

City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON
BEACH

October 18, 2017



Cities of Huntington Beach and Long Beach Join Forces to Bid on Amazon HQ2 *“Amazon Coast: Portal to the World”*

With excellent weather year-round, close proximity to the largest port complex in the nation, three airports, a multitude of transportation services, various housing options, diverse communities, an extraordinary amount of local talent, and three strategically located sites, Huntington Beach and Long Beach (HBLB) have highlighted all the key elements in making HBLB the home of Amazon HQ2 – “Amazon Coast: Portal to the World.” Packaged as a nod to the original beginnings of Amazon, the HBLB coffee table book-style proposal theme of *Sand, Sea and Air* creates a trifecta that provides stability, balance, and strength.

Three prime sites have been identified by HBLB for the new Amazon headquarters: one in Huntington Beach – “Amazon Sand,” another site along the Long Beach waterfront – “Amazon Sea,” and a third site adjacent to the Long Beach Airport – “Amazon Air.” HBLB stands apart from other competing cities in that the “Amazon Sand” site is already entitled and move-in ready with more than 500,000 square feet of space.

The cities have joined together as both are close in proximity and well exceed the criteria for Amazon HQ2. HBLB offers virtually turnkey sites for phases one and two, a highly educated work force, a business-friendly environment, a multitude of recreation activities, and an unparalleled quality of life. With the help of our partners such as the Long Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau, Visit HB, and the creative communication team at Inter-Trend, “Amazon Coast” was born.

HBLB plans to deliver its proposal Thursday – as well as a custom made HBLB surfboard. Check out the creative “Amazon Coast” video, featuring a surprise celebrity, in the quest to deliver the final proposal from HBLB to CEO Jeff Bezos. Cameo by HB’s hometown surfer, Brett Simpson. The video is available on Twitch.tv – a subsidiary of Amazon.com. Home to TwitchCon 2017, Long Beach is already poised to promote Amazon’s global brand. Video link: <https://go.twitch.tv/videos/183135017>

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building Division Activity Summary Monthly Report – September 2017

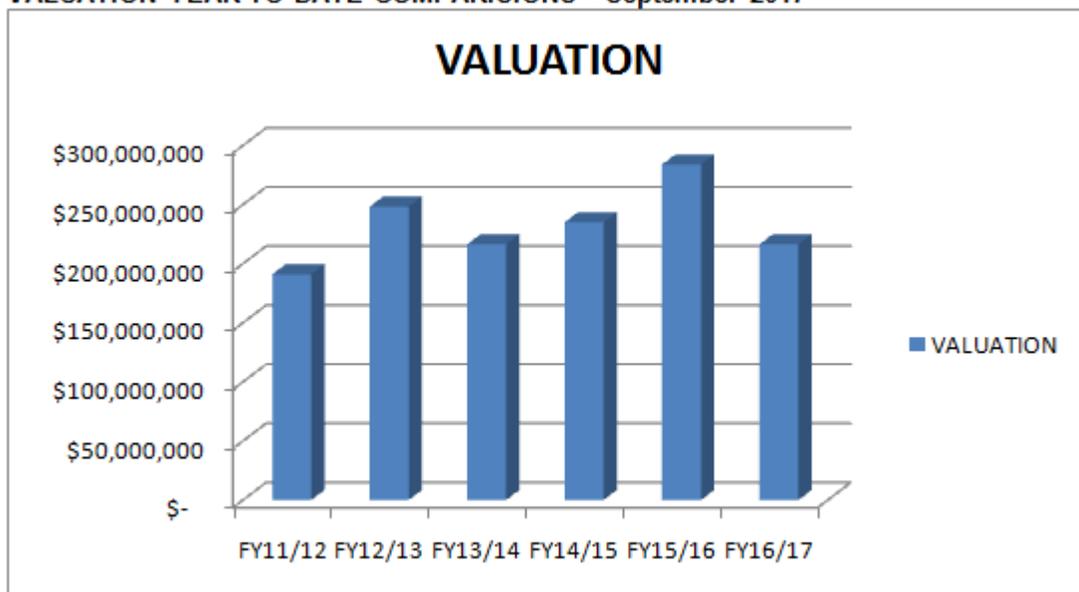
Total construction valuation for FY 16/17 (October 2016-September 2017) was \$216,362,365 which is lower than last year at this time at \$283,910,069. For the 12-month fiscal year, 36 new, single-family homes, 10 new multifamily buildings, and two accessory dwellings were permitted with a valuation totaling \$102,941,377.

