City Manager’s Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

September 9, 2015

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE

Patriot Day Ceremony this Friday, Sept. 11, 6pm at Pier Plaza

A Day to Remember

Join Mayor Jill Hardy, Huntington Beach Fire Department, Huntington Beach Police Department and American Legion Post 133 this Friday, September 11, at 6 p.m. at Huntington Beach Pier Plaza as we pay tribute with a special Patriot Day Ceremony.

Officer of the Year Recipients will be honored including Brian Smith, HBPD; Chris Clarke, Marine Safety; and Chad Stewart, HBFD. There will be a three-volley rifle salute by the Huntington Beach Police Department Honor Guard, and Remy Gilboe of Huntington Beach High, will play TAPS. Representatives from the Huntington Beach Fire Department will perform Amazing Grace. In addition, Paul Geidel, retired from the New York Fire Department, will participate in the ceremony.
Annual Green Forum Coming Sept. 24 and Expo Sept. 26

The Annual Green Forum event, “The Night of Water,” will focus on water conservation on Thursday, September 24, from 5:30-10 p.m. at the Shorebreak Hotel. This night will be composed of live music, networking, cocktail hour, water conservation themed art showcase, business recognition and a keynote speaker. This year’s speaker is A G Kawamura who is the former California Secretary of Agriculture, Co-chair of Solutions from the Land, Board Member of the American Farmland and many more accolades that support his knowledge about the water issues we are currently facing.

The Green Expo event will be held Saturday, September 26, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. under the solar panels at City Hall. New this year, we will have food trucks, a donation station (shredding, e-waste, household item drop off), Pedal Plaza (everything bikes including a bike valet, tune up station and bike safety by HBPD), educational performances, family fun zone, shopping, electric vehicles and much more!

Visit the Chamber’s website for more info at www hbchamber org.
Free Rainwater Harvesting Class
Saturday, September 19 -- $10 Rain Barrels

Huntington Beach Water Conservation is offering a free Rainwater Harvesting Class. Rain barrels are available for $85, with a $75 rebate from Municipal Water District of Orange County, so your final cost is just $10 each! You can purchase up to four barrels per household for the rebate. Purchases must be made in advance by September 16 at www.RainBarrelsIntl.com.

The class will take place September 19, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., followed by the distribution of the rain barrels from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Utilities Yard located at 19001 Huntington Street.

Register at www.RainBarrelsIntl.com or by calling (919) 602-6316. For more information please visit www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events/ for upcoming classes and Water Conservation Rebate offers. Our last class was a sell-out so don’t miss this great opportunity!

#WaterYouDoing to Conserve Water?

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is partnering with Southern California conservation and environmental organizations on the #WaterYouDoing social media campaign. The 11-day Twitter campaign effort is to spread water-saving messages beginning Sept. 9. Daily posts and activities will encourage followers to share the ways they are conserving water, cleaning up the environment and participating in community activities. The goal is to use social media to spread the word about saving water not just during this historic drought, but as a permanent way of life.

New Median Island

Public Works is excited to have teamed up with the Huntington Beach Tree Society in a Public/Private Partnership to construct a new median island on Central Park Dr. Public Works’ responsibility was to construct the median island and provide water for irrigation. The Tree Society through private donations, will be providing drought tolerant landscaping and trees. The Tree Society plans on unveiling the project at a TBD date in November 2015.
Senior Center- August 2015 Construction Status Report

Current Status:
- Continued rough carpentry framing
- Completed low roof framing
- Began installation of window and roof flashing, air ducts, fire sprinkler system, and offsite dry utilities
- Constructed trash enclosure footings and walls, and storm drain outlet structure walls
- Continued plumbing and electrical rough-in

Two-Month Look Ahead:
- Complete rough carpentry framing
- Continue mechanical rough-in, fire sprinkler installation, and exterior window and roof flashing
- Install exterior window and roof flashing
- Begin rough grading of the east slope
- Begin bio-swale installation
- Resume placement of curb and gutter
- Place parking lot lighting fixture foundations

You can watch the construction in real time by viewing the site web cam at: http://icon-west.siteisight.com/
Construction is expected to be completed by mid-2016.
Saturday September 19, 2015

Annual Coastal & Inner-Coastal Cleanup Day

Come join us! We have 2 locations this year!

