

COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

May 4, 2023

PLANNING

El Corazon Oceanside Boulevard Commercial Projects –The Planning Commission’s April 24 approval of the proposed project was appealed to the City Council by Supporters Alliance for Environmental Responsibility (SAFER). Staff is working with the applicant to identify potential meeting dates for the City Council to consider the appeal.

General Plan Update (GPU) Phase 2 – SANDAG’s ReCAP program recently provided climate action “snapshots” to member jurisdictions. These snapshots are meant to show progress on local GHG emissions reduction. Highlights from Oceanside’s snapshot include installation of 39 public electric vehicle chargers, 66 percent solid waste diversion, further reduction in per-capita water consumption, and an expanding clean vehicle fleet. The snapshot indicates that there is room for improvement in the areas of urban forestry and energy consumption. The snapshot will help inform the City’s next Climate Action Plan update.

ENGINEERING

Oceanside Navigation Center – The following work occurred his week:

- Completed installation of the new sewer main and began backfilling the trench
- Began trenching for sewer underground work scheduled to occur on May 5- 6
- Continued demolition and installation of the north facing windows to replace with new soundproof windows
- Continued framing new exit corridor
- Continued installing and finishing drywall
- Completed demolition of existing HVAC system
- Began roofing work
- Awarded new HVAC and fire protection contracts



Pier View Way Bridge & Lifeguard Headquarters – This week, City staff and California Coastal Commission (CCC) staff held its bi-monthly coordination meeting to discuss several of Oceanside’s coastal projects, including the proposed Pier View Way Bridge & Lifeguard Headquarters project. CCC staff verbally indicated general support of the proposed project. City staff continues to work to address CCC staff’s April 21 comment letter.

Coast Highway Corridor Design – The consultant continues to gather topographic data along Coast Highway. The project will soon begin conceptual refinement.

Cleveland Storm Drain – The proposed Cleveland Storm Drain project was also discussed during the bi-monthly City/CCC staff coordination meeting. Work continues on preparation of the submittal package that shows the redesign of the outfall structure. City staff expressed the importance of moving the project forward by obtaining a Coastal Development Permit from the CCC as soon as possible.

Oceanside Police Department Headquarter Relocation - Staff and the consultant are reviewing the design and construction cost estimates. Staff will meet with the Police Department and City Manager's Office in the coming weeks to discuss the best approach for moving forward.

Road Slurry Seal and Overlay Project – Work continues to progress with a focus on completing Group 1B Canyon Adjacent neighborhood streets and ADA ramps. Last week, slurry seal work was completed in seven areas. [Work Area Map](#)

New Fire Station No. 1 – Construction of the structure's second story is well underway. The project continues to progress towards the March 2024 completion date.

Ron Ortega Dog Park Facility – The consultant is working on obtaining background information and surveying the site.

Laurel Elementary Safe Routes to School Project Design – Staff attended the Eastside Neighborhood Association (ENA) monthly meeting on April 17 to present the scope of the upcoming Laurel Elementary Safe Routes to School project. Community members voiced concerns regarding a proposed traffic circle at the Laurel St./Holly St. intersection. Since the meeting, staff has been working with the City's engineering consulting firm, Alta, to focus on the traffic circle design and prepare a preliminary construction plan. Staff anticipates presenting the proposed plan at the May 25 ENA meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Swearing-In Ceremony – Please join us in the Council Chambers next Tuesday, May 9 at 10:00 a.m. for the ceremonial swearing of Chief Kedrick Sadler followed by refreshments in the lobby.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

EMT Recruitment – The Fire Department EMT recruitment is now open through May 26. The OFD recently worked with the City Manager's Office and KOCT on a recruitment video highlighting the advantages of choosing Oceanside as an employer and the role of Measure X in the program. [Recruitment video](#)

Wildfire Training – OFD's annual wildland fire update and refresher training was completed last week.

