

On June 25, Long Beach Fire Department Captain David Rosa was shot and killed in the line of duty as he responded to a report of an explosion and fire at a senior living facility. On Tuesday, NBPD staff joined our Fire Department in honoring Captain Rosa at his memorial service in Long Beach. Thousands were in attendance, with representatives from agencies from all over the United States, plus several from Canada. We were honored to represent the support of our City and our Community for this heroic first responder, and for all the men and women who dedicate themselves to public safety.

Rest in peace, Captain Rosa. You will not be forgotten.





## CONGRATULATIONS

We have three NBPD employees to congratulate!

**Sergeant Brandon Rodriguez** graduated from the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI) last week. SLI is a program designed to stimulate personal growth, leadership and ethical decision-making in California law enforcement front-line supervisors. Designed and implemented in 1988 through the efforts of California law enforcement professionals along with top educators and trainers, SLI is an intense program based on experiential learning techniques.



*Left to right: Lieutenant Tom Fischbacher, Chief Jon T. Lewis, Sergeant Brandon Rodriguez, Deputy Chief Jay Short, Sergeant Pete Carpentieri, Deputy Chief Dennis Birch*

**Police Recruits** Matthew Andersen and Lucas Bondi graduated from the Police Academy last week, making them the two newest police officers for the NBPD. They will now be assigned to the Patrol Division and begin their training with designated Field Training Officers. We are excited to have them both on board.



*Left to right: Officer Matthew Andersen, Chief Jon T. Lewis, Officer Lucas Bondi*

Please join me in congratulating Sergeant Rodriguez and Officers Andersen and Bondi on their accomplishments.

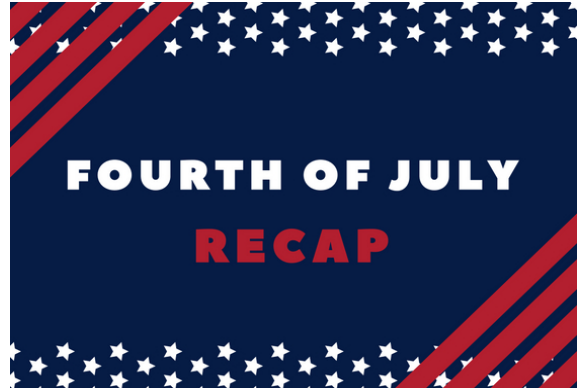
## FOURTH OF JULY

It was another safe Fourth of July in Newport Beach! Residents and visitors were able to enjoy the beaches, fireworks shows, parades and general merrymaking thanks to the effort of all of our staff and the assistance from our partners from the City and outside agencies.

The Police Department's official 4<sup>th</sup> of July deployment period runs from 6:00 p.m. on July 3 to 6:00 a.m. on July 5. The last time that Independence Day fell on a Wednesday was 2007, and we had 125 arrests during that time frame. This year, we had a total of 82 arrests, which shows a reduction of over 34 percent. We also continued our proactive stance against illegal fireworks. Citizens were encouraged to contact the Department to report illegal fireworks activity, and our officers increased fireworks patrols prior to sunset in order to ensure that everyone was aware that we would be conducting enforcement patrols throughout the evening.

Our Detective Division also held several undercover operations to address the sale of illegal fireworks through Craigslist and other online classified ads. We made three arrests and seized over 630 pounds of Dangerous Fireworks. I am proud to say that we prevented those fireworks—and any property damage, fires or injuries that might have resulted from them—from affecting our City.

I would like to thank every NBPD employee who worked on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July or at any point during this holiday week. My thanks also goes out to all of the members of outside agencies who assisted us from Irvine PD, California Highway Patrol, the Orange County Sheriff's Department and the Orange County Regional Mounted Enforcement Unit. And, last but certainly not least, we are always grateful for the support and partnership of the other City departments. We all worked together to make sure that this Independence Day was a success for our Community.