Construction activity for both new residential and new commercial outpaced residential/commercial alterations construction by 28 percent. Summary of the year’s activity was: processed approximately 126 entitlements to meet state-mandated Streamlining Act, conducted 1,396 first plan checks for zoning compliance, reviewed and approved 9,750 permits with a construction valuation of \$216 million, performed more than 1,650 plumbing, mechanical, and electrical plan checks, performed more than 37,000 building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, and certificate of occupancy inspections, plan check review for 715 residential photovoltaic solar projects, and processed more than 110,000 questions/requests by phone to the Department. It was a very busy year!!

BUILDING DIVISION ACTIVITY SUMMARY MONTHLY REPORT - September 2017

Permit Activity	Permits Issued	Sq. ft	Construction Valuation	Inspections
<i>Residential New</i>	6	28,740	3,777,429	1,546
<i>Residential Remodel</i>	95	13,240	3,547,156	
<i>Misc. (Block Walls, Reroofs, etc.)</i>	210		2,199,223	
<i>Commercial/Industrial New</i>	0	0	0	192
<i>Commercial/Industrial Remodel</i>	12	210	2,547,373	
<i>Swimming Pools</i>	18		607,300	152
<i>Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing</i>	554			1,296
Total	895	42,190	12,678,481	3,186

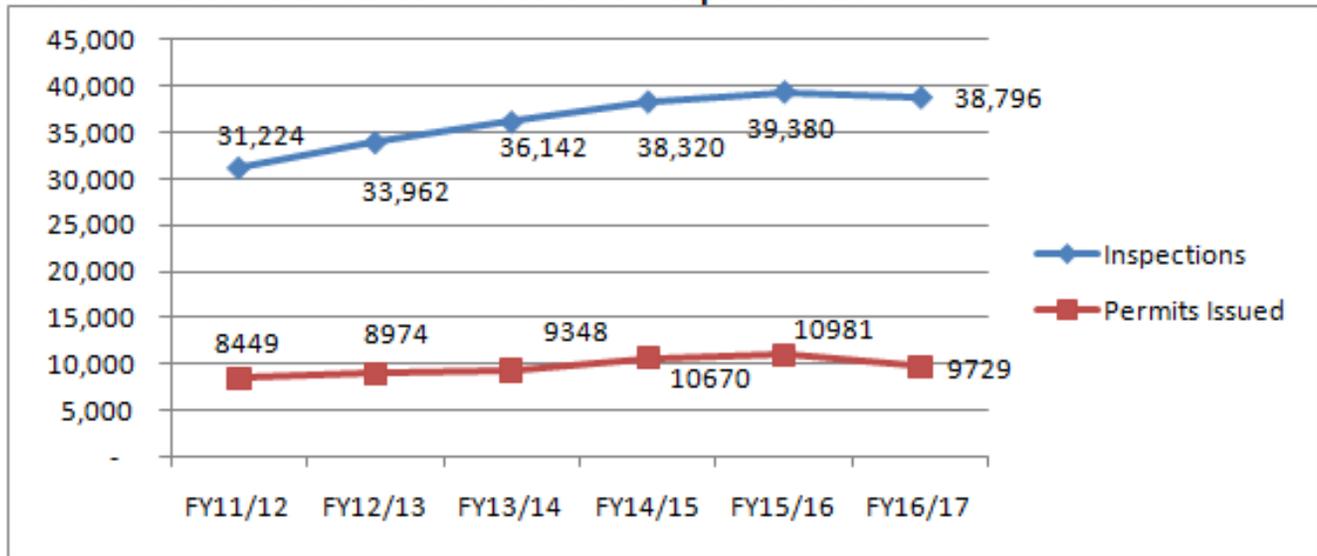
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OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT



Filming in HB

The Office of Business development continues to be a film friendly destination outside of Hollywood. Last week, the City played host to the FOX Comedy-Drama *Lucifer* for the second time as the TV show filmed for a total of five days in locations spanning from Dog Beach to the Pier and Main Street. While filming at the pier, *Lucifer* incorporated Huntington Beach Lifeguard vehicles and an information booth as part of their set. This level of exposure is great for Huntington Beach as City imagery reaches audiences that would not normally see Huntington Beach. Huntington Beach has also been the home for several documentaries, short films, and commercials.

