

# COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

February 3, 2022

## PLANNING

**Housing Element Update** - The Planning Division has completed draft revisions to the Housing Element in response to the California Department of Housing and Community Development's (HCD) compliance letter dated June 1, 2021. Revisions primarily focus on satisfying the "affirmatively furthering fair housing requirements" required by Assembly Bill 686. To meet the August 15, 2021 statutory deadline for adopting a Housing Element, the City Council adopted an updated Housing Element (2021-2029) on June 16, 2021, with the understanding that staff would continue to work with HCD to address outstanding issues and obtain a compliance determination. Staff intends to release the draft revisions for public review in the coming week and will subsequently submit to HCD for review. Upon approval by HCD, the revised Housing Element will be brought back to City Council for re-adoption with any recommended amendments by HCD.

**South Morro Hills Community Plan** – The Planning Division is preparing a memorandum to the City Council on the status of the South Morro Hills Community Plan and a related Community Workshop tentatively scheduled for March 16, 2022. The workshop will focus on design concepts that address the functional and spatial relationships between farming, agritourism uses, housing, and infrastructure. The workshop will also provide an opportunity to share the findings of an assessment of market conditions in South Morro Hills now being conducted by Keyser Marston Associates. Following delivery of the memorandum, staff will offer one-on-one briefings with Councilmembers on a draft Community Plan, which staff anticipates bringing before City Council in August 2022 for conceptual approval.

## ENGINEERING

**Buccaneer Park Project** – A stakeholder meeting was held on January 27 with approximately 20 community members attending and providing feedback on the conceptual plans to inform the project moving forward. *(Photo, right)*



### **Brooks Street ADA/Sidewalk Project**

The project was advertised for bids on January 28, 2022. A mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for February 9 at the Country Club Senior Center. The Brooks Street ADA/Sidewalk Project will provide an ADA pedestrian path of travel from west of Interstate 5 to the Ron Ortega Park, Boys and Girls Club, and the Senior Center.

**Neptune Stairway Repair** – The contractor continues construction of project lighting. The stairs will be fully open in the next few weeks.

## PUBLIC WORKS

**Clean California Grant** – Staff have applied for this grant in the amount of \$1,067,000. Projects included in the application will enhance and beautify the Crown Heights neighborhood. The “*Crown Heights Community Enhancements and Improvements Project*”, as titled in the grant application, is a comprehensive package to beautify the Crown Heights community, a historically underserved neighborhood, through the addition of community “gateway” signage, murals, street furniture, pedestrian-scale lighting, trash abatement, a raised crosswalk, high visibility crosswalks, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB), a new sidewalk network, and community clean-up events. The Clean California Grant program will provide \$296 million in funding to improve communities throughout the state and is targeted at economically disadvantaged communities. When applications meet that criteria, no local matching funds will be required. Grant recipients will be notified in March 2022. The selected projects must be completed by June 2024.

**Native Plant Seeding Pilot Project** - As part of the 2021 National Wildlife Federation’s Mayor’s Monarch Pledge, the Public Works Department identified several City facilities and parks with vacant areas that can accommodate the establishment of California native plants, including the introduction of native milkweed. The first of such installations has started at the City Operations Center as a pilot project. Staff identified an area that was plagued with non-native weeds and plantings. As a method to reduce maintenance and implement the goals of the IPM Program, a hydroseed mix of California natives and native milkweed was applied to the area. Once the native plant community is successfully established, minimal maintenance will be required and it will provide vital Monarch habitat, season after season. The next area to receive treatment will be vacant planters at Mance Buchanan Park. The native plant areas will include signage informing the community of the habitat and its benefits.



## [WATER UTILITIES](#)

**Jurisdictional Runoff Management Plan & Best Management Practice (BMP) Design Manual Updates** - An update to the City's Jurisdictional Runoff Management Plan (JRMP) and BMP Design Manual was recently completed. These documents have been updated to include BMPs and procedures for Full Depth Reclamation (FDR) road maintenance activities conducted by the City, and required by the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board. Both documents were submitted on January 31, 2022, and were included in the stormwater program annual reports. These changes are publicly available to view on the City website.

## [COMMISSION / COMMITTEE MEETINGS](#)

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

## [COMMUNITY MEETINGS / EVENTS](#)

- 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 7** Redistricting Open Office Hours Via Zoom for Questions. 12:00 – 1:00 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. [Flyer](#)
- 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. [Flyer](#)
- 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 7** Community Development Block Grant Meeting. Library Community Rooms. 5:00 p.m. [Flyer](#)
- Mar 9** Redistricting Public Hearing #5 at Council Meeting. 6:00 p.m. [Details](#)
- Mar 26** True Care Grand Gala. 6:00 p.m. [Info](#)