



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

**TO:** Mayor Duffield & Council Members

**FROM:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**DATE:** August 10, 2018

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Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Seimone Jurjis, Community Development Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: August 10, 2018

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### ***Harbor Pointe Senior Living Project EIR Released***



In November 2015, the City received an application to redevelop Kitayama Restaurant, located at 101 Bayview Place, as a combined senior assisted living and memory care facility with 120 beds. Once the applicant had refined the project description and design to address concerns of the community and staff, the City's consultant began preparing the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). An EIR is required to address reasonably foreseeable environmental impacts resulting from the project's implementation under the California Environmental Quality Act.

The draft EIR has been completed and was released for public review and comment. An electronic copy is available on the City's website [here](#). Hard copies are available at City Hall in Bay B on the first floor, as well as in each library location. The Planning Commission will be re-introduced to this project at its regular meeting on September 6, 2018. No action on the EIR or the project will occur at this meeting.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

The comment period will run for 50 days and will conclude on September 28, 2018. Planning Commission and Airport Land Use Commission hearings are anticipated late 2018, with City Council action occurring early 2019.

### ***New Civil Engineers***

We would like to welcome two new full time civil engineers to the Building Division plan check team, Tri Nguyen, P.E, CASp and Yoko Tanaka, S.E.



Tri Nguyen is a licensed professional engineer who has 13 years of plan check experience. He worked for the City of Los Angeles and most recently the City of Fullerton.



Yoko Tanaka is a licensed structural engineer with 12 years design experience in the private sector. She comes to us from Jacobs Engineering.

### ***Happy Retirement Randy Neilson!***

Building Inspector Randy Neilson retired July 26 after 10 years of service in the Building Division. For his first post-retirement adventure, Randy is going to Europe for seven weeks on a trip that will conclude in Munich for the Oktoberfest on his birthday. Upon returning home, Randy and his wife will travel the United States hitting music festivals and tasting regional cuisines at barbeques along the way. Happy travels Randy. We will miss you!



# Newport Beach Fire Department

*Safety, Service & Professionalism*

**DATE:** August 10, 2018  
**TO:** Dave Kiff, City Manager  
**FROM:** Chip Duncan, Fire Chief  
**SUBJECT:** CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER



## FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION

### **Mutual Aid Response to California Wildfires**

Newport Beach firefighters deployed on July 25 to assist with the Cranston Fire (Idyllwild) and were released on July 28 to immediately assist at the Mendocino Complex Fire. Ten firefighters have returned and we sent additional firefighters to provide relief, with 11 currently working wildfires in the state. We have a paramedic deployed at the Carr Fire (Redding) as a single resource Public Information Officer.





## Carport Fire



On July 31, firefighters responded to a carport fire that threatened residential units located above the carports. Five vehicles were extinguished by firefighters.



## Hands Only CPR

On July 23, Newport Medic 63 taught a hands only CPR class to the residents of the Meridian complex. Paramedic Cathey took the lead, with assistance from Paramedic Reed and the crew of Engine 63 B Shift. The residents enjoyed the class and are looking to purchase an AED for their complex. Great job!



## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

On August 7, the fire department participated in the Newport Beach Police Department's annual "National Night Out" event at Bonita Canyon Sports Park. For the event, fire department CERT volunteers set up a community preparedness informational booth.





Are you prepared for the next disaster? The fire department offers four Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training programs- two in the fall and two in the spring. The next round of programs begin in late September with a Tuesday-Thursday evening program and an all-day Saturday program. For more information go to: [www.nbcert.org](http://www.nbcert.org) or email [nbcert@nbfd.net](mailto:nbcert@nbfd.net).

## **FIRE ADMINISTRATION**

### **Support Services Aide Mike Hernandez**

On July 30, Mike Hernandez joined Fire Administration as the new Support Services Aide assigned to Support Services. Mike is a recent graduate of the Moreno Valley College Basic Firefighter Academy. Mike would like to pursue a career as a firefighter/engineer.

Please join me in welcoming Mike to our department.



## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) DIVISION**

### **Firefighter Chidley Graduates Paramedic Program**

On August 3, firefighter Chidley graduated from the Saddleback College Paramedic Program Class 79 after seven months of extensive training.



## Notable Call

On July 31, crews from Engine 263: Captain Reis, Engineer Blythe, Firefighter Thornbury; Medic 65: Paramedics Kang and Kimoto; Truck 63: Captain Lazar, Engineer Fernandez, Firefighter Popovich, and Tiller Skelly, responded to a pediatric near drowning in a backyard spa. Firefighters arrived to find an infant child unresponsive with CPR in progress. Advanced life support measures were performed and the infant was transported to the hospital and was expected to make a full recovery.

## New Paramedics – Medic Academy

Firefighters Levins, Keyes, and Stribling are the department's newest firefighters with prior State paramedic certifications. They have completed a rigorous internal process consisting of 42 hours of extensive classroom training and 96 hours of field training by Chief Thompson to work as paramedics for the Newport Beach Fire Department.



## Customer Satisfaction Surveys

For the month of July, we rated at meets or exceeded expectations in multiple categories on 86% of the surveys returned. Here are some messages from the surveys we received.

*"So very grateful to each and every one of you. You treated me like I was your family. Thank you."*

*"I was impressed that I received a follow up call the following day. Thank you so much!"*

*"100% great!"*



## July 2018 Statistics



Total Dispatches of All Types.....1,203  
Medical Aid Dispatches.....886 = 74% of 1,203  
Total Medic Transports to Hospital.....580





## MARINE OPERATIONS DIVISION

Newport Beach has experienced hot days this summer. There have been over nine days reaching 80 degrees, with seven of them reaching in the mid 80s. On August 8, the water temperature reached 77 degrees and the temperature reached 86 degrees!