Local Business Headlines

Huntington Beach businesses continue to make news across a broad range of fields. Here are just a few exciting headlines that have highlighted Surf City businesses within the past month:

- ◆ **Peter's Landing:** Privately held Pendulum Property Partners in Irvine has purchased the Peter's Landing Marina for \$33 million or about \$300 per square foot. The plan is to reposition the property through the investment of additional monies to upgrade the location and transform it into a regional attraction.
- ◆ **Insurance Brokers:** Confie Seguros was named the 23rd largest global insurance broker. Located in Huntington Beach off of Center Avenue, Confie Seguros provides auto insurance to customers around the globe. Huntington Beach is proud that Confie Seguros chooses to call the City home to its Headquarters.

Free Monthly Walk-In Fair Housing Counseling for Tenants and Landlords

The Fair Housing Foundation will hold a monthly walk-in clinic at City Hall on October 30, from 10 a.m. to noon in 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 Anaheim and Long Beach. More information is available at www.fhfca.org.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Children's Library Offers more than just Great Books to Read!

The library is the perfect place to pick out the best books – whether for a school science project or the next installment of a favorite science fiction series. However, there are many other opportunities for continuing one's education at the library! For instance, kids aged 10 and up interested in learning some early computer programming can attend the next **Scratch Computer Coding** session, which will be held on **Monday, October 23, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Tabby Theater**. Registration is not required, and those that have their own laptop are encouraged to bring it -- otherwise, Chromebooks will be provided for use during the class. These classes meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month.

Budding authors who would like to show off their writing and/or illustrating skills may enter the Friends of the Children's Library and Sand Scribes' annual **Writing and Illustrating Contest**. This year the theme is "If the Shoe Fits." Children in pre-k through 8th grade can use their imagination and creativity to write and/or draw pictures that will uncover the mysteries of some very special shoes they just found in the library -- such as where they came from, what kind of shoes they are, and who left them in the library! Perhaps most importantly, do they fit? Winners of this contest will receive **Barnes and Noble gift cards at an award ceremony** held during our 2018 Authors Festival, and will have their work displayed in the Central Library for the entire month of February. Interested students can either print out entry forms and rules at www.fotcl.org, or pick them up at the Central Library's Children's Desk. **All entries are due at the Children's Desk by 4 p.m. on December 23** to be considered.

Our recently launched **Math Club**, which meets on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Maddy Room** at the Central Library, has been very well received by middle and high school students needing help with their homework. Math tutors are available on a first come, first served basis. Students must sign up at the door the day-of to get a half hour of one-on-one tutoring in the order of the list, as time allows. Because of the Math Club's popularity, the **children's library is still in search of some additional volunteer Math tutors!** All adults and/or young adults proficient in Mathematics who are available during the club's hours are highly encouraged to contact either Monica Miltko at 714-375-5114 or Melissa Ronning at 714 374-5330. For more information on all events and happenings in the Children's Library, please visit their web page at <https://hbpl.libguides.com/kids/home>.



Celebrate "California Listens" at the Huntington Beach Public Library!

Come celebrate some local stories at the Huntington Beach Public Library! Join us for a premiere screening of Huntington Beach Digital Storytelling Shorts.

Berkeley nonprofit, StoryCenter, has spent the last two years collecting stories from a diverse group of Californians in partnership with the California State Library. This project, called California Listens, has produced an amazing new archive of 220 short digital films, made in storytelling workshops at local libraries around the state.

A selection of these stories, created by local residents in a two-day workshop provided by California Listens, and some of them, featuring the history of our own Huntington Beach, will be shown at Huntington Beach Central Library on Wednesday, October 25. This free event will be at the Library Theater. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with the screening beginning at 6:30 p.m. This presentation will be followed by a casual reception in the C/D room with light refreshments. For more information, please contact (714) 842-4481.



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Annual Pumpkin Raffle at Oak View Branch Library



All children, attending kindergarten through 8th grade, are invited to participate in the 9th Annual Pumpkin Raffle on Thursday, October 26, starting at 1:30 p.m. at the Oak View Branch Library. Last year, about 88 pumpkins were raffled to children and teens. The pumpkins were kindly donated by many residents, local businesses, members of the Friends of the Children's Library and Library Staff. This event is organized by Elaine Parker, member of the Friends of the Children Library. If you are interested on donating a pumpkin and/or need more information, please contact (714) 375-5068.

