



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Selich & Council Members
FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager
DATE: September 18, 2015

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

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Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: September 18, 2015

Welcome Traci!

Please welcome the newest member of the Community Development Department, Administrative Support Technician Traci Mackinen. Traci brings over 15 years of administrative and clerical experience to the City with her most recent position as a Senior Office Assistant for the City of Laguna Beach Code Enforcement Division.



Traci currently resides in Huntington Beach with her husband and two kids. In her free time she enjoys reading, going to the movies, and camping on the beach. Traci will assist with case processing and general clerical activities.

Building Division Plan Check Update

The Building Division is offering applicants that submit for building code plan review the option of using one of two private firms for plan check. The City contracts with JAS and VCA Code for plan check services. Turn-around times for both consultants are 10 days for standard reviews and 5 days with accelerated review. Please note that additional costs are associated with accelerated reviews.

Ebb Tide Project

A grading permit application was submitted for review for the Ebb Tide project located at 1560 Placentia Boulevard. The project consists of approximately 80 single family detached homes. Construction is anticipated to begin towards the end of the year.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NEW iPERMIT
CITIZEN ACCESS SELF SERVICE
www.newportbeachca.gov/onlinepermitting

The Community Development Department and the IT Division proudly announce the official rollout of the City's latest offerings in online services – the iPERMIT. The purpose of the iPERMIT is to provide our residents with a more convenient way to acquire, pay for, and schedule inspections for basic (over-the-counter) permits.

Permits currently available through the system include

residential
mechanical,
plumbing, and
electrical permits

that do not require plans, as well as applying and paying for a Residential Building Report (RBR).



Since June 2015, staff has been testing the application and gathering valuable feedback from actual customers using the system. With slightly under 100 permits issued and 75 registered users, the response has been extremely positive, particularly with the building contractor community. The site can be accessed

at <https://www.newportbeachca.gov/onlinepermitting>.

Property Maintenance

The Code Enforcement Division is dedicated to maintaining a desirable living and working environment for Newport Beach by ensuring appropriate property maintenance is practiced throughout the City. When a property falls short of maintaining such an environment and negatively impacts the surrounding neighbors, Code Enforcement takes actions to hold property owners accountable.

For example, Code Enforcement has been working with the owners of one such property within the Corona del Mar area. Corrective notices were sent to the owners to address negative refuse disposal practices, over grown, dead and dying vegetation, and a dilapidated building structure in need of repairs. The property owners filed for a demolition permit, which was completed this September. The Code Enforcement Division was diligent in keeping in communication with the



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

property owners and the case was resolved. The lot is currently vacant and ready for new construction that will complement the Newport Beach Community.

For more information or questions regarding property maintenance, you may contact a Code Enforcement officer at 949-644-3215.



Before



After



Date: September 18, 2015
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director
Subject: City Manager’s Newsletter

Assessment District 100 – Surplus Funds

Utility undergrounding is the process of placing all overhead utilities (electric, telephone, and cable TV wires) and electrical facilities such as transformers underground. Most underground utility assessment districts are formed at the request of the local property owners and financed, in large part, through the sale of bonds over a 15-year financing period. If the district is approved, property owners can either pay for their share of the assessment in full or pay through annual installments on their property tax bill during the financing period. When projects are completed with surplus funds remaining, individual property credits are calculated in the same pro rata share as the original assessment. On June 23, 2015, City Council declared the remaining improvement balance in Assessment District – 100 as surplus, and directed staff to take the actions necessary to disburse the surplus balance in accordance with the California Streets and Highway Code and Municipal Improvement Act of 1913. At that time, accounting staff determined that the following surplus improvement funds existed:

Assessment District	Total Improvement Fund Surplus	Disposition of Surplus	
		Direct Refunds	Bond Redemption
100	\$528,105	\$218,050	\$310,055

Since that Council Meeting, staff verified the contact information of current property owners within the district to ensure the appropriate parties receive the surplus monies. On Friday, September 11, approximately 110 refund checks, ranging from \$390 to \$4,200 were mailed to parcel owners within the district.

After all direct refunds were determined, the remaining \$310,055 of surplus balance was used to redeem outstanding bonds which reduced the overall debt service requirements for the 164 property owners that continue to finance their assessment.

And the award goes to...Cindy Harris!



Congratulations to Fiscal Specialist Cindy Harris for receiving the Outstanding Payroll Professional Award from Accountemps! The City uses Accountemps periodically to fill short-term staffing needs. In honor of National Payroll Week, Accountemps invited their clients to submit a 100-word nomination for payroll employees that highlights their performance, customer service and team player skills. The submissions were reviewed and Cindy was chosen as the winner! She received a certificate and a \$25 gift certificate!