To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director  
Date: July 6, 2018

### **West Coast Highway Median Landscaping Improvements Underway**

The City's contractor has now mobilized on this long awaited project and has completed the removal of the existing stamped concrete hardscape, and has begun removal of existing dirt in preparation of importing fresh top soil for the new planting areas. New high-efficiency sprinkler heads and drought-tolerant landscaping are being installed next. Irrigation improvements will be complete within the next few weeks followed by an extended grow and kill period to remove any weeds in the newly placed top soil. At the City's direction, the contractor is starting work early (6:00 a.m.) to allow work to be completed by 2:00 p.m. to minimize disruption to the community and visitors to the West Newport beaches.



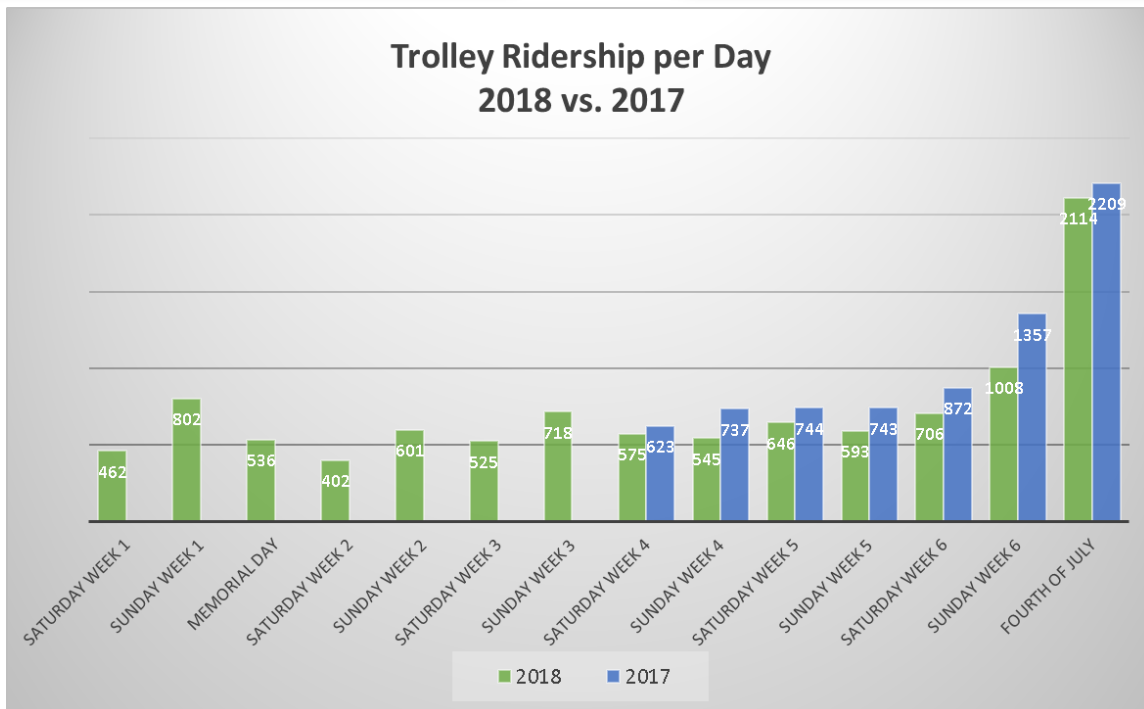
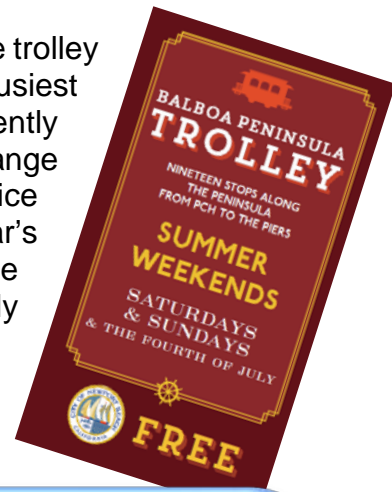
### **Relocated Donated Benches**

Field Maintenance and Landscape Crews recently worked together to relocate two benches on Island Street next to the bay. The project included coring two holes in the wall for drainage, installation of brickwork on the ground and building a retaining wall, and installation of two benches. The project was completed within a week's time.



