

# COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

January 27, 2022

## PLANNING

**Ocean Creek** – The proposed Ocean Creek mixed-use development is located southwest of the existing North County Transit District Crouch Street Sprinter Station. The project applicant has scheduled a virtual community meeting for Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 5:30pm. Attendees must register in advance via [zoom.us/webinar/register/91996536198](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/91996536198).

**Planning Commission** – The January 24, 2022 Planning Commission meeting was canceled.

## ENGINEERING

**Overlay Project** – The contractor completed all contract work and issued partial acceptance letters for work in all districts. Staff is reviewing contractor pricing for The Strand improvements and preparing a Change Order for City Council consideration.

**Buccaneer Park Project** – Staff met with community members at their request to review concept plans to be discussed at the stakeholder meeting tonight, January 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library Community Rooms.

**Beachfront Improvements Phase I** – Construction of the future Police substation, maintenance building, and public restrooms continues. The interior partition wall framing is complete and interior plumbing and electrical rough-in are under construction at the future Police substation. Structural steel roof framing and corrugated metal roofing are under construction on the public restrooms. Interior wall framing, plumbing and electrical rough-ins, drywall, and HVAC are under construction at the maintenance building.

**Neptune Stairway Repair** – The contractor continues to correct some minor construction issues.

## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

**Digital Equity Community Workshop March 3** – In September 2021, the City partnered with Nutter Consulting to develop a Digital Equity Plan, aimed at understanding and addressing the digital divide in the City. During the pandemic, it became clear that digital access is no longer a luxury, but an essential resource for individuals to access work, education, healthcare, entertainment, and more. To build a deeper understanding of the digital divide in Oceanside, a data analysis is being conducted, as well as stakeholder interviews, to gain insights into the unique challenges, barriers, and opportunities related to digital equity. As a part of this effort, the City will host a Digital Equity Community Workshop on March 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms. The Workshop will bring together staff, community leaders, and residents to provide feedback to inform the final Digital Equity Plan. At this event, we'll share findings and recommendations to date, and engage participants in interactive discussions on who is most impacted by the digital divide, what barriers there are to realizing digital equity, and which opportunities are best suited for the unique needs of the Oceanside community.

## **FIRE**

**Fire Academy** - Firefighter Paramedic Academy #18 began on Monday, January 24. We have nine new employees in the Academy, of which four were previously employed with us as Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) under the Measure X-funded Basic Life Support transport program. Their graduation date is set for March 18, and they will start their training ride-alongs the following week. We have seven vacancies, as well as two expected retirements occurring before the Academy concludes.

**Emergency Medical Technician Recruitments** - Fire is currently recruiting for EMTs. The application period closes Friday, January 28 and we anticipate starting their Academy in early April after the hiring process is complete.

**Fire Training Tower Update** - Construction of the five-story Fire Training Tower at the OFD Training Center on Jones Road started last week. It is anticipated to be complete in Fall 2022.

## **WATER UTILITIES**

**Pilgrim Creek Sewer Lift Station Improvement Project Bid Opening** - This improvement project was advertised for construction and the City received five bids on the project on January 19, 2022. The bids were opened publicly and an apparent low bidder was identified. The bids will be analyzed and staff will develop a recommendation for City Council to award the construction contract at the March 9, 2022 Council Meeting.

**Solid Waste, Recycling and Organics Collection and Processing Agreement Council Workshop Moved to February 2** – The City is preparing and contracting for the next decade of solid waste, recycling, and organics services. On Wednesday, February 2 at 2:00 pm, staff will be presenting proposed services and costs associated with the next solid waste, recycling, and organics contract starting on January 1, 2024.

## **COMMISSION / COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

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| <b>Feb 8</b>  | Economic Development Commission. 3:00 p.m.           |
| <b>Feb 14</b> | Planning Commission. 6:00 p.m.                       |
| <b>Feb 21</b> | Harbor & Beaches Advisory Committee. 5:00 p.m.       |
| <b>Feb 22</b> | Library Board of Trustees. 2:00 p.m.                 |
| <b>Feb 22</b> | Housing Commission. 6:15 p.m.                        |
| <b>Mar 8</b>  | Parks and Recreation Commission. 6:00 p.m.           |
| <b>Mar 15</b> | Utilities Commission. 3:30 p.m.                      |
| <b>Mar 17</b> | Police and Fire Commission. 4:00 p.m.                |
| <b>Mar 21</b> | Buena Vista Lagoon Joint Powers Committee. 3:30 p.m. |

## **COMMUNITY MEETINGS / EVENTS**

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| <b>Jan 27</b> | Buena Vista Creek Restoration Presentation. <a href="#">Virtual info and survey</a> |
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- Jan 27** Buccaneer Park Workshop #3. 6:00 p.m. Library Community Rooms. [Info](#)
- Jan 29** Oceans 11 Casino 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ceremony. 1:00 p.m.
- Jan 31** County Live Well bus at Crown Heights Community Resource Center. 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Feb 2** Redistricting Community Outreach Meeting in District 3. 6:00 p.m. Lincoln Middle School. [Details](#)
- Feb 5** Redistricting Community Outreach Meeting in District 2. 11:00 a.m. Melba Bishop Recreation Center. [Details](#)
- Feb 6** Library and OMA host Film Screening. 2:00 p.m. [Info](#)
- Feb 9** Redistricting Public Hearing #3 at Council Meeting. 6:00 p.m. [Details](#)
- Feb 10** Community Development Block Grant Meeting. Libby Lake Community Resource Center. 5:00 p.m.
- Feb 12** Virtual Black History Month Celebration with the Soultry Sisters hosted by the Library. 11:00 a.m. [Register](#)
- Feb 17** Art Walls Artist Reception. Civic Center Library. 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- Feb 21** Community Development Block Grant Meeting. John Landes Center. 5:00 p.m.
- Feb 23** Redistricting Public Hearing #4 at Council Meeting. 6:00 p.m. [Details](#)
- Feb 24** Annual Homeless Census. 4:00 – 8:00 a.m. [Volunteer Registration](#)
- Feb 26** Oceanside Museum of Art 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala. 6:00 p.m. [Tickets](#)
- Mar 3** Oceanside Digital Equity Workshop. 6:00 p.m. Library Community Rooms.
- Mar 9** Redistricting Public Hearing #5 at Council Meeting. 6:00 p.m. [Details](#)