

City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON
BEACH

Feb. 20, 2019



FEMA Map Revisions for Huntington Harbour and Sunset Beach

On **March 21, 2019**, new FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) for Huntington Beach's coastline area and related Flood Insurance Studies (FIS) for Orange County will become effective. The flood zone boundaries of Huntington Harbour and Sunset Beach have been revised and affected properties are placed into a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) and designated as "AE" or "VE" zone on the flood map.

Properties within the SFHA are required to purchase flood insurance if the owner has a mortgage through a federally regulated or insured lender and adhere to special construction requirements. **Property owners who obtain and maintain flood insurance before the FIRM panels become effective may be able to benefit from the National Flood Insurance Program's "grandfathering" insurance rating process and pay a lower premium.**

Should you have any questions regarding the flood maps, please contact the Community Development Department at (714) 536-5271. Copies of the new FIRMs can be obtained at the following link:

<https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/flood/index.cfm>.

To learn more about flood insurance, visit www.FloodSmart.gov or call Edie Lohmann, National Flood Insurance Program Specialist (FEMA Region IX) at (510) 627-7235.

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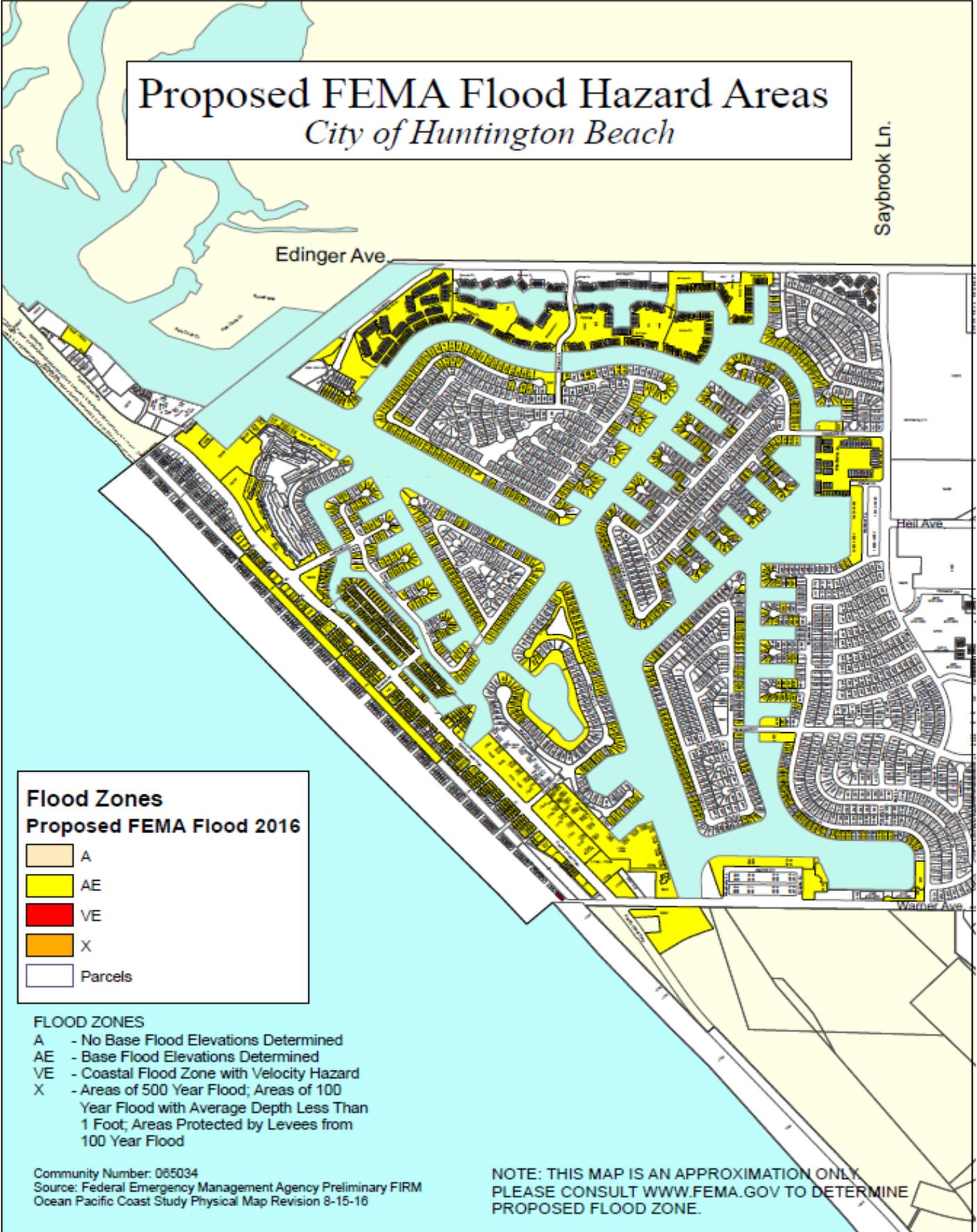
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Proposed FEMA Flood Hazard Areas *City of Huntington Beach*