<b>July Stats</b>	
Animal Calls	176
Public Assists	9,514
Boat Calls	2,074
Code Enforcement	3,392
First Aid/Medical Calls	759
Preventatives	30,014
Rescues	1,173
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>47,102</b>
<b>Beach Population</b>	<b>1,820,008</b>



### Notable Events

#### **Beach Safety**

The Newport Beach Lifeguards want beach visitors to remember to swim near a lifeguard, shuffle your feet in the surf line, and only dig holes up to your knees.

#### **Lido Bridge**

Due to a recent bridge jumping incident, Newport Beach Lifeguards are monitoring the Lido Bridge and the adjacent beach. Since July 26, lifeguards have been staffing the area. A lifeguard truck and a personal watercraft are stationed in the area. In addition to patrols, a lifeguard rescue boat has been monitoring the bridge. Since lifeguards have been monitoring the bridge, there has been a decrease in calls about bridge jumpers.

<b>Lido Bridge Stats 7/26 - 8/7</b>	
Animal Calls	5
Public Assists	308
Found Property	1
Code Enforcement	231
Boat Warnings	1
Preventatives	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>555</b>





## **Junior Lifeguards**

### **Regionals**

On July 27, the 2018 Junior Lifeguard Regionals Competition took place for the second year at Silver Strand State Beach in Coronado, California. Team Newport showed up in force with over 50 participants from ages 9 to 15. Every Junior Lifeguard gave it their all and many came home with awards. We received multiple first place awards in individual events, team events and relays and many top 10 finishes in the same events. It was a great showing by our team competitively and everybody had a fun time!



### **Monster Mile**

Monster Mile is the pinnacle event of the NBJG season, with 1,300 JGs showing up to compete in a one-mile run, one-mile ocean swim event. This year's theme was "Shredding Thru Time!" and Monster Mile was a tremendous success, with fierce competition, hard charging, and a lot of pride in what these JGs have accomplished to get them to this point. Pictured are the top five female finishers from the D Division (our nine-year-old participants).





## HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

### CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: August 10, 2018

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

### **Job Opportunities**

With the assistance from the IT Division, Human Resources has recently updated the Job Opportunities page on the City's website. Applicants can now enjoy an intuitive and mobile friendly user experience. Below is a look at the updated version:

Menu > JOB OPPORTUNITIES Sign In

# City of Newport Beach

powered by NEOGOV®

Welcome to the City of Newport Beach's application process!

You can now apply online by clicking on the Job title you are interested in and clicking on the "Apply" link! If this is the first time you are applying using our online job application, you will need to create an account and

[SHOW MORE](#)

Search

Sort Filter

10 Job Postings found

## BUILDING INSPECTOR II - P/T

Newport Beach, CA

Part-Time - \$32.92 - \$46.35 hourly

Category: Building & Safety / Building Maintenance / Public Works / Community Development / Building & Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis with the first review date of Tuesday, July 13, 2018. This recruitment may close at any time without advance notice. You are encouraged to apply immediately. You will...

Facebook Twitter LinkedIn Google+ Email

Posted more than 30 days ago

## **Join Our Team!**



**C**heck 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:

- [Building Inspector II -P/T](#)
- [Harbormaster](#)
- [Human Resources Specialist I/II](#)
- [Librarian III](#)
- [Police Cadet](#)
- [Police Mechanic](#)
- [Public Works Technical Aide - P/T](#)
- [Student Aide - P/T](#)
- [Utilities Specialist](#)

**APPLY ONLINE  
TODAY!**



# **STEP IT UP!**

*Brought to you by the HEAL Committee*

**E**xercise is an important part of overall wellness and walking is one of the easiest ways to get in your daily exercise. Make a plan and start walking your way to wellness today! Set some goals and stick with them. When creating a new health habit, it is important to stick to a routine and not break away from it. Before you begin your walking program, write down your plan of action to hold yourself accountable. Below is a sample plan to use as a guide:

Week One	Week Two	Week Three	Week Four
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Walk the dog for 15 minutes each day when you get home from work.</li><li>• Walk for 20 minutes on Saturday with your family at the park.</li><li>• Rest on Sunday.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Walk for 20 minutes each day with your coworker.</li><li>• Walk for 25 minutes on Saturday with your family at the mall.</li><li>• Rest on Sunday.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Walk for 25 minutes each day with your coworker.</li><li>• Walk for 30 minutes on Saturday and Sunday.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Walk for 30 minutes each day with your coworker.</li><li>• Go on a two-mile hike with your friends on the weekend.</li></ul>





**PLEASE NOTE**

**2019 Open Enrollment Begins September 10<sup>th</sup>**

Open Enrollment is fast approaching and Human Resources wants to help! Staff will be at the following locations during the dates/times noted below to assist with all your open enrollment questions:

- September 12: 1 pm – 5 pm @ Police Department
- September 18: 1 pm – 5 pm @ GS, Corporate Yard – All Purpose Room
- September 24: 7:30 am – 11:30 am @ Police Department
- September 26: 10 am – 1 pm @ Employee Health Fair, Civic Center Community Room
- October 2: 8:30 am – 1:30 pm @ Civic Center, Back Bay Conference Room, Bay 1B
- October 4: 1 pm – 4 pm @ Civic Center, Newport Beach Conference Room, Bay 1B

For more information, contact us at [hbenefit@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:hbenefit@newportbeachca.gov) or 949-644-3294.