Congratulations to Cindy and thank you to Accountemps!



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: September 18, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

FIRE OPERATIONS

Butte Fire

On September 9, Gov. Jerry Brown declared a state of emergency in Northern California after a fast-moving wildfire exploded to 50,000 acres. Thousands of residents were forced to flee their homes as flames moved closer to the communities. On September 12, the Fire Department received a request for Mutual Aid from the State. We currently have 12 personnel out of County including two Chief Officers,

Assistant Chief Chip Duncan and Battalion Chief Jeff Boyles who are commanding a strike team of five engines from the LA County Region. Our other responding staff includes Paramedic Jake Long serving as a fire line EMT; Engine 62 with a crew of Captain Rick Lazar, Engineer Keith Hedenberg, Paramedic Matthew Johnston, and Firefighter Dustin Suppe; and Engine 65 with a crew of Captain Chad Ponegalek, Engineer Brian Frasz, Paramedic Dean Rush, and Firefighter Chad Duncan. As of September 17, the fire is 49% contained and has burned 70,760 acres, destroyed 440 structures, and damaged 17 structures.



Paramedic Jude Olivas is also currently serving as a PIO for the Valley Fire, up north. We hope to have our crews home safe and sound soon.

Offshore Rescue Training

The Newport Beach Fire Department Training Section was invited by Harbor Patrol at the Orange County Sheriff's Department to participate in Offshore Helicopter Rescue Training with the United States Coast Guard.

The Fire Department often responds with Harbor Patrol, sometimes over 10-15 miles out, in order to assist and care for injured mariners. Search and rescue efforts are often coordinated with the United States Coast Guard. This kind of training is instrumental in our crew's toolbox. We thank the Orange County Sheriff's Department for the opportunity to take part in such invaluable training.



Fire Service Day Open House - October 11



On October 11, the Newport Beach Fire Department and Newport Beach Firefighters' Association will be hosting its annual Fire Service Day. Fire Station 7, located at 20401 SW Acacia, will be open to the public as part of Fire Prevention Week from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On behalf of the Newport Fire Department and Newport Beach Firefighters' Association, we invite you, your family, and friends to be our guests.

The event will feature firefighting demonstrations, apparatus, EMS & lifeguard displays, live rescue demonstrations, antique fire engine and station tours. Our award winning Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members will also be on hand. Lunch and snacks will be provided by our Firefighters' Association.

LIFE SAFETY SERVICES DIVISION

Hear the Beep Where You Sleep

Did you know?

- Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms.
- More than one-third (37 percent) of home fire deaths result from fires in which no smoke alarms are present.
- The risk of dying in a home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.



- Every bedroom needs a working smoke alarm. Half of home fire deaths happen between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most people are asleep.

What can I do?

- Make sure you have a working smoke alarm on every level of your home and in every bedroom.
- Test your smoke alarm at least twice a year, once a month is better.
- Know the sound of your smoke alarm.
- Are your smoke alarms more than 10 years old? Look on the back of the alarm for the date and if they are older than 10 years, you need new ones.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

On September 8, the Orange County CERT Mutual Aid Program (CMAP) awarded the 2015 FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Award for Outstanding CERT Program Initiatives. Three CMAP members, representing Costa Mesa Fire Department, Newport Beach Fire Department, Huntington Beach Fire Department, and a representative from the Orange County Sheriff’s Department Emergency Management Division were in Washington D.C. to accept the award at FEMA headquarters.

The mission of CMAP is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make communities safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to threats of terrorism, crime, public health issues, and disasters of all kinds. CMAP’s comprehensive CERT Mutual Aid plan ensures that volunteers are trained, available, and ready to respond to any large scaled incident when activated.

In 2012, the Newport Beach CERT program was awarded the FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Award for Outstanding CERT Program Initiatives and received an Honorable Mention for Volunteer Integration. In 2013, the Newport Beach CERT program was recognized as a White House Champion of Change.

For additional information on the OC CMAP or CERT Program, please contact Matt Brisbois at mbrisbois@nbfd.net or 949-644-3381.

MARINE OPERATIONS

During the month of September, Newport Beach weather temperatures averaged in the mid to high 70s, with the last few days hitting in the mid 80s. The water temperatures averaged in the mid 70s. Lifeguards had a very busy Labor Day weekend with weather temperature at 83 degrees.

Lifeguard Stats for Labor Day Weekend 2015

Public Contact	3,888	Medical Aids	90	Rescues	479
Enforcements	654	Preventatives	11,135	Beach Population	303,000
Reunited Persons	6				

On September 10, the Fire Department Emergency Management staff hosted a disaster preparedness lunch and learn that focused on man-made and natural disasters, and what employees and their families can do to better prepare themselves.

