

**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION**

**Joan L. Flynn, City Clerk
Office of the City Clerk**

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM: Joan L. Flynn, City Clerk 
DATE: 7/20/2015
SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE JULY 20, 2015, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL/PFA MEETING

Attached are the Supplemental Communications to the City Council (received after distribution of the Agenda Packet):

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

#1. PowerPoint communication submitted by Director of Community Services, Janeen Laudenback, entitled *Community Services Department*.

PUBLIC HEARING

#18. Communication received from Ken Domer, Assistant City Manager and Janeen Laudenback, Director of Community Services, entitled *Le Bard Park Options for Overflow Parking*.

#18. Communications received regarding LeBard Park and School Site Land Use Change:
September Mirghanbari Jason Gradel Lucy Chou
Ed Kerins Steve Vasquez Scott Dater

#18. PowerPoint communication received entitled *LeBard Park and Residential Project*.

#19. PowerPoint communication received entitled *General Plan Amendment 05-001R, Zoning Map Amendment 05-001R (Warner Nichols)*.

#20. PowerPoint communication received entitled *Implement AB2188 Creating an Expedited Permitting Process for Small Residential Solar Systems*.

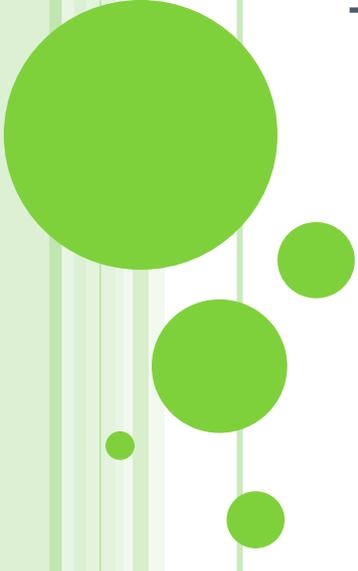
#21. Communications received regarding HUD Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan for CDBG, HOME Investment Partnership Programs and the Amended Citizen Participation Plan:
Cari Swan PJ Garcia Autumn McCall-Di Giovanni
Sandy Thigpen Carol Woodworth

#21. Communication received from Ken Domer, Assistant City Manager adding slide 6 to the PowerPoint included in the agenda packet entitled *CDBG/HOME Programs*.

#21. Communication received from Ken Domer, Assistant City Manager, dated July 20, 2015, entitled *HUD Regulations on Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing*.

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

COMMUNITY SERVICES
DEPARTMENT



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Department Overview

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



MISSION STATEMENT:

The City of Huntington Beach
Community Services Department

provides outstanding programs, services and facilities to enhance and enrich the lives of our residents and visitors.

THREE-YEAR GOALS:

- Create a user-friendly environment customers
- Attract, develop and retain quality staff
- Increase visibility of and participation in programs
- Develop and implement a park enforcement program
- Maintain and increase funding



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

RECREATION, HUMAN & CULTURAL SERVICES



- Provides a full spectrum of year-round and seasonal programs.
- Offers a variety of sports and cultural programs, as well as special events.
- Designed to enhance quality of life from the youngest tiny tots through adults, including frail, elderly and developmentally disabled residents.
- Project Self Sufficiency (PSS) and Senior Outreach programs to assist those in need.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

RECREATION, HUMAN & CULTURAL SERVICES

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Partnered with Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian to provide \$2.775 million in donations for construction and staffing of the new Senior Center in the Park
- Presented the “California Impressionism Plein Air Painting, Past & Present” art exhibition May 2 – July 7, 2015
- Assisted over 60 Project Self Sufficiency families in becoming economically self sufficient
- Senior Service volunteers delivered almost 97,000 meals to the homes of frail and elderly
- Managed over 600 Adult Softball teams and 8,200 participants, as well as over 100 Adult Soccer teams and 1,300 participants

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RECREATION, HUMAN & CULTURAL SERVICES

BY THE NUMBERS:

- Delivered the SANDS Community Services Guide to 80,000 Huntington Beach households quarterly
- Processed over 30,000 registrations in Recreation programs



- Logged over 31,000 senior trips for 143,000 miles
- Logged over 56,000 senior volunteer hours valued at over \$1.5 million



BEACH OPERATIONS:



The crown jewel of the City is the beach and is managed by the Beach Operations Division, providing Huntington Beach residents and visitors with a n opportunity for meaningful recreation experiences.

- Maintain City, Sunset Beach, and Harbour beaches
- Staffing for parking and camping facilities
- Parking meter collection and repair



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

BEACH OPERATIONS

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Installed new credit card “smart” meters on Fifth Street
- Redesigned winter sand berm at Sunset Beach
- Installed fiber optic cable to support higher speed credit card processing and improved video surveillance
- Initiated Twitter/Facebook social media accounts to improve public communication



City beaches are cleaned nightly.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

BEACH OPERATIONS

BY THE NUMBERS:

- Sold 7,240 annual beach parking passes
- Parked almost 350,000 vehicles in beach lots and over 680,000 at Main Promenade Parking Structure
- Removed more than 3.4 million pounds of trash from the beach

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

FACILITIES, DEVELOPMENT & CONCESSIONS

Plans and coordinates the rehabilitation & construction of development projects for parks and beaches.