## City Receives OCTA Approval for Second Grant for Balboa Peninsula Trolley – Ridership Strong for 4<sup>th</sup> of July

A little over 2,100 residents and visitors to Newport Beach enjoyed the free trolley service with numerous stops along the Balboa Peninsula on the City’s busiest holiday. The trolley is now in its sixth week of operation. The City recently received approval of an additional \$278,000 in grant funding from the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) in support of extending the service five more weeks through Labor Day weekend. Free parking in this year’s new Tustin/Avon Lot reached capacity by early afternoon on the 4th as the City has enjoyed steady ridership so far this summer. Trending slightly lower than last year’s comparable weekends, ridership remains strong even without the influx of OCTA passengers received last year at the Hoag Lot. From week to week, the City strives to improve its service to provide the most beneficial experience for riders of all ages.



## Our Neighborhood Slurry Seal Program Is Underway



***The Slurry Seal project is continuing in the Port Street and Spyglass neighborhoods. The contractor will complete slurry sealing on July 13th.***

## Facilities Carpeting in Progress



Public Works is installing new carpeting at three of our City facilities: Portions of the Central Library, the entire Mariners Library Branch, and the Utilities Yard offices.



The Utilities Yard office portion has been completed and the contractor has moved on to the Central Library. Portions of the Central Library have been cordoned off for the safety of our library patrons. Our Contractors and library staff are working diligently to minimize the impact to the community.

## **Balboa Island Fire Station Remodel Complete**

The Balboa Island Fire Station remodel work is complete! The biggest change is the station's new open concept kitchen/living area. Upgrades to the station include a newly remodeled kitchen with island, four new refrigerators, new recessed TV area, new floors, removal of popcorn ceilings and a new coat of paint.



## **Continuing Education Units – PAPA Seminar**



Landscape Manager Dan Sereno, Parks Crew Chief Rich Trevino, and Groundswoker II Brian George attended the Pesticide Applicators Professional Association (PAPA) Seminar last month. Topics and presenters were as follows:

Respiratory Protection  
*Harvard Fong, CDPR*

Organic and Green Solutions to Ground Squirrel Problems  
*Lisa Park, Burrow Blocker*

Vendor Display Break, *Multiple Vendor Displays*

Symbiotic Relationship Between Ants and Homoptera Insects  
*Bert Lopez, Univar*

Label Changes in Fipronil and Surface Water Quality Regulatory Updates  
*Aneila Burant, CDPR*

Lunch – Provided

Herbicide Benefits and Uses for Turf and Landscape  
*Krystal Jenkins, Dow AgroSciences*

That Sucks – The ID and Control of Sucking and Piercing Insects in the Landscape  
*Will Harrison, Target Specialty Products*

New Green Alternatives in Pesticide Management  
*DeAna Vitela-Hayashi, Founder and CEO of AquaBio*



## **New Drinking Fountain and Bottle Filler - Eagle Scout Project Completed in Memory of Juan Ramirez**

In a joint effort between Eagle Scout Candidate Matt Eimers, the Utilities, Recreation and Public Works Departments, a dedication ceremony was held on June 23 for the installation of a new drinking fountain and bottle filler at the corner of Back Bay Drive and Eastbluff Drive. Efforts included installation of a new water service to serve the proposed fountain, new concrete pad, new fencing to match adjacent existing cable and post fencing, and the installation of the fountain assembly itself. The project was initially started over a year ago by Eagle Scout candidate Matt Eimers. During the course of the project a request for a memorial fountain in remembrance of Juan Ramirez; CdM High School running coach and well known Back Bay distance runner was requested in a similar location. Juan was tragically killed last year by a hit and run driver in Fountain Valley. A memorial plaque installation was coordinated for Juan by our Recreation and Senior Services Department and newly appointed Parks, Beaches, and Recreation Commissioner Diane Daruty. Thanks to all the staff members involved in this effort, which will serve Juan's memory for years to come.



Photo from Dedication Ceremony for Juan Ramirez, June 23, 2018



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: July 6, 2018

## AGENTS OF DISCOVERY APP COMING TO A PARK NEAR YOU THIS JULY!

Did you know that July is Parks & Recreation month? Since 1958, America has celebrated July as the nation's official Park and Recreation month, recognizing the importance of community parks and recreational areas and the role they play as a contributing environmental indicator for better health and physical activity. In celebration, the Recreation & Senior Services Department is partnering with the California Parks & Recreation Society (CPRS) and the team from Agents of Discovery to bring you a fun game that will help you and your kids be active in one or more of our local parks.