Saybrook Ln.

Edinger Ave.



Flood Zones Proposed FEMA Flood 2016

- A
- AE
- VE
- X
- Parcels

- FLOOD ZONES**
- A - No Base Flood Elevations Determined
 - AE - Base Flood Elevations Determined
 - VE - Coastal Flood Zone with Velocity Hazard
 - X - Areas of 500 Year Flood; Areas of 100 Year Flood with Average Depth Less Than 1 Foot; Areas Protected by Levees from 100 Year Flood

Community Number: 085034
Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency Preliminary FIRM
Ocean Pacific Coast Study Physical Map Revision 8-15-16

**NOTE: THIS MAP IS AN APPROXIMATION ONLY.
PLEASE CONSULT WWW.FEMA.GOV TO DETERMINE
PROPOSED FLOOD ZONE.**

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Home Heating Safety

The Huntington Beach Fire Department urges the safe use of heating equipment during this very chilly season. Heating equipment is a leading cause of fires in U.S. homes. Between 2012 to 2016, fire departments across the country responded to an average of 52,050 fires involving heating equipment, which accounted for 15 percent of home fires. These fires resulted in annual losses of 490 civilian deaths, 1,400 civilian injuries, and \$1 billion in direct property damage.

Facts and figures (based on 2012-2016 annual averages):

- ◆ 86 percent of home heating fire deaths involved stationary or portable space heaters.
- ◆ 27 percent of home heating fires were a result of failing to clean the equipment, such as chimneys and other solid-fueled heating equipment.
- ◆ 54 percent of home heating fire deaths were a result of heating equipment being too close to things that burn, such as upholstered furniture, clothing, mattress, or bedding.
- ◆ Nearly half (48 percent) of all home heating fires occurred in December, January and February.



To be warm and safe during this chilly season,

- ◆ Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- ◆ Have a three-foot “kid-free zone” around open fires and space heaters.
- ◆ Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- ◆ Ensure the smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are working properly.

More information may be found at nfpa.org/Public-Education/By-topic/Top-causes-of-fire/Heating,

INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Did you know that you can purchase an Annual Beach Parking Pass that allows parking at the City beach? To find a link to this page, click on the Residents tab and then Parking Information:

http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/parking/parking_pass.cfm

CITY CLERKS OFFICE

From the Archives:

Honoring Black History Month, Remembering Henry Brooks



Young Henry with a superimposed fish
beneath the pier
City of Huntington Beach Archives



Class of 1916
Huntington Beach High School
HBUHSD Board of Trustees

Henry Brooks grew up in Huntington Beach raised by his older sister, a nurse, and his brother who was a waiter for the railroad. Henry was the only African American student at Huntington Beach High School. He excelled at athletics, particularly as the pitcher on the baseball team. A very talented artist, Henry was placed in charge of art for his Class of 1916 yearbook. He was clearly very well regarded by his classmates.