On September 15, Newport Beach Fire Department offered American Red Cross Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training for 50 employees. The class was taught by Fire Department CERT Volunteers and included adult and pediatric CPR as well as Automated External Defibrillator (AED) training. Employees received a certificate for CPR/AED that is valid for two years.



Upcoming Events

- **Disaster Preparedness Expo**

On September 19, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., the Fire Department will host the 7th Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo at the Newport Beach Central library (1000 Avocado). The expo will feature interactive booths, training, and children's activities. No registration is required. Interested participants are encouraged to stop by anytime.

- **Peer-2-Pier Challenge**

On September 20 at 8:00 a.m., the Fire Department, lifeguards and Police Department will participate in the "Peer-2-Pier Challenge" presented by Team Kids. This event will be a human chain holding hands and signs of peace and kindness starting from the Balboa Pier to the Newport Pier.



- **CPR Classes:**

Dates: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 and Monday, October 5, 2015
 Times: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Location: Emergency Operations Center (EOC), located on the lower level of the Civic Center

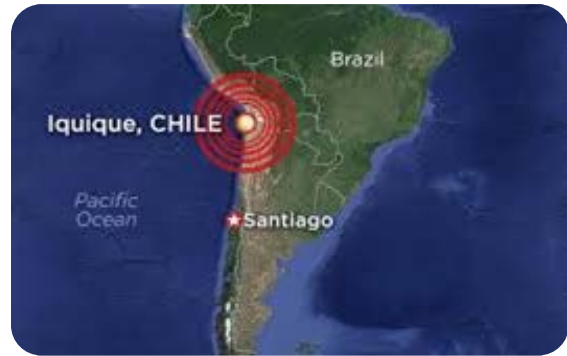
- **Disaster Preparedness Lunch and Learn:**

Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2015
 Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
 Location: Police Department Auditorium

Sign up for all classes on the Employee Intranet.

Disaster Preparedness - Tsunami Advisory

The City was quite busy on Thursday, September 16 following the 8.3 earthquake that struck central Chile. The National Weather Service issued a Tsunami Advisory, which reported that the Orange County coast would receive some small waves and surge because a tsunami was generated. The Newport Beach Police Department and Lifeguards closed the City's piers, beaches, and harbor from 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. No residents or businesses were evacuated.



An AlertOC mass notification message was sent to all residents and businesses in the low-lying areas informing them of the situation. The hotline in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was staffed by the Fire Department, Police Department, and the City Manager's Office to field calls from concerned residents. Thankfully, the waves that were due to arrive at 4:45 a.m. were very small and caused no damage. This event was a good drill for the City and was a great collaboration response amongst city departments.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

City Manager's Newsletter



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Rob Houston, IT Manager/Assistant to the City Manager

Date: September 18, 2015

Front Line Technology Pilot Project Completed

The cITy team (cITy = Newport Beach IT staff) is focused on empowering our staff and residents by providing new hardware and software technology solutions. We are constantly looking for opportunities to leverage new tools to create efficiencies.

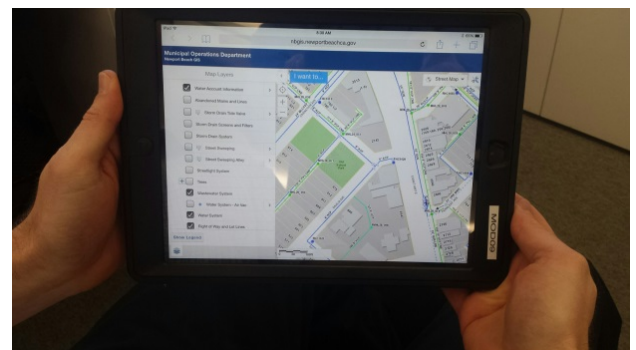
This focus led us to notice an opportunity in the Utilities department where field staff was using large books of paper maps to identify the location of Wastewater, Water, Storm Drain, and Electrical infrastructure. These paper map books were used to identify where water valves, pipelines and other structures were located when staff needed to provide maintenance or repair. The books were expensive to print and therefore only updated every two years. Once printed the books would over time become outdated as changes and additions to the City's infrastructure continued. In addition the books could not provide an ability to zoom in and out, see all the other 400+ layers of data the City has available electronically, nor provide for an overlaid satellite image of the surrounding neighborhoods. This opportunity led to the creation of a Pilot project that consisted of Utilities staff, cITy staff and a Cal Poly MPA student to test the benefits of having connected tablets in front line staff's hands.