- on the Beach north of the Pier (free parking at 1st and 6th Street lots until 1:00 p.m.)
  9 a.m. to noon

- at Bartlett Park, 8099 Adams Ave.
  at Beach Blvd., behind Mother’s Market in the Newland Center
  9 a.m. to 11:30

Bring Your Own: bucket or reusable bag and gloves.
Help us make this a trash free event!
27th Annual Senior Saturday Community Festival Showcases Products and Services for Seniors and Families

On Saturday, September 12, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Huntington Beach Council on Aging will hold its annual Senior Saturday Community Festival at Pier Plaza. Senior Saturday is the largest Senior Expo in Orange County that is free to the public.

Approximately 70 sponsor booths will provide valuable information on products and services specifically geared to a growing community of baby boomers, older adults, and their families. This is an excellent opportunity for Boomers, seniors and their families to spend a Saturday by the Pier gathering pertinent information amid a festive atmosphere.

In addition to the sponsor booths, there will be a $2 breakfast, $2 lunch, giveaways, health screenings, and free entertainment throughout the event.

The Huntington Beach Council on Aging is a non-profit corporation that supports programs and services for Huntington Beach Seniors through the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center and the Seniors Outreach Center.

Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled morning and afternoon. There will be free shuttle service provided by the Surf City Seniors On the Go Buses from City Hall and Michael E. Rodgers Senior Center to Pier Plaza beginning at 9 a.m.

For more information, please call the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center at (714) 536-9387.

Indoor Coed Volleyball

Indoor Coed Volleyball begins Saturday, September 12! Boys and girls from 3-8 grade will learn how to correctly play the game while having fun! Season spans 11 weeks, which includes three weeks of evaluations, practice games, six league games and a city wide championship tournament. All games are played on Fridays and Saturdays at the City Gym & Pool. Registration is available online at www.HBsands.org or in-person at any community center.
LIBRARY SERVICES

Be a S.T.A.R. at the Library
If you enjoy children and reading, then the S.T.A.R. program is for you! S.T.A.R. readers volunteer their time to read to children who are visiting the Children’s Dept. of HBPL when there is not a regularly scheduled Storytime. We have a special collection of books, stamps, stickers and puppets just for our S.T.A.R. readers. Come to our S.T.A.R. workshop on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 3 p.m. in the “B” room. Meet other S.T.A.R. readers, library staff and learn how you can participate in this great program.

Back to School at the Library
Homework Club is back beginning Monday, Sept. 21, 2015 – May 25, 2016. After a summer hiatus, Homework Club begins sessions at the Central Library, and the Oak View and Banning branches. This is a free service staffed with volunteer tutors. Parents must register their children before tutoring begins so come a few minutes early. Returning children and their parents will need to re-register each year. If you have any questions about the HBPL Homework Club please call Barbara Richardson at 714-374-5338, or email her at brichardson@surfcity-hb.org.

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Free, one-on-one math tutoring is now available for students’ grades 8-12. Tutoring is available for all Math subjects, including test preps, on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Children’s Conference Room. Please register online at hbpl.org under Kids Stuff. Registered students must bring their class assignments, textbooks and writing tools with them for their tutoring sessions.

Another free source for homework help is the database called Brainfuse. Brainfuse provides:

- Live Help
- Skill Building
- Writing Lab
- 24/7 Question Help Center
- Language Lab Test Center (includes ACT and SAT)
- Flashbulb (games, puzzles, flashcards)
LIBRARY SERVICES

Live Career Help and More with JobNow

Job searching can be tough, but now it’s a lot easier with a one-of-a-kind resource from the Huntington Beach Library. JobNow by Brainfuse is not a job search engine. It’s a platform that will assist you in standing out from the crowd in your job search. JobNow has resources for every step in the process. eParachute helps you assess which career is right for you using your interests and strengths. SkillSurfer allows you to hone your talents and learn new marketable skills. When you are ready to apply for a job after searching their comprehensive list of national job resources, you can use a template to create your resume then submit it and your cover letter to the Resume Lab for feedback. Once you secure the job interview, connect with an expert coach for live one-on-one practice. JobNow will give you the skills and confidence you need to make your job search a success.

