

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

October 29, 2012

CITY CLERK

Political Sign Recycling

All election-related signs are to be removed by midnight on November 16. Rainbow Environmental Services will once again provide free election sign recycling. Political signs can be dropped off **November 7 through 16** at Rainbow Disposal. A bin marked "Election Sign Recycling" will be stationed inside the entrance to Gate 7. Rainbow will accept signs Monday through Friday 6:00 am to 6:00 pm and Saturday 6:00 am to 4:00 pm. Rainbow is closed on Sunday. The address: 17121 Nichols Lane (off Warner or Slater between Beach and Gothard).

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Huntington Beach Art Center

Zombie dancers are ready to roll performing twice at Surf City Nights on Tuesday October 30. The first performance is at 7:00 pm at Olive Avenue and Main Street. The second performance will be at 7:30 pm at Walnut Avenue and Main Street. The Zombies will also perform at the Strand on October 31 at 6:00 pm for the downtown Halloween Fest. Please come down to enjoy this group of community members who will have completed a six-week training series learning Michel Jackson's complete Thriller choreography. They are just dying to thrill you! Follow the link for a sneak peak!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdtRyHydk2A&feature=share>.

Huntington Beach Senior Services – Senior Services is my Park

The Huntington Beach Senior Services Care Management team partners with community organizations to provide home maintenance for low-income participants. Last Saturday, Care Management teamed with volunteers from First Christian Church. Volunteers cleared two overgrown yards. Earlier in the month, Community Methodist Church completed three home improvement projects on their *Work as Worship* day. Twenty-four volunteers worked for four hours on two mobile homes. Code Enforcement also works closely with Care Management and referred one resident's home. The volunteers from Community Methodist Church made the necessary improvements to bring the home up to code. Care Managers work with Huntington Beach older adult residents to facilitate independence and develop a plan for facing late-life transitions. For more information, call 714-960-2478.



Adult Arena Soccer Sign-Ups

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department offers year round adult arena soccer leagues at the award winning Central Park Sports Complex. Games will be played under the lights on artificial sports turf beginning the week of January 14, 2013. Team registration costs are \$400.00 per 8-week season and referee fees (\$20.00) per game paid directly to the official by each team. League play will be 6 v 6 including the goalie. Men's leagues are offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and Coed leagues on Thursday and Friday.

All teams must have uniforms with numbers. Registration packets will be available at City Hall starting, November 5, 2012, on the City website or by mail. For league information or to be placed on the individual players list, please call (714) 536-5486. The deadline to turn in team registration to City Hall, Community Services Department is January 4, 2013.

Marine Safety

Warm weather and unseasonable crowds kept Marine Safety Officers and Lifeguards busy this past weekend. Thirty-eight people were stung by sting rays on Saturday (10/27/12) and 34 more were stung on Sunday (10/28/12). At one point 14 patients were being treated at the same time!

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Downtown is Scaring Up Halloween Fun!

On October 31, Downtown Huntington Beach becomes "HBoo Spooky Town" from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM when the Downtown Business Improvement District transforms Main Street and the first block of 5th Street into the scariest family-friendly night of the year. Come dressed in your scariest Halloween costume and Trick-or-Treat at participating businesses. See Zombies roaming 5th Street to the choreography of Michael Jackson's Thriller.

It's going to be a busy night, so the Surf City Downtown Shuttle will provide free service from 5:30-9:00 PM from the HB Civic Center at 2000 Main Street to Main and Orange Street. Shuttle patrons park free at the Civic Center. For more details, please visit:

<http://www.hb-downtown.com/HALLOWEENFEST.html>.

FIRE

Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery

As the time change approaches on Sunday, November 4, the Fire Department wants to remind you to make another change that could save your life – changing the batteries in your smoke and/or carbon monoxide alarms. Changing smoke alarm batteries at least once a year is one of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce fire related deaths and injuries.

The risk of dying in a home fire is nearly cut in half if smoke alarms are working properly. The peak time for home fire fatalities is between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. when most families are sleeping. Children and senior citizens are most at risk, and a working smoke alarm can give them the extra seconds they need to get out safely.

INFORMATION SERVICES

City of Huntington Beach Web Surfing Tips

Did you know that Residents and Businesses can request a building permit inspection online? This online form was also designed so that it can be used on mobile smart phones. To fill out the form, simply click on the "I Want to" tab followed by the Request tab and then choose "Permit Inspection."

<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/forms-applications/inspection-request/>

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Volunteer Homework Tutors Needed at Central Library.

Want to help make a difference in a child's life? The Huntington Beach Library is looking for dedicated older teens, adults and seniors willing to volunteer at least once-a-week for an hour and a half to help children with their homework. The Central Library's homework club meets every Monday and Wednesday from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the school year. Those interested in this rewarding and worthwhile opportunity may email or call Barbara Richardson at richardb@hbpl.org or (714) 374-5338 for more details. Become a part of a team working to help children succeed in school.