Old Paper Map Books and iPad Replacement

In January of 2015, the project started with a benchmark efficiency review of the paper map using line staff by our partner Patric Keiv, a Master of Public Administration student at Cal Poly Pomona. Patric had a need to produce a final thesis project to complete his Master's program and this Pilot project provided him that opportunity. He summarized his findings as follows:

The goal of the study was to increase the efficiency and autonomy of MOD staff in an effort to reduce departmental expenditure in terms of man-hours saved and reduced paving material costs. The pilot study introduced 10 Apple iPads and resulted in an overall positive trend. MOD staff embraced the smart tablet devices, as there was an increase in worker productivity and it also boosted worker morale.



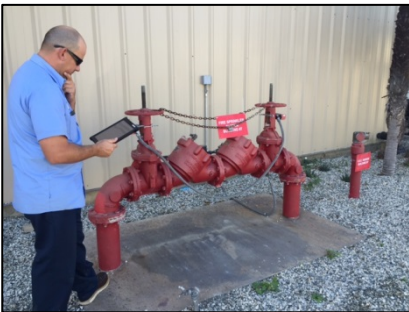
Map on Tablet

Staff reported a positive experience with the electronic tools.

- Increased efficiency
 - Real-time information versus printed paper maps
 - Quicker turnaround time for errors reported in GIS Maps
 - Increased capability for staff to make electronic notes and comments about city infrastructure
 - Tablets also provide a new platform for staff to receive and respond to incoming work orders
- Study trend indicates a positive return on investment (ROI) within the first year-- MOD could potentially save \$814 per device, or \$8,143 annually with 10 devices
- Staff embraced the smart tablets and they boosted staff morale

Patric's work helped us better measure the effectiveness of our pilot test and also allowed him to successfully receive his MPA. Congratulations Patric!

Additional feedback received internally from staff using the tablets has continued to be very positive, and requests for additional tablets are being received from other maintenance staff who were not part of the pilot project.



Utilities Field Staff – Matt Bullman



IT-GIS Ryan Stadlman and Martin Elias



Patric – Cal Poly Student



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Library – Cultural Arts

September 18, 2015

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherington, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

Community Meeting on CDM Library/Fire Station

Community leaders and residents attended a community meeting at the Sherman Library on Monday evening, September 14, where they were able to view renderings for the exterior and floorplan options for the interior of the new combined Corona del Mar Branch Library and fire station. Attendees were encouraged to ask questions and offer input on the project.

All Staff Meeting

A meeting for all library staff was held Thursday morning with a presentation by Officer Marie Gamble and Sgt. Peter Carpentieri of the Newport Beach Police Department. Officer Gamble reviewed recommendations for response to an “active shooter” incident with staff that was very informative. Emergency Services Coordinator Katie Eing made a presentation on Disaster Preparedness and the library’s role in the City plan.



International Literacy Day

Last Thursday, over 130 celebrated International Literacy Day with a lunch and presentation honoring the tutors and learners in the Newport Mesa ProLiteracy Program. The Rochelle Hoffman Memorial Award was presented to two outstanding learners in the program; Maja Kuta and Carmen Caicedo who, with support of their tutors Tanya Gulati and Allan Segal, accomplished some amazing goals.



Talk Like a Pirate

Balboa Branch Library was packed with wanna-be pirates on Wednesday afternoon at the annual celebration of “Talk Like a Pirate” day. Entertainment by Dave Winstone included crafts, refreshments and lots of pirate talk.



Cultural Arts Services

Sculpture in the Civic Center Exhibition

Despite the heat and humidity, hundreds of local residents and art supporters showed up for the Grand Opening celebration of the new sculpture installation in the Sculpture in Civic Center Park Exhibition.

The main event was preceded by a lunch in the Central Library Friends Room, hosted by the Newport Beach Arts Foundation in honor of the artists and others who support the City's arts programs.



Highlights of the Grand Opening included walking tours with docents from the Arts Foundation, children's art activities in the park, music, and a special presentation in the Community Room introducing the artists and others involved with the Sculpture Exhibition.



In addition to members of the City Arts Commission and City Council, six artists attended the event, including LT Mustardseed (Demoiselle), Edwin Hamilton (Pebble Series), Kenneth Capps (Equator Z360), Bertil Petersson (Double White), Diana Markessinis (Three Saplings) and Gerardo Hacer (Cub Triptych).

Public Forum

In an on-going effort to engage the community in a discussion about cultural arts activities and the City's Arts and Culture Master Plan, the City Arts Commission held a public forum as part of the study session before the last Arts Commission meeting on September 10. The public was encouraged to share their vision for the arts and provide input to the City Arts Commission on current and future arts programs.



Concerts on the Green

The final Concert on the Green for summer of 2015 will be held on Sunday, September 27. Britain's Finest will play a full range of Beatle's hits. We expect the Civic Center Green to be packed!





MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

September 18, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Directors
SUBJECT: *City Manager's Newsletter*

Department Promotion

The Municipal Operations Department is proud to announce that Patrick Piersall will be promoted to Utilities Senior Specialist in the Wastewater Division on September 19, 2015. Patrick started his career with the City as a Maintenance Aide in 2006, and in 2010 he was promoted to Utilities Specialist. Please join us in congratulating Patrick on his new position.



September 15 Storm Activities

On Tuesday, September 15, a low-pressure system containing significant amounts of moisture from former tropical cyclone Linda unleashed heavy rain across Southern California. This system produced more rain than had been forecast. The City received 1.50" of rain.



Storm Drains

At 5:30 a.m., Storm Drain staff members learned that the storm drain channel running along Newport Boulevard between Hospital Road and 15th Street was flooded due to heavy rain. The Police Department and Beach Maintenance staff closed down northbound Newport Boulevard at Hospital Road.

Storm drain staff determined that the flooding was caused by debris covering an inlet grate of a storm drain. Storm drain staff immediately began removing the vegetation and trash from the grate to allow the water to flow back into the channel. Once cleared, the flooding subsided and Newport Boulevard was reopened to traffic.

At 8:30 a.m., 18 staff members were redirected to assist with pumping activities for the morning's 6.4' high tide. The tide went 1.2' over what was predicted.

Field Maintenance

Field Maintenance crews built sand berms around the Balboa Pier from B Street to Adams Street to prevent the high tide and surf from flooding the area during the heavy rain storm.

Following the storm, the crews removed the washed up debris and seaweed from the beaches. The storm was a good practice for crews in preparation for the El Nino expected to hit this winter.



Begonia Park Tree Removals and Plantings

Recently, the Landscape Division coordinated the removal of six decayed Carob trees at Begonia Park with Great Scott Tree Services. Discussions were held with the Corona del Mar Residents Association regarding the removal and replacement of the trees. Three African Tulip and three Gold Medallion trees were chosen and were planted last week. The new trees have orange and yellow flowers, providing more color than the previous trees. As the remaining Carob trees continue to decline, they will be removed and replaced with either African Tulip or Gold Medallion trees.



Photo 1: Rot in tree trunk



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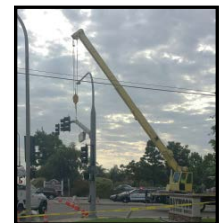
Photo 3: New tree

Complicated Water Mainline Repair

Water Maintenance and Repair (M&R) crews responded to a mainline break on September 10 at the corner of San Joaquin Hills Road and San Miguel Drive. After shutting the line down, crews began excavation of the area to locate the source of the leak. A broken 8” asbestos cement water line was found near a traffic signal foundation. Staff contacted the Traffic Division for recommendations and guidance in order to secure the traffic signal pole. Using a crane to support the pole, staff was able to make the repairs.



M&R staff set-up a by-pass system to the Baywood Apartments to supply sufficient water during the repairs. Residents were pleased to have their service returned so quickly during the extremely warm day.



The Police Department closed westbound San Joaquin Hills Road and traffic was diverted to San Miguel Drive while repairs were made and the traffic light was secured. Thank you to all the departments and personnel involved.

Quarterly Maintenance of Wastewater Lift Stations



The Wastewater Crew has started the quarterly maintenance of the City's 21 wastewater lift stations. Lift stations pump wastewater to higher elevations where it can flow by gravity to the next pump station. Wastewater is then given to the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) for treatment and disposal. During cleaning operations, dump trucks will haul 10 to 15 cubic yards of debris to the OCSD facility. This regular on-going maintenance saves wear on the pumps and prevents buildup that may cause overflows.

Zone 3 Pump Station Motor and Pump Maintenance

Earlier this month, Water Production staff worked with General Pump Company to remove a water pump from the Zone 3 pump station. The repairs for this pump will be completed by the company at their repair facility. The motor for the pump was also sent out for maintenance.



The Zone 3 pump station provides water to over 35% of the residents in the City and is located at the Big Canyon Reservoir. While this station is temporarily down for repairs, a Metropolitan Water District connection in Newport Hills will provide water to the area. The pump is expected to be back in service by the end of the month.

Tsunami Tide Swells

Reports came in that a tsunami swell of less than one foot could reach the shores of Newport Beach in the early morning of September 17. Storm Drain crews arrived early to close the valves that protect flooding in low lying areas such as Balboa Island and Balboa Peninsula. When the swell did arrive, an unusual tide fluctuation caused bay levels to rise approximately ten inches every 20 minutes for several hours. Closing the valves early blocked the rising water level from entering streets that could have potentially flooded homes and businesses. Beach crews kept a close eye on beach sand berms as well. Thank you to everyone for your efforts and forethought in protecting the residents.



NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: September 18, 2015

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK DAY

Next Saturday, September 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., we will be partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day at the OASIS Senior Center. This event gives the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by removing potentially-dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs from their homes. Anyone with medications to dispose of can bring them to the OASIS Center's Overflow Parking Lot, located at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Marguerite Avenue. The service is free and anonymous; no questions asked.

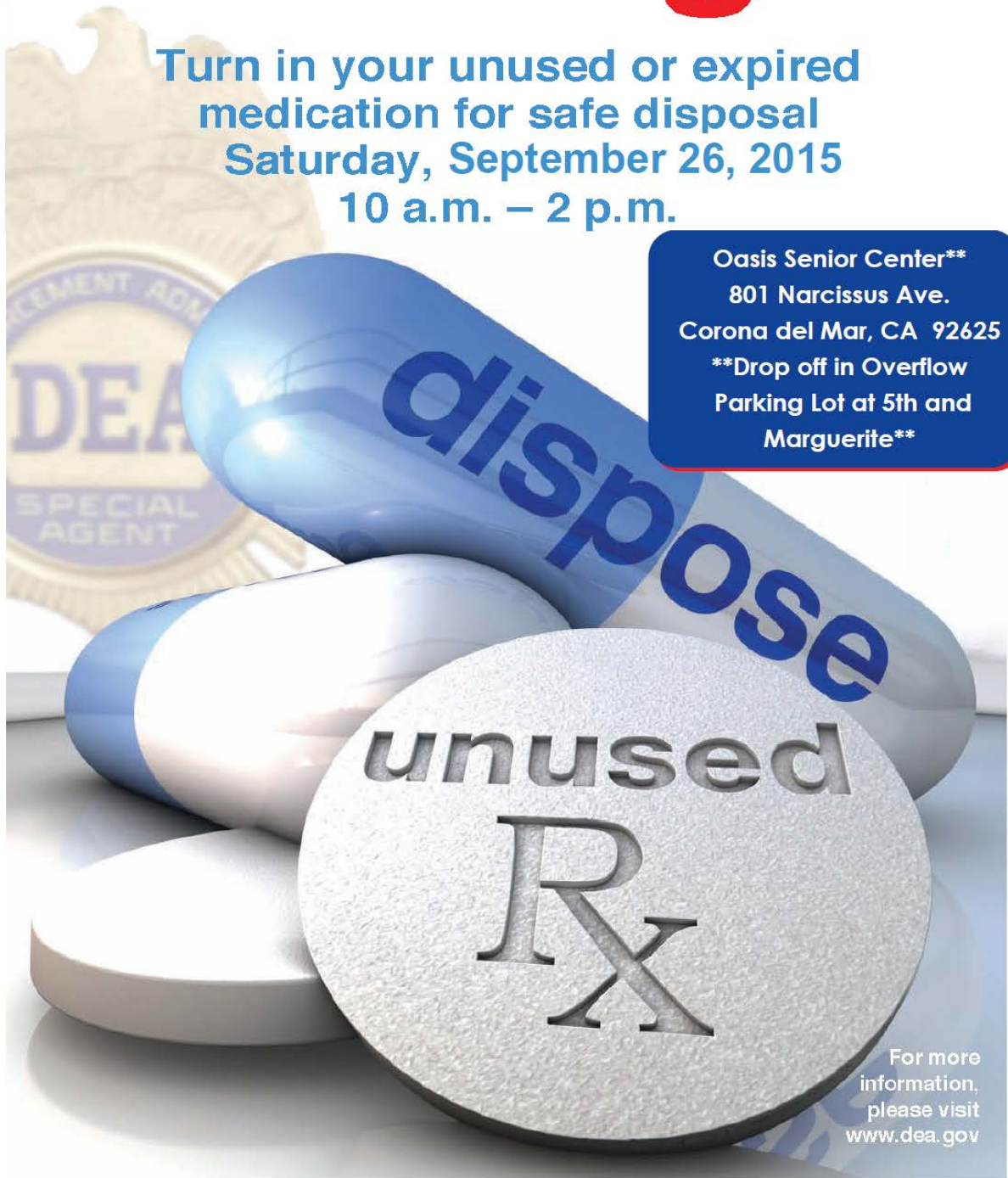
Last September, our city was one of nearly 5,500 sites throughout the country that participated in this event. Nationwide, the DEA and its partner agencies accepted 309 tons (over 617,000 pounds) of prescription drugs in September, and over 2,400 tons (over 4.8 million pounds) in all eight Drug Take-Back events to date. These are medicines that were languishing in home cabinets, highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. The traditional methods of disposing of unused medicines—like flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose potential safety and health hazards. National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day is a safe and straightforward solution.

For additional information on this event, please visit the DEA's website at www.dea.gov.