When the US entered WWI, he enlisted immediately as a Sergeant in the 350th Machine Gun Battalion of the 92nd Division. Like others, it was segregated. Black men at the time were largely considered fit only for manual labor. Only two such Divisions, including the 92nd, were armed for combat. Alongside others with nicknames like the "Harlem Hellcats", Henry's unit fought valiantly along the horrific Meuse-Argonne Offensive on the Western Front until the war ended.

He returned safely home in March 1919 and worked as a decorator and housepainter until his death in 1952.

Submitted by Kathie Schey, City Archivist

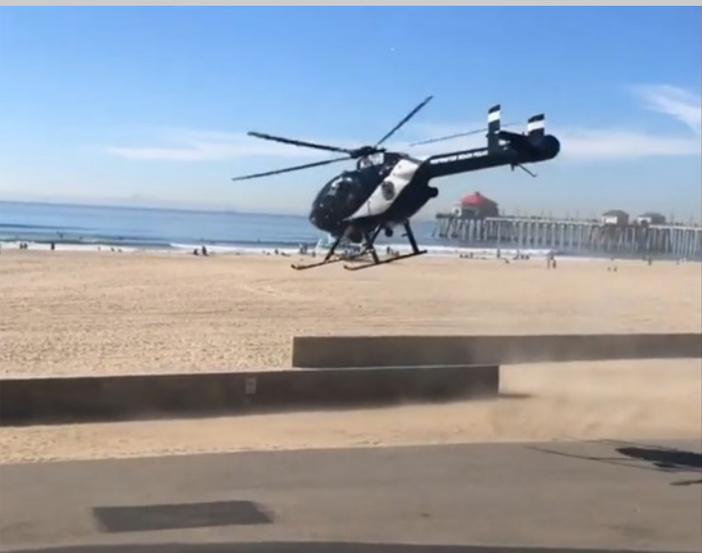
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department Employee's Honored as Employees of the Month for their Life Saving Efforts

On January 3, 2019, Officer Garwood was acting as Pilot in Command of HB1, and Officer Deliema was acting as the Tactical Flight Officer during a routine patrol shift. At approximately 11 a.m., the crew received a call that a vessel had overturned in the ocean somewhere near the oil platforms. The call also determined that there were victims in the water who were in need of assistance. The additional information was obtained through the efforts of one of the victims who called 911 from his cell phone after the boat capsized.

Communication Operator, Jennifer La Fontaine, answered that 911 call and calmly determined the nature and location of the emergency, despite the victim's difficult task of talking on the phone while trying to stay afloat and help the other injured boater.

The crew of HB1 immediately requested to block off the bike path in front of Lifeguard Headquarters. Once Lifeguards made the area safe, the crew landed and picked up Marine Safety Officer Leach. While enroute to the location, Officer Garwood coordinated a response from the Coast Guard while Officer Deliema coordinated with the Orange County Sheriff's Department Harbor Patrol.



The crew located the capsized vessel approximately six miles from shore. They observed one victim to be treading water and another victim unconscious. MSO Leach then deployed from the helicopter into the water to assist the OCSD crew in rescuing the victims. CPR and the AED was administered on the boat and the survivors were returned to shore. Tragically one of the boaters did not survive.

The incredible teamwork and quick thinking between our communication operator, air crew, and lifeguards led to the coordinated rescue of both victims.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Free, Easy Drop Off of Household Hazardous Waste Available in Huntington Beach

Did you know that televisions, computer monitors, fluorescent light bulbs, household batteries, automotive fluids, paints, and household cleaning products are household hazardous waste? These items, commonly found in homes, garages, and storage sheds, cannot be placed in the trash or taken to landfill. Trash receptacles containing them will not be collected. Residents should drop off these hazardous wastes for **FREE** at the Orange County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center.

