City Manager’s Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

Week of November 28, 2016

Three City Council Meetings in December

**Official swearing in ceremony will be Monday, December 12**

The City will hold a special City Council transition meeting on Monday, December, 12 at 6 p.m. This Special Meeting is due to several factors regarding the 2016 General Municipal Election held on November 8, 2016: the election occurred four plus days later than other recent elections; a change in State law added three extra days for the Registrar of Voters to certify election results; other changes in State law now allow vote-by-mail in ballots to be received up to three days after the election and allows voters eight days to correct an unsigned ballot envelope; and, finally, a near record voter turnout.

Accordingly, the Orange County Registrar of Voters has indicated that the election will not be certified before December 5, therefore, precluding any City Council transition ceremony on December 5.

Due to two items being continued from the November 21 City Council meeting, we will still hold a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, December 5 to conduct limited City business. The agenda for that meeting will be posted on or before December 1, 2016, on the City’s website.

The regularly scheduled City Council meeting for December 19 will also be held as normal. The agenda for that meeting will be posted on or before December 15.

Due to the holidays and limited business, the City Council meeting on January 3, 2017 has been canceled. The City Council will next meet on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 (the third Tuesday due to observance of Martin Luther King holiday).

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Project Self Sufficiency
Holiday Adopt-a-Family

Project Self Sufficiency completed a very successful 2016 Holiday Adopt-a-Family Program for Thanksgiving. Christmas Adopt-a-Family is currently underway. Program staff successfully matched dozens of community donors with 51 Project Self Sufficiency families to assure that program clients had an abundant Thanksgiving holiday. Community members donated food, gift cards, and some created beautiful baskets of food, cards, and holiday items! The value of the baskets donated was based on the size of the PSS family and was determined by what donors were able to provide. The Christmas adopt-a-family is currently being coordinated so if you would like to participate, please contact program Coordinator, Brigette Beisner, at Single.parent@surfcity-hb.org

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Holidays at the Central Library

The holidays are upon us and the Central Library Children’s Department has some fun events to brighten your season. On Saturday, December 3, the library will host a Tree Trimming with crafts and a Holiday Puppet Show. Children get to decorate ornaments to hang on the Library Christmas tree. Tickets choices are 10 a.m. Ornament Making and 11 a.m. Puppet Show or 10 a.m. Puppet Show and 11 a.m. Ornament Making. Tickets are $4 and on sale now at the Children’s Desk. Santa will also make an appearance at the Tree Trimming so bring your cameras and your Christmas wishes!

Need a unique gift for the holidays? The Children’s Department is selling tiles that you can paint and then they are displayed in the Children’s Library. Tiles are $40 and all proceeds go to Books for Kids.

Now that you have told Santa what you want and purchased your tile as a lovely present for someone, it is time to relax! On Thursday, December 8, please join us for our free Family Pajama Storytime! Mr. Brian will be here with stories, music, and songs for all! This will take place at 7 p.m. in the Tabby Theater. National Charity League will be handing out refreshments to the children afterward. Don’t forget to wear your pajamas!
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Breakfast with Santa
Murdy Community Center
Saturday, December 10
$10 per person

Hear the jingle? It’s time to mingle with family and friends! Put on your best holiday gear and bring the family to enjoy festivities including a pancake breakfast, holiday music, arts and crafts, photo booth, and a picture with Santa! Child under the age of one are free!

Senior Services Thanksgiving Recap

Huntington Beach Senior Services volunteers delivered holiday meals to 60 qualified older residents on Thanksgiving. Huntington Beach Hospital sponsored and prepared a hot, festive, turkey dinner. National Charity League handcrafted cards and thematic decorations. These older adults, who might otherwise be alone on the holiday, enjoyed the short visit from the volunteer. Funded by the HBCOA and the Handy Crafters, Holiday Meals are delivered to qualified older adults in Huntington Beach on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.
MAKE HB YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING DESTINATION AND HELP YOUR COMMUNITY, TOO!

Did you know that shopping locally not only makes things a little easier on your hectic schedule, but also helps make the community a beautiful, clean and safe place in which to live, work, and play? When you choose to shop in Huntington Beach, 1% of all taxable sales are provided back to the City’s General Fund. These funds are used for a variety of public services and projects, including police and fire services, park and beach maintenance, senior and library services, street and road improvements and more. What’s more, when you’ve got a full house and are in need of an “extra” room, having guests stay in any of our outstanding range of Huntington Beach hotels also generates tax revenues to the General Fund. With so many options from big box stores, to specialty retailers and services, unique boutiques and restaurants throughout the City, we can’t think of any better reason to keep it local this year – and all year long!