Got **Drugs?**

Turn in your unused or expired
medication for safe disposal
Saturday, September 26, 2015
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Oasis Senior Center**
801 Narcissus Ave.
Corona del Mar, CA 92625
**Drop off in Overflow
Parking Lot at 5th and
Marguerite**



For more
information,
please visit
www.dea.gov

SERGEANT JOHNSON GRADUATES FROM THE SUPERVISORY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

I would like to congratulate Sergeant Rachel Johnson, who graduated from the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI) on Wednesday, September 16. Sergeant Johnson attended the leadership course over the past eight months, and then was selected by her peers to be the class speaker at the graduation. She did an exceptional job, and after the ceremony, several chiefs approached me to compliment her speech and public speaking abilities.

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. During the program, students develop skills including the ability to correlate the relationship between personal and organizational principles and values, exercise greater leadership in personal and professional activities, and increase personal influence with individuals and groups to accomplish organizational goals.

Congratulations to Sergeant Johnson on her outstanding accomplishment!



Left to right: Chief Jay R. Johnson, Sergeant Rachel Johnson, Lieutenant Tom Fischbacher and Deputy Chief David McGill

NBPD WELCOMES A NEW CADET



Last week, the Newport Beach Police Department welcomed its newest member: Cadet Kyle Ramseyer. Kyle graduated from Los Alamitos High School in 2014 and attended Colorado State University. He recently transferred to Cypress College, where he is pursuing a Criminal Justice degree.

Kyle currently lives in Seal Beach. In his free time, he enjoys outdoor activities such as wind surfing, mountain biking, and scuba diving. Kyle has been assigned to the Support Services Division.

Please join me in welcoming Cadet Ramseyer to the Newport Beach Police Department.



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director
Date: September 18, 2015

Newport Boulevard Water Pipeline Replacement

As part of a \$4 million City investment to replace aging pipelines, the City of Newport Beach kicked off the construction to install a new large water pipeline on northbound Newport Blvd. Public Works recently stated "I think it is safe to say that we got our money's worth out of that 1920's water pipe. It's time for a new one". The Newport Boulevard Water Main Replacement project was awarded to T.E. Roberts in May 2015. In order to avoid heavy summer traffic, staff requested that the contractor not start construction activities on Newport Boulevard until after Labor Day.

Work on northbound Newport Boulevard between 28th Street and 30th Street started last week. The project involves installing a new, large water pipe on Newport Boulevard from 19th Street to 26th Street and from 28th Street to Via Oporto, which will replace the existing pipe. Several smaller water pipes on adjacent side streets and alleys will also be replaced. Due to narrow streets and a need for large equipment, street closures and traffic detours, as well as nighttime construction will be required in order to safely complete the work. The project is scheduled to be completed prior to the 2016 summer season.

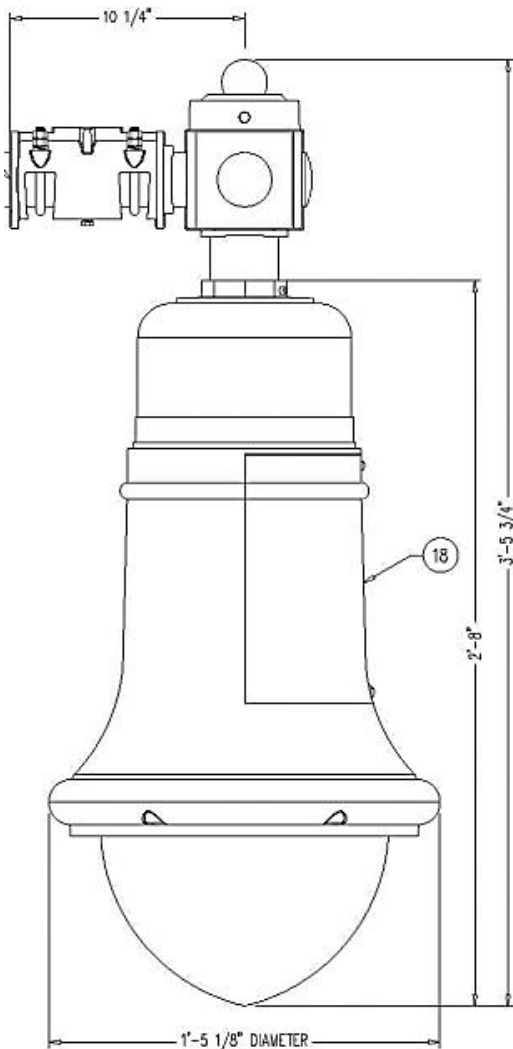


The photo above shows the new large water pipe next to the sidewalk that will be installed in the trench. The smaller white pipes on the left side of the trench are part of an elaborate dewatering system which will temporarily lower the groundwater level so that the new water pipe can be installed in a dry trench. Due to the close proximity of the ocean and bay, groundwater is encountered as shallow as 2 feet below existing ground surface.