"Halloween" Family Pajama Storytime at Oak View Branch Library



Parents and children are invited to attend our Halloween Family Pajama Storytime on Wednesday, October 25, at 6 p.m. at the Oak View Branch Library! Miss Tammie will share fun stories, a Halloween craft, and a lot of other "spooktacular" activities! Costumes are welcome! For more information, please call (714)375-5068.

Halloween Read-a-thon

Want to hear a scary story? Join HBPL for spooky stories at our 3rd Annual Halloween Read-a-thon. Listen to your fellow library enthusiasts read aloud from a selection of terrifying tales, both classic and contemporary, to get in the Halloween spirit.



This year's Halloween Read-a-thon will be Saturday, October 28, from 1 to 4 p.m. We will have a family friendly hour from 1-2 p.m. and our selection of more terrifying tales from 2-4 p.m. Stop by for a spell or haunt us the whole afternoon if you dare. If you are one of the brave souls who would like to read for us, there are still a couple openings. You can sign up by clicking on the Read-a-thon banner at hbpl.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Looming Spaces: **Weaving, Spinning & Crochet Workshops** **October 21 | 1 – 5 pm**

Image: Annette Heully, Body + Landscape, detail, 2015; handwoven cotton and vinyl thread, dimensions variable. Photo credit: Stefan Meyer.

Join the Huntington Beach Art Center as we delve deeper into the world of fiber art during an interactive day of hands-on activities and lectures that coincide with the artworks on display in our galleries. Hear from our talented artists as well as industry leaders on fiber art topics.

Then, learn how looms work from a master weaver, try out the spinning wheel and learn how to crochet! This Workshop Day is presented in conjunction with *Looming Spaces*, the third—and final—exhibition in HBAC’s “Year of Women in the Arts” series. It explores weaving through the vision of four contemporary fiber artists whose artwork addresses contemporary, cultural, and environmental issues. The exhibition’s featured artists are Ashley Blalock, Dawn Ertl, Annette Heully, and Consuelo Jimenez Underwood.



Trick-or-Treat on Main Street

The annual Downtown Huntington Beach Halloween Fest hosted by HB BID is just around the corner. It will take place on Tuesday, October 31 from 4-8 p.m.

Activities will include trick-or-treating, a petting zoo, costume contest, bounce houses, picture opportunities with some of HB’s first responders and much more! Murdy Community Center will also be there hosting a booth with crafts, games and of course treats for kids of all ages. All kids’ activities are free, so don’t miss out!



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Senior Surf Invitational this Saturday!

Celebrate our unique HB surf culture and come on down to the beach to cheer and celebrate surfing and seniors at this year's Senior Surf Invitational. Enjoy the spirit of Aloha and join us for the 7th Annual HBCOA Senior Surf Invitational to be held on Saturday, October 21. This fun contest for surfers age 50+ (men & women) is open to the public, no matter your skill level. Surfer registration includes an event t-shirt for all participants and awards to 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place winners in each category. Advance registration is required.



Sponsored by the Huntington Beach Council on Aging, the City of Huntington Beach, MemorialCare Health System, and Huntington Surf and Sport. For more information and or sponsorship opportunities please call the Senior Center in Central Park at 714-536-5600.

The City of Huntington Beach and Huntington Beach Council on Aging were selected as a 2013 California Park & Recreation Society Award of Excellence recipient for the Senior Surf Invitational in the awards category of Creating Community – Aging Well.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Let's Make **ORANGE** the New **GREEN!**



Every Autumn, thousands of pumpkins end up in our county landfills. In order to put this rich organic material to a better use, the City of Huntington Beach and Rainbow Environmental Services are promoting **orange** as the new **green** by providing an easy way for residents to compost their holiday pumpkins. From now through December, simply put spent jack-o-lanterns and whole pumpkins from autumn displays into your green cart. Pumpkins decorated with paint cannot be composted and should be put in the brown trash cart.