- Manages the City's privately-operated concessions.
- Processing permits and coordinating the City's major events at Pier Plaza and Huntington Central Park:
 - Surf City USA Marathon
 - U.S. Open of Surfing
 - BB Jazz Festival.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

FACILITIES, DEVELOPMENT & CONCESSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Managed over \$2 million in park development capital improvement projects
- Developed a new concession stand at Wardlow Park
- Began construction on the new Senior Center in the Park
- Hosted the Surf City Marathon in February, as well as the Vans U.S. Open of Surfing in July
- Completed Citywide Parks and Recreation Master Plan



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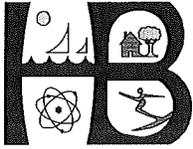
FACILITIES, DEVELOPMENT & CONCESSIONS



BY THE NUMBERS:

- Processed nearly 60 permits for events at Pier Plaza, the beach, downtown, and Huntington Central Park
- Oversee development activities for over 1,062 acres of park/open space
- Managed lease contracts for over 20 privately-operated concessions





CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

Inter-Office Memo

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

VIA: Fred Wilson, City Manager

Meeting Date: 7-20-2015

FROM: Ken Domer, Assistant City Manager
Janeen Laudenback, Community Services Director

Agenda Item No. 18

DATE: May 28, 2015

SUBJECT: LE BARD PARK OPTIONS FOR OVERFLOW PARKING

At the July 6, 2015 City Council meeting, the City Council considered a residential project at the former LeBard School. During Public Hearing and Council comments, parking issues related to the little league activity were raised. As a result, City Council asked Staff about the possibility of utilizing the Southern California Edison (SCE) license area that comprises 2-acres of the adjacent 5-acre park for overflow parking to serve Seaview Little League. While parking for the little league is not related to the residential project, Staff contacted SCE and has confirmed that the area can be used for overflow parking with certain restrictions.

The use of the SCE property for parking is not part of the defined project as approved by the Planning Commission and before the City Council. As conveyed by SCE, the company will not allow its property to be used for parking if it is required to meet zoning codes or minimum parking requirements for a project. As such, use of the SCE property cannot be a condition of the Project. It is Staff's intent to work with Seaview Little League on general parking issues related to their activities as a result of issues brought up by residents. If needed, City Staff can later make the appropriate application to SCE for potential overflow parking.

If the Project is approved, and there is a need to address parking for the little league, the following process would be required to use the license area for overflow parking:

- SCE approval of a site plan showing the parking area, including dimensions and proposed improvements.
- Community Services Commission and City Council approval of a revised Master Plan for the park.
- New or amended License Agreement between the City and SCE for the parking area

Keeping within SCE's regulations for clearances under the drip lines and transmission towers, Staff feels that an area large enough to initially accommodate about 22 vehicles could be created for overflow parking. Ideally, the area could be utilized for parking on Saturdays during the baseball season (approximately 20-24 days total) and utilized for

park open space at all other times. Parking could occur over turf, decomposed granite or another softscape surface suitable for recreational activity. Estimates for material other than what is currently on site will be developed based on the need for actual amount of parking.

Please note, expanding parking beyond the 22 vehicle area would require special approval by SCE. Under some circumstances, SCE may allow overflow parking under drip lines, utilizing a Deviation Permit process. Under the process, the City would have to make justification as to why parking under the lines is the only or best option.

SCE's policy is to limit license agreements to five. The City currently licenses the 2-acre area for park and public recreation use. The license term is for 5-years at a cost of \$448 per year. Should any of the area be utilized for overflow parking, a different license fee rate would apply. The current annual cost per acre at LeBard is \$224 based upon SCE's rate for park and public recreation uses. A fee of approximately \$13,000 per acre would be applied to any areas used for overflow parking. City Staff would look to negotiate this amount with SCE based on the limited days of utilizing the area for overflow parking purposes only.

Finally, since the SCE license area is included in the park inventory and has an approved master plan for development, a master plan update would have to be approved by the Community Services Commission and City Council showing the parking area and improvements.

Esparza, Patty

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Friday, July 17, 2015 1:54 PM
To: Esparza, Patty
Subject: FW: LEBARD PARK PARKING ISSUE

-----Original Message-----

From: September Mirghanbari [mailto:smirghanbari@mac.com]
Sent: Friday, July 17, 2015 11:40 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Cc: De Coite, Kim; Alan Walls
Subject: LEBARD PARK PARKING ISSUE

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

As the upcoming meeting approaches regarding the Lebard Park issue, I would like to once again ask that you base your decisions on what to do about the parking issue with a tiered approach.

1. Based on sheer numbers, you will find that a majority of residents of both Meredith Gardens and Suburbia Park are opposed to removing any green area to make room for a permanent black top parking lot, which would restrict the enjoyable use of that area by all parties involved.
2. Because the option of parking in both neighborhoods is a very viable solution to the lack of parking spots available to accommodate every car that will be using the facility, let's try that solution first. If parking on the surrounding streets does create an unexpected problem, then you can always approve a parking lot being built later.
3. The people pushing for the additional parking lot on the SW corner of the park are speculating. There are no facts or traffic studies that show this is going to cause any additional traffic problem in either neighbor. I prefer that we use facts; not fortune telling.
4. The open green space gets more use every day than the tennis courts, yet, no one is suggesting that they be removed, and the parking lot be extended in that area. All areas of the park that are currently used are valuable.
5. It is my understanding that Southern California Edison has granted their permission to allow use of their property should parking needs demand it. I don't believe it will ever be needed, as our street can more than handle the issue. However, I believe that's the least invasive choice.

Thank you for your consideration.

September Mirghanbari

cc: Planning Commission

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Esparza, Patty

From: Surf City Pipeline [noreply@user.govoutreach.com] **Meeting Date:** 7-20-2015
Sent: Friday, July 17, 2015 1:04 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; Agenda Alerts **Agenda Item No.** 18
Subject: Surf City Pipeline: Comment on an Agenda Item (notification)

Request # 22991 from the Government Outreach System has been assigned to Agenda Alerts.

Request type: Comment

Request area: City Council - Agenda & Public Hearing Comments

Citizen name: Jason Gradel

Description: Dear Huntington Beach City Council,

My name is Jason Gradel, I am the Vice President at Seaview Little League. In addition to these responsibilities, I manage my 9 year old son's minor league team and assistant coach for my 5 year old daughter's tee ball team. As if this wasn't enough time spent on the fields, I somehow convinced my wife to join the board and she has served as a lower division and now upper division player agent the past 3 seasons. I am writing to you in regards to the approval of the Mitigated Negative Declaration No. 12-008, Resolution No. 2015-30 approving General Plan Amendment No. 12-002 and Ordinance No. 4605 approving Zoning Map Amendment No. 12-001 (Lebard Park and School Site Land Use Change to Residential-20451 Craimer Lane) that will be addressed at the council meeting on Monday, July 20th at 6:00PM. I will unfortunately be traveling on business and unable to attend, but I wanted to share with you my thoughts on the most recent discussions.