**Annual Employee Health Fair**

**Wednesday, September 26, 2018**

**10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Civic Center Community Room**

*Your health is important to us!*

**Health  
Screenings  
Flu Shots**



**FREE Lunch  
Raffle Prizes**





## LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



### Library – Cultural Arts

August 10, 2018

**To:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**From:** Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

**Subject:** City Manager's Newsletter

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## Library Services

### Summer Reading Program

The 2018 Summer Reading Program wrapped up another successful summer with over 2,000 participants. Participating teens celebrated with a pizza party on Wednesday and adults enjoyed getting together for refreshments, book reviews and prizes on Thursday afternoon. Saturday, August 11, is the final day for children to submit their completed game sheets and book reviews in order to win prizes. An Animal Adventure program at 11 a.m. at the Central Library will celebrate all the finishers.

### Carpet Installation

Crean Mariners Branch Library re-opened on July 28 after a two-week closure to install new carpet throughout the Library. Both staff and customers appreciate the clean new look.

### Support For Literacy Program

OC Alumnae of Kappa Kappa Gamma held their annual "Evening Under the Stars" event at Crystal Cove on Saturday July 21st. Proceeds from the event benefited Newport/Mesa ProLiteracy and supported adult literacy services and programming. This is the 4th year that the "Kappas" have chosen NMPL as their recipient agency. Their fundraising efforts have resulted in donations of about \$2500 each year.



On September 13, Newport/Mesa ProLiteracy will host its annual celebration of International Literacy Day. This year, in addition to recognizing a special learner that has achieved their personal goals they will also be honoring the first four graduates of Career Online High School. These four women have worked hard for 18 months to receive an accredited diploma so that they can be better role models, citizens and employees. The public is welcome to join this celebration.

### Corona del Mar Beam Raising

We are excited to see that the construction of the new Corona del Mar Branch Library and Fire Station is progressing nicely with framing currently underway. NBPL Branch Coordinator Debbie Walker and Branch Manager Annika Helmuth, along with other City officials, signed one of the main support steel beams this week before it was raised on Friday.



# Cultural Arts Services

## Concerts on the Green

Tijuana Dogs is back this Sunday for a Concert on the Green. We expect a great turnout to hear this popular Orange County band led by Matt Mauser. The high-energy mix of rock, R&B, jazz, country, and pop music will get the crowd up on their feet dancing for sure.



The concert begins at 6 p.m. but concertgoers are encouraged to come early and bring a picnic dinner or purchase food and refreshments from Chef TLC food truck and the Bakery Truck that will be on site. Attendees should also bring low-slung beach chairs and blankets for the outdoor event. No alcohol.

## Concert at Peninsula Park Set for September 23

Word is getting out about the Concert at Peninsula Park scheduled for Sunday, September 23. The concert will begin at 5 p.m. due to shorter daylight hours and should bring a good crowd to the Balboa Village area. The end of the summer concert will feature Southland Sings singing a repertoire of upbeat contemporary and classic Broadway hits. A banner is up at Peninsula Park and several of the Arts Commissioners will be visiting local businesses to distribute rack cards and let them know about the concert.

## Annual Retreat

The Arts Commission held a special meeting on Monday to reflect on the past season of successes and plan for the upcoming year. They discussed the arts budget, programming, their role in the community and ideas for future projects.

## Art Reception

Photographer Diana Blaisure hosted an informal reception in the Central Library Friends Room with a short presentation on Wednesday evening. She talked about her exhibition, "Bridges," and offered insight into how she developed her inspiration and photographic technique.

## Cultural Arts Grants

The Newport Beach City Arts Commission is currently accepting applications from organizations seeking cultural arts grants, Cultural Arts Grants, as determined by the City Arts Commission, will be awarded to qualified arts organizations with strong projects that enhance arts education and community programs for the citizens of Newport Beach. Successful applicants must propose projects/programs for funding that directly benefit children, youth, adults and seniors living in Newport Beach, as well as schools within the City's geographic boundaries. Applicants must also be able to document need, quantifiable success, a realistic budget and an implementation plan. Grant applications are available online on the City's website, [www.newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts) under Cultural Arts Grants, and must be completed according to the instructions. The deadline for applications is September 28, 2018.

**CONCERT**  
at  
**PENINSULA**  
**PARK**

**FREE!**

**SUNDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 23**  
**5:00 - 6:30PM**

**Southland Sings**  
**Broadway Hits!**

Enjoy an outdoor concert packed with classic and contemporary Broadway hits at a performance on the Balboa Peninsula!



Bring blankets, low-slung beach chairs and a picnic dinner or enjoy dining at restaurants near the Park. Admission free. Paid parking available on site. No alcohol.



**Peninsula Park by Balboa Pier**  
100 Main Street, Balboa  
[newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts](http://newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts)



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

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jon T. Lewis, Chief of Police

DATE: August 10, 2018

**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

I am pleased to report that National Night Out was a resounding success once again. Although the event is coordinated through the Police Department, it is always a collaborative effort. Departments throughout the City are involved in the planning and preparations, from Municipal Operations to Recreation & Senior Services to Fire. On behalf of Crime Prevention Specialist Sara Verschueren and the entire Community Relations team, thank you to everyone who contributed to this special event.

Our Community members turned out in large numbers on Tuesday evening, eager to connect with our staff, enjoy the games and activities, and grab dinner at the TK Burgers food truck. We started an album on our [Facebook page](#) to share photos from staff and attendees.





## CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

This week, the NBPD was involved in two graduations, both celebrating young men and women from our Community.

