# City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

July 24, 2018



# Huntington Beach to Proclaim September 20 as "California Surfing Day" July 31st Announcement Comes During Week of the Vans US Open of Surfing

Introduced by Senator Janet Nguyen, both the Assembly and Senate passed SCR 122 – a resolution proclaiming September 20 ,and every year thereafter, as "California Surfing Day." The annual day will celebrate the California surfing lifestyle, as well its history, culture, and future. Adopted by surfers of all ages in the City of Huntington Beach, the purpose is to unify surfers throughout the State of California and around the world to celebrate one very special day where we collectively honor the California surfing lifestyle - "Stop, Drop, Surf."

Join us on Tuesday, July 31, at 10 am on the Pier at TOWER ZERO. Senator Janet Nguyen, Assemblyman Matthew Harper, Mayor Posey, and legendary local surfers will help make the special announcement at the Vans US Open of Surfing.

"California Surfing Day" will be a special day up and down the California Coast as it will bring together thousands of ocean and beach lovers, surfers, and millions of visitors who travel to California to experience the positive vibes of surfing history, culture, and the future, and all the fun that comes along with the sport. More details will be unveiled as to specific activities held on Sept. 20.



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# POLICE DEPARTMENT

# Safety First at the Vans US Open of Surfing

The Vans US Open of Surfing is just around the corner, and as usual, the Huntington Beach Police Department will conduct extra patrols not only on the beach and at the event, but also in our downtown area. We would like to remind all of our visitors and residents that we will enforce a no tolerance approach to alcohol related incidents in each of those areas.

We want everyone to have a great time at this annual event, but bringing alcohol to our beaches and drinking in public is not allowed. We will specifically focus on the alleys in our downtown area as well as in the numbered streets of Huntington Beach to ensure the residents are not impacted by violators.



The 2018 Vans US Open of Surfing starts
Saturday, August 28, and runs through Sunday, August 5. We are looking forward to another fun and safe event this year! For event information check out <a href="https://www.vansusopenofsurfing.com">www.vansusopenofsurfing.com</a>, and for shuttle information, go to <a href="https://www.surfcityusa.com/shuttle">www.surfcityusa.com/shuttle</a>. We'll see you there!

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# **US Open of Surfing**

In preparation for the upcoming US Open of Surfing, the Community Development Department has been busy meeting customer's needs for a successful annual event. The Building Division has ramped up coordination with Community Services and Fire Department to issue permits and perform inspections for the beach venue. In addition, the Building Division performs multiple plan checks for accessibility (ADA) and ensures structural stability for the grandstands, platforms, and canopies related to all the beach activities.

The US Open of Surfing also brings many requests for sidewalk sales and temporary outdoor events in the Downtown area. The Planning Division coordinates review and issuance of Temporary Activity Permits for these activities with Community Services, Code Enforcement, and Police Department to ensure a safe and successful event for visitors, residents, and Downtown business owners.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

# **HB Police Rally Team Garners a Good Finish on Day 3**

The rally team from Huntington Beach, "Team Prince," earned a second place finish on day three of a four-day road rally that traveled through three states. Rally North America held the US 50 West Road Rally from Pueblo, Colorado to Carson City, Nevada between July 9 to July 12.

Our own "Team Prince" comprised of retired police officers, Jeff Huss and Steve Schnars, competed against 60 other teams. Many veteran teams that have not scored a position in the top three for the past nine years that they had been competing.



"Team Prince" honored the memory of fallen Huntington Beach Police Officer Leslie J Prince, EOW: 12-01-1974. Officer Prince died nearly a month after the accident as a result of his injuries that he suffered while on duty directing traffic at the scene of another accident at the intersection of Beach Boulevard and Adams Avenue. "Team Prince" drove 3,059 miles in a week for their round trip adventure. The road rally comprised of check points and listed items of a scavenger hunt where the team had to be photographed with various items or travel sites along their route. The teams that acquired the most points in a day would receive a first, second or third placement. Only 12 teams were eligible to place during the four day event.

This year's event benefited the non-profit organization Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.). "Team Prince" raised over \$6,000, and the event raised more than \$160,000, with Rally North America surpassing their \$1 million dollar mark for various non-profit organizations in the past nine years.

If you would like to join in the excitement of completion for worthy causes, check out their web site for information on future road rallies – www.rallynorthamerica.com - or more information on C.O.P.S. go to – www.nationalcops.org. "Team Prince" thanks all of their supporters and sponsors who generously donated to this event as they had only a month to prepare after registering to participate.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

# **Tsunami Awareness and Beach Safety Signs**

On July 18, the Fire Department Marine Safety Division and Emergency Management & Homeland Security Office unveiled its third Tsunami Awareness and Beach Safety kiosk in Sunset Beach. The grant-funded kiosk is a joint venture between the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and the City. These kiosks educate beach visitors about what to do in the event of a Tsunami and how to be safe when visiting our beautiful beach. Kiosks are located at beach access points at Warner, Hilton Bridge and the Pier. In the future, kiosks will be located at other key beach access points in the City.

