

# CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

**June 4, 2012**

## CITY MANAGER

### **Be an HB Delegate to Japan**

Huntington Beach residents and friends are invited to participate as part of a city delegation to visit Japan, October 16-25, 2012.

Sponsored by the Sister City Association of Huntington Beach, a highlight of the trip will be a visit to Anjo - a sister city to Huntington Beach for 30 years. Tour members will experience the warm hospitality of Anjo citizens and enjoy a home stay with a local family.

Our visit to other cities in Japan will provide enrichment and education taking pleasure in centuries of charm, history and culture: Tokyo, the metropolitan capital of Japan; Takayama; and lovely and historic Kyoto. In 2002 and again in 2007, a delegation from Huntington Beach experienced an unforgettable trip to Japan. Participants included city officials (at their own expense) and more than 25 others from the city.

The excursion will be under the capable leadership of Peggy Mikuni of Yamato Travel Bureau, who says it was and is a privilege to work with the adventuresome people of Huntington Beach, and looks forward to planning another long remembered tour.

Watch the website for more detailed information at [www.hbsistercity.org](http://www.hbsistercity.org) or call 714- 846-0060, or 800-334-4982.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### **Huntington Beach Art Center**

The Huntington Beach Art Center invites you to our **Art of Chocolate** fundraising event June 10 from 2:00 – 5:00 P.M. The event includes a variety of vendors presenting their signature chocolate creations along with samplings of other sweet treats. Tickets are \$35 for General admission and \$25 for Art Center members. There will be a limited number of VIP tickets at \$50 each, which entitle guests to participate in the culinary demonstration. Call Charlene for tickets and information at 714.536.5258.

### **Huntington Beach Senior Services**

Huntington Beach Senior Services is partnering with California State University Long Beach to offer a free Home Visit & Assessment Program conducted by the nursing students from CSULB School of Nursing. The CSULB nursing students are available to provide education and/or referrals in the following areas: Home Safety - fall prevention, fire safety, emergency preparedness, nutrition assessment, personal medication education, personal exercise education, disease management education, and Resource need assessments. Visits will be conducted between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and last 1-2 hours. When calling, please indicate your preferred date and time. Dates available to schedule a visit: June 27, July 3, July 10, July 17

To schedule an appointment, please contact, Huntington Beach Senior Services at 714-960-2478.



### **Free Demonstration Classes**

The Huntington Beach Community Services Department and HB Pilates will be offering FREE demonstration classes for PILOXING®, Pilates Mat Class, and Pilates Cardio Barre for a full week. Classes will be held throughout the City at various Community Centers on specific days during the weeks of June 11 - June 15. Do not miss the perfect opportunity to try one of these amazing classes for free. For more information about specific class times or location, please call the City Gym at (714) 960-8884.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **Chili at the Beach**

Grab your Dad or Grad and head to Main Street in Downtown Huntington Beach to join the fun at the 5th Annual Chili at the Beach event on Father's Day Weekend. The event features the Annual Chili Cook Off with over 30 teams competing for awards, musical entertainment and kid's rides and games. See you on Saturday, June 16 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. Attendance is free and chili tasting tickets range from \$5 to \$20. Event proceeds support Boys and Girls Club of Huntington Valley and CHOC Children's Hospital. For additional information, contact Celeste Hamil at (714) 536-8300, hbdbid@verizon.net

### **Free Surf City Downtown Shuttle and Free Secured Bike Parking**

The Surf City Downtown Shuttle provides free and convenient rides from the Huntington Beach Civic Center to downtown on Saturdays, Sundays, Memorial Day and Labor Day, from 10 AM-10PM. New this year is year-round service during Tuesday's Surf City Nights from 5:30-10 PM. Shuttles depart every 30 minutes from the Huntington Beach Civic Center at 2000 Main Street, and free parking is available for shuttle passengers in the Civic Center lot.

Plus, bicyclists searching for prime - free – and secure - parking for their wheels this summer won't be searching long... Pedego Electric Bicycles will provide free, secured bicycle parking at their location on weekends from 10 AM to 6 PM and Tuesdays during Surf City Nights from 5 PM to 9 PM. Pedego Electric Bikes is located at 301 5<sup>th</sup> St. at the corner of 5th and Olive. For more information, visit: <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/visitors/parking/>.