### TEEN ACADEMY

Yesterday evening, in a ceremony in the Friends Room at the Central Library, 29 local teenagers graduated from our 17<sup>th</sup> Teen Academy. The Teen Academy is held each summer and is made up of seven weekly three-hour classes. The students get a first-hand look at the inner workings of the Department's personnel, equipment and training. Topics include everything from teen-specific laws to the Canine Program to Narcotics. Students are also given the opportunity to engage in role-playing activities, tours and a ride-along with an officer.

This class is open to all teens in the City who will be enrolled in high school in the fall, and participants earn Community Service Hours Credit for school. More information on the Teen Academy can be obtained on our [website](#) or by calling Crime Prevention Specialist Erica Bloom at 949-644-3638.

Congratulations to all 29 members of Class 17!





## EXPLORER ACADEMY

On Sunday, August 5, Deputy Chief Jay Short and Lieutenant Tom Fischbacher attended the Orange County Sheriff's Department Summer Explorer Academy Graduation. Newport Beach Police Explorer Post #1050 had two students in the program: Jennifer Lopez and Justin Ean. Both successfully completed the academy and received their Explorer badges at the graduation ceremony.



I would like to extend my sincere congratulations and a hearty “welcome” to Explorers Lopez and Ean (pictured holding their graduation certificates).

## MACCABI GAMES TABLETOP EXERCISE

On Tuesday, July 30, staff attended a Tabletop Exercise in the City of Irvine to discuss the Jewish Community Center (JCC) and the Orange County Maccabi Games. The JCC Maccabi Games, an Olympic style sporting competition, will include over 3,000 Jewish teenagers from around the world and will be held from August 5 through August 10, 2018. Although the majority of the events will be held in Irvine, there will also be events, activities and ceremonies held at UCI and in Long Beach, Newport Beach, Santa Ana and Anaheim.

The Tabletop Exercise included the event-organizing committee, representatives from the impacted cities and federal partners who gathered to discuss emergency plans and simulate disaster scenarios in order to increase preparedness.



## SCAM ALERT

We have heard several concerns about “Kidnapping Scams” here in Newport Beach, so we have been reaching out to the community to increase awareness. Here is an alert we shared this week through Nixle and social media:

### ***Have you heard of "Kidnapping Scams"? Here's how they work:***

*You get a call, saying that a loved one has been kidnapped. The caller may make threats, demand money, or lead you to believe that your loved one is in danger.*

*But... is the caller who you think it is? Scammers are good at pretending to be someone they're not. They can be convincing: sometimes using information from social networking sites, or hacking into email accounts, to make it seem more real. And they'll pressure you to send money before you have time to think.*



### ***Here's what you can do:***

1. **Stop. Check it out.** Try to contact the loved one who you are concerned about, or call friends or another family member.
2. **Keep your information (and your money) safe.** Never give out personal identifying information, such as bank account or credit card account numbers, to anyone you do not know. And never send money to an unknown person.
3. **Pass this information on to a friend.** You may not have received one of these calls, but chances are that you know someone who will - if they haven't already.

*If you believe you've been the victim of a scam, please file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.ftc.gov/complaint).*

# Public Works Department

## City Manager's Newsletter

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To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director  
Date: August 10, 2018

### **Topping Off at CdM Fire Station and Library Project**

Earlier today, a Topping Out ceremony was held for Corona del Mar Fire Station No. 5 and Library. This involved the placing of the last structural beam for the new building. Prior to its placement, the beam was signed by City Council members and key individuals involved with the project.



**Note of Interest:** The term **Topping Out** traditionally refers to the installation of the last beam of a structure, or the completion of a building's roof,



bridge or other large structure, signifying the structure has reached its maximum height and but not yet the completion of the project. The final structural piece is often painted white and signed by members of the construction team and community leaders. Sometimes an evergreen tree is attached to the beam. Topping Out symbolizes positive things—good luck for future occupants, continued growth, a safe job—and celebrates an important milestone in a building's construction.



## Working Through the Night to Prevent Flooding

Sometimes working past midnight is just part of the commitment for City field maintenance crews as they prepare the beaches to safeguard against the possibility of flooding resulting from high surf tides. Staff monitors surf and tide projections and advisories daily on Surflife and other weather websites to watch for possible events of concern.

In the event of expected high surf or tides, crews typically work to construct sand berms in the early morning hours before the arrival of beach goers. During summer months, high tides often occur at night. Generally, staff and equipment are brought out and staged at the beach during high surf events. In case of any failing berms, staff may work well into the night to fix a problem or rebuild these protective sand berms while the rest of us are sound asleep.



Last week, predicted tides were 7 feet and surf came in at 10 to 12 feet at Balboa Pier and 8 to 10 feet at 40<sup>th</sup> Street. Sand berms were built at Balboa Pier and monitored for three days during peak high surf. Two loaders were on standby during the high tides. After the event, the beaches were cleaned of any debris and then regraded back to normal service conditions.