Seaview has worked closely with the City, School District and neighbors in the Meredith Gardens and Suburbia Park areas over the past several years to develop a plan that would provide compromise and not grossly favor one entity over another. I believe the most current proposal does just that. However, recently, a group of residents assembled a proposal to develop open, green space into parking behind two of the fields. Cited in this proposal are parking and traffic claims that I believe are unsubstantiated and a statement that "all impacts rest solely on Meredith Gardens Residents" which is simply misleading.

A few clarifications I am offering:

- 1) Traffic in the Meredith Gardens area during season should incur negligible impact and during evening and off season see a noticeable reduction. The 112 parking spaces being removed are entirely accessed through Meredith Gardens today. Seaview will not have those spots anymore and based on the layout of the new development, there will be full access to the fields on the Suburbia side. There will only be a small sliver where people can access through Meredith Gardens and Crailet (currently exists). With removal of the district offices, which also are used for numerous community groups (Girl Scouts, AYSO, etc), there should be a sharp reduction in school-related traffic throughout the working day and in the evening. Things such as pre-schol registration, submitting TB tests, AYSO registration, etc simply will no longer occur in the Meredith Gardens community.
- 2) The green space behind the current Majors and Minor A fields is not appropriate for paving over and using for parking during a barely 4 month portion of the year. As you may be aware, Huntington Beach in general is facing a dramatic shortage of field space

for youth programs. This shortage forces many leagues to look outside Huntington Beach for options or in our case, be creative and maximize what we have available. By converting this space to practice areas last season we accomplished not only provided adequate practice space but were able to further integrate the lower division teams into the full Seaview experience like upper division games and snack bar. The future of our league is in the lower division and we owe it to those children and families to provide the best, most accessible experience possible.

3) Park improvements do not solely benefit Seaview and the notion that we acquire all the benefits without cost or inconvenience is not at all accurate.

a. Seaview will lose a substantial amount of open space we currently use for warm up and general accommodation of visitors. These areas include hitting areas and bullpen space.

b. Seaview is responsible for the build out of the snack bar. In addition, Seaview will lease this space from the City, so it becoming recurring operating expense, unlike today.

c. Landscape will also require our relocation of all field storage facilities. This is a considerable loss as all our fields and coaches rely on these bins to secure equipment. Seaview will need to invest in new solutions which will run several thousand to more than \$10,000

d. Other infrastructure upgrades will be requested of Seaview and they are not defined at this time Huntington Valley were responsible for tens of thousands of dollars of improvements not covered by developer or City.

In closing, I ask you to support the Seaview Little League and Suburbia Park positions on this plan. We simply cannot continue to remove green space from our parks. I also would like to restate that the overwhelming majority of Meredith Gardens residents have been wonderful partners in this process and generally support the plan as it stands. Should we all move forward in this process, I have no doubt the Seaview board and member community will continue to be focused on continuing the tradition of partnership in the area.

Kind regards,
Jason Gradel

Expected Close Date: July 18, 2015

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Dombo, Johanna

From: Lucy Chou <lbc0@earthlink.net>
Sent: Saturday, July 18, 2015 7:30 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: LeBard Park No more parking lot

Mayor Hardy, Council members,

The HB Planning Commission was convinced and did as the numerous residents from both Meredith Garden and Suburbia Park requested at the meeting that no parkland to be lost to parking lot. The majority of us spoke that all parking spaces to be lost to the 15-lot development will be absorbed by neighborhood streets FURTHER OUT from the ball fields. These streets will offer up plenty more parking in addition to Crailet, Craimer in MG, and Cynthia, Lavonne in Suburbia Park who currently host most of the ball field parking in their streets.

Since there is no fear of cars double or triple park in Crailet, Craimer (MG) and Lavonne, Cynthia in (SP) and all other essentials remain the same as it has been for 20 plus years, please reject the suggestion of a parking lot replacing open parkland by the western wall of LeBard Park.

This open parkland is well used by surrounding residents for recreation from both neighborhoods and by Sea View Little League for practicing and down time socializing. It will be a tremendous disservice to our residents to put a parking lot there.

Thank you for your service,
Lucy Chou/Suburbia Park

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Dombo, Johanna

From: Ed Kerins <edkerins@netscape.net>
Sent: Sunday, July 19, 2015 4:43 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Cc: Alan Walls
Subject: LeBard Park & Residential Project

We understand staff will advise you that SCE has a process which will allow temporary parking on their property. We calculate 159 vehicles can be parked on the useable area using city parking space and drive aisle standards.

Park construction will have a significant impact on the existing park and its usage for many, many months.

We request you direct staff to ensure that "MOU improvement funds" saved by not constructing two parking lots and relocating ball fields be used to improve the existing park per the LeBard park phase 2 design.

Thank you Mayor Hardy and other council members for all your support.

Ed Kerins

Sent from my iPad

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Dombo, Johanna

From: Steve Vasquez <sevasquez1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 7:21 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Fw: LeBard Traffic "Calming" Solutions

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COMMUNICATION**

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On Monday, July 20, 2015 9:17 AM, Steve Vasquez <sevasquez1@yahoo.com> wrote:

Dear City Council Members,

My name is Steve Vasquez & I live in Suburbia Park. Over the past few weeks, a few residents of Meredith Gardens have proposed a large parking lot be built in the western portion of the LeBard School site. As I expressed in the last City Council meeting... this is a TERRIBLE idea for several reasons!

First off, the proposed area consists of a *2-acre grassy area of Open Space* -- popular with kids playing, families, people walking their dogs, adults exercising, as well as youth baseball players practicing. Moreover, this parking lot would be used only 3 to 4 months of the year, while it would become a vacant asphalt wasteland the remaining time. An area likely to attract illegal nighttime activities. Lastly, Suburbia Park has a dangerous left-turn lane from Brookhurst St. leading into the tract. Add 60 to 90 cars solely accessing the neighborhood during peak baseball season... and it's only a matter of time before someone is seriously hurt or killed from a rear-ended car accident!