The material from your green cart is used to create compost that is spread on local crops, gardens and lawns. To ensure the best quality compost, please do not put pet waste, plastics, lawn/leaf bags, food, clothing, garden hoses or trash in your green waste cart. If you have a lawn service, remind your gardener that the green cart is only for the trimmings from your lawn, trees, shrubs and other plants. For more information about our green waste composting program, please call Public Works Trash and Recycling at 714-375-5010 or email trashinfo@surfcity-hb.org.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The City Clerk's Office would like to thank all departments that participated in the Corodata Shredding event held at the Civic Center. A total of 217 boxes of documents were destroyed, resulting in the following environmental impacts: *5.86 tons processed saved 100 trees, 41,038 gallons of water, 24,036 Kw of energy, 352 lbs of pollutants kept from atmosphere and 29 cu yds of landfill saved.*



POLICE DEPARTMENT

This past weekend members of the Huntington Beach K9 Unit participated in the Orange County Police Canine Association's annual K9 Event. The annual event is held at Glover Stadium in Anaheim to showcase the capabilities of our working K9's as well as those from agencies throughout Orange County.

The show is attended by thousands of citizens each year, and ends with an extravagant fireworks show. HB-1 also participated in the event, and showed off some incredible low altitude flying maneuvers for the crowds.

For those of you who want to support our K9 Team, the HBK9 stuffed Belgian Malinois dogs are back in stock and available for \$20 donations to the Huntington Beach Canine Association. For more information about purchasing a stuffed K9 and for general information about our team, check out their website at www.hbk9.org.



INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Excellence in IT Practices Award

The City's Information Services Department is the recipient of the 2017 MISAC Achievement and Quality IT Practices Award. The "Excellence in IT Practices Award" is intended to foster and recognize outstanding governance and operation practices.

The program has two levels, "Achievement" and the higher level of "Excellence." The submission and evaluation process requires the submission of a detailed questionnaire that examines the practices across 10 different subject areas. The submission requires not only a direct response to the question but also any backup material that might be appropriate. The submission is evaluated and feedback given by a panel of three IT Directors.

"The submission requires a great deal of effort and requires a lot of time from staff, but it also serves as complete audit of our IT operation," said Director, Behzad Zamanian. "I am very proud of our City staff in being acknowledged for their outstanding achievements."



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Eco Challenge Day Collection Event

When: Saturday November 4, from 8 to 11 a.m.

Where: Honda Center, 2695 E Katella Ave Anaheim,

- ◆ Donate your e-waste, gently used clothing and household goods
- ◆ Bring your documents for certified paper shredding
- ◆ Score Anaheim Ducks game tickets, Discovery Cube tickets and more!
- ◆ Learn how you can start composting in your home and enjoy other family activities



Mills Act



The Mills Act program encourages the preservation and restoration of historic properties throughout the City by offering financial incentives to property owners who restore and maintain historical residential and commercial properties.

To see if your property qualifies and for additional information, visit the [Mills Act Webpage](#) or contact kirsten.graham@surfcity-hb.org.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Open House Success!

On Saturday, October 14, the Fire Department celebrated “Fire Prevention Week” at Gothard Fire Station. There were more than 1,200 guests in attendance at this successful event.

Visitors were able to:

- Get educated on this year’s theme of “*Every Second Counts – Plan Two Ways Out!*” with fire safety exhibits
- View, learn about, and have hands on fun with the various types of fire apparatus on display
- Learn about the Marine Safety operations and equipment
- Participate in Fire Station Tours
- See Search & Rescue Explorers rappel from the tower
- Watch live fire, burn boxes with fire sprinkler system and victim extrication demonstrations
- Have photo opportunity with Sparky the Fire Dog, acquire fire helmets, fire coloring books, fire department badge stickers and fire safety information

Obtain information about Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) while extinguishing a fire using the Bullex training tool.

The Huntington Beach Firefighters’ Association prepared hot dogs and the Fire Management Association donated bottled water for the visitors. For overall highlights of the 2017 HBFD Open House, please visit <https://youtu.be/y500fm-PDiA> and <http://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/> for additional fire safety information.





Halloween Readathon

Saturday October 28th

1:00 - 2:00 PM Spooky Stories for All Ages

2:00-4:00 PM Terrifying Tales
(too scary for little ghouls and boys)

Talbert Room, Central Library

Sign up to read now!

Follow the link from the www.hbpl.org homepage.

Join us for a spooky afternoon of classic and contemporary horror to get in the Halloween "spirit". Readers from the community will share their favorite scary stories while listeners can enjoy Halloween treats. Drop in for a spell or haunt us the entire afternoon.



