City Manager’s Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

February 12, 2020

Revolutionary War Reenactment this Weekend at Central Park — Feb. 15 & 16!

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The British are Coming!
Feb. 15 & 16

The Huntington Beach Historical Society is proud to host this reenactment of the American Revolution in Huntington Beach Central Park, behind the library, on the site of our annual Civil War Days reenactment. Come experience the founding of our nation with some of the country’s finest living history presenters.

Visit [www.hbhistory.org/revolution](http://www.hbhistory.org/revolution) for schedule of events.

Lifeguard Tryouts This Weekend

This Saturday, Feb. 15, the City will host lifeguard tryouts at 8 a.m. at Lifeguard Headquarters located at 103 Pacific Coast Highway, one block from the Pier. Performance exam consists of three physical events, as well as an oral interview on Sunday, Feb. 16.

Applicants must be 17 by June 1, 2020. Proof required (Age 16 for HB City Beach Junior Guards who have received rank of Captain and are recommended by MS Management). Applications are available online [www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/jobs](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/jobs) and must be submitted, along with the Performance Exam Form, by the application **deadline of February 13 at noon**. For more information, please call 714-536-5497.

City Hall Closed Monday, February 17

City Hall will be Closed on Monday, February 17, in honor of Presidents Day. Our City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18 with the Study Session at 4pm, and Regular Meeting at 6pm.
Tuesday, Feb. 18 City Council Study Session Presentations:
Rodgers Center and City Financial Overview

Staff will present two Study Session topics prior to our February 18 City Council meeting – Rodgers Senior Center, as well as a mid-year City financial update (given our recently completed FY 2018/19 audit and mid-year budget adjustments).

Regarding Rodgers Senior Center, based on City Council direction, staff has worked with the Community Services Commission to engage a public input process to identify possible future uses for the parcel. Those efforts included a community design workshop that was coordinated in late 2019, followed by continued discussions with various stakeholder groups, which have resulted in several possible pathways forward, including reusing the site as open park space, with a dedicated Veterans’ Memorial Hall.

On the fiscal front, staff will present an update of the City’s current financial status, based on audited FY 2018/19 results, and current year budget performance through a little more than one-half of our current FY 2019/20. A few key items that we’ll be discussing as part of the study session topic includes:

♦ FY 2018/19 audit results, through which we received the highest audit opinion possible.
♦ Audited FY 2018/19 financial performance, which resulted in a $10.38M increase in net General Fund position.
♦ Current FY 2019/20 General Fund budget performance, for which staff is currently projecting a $4.7M surplus.
♦ Looming financial threats for the future, especially future UAL pension liability costs.
♦ A review and comparison of the City’s financial and operational position with vs. without utilizing a pension obligation bond to refinance existing UAL pension debt.

We welcome you to attend on Tuesday, February 18, at City Hall’s Council Chambers at 4pm, or watch online or on the City’s Surf City TV, Channel 3.
Children and teens of all ages are invited to the library for a Valentine’s Day Crafts session on Wednesday, February 12, at 12:30 p.m. Join Grandma Elaine for an afternoon of fun, and craft the perfect gift for your Valentine. All materials needed, such as paper products, scissors, and coloring tools, will be provided by the library.

In honor of our city’s HB Reads One Book program, children are invited to a Special Storytime and Art session on Wednesday, February 19, at 1 p.m. The featured book is Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love. After the book reading, children will be able to create some art that expresses their own individuality, just how the character Julian does with his fabulous mermaid costumes. For more information, please check here http://hbreads.org/events/ as the date approaches.

The Oak View Library is located at 17251 Oak Lane and can be reached by calling (714) 375-5058.

Main Street Library News

Thursday, February 13 – All interested adults, ages 18 and above, can look forward to the next Main Street Book Club from 5:30-7 p.m. The featured book for this month is Americanah, by Nigerian-born Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. This acclaimed work, which won the National Book Critics Circle Award, tells the story of Ifemelu and Obinze, two star-crossed lovers who leave their military-oppressed homeland for the West.

Americanah, the author’s third novel, was named one of the New York Times Top Ten Best Books of 2013. Join other like-minded bibliophiles for free refreshments at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a book discussion at 5:45 p.m.

The Main Street Library is located at 525 Main Street and can be reached by calling 714-375-5071.
Other Library News & Notes
We’re blessed here in HB to have a tremendous library operation, and January proved to be a terrifically busy month for our Library Services Department! Some key updates are highlighted below for your reference!

End of Month Data for January 2020:
Total Circulation in January – 82,394 books, DVDs, & CDs
- 43,485 Children's books, DVDs & CDs were checked out
- More than 7,900 reserves placed on items
- 906 new Borrowers added
- 4,953 items were donated to the Friends of the Library

Busiest Day of the Week in January was Thursday
Over 17,800 items were checked out on Thursdays – not including our digital collections

Wifi Stats for January
- Unique sessions 19,683
- Average number of users per day, 1,462
March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election News!