*High surf also brought  
in a lot of debris at  
Corona del Mar Beach  
requiring additional  
clean-up*



*Public Works*

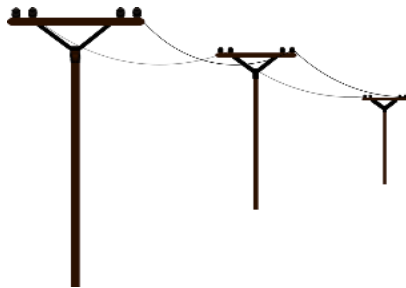


## **Corona del Mar Underground Utility Assessment District No. 117**

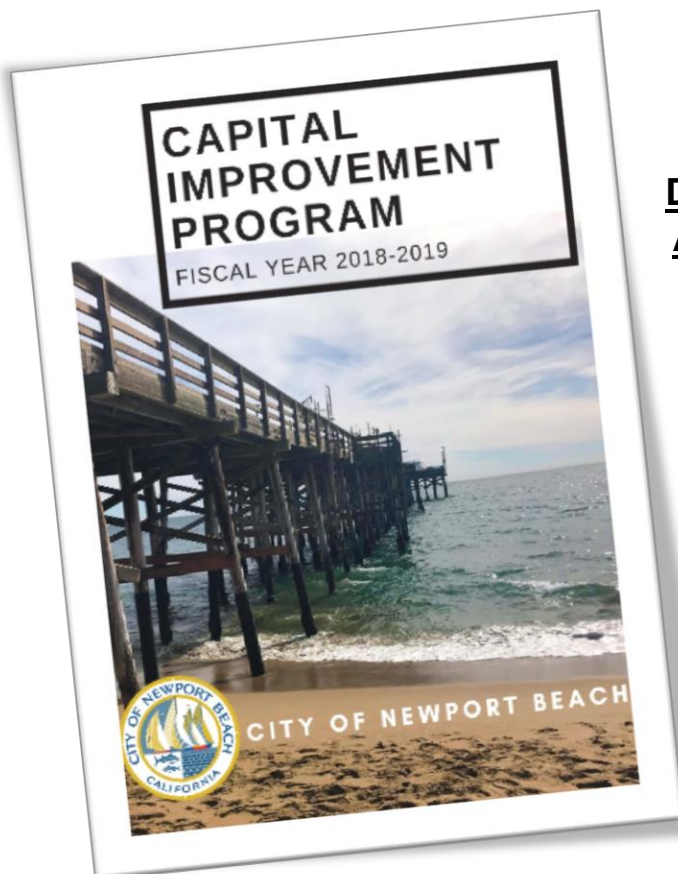
Located in Corona del Mar, and bounded by Bayside Drive, Avocado Avenue, Coast Highway and Carnation Avenue, construction for Underground Utilities Assessment District No. 117 project is underway.

Contractor Asplundh Construction Corp began work on July 19 for this Public Works project. Currently, the contractor is busy trenching and installing conduit and utility vaults along First Avenue.

Construction on Pacific Drive and Acacia Avenue will so begin on August 13.



New Conduit in  
Alley 17B



## **Did You Know You Can Find the Approved 18/19 Capital Improvement Program and Budget Online?**

For detailed information on the Capital Improvement Program and Budget look here:

[NewportBeachCa.gov/CIP](http://NewportBeachCa.gov/CIP)

## City Gateway Signs Get a Refresh

The City has 14 Gateway Entry Signs on major thoroughfares marking the entry points into the City. In our on-going effort to Keep Newport Beach shining and looking great, Public Works and its contractor Bravo Signs just recently cleaned and painted these signs to brighten their appearance, offering a warm welcome to visitors, commuters and residents alike.



For six of the signs, the 3D golden sails had to be removed to refurbish, repaint and recoat them before reattaching them to the signs.





## **Mariners Branch Library Gets New Carpeting**

Public Works recently replaced the carpeting at Mariners Branch Library. The original carpet, installed when this popular branch first opened in 2006, has experienced much traffic. During installation, the library closed temporarily. Library staff, flooring contractor and furniture moving contractor worked in tandem relocating book stacks to complete the library carpeting in sections. During the closure, library staff set up an area where patrons could pick up books placed on hold and treasured prizes from the summer reading program. The facility reopened on July 28, 2018, right on schedule!



**Fun Fact:** The next time you walk into Mariners Branch Library, notice there are two types of carpeting near the Circulation Desk. The dark blue carpeting is an abrasive carpet has brush-like threads to dust off people's shoes before they step onto the lighter blue carpeting you see elsewhere in the library. This helps extend the life of carpeting throughout the library.



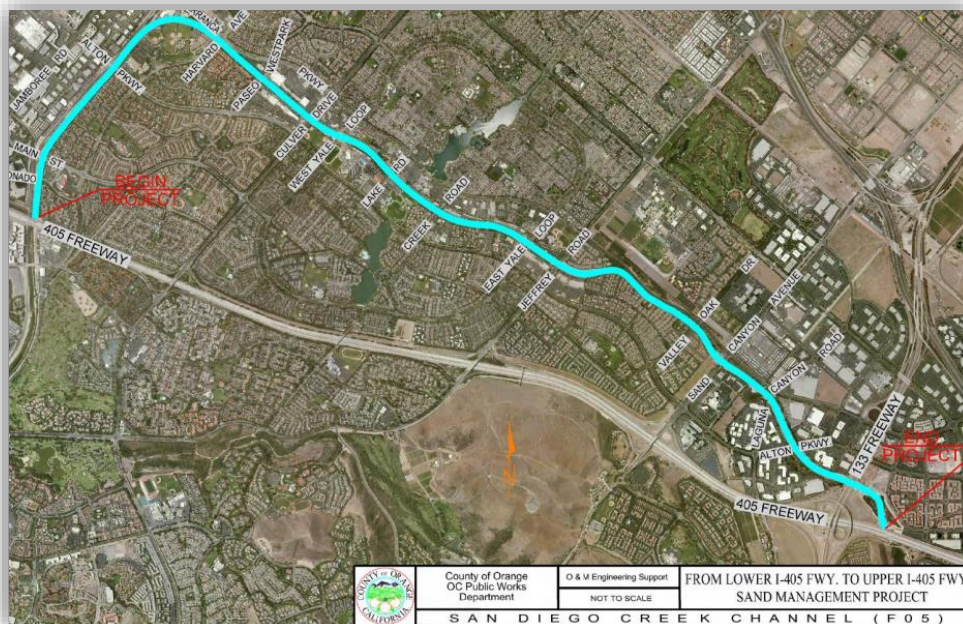
## **New Grass Field Installed at Newport Elementary School**