New Music Memoirs @ the Library

Biographies and personal memoirs are always popular reading. This fall, several popular musicians have traded the concert tour for the book tour. Check out these latest hits from the Library:

- *Cyndi Lauper* : A memoir by Cyndi Lauper
- *Every Night's a Saturday Night* : The rock'n'roll life of legendary sax man Bobby Keys by Bobby Keys with Bill Ditenhafer
- *Honky Tonk Girl : A life in lyrics* by Loretta Lynn
- *Luck or Something Like it* by Kenny Rogers
- *Makeup to Breakup : My life in and out of KISS* by Peter Criss
- *Waging Heavy Peace : A hippie dream* by Neil Young
- *Who I am* by Pete Townshend

Book Donations

The Huntington Beach Library accepts donations of gently used books; there is a donation bin at the Library's loading dock and books can be dropped off at anytime. Donation assistance is available only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 8:00 am and 12:00 noon. Proceeds from the sale of donated books go towards the purchase of new Library books. Call the Friends of the Library Used Book Sale at (714) 375-5121 for more information.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Orange County Red Carpet Film Premier in for Historic Wintersburg Preservation Fund

The City of Huntington Beach Historic Wintersburg Preservation Task Force will host the Nov. 17 and 18 Orange County premier of the film, Lil Tokyo Reporter. The Lil Tokyo Reporter cast includes Academy Award® winner Chris Tashima (*Visas And Virtue*), television star Keiko Agena (*Gilmore Girls*) and Eiji Ozaki (*Letters From Iwo Jima*). *Lil Tokyo Reporter* is a narrative short film inspired by the life of historic newspaper publisher, Sei Fujii, who was known by Orange County's pioneer Japanese community.

The film will be screened at the Regency Theater (Warner Avenue and Beach Boulevard) at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 17, and at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 18 (\$9, \$7 discount for students and seniors). Meet the film actors, producers, and director at the screenings. Join the film team and Historic Wintersburg at an "after hours" reception, 8 p.m. -

10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort West Coast Club Room. Learn more at the Historic Wintersburg Preservation Task Force Facebook page, <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Historic-Wintersburg-Preservation-Task-force/433990979985360>. Learn about the film at www.LTReporter.com. Advance online ticket sales at www.regencymovies.com

Buying or Leasing Commercial Property in HB?

Not only does the Department of Planning and Building issue building permits for proposed construction activity, but many other services are offered as well. One valuable service to perspective buyers and lessees of existing commercial and industrial buildings is a field inspection and report called "Code Compliance Report." Building Division staff will research record documents and plans and conduct a field inspection to determine in advance if there are any violations that will adversely impact the sale or lease of a building or tenant space. This service alleviates problems that could occur when illegal construction (i.e. tenant improvements, additions, offices, mezzanines, electrical work, etc.) is not detected until a lease has been signed or a sale has been completed. Prospective buyers or tenants can proceed with their significant investment assured that the building is in compliance with city building regulations. For more information and cost for a "Code Compliance Report," please contact the Building Division counter at 714-536-5241.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Murder/Attempted Suicide

On October 29, 2012, at 9:45 AM the Huntington Beach Police Department received a call regarding a possible attempted suicide at 15555 Huntington Village Lane. It was reported that the suspect had contacted family members and threatened suicide. Officers arrived at the scene and found Nelson Tuiolosega, 57 years old inside his residence with what appeared to be self inflicted wounds. The officers also located an adult female deceased inside the residence and believed to be the victim of a homicide involving Tuiolosega.

Tuiolosega was treated by the Huntington Beach Fire Department Paramedics, and transported to UCI Medical Center in critical condition. He underwent surgery and is likely to survive his wounds. The Huntington Beach Police Department's Homicide Investigators have taken Tuiolosega into custody and charged him with 187 PC – Murder. He remains guarded at UCI Medical Center. The victim has been identified as Heather Tuiolosega, wife of the suspect. The investigation as to the motive is ongoing.

Bicycling Street Skills for ages 14 years to Adult

Learn how to ride your bike safely, legally and confidently in traffic. The class includes crash avoidance techniques, bike skills, and bike safety checks. Whether you are experienced or beginner cyclists, this class is excellent for everyone. The Thursday evening classroom session is followed by an "on bike" skills development session the following Saturday. Bike and helmet required for Saturday session only. Class will meet at the Rodgers Senior Center Game Room, Nov. 15 at 6:00pm-9:00pm, and Nov. 17 at 9:00am-1:00pm.

For more information and registration, see the [Sands Recreation Guide huntingtonbeachca.gov](http://huntingtonbeachca.gov).

PUBLIC WORKS**Traffic Safety Grant Award**

The City of Huntington Beach Public Works Department was recently notified that two grant applications for five intersection traffic safety projects were approved for funding by the State Department of Transportation. The projects provide more than \$1.4 million in grant funds to install left turn arrows, along with other traffic signal improvements, at the intersections of Adams and Bushard; Magnolia and Yorktown; Gothard and Talbert; Gothard and Heil; and Springdale and McFadden. The locations qualified for the Highway Safety Improvement Program grants based on recent traffic accident history. The total cost estimate for all five intersections is \$1.6 million. The successful grant applications were prepared by staff in the department's Traffic Engineering section earlier this year. The City expects funds to be available to begin the design process for the projects in the fall of 2013.