This fun, interactive opportunity is an educational mobile gaming platform that uses augmented reality to help get youth active. It will be available at a different park each week throughout the month of July. It's FREE to participate- all you need to do is get the app (search "Agents of Discovery" in your app store), download your mission, and head to one of the parks on the list!

We would love to see you enjoying our parks, so please don't be shy about sharing all of your fun with us! Tag @cityofnewportbeach #nbrecreation and #parksmakelifebetter for a chance at a feature!

Sources:  
[www.americanfitnessindex.org](http://www.americanfitnessindex.org)  
[www.cprs.org](http://www.cprs.org)



## CLEANING UP OUR BEACH

On June 30, employees from Insight Global chose Newport Beach as the spot for their annual community service event! The group of over 40 people picked up trash near the Newport Pier, leaving the beach better than they found it for the public to enjoy. We appreciate their service, and we hope they had a great time enjoying our amazing beaches while bettering the environment around them. If you are interested in organizing a small-scale beach cleanup, please do not hesitate to contact Derek Breaux at [dbreaux@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:dbreaux@newportbeachca.gov).



## CYC READY TO REUSE!

The Community Youth Center got a water bottle filler installed just in time for summer! We are excited to offer this new feature to the summer's influx of campers, staff, and park goers and encourage them to stay hydrated and reduce plastic waste.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE OASIS

- ✚ **OASIS Wood Carvers Seek New Members** - This group works on individual projects and welcomes new members. Come any Thursday between 8-11am and see Junie Allen to sign up or to find out more about the group. Instructors are available during class time to assist. Members are asked to contribute \$15 every three months for class tool and machine maintenance. Check out our new website: <https://tinyurl.com/oasiswood>.
- ✚ **NEW! OASIS Seniors Surf Club** - Aging surfers: do you remember the joys of waxing up your surfboard and going surfing with your surf buddies? Let's recreate those days with an OASIS Seniors Surf Club. The group's focus is to inform everyone of a surf location and time, then to meet and surf. You don't have to be experienced, although no lessons will be provided, and you will need to bring your own board and gear. Photographers are always welcome! To participate:
  - In-person registration at OASIS is required prior to participation.
  - Please visit the OASIS admin Office to register and sign a waiver.
  - Once registered, contact David LaRue for the next surf location and time.
  - For questions or comments, contact OASIS at 949-644-3244.
- ✚ **Special Art Display at OASIS** - Our Recreation & Senior Services staff has talent, and they're not afraid to show it! During the month of July, we will host a special art display featuring the creativity of your City RSS employees, including several of our OASIS staff! Stop by the art wall this month and get to know us a little better.



- ✚ **Senior Home Assistance Repair Program** - The Newport Beach Senior Home Assistance Repair Program (SHARP) aims to help low income seniors in need of critical home repair or modifications due to accessibility needs, safety concerns, health and wellbeing, or due to a citation by Code Enforcement. Since the program's inception in 2016, several projects have been completed to include repairs to exterior siding, roofing, paint, faucets, plumbing, doors, windows, mold, fire reduction tree trimming, interior safety clean-up of hoarding, furnace repair ducting, termite repair, chimney repair, outlets, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. To date, the program has approved 8 projects, five projects have been completed in full and three remain in progress. For more information on the application process and eligibility requirements, please contact OASIS at 949-644-3244.



## SUMMER STAFF TRAINING

Staff Training was a success for summer camp! They built towers out of newspapers, had four-legged races and other team bonding activities to get ready for the hundreds of kids that they will interact with this summer. Thank you to Captain Jon Mitchell for coming out to speak about water safety and train staff about sting rays, sharks and sunscreen! We're two weeks down and eight more to go. If you see the green rash guards on the beach at CDM or 15th street, please come say hi!