PUBLIC WORKS

Harbor Dredge Update – On Tuesday May 2, City staff accompanied Congressman Mike Levin on his visit to the Harbor dredging and beach sand replenishment project. As of Tuesday, 350,000 cubic yards of sand had been dredged and placed on City beaches. The contractor expects to dredge an additional 120,000 cubic yards. This year, because of the heavier than normal winter storms, there is more sand available to be dredged compared to previous years. Currently, dredged sand is being placed south of the Pier. Staff are working closely with the contractor to finish the project prior to the Memorial Day weekend.



LIBRARY

Mission Branch Library Community Mural Unveiling – The public is invited to the official dedication and unveiling of a new mural created by the community and muralist Gibran Lopez on Saturday, May 13 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the Mission Branch Library. This unique public art piece was inspired by stories and memories from the indigenous people of Oceanside. This past March, a series of workshops highlighted traditional Luiseño stories, and teaching artists from Floating Hearts Connections worked with the Oceanside community to visually represent the stories. These visual representations informed the final piece created by muralist Gibran Isaias Lopez and will be on view for the first time on May 13. This free event is open to all. Support for this project was provided by The Oceanside Public Library Foundation and the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library.

COMMISSION / COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- May 8** Planning Commission. 6:00 p.m.
- May 9** Citizens Investment Oversight Committee. 1:30 p.m.
- May 9** Water and Sewer Committee. 3:30 p.m. La Salina Conference Room.
- May 10** Historic Preservation Advisory Committee. 6:00 p.m.
- May 14** Parks & Recreation Commission. 6:00 p.m.
- May 16** Utilities Commission. 3:30 p.m.
- May 18** Police and Fire Commission. 4:00 p.m.
- May 22** Planning Commission. 6:00 p.m.

May 23 Library Board of Trustees. 2:00 p.m.

May 23 Housing Commission. 6:15 p.m.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS / EVENTS

May 5 First Friday Art Walk Returns. 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. [Info](#)

May 6 Libby Lake Community Resource Fair. 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. [Info](#)

May 6 Heritage Park Day. Noon – 4:00 p.m. [Registration Required](#)

May 6 Change Your Mind Festival on Mental Health. 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pier Amphitheater.

May 6 Mother's Day is Sweet event. 2:00-5:00 p.m. Downtown restaurant locations.

May 9 Police Chief Sadler Swearing-In Ceremony. 10:00 a.m. Council Chambers

May 10 OPD Promotion Ceremony. 4:00 p.m. Wagner Conference and Events Center at El Corazon.

May 11 North County Economic Summit. 7:00 – 10:00 a.m. CSUSM. [Info](#)

May 13 Catalytic Converter Etching Event. 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 510 Jones Rd.

May 13 Prince Memorial Skate Park Renaming Ceremony. 2:00 p.m.

May 13 Library Community Mural Unveiled. 3:00 p.m. Mission Branch Library.

May 13 Parks & Recreation Movie at the Pier. 6:00 p.m. *Top Gun: Maverick*

May 16 Overdose Awareness Event. Oceanside High School. 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

May 20 Operation Appreciation. Pier Amphitheater.

May 20 John Landes Community Resource Fair. 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Landes Park.

May 25 Public Works Day Display. 9:00 a.m. – noon. Ditmar & Pier View Way.

May 27 Mermaid-Pirate Pool Party. 1:00 p.m. Wagner Aquatic Center. [Details](#)

June 2 Martin Luther King Scholarship Reception.

June 2-4 Beach Soccer USA.

June 3 Pride by the Beach. Noon – 6:00 p.m.

June 10 Dump Day Cleanup. Crown Heights Resource Center and Landes Community Center. 9:00 a.m. to noon.

June 10 Annual Filipino Cultural Celebration. Noon – 6:00 p.m. Civic Center Plaza.

June 17 Juneteenth Celebration. 10:00 a.m. Civic Center.