For more information on Tsunami Awareness visit <a href="www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/tsunami">www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/tsunami</a> or for information on beach safety visit <a href="https://www.weather.gov/safety/ripcurrent">https://www.weather.gov/safety/ripcurrent</a>. Ensure that you receive critical information in an emergency by signing up or AlertOC at <a href="www.alertoc.org">www.alertoc.org</a>.



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# OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

#### **Brokers Breakfast**

Last week, staff from the Office of Business Development and Community Development hosted a quarterly Breakfast Briefing regarding the new zoning code for research and technology. The new Zone was part of the General Plan update. RRM Design Group led the workshop. The meeting included feedback such as available incentives, transportation connectivity, and walkability. The next Brokers Breakfast will be scheduled in the Fall.



#### **LEAN Skateboards**

Huntington Beach-based Madrid Skateboards recently partnered with LEAN, an exciting new company that specializes in long-boards. LEAN holds a patent on the longboard which allows long-distance pushes and smooth riding. The partnership will soon be launching a short board which is also expected to be a success.

# **Hotel Numbers Up**

Huntington Beach had the highest point increase in hotel occupancy, up 3 percent. Average daily rates, occupancy, and revenue per available room held steady compared with the same period in 2017. Countywide, ADR and RevPAR each rose 4 percent, to \$191 and \$152, respectively. Hotel occupancy was unchanged at 79.5 percent, which hotel industry watchers consider as effectively full.



# **Business Visit**

Staff from Building and the Office of Business Development visited Primal Elements to assess their expansion efforts. Primal Elements got a considerable boost in business from their recent appearance on Good Morning America and will expand to add 20,000 SF to their existing 20,000 SF. Primal Elements specializes in skin care and home products, including aromatherapy, hydrotherapy, and botanical infusions. You can learn more about Primal Elements by visiting <a href="https://www.primalelements.com">www.primalelements.com</a>.

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

# **Composting Seminar Saturday, August 18, at Shipley Nature Center**

Shipley Nature Center will host a seminar on backyard composting and food composting with worms on **Saturday**, **August 18**, **at 9:30 a.m.** Approximately 90-minutes in length, the lecture covers the various techniques for reducing waste and creating rich compost for gardens, flowerbeds, and lawns. The cost is \$10 per person. Register in advance to reserve your seat at <a href="http://shipleynature.org/magic-composting-2018/">http://shipleynature.org/magic-composting-2018/</a>. The seminar is held at Shipley Nature Center, 17851 Goldenwest St. (in Huntington Central Park).

Huntington Beach residents attending the lecture will receive a \$50 voucher that can be used toward the purchase of a backyard composting unit or complete worm composting kit. The final workshop for 2018 will be held on Saturday, September 15. This lecture series is sponsored by the Department of Public Works, Enrecos, and Friends of Shipley Nature. For more information visit www.shipleynature.org.



# INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Did you know you that you can view previous City Mayors on the City website? You can find the link to this page from the main City Council page located under the Government navigation tab.

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# Shipley Nature Center









# Soils

July 28th at 10:00 am

Learn about soil, compost, Mulch, fertilizer and amendments. Learn everything you need to know about how to make your soil healthy so you can grow healthy plants. **Hands-on demonstration**: Bring a soil sample from your garden and we will test it and provide improvement suggestions



# Veggies

Saturday, August 25th at 10:00 am

You can grow a lovely vegetable garden all year long. Come and learn how and what to plant specifically for Southern California gardens. **Hands-on Demonstration**: We will have seeds and starter cups available so you can get started on a winter vegetable garden.



Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am

Tight on space? Learn how to make a vertical garden and select the right plants. **Hands-on Demonstration**: We will have a variety of succulents that you can take home and build a vertical garden.

Please join us at Shipley Nature Center. No fee, donations appreciated.

Located in Huntington Central Park, 17851 Goldenwest St. Huntington Beach

Call us at 714/842-4772 or send us an email at info@shipleynature.org

# International Food Truck Night

- Food trucks
- Live music
- Library Book Shack
- Foodie books for sale by the Friends of the Library

Wednesday August 1
5:00pm-8:00pm
in the Central Library Parking Lot





# **Huntington Beach Public Library**

Central Library
7111 Talbert Avenue
Huntington Beach, California 92648 | 714.842.4481
www.hbpl.org

# LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

# **Upcoming Events in the Children's Dept. of the Central Library**



Come join us on Tuesday, July 31, as we celebrate Harry Potter Day in the Children's Dept. All day long, children are invited to participate in a Harry Potter Scavenger Hunt. At 3 p.m. enjoy Wizard David Skales as he brings the world of magic to the Tabby Theater. Tickets for this event are \$5 and are available at the Children's Desk.