## KUDOS EMAIL TO THE MARINA PARK STAFF

A well-deserved shout out to Marina Park staff who helped successfully coordinate a recent wedding at Marina Park. The team's flexibility and willingness to go above and beyond is a common occurrence and their effort at this event was no different. The email below is a follow-up from the wedding coordinator who was impressed by the performance of our team!

**Subject:** Saturday 6.23.18 feedback

Hi Danny!

Wanted to thank you for getting everything in order for Sharon and Adolfo's wedding on 6.23.18. You were extremely helpful with answering all of our questions leading up to the day. I also would like to say that Oscar, Amanda, Jessica and Codi were a tremendous help on the rehearsal and the day of. They were extremely knowledgeable and even went the extra mile and helped us when we were on a time crunch. Codi helped with the AV projector and thought fast on his feet to make our slideshow play correctly and Amanda and him teamed up and helped us with materials during the ceremony and the wind because we were slammed with the reception. Oscar was extremely knowledgeable and prepared during the rehearsal as well. You have an amazing team and they helped make the celebration run smoothly and I can't thank you enough!

I hope to work with you guys again in the future as MP is lovely place and knowing that the staff is reliable was huge.

Thank you!

## CELEBRATING THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY

We celebrated the 4<sup>th</sup> of July coordinating the Eighth Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July is for Families event in West Newport Beach. The event started at 36<sup>th</sup> Street with a bike parade down Balboa Blvd. to Channel Place Park. In attendance were Cub Scout Packs, who lead the parade with their flag holders as well as Councilmembers Diane Dixon and Brad Avery, the Lido Fire Engine, Antique Police Car with committee members, Police Chief Lewis and family, and approximately 1,000 participants.

Once the participants arrived at the park, the festival began including carnival games, bounce houses, giant slides, dunk tank, face painters, game master, and crafts. Additionally, there was delicious food and coffee options provided by our sponsors Chronic Taco and Starbucks. We would also like to thank our other sponsors, Nicolai Glazer Real Estate Group, Hoag Hospital, BW Realty, West Newport Beach Association, and Balport Grocery for your support of this great event.



## MATT LEINART FLAG FOOTBALL

Our second full year partnering with Matt Leinart Flag Football just wrapped up! We offer fall and spring seasons with practices being held at school sites and games at Bonita Creek on Friday nights. Each season we have over 200 kids participating as young as Kindergarten and as old as 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Pictured are the Cowboys and Steelers who competed in the Superbowl against teams from other cities across Orange County. Congrats for making the Superbowl!

Don't drop the ball- tackle fall registration before it closes! You can register for the fall 2018 season at [www.mlflagnb.com](http://www.mlflagnb.com)



## NEW PLAYGROUND ELEMENTS

New play elements were installed at Mariners Park and Buffalo Hills Park including a see saw and rope bridge. Newport Beach playgrounds are maintained and inspected year round for functionality and safety. Old play elements are replaced as they reach the end of their lifespan or as needed and new elements are integrated into the play area.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Previous

## SPECIAL EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE



### MOVIE IN THE PARK

~~JUNE 22 - DESPICABLE ME 3  
BUFFALO HILLS PARK (ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)~~

JULY 27 - FERDINAND  
CLIFF DRIVE PARK

AUGUST 24 - COCO  
GRANT HOWALD PARK

SEPTEMBER 21 - CARS 3  
CHANNEL PLACE PARK

Parks  
Make  
Life  
Better!

NEWPORT BEACH CITY ARTS COMMISSION PRESENTS

# CONCERTS

Sundays 6-7:30 p.m.

~~JUNE 17 MATT MAUSER  
A Celebration of the Music of Sinatra~~

JULY 15 **SPRINGSTEEN EXPERIENCE**  
The Best of "The Boss"

AUGUST 12 **TIJUANA DOGS**  
Rock, Jazz, R & B, & Country

SEPTEMBER 9 **DESPERADO**  
Tribute to The Eagles

on the **GREEN**

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# UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