Please **REJECT** the harmful Parking Lot idea!!

Below are **several Traffic "calming" Solutions** for both Suburbia Park and Meredith Gardens:

1) **SCE Easement Area** -- is the *MOST important option to investigate!!*

It's an expansive & open dirt area, which can accommodate a large # of cars... on a limited basis. A closing gate is already in place, and Seaview volunteers could direct traffic, since the entrance/exit is a single lane.

2) **Seaview Little League** -- should encourage "**Carpooling**" among teams!

As an incentive, possibly "reserve" 8 to 10 of the closest parking spaces for large SUVs, vans or other vehicles transporting 7 or more people (Sat. only; from Feb. to May.) If the idea is popular... increase the # of reserved parking spaces!

3) **Provide 2 "Drop-Off" Zones** (yellow curb) -- one in each neighborhood.

- A. Meredith Gardens: on Warwick Dr. (south side)
- B. Suburbia Park: on Cynthia Dr. (north side; at the gate)

4) **Expand Baseball Season by 2 weeks; Play some games on Sundays**

These recommendations would spread out games, and thus reduce neighborhood traffic.

5) **DON'T "Host" the Tournament of Champions at Seaview!**

It's a 2-wk, single elimination tournament among 7 leagues; begins early June.

6) **Brookhurst St. (inside of Meredith Gardens) -- Keep open and available for parking.**

Ask HB Parking Control officers to "ticket" any car displaying a "For Sale" sign (Code: 10.40.125(a) -- Vehicle For Sale on street, parking lot). This is a common problem on that street.

7) Most residents would strongly prefer to preserve "Open Space", & NOT build any new parking lots at LeBard. However, IF Meredith Gardens residents are still concerned about parking congestion -- "**Reconsider**" implementing the proposed 17 Parking Spaces! Not an ideal option, but one to seriously consider.

8) Regarding Neighborhood "Speeding" -- **request "Temporary Radar Speed Signs"**

Locate a sign on Cynthia Dr (Suburbia Park) & on Crailet Dr. (Meredith Gardens) for the first 2 to 3 weeks of the baseball season.

9) **Permanently post "Caution: Children at Play -- Please Drive Slowly" city-owned signs** on Cynthia Dr. & Crailet Dr.

Over 160 local residents have recently signed a Petition strongly opposing a parking lot in the western part of LeBard. Seaview is against the parking lot. The school district is against it, & Suburbia Park is **STRONGLY** against it! We residents in Suburbia readily accept the additional baseball-related traffic -- in exchange for "preserving" Open Space in the western area of the LeBard site.

Please seriously consider the above Traffic calming "alternatives."

Thank You,
Steve Vasquez
714-803-1762

Esparza, Patty

**SUPPLEMENTAL
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From: Domer, Ken
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 3:08 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: Lebard Master Plan Development
Attachments: SVLL Access.pdf

Meeting Date: 7-20-15

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From: Scott Dater [<mailto:sdater@bergelectric.com>]

Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 12:52 PM

To: Hardy, Jill; Katapodis, Jim; Sullivan, Dave; Delgleize, Barbara; O'Connell, Billy; Peterson, Erik; Posey, Mike

Cc: Domer, Ken; Jack Wood; vp@seaviewlittleleague.com; GHaulk@hbcsd.us; Fikes, Cathy

Subject: Lebard Master Plan Development

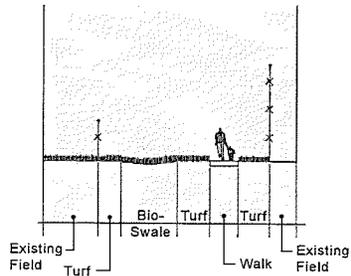
Honorable Mayor Hardy and City Council Members,

My name is Scott Dater and I am the president of Seaview Little League. I am writing you on behalf of our board and the 500 players and their families to provide you with some clarifying information to make an informed decision on the future of the school district property and Seaview Little Leagues fields and open space.

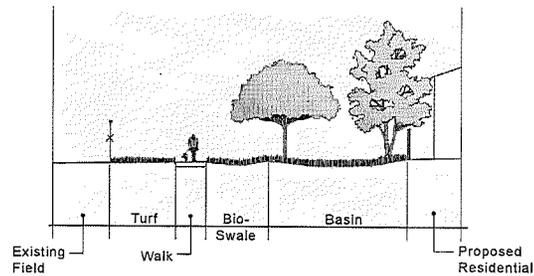
Over the past several months I have attended school district meetings, planning commission meetings and city council meetings to listen to the concerns of local residents as well as supporters of the current plan. There are two items that I have heard that concern me the most and I wanted to share them with you.

1. The new development and current parking plan will increase traffic in the Meredith Gardens tract.
 - Seaview Little League is not increasing its player count so there will be no additional traffic generated by the league.
 - If you look at an overhead view of the fields (attached for reference) you will see that a majority of the current and future access to our fields is from the Suburbia Park subdivision and they have stated on several occasions they are in favor of the current plan without an additional parking lot.
 - The addition of 15 homes should create less traffic into Meredith Gardens than the countless number of trips made in and out of the district offices on a daily basis.
 - The amount of truck traffic into Meredith Gardens should be reduced with the elimination of truck traffic to the district offices.
 - Traffic from large gatherings such as district meetings, girl scout meetings, AYSO meetings and countless other community events will be eliminate with the removal of the district offices.

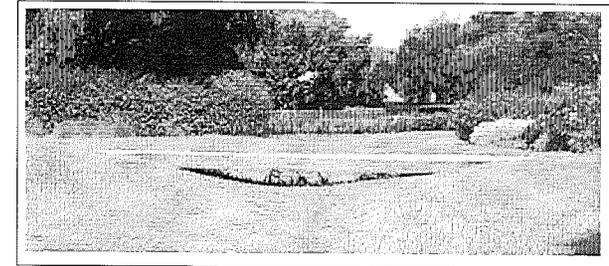
2. Seaview Little League is the only entity that is benefiting from the improvements at Lebard.
 - Seaview Little League is getting very little out of the development deal and if fact it will be costing the league several thousands of dollars to accommodate the new development.
 - We will need to relocate and rebuild our equipment and field maintenance storage bins behind our minor A and majors fields which will take away valuable practice space.