The newly rehabilitated playfield at Newport Elementary School is looking green and lush with the recent installation of new grass sod and other field improvements. Public Works Municipal Operations staff are currently maintaining and watering the field as the sod takes root. Once the sod has fully adhered, the field will reopen to the school and public. Next, the asphalt playground will be seal coated on August 30 and 31, before the start of the new school year.



## **Massive Sand Accumulation in San Diego Creek to be Removed!**

Since completion of a 2 million cubic yard dredging project in the Upper Bay in the 80's, County and City stakeholders have been taking proactive steps to remove upstream sediment accumulated in San Diego Creek before it washes into the bay. Our next effort to keep sediment out of the bay will be the 405 to 405 sediment removal project which will remove 172,000 cubic yards of sediment from San Diego Creek at a cost of \$4.3M.



The project, recently approved by the OC Board of Supervisors, will begin in August.

Orange County Public Works will manage the project which is expected to be 6-8 months in duration.



### **“DG” at the DP (Dog Park)**

To keep dogs and their humans safe while running and walking at the dog park, City crew chief Rich Trevino coordinated with the City’s contractor Park West Landscape to raise the decomposed granite (DG) to its original level. This project was completed within two days.



### **Fire Hazard Mitigation and Fuel Abatement**

During fire season, dried tall grasses and weeds offer a dangerous source of fuel for wildfires. Public Works plans for and tries to proactively address these potential hazardous conditions. Pictured here is Middle Buck Gully where the slope areas of 62 lots were recently cleaned up to within 100 feet from each structure. This includes trees being separated, limbed up, and all weeds and dense shrubs removed.



Fuel abatement efforts also were completed in Spyglass, Nature Park, and Goat Hill areas. With Public Works oversight, our contractor Southland Landscape has done a great job.





To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: August 10, 2018

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Dear Dave,

Time is quickly winding down and this appears to be the last City Manager's newsletter we will submit to you. For nine years our team has provided story after story in this newsletter of the great work Recreation and Senior Services is doing for the Newport Beach Community under your careful leadership. It has been clear to us that we have always had your support and understanding of the value that the Recreation and Senior Services team plays in the community and our organization. That support has empowered us to open doors, be curious, make fun with life and take on its challenges to in turn enrich the lives our residents.

As a department we want you to know that you have been our hero, vital to our success, and we will miss you dearly. We are thankful for the time we have spent with you and we wish you the best in the adventures that await. Be sure to remember that "Parks Make Life Better" every time you visit one, and the good folks that stand behind that commitment.

Warmest Regards,

The Recreation and Senior Services Team







## LYNN THE LIFESAVER

Emergency at OASIS and crisis averted! Last Friday at the Friends of OASIS membership luncheon, a man suddenly collapsed and became unresponsive. Recreation Leader Lynn Bush jumped into action, utilizing her CPR training and started chest compressions on the man. He quickly came-to and was subsequently attended to by Newport Beach Fire Paramedics. The man was eventually able to walk out on his own power and go home with his wife.

Lynn's new nickname is Lifesaver.

Thank you Lynn for your quick thinking and follow through!

## MOVIE IN THE PARK EVENTS

Movie in the Park events continue to be a big hit in the community as residents are able to walk, bike or drive to these family friendly events. Free popcorn, candy, crafts and activities are available for the enjoyment of the crowds as they prepare to watch fun family friendly movies.

On Friday, July 27, *Ferdinand* was viewed at Cliff Drive Park. Over 300 enjoyed a movie under the stars in the fresh park air. This event was a great success with residents complimenting and thanking the staff.



Our next Movie in the Park will feature *Coco* at Grant Howald Park on Friday, August 24. Come out and see what all the fuss is about. Remember to bring a towel, blanket or lawn chair to sit on during the event.

I hope to see you there!



## BUCK GULLY & THE READY OC FIRE WATCH

Fire season is in full swing in California, and at least one fire is hitting close to home in Orange County. Here in Newport Beach, we have a unique open space called 'Buck Gully', which extends from Newport Coast all the way to its terminus at the Little Corona tidepools.

Buck Gully is maintained by the Irvine Ranch Conservancy. Crews of staff and volunteers work to clear non-native plants that can act as fuel for fires since they are only alive during the rainy season, leaving them dry and vulnerable to ignition during the warm summer. The plants are then replaced with species native to the area, which stay alive year round (even if it does not necessarily look like it). Plants that are still alive are much less likely to act as fuel to a brush fire, which lessens the chance of a fire in the area.

Irvine Ranch Conservancy also helps coordinate volunteers for the Ready OC Fire Watch program, which stages volunteers in vulnerable areas to look for dangerous or suspicious activity in sensitive areas. If they see a fire begin, they are able to communicate with authorities and get the proper people to the site of the fire as quickly as possible.

For more information about Buck Gully, including a list of free hikes and activities on the trail, please see the Natural Resources section of the *Newport Navigator*!



## PICKLEBALL INSTRUCTOR MELANIE WHEATLEY

Pickleball has grown quickly and the demand for classes with it. Melanie Wheatley has joined our group as the newest pickleball instructor to help expand programming in order to meet the needs of the community.