## **FIRE**

### **Learn "Hands Only" CPR for FREE**

The Orange County Emergency Medical Services and the American Heart Association are coordinating Orange County's "Sidewalk CPR Day" event on June 7 at various locations. This free event will teach the public "Hands-Only" CPR and will be held at Pier Plaza at 1:00 p.m.

The Sidewalk CPR Program is designed to teach basic skills to potentially save a life utilizing "Hands-Only" CPR (different from conventional "Mouth-to-Mouth" CPR). When someone goes into sudden cardiac arrest, every second is precious to save that life. Survival depends greatly on immediately getting CPR, but less than 1/3 of the people who experience a cardiac

arrest at home, work, or in a public location, gets that type of help. Approximately 80% of cardiac arrests happen at home. Most bystanders are worried that they might do something wrong or make things worse. On the other hand, effective bystander CPR provided immediately after sudden cardiac arrest can double or triple a victim's chance of survival.

Learn the 7 basic steps for Hands Only CPR:

- 1) Check responsiveness (Shake and shout)
- 2) Place person on the ground on their back
- 3) Tell someone to call 9-1-1 or if alone call 9-1-1 yourself
- 4) Position yourself close to the person with your knees touching their arm or chest
- 5) Lace your hands together and place on the center / middle of the person's chest
- 6) Push hard and fast (with a goal of 100 times a minute and 2 inches deep)
- 7) Keep going until help arrives

And remember...The only way to make the person worse is to do nothing!

### **Structure Fire**

On May 31 at 4:00 a.m., firefighters were dispatched to a residential structure fire on Warner Avenue. Upon arrival, firefighters reported an exterior fire against the rear of a mobile home. The fire was brought under control and was kept from extending into the home.

Just as the fire was brought under control, firefighters were dispatched to another reported fire approximately 200 yards east of their current location. Firefighters reported a fully involved vehicle fire in a carport with apartments above. The vehicle was a total loss, but aggressive firefighting kept the fire from extending to the inside of any residence.

The fires are currently under investigation.

### **INFORMATION SERVICES**

Did you know that the City Website contains a page that lists Frequently Called City Phone Numbers? Just click on Government and then "Frequently Called numbers"

[http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/frequently\\_called\\_phone\\_numbers.cfm](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/frequently_called_phone_numbers.cfm)

### **LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

#### **June is Audiobook Month**

Heard a good book lately? The Huntington Beach Library Media Center has thousands of titles available, everything from bestselling authors James Patterson and Nora Roberts to hot series like *The Hunger Games* and *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* to classic radio programs, fairy tales for children, and language learning aids. Audiobooks on CD or tape may be borrowed for 3 weeks and cost \$1; digital audio downloads from [e.hbpl.org](http://e.hbpl.org) may be borrowed for 1 or 2 weeks and are free! For more information call 714-842-4481 or visit [www.hbpl.org](http://www.hbpl.org).

#### **Summertime Coming Attractions**

Hollywood is increasingly relying on books for the plots to feature films. Check out these titles from the Library that will be on the big screen this summer:

*The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* by Deborah Moggach, starring Judi Dench, Maggie Smith and Bill Nighy

*Bel Ami* by Guy de Maupassant starring Uma Thurman, Kristin Scott Thomas and Robert Pattinson

*Abraham Lincoln, Vampire Hunter* by Seth Grahame-Smith, starring Dominic Cooper and Benjamin Walker

*Savages* by Don Winslow, starring John Travolta and Blake Lively

*The Bourne Legacy* by Eric van Lustbader, starring Jeremy Renner and Rachel Weisz

*Lawless*—based on the novel *Wettest County in the World* by Matt Bondurant, starring Gary Oldman, Jessica Chastain and Shia LaBeouf

## **PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

### **Zoning Administrator**

On June 6, 2012, at 1:30PM in Room B-8, the Zoning Administrator will conduct a public hearing on the following items:

**COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 2012-04 (ZACZEK ADDITION)** to review a request to permit an approximately 700 sq. ft. two-story addition to an existing 3,788 sq. ft. two-story single-family residence for a total building area of approximately 4,488 sq. ft. (16246 Wayfarer Lane, 92649 - east side of Wayfarer Lane, north of Mistral Drive – Humboldt Island). Contact Jill Arabe, project planner, at 714-536-5271 for further information;

**COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 12-01/ TEMPORARY USE PERMIT NO. 12-01 (SURF CITY NIGHTS)** to review a request to permit the closure of Main and 5<sup>th</sup> Street every Tuesday night to allow for an outdoor festival for a period of five years (2013-2017). The festival will consist of various activities including sidewalk sales, farmer's market, live entertainment, food preparation and tasting, and kid's activities (bounce house and train). The closure will be between Pacific Coast Highway and Orange Avenue on Main Street including portions of (half-block) of Walnut Avenue and Olive Avenue (between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street) and between Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut on 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Parking will be provided via a remote parking lot located at 2000 Main Street with shuttle service to/from the festival to accommodate overflow parking during the peak summer season (Main Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 92648 - between Pacific Coast Highway & Orange Avenue – Main Street & between Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut Avenue – 5<sup>th</sup> Street). Contact Andrew Gonzales, project planner, at 714-536-5271 for further information. A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Police Department

On June 2, Mothers Against Drunk Driving honored law enforcement officers from around the state at their 2012 MADD California Hero Awards banquet. The event took place in Sacramento and recognized individual officers for their hard work throughout the year on making our streets safer from drunk drivers. Officer Dereszynski was the 2012 award recipient for the Huntington Beach Police Departments. Officer Dereszynski has been on the departments DUI Enforcement team for about two years and during that time has been responsible for over 430 DUI related arrests. His enthusiasm and dedication to this assignment has undoubtedly made the streets of Huntington Beach a safer place to drive. Captain Bunetta and Sergeant Haught accompanied Officer Dereszynski to Sacramento and celebrated this great achievement with him.

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Construction Begins on Residential Pavement Improvement Project

Construction has started on this year's residential pavement improvement project. This year's program will improve 81 residential streets within the area generally bounded by Yorktown Avenue, Pacific Coast Highway, Lake Street, and Magnolia Street. The project area was selected based on the City's Pavement Management Program, which organizes and prioritizes streets based on their pavement condition and cost/benefits. Project completion is expected in late June 2012.

Streets in poor/fair pavement condition will be rehabilitated by cold milling existing pavement, installing pavement fabric, overlaying an inch and a half (1½") of new asphalt pavement, adjusting all water valves and sewer/storm drain manholes to match new finished surface, and replacement of traffic striping. Streets in fair/good condition will be slurry sealed and re-striped. All affected residents have been notified by the contractor. Residents may also call the City's project manager, Joe Dale, at (714) 536-5915 if they have any questions or concerns.

### 2012 City Drinking Water Quality Report Now Available

Have you ever wondered what is in your glass of water or where it comes from? Well that information and more is included in the 2012 City of Huntington Beach Drinking Water Quality Report which is now available. As in previous years, the City water system continually meets or exceeds all State and Federal standards on drinking water. Regulations require water agencies to prepare an annual water quality report, sometimes called a Consumer Confidence Report, and distribute it by July 1. The City has completed the 2012 Report and is currently mailing it to all residential and commercial water users throughout City of Huntington Beach and Sunset Beach. Hardcopies are also available at public counters at City Hall, City Libraries, and the Rogers Senior Center. An electronic copy is also available on the City's website at:

[http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Public\\_Works/utilities/](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Public_Works/utilities/). For further information please contact the Public Works Utilities Office at (714) 536-5921.

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

Saturday, June 16 at 9:00 a.m. Shipley Nature Center is hosting a seminar on backyard composting and food composting with worms. Approximately 90 minutes in length, the lecture covers the various techniques for successfully 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 [www.shipleynature.org](http://www.shipleynature.org). The seminar is held at Shipley Nature Center, 17851 Goldenwest St., Huntington Beach 92647 (in Huntington Central Park). Huntington Beach residents attending the lecture will receive a \$50 voucher that can be used toward the purchase of a composting unit or complete worm composting kit. This lecture series is sponsored by the Department of Public Works, Rainbow Environmental Services, Enrecos, and Friends of Shipley Nature. For more information visit [www.shipleynature.org](http://www.shipleynature.org).