We will be celebrating the end of our Summer Reading Program "Reading Takes You Everywhere" with a family concert in the park on August 4. Back by popular demand **Kids Imagine Nation!** You will love their high energy music and storytelling. Join us at the bandstand behind the library in Central Park for this **FREE CONCERT** at 10:30 a.m. Bring your beach chairs and blankets as seating is on the grass.

The reading continues in August! Make sure you are registered for our August Reading Raffle. You will earn virtual raffle tickets for continuing your reading efforts in the month of August. You must be registered on Beanstack and enter your own reading log online. Go to <a href="http://www.hbpl.org">http://www.hbpl.org</a> and click on the Beanstack banner.



# LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

# There's Always Something fun to do at the Library Branches!

The branch libraries have something in store for families, middle-schoolers and adults just around the corner! Families with children of all ages are invited to join Miss Cynthia at the next **Family Pajama Storytime** at the Oak View Branch Library on **Wednesday, July 25, at 6 pm**. The theme for this monthly program, which will feature music, songs, finger plays, flannel board stories, and crafts is "Pirates, Moon and Stars." Children (and their parents, too) are invited to wear their pajamas to this fun event!





On **Thursday, July 26, at 4:30 p.m. at the Oak View branch**, children in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade are encouraged to **join Miss Maribel for an hour of fun crafts and stories**. Miss Maribel will read fun stories about kites, and afterwards children can make their own paper kite craft!

Also at Oak View, all adults are invited to try their luck at the last session of the popular Mexican game Loteria, on Wednesday, August 1, from 6 to 7 pm. Similar to Bingo, Loteria is a traditional game of chance that has been played for over a century and will be a fun night for the whole family! This will be a chance to put the new skills learned at last month's session to the final test. The Oak View Branch Library is located at 17251 Oak Lane in HB. For more information, please call 714 375-5068. Beach.





Attention all book-lovers ages 18 and above! Here's advance notice of the next book pick for the popular **Main Street Book Club**, which will take place on **Thursday**, **August 16**. Those interested are encouraged to get their copies now of "Everything I Never Told You," by Celeste Ng.

This novel is a profoundly moving story of family, secrets, and longing. The book is a gripping page-turner — a sensitive family portrait that uncovers the ways in which mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, and husbands and wives struggle all their lives to understand one another. **Main Street's bi-monthly book club will start at 5:30 p.m.** with conversation and refreshments, followed by **discussion at 5:45 p.m**. The Main Street Branch Library is located at 525 Main Street in Huntington Beach. For more information, please call 714 375-5071.

# **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

# **Softball at the Central Park Sports Complex**

The weather was great as the Huntington Beach Council on Aging (HBCOA) partnered with the City of Huntington Beach in hosting the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Men's Softball Tournament and the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Tournament at the Central Park Sports Complex. The tournament continued to have inter-state appeal as a team from Arizona joined teams from the surrounding communities and of course Huntington Beach for relaxing and fun time



in the city. There were 17 teams competing in four divisions for the men's side of the tournament and four teams competing in the women's tournament for the claim to the best of the Southland in their competition level. All participants in the tournament received the very popular special edition commemorative shirt, celebrating the anniversary of this event.

Many of the participants in this year's event commented on how much they enjoy the tournament and are already looking forward to next year. The teams appreciated the support of the tournament by the HBCOA and the City of Huntington Beach in continuing to offer this annual event.

# **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

# Summer is in Full Swing for Beach and Downtown Parking

Summer is here and the City beaches provide a much needed respite from the hot weather. On July 7 and July 8, the parking lots between Beach Blvd. and 1<sup>st</sup> St. accommodated more than 7,900 vehicles in the 1,400 space parking lot, and over 7,500 the following weekend. Parking staff worked diligently to ensure that the lots were constantly monitored for open spaces to accommodate the high demand and turnover.

In addition to providing parking during exceptionally busy days, the beach parking staff are tasked with making sure that turn pockets are closed on Pacific Coast Highway and that all other directional signs and closures are in place to provide traffic safety. This not only creates some relief from traffic problems but also reduces the opportunity for lines to form on Pacific Coast Highway.

