

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S WEEKLY REPORT

November 15, 2010

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Sunset Beach Annexation

At the regularly scheduled November 15, 2010, City Council meeting, the City Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Sunset Beach Community Association (SBCA) and the City, a Pre-Annexation Agreement between the County of Orange and the City, and a Resolution approving the Property Tax Exchange Agreement between the County of Orange and the City.

The MOU between the City and SBCA delineates responsibilities and terms under which the Annexation will take place including issues relative to Sunset Beach identity, the Local Coastal Plan, parking, beach hours, short term rentals, and capital projects among others. The Pre-Annexation Agreement between the County of Orange and the City outlines the property tax exchange, the provision for funding for Ocean Lifeguard Services, the transfer of beach maintenance equipment, the responsibilities of the County relative to Utility Undergrounding projects and capital projects, and the provision for land use authority during the interim period between the annexation and Coastal Commission approval. The Property Tax Exchange Resolution between the County of Orange and the City identifies the transfer of revenues that are property related.

Next steps include the submittal of an application to the Local Agency Formation Commission for annexation. It is anticipated that LAFCO will hear this item on December 8, 2010, with annexation being recorded in early 2011.

CITY TREASURER

City Treasurer Shari Freidenrich, along with almost 200 OC residents, attended the OC Financial Planning Day. Shari was instrumental in bringing this event to Orange County along with Andi Kang of Crown Wealth Management, Julie Holmes-Grady, and Cathy Green, Mayor of Huntington Beach. The event was co-sponsored by the City of Huntington Beach and the Financial Planning Association of Orange County. The event was a success and Shari thanks all the volunteers who contributed their time for this event. Financial Planners and other professionals provided free, no-strings advice to residents on a variety of financial planning topics. For more details, please see pages 9-10 of the attached link:

http://www.usmayors.org/usmayornewspaper/documents/11_08_10/110810USMayor.pdf

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Huntington Beach Senior Services – Talking Turkey

Each November for the past 13 years an anonymous donor delivers 25 frozen turkey breasts to Huntington Beach Senior Services. Outreach Social Workers deliver the turkey to their low-

income clients who are still able to cook a celebratory Thanksgiving dinner. On Thanksgiving Day, volunteers will deliver Holiday Meals to select clients who are no longer able to cook for themselves and will be alone on the holiday. Huntington Beach Hospital prepares the traditional turkey dinner. The Holiday Meal program is sponsored by the Handy Crafters and the Huntington Beach Council on Aging. It is through the community partnership of individuals and community organizations that Huntington Beach Senior Services is able to promote independence and dignity for our local seniors.

Youth Sports Grants

Applications for the City of Huntington Beach Youth Sports Grants are now available from the City's Community Services Department (714) 536-5230. The Youth Sports Grant program is designed to improve facilities for youth sports in Huntington Beach by providing supplemental assistance to nonprofit youth group's existing resources for projects as proposed (not ongoing operational costs). **Grants must be for capital expenditures such as permanent construction/repairs (backstops, lights, etc.) not portable fixtures or equipment and project must be located on public property within the City of Huntington Beach.** For more information regarding qualifications and requirements, please refer to the Youth Sports Grant Application. The 2011 Grant Pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 18 in Room B-7 of the City of Huntington Beach City Hall, 2000 Main St.

The Surf City Store at City Hall

Just in time for the holidays - The Surf City Store at City Hall. The Surf City Store will be offering a wide range of "Surf City" active wear at the lobby of City Hall December 1 and 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. Shop early for the best selection with many new products to choose from!

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Surf City Recognizes Ten Time World Champion Surfer - Kelly Slater

The City of Huntington Beach City Council presented a proclamation for internationally renowned surfer, Kelly Slater on November 15, 2010. Surf City honors Slater's tenth Professional World Championship and commemorates his outstanding and unprecedented achievements in the world and history of surfing. Slater has competed at surfing events in Huntington Beach California for nearly 30 years and continues to return each summer to compete in the US Open of Surfing. Quiksilver, a premier international surf clothing manufacturer located in Huntington Beach, sponsors Slater. Quiksilver is partnering with the City to plan a local event to present him with a "key to the City." In conjunction with the proclamation and upcoming community event, there will be banners recognizing Slater's outstanding achievement.

FIRE

Heating Safety Tips

Be warm and safe this winter! Half of home heating fires are reported during the months of December, January, and February.

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment (i.e. furnace, fireplace, portable space heater)
- Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters
- Never use your oven to heat your home
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms monthly

For more information, visit www.nfpa.org/education.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

HB Reads Book Fair

Friday, November 26, Saturday, November 27, and Sunday, November 28 Barnes & Noble at the Bella Terra Mall hosts a Book Fair as fundraising support for Huntington Beach Reads One Book. Funds are used to purchase copies of the featured book for local high school students, host readers' events, and to bring the author to Huntington Beach.

Tell the cashier you are participating in the Book Fair for Huntington Beach Reads One Book and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to the program. This applies to any book, CD, or DVD purchased during the Book Fair.

HBReads' featured book is ***Barefoot Heart, Stories of a Migrant Child*** by Elva Treviño Hart. Help support HB Reads by making purchases from November 26 to November 28. For more information, go to www.HBReads.org or call **714-49-READS** (497-3237).

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

November 9 Planning Commission Meeting Recap

At the Tuesday, November 9 Planning Commission meeting, the Commission approved with modified conditions of approval the request to permit a restaurant with outdoor dining and live entertainment at 210 Fifth Street (Lugatti's Restaurant).

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Facebook and Twitter

The Huntington Beach Police Department created a Facebook fan page and Twitter account as additional avenues of communicating with the public. These additional forms of social media will complement the existing police department traditional webpage. Earlier this year, the police department added online service www.CrimeReports.com to allow citizens to follow crime related activity and police calls around their neighborhood. Social media continues to grow in popularity with all demographics and is not just for younger generations. As traditional forms of media are declining, the police department recognizes Facebook and Twitter as important tools for staying connected with the community.

The Facebook fan page and Twitter will provide the police department with additional resources for:

- Crime investigations
- Soliciting tips on crimes
- Notifying the public of crime problems
- Notifying the public of ways to access emergency information
- Crime prevention activities
- Community outreach and citizen engagement
- Public relations
- Recruitment

The links are available from the police department webpage at www.hbpd.org or by accessing directly at:

- Facebook.com/HuntingtonBeachPolice
- Twitter.com/HBPD_PIO

PUBLIC WORKS

Thanksgiving Holiday Affects Street Sweeping and Trash Collection

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no street sweeping on Thursday and Friday, November 25 and 26. This means your street will not be swept if your street is usually swept

on second and fourth Thursdays or Fridays. Streets that are not swept due to holidays are not rescheduled. There is no make-up schedule for street sweeping.

Trash will not be collected on Thanksgiving Day. Residents on Thursday's route should place their trash for collection on Friday. Friday's route will be collected on Saturday. The regular collection schedule resumes on Monday, November 29. If you have questions about the holiday maintenance schedule, please contact the Public Works Maintenance division at 714-960-8861.