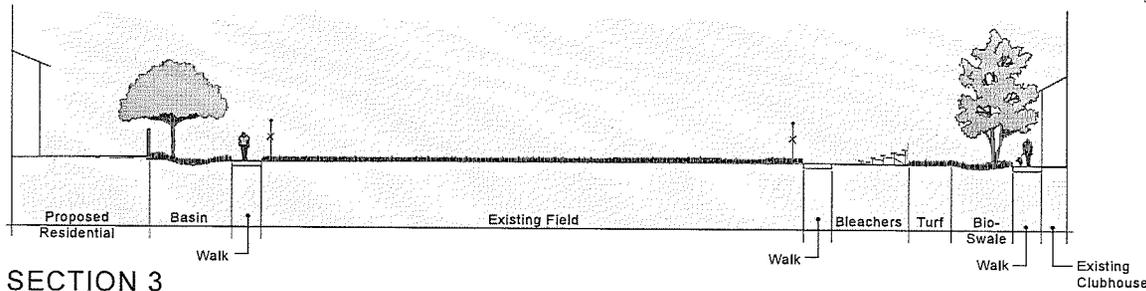
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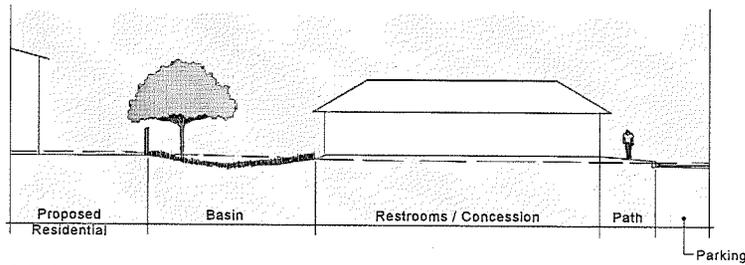
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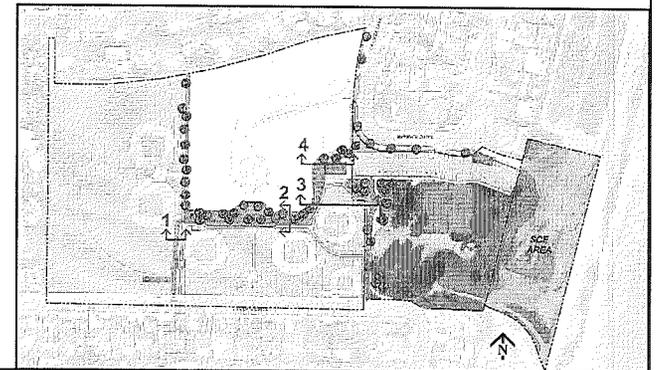
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SECTION 4



OCTOBER 17, 2014

LEBARD PARK - SECTIONS

City of Huntington Beach, CA



General Plan Amendment (GPA) No. 12-002
Zoning Map Amendment (ZMA) No. 12-001
MND No. 12-008

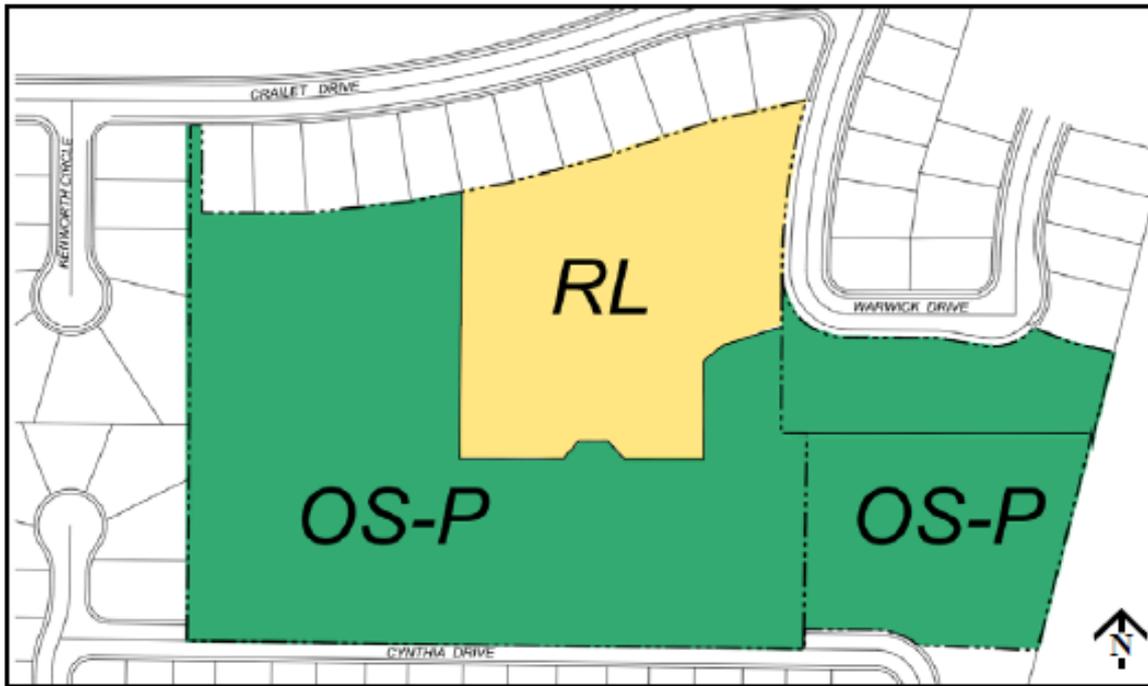
LeBard Park and Residential Project
City Council Meeting
July 20, 2015

