City Manager’s Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

Week of April 4, 2016

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE

The EPIC Challenge: Accelerating the Deployment of Advanced Energy Communities

We are pleased to announce that the California Energy Commission has selected the team comprised of the Advanced Power and Energy Program (APEP) at the University of California, Irvine (UCI), the City of Huntington Beach, Altura Associates, Inc., and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to complete a major applied research project to accelerate the deployment of Advanced Energy Communities.

Together, with funding from Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas companies, the team will receive a total of $1.9 million to develop and apply master community design tools and to integrate innovative, high efficiency, and sustainable energy technologies into a Huntington Beach community. The project will become an example and blueprint for the entire State of California regarding how communities can be revitalized, become more sustainable, and lower energy costs.

In this project the team will integrate and optimize promising new energy innovations into a unified system that efficiently interacts with the existing community electrical grid/infrastructure/buildings, serves various end-uses, obtains performance data for scale-up, and performs cost-benefit analyses for demonstrating economic feasibility.

POINTS OF INTEREST

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Huntington Beach PD to host Candlelight Vigil April 14 as Part of “National Crime Victims’ Rights Week”

Who: The Huntington Beach Police Department and the City of Huntington Beach will host a candlelight vigil in observance of National Crime Victims’ Rights Week. Join Mayor Katapodis and Chief Handy as the event honors courageous victims, survivors of victims, and the victim advocates.

The event will build public awareness to what victims and their families go through and to celebrate the fact that victims can become survivors. Candles will be provided to the first 100 people.

When: Thursday, April 14, 2016, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Huntington Beach Pier Pier Plaza, Huntington Beach

What: National Crime Victims’ Rights Week (NCVRW) is April 10-16 and the theme, “Building Trust, Restoring Hope,” presents the opportunity to highlight the diversity of our communities, expand partnerships to serve victims of crime, enhance efforts to meet victims where they are, and empower crime victims as they pursue justice and recovery.

The Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) helps lead communities throughout the country in their annual observances of National Crime Victims’ Rights Week (NCVRW) by promoting victims’ rights and honoring crime victims and those who advocate on their behalf.
Notice of Vacancy on Design Review Board

The City of Huntington Beach is seeking applicants for one at-large member position on the Design Review Board (DRB). The DRB is responsible for assisting the Director of Community Development, Zoning Administrator, and Planning Commission in reviewing and providing recommendations on development plans and architectural drawings within designated areas of the City. Any interested person must be a resident of Huntington Beach and should be available to attend regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of each month, at 3:30 p.m., conducted at City Hall. Additional meetings are tentatively scheduled for the fourth Thursday of each month, when necessary. Interested individuals could obtain an application online at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards_commissions.

For more information about this position, please contact Tess Nguyen (Staff Liaison) at (714) 374-1744 or tnguyen@surfcity-hb.org. The filing deadline is April 29, 2016 (may be extended until vacancy filled).

Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, April 6, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the Zoning Administrator will review the following items:

**ENTITLEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 16-003 (BARBATA RESIDENCE WINDOW):** To amend Condition of Approval No. 1 of Coastal Development Permit No. 04-05 to allow transparent glass in the two most southerly windows of the second floor master bedroom within an existing single family home at 16581 Peale Lane, 92649 (west side of Peale Ln., between Malden Cir. and Gilbert Dr.). Please contact John Ramirez, Contract Planner, for more information.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 16-004 (OC SONG AND DANCE STUDIO PARKING):** To permit the establishment of joint use parking (with divergent hours) for a dance/vocal studio (personal enrichment) to occupy a portion (2,918 sq. ft.) of an existing industrial building at 5301 Oceanus Drive, 92649 (north side of Oceanus Dr., west of Graham St.). Please contact Tess Nguyen, Associate Planner, for more information.

**COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 16-005/ CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 16-008 (TABU SHABU RESTAURANT BEER AND WINE):** CDP: To permit the conversion of an existing retail space into a new 1,300 sq. ft. restaurant. CUP: To permit the sales, service, and consumption of beer and wine (ABC Type 41 License) within a proposed restaurant. This project is located at 16821 Algonquin St., Suite 102, 92649 (northwest corner of Davenport Dr. and Algonquin St. – Huntington Harbour Mall). Please contact Kimo Burden, Planning Aide, for more information.

**COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 16-002 (STATE BEACH PLAYGROUND):** To permit the construction of a public playground on the beach/sand at 913 Pacific Coast Highway, 92648 (ocean side of PCH, between 9th St. and 10th St. – State Beach). Please contact Nicolle Bourgeois, Planning Aide, for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City’s website at http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm. Please contact the Planning Division, at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.
HB GOLF APPAREL MANUFACTURER EXPERIENCES HIGH GROWTH, AND STAYS IN HB
The March 28 issue of the Orange County Business Journal highlighted the exciting news that Travis Mathew, a household name in golf apparel, has chosen to make a big move from Huntington Beach into...Huntington Beach. Travis Mathew, which elected to relocate into the community a few years ago, has been on the hunt for a new location in which to expand its growing operations for quite some time. Fortunately, that hunt led them right to one of the buildings formerly occupied by Quiksilver, more than doubling the space they currently occupy. The company and their real estate team has been working with City staff to ensure that their transition into their new home is smooth.

CALLING FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESSES!
Nominations are now being accepted through April 28 for the Orange County Business Journal’s 17th Annual Family Owned Business Awards. Any business with at least two family members actively involved in the business can be nominated or may also take advantage of the opportunity to self-nominate, which is encouraged.

These awards recognize family-owned establishments that have distinguished themselves via their business accomplishments and contributions to the local community. Awards will be presented at a luncheon on June 21. All information, including the nominating process, rules, and award categories are available online at www.ocbj.com or questions may be directed to Jayne Kennedy, Senior Events Manager, at (949) 833-8373 x209.

EVEN MORE COMING ATTRACTIONS AT PACIFIC CITY...
In case you’re not quite up to date on the latest exciting developments at Pacific City, here’s the lowdown on what you can expect to see coming our way soon!

*March:* KIN
*April:* Seafolly, Tankfarm & Co, Lush
*May:* Barnabas, Sunglass Resort, Molly Browns Swimwear, The Bungalow, Backhouse Yakatori
*June:* Gelateria Zomolo, Philz Coffee, B.CANDY
*July:* Free People...and more to later in the summer, including Rudy’s Barbershop and AT&T.

Excitement is building for Lot 576, which will host a number of unique eateries and retailers with something to suit everyone, coming later this summer. To stay on top of what is happening at Pacific City, check out www.gopacificcity.com.
Public Works Department

Magic of Composting Seminar on Saturday, April 16, at Shipley Nature Center

Shipley Nature Center is the site for a seminar on backyard composting and food composting with worms on Saturday, April 16, at 9:30 a.m. Approximately 90 minutes in length, the lecture covers the various techniques for reducing waste and creating rich compost for lawns and gardens. The cost is $10 per person. Seating is limited so register in advance to reserve your spot at www.shipleynature.org.

Huntington Beach residents who attend will receive a $50 voucher that can be used toward the purchase of a backyard composting unit or complete worm composting kit (1 voucher per household). If you can’t make it to our April event, sign up for one of three additional workshops on May 21, June 18, or August 20.

Shipley Nature Center is located in Huntington Central Park, 17851 Goldenwest St., Huntington Beach 92647. The Magic of Composting is sponsored by the Department of Public Works, Rainbow Environmental Services, and Friends of Shipley Nature. For more information visit the Shipley website at www.shipleynature.org.

Thank you Huntington Beach Residents for Conserving Water!

The City of Huntington Beach had an urban water use reduction of 20 percent which was mandated by the State. Our goal was to obtain a cumulative water savings of 20 percent from the months of June 2015 through February 2016. Thanks to the efforts of our residents and businesses, Huntington Beach reached a cumulative savings of 21 percent!

We greatly appreciate the efforts of all those who saved water by reducing irrigation, fixing leaks, taking shorter showers, installing water saving devices, and their participation in the turf removal program. All together, Californians saved 1.19 million acre-feet of water. Enough to supply nearly six million people for a year!
COMMUNITY SERVICES

EASTER HUNT AND FAMILY FUN DAY
HAD ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR!