Melanie competed on the National Senior Women's Tennis Circuit and won 4 National Championships. She was ranked #1 in the Nation by the USTA for 2 years in a row and won 2 bronze medals at the World Championships in Perth, Australia and Amsterdam. Melanie is transferring her knowledge of tennis to the game of pickleball through instruction and coaching. Her beginning and intermediate group lessons and private lessons are offered at Bonita Canyon Sports Park Pickleball Courts.

Beginning classes run on Tuesdays at noon and intermediate class run on Thursdays at noon. To find out more about the Pickleball classes currently being offered and information on private lessons please check out a *Newport Navigator* or visit [www.newportbeachca.gov/recreation](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/recreation).





## SUMMER BY THE SEA

Don't let another summer pass you by hearing about all the adventures and fun that friends, family and our City visitors enjoy. Take a moment to go breathe in the ocean breeze and the joy you can acquire by the easy access to our ocean and bay. Surfing, paddle boarding, kayaking, and sailing are all at your fingertips. Spend some time playing beach volleyball, flag football or just bring a simple beach ball and have some fun in the sun.

Thousands of tourists come to our beaches each year, so they have obviously discovered something that us locals can take for granted after living in a paradise for so long. The ocean and bay can bring calm and clarity. So bring out the sunscreen, boogie boards and beach chairs and spend some time cooling off by the water!

Parks Make Life Better!



## NEW TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE FOR OASIS

The OASIS Transportation Program recently received a brand new vehicle – a Ford Transit Van. This van is narrower than our other buses, which will make it easier to maneuver through some of our smaller streets. Though narrower it still accommodates 10 passengers and 1 wheelchair, which is equivalent to what the larger vans holds.

The new van is quiet and offers a cushy, comfy ride for our seniors. An additional feature available are the side curtain air bags, which none of the other buses currently have.

Make sure you give a wave to the the new awesome OASIS van as you see it go around town!



## SUMMER DAY CAMP ADVENTURES

Visits to the beach and bay, excursions, games and activities, making new friends and being active all summer... what isn't there to love about the City Summer Day Camps? Campers this year have enjoyed time making sandcastles, playing parachute games, and having fun out by the water. Excursions are taken every week to locations such as the Long Beach Aquarium, CdM Pool, Knott's Berry Farm, Bowling and more. With so much to offer to its campers, it is no surprise how quickly the Summer Day Camps sells out every summer.

This week campers got to witness a baseball shut-out at the Angels game as they defeated the Detroit Tigers 6-0!



# NEWPORT BEACH THINGS TO DO

## AUGUST 2018

### CONCERTS ON THE GREEN

Featuring: **TIJUANA DOGS** | FREE

Rock, Jazz & Country Music.

Bring a chair, towel or blanket to sit on.

**Civic Center Green | 100 Civic Center Drive, NB**

**Sunday, August 12 | 6-7:30pm**

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

### MOVIE IN THE PARK

**COCO** | FREE

Free popcorn, crafts and candy.

Food available for purchase.

**Grant Howald Park | 3000 Fifth Ave, CdM**

**Friday, August 24 | 6:30-9:30pm**

More Info: 949-644-3151



## SEPTEMBER 2018

### CONCERTS ON THE GREEN

Featuring: **DESPERADO** | FREE

Eagles Tribute

Bring a chair, towel or blanket to sit on.

**Civic Center Green | 100 Civic Center Drive, NB**

**Sunday, September 9 | 6-7:30pm**

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

### SURF CHAMPIONSHIPS **Amateur Only**

\$30/Entry until Sept 19 | \$40/Entry Day of Event.

Registration is based on availability.

Ages 6yrs-Adult

**September 22-23 | 54th or 56th Street**

To register or for more info:

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

### MOVIE IN THE PARK

**CARS** | FREE

Free popcorn, crafts and candy.

Food available for purchase.

**Channel Place Park | 4400 Channel Place, NB**

**Friday, August 24 | 6:30-9:30pm**

More Info: 949-644-3151

### CONCERTS ON THE GREEN

Featuring: **SOUTHLAND SINGS** | FREE

Broadway Hits

Bring a chair, towel or blanket to sit on.

**Peninsula Park | by Balboa Pier**

**Sunday, September 23 | 5-6:30pm**

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





# Utilities Department

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August 10, 2018

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

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## Utilities Night at Angels Stadium



The Utilities Department staff enjoyed a night out at the ballpark to watch the Angels take on the Seattle Mariners. The game was exciting as the Angels scored 11 runs in their triumph over the Mariners. The night included fireworks after the game and a screening of "Despicable Me 3" on the big screens, which the kids thoroughly enjoyed. The night was a perfect opportunity for Utilities families to meet and kids to play. It was enjoyed by all.



## Crane Certification

On August 6-8, three Utilities Department staff members completed 20-ton crane training/certification to comply with the new Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations that will take effect this November. The 20-ton crane is a key piece of equipment for the Utilities Department that provides the ability to perform a wide variety of tasks such as pulling large vertical turbine pumps and motors, emergency work throughout the City, and moving heavy equipment and materials.



## Congratulations Chris!!!



The Utilities Department is proud to announce that Chris Malvin was promoted to Senior Utilities Specialist in the Wastewater Division. Way to go, Chris!

