



The Week in Review

City Manager Grace K. Leung
October 11, 2019

Upcoming Events

Monday, October 14
City Council Ad Hoc Committee on Election Reform Public Input Meeting
[Proposed NBMC Revisions](#)
Friends Room, Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15
Code Adoption Community Meeting
City Hall, Community Room
100 Civic Center Drive
4 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15
Homeless Task Force Meeting
City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Wednesday, October 16
Balboa Village Advisory Committee (BVAC) Meeting
Marina Park
1600 W. Balboa Boulevard
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Homelessness Update

The City Council and staff continue to work to address the issue of homelessness. The City Council at their meeting of October 8 directed staff to continue negotiations with the property located at 4200 Campus, and the City of Costa Mesa. With the help of the Homeless Task Force, the City has added a homeless page to the website. As we gather more information, the page will provide the community with a host of information and resources.

If you are interested in learning more about homelessness, the City in cooperation with the United Way is presenting Homelessness 101. This event will provide the community with information, and help to clear up much of the misinformation and myths about homeless individuals. The event is Wednesday October 23, 2019 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Friends Room at the Central Library. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/homelessness-101-hosted-by-city-of-newport-beach-tickets-74503715619>

Community Development Block Grant Program – Funding to Focus on Newport Beach Homeless Population

The City of Newport Beach receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development each year to facilitate programs and services that benefit persons of low- and moderate-income. Families Forward, Inc., a recipient of \$15,000 in public service grant funding during the 2019-20 Program Year, has agreed to focus their efforts on families with documented ties to Newport Beach, to further assist the City with its efforts to address homelessness. Families Forward estimates their housing program will serve 12-15 Newport Beach families, from crisis to stability and into self-sufficiency with a comprehensive array of services tailored to address housing, counseling and career coaching, life skills, education, childcare assistance, transportation assistance and food.

Visit the City's website for a complete listing of meetings and events at newportbeachca.gov/events.

Wednesday, October 16
General Plan Update
Steering Committee
City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive
6 p.m.

Thursday, October 17
Planning Commission
City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive
6:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 17
"Newport Beach: Glimpses
of the Past" featuring Paul
Wormser of Sherman Library
and Gardens
Friends Meeting Room,
Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 19
CERT Drill the Skills
/Graduation
Fire Station 7
20401 Acacia Street
9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Additional information about the CDBG Program can be found on the City's [website](#).

Community Meeting to Discuss Building and Fire Code Changes

The Community Development Department and the Fire Department will be hosting a community meeting on October 15, 2019, at 4 p.m. in the Community Room to discuss the proposed changes to the 2019 Building and Fire Codes. Local architects, engineers, and the public are encouraged to attend this community meeting. The new Building and Fire codes will go into effect on January 2, 2020.

Balboa Village Advisory Committee (BVAC)

BVAC will be having a meeting on October 16 at 3:30 p.m. at Marina Park. One item of interest on the agenda will be a presentation by OceanQuest for a proposed parking structure at the Palm Street parking lot located on Balboa Peninsula. Members of the community are encouraged to attend.

General Plan Launch - Community Fair!

Join us for a free community fair on the Newport Beach Civic Green on October 26, 2019, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. with free burgers for the first 200 people! Enjoy live music, family-friendly activities, food, and lawn games with your neighbors. The event is the first in a series of community fairs, workshops, pop-up events and community dialogues to listen and learn from the Newport Beach community about the General Plan and its future update.

Learn more at www.newporttogether.com.

Lifeguard Season Update

The Lifeguard season opened with the annual All Hands meeting where our 220 seasonal lifeguards were welcomed back by former Lifeguard Don Dickey who described his lifeguarding experience from 1946-1950. The staff recognized John Carpenter for fifty years of service as a lifeguard with a dedicated parking place and rousing cheers. The lifeguards said good-bye and good luck to Fire Chief Chip Duncan and welcomed City Manager Grace Leung who participated in the lifeguard group photo, a division first.

Summer started with June gloom but gave way to consistently pleasant weather and 4.3 million beach visitors kept the lifeguards busy. While the surf was unexceptional, lifeguards had an above average level of serious medical calls with positive outcomes. There were two cases where lifeguards initiated CPR to a person in cardiac arrest and the patient was able to walk out of Hoag Hospital with no impairment or complications. These successes reflect a high level of training and coordination between the lifeguards, firefighters and

paramedics. The lifeguard presence in the harbor increased with the rescue boats remaining on duty later in the evening and increased staffing on the bay beaches.

Lifeguards recognized Carly Christian as the Lifeguard of the year for her work as a mentor, recruiter, peer supporter and her outstanding performance on several lifesaving incidents. She is the third woman recognized with the honor. The Lifeguard Management Association awarded Captain Adam Yacenda the Supervisor of the year for his leadership under pressure on several critical calls.