The center is conveniently and centrally located here in Huntington Beach at the Rainbow Environmental / Republic Services facility at 17121 Nichols Lane, Gate #6. This drive-through collection site is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; closed on major holidays and when raining. Sorry, but the County is not permitted to accept waste from businesses, churches, schools, non-profit organizations or government agencies, or from residents outside of Orange County. Please visit www.oclandfills.com/hazardous or call the County of Orange at (714) 834-4000 for more information.



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

NEW! Electric Lawn Mower Rebate Program



As a City of Huntington Beach resident, you will be eligible to receive a **rebate of up to \$250** with the purchase of a cordless, battery electric lawn mower. Purchase must include mower, battery and charger. Participants must also scrap a working gas mower in order to qualify for the rebate. For eligibility, application, and program details, please visit www.aqmd.gov/lawnmower.

What You'll Need: Proof of purchase and signed scrap certificate.

The rebate program is first-come, first-served and rebates will continue until all program funds have been exhausted. For questions, please call the SCAQMD toll-free (Tuesday- Friday) at **888-425-6247** or email lawnmower@aqmd.gov.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

ATTENTION! HB Businesses, Your SCE Energy Rate will Change in March 2019

DID YOU KNOW?

CRITICAL PEAK PRICING (CPP) RATE

In March 2019, many small and medium businesses and large agricultural and pumping businesses will be automatically enrolled on Critical Peak Pricing (CPP) and your Southern California Edison's energy rate will change.

CPP provides **four months of summer season bill credits** in exchange for higher prices during 12 CPP event days per year between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m., usually occurring on the hottest summer days. By reducing your electricity use on CPP event days, you can lower your electric costs during the summer season—when your bills are typically the highest.

If your business is able to reduce its energy use away from CPP events, you can lower your overall costs.

**TAKE ACTION:**

- ◆ Review your Service Accounts and Summary of Changes Legend for applicable changes and speak with your account manager if you have any concerns
- ◆ Get courtesy alerts: Set up your alert contact preferences, visit sce.com/CPUpdatecontact and receive a notification the day before a CCP event via phone, email or text.
- ◆ Time-of-use savings tip: turn off non-essential lighting, signage, and equipment between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. For more tips, visit [here](#).
- ◆ Opt-out if it is not right for you: If your business operation doesn't have the flexibility to reduce its energy use during a CPP event, you can opt-out of CPP before in March by contacting SCE and select another rate plan by 2/28/2019.

**TAKE ACTION.
RATE CHANGES
START MARCH 2019.**



For more information, please visit SCE website:

<https://pages.email.sce.com/CP/en/>

OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Filming in HB

Last week the City was visited by the cast of Germany's Next Top Model for the fourth year in a row to film a segment in Town. The City of Huntington Beach is thankful that Germany's Next Top Model continues to use our beach as a recurring location for their show. TV production such as this grants excellent exposure for the City that is difficult to obtain through traditional marketing methods. Additionally, Huntington Beach has been able to maintain and enhance its reputation as a film friendly destination on a global scale.



"Primo Nosh" Sports Complex Concessions

The City has approved an agreement with Primo Nosh Chefs LLC for the operation of the Huntington Beach Sports Complex Concession Stands. Primo Nosh looks to make the sports complex concessions a dining destination within Central Park to attract visitors during special events as well as during sporting events. Primo Nosh has significant experience providing quality food and services to special/sporting events and the City is looking forward to the improvements they will be making at the sports complex.

Webify Courses

The Office of Business Development and the Small Business Development Center of Orange County will co-host a series of e-commerce workshops in Huntington Beach for free beginning at 6 p.m., February 27 at City Hall. The workshops will focus on businesses looking to establish an online presence and marketing strategies. Businesses interested in signing up can do so by visiting: www.webify-hb.eventbrite.com.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