On Saturday, March 26, the Community Services Department and the Huntington Beach Kiwanis Club hosted their annual Easter Hunt and Family Fun Day.

The event was held at the Sports Complex and drew large crowds with over 10,000 people attending. Children up to 10 years of age collected more than 6,000 pounds of candy. There were also wonderful displays by several departments within the City. Children were invited to climb on various equipment and vehicles provided by the Fire, and Police Departments.

Various games and crafts were available for children of all ages. Local bands and Community Services contract instructors provided entertainment throughout the day. A visit from the Easter Bunny and other characters made it a perfect day for the children.

The Community Services Department was also recognized by Senator Janet Nguyen. She thanked us for bringing friends and family together and for our commitment to the community of Huntington Beach.
Huntington Beach Art Center
The Huntington Beach Art Center presents a closing reception for the annual student exhibition, *Creative Visions*. The evening will feature the performing arts groups from the Ocean View School District who are hosting the reception from 5-8 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public. The exhibition runs March 25 – April 9. Call the Art Center at 714.374.1650 for information or visit our website at [www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org](http://www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org).

Summer Swimming Lessons
Join us this summer at our two outdoor pools for eight weeks of learning, fun and sun! We offer a wide variety of levels to fit your child’s age and needs. We also offer recreation swim times for the whole family to come and enjoy the water! All of our instructors are WSI (Water Safety Instructor) and Pool Lifeguard certified through the American Red Cross. Register now at any community center or online at HBsands.org.

**Where:** Marina High School and Edison High School  
**When:** Mon-Fri for two weeks, starting June 27

**Recreation Swim:**  
Marina High School: Mon-Sat 12:45pm-2:15pm  
Edison High School: Mon-Fri 12:30pm-1:30pm

**Swim Levels:**  
Parents and Child (PC) 6mos to about 3 years:  
PC Level 1 (PC1): Introduces basic skills including safety topics to parents and children.  
PC Level 2 (PC2): Builds on the skills introduced in Level 1, with participants improving these skills and learning more advanced skills.

Preschool Aquatics (PA) About 4 to 5 years:  
PA Level 1 (PA1): Orienta children to the aquatic environment and helps them gain basic aquatics skills.  
PA Level 2 (PA2): Helps children gain greater independence in their skills and develop comfort in and around water.  
PA Level 3 (PA3): Helps children start to gain basic swimming propulsive skills to be comfortable in and around water.

Learn-To-Swim (LS) About 6 years through adult:  
Level 1 (LS1): Intro to Water Skills: builds confidence and develops safety skills in and around water for children with little or no prior swim instruction.  
Level 2 (LS2): Fundamental Aquatics Skills: introduced to the front and back crawl.  
Level 3 (LS3): Stroke Development: refine the front and back crawl and are introduced to the butterfly-kick.  
Level 4 (LS4): Stroke Improvement: introduced to the breast stroke, elementary backstroke and butterfly.  
Level 5 (LS5): Stroke Refinement: provides further coordination and refinement of strokes.  
Level 6 (LS6): Swimming and Skill Proficiency: refines the strokes so students swim them with ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances.
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Berm Removal Begins

Beach Operations staff began removal of the secondary protective berm in Sunset Beach today. The protective berm is installed in late October or early November each year and includes the communities of Sunset Beach and the Surfside colony to protect the residences from seasonal high tides. This year due to stronger than normal wave surge predictions, the berm was built wider and taller to further protect the homes in the area. Removal of the berm is scheduled to take 7-10 days.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Family Event at Oak View Library

Oak View Branch Library and the Friends of the Children’s Library will be celebrating Children’s Day/Día del Niño with a special family event featuring Swazzle Puppets’ environmental show called “Ricky Raccoon and the Green Rangers” on Wednesday, April 27, at 5 pm. Tickets will go on sale on Monday, April 11, for $2 per person. For more information, please call (714)375-5068.

INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Did you know you can get an online estimate of building permit construction fees based on your project valuation on the City Website? To find a quick link to this Fee Calculator online application, click on the Services navigation tab and then click on Planning and Construction. A link to the Fee Calculator will be on the Planning and Construction page.