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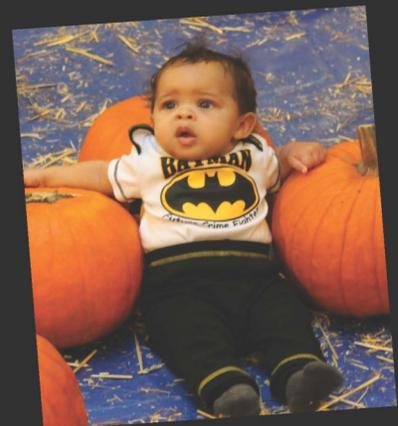


City of Huntington Beach
Community Services Department
**HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CARVING
& COSTUME CONTEST**

Calling all Ghouls, Ghosts, and Goblins for a Halloween Pumpkin Carving and Costume Contest inside the spooky City Gym and Pool. Dress up in your best costume and get ready to make a Jack-o-Lantern come to life! Festivities will include "Pick your own" Pumpkin Patch, Pumpkin Carving, Costume Contest, Games, a Kid-friendly Haunted House and more! There is a separate costume contest for children & adults. Register online or In-person at the City Gym & Pool.

Registration will not be taken at the door.

We hope to see you there for some SPOOKTACULAR fun!



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| Saturday, October 28th |
| 6:00pm - 8:00pm |
| \$20 per family |
| \$5 additional |
| pumpkin |
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**Parks
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City Gym & Pool- **1600 Palm Ave-** (714) 960-8884



Fix Your Broken Stuff!!

(or at least learn more about disassembling it)

Bring your broken electronics, small appliances, computers, toys, bikes, etc. for assessment, disassembly, and possible repair.



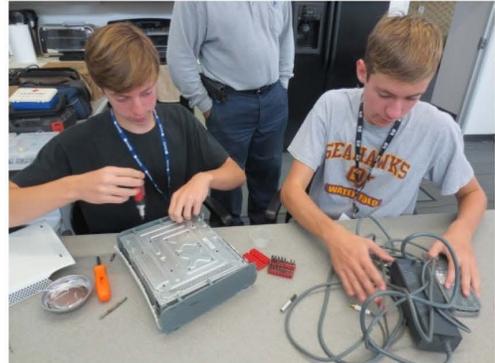
CLOTHING

Learn how to hem, patch, and mend.



BIKES

Repair flat tires, chains, and brakes.



ELECTRONICS

Assess, disassemble, and possible repair.

Saturday, October 21, 1:00-3:00pm

Huntington Beach Central Library

7111 Talbert Ave, Huntington Beach, CA

Register at www.fixitclinic.org or call (714) 375-5010



GOT SKILLS?

Become a **FIXIT** Coach **CLINIC**

Saturday, October 21, 12:30-3:30 PM

Huntington Beach Central Library, 7111 Talbert Ave, Huntington Beach, CA



Fixit Clinic is billed as "guided disassembly" and troubleshooting. All you really have to do is give people permission to open up their broken stuff and help them try to fix it.

What do I need to know? All types of repair skills are needed:

- Small-to-medium electric motor and electronics repair
- Small appliance repair
- Bike repair
- Textile mending
- Other special knowledge or skills

Do I need to bring tools?

- A small toolkit with some basic tools
- Unique or unusual tools related to your special skill
- Don't bring any tools that you're really concerned about losing

What does a Coach do?

- A coach's job is to offer encouragement and advice. Fixit Clinic is about teaching people how to fix their item (almost entirely) by themselves, not handing them a fix.

Ready to coach at our next Fixit Clinic? Register here: trashinfo@surfcity-hb.org

Questions? Contact: trashinfo@surfcity-hb.org or (714) 375-5010 / Visit: www.fixitclinic.org

Shibley Nature Center

Fall California Native Plant Sale Event

**Saturday, October 21st 2017
9 am to 2 pm**

- Large selection of California Native Plants available
- Succulents included for their water saving qualities
- Helpful advice on planting with Natives
- Docent guided tours available at 9:30am and 12:30pm

HB Residents who attend will receive a voucher to
Buy a plant - Get One of equal or lesser value
(Limit of 5 free plants, limit one voucher per household
and proof of residency)

Co-Sponsored by
Water Conservation, City of Huntington Beach

**Huntington Central Park
Parking at 17851 Goldenwest St.
714-842-4772 ● www.shibleynature.org**

City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5542
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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