Lifeguards are teaching a program to give surfers the ability to provide lifesaving intervention until first responders arrive. The “Surfer Awareness in Lifesaving Techniques” (SALT) program was created by the Huntington Beach Lifeguards who encouraged our lifeguards to implement this training. This program presents instruction on ocean dynamics, rescue techniques, rescuer safety, bleeding control and CPR to allow a surfer to respond safely and effectively to a life-threatening emergency.

Lifeguards continue to patrol the beaches to provide professional safety and service to the visitors and residents who are enjoying the “second season” of fall. In October, the lifeguards are conducting post-season analysis to evaluate their performance and identify areas for improvement. Lifeguards will be busy in the coming months preparing for the impending winter storms and 2020 season, which kicks off on February 9, 2020 with lifeguard tryouts.

Ocean Rescues	2,170
Preventative Actions	58,895
Medical Calls and First Aids	1,720
Code and Surfing Enforcement	11,010
Boat Warnings and Assists	225
Public Assists and Contacts	25,394
Total Lifeguard Calls for Service	101,701
Beach Attendance	4,348,821

Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Update

On October 7, 2019, the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Subcommittee of the Southern California Association of Governments’ (SCAG) reviewed and recommended approval of a new draft housing needs allocation methodology. For Newport Beach, this new draft methodology results in a RHNA allocation of 2,764 dwelling units that the City must plan for in the October 2021-October 2029 Housing Element planning period. The total housing need is further broken down into four income categories:

Very Low-Income	Low-Income	Moderate-Income	Above-Moderate Income	Total RHNA
836 units	530 units	600 units	798 units	2,764 units

The next SCAG meetings related to the draft RHNA methodology will occur on October 21, 2019 (CEHD Committee) and November 7, 2019 (Regional Council). SCAG will then submit the draft methodology to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for a 60-day review period.

Harbor Department On-Line Guest Boater Reservation Request System

At the request of the Harbor Department, the City's IT team has developed and launched an on-line reservation system for recreational boaters interested in booking short term slip stays (at the Marina Park guest marina) and visitor use of available off-shore moorings in Newport Harbor.

The system went live in early October, and is currently available 24 hours a day on the Harbor Department's web-site. The on-line platform allows users to make on-line reservation requests based on slip and mooring availability, as well as electronically submit required information such as proof of vessel ownership and insurance documents.

In the near future, this same guest slip and mooring reservation request system will also be available to members of the local boating community on the "MyNB" mobile app.

Disaster Shelter Exercise

On October 16, from 1-3:30 p.m., a Disaster Shelter Exercise will be conducted at Oasis Senior Center. During the exercise, City staff will learn their roles and responsibilities as shelter workers, including how to set up a shelter during a disaster and how to partner with the American Red Cross and other outside agencies. For more information on the exercise, contact Emergency Services Coordinator Katie Eing.

Great Southern California Shakeout Drill

On Thursday, October 17 at 8:30 a.m. City Hall and all city facilities will be participating in the Annual Great Southern California Shakeout Drill. During the drill, we will simulate a large earthquake and evacuate employees and customers for a short duration. At the same time, all Fire Stations and the Police Department will be practicing their Windshield Surveys, which is an immediate assessment of their initial response areas throughout the city. For more information on the Shakeout Drill, visit <https://www.shakeout.org/california/localgovernment/>.

AlertOC Emergency Notification Test Callout

On October 17 at 9 a.m., Newport Beach residents will join more than two million other Orange County residents in receiving a call to test the AlertOC Emergency Notification System. The test will replicate a large-scale multi-jurisdictional emergency, requiring thousands of numbers to be called simultaneously across the Orange County region. This is the tenth annual regional test of the system and will include 24 participating cities, as well as the County's unincorporated areas.

Residents can do their part to prepare for emergencies by registering for AlertOC. The time is now to self-register cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses to receive emergency communications. For more information or to register alternate phone numbers or e-mail addresses, visit AlertOC.com or call (949) 644-3620.

We Need Your Eyes and Ears, Newport Beach

Last week, on Balboa Island, a private pumping company's truck hose broke and caused many gallons of oil and grease to spill onto the City's alley and street. Fortunately, a resident called the Utilities Department and City crews responded quickly with equipment to clean up the spill before it became worse.

Accidents do happen and that's where we need your assistance and your eyes and ears as you travel within and around the City limits. So, if you see water, liquids, or trash that looks out of place in the streets or gutters, please call the Utilities Department at (949) 644-3011 or the Public Works Department at (949) 644-3055 so that we can dispatch our crews and equipment to the location quickly, minimize the impact and prevent it from entering the storm drains and our Harbor. Thank you for being our extra set of eyes and ears and helping us protect the Newport Beach environment.