JobNow is free for all library patrons. Just go to “Research Databases” from the library homepage and choose JobNow from the left column. You’ll need to sign in with your library card and PIN (last four digits of your phone number) for access.
Tip-A-Cop

Thursday, September 17th, 2015
4:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Presented by the
Huntington Beach Police Department

california
PIZZA KITCHEN

Bella Terra Mall - 7851 Edinger - Huntington Beach
714.372.3157 - cpk.com

Huntington Beach Police officers will work as guest hosts and servers at California Pizza Kitchen while collecting donation tips to benefit local Orange County Special Olympics athletes! In addition, CPK will be donating 20% of sales to help support our efforts from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Speak with members of our Mounted Enforcement Unit, K9, CSI, and SWAT. Take pictures with the Mobile Command Post, police car, motorcycle, antique police car, Huntington Beach Search & Rescue, and other static displays.

Please visit us on the web: http://www.sosc.org/orangecounty
Special Olympics Contact: Jennifer Mills jmills@sosc.org
Donations are tax deductible and 100% of the tips from this event directly benefit local Special Olympics Southern California athletes, Tax ID # 95-4338450
Car Fires

On Tuesday, August 25 at approximately 4:30 a.m., the Fire Department was dispatched to a car fire on Alhambra Drive. Firefighters on scene reported two vehicles on fire at a two-story, four-plex. One vehicle was in the street against the curb and the other was up against a carport. In addition to attacking the fires, firefighters provided exposure protection and went inside the structure to check for extension of the fire. There were no reported injuries and the fire is under investigation.

SoCal PaddleDown Lifeguard for Cancer Relay

The SoCal PaddleDown Lifeguard for Cancer Relay, benefiting the John Wayne Cancer Foundation's "Block the Blaze" Skin Cancer Education Program, was held on Wednesday, August 26. Huntington Beach Lifeguards completed the Huntington Beach City segment. The paddle went from Gaviotas to Imperial Beach. The Block the Blaze program is the official partner of the California Surf Life Saving Association (CSLSA) to educate junior lifeguards on the importance of sun safety, skin cancer prevention, self screening and also provides the tools to get started playing it safe in the sun. The link to the site is https://www.classy.org/events/2015-paddle-down/e44492.

Boat Fire

On Saturday, August 28, at approximately 9 a.m., Fire Department units responded to the boat docks near Warner Avenue for a reported boat fire. On arrival, firefighters found a sunken boat that had been burned and they remained on scene to assist with setting chemical absorbent booms in the water to try to contain a fuel spill from the boat. Huntington Beach Marine Safety officers were in the water searching the boat for victims. The Orange County Sheriff’s Harbor Patrol boat was also on scene to locate the boat’s owner to arrange for salvage.
FIRE DEPARTMENT

FEMA Honors Achievements in Community Preparedness

The Orange County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Mutual Aid Program (CMAP) has been awarded with the 2015 FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Award. This mutual aid program was formed with several cities to coordinate CERT training, exercises, and equipment to better prepare Orange County for unexpected disasters.

The group developed a mutual aid plan for sharing trained volunteers in emergencies and since its inception, the CMAP has deployed CERT volunteers in support of first responders during the 2007/08 wildland fires and several local events. This concept is not being done anywhere else in the United States.

Three of CMAPs founding members, Brenda Emrick (Costa Mesa), Matt Brisbois (Newport Beach), Brevyn Mettler (Huntington Beach), and the OC Emergency Manager, Donna Boston, traveled to Washington D.C. over the Labor Day weekend to accept the award.

For more detailed information, please visit: https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2015/09/03/fema-honors-achievements-community-preparedness

National Preparedness Month

National Preparedness Month is observed each September in the United States and is sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This effort encourages Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies including:

"Get a Kit" - Assembling emergency supply kits

"Make a Plan" - Organizing a family emergency plan

"Get Educated" - Training and engaging in community preparedness and response efforts

Preparing for a disaster is a top priority of the city’s Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program. Countless hours have been spent preparing disaster plans, training our employees and volunteers, organizing exercises, and ensuring that the city is prepared for emergencies that may occur in our community. However, we cannot do it on our own.

The city is exposed to a variety of hazards and our greatest individual defense is being prepared. In a disaster, emergency response personnel and local officials may become overwhelmed and resources will be limited. Advance preparation is necessary because there won’t be time to shop or search for the supplies needed when a disaster strikes. A disaster plan will help with safety, security, and comfort. Regardless of the type of disaster, there are things you can do to prepare. Are you fully prepared if a disaster strikes Huntington Beach today?