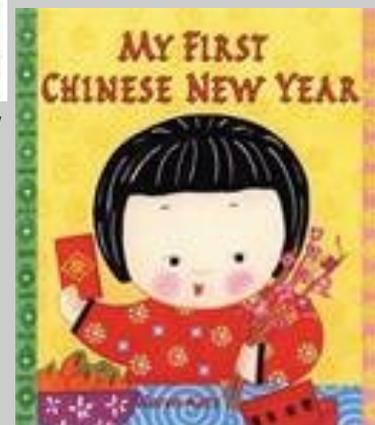
Oak View Branch Library

HUNTINGTON BEACH READS ONE BOOK

READ · THINK · DISCUSS · ACT

In honor of the city's annual **Huntington Beach Reads One Book** program, the Oak View branch library will be having a special storytime on **Wednesday, February 20 at 4 p.m.** The featured book is the children's title *My First Chinese New Year* by Karen Katz. Children of all ages are invited. After the storytime they can participate in a fun art project related to the book! This is a great way for the younger set to take part in this valuable community event, which was started in 2006. For more information and a calendar of activities for HB Reads One Book, please visit their website at:

<http://hbread.org/events>



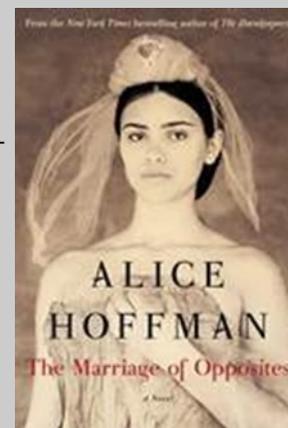
Another way kids can expand their intellectual horizons is to become a member of the weekly **Oak View Chess Club**, which meets every Friday from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Children, tweens and teens are invited to join chess expert Mr. Nguyen on **Friday, February 22, at 3:30 p.m.** to practice the game and improve their skills. For those who are new to chess, an orientation will be held on **Friday, March 1**, and the first Friday of every month. The Oak View Branch Library is located at 17251 Oak Lane, and can be reached by calling (714) 375-5068.

Banning Branch Library

Adults ages 18 and up are encouraged to get started on the next pick of the **Banning Library Book Club**, which is coming up on **Thursday, March 14, at 5:30 p.m.** This month's selection is *The Marriage of Opposites*, by Alice Hoffman. Hoffman has written an excellent piece of historical fiction that explores the relationship between Rachel Manzano-Pomie Petit and Frederic Pizarro.

After her first husband from an arranged marriage passes away, independent and defiant Rachel begins to live her life on her own terms. This includes meeting her husband's younger nephew Frederick, who comes to manage the estate. Their unlikely and forbidden love affair resulted in the man known as the first Impressionist painter, Camille Pissarro.

Unfortunately, because of this scandalous affair, which took place in the in the Danish West Indies, young Camille was forced to live as an outsider. Beginning with refreshments at 5:30 p.m., historical fiction buffs can participate in an equally exciting conversation on passion amid segregation, not to mention the birth of Impressionistic art. The Banning Branch Library is located at 9281 Banning Avenue and can be reached by calling (714) 375-5005.



Stacks and Snacks

**Food Truck
Nights
are back!**

visit
hbpl.org
for details

**February
20th
5pm to 8pm**



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LIBRARY
www.hbpl.org

Huntington Beach Public Library

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

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Aloha from City Gym!

The 3rd Annual Boutonnieres and Bows Dance took place on Saturday, February 16. More than 100 participants attended and watched a Polynesian Dance show performed by Tupua Productions, enjoyed a delicious Hawaiian dinner followed by shaved ice, and danced the night away! Thank you to all of the sponsors who made this event possible and to the participants who make this event so fun year after year!



EVENTS

join us *for our* open house!



at golden west college

FEBRUARY 22, 2019

4:00PM-8:00PM



- * Live Music & Entertainment
- * Savory & Sweet Food Trucks
- * Campus Tours
- * GWC Staff & Faculty Showcases
- * Resource Fair
- * Activities for the Whole Family!



You are cordially invited to join us for an evening of music, food, and entertainment on the campus of Golden West College. Learn about the many different learning opportunities available to you.



FOR MORE INFO: goldenwestcollege.edu/open-house



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WHERE

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