The Week in Review
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June 28, 2019

Upcoming Events
Thurs., July 4
9th Annual Newport Peninsula Bike Parade and Community Festival - “4th of July is for Families
Bike & Dog Parade - 36th Street Park, 9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Festival - Channel Place Park 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Thurs., July 4
47th Annual Independence Day Family Celebration
Mariner’s Park
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Thurs., July 4
Flyover by the Condor Squadron, Four AT-6 aircraft, World War II trainers
5:30 p.m. – 5:40 p.m.

Emergency Siren System Test
12 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Click here for more info

Sun., July 7
Concert on the Green – “Smith”
Civic Green
100 Civic Center Drive
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Contract Authorized with General Plan Update Outreach Consultant
At the meeting on June 25, 2019, the City Council authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a professional services agreement with Kearns & West, Inc. (K&W) to prepare, implement, and facilitate the community outreach related to the future General Plan Update. K&W has extensive experience in public relations and community engagement specific to updating complicated general plans. Staff is presently working to execute the contract and anticipates starting work with K&W in mid-July. The first step will be to draft an outline and timeline for the work program moving forward. Staff and K&W will have more information to present at the next General Plan Update Steering Committee (GPUSC) meeting held on a date to be determined. To keep updated on the latest news related to these efforts and the GPUSC, please visit www.newportbeachca.gov/GPUUpdate.

Upcoming Restrictions on Construction
City staff will be sending out letters to property owners that hold a building permit for remodel or construction to notify them of new restrictions on performing construction on Saturdays and requirements for a project information sign to be posted. Any construction related activity done on the weekends must be done in a manner that conforms to the City’s noise ordinance. Simply, no power tools will be allowed on Saturdays or Sundays. These new requirements are only in areas designated as High-Density Areas. The effective date of the new requirements is August 12, 2019. The restrictions do not prevent a homeowner from performing maintenance work as long as it does not violate the noise level established by the municipal code. More information can be found here: https://www.newportbeachca.gov/constructionregs

Visit the City’s website for a complete listing of meetings and events at newportbeachca.gov/events.
Tues., July 9
City Council Meeting
City Hall, City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Dr.
7 p.m.

Wed., July 10
Harbor Commission Meeting
City Hall, City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Dr.
6:30 p.m.

Thurs., July 11
Water Quality Coastal Tidelands Committee
City Hall, Crystal Cove Conference Room (Bay2D)
100 Civic Center Dr.
3 p.m.

Thurs., July 11
Zoning Administrator Mtg.
City Hall, Corona del Mar Conference Room (Bay1E)
100 Civic Center Dr.
3 p.m.

Thurs., July 11
City Arts Commission Meeting
City Hall, City Council Chambers
100 Civic Center Drive
5 p.m.

July 11
Central Library 25th Anniversary Celebration
Featuring speaker Jim Abbott
Friends Room, Central Library
1000 Avocado Avenue
7 p.m.

Balboa Village Parking Management Overlay
The City has applied for a Local Coastal Program amendment with the California Coastal Commission to implement a Balboa Village Parking Management Overlay. The Overlay would modify parking requirements in Balboa Village with the goal to spur reinvestment in the area, and in turn, better serve residents and visitors through improved services and enhanced economic opportunities. The Coastal Commission must approve the program for it to become fully effective. The Commission will be considering a one-year extension for the review of the proposed amendment at their July meeting in San Luis Obispo, further delaying full implementation. Staff will be working with Coastal Commission staff over the coming months with the goal to achieve a positive recommendation. The one bright side to this delay is that Coastal Commission staff has determined the application complete for processing, which is an important first step in their process. For further information, please contact Deputy Community Development Director Jim Campbell at 949-644-3210 or jcampbell@newportbeachca.gov.

Public Works’ July 4th Preparations
The 4th of July is one of the busiest holidays for our Public Works crews. Approximately 200 temporary regulatory signs were installed by the Field Maintenance crews, in coordination with the Police Department, throughout the City. The signage includes restrictions on parking and fireworks, safety enhancements, and road closures. Road closures for the July 4th events will be set up the day before. After the July 4th events, roads will re-open once the Police Department deems the area safe for normal traffic. All the barricades will be picked up on July 5.

Porta Potties were ordered for delivery at the 38th Street and West Cliff Parks. At the Channel and Mariners Parks, crews power-washed walls and structures, raked out and added fresh sand, replaced old trash cans, and detailed the planters.

A big thank you to our crews who are prepping and will be working early next week to ensure that the City continues to be a popular destination for visitors and still rated as one of the nicest coastlines to visit in California.

Graffiti Removal Services
The Utilities Department is responsible for the removal of graffiti and strives to remove graffiti from public property within 24-48 hours of being reported. To report a graffiti incident on public or private property and learn more about graffiti removal services, please call the Graffiti Hotline at 949-644-3333.
Heal the Bay – Beach Report Card

Summer time is finally here, and so are the beachgoers! We are very proud to announce this year’s Heal the Bay ocean and bay water quality report card. Newport Beach is maintaining “A” grades for the summer months and 43rd Street saw an improvement from last year’s “B” grade to an “A+” this year!

During the summer, our population increases over 100,000 daily visitors. We are happy to report the ocean water quality is clean for all who come to enjoy our beautiful coastline. Let’s all continue to do our part in keeping the ocean clean:

• Properly dispose of trash;
• Don’t wash down your driveway and sidewalk;
• Don’t overwater your landscape to prevent runoff from entering the storm drains; and
• Pick up after your pet.

Heal the Bay is an environmental non-profit dedicated to making the coastal waters and watersheds of Greater Los Angeles safe, healthy and clean. For a detailed look into our local beaches and the entire west coast - log onto www.healthebay.org

MacArthur Boulevard and University Drive Pavement Rehabilitation

Construction of the MacArthur Boulevard and University Drive Pavement Rehabilitation project has started. The Public Works project is along MacArthur Boulevard from Ford Road/Bonita Canyon Drive to State Route 73 and University Drive from Jamboree Road to the east city limit.

The contractor, R.J. Noble, will be removing and replacing deteriorated concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, pedestrian access ramps, median curbs, and bus pads in the coming few weeks. Following the concrete work, the existing pavement on MacArthur Boulevard and University Drive will be cold milled, repaved and restriped. Construction is scheduled to be completed in early fall 2019.

While this project is under construction, please be aware of traffic lane closures along University Drive and MacArthur Boulevard. Due to the proximity of the construction work to State Route 73 on/off-ramps at MacArthur Boulevard and University Drive, intermittent ramp closures at both locations will be required. To minimize traffic impacts and public inconvenience, the majority of the paving work will be completed at night.