FREE FAIR HOUSING COUNSELING FOR TENANTS AND LANDLORDS
DECEMBER 19

The Fair Housing Foundation will hold a monthly walk-in clinic at City Hall on December 19 from 10 a.m. to noon on the Fifth Floor Office of Business Development. A counselor will be available on a first-come, first-served basis to discuss any rental housing issues, tenant/landlord disputes, and to ask questions about Fair Housing Laws. No appointment or RSVP is necessary. The City partners with the Fair Housing Foundation to provide services to the community related to fair housing issues and is also available by phone, Monday through Friday, at (800) 446-3247 or on a walk-in basis at their offices in Santa Ana and Long Beach. More information is available at www.fhfca.org.

INFORMATION SERVICES

Perfect Holiday Gift—Annual Beach Parking Pass!

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
Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, December 7, at 1:30 PM in Room B-8 the Zoning Administrator will hold a meeting to review the following items:

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 16-041 (GREEK RESTAURANT ALCOHOL):** To permit the on-site sales, service, and consumption of alcohol (ABC Type 47 license) within a proposed 2,400 sq. ft. restaurant located within an existing commercial center located at 19171 Magnolia Street #1 and #2, 92647 (near the southwest corner of Magnolia St. and Garfield Ave.). Please contact Nicolle Bourgeois for more information.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 16-040 (SESSIONS BEER AND WINE):** To permit the on-site sale, service, and consumption of beer and wine (ABC Type 41 License) within an existing approximately 1,295 sq. ft. restaurant located at 414 Pacific Coast Highway, 92648 (north side of Pacific Coast Hwy. and south of 5th St.). Please contact Jessica Bui for more information.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 16-042 (HUMANE SOCIETY ANIMAL BOARDING FACILITY):** To establish an approximately 2,200 sq. ft. animal boarding facility for the Orange County Humane Society which includes the receiving and temporary holding of stray animals for a period of no more than seven days. All animal activities and business operations onsite will occur entirely indoors located at 9508 and 9510 Hamilton Avenue (east side of Bushard St. and south of Hamilton Ave.). Please contact Jessica Bui for more information.

**COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 16-021/ VARIANCE NO. 16-006 (O’NEILL RESIDENCE):** To permit a 605 sq. ft. second story addition to an existing single family dwelling; expand the existing garage by 266 sq. ft.; and exceed the allowable lot coverage by an additional 3.3% for a total of 53.3%, in lieu of the maximum allowable lot coverage of 50%. The project is located at 17027 Edgewater Lane, 92649 (south side of Edgewater Ln., west of Waverly Ln.). Please contact Joanna Cortez 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](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm). Please contact the Planning Division at (714) 536-5271 with any questions.
**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**“Spark of Love” Campaign**

The Spark of Love Campaign began in 1993 in cooperation with ABC 7 and local firefighters from Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties. Various agencies work together as the Orange County Toy Collaborative to distribute toys to underprivileged children who may otherwise go without during the holiday season. There are many worthwhile toy drives, but the Spark of Love Campaign is the only one created and operated by firefighters.

Huntington Beach Fire Stations, the Civic Center lobby, and the Police Department lobby will serve as drop-off sites for the public to bring new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment. Through the “Spark of Love” Toy Drive, the holiday spirit will be felt throughout our communities as well as in the hearts of less fortunate children. Boxes are set up and will be available through December 24.

For additional information please contact Tim Andre, Deputy Fire Marshal/Training at (714) 536-5418.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Holiday Shopping Safety**

As Christmas shopping is in full swing, here are some tips to stay safe and prevent theft:

- Lock your vehicles and put your items in the trunk, if possible. Thieves know that a blanket covering a large bulky area in the back seat/cargo area of an SUV is probably hiding multiple items to steal.

- Don’t carry large amounts of cash to be seen by others. Keep your wallet and purse close to your body to deter thieves. Don’t leave purses in the child seating area of a shopping cart. As soon as you turn to look at something, it offers easy access for a thief to steal.

- Don’t pull out your credit card or ID until asked by the cashier to avoid shoulder surfers obtaining your information.

- Be aware of your surroundings and report any suspicious persons or activity.

- Shopping with several people is safer than shopping alone.

- If using a debit card or ATM, be mindful of anyone watching and shield your PIN.

- Make sure to lock all the doors and windows of your house if you plan to be gone for a long day of shopping and have a neighbor keep an eye on the place, if possible.

- If you are out for the evening, turn on lights and a radio or TV so it looks like someone is home. Don’t display gifts where they can be seen from outside.
Light a Light of Love this Sunday at Pier Plaza

Join the *Light a Light of Love* celebration, in honor of the Huntington Beach Youth Shelter, on Sunday, December 4, starting at 3:30 p.m. on Main Street at Pier Plaza. In addition to the Snowflake Lighting at the Pier, there will be craft booths, a Holiday Parade, photo opportunity with Mr. & Mrs. Claus and entertainment.