Two Traffic Signal Projects to Start Construction

The City is about to embark on two large traffic signal projects with the continued priority of increasing efficiency and reliability of the City's 122 traffic signals.

The Traffic Signal Modernization project was conceived in 2005 with the purpose of replacing failing and obsolete traffic signal control equipment. This eighth and final phase includes a number of improvements, such as fiber optic communications and closed circuit television camera installations. When complete, the modernized traffic signal system will be managed from the Traffic Management Center at Newport Beach City Hall.



The East Coast Highway Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Project, looks to rehabilitate nine traffic signals along the city-operated portion of Coast Highway from Jamboree Road to Newport Coast Drive. A number of updates will aid in revitalizing the traffic signal system. Lastly, intersection lighting will be installed to match existing decorative streetlights at six intersections within Corona del Mar village, complete with custom LED luminaires, decorative scrolls and painted luminaire arms.



Drought Signs with a Splash of Color



Newport Beach now has a visible reminder that we must reduce our water usage by 28 percent citywide. To communicate this message, Public Works created colorful signs to track our progress and these have been installed around town giving all a reminder of how much more we need to conserve to reach our target reduction. The gold arrow will move up and down reflecting our current water savings.



*Just for Fun!
One way to straighten out a sign*

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: September 18, 2015



Marine and Natural Resources Enjoy Reception & Cruise

The Office of Natural Resources, part of the Orange County Marine Protected Area Council (OCMPAC) hosted the 3rd annual Orange County Marine Protected Area Reception and Cruise at the Ocean Institute in Dana Point on Friday, August 28. Several City and county officials, institutional representatives, academic professionals, community leaders and non-profit members came together to recognize the collaborative efforts and accomplishments of OCMPAC for the past year. County wide signage, successful tidepool docent programs, research progress, and the advancement of the MPA Collaborative Network are amongst the achievements for this past year. Big thanks to the Ocean Institute, Trader Joes, Mother's Market, Matt Yurko, and dedicated Natural Resources volunteers for their donation of time and goods for this event.

OASIS Annual Senior Resources Expo A Success!

On Saturday, September 12, OASIS hosted its annual Senior Resources Expo. Participants were able to visit with 60 vendors from local nonprofits, medical providers, assisted living facilities, caregiver agencies, financial organizations and more. The Fire Department and the Natural Resources Division Marine Programs' Isopod also participated and helped in the event's success. Over 200 people dined on and enjoyed a tasty lunch provided by Vivante, Newport Beach Plaza, Seaside Catering, Crown Cove and Brookdale.



The 2015-2016 Mayor's Youth Council Program is here!

The City of Newport Beach Mayor's Youth Council is back! The Mayor's Youth Council was established as a means of providing a direct line of communication between the City's high school age youth and the Newport Beach City Mayor. The students will act in an advisory capacity with respect to community affairs and activities that affect youth.

One of the main goals of the Mayor's Youth Council is to connect Newport Beach teens to their community. Youth Council members are expected to be involved in the planning, organization and implementation of events such as Youth Government Day, Recreation special events, and community service. The application deadline is Friday, September 25, 2015.

Coed Youth Flag Football 2015

The Newport Beach Coed Youth Flag Football fall 2015 season kicked off last Friday, September 11 on the new synthetic turf fields at Bonita Creek Park. The league is designed to focus on sportsmanship, skill development, teamwork, having fun, and school spirit.

Teams from Andersen and Lincoln Elementary schools will face off each week. A goal of the league is to emphasize the importance of good sportsmanship above all else. This goal is met by honoring "Be a Sport" sportsmanship award winners each week. Four athletes were selected as the sportsmanship winners for week one. Every game a player on each team is responsible for identifying and selecting a player on the other team who is displaying the attributes of a good sport. The awards don't stop with just the players but continue with coaches, who are there to lead by example.



First-time flag football coach, Evan Sickles, was the first to be selected as the "Coach of the Week" for teaching his athletes how to have fun, play well, and maintain a good attitude. The season is set to last eight weeks culminating in the SCMAF flag football regional championship tournament in December. Stop by Bonita Creek on an upcoming Friday night through November to see our athletes in action!



New Recreation Coordinator!!

Please join us in congratulating Danny Rice who was selected for the Marina Park Coordinator position. Danny will coordinate facility rentals, Newport El ACE, contract classes on the peninsula and events. Danny has been working for the Recreation & Senior Services Department for 9 ½ years and has worn many hats in the Department.

Congratulations, Danny!