28th Annual Clean Air Awards

The 28th Annual Clean Air Awards luncheon will be held on Friday, October 7, 2016. Each year, for over a quarter of a century, The Southern California Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) has honored those that have helped to improve the air we breathe across our region. Because of their efforts, our air is cleaner, our families are healthier, and the nearly 17 million people across our region are breathing easier.

The SCAQMD invites you to nominate worthy candidates for SCAQMD’s signature event honoring individuals, organizations, communities, and businesses that have helped improve the air we breathe through innovation, leadership, and personal environmental commitment.

Nominations for the 28th Annual Clean Air Awards are now open for the following categories:

- Innovative Clean Air Technology
- Model Community Achievement
- Clean Air Education and Outreach
- Business Leadership in Air Quality
- Youth Leadership in Air Quality

Visit here to submit a nomination. All nominations must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on July 1, 2016.

Residential EV Charging Incentive Pilot Program

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) and the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) have established a residential Electric Vehicle (EV) charging incentive pilot program to offset Level 2 (240v) EV charger hardware costs. This program will be available to residents within the SCAQMD’s four-county jurisdiction.

The program will provide an incentive to buy-down the cost of residential chargers, which typically range from $400-$800. The program will be implemented on a first come, first served basis and will provide up to $250 for the cost of hardware for Level 2 residential chargers. An additional incentive of up to $250 will be available for low-income residents.

For more information or to apply to this pilot program please visit the AQMD Community Detail page.

Energy Efficiency Keeps Multifamily Housing Affordable!

The Energy Network Multifamily Rebate program brings energy retrofits to continue the sustainability of Multifamily housing. Lower utility costs help property owners and tenants and can revitalize older buildings. Through incentives and technical consulting the Energy Network helps keep housing more affordable in Huntington Beach and Southern California. Find out more about how you can help create a healthier and safe environment for your tenants and increase your economic viability.

As of March 2016, the Multifamily program has enrolled 33 affordable housing projects totaling 2,652 multifamily units. We are proud to have enrolled projects across The Energy Network territory, from Tulare and San Bernardino counties to Ventura, Los Angeles, and Orange counties. A range of cost-effective energy improvements to these properties will achieve an estimated energy savings of 2,282,015 kWh of electricity and 65,731 therms of natural gas each year. To learn more about the Multifamily Program visit: http://action.theenergynetwork.com/about-us/businesses/multifamily.
RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE ~ EDGEWATER
A resident of Huntington Harbor narrowly escaped a house fire early Easter morning.

Upon arrival, fire crews found fire coming from openings on the first and second floor of the single-family residence. The resident was awakened by the heat from the fire that had started entering the bedroom on the second floor. The resident had to use the balcony at the rear of the structure and use the rod iron railings to reach the ground.

Units fought the fire for over an hour before declaring it under control. The house was determined to be a total loss due to the extensive fire damage. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The Huntington Beach Fire Department would like to remind and encourage residents to ensure that smoke detectors are in place and operational in order to give residents enough time to exit a burning home, whether they are awake or asleep. Sleeping with bedroom doors closed will provide extra time in the event that using a second exit, such as a window, is necessary.

STRUCTURE FIRE ~ BUON GUSTO RESTAURANT
A kitchen fire on Saturday morning resulted in significant damage to the restaurant as well as the greater structure. The majority of the fire was extinguished by the sprinkler system, but fire crews had to work for hours to locate and extinguish small pockets of hidden fire in the structure. Multiple attached businesses have been closed awaiting electrical inspection and possible repairs before they can re-open. There were injuries reported and the fire is currently under investigation.
SHIPLEY NATURE CENTER
presents

The MAGIC of COMPOSTING 2016

SIGN UP NOW for this informative seminar! Learn how easily you can transform your kitchen scraps and backyard cuttings into rich compost for your plants and gardens!

*$10 RESERVATION FEE Limited to the first 50 registrants. Register now at: www.shipleynature.org.
PAYMENTS ACCEPTED VIA PAYPAL.