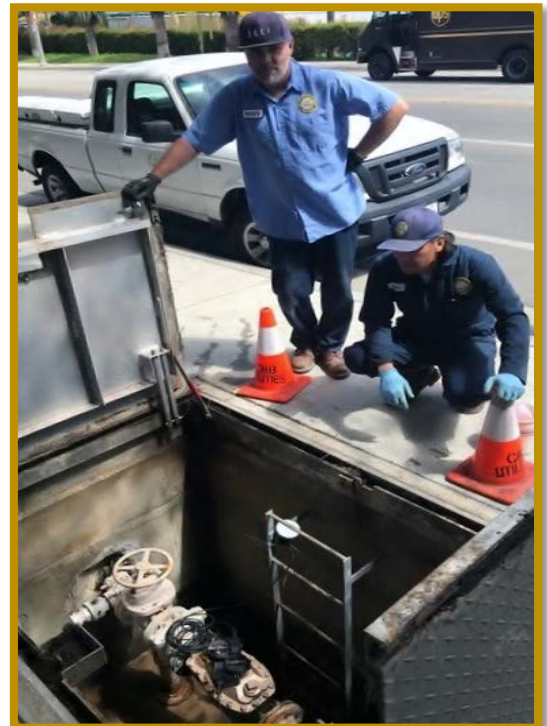
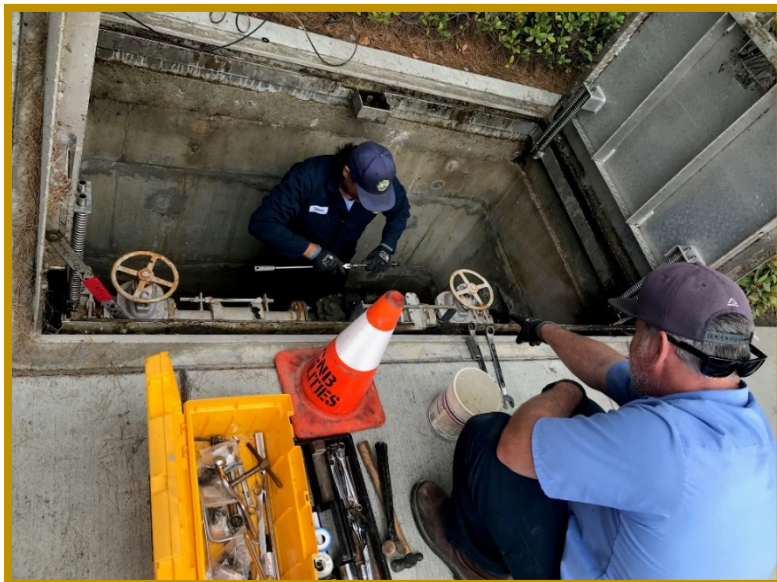
July 6, 2018

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
FROM: Steffen Catron, Acting Director  
SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

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## Unitized Measuring Element Replacement

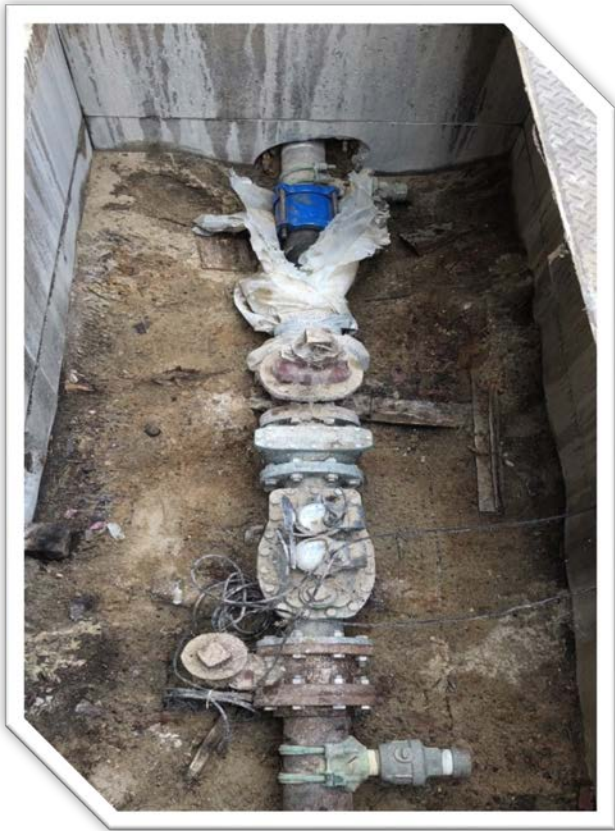
Utilities Specialists Denny Davidow and Rich Kelly from the Water System Services Division replaced a 4-inch unitized measuring element (UME) on a 4-inch compound meter at Bayview Landing Senior Living Apartments. When feasible, replacing the UME is much more efficient than replacing the entire meter. Replacing the UME allows faster and easier maintenance, less time for the water to be shut off, and cost savings to the City. Although the Utilities staff didn't replace the entire 4-inch meter, the meter is now working like new!