In 1990, Chris began working with the City as a Student Laborer, he was then hired on full-time as a Tree Trimmer, and then as a Refuse Worker. In 2014, Chris transferred to the Wastewater Division as a Utilities Specialist. Chris has a Grade 1 Water Distribution Certificate, a Grade 1 Collection System Maintenance Certificate, and a Class A Driver's License with a Tanker endorsement. Chris' favorite part about working in the Utilities Department is that he still learns something new, even after 25 years. Furthermore, Chris enjoys working with the Utilities team who have always made him feel welcomed and helped him pass his certification tests.

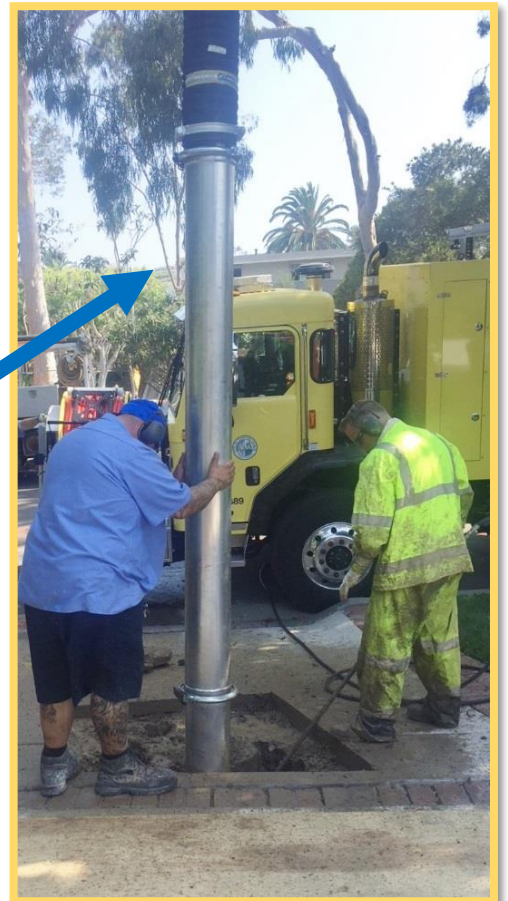
When Chris is not working, he enjoys cheering for the Angels, off-roading, and spending time with his family. If you see Chris in a City yellow vactor truck, feel free to say howdy!

## Evening Canyon Repair

This past week, the Wastewater staff made repairs to a sewer lateral on Evening Canyon. They used the new vactor truck, which is equipped with a high-pressure hydro excavator attachment. The hydro excavator exposed the cast iron pipe, which was partially blocked with roots.



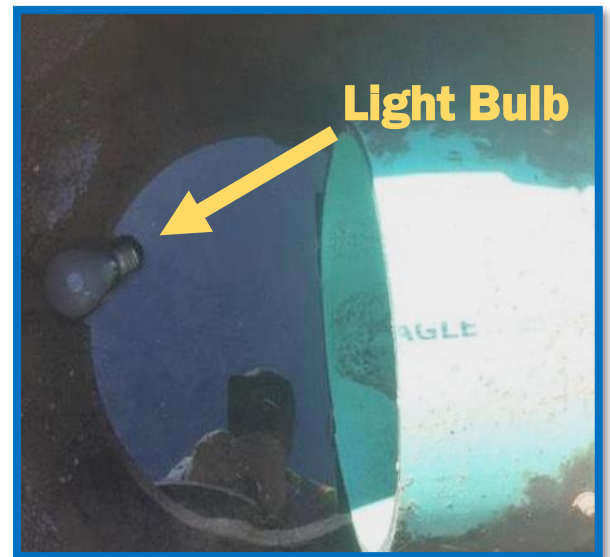
**Hydro  
Excavator**



## Summer Cleaning

This past week, Storm Drain staff utilized their small vacuum truck on Balboa Island. When staff is performing their monthly tidal valve maintenance, they make a note of any tidal valve structures that need cleaning. The structures that store the rubber flapper valves, which automatically close as the tide rises, typically tend to fill up with sand because they are not self-cleaning. Staff will then head out with the Utilities small vacuum truck, which is easier to maneuver on Balboa Island, to perform the cleaning. If the sand/debris is deemed by staff to be obstructing a tidal valve from operating correctly, it is prioritized to be cleaned as soon as possible to prevent future flooding on City streets.

Usually, only sand is vacuumed out of the structures, however in one structure staff found a fully intact light bulb!



## Big Canyon Wetlands Maintenance

The recently restored wetlands located in Newport Back Bay off Jamboree was designed to improve water quality in Big Canyon Creek by removing pollutants such as selenium from dry and wet weather flows. During the dry season, low flow water in the creek is diverted to the sewer. Storm Drain staff open the low flow valve to guide the water to the sewer. However, if the water was still diverted to the sewer during the rainy season, the sewer system would be overwhelmed. Thus, when the rainy season nears, Storm Drain staff close the valve to keep the wet weather flows from inundating the sewer system.

Storm Drain staff will respond to this system when the low flow line becomes clogged with debris. They will take 4-inch trash pumps to the area that has ponded and pump the water out of the outlet structure to gain access to the low flow drain, which when clogged is covered in 2.5 feet of mossy water. Once pumped down, staff sweeps out the algae and clears off the drain grate of debris to allow the dry weather low flow water to circulate back to the sewer.





## Water Valve Replacement

On Wednesday, July 18, the Maintenance and Repair Staff removed and replaced an aging 6-inch water distribution valve with a new resilient seat gate valve. The new valve is expected to last over 40 years!

In order to make repairs, the Maintenance and Repair Staff isolated the water main from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., which affected the water service to 17 nearby residents. Although shutting the water off is inconvenient to residents, ultimately it will be much more effective because the new valve will allow staff to isolate the water main in case of an emergency or scheduled repairs.