VERMICOMPOSTING
Composting Food Scraps with Worms

BACKYARD
Traditional Composting with Yard Waste and Other Organics

CHOICE OF DATES

APRIL 16 • MAY 21
JUNE 18 • AUGUST 20

SHIPLEY NATURE CENTER • 17851 GOLDENWEST • HUNTINGTON BEACH 92647

714-842-4772

9:30 AM
CHECK IN STARTS AT 9 AM

Backyard Composting Bins ($95) and Vermicomposting Kits ($140) will be available for purchase on seminar day.

EXCLUSIVE OFFER FOR HUNTINGTON BEACH RESIDENTS!

HB residents who attend a seminar are eligible for a FREE VermiPRO Model 14 worm bin with worms or $50 off towards the purchase of a Composting Bin or a larger Vermicomposting Kit.
**Proof of residency (recent city utility bill) may be required.

*Sorry, no refunds or carryovers for no-shows.
**Coupon offer is limited to one discount per household. Open only to Huntington Beach residents with proof of residency.

The 2016 Composting Education series is made possible by: City of Huntington Beach • Rainbow Environmental Services
Friends of Shipley Nature Center • Environmental ESP • ENRECOS
Main Street Library
Adult Evening Book Club

Thursday, April 21st
5:30pm – 7:00pm

Did You Ever Have a Family
by Bill Clegg is an absorbing, unforgettable
tale that reveals humanity at its best through
forgiveness and hope. At its core is a celebration
of family - the ones we are born with and the
ones we create. – Simon and Shuster

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • LONGLISTED FOR THE
NATIONAL BOOK AWARD, MAN BOOKER PRIZE, PEN/ROBERT
W. BINGHAM PRIZE, AND ANDREW CARNEGIE MEDAL FOR
EXCELLENCE • AN ALA NOTABLE BOOK

Adults, join us for light refreshments and conversation.
Future book selections will be confirmed at our first meeting
with discussions held every other month, on the third Thursday
(April 21, June 16, August 18, October 20).

Visit or call the library for more information! Limited library copies available.

Main Street Branch Library
525 Main Street, Huntington Beach 714-375-5071

HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC
LIBRARY
www.hbpl.org
EARTH DAY
City of Huntington Beach 2016 Park Clean-Up
APRIL 16, 2016 9:00 — 12:00
“Overlook Park” section of Harriet M. Wieder Regional Park

Please enter the park where Garfield Avenue ends at Seapoint Street and follow the signs.

Bring Your Own: bucket or reusable bag, gloves, closed-toed shoes, and filled, reusable water bottle. Help us cut down our waste.
As always, use public transportation, walk, bike, or carpool to the Cleanup.

Parks Make Life Better!
UPCOMING EVENTS

April

- 4/9 — So Cal Corgi Beach Day  [https://www.facebook.com/SoCalCorgiBeachDay/]
- 4/16 — Earth Day Clean Up 9am to noon at Wieder Park.  [www.huntingtonbeachca.gov]
- 4/16 — Magic of Compost at Shipley Nature Center, 9am.  [www.shipleynature.org]
- 4/23 — Run! Walk! Read! 5K for Central Library. 8am at Kathy May’s.  [www.walkrunread.com]
- 4/23 — California in my Garden, 10am to 4pm. $10.  [www.ocnp.org]
- 4/23 — National Crime Victims’ Rights Week Candlelight Vigil at Pier Plaza. 7:30 pm.
- 4/24 — Taste of HB, HB Sports Complex from noon to 4pm.  [http://www.tastehb.com/]

May

- 5/7 — 8th Annual Derby Day. 1 to 6pm at the Central Park Equestrian Center. 714.313.0922
- 5/7 — 6th Annual Wine, Cheese & Chocolate, Please for Project Self Sufficiency. 6 to 10 pm at Seacliff Country Club. $75  [www.winecheesandchocolateplease.com]

June

- 6/17 — 24th Annual “On Course” Golf Tournament for HBCOA. 10 a.m. at Meadowlark.  [www.hbcoa.org]
City Hall Directory

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City Clerk (714) 536-5227
Passports (714) 536-1600
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Community Services (714) 536-5486
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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
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