Project Site



- Approx. 10 acres
- Developed in 1960s
- Closed as school in 1981
- Used by HBCSD for administrative offices
- In 2014, City Council approved MOU with HBCSD to purchase approx. 6.5 acres (6 sports fields) and process entitlements for a 15-lot SFR subdivision on the paved (blacktop/building) area
- Planning Commission approved project w/ modifications on June 9th

Request



GPA & ZMA: to amend General Plan Land Use and Zoning designations for Low Density Residential and Park uses

MND: to analyze environmental impacts of project pursuant to CEQA

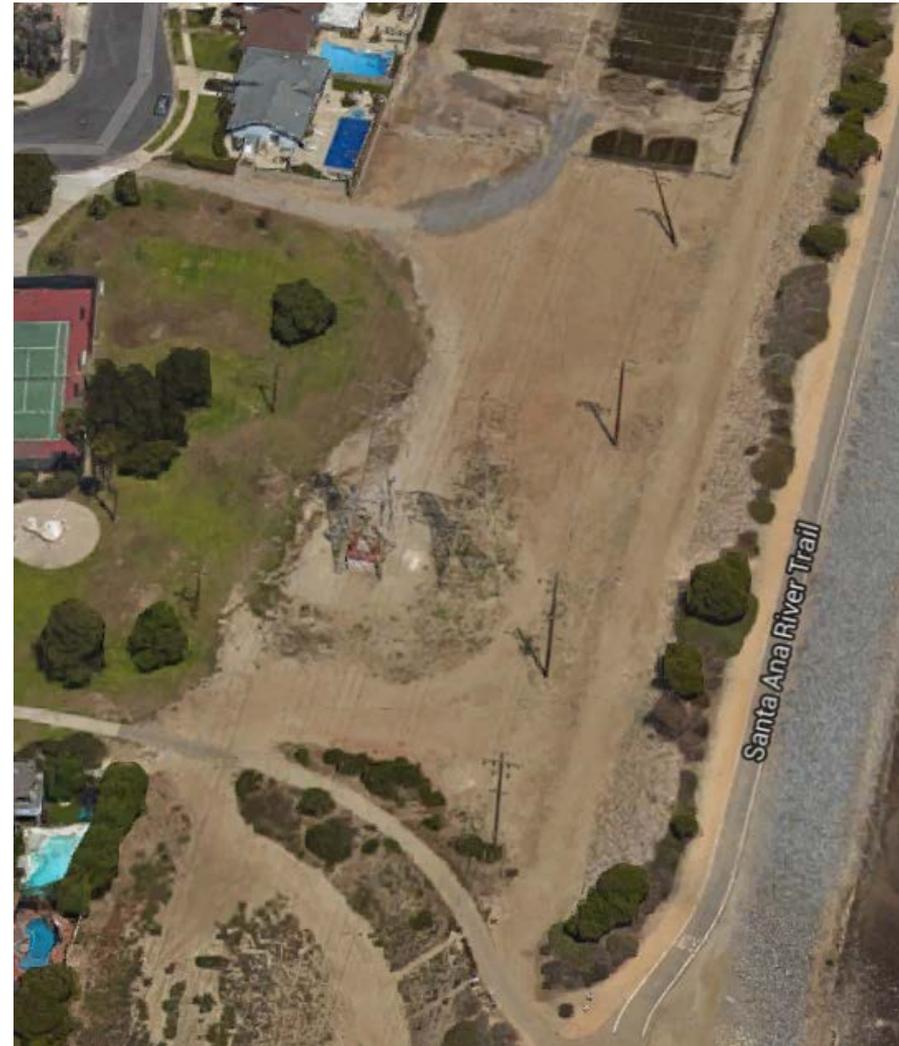
The City Council held a public hearing on July 6th and continued action on the project with the public hearing closed

LeBard Park – Parking Options

At the July 6th City Council meeting, City Council directed staff to report on the potential use and costs of the SCE License area for parking for Seaview Little League

Per SCE, use of the 2-acre SCE area adjacent to the City-owned LeBard Park could be permitted subject to the following conditions :

- A separate license agreement specific to parking with max. 5-year term increments will be required
- SCE will allow use of area for overflow or temporary parking only
- Parking cannot be tied to any code requirements or project approvals
- No parking under drip lines or within 50 feet of towers



LeBard Park – Parking Options

Parking Area Design

- **Approx. 22 vehicles can be parked based upon clearances required by SCE (expanding parking under drip lines requires special approval)**
- **Use existing driveway for access**
- **Turf or decomposed granite surface suitable for parking and recreational uses**

Use

- **Temporary use – based on needs (e.g. – Saturdays during baseball season)**
- **Work with Seaview Little League Board to develop conditions for use of parking area**

Next Steps

- **Receive City Council direction to seek SCE approval of parking area and improvements and negotiate new license agreement**
- **Prepare update to LeBard Park Master Plan for Community Services Commission and City Council approval**

Recommendation

- **Approve MND 12-008 with findings and mitigation measures**
- **Approve GPA 12-002 by approving draft City Council Resolution**
- **Approve ZMA 12-001 with findings by approving draft City Council Ordinance**

General Plan Amendment (GPA) 05-001R
Zoning Map Amendment (ZMA) 05-001R
(Warner Nichols)