If you can’t attend the event, you can still show your support by purchasing a Snowflake Wand for a suggested $5 donation. The wands make great stocking stuffers, on top of a wrapped package, or fun favors to hand out at a party. Call 714-536-5402 or visit the Fire Department on the Fifth Floor of City Hall to get your Snowflake Wand today!
Career Workshop Day for Civil Engineering Students

In an effort to assist graduating college students majoring in Civil Engineering from three local universities (Cal State Long Beach, Cal State Fullerton, and UCI), Public Works Department successfully organized a “Career Workshop” day on November 10, at City Hall.

A number of engineering staff participated in the event, sharing their knowledge, experiences, and insights to help these motivated students be more prepared for their future engineering careers and familiarize them with potential career opportunities in the public sector. Participants were also given an in-depth tour of how City staff operates and maintains typical drinking water infrastructures, such as reservoirs and booster stations, and they visited construction site for a major street overlay project.

The event was a rousing success, as those attended shared their gratitude for City staff to make time to invest in their future.
Sustain OC and Cool Planet Awards

The City of Huntington Beach is Sustain OC’s **Sustainable Government of the Year**! Sustain OC (formerly CleanTech OC) is a nationally recognized proponent for growth and innovation.

The City submitted two sustainability initiatives were selected as the two top initiatives: “Sustainable Business Program” and the “Orange County Recycling Market Development Zone” (OC RMDZ), both of which foster more sustainable business practices.

On October 25, the City of Huntington Beach was awarded the “2016 Cool Planet Award in the Government & Institution Sector” for its energy efficiency projects at city facilities. The award ceremony was held at the Huntington Library in San Marino, CA.

Cool Planet Award

The City of Huntington Beach received a **Cool Planet Award** for its outstanding Environmental Leadership in Energy & Carbon Management.

The Cool Planet Award recognizes those Southern California Edison (SCE) business customers that demonstrate exemplary leadership in energy and carbon management by implementing energy efficiency projects, participating in demand response programs, and establishing environmental and greenhouse gas emissions management systems.

The Cool Planet Program and Award is presented by the Climate Registry, a non-profit organization that designs voluntary and compliance sustainable reporting programs.
City Wins Top Recognition at OCBC Awards

The Orange County Business Council recently recognized the City of Huntington Beach during its sixth annual Turning Red Tape into Red Carpet Awards. Two notable programs received recognition in two distinct categories: “Sustainable and Green Development” and “Business Retention Expansion.” The City won for the Orange County Recycling Market Development Zone in the “Sustainable and Green Development” category and Honorable Mention for the FilmApp Huntington Beach in the “Business Retention and Expansion” category.

Huntington Beach serves as the Zone Administrator for the Orange County’s Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ). The RMDZ helps reduce operating costs for businesses and reduces waste sent to the county’s landfill system – a win for businesses and the environment. The Orange County RMDZ is also the first multijurisdictional zone in Orange County and takes advantage of the growing recyclable material supply to build new businesses, expand current businesses, and create jobs to stimulate the economy.

FilmApp Huntington Beach is the City’s Film App program, which is an integrated online film permitting processing system that allows for more efficient processing of film permits with less of an intensive staff requirement to ensure that applicants have better quality service.

To see the Orange County’s Business Council’s 2016 winners please visit their webpage at http://www.ocbc.org/ocbc-initiatives/economic-development/redcarpet/
Huntington Beach December 7
Remembrance Ceremony

December 7, 2016
75th Anniversary

"December 7, 1941 - a date which will live in infamy..."
- President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Join the City of Huntington Beach and HB American Legion Post 133 as we remember and honor the memory of those lost 75 years ago in the fateful attack on Pearl Harbor.

December 7, 2016
2 p.m.
Veterans Memorial
Huntington Beach City Hall
Visit the Surf City Store for your holiday shopping

City Hall Lobby

Wednesday, November 30th and Thursday, December 1st

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
UPCOMING EVENTS

November
♦ 11/30 — Surf City Store Sale at City Hall; lobby. 9 to 4:30pm

December
♦ 12/1 — Surf City Store Sale at City Hall; lobby. 9 to 4:30pm
♦ 12/1 — HB Chamber of Commerce Business & Leadership Awards. SeaCliff Country Club 11am to 2pm www.hbchamber.org
♦ 12/4 — Light a Light of Love. 2:30 to 7pm HB Pier. www.cspinc.org/Light%20a%20Light%20of%20Love
♦ 12/7 — Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony at City Hall. 2pm
♦ 12/16 -12/19 and 12/22-12/23 — Annual Cruise of Lights www.cruiseoflights.org
♦ 12/18 — HBPD Blood Drive, 1 to 8pm, Police Training Room, 2000 Main Street. www.RedCrossBlood.org
♦ 12/19—Fair Housing Clinic, City Hall, 5th Floor. 10am to noon. www.fhfca.org.

January 2017
♦ 1/1—Annual Surf City Splash, Registration: 9 to 11am; Costume contest 11:15 to 11:45am; Splash at NOON www.hbsurfcitysplash.com
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