There’s a new way to vote in Orange County, and it’s all about convenience and choices! Elections are no longer a one-day event. Voting begins the month before any election day when every voter will receive a vote-by-mail ballot.

Voters have the option to return their ballots via:
- US Postal Service
- Personally deliver ballots to the OC Registrar of Voters Office located at 1300 South Grand Avenue, Building C, Santa Ana
- Utilize any drive-thru or walk-up ballot drop box available at locations County-wide, or
- Visit any Vote Center in person from February 22 through March 3, 2020 (hours vary).

Vote Centers not only allow voting at any County location, but can also assist with voter registration issues, registering to vote, getting a replacement ballot, or simply receiving general assistance for 11 days prior to election day. For more information, visit the Orange County Registrar of Voters website at www.ocvote.com.

The League of Women Voters Turns 100!

For many Americans, voting has been a right and hard-fought for. African American men were granted that right 150 years ago with the passage of the 15th Amendment on February 3, 1870.

After the turn of the 20th century, a few states, California among them, granted women their voting rights. But it was not until the 19th Amendment was ratified on August 26, 1920, that national suffrage for women was achieved. Women of all races banded together to successfully claim this right, forming a number of organizations in the process.

The League of Women Voters turns 100 on February 14 — six months older than the 19th Amendment. The League encouraged women of all parties to lobby for women’s rights, educate all voters and champion social reform legislation. Today, the League remains a vibrant bi-partisan voice encouraging voter education and participation! A century of service!
Over the past few months, the Public Works Department has had three traffic signal projects under construction. Work is nearing completion on all three and they are fully operational. A new traffic signal was installed at the intersection of Bolsa Chica Street and Pearce Drive and became operational on January 29.

**Bolsa Chica/Pearce**

**Main/Utica/17th**

The traffic signal at the intersection of Main Street, Utica Avenue, and 17th Street was completely replaced. While the intersection of Gothard Street and Center Avenue was upgraded to add left-turn arrows for the northbound and southbound traffic. Both of those projects became fully operational between January 22 and January 29.

A significant factor in pursuing each of these projects was the desire to improve overall traffic safety while addressing other operational issues at the intersections ranging from peak time vehicle delays to providing fully compliant disabled access paths for pedestrians. All three projects received grant money from the Federal Government under a traffic safety grant covering approximately 80 percent of the overall project costs.
Public Works Department

Update on the Baker Tanks in the County’s East Garden Grove/Wintersburg Channel (CO5)

On December 23, a contractor hired by the US Army Corps of Engineers, was working at one of the County’s channels when two empty baker tanks, utilized as part of the construction project, were washed down to Wintersburg Channel due to a heavy rain event.

One of the tanks was lodged under a bridge, causing some damage, while the other baker tank became stuck in the mud. As of today, the project has been completed but the tanks remain in the channel (one downstream of Gothard St. bridge and the second adjacent to the Edwards St. bridge).

The contractor responsible for the salvage/removal of the tanks has submitted a revised plan to the County Public Works Department to recover the tanks. If approved, the contractor is expected to commence the work in the next few weeks and the recovery is expected to take no more than four days.

No Street Sweeping on President’s Day

There will be no street sweeping on the President’s Day holiday - Monday, February 17, 2020. The street sweeping schedule will remain the same for the rest of the week. Streets that are not swept due to holidays are not rescheduled. If you have questions about the holiday maintenance schedule, please contact the Public Works Maintenance Division at 714-960-8861. Please note that City offices will be closed Monday, February 17, 2020.

Regular Schedule for Trash Collection on President’s Day

Trash Collection will be on regular schedule for the week of February 17 through 21. There will be no service interruption due to the President’s Day holiday. Reminder: To avoid a missed trash pick-up, set your trash and recycling containers out before 7:00 a.m. on trash day. Route schedules are subject to change at any time.
Art for Lunch
Centered on the Center
February 13 | 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Celebrate Valentine’s Day early with art and complimentary dessert at HBAC’s Art for Lunch, Thursday, February 13, between 11:30am-1:30pm. Art for Lunch is a free event and open to the community. Patrons can enjoy their lunch in the galleries while viewing the current exhibition. Centered on the Center is the Huntington Beach Art Center’s annual open-call, non-juried, salon-style group exhibition. Call 714-374-1650 for more information.

Poetry Night at the Center
February 20 | 6:30 - 8 pm

Join the Huntington Beach Art Center for a night of poetry, music, and storytelling. We are proud to feature three, multi-award winning, published authors: Patty Seyburn, Charlie Brice, and Judith Alexander Brice, and local singer-songwriter C.J.Lassiter. Suggested donation of $5 at the door. Call (714) 374-1650 for more information and to RSVP.