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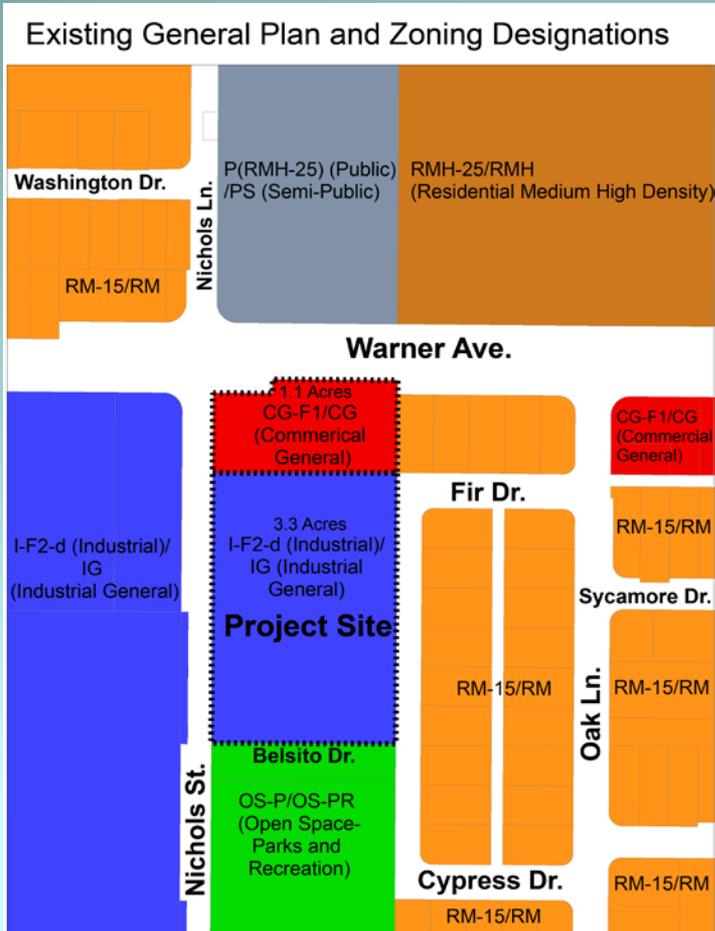
4.4 acre
site on
southeast
corner of
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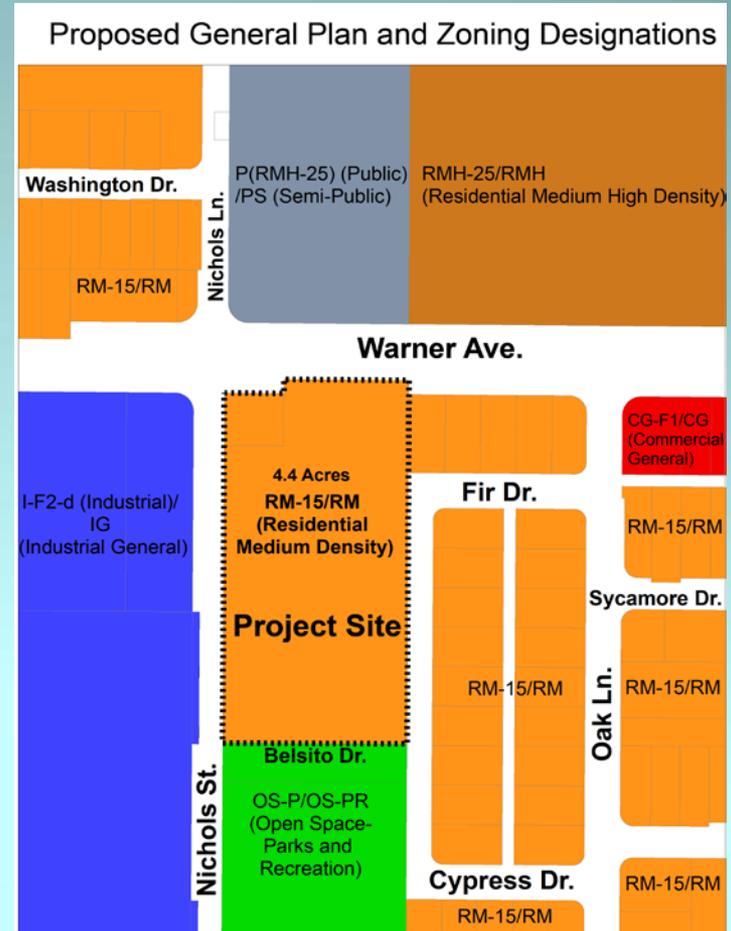
GPA/ZMA REQUEST

Request by Rainbow Environmental Services to change the General Plan and zoning designations for the project site from commercial and industrial back to the previous residential designation.

GPA/ZMA REQUEST



Existing



Proposed

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval to comply with the Court's June 2, 2015, Order and in light of the City Council's May 18, 2015 direction to complete this amendment.

END

Implement AB2188 Creating an Expedited Permitting Process for Small Residential Solar Systems



Planning and Building Department
July 20, 2010

Purpose

- 1. Adopt an ordinance that creates a streamlined permitting process for small rooftop solar systems by Sept. 30, 2015**
- 2. Adopt a resolution establishing permit fees for the plan check and inspection for photovoltaic systems**
- 3. Add a Building Plan Checker I position to the organization chart**

Proposed Streamlined Permitting Process

- **1 & 2 family dwellings**
- **Photovoltaic systems < 10w**
- **Checklist & standard plan**
- **Requires plan check to be completed
within 3 days**
- **Limit number of inspections required**
- **For efficiency and expediency**

New Permit Fees for Photovoltaic Systems

- **Currently no permit fee (offset by General Fund)**
- **The number of PV permits has gone from 37 in 2007/08 to 278 in 2014/15**
- **By the State mandating a max. 3 days to plan check these systems, will change how we do business**
- **Estimated annual fees of \$130,000 eliminates impact to General Fund**

Proposed Fee Matrix

AB 2188 Residential		City of Huntington Beach Recommendation
15 kW or less	Max \$500	\$384
More than 15 kW	Max \$500 + \$15 per kW above 15	\$384 + \$10 per kW above 15

AB 2188 Commercial		City of Huntington Beach Recommendation
15 kW or less	Max \$1000	\$384
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Proposed Building Plan Checker I

- Provide same day service if possible
- Greater efficiency for staff
- Provide additional customer service to homeowners and contractors explaining the always changing:
 - Green Building Standards Code
 - ex. waste reduction, disposal, & recycle work sheets
 - Energy Code- ex. all energy forms
- Proposed new fee will offset new BPC1 at \$125,500 annual salary

Recommendations

- **Approve for introduction Ord. #4067**
- **Adopt Resolution #2015-39**
- **Approve increase of one Building Plan Checker 1**