'The Main Promenade Parking Structure also experienced full conditions with 5,259 vehicles using the 830 space facility over the July 7 and 8 weekend and has remained busy throughout the month. Experienced parking staff move people quickly through the exits to prevent backups within the parking facility and the City's contract cleaning crew, Malco, starts as early as 6 a.m. daily to make sure the structure is clear of debris. This has been a great team effort to ensure our residents and visitors have easy and convenient access to our great businesses and beach.



# **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

# Happy 100th Birthday, John Jankowski!



It is not all that often that you get to plan a 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party celebration. The Senior Center in Central Park and the Huntington Beach Council on Aging (HBCOA) had this rare honor when they were able to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of long time participant and volunteer John Jankowski.

John is a regular participant of the Senior Center coming in every day for lunch where he leads the pledge of allegiance and a moment of reflection before the meal is served. He is an avid lover of music and singing and was instrumental in helping to preserve and refurbish the grand piano that resides in the lounge at the Senior Center in Central Park. John, along with about 125 other center participants and staff, celebrated with cake and a Happy Birthday serenade. John said he was overjoyed to celebrate and hopes to do it again next year when he is 101.

#### SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

The registration for the Fall 2018 Adult Softball leagues is currently underway. The registration deadline is August 3. Senior Men's leagues are offered on Sunday mornings and Thursday nights; Senior Coed leagues are offered on Tuesday nights; Senior Women's leagues are offered on Monday and Thursday nights; Men's leagues are offered on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; Coed leagues are offered on Sunday afternoons and evenings and Wednesday nights.

The leagues start playing August 20 and will concluded in November. Registration packets are available on the City Adult Softball page at <a href="https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/recreation\_culture/softball.cfm">https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/recreation\_culture/softball.cfm</a>.



For more details or information, please contact the Community Services office at 714-536-5230.

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# **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**



#### Come Cool Off!

Looking to beat the heat this summer? The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department has options!

Come check out the City of Huntington Beach Recreation Swim! We are excited to offer recreational swim hours at three different pools for just \$2 per swimmer.

Marina High School: 12:45-2:15 pm Monday-Saturday Edison High School: 12:30-1:30 pm Monday-Friday City Gym and Pool: 7-8pm Monday and Wednesday

Please note that flotation devices and pool toys are not allowed. Please call (714)960-8884 for more information. See you at the pool!

The Senior Center in Central Park (SCCP), located at 18041 Goldenwest St, is open for business Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. – 8:30 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Saturday 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. The SCCP is a vibrant hub of activity focused on active aging as well as aging in place, and has air conditioning! For more information, call 714-536-5600, or visit www.huntingtonbeachca.gov

# **CITY MANAGER**

# **Orange County Sanitation District Offers Tours of Plant No. 2**

With the increase in activity at Plant No. 2 in Huntington Beach, the OC Sanitation District created an outreach program to keep neighbors informed of current and upcoming construction. One of the program elements is "The Neighborhood Connection," a newsletter that is published twice a year and distributed to the neighboring residents in Huntington Beach, Costa Mesa, and Newport Beach. The summer 2018 issue <a href="https://www.ocsd.com/Home/ShowDocument?id=25012">https://www.ocsd.com/Home/ShowDocument?id=25012</a> was recently distributed.



As part of the program, the District offer tours of Plant No. 2 so neighbors can see first -hand what takes place behind the fence. Tour dates for this upcoming season are:

- ♦ Friday, August 17 at 9:30 a.m.
- ♦ Friday, September 7 at 9:30 a.m.
- Saturday, October 6 at 9:30 a.m.

Reservations are required a minimum of one week prior to the tour. Call 714.593.7135 or email <a href="mailto:formation@ocsd.com">formation@ocsd.com</a> to sign up.

If you have any questions regarding the program or the newsletter, please contact our Community Liaisons Tanya Chong and Daisy Covarrubias at 714-378-2965.

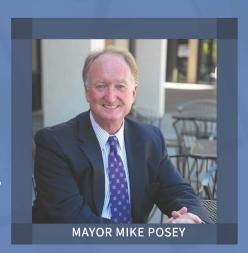
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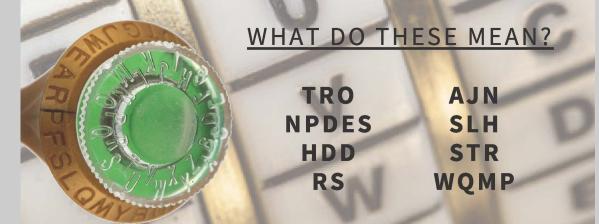
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DECODING THE ALPHABET SOUP OF GOVERNMENT

# **VETERAN'S NIGHT**

JULY 26, 2018
THURSDAY | 5-7PM
JOHNNY'S SALOON & PIZZERIA
17428 BEACH BLVD
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647





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City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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