Huntington Beach Art Center
538 Main Street • Feb 20th, 2020 • 6:30pm-8pm

FEATURED PERFORMERS:

POETS
Patty Seyburn
Charlie Brice
Judith Alexander Brice

MUSICIAN
C.J. Lassiter

SUGGESTED DONATION: $5
Starbucks Loves Seniors!

Local Huntington Beach Starbucks stores have stepped up and brought the love to the Senior Center in Central Park in the form of delicious coffee beverages and sweet treats.

Local seniors enjoyed complimentary holiday coffee and confections in December and January. Starbucks staff from several local stores including: Main/Olive, Edinger/Sher, and Brookhurst/Ellis (FV) have pulled together to bring joy and socializing to local HB seniors.

Thank you Starbucks Managers Jin (Edinger store) and Stevie (Main/Olive store) for bringing your amazing personalities and coffee magic to the Senior Center. The seniors love you and can’t wait for you to come back!

New Fire Chief for the Huntington Beach Fire Department

The Huntington Beach Fire Department is proud to welcome our new Fire Chief, Scott M. Haberle. He is the eighth Fire Chief in the history of the Huntington Beach Fire Department’s inception in 1909.

City Clerk Robin Estanislau administered the Oath of Office to Chief Haberle on Monday, February 10 with chief officers and fire administration personnel in attendance. He brings over 27 years of experience to the department, most recently as the Monterey Park Fire Chief.

Chief Haberle now leads one of the premier Fire Department agencies in the country with nearly 200 full-time personnel, 150 seasonal lifeguards, and an annual operating budget of approximately $50 million.

Welcome to Surf City, Chief Haberle!
HBPD Working with New Street Sweeping Enforcement Company

On Monday, February 3, Allied Universal Security Services began street sweeping enforcement for the City of Huntington Beach. Our Parking Control Officers have been working hard over the last three weeks to train the new Parking Enforcement Officers (PEO’s), and they are now ready to take over this function on a regular basis. City employees and citizens may notice the PEO’s wearing different uniforms and driving a different styled vehicle than what they are used to seeing.

Residents, businesses, and others should not see any service interruptions and Allied Universal will maintain the high standards the community expects with this necessary function. To help provide more consistent service, we will be conducting enforcement RAIN or SHINE. Please see the schedule for 2020 below for non-enforcement days and/or periods.

If you have questions about street sweeping enforcement, please visit the Street Sweeping Enforcement page on the Police Department website. If there are any service related questions, please call 714-536-5663.

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**Christmas Eve, December 24, 2020 through day after New Year’s Day, Saturday, January 2, 2021 NO Enforcement**
Key Updates on Park Improvements and Program Enhancements

Eader Playground Equipment – new playground equipment, including all-inclusive play options, is being manufactured, and installation will be scheduled within about four to six weeks.

LeBard Park – City staff has provided the developer responsible for the park improvements a final list of items to be completed. Once the list is satisfactorily completed, the City will sign off on the park improvements. Community Services staff is working with Seaview Little League representatives in order to develop an in-kind license agreement for the League to continue to use and maintain the baseball fields and the new concession/bathroom facility.

Central Park Bathrooms – the third of six bathroom replacements within Central Park has begun near the Park Bench Cafe location. The next on the list will be the bathroom facility near Kathy May’s.

Murdy Park / Community Center – the exterior improvements are wrapping up, and if all goes well, the new bocce ball courts will open at the end of this month. The front practice field will remain fenced in for three to four months in order for proper turf establishment. With the new protective netting and lighting, staff anticipates this reservable practice field to be an extremely popular amenity once opened. Also, the interior improvements within the community center are going well, and staff is aiming for a reopening in late March. Once a completion date is provided, staff will invite the community and Council for an open house event that will feature tours, food, games, and activity demonstrations.

Sunset Vista Camping – the facility is 100 percent full every weekend and holidays through the end of April. On February 1, we began taking reservations for May, 2020.

Youth Sports Program – many City of Huntington Beach Youth Basketball League families will attend the Golden West College basketball game on February 21, 2020. This is a new incentive that the Golden West College Men’s Basketball team has provided to our program as part of our partnership.

HBCOA Valentine’s Day Luncheon Fri., Feb 14 at Senior Center in Central Park – The Huntington Beach Council on Aging will sponsor this event with nearly 170 guests who will enjoy a hot lunch provided by Meals on Wheels Orange County and entertainment by Justuss.

SOLD OUT! HBCOA Valentine’s Day Dinner and Dance, Sat., Feb 15 at the Senior Center in Central Park

More than 200 people are expected to attend the Huntington Beach Council on Aging’s event this weekend! Thank you in advance to the sponsors, Memorial Care Orange Coast Medical Center and Hoag Hospital, wonderful volunteers, and staff.