Esparza, Patty

Subject: FW: City Council Meeting 7-20-15 Item #21 - HUD Consolidated Plan

From: Cari <cswanie@aol.com>
Date: July 19, 2015 at 9:20:35 AM PDT
To: <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: <cfikes@surfcity-hb.org>, <jflynn@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: City Council Meeting 7-20-15 Item #21 - HUD Consolidated Plan

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Cari Swan
Cell: (714) 287-6779

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Request: 23013 Entered on: 07/20/2015 09:14 AM

Customer Information

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Huntington Beach, CA
92647

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Alt. Phone: n/a
Email: pj@escrow.net

Request Classification

Topic: City Council - Share a Concern
Status: Open
Assigned to: Johanna Dombo
City Council: 8 - All Members of City Council

Request type: Comment
Priority: Normal
Entered Via: Web

Description

Please table Agenda item #21 on the agenda for the next Council meeting. I am gravely concerned about the ramifications to our city in connection with HUD Grants after the announcement by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development of their final rule concerning the program titled Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH). This is a complicated rule that on its face seems to attach a great many more strings and requirements on a City that accepts the funds, possibly including zoning mandates. Free money is never free and the Citizens of Huntington Beach need a full airing of this issue conducted in a transparent manor.

Reason Closed

Date Expect Closed: 07/27/2015

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 7/20/15

Notes Taken By: _____ Agenda Item No. 21 Date: _____

Dombo, Johanna

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Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 12:53 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL; Fikes, Cathy; Flynn, Joan

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Dombo, Johanna

From: Sandy Thigpen <sandyt3@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 9:22 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Tonight's meeting

Dear Council members,
I am out of town and unable to attend the City Council meeting. I would like to ask that you table Item 21 until such time that we can learn more about new rules with AFFH. This issue needs and deserves more time to allow a clear understanding of the weight this carries and our options as a community, to make our own decisions about zoning. There is no free lunch. This grant money has strings attached. Please acknowledge, at the very least, this issue requires more time and not an knee jerk reaction.

Sandy

Sandy Thigpen
Patient Advocate

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Dombo, Johanna

From: Carol Woodworth <kwoodworth@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 19, 2015 3:13 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Cc: Fikes, Cathy
Subject: 7/20/15 City Council Meeting Item #21

Dear Mayor Hardy and HB City Council members,

I am writing to ask that you wait until you have more information and a thorough understanding of all terms and conditions before voting to apply for and accept Item #21 HUD Grants.

You wouldn't sign loan documents before knowing all the terms and conditions of repayment, would you?

My understanding is that there is ambiguous language in the HUD documents so that it is difficult to determine precisely all the impacts of taking HUD money.

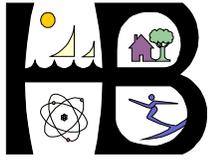
Please allow enough time for city staff and city council members to study the issue in full before making any commitments.

Sincerely,
Carol Woodworth
Huntington Beach

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CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

Inter-Office Memo

TO: Joan Flynn, City Clerk

FROM: Ken Domer, Assistant City Manager
Kellee Fritzal, Deputy Director, Office of Business Development

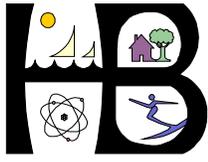
DATE: July 20, 2015

SUBJECT: ADDITION OF NEW SLIDE FOR PRESENTATION FOR AGENDA #21

Attached, please find a new slide, page number 6, to be added to the powerpoint presentation which will accompany the Staff report for agenda item #21

Final Rule on Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

- Update to existing rule requiring compliance by the City and creation of a local or regional plan every 5 years
- The updated rule requires analysis using HUD tools of existing conditions and development of plans to overcome barriers to affordable housing
- Regulations do not prescribe, compel or enforce corrective actions.



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

Inter-Office Memo

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

VIA: Fred Wilson, City Manager

FROM: Ken Domer, Assistant City Manager
Kellee Fritzal, Deputy Director, Office of Business Development

DATE: July 20, 2015

SUBJECT: HUD REGULATIONS ON AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recently released the final rule regarding “Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing” (AFFH). This new rule replaces the former “Assessments of Impediments to Fair Housing” (AI) requirement that the City has been complying with to obtain Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funding. There are differences between the two requirements regarding the data gathering. In addition, as part of the current 5 Year Consolidated Plan, the City has had to review and discuss what are impediments to fair housing. **However, it should be noted that there is no ability through this new document or any HUD documents for HUD or the Federal Government to have the ability to change or alter the City’s zoning regulations.**

The AFFH will be assessed through the creation of an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH). As stated, the AFH replaces the AI which measures the progress of complying with fair housing requirements. The City of Huntington Beach has partnered with 17 Orange County cities to begin the process of creating the multi-jurisdictional AFH. The cities include: Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita, Tustin, Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, Anaheim, Santa Ana, Fullerton, Buena Park, La Habra, San Clemente and Orange. Public meetings and hearings will begin this August/September.

The Purpose of the AFH pursuant to Section 5.150 is for an “effective planning approach to aid program participants in taking meaningful actions to overcome historic patterns of segregation, promote fair housing choice, and foster inclusive communities that are free from discrimination.” The City also has to review its fair housing requirements as part of the Housing Element that is reviewed and approved by the State of California Housing and Community Development (HCD) requirement for the Housing Element.

The AFH is a five (5) year planning tool, where after review and assessment, the City sets goals to overcome any issues that it discovers. The City’s Housing Element currently reviews similar issues as required by the State. Once adopted, there are no new reporting requirements, the City reports, as usual, through the Annual Action Plan.

As part of the published rule, much like an EIR, HUD listed comments and responses related to various issues. On page 139 there was a public comment relating to the perception that “HUD’s rule is an effort to impede local control on zoning.” On page 140 HUD responded that, “This rule does not impose any land use decisions or zoning laws on any local government.” Further clarification of this statement is listed on the same page. It is important to note the reason that HUD does not impose any such requirement is because any form of discrimination in housing is already protected by various federal legislation such as the Americans with Disabilities Act, Fair Housing Act, etc. As such, there are currently methods available to address discrimination in housing.