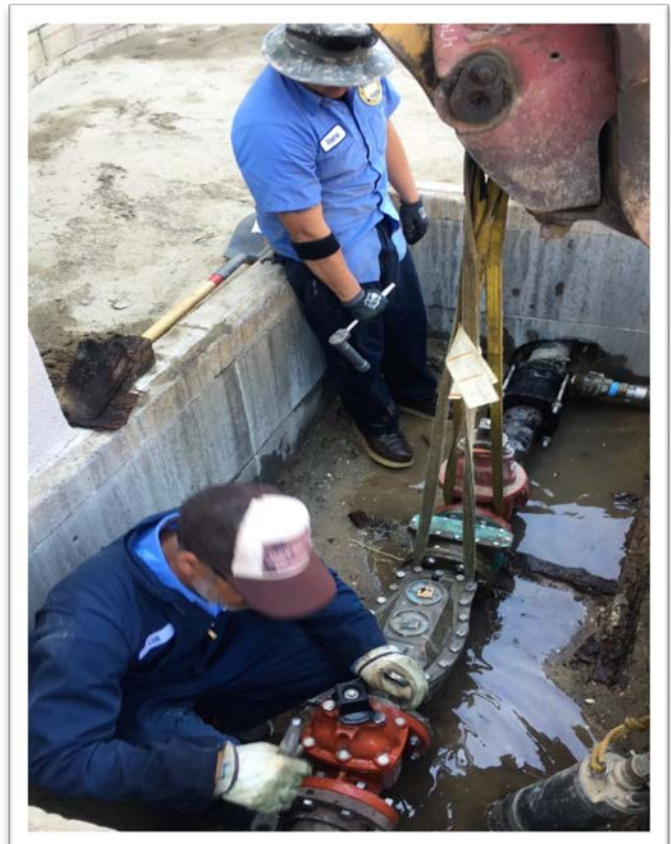
## **4-inch Meter/Valve Replacement**

On Tuesday, June 26, Utilities Specialists Gil Gomez and Rene Canas from the Water Maintenance and Repair Division removed and replaced a 4-inch compound water meter that services the condominium complex at 310 Fernando Street. The old meter was no longer registering water usage. In the process of changing out the water meter, staff also removed a 4-inch butterfly isolation valve that was no longer operational and replaced it with a 4-inch resilient wedge gate valve. The great work done by the M&R staff members will ensure that the water usage for the condominium will register accurately and that crews will be able to shut off water to the complex in case of an emergency.

### **Before**



### **During**





## Electric Tide Valve Maintenance

Due to the low tides, last week was a great week for our Storm Drain Division staff to conduct maintenance on the electric tide valves. Each month the staff inspects the electric valves for wear, visually inspects the valve in operation, lubricates the moving parts, and makes adjustments as necessary.

On the Newport Peninsula, there are seven electric tide valves, ranging from 24 to 36 inches. On Balboa Island, there are four 24-inch electric tide valves. Due to the valves' large size and the depth of the concrete structures that enclose them, maintenance is possible only during very low/minus tides.

The electric tide valves are utilized along with the larger storm drain systems. They supplement the additional 46 manually operated tide valves on the Peninsula and 32 on Balboa Island. Most street-ends on the Peninsula and Balboa Island have tide valves that are closed and monitored by staff during each high tide event. Every street-end is at a different elevation, so the tides' height determines how many valves need to be closed. Once the tide drops, staff open the valves to allow for street drainage. The tide valves have a crucial job; they help prevent localized flooding and washed-out beaches during high tides.