Community Services Department Upgrades Recreation Software – in January, the Department completed the first phase of their migration to the latest version of RecTrac. The first phase consisted of a transition to a web-based platform, a new mobile-friendly website (hbsands.org), and integration of a camping module for the Sunset Vista Campground. The next phase will include upgrading all credit card terminals currently used for RecTrac transactions in order to keep up PCI compliance. Other changes planned include a redesign of hbsands.org to match the current City website, planned for mid-to-late 2020.
Zoning Administrator Update

On Feb. 5, 2020, the Zoning Administrator approved a new Whole Foods market and restaurant location with outdoor dining and instructional tasting areas located at the Beachmont Plaza shopping center (10081 Adams Avenue; northeast corner of Brookhurst Street and Adams Avenue).

Wingstop was also approved to establish a restaurant with beer and wine at 20100 Magnolia Street (southeast corner of Magnolia and Adams at the Smart & Final shopping center).

Two Brothers Pizza was approved for an expansion to combine two adjacent suites and add beer and wine service at 9891/9901 Yorktown Avenue (northwest corner of Yorktown and Brookhurst).

Zoning Administrator meetings occur on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 1:30 p.m. in Room B8 on the Lower Level of City Hall. The rest of the February 5, 2020, Zoning Administrator agenda as well as all upcoming agendas, including project plans, are available on the City’s website: https://huntingtonbeach.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx.

SAVE THE DATE: STEAM EXPO March 28, 2020 at Edison High School!
Attention HBUHSD 6th -12th grade students! The Art Contest is on now! Submit your artwork to the City between March 18-25. See link for all details and application: https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/announcements/announcement.cfm?id=1390
5k Fun Run/Walk

Saturday, March 14, 2020
8:00 a.m.
$40 / $45 / $50

(See Details Below)

Join us in Supporting the City’s adopted 3rd Battalion / 1st Marines In a 5K Fun Run/Walk Along the Beautiful HB Coastline

Check out our event Facebook Page at: https://www.facebook.com/31OneMarines

Brief Description:
5K Fun Run/Walk along the beautiful Huntington Beach Coast begins at 8:00 a.m. sharp on Saturday, March 14, 2020. Runners and Walkers will take off from and finish at the beach parking lot near Huntington Street/PCH (entrance is at Beach Blvd. and PCH) (relatively easy course with one small incline). NO ANIMALS allowed on the course. We will be filming the event! Please come support the 3rd Battalion/1st Marines and enjoy a great morning at the beach! Pancake breakast served by Huntington Beach Firefighters after the race and is INCLUDED in Run Registration. Breakfast is also open to the public for $5 per person. The beer garden is also back by popular demand!

ENTRIES ARE LIMITED • THIS EVENT SELLS OUT • REGISTER EARLY

Fees:
Online registration is now open at Active.com (https://www.active.com/huntington-beach-ca/runs/distance-running-races/3-1-marines-5k-fun-run-walk-2020). Limited time only: Register by February 16th for only $40. Register between February 17th and February 29th for $45. Last minute registration beyond March 1st will be $50 (if spots are available). If you are unable to register online, you may mail-in (details below) prior to February 29th.

Packet Pick-Up: Friday, March 13, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Lower Level City Hall, 2000 Main St., H.B.

Registration Closing Date: March 14, 2020 at 5:00 PM PST

Parking:
Beach Parking Lot:$15. Metered Spaces on PCH. Limited Surface Streets

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION:

Name_________________________ City, State Zip ____________ Sex ___ (M/F) Age_____
Address__________________________________________________________
Phone _______________________________ E-mail ____________________________

SHIRT SIZE (circle One) SM M L XL XXL For questions regarding registration contact Chris at 714) 307-3688 or 5k3OneMarines@gmail.com. Make checks payable to: HBPCF. Mail to: Huntington Beach Police and Community Foundation (HBPCF) – 3/1 Run, P.O. Box 4538, Huntington Beach, CA 92640.

Waiver (MUST BE SIGNED)
In consideration of your accepting this entry, I, the below signed, intending to be legally bound, for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the race, and sponsors and their representatives, the City of Huntington Beach, its officers, elected or appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest that I will participate in this event as a footrace, that I am physically fit and sufficiently trained for the completion of this event. Furthermore, I hereby grant full permission to use my name and likeness, as well as any photographs and any record of this event in which I may appear for any legitimate purpose, including advertising and promotion.

Signature ___________________________________________ Date ____________
Parent or Guardian if under 18 ________________________________________________

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9 AM TO 12 PM

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HUNTINGTON BEACH

INFO: HUNTINGTONBEACHPOST133@GMAIL.COM

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Located in the Huntington Beach Central Library
7111 Talbert Ave, Huntington Beach
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Serving Veterans and the Community since 1919!
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