For more information on Disaster Preparedness, please visit the following resources:
www.ReadyOC.org
www.HuntingtonBeachca.gov/CERT
www.Ready.gov
www.ShakeOut.org; www.AlertOC.org
Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, September 16, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the Zoning Administrator will review the following items:

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 15-004 (VERIZON MONOPALM – CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 2, 2015): To permit a 56 ft. high wireless communication facility designed as a palm tree (monopalm) at 9062 Adams Avenue, 92646, (southeast corner of Magnolia St. and Adams Ave.). Please contact Tess Nguyen, Associate Planner, for more information.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 15-029 (ROTH RESIDENCE): To permit an approximately 3,985 sq. ft. three-story residence with an overall height of 33 ft., 10 in. This request includes a review and analysis for compliance with the Infill Lot Ordinance, which encourages adjacent property owners to review proposed development for compatibility/privacy issues, such as window alignments, building pad height, and floor plan layout at 1206 Pine Street, 92648 (east side of Pine St., south of Adams Ave.). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, 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. Please contact the Planning Division, at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.
HB Business News
Here’s some recent and notable news about some of our local businesses as published in the Orange County Business Journal:

- **Restaurant Depot** has chosen Huntington Beach for its newest location, having leased 94,000 square feet on Gothard Street, at one of the newest industrial buildings in the City, recently completed by Shea Properties.

- A recent viral video entitled “Pipe Dream” released by **DC Shoes** – a division of Huntington Beach-based Quicksilver - and featuring Robbie “Maddo” Maddison surfing the waves of Tahiti on a modified dirt bike, amassed 16.5 million views on the company’s YouTube channel.

- The Huntington Beach operation of **Boeing Co.** will take on some of the work related to a recent $9.8 million missile defense contract from the US Department of Defense.

- **Raycon Technology**, which produces a variety of communications-based components, was ranked 18th among Contract Electronics Makers in the County according to of the OC Business Journal’s list of similar businesses.
UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER


- **9/11 to 9/21 Compassion Games**. [www.compassionatehb.com](http://www.compassionatehb.com) (See below)

- **9/12—27th Annual Senior Expo at Pier Plaza**, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.—FREE. (714) 536-9387.

- **9/17—2nd Annual Special Olympics Tip-A-Cop Fundraiser** from 4 to 9 p.m. at CPK-Bella Terra

- **9/19 & 9/20—Surf City Days**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., [www.hbdowntown.com/surf-city-days.html](http://www.hbdowntown.com/surf-city-days.html)

- **9/19—Rainwater Harvesting Class** (see page 2) [www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events/](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events/)

- **9/19—Coastal Clean Up Day** (see page 5)

- **9/19—HBPD Open House**

- **9/20—Golden West College Chef’s for Scholarships**, 4 to 7 p.m. $50 at event (714) 895-8316

- **9/25 to 9/27—7th Annual Unleashed By Petco Surf City Surf Dog** surfing competition will be held September 25-27 at Huntington Dog Beach. [surfcitysurfdog.com](http://surfcitysurfdog.com)

- **9/26—Green Forum & Expo at City Hall**, 10am to 3pm; Forum at Shorebreak 5:30 to 8pm [www hbchamber com](http://www hbchamber com)

The Compassion Games are Ready to Start!

Beginning Friday, September 11 (a Day of Remembrance and day of service), through September 21, (International Day of Peace), the City of Huntington Beach will be engaged in activities and services encompassing community wide programs and just plain fun! The games are being played worldwide and right here at home. Anyone can play - simply decide to do an act of kindness and report it by going to [www.compassionateHB.com](http://www.compassionateHB.com) and click on the "Report" button.

The purpose of the games is to raise awareness about the good that is already taking place in our city, and encouraging people everywhere to practice compassion in their daily lives. Imagine the possibilities if every resident of our city practiced compassion every day!

We hope you will join us and report your good on the Compassion map. This is a "coopetition" between cities and organizations to see who can do the most acts of kindness and service. We came in fourth last year - let's go for first this time!

For more information, please visit our website at [www.compassionateHB.com](http://www.compassionateHB.com) or contact Peggy Price at r_revpeggyp@verizon.net
City Hall Directory

City Attorney (714) 536-5555
City Clerk (714) 536-5227
Passports (714) 536-1600
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
Planning & Building (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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