

COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

March 4, 2021

PLANNING

General Plan Update Phase 2 –On Saturday, March 13 at 10:30 a.m., the Planning Division will host a virtual community workshop on the Smart and Sustainable Corridors Specific Plan (SSCSP). The workshop will outline the purpose and intent of the SSCSP while allowing community members to share their thoughts on existing conditions and opportunities for positive change within the project study area. Interested parties can register for the workshop on the [project webpage](#). Following this workshop, the project team will formulate recommendations for revised residential density allowances and other incentives for infill and redevelopment within the study area.

Listed below are the public hearing items that the Planning Commission will review at its meeting on Monday, March 8, 2021:

Brother Benno’s Review - Recommendations from the Brother Benno’s Standing Committee regarding revisions to conditions of approval for the Brother Benno’s Conditional Use Permit (C-33-90) including revisions to existing Condition Nos. 33, 34 and 36 and addition of new conditions Nos. 37, 38 and 39 to regulate the operations of the Brother Benno’s facility. The site has a General Plan designation of Light Industrial (LI) and is zoned Limited Industrial (IL) and is located at 3260 Production Avenue. ***Item continued from the February 8, 2021 Planning commission meeting. Staff is recommending approval of the revisions.***

Cannabis Facilities Muni Code Amendment - Consideration of a LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM AMENDMENT (LCPA20-00001) and Municipal Code Amendment to amend Chapter 7, Article XIII of the City’s Municipal Code. The proposed municipal code text amendments would add language pertaining to required odor control of cannabis facilities and need for cannabis businesses to maintain a local license. The amended municipal code text would be established as part of the Local Coastal Program (LCPA21-00001). ***Staff is recommending City Council approval.***

Buddiez, LLC –Consideration of a CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS request (CUP19-00015 and CUP19-00016) to operate a medical cannabis manufacturing and distribution facility within an existing building located at 2949 San Luis Rey Road (APN: 146-050-52) within the Airport Neighborhood Planning Area. The project site has a General Plan Land Use designation of Light Industrial (LI) and a Zoning designation of Limited Industrial (IL). The project proposal will add roughly 300 square-feet to the existing building and include interior remodel of the building to operate a medical cannabis manufacturing and distribution business. ***Staff is recommending City Council approval.***

Chick-Fil-A Expansion – Consideration of a DEVELOPMENT PLAN (D20-00007) and CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP20-00009) to allow interior and exterior modifications, including a 353-square-foot addition and the installation of a second drive-thru/bypass lane and retaining wall, at an existing 3,876-square-foot fast food restaurant located southwest of the intersection of Marron Road and College Boulevard (APN 168-014-02). The 1.04-acre parcel has a General Plan Land Use designation of Community Commercial and a zoning designation of Community Commercial (CC), and is located within the Lake Neighborhood Planning Area at 3475 Marron Road. ***Staff is recommending approval.***

Coastline Baptist Church Addition and Remodel - Consideration of an APPEAL OF CITY PLANNER'S APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN (ADP20-00005) AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (ACUP20-00002) to allow a 50'-0" tall addition of 2,499 square feet (sf), expansion of operations, and interior and exterior remodeling of an existing religious facility within an existing commercial center. The site is located within the Oceana Neighborhood Planning Area. The project site has a General Plan Land Use designation of General Commercial (GC) and a corresponding Zoning designation of Limited Commercial (CL). *This project has been continued to the April 5, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting.*

ENGINEERING

Street Overlay Project – Street overlay work for Mission Avenue, between I-5 and Horne Street, requires a Caltrans encroachment permit in order to commence construction. The permit was recently obtained and work is anticipated to start March 8, 2021 and last until the end of April 2021.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

Status Update for CalHome Application FY 20-21 - The City received notification on February 24, 2021 that the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) had received the City's CalHome Program application submitted on October 29, 2020 for a First-Time Homebuyer Program to assist 41 Oceanside households to purchase homes over a three-year period. The application has passed the initial threshold review and will be entering the scoring phase of the review process. The threshold review only determines if the application is eligible and passes threshold. All applicants passing eligibility and threshold criteria will be evaluated on the following factors in the scoring phase: (1) Capacity, (2) Community, (3) Feasibility, (4) Community Revitalization, and (5) Volunteer Labor, Self-Help Labor, or Youth Construction Skills Training Program. If there are more eligible applicants than can be funded, HCD will award funding by descending order of points. HCD announced the availability of up to \$57 million in CalHome Program funds and up to 45 percent (or \$25.6 million) of available funds for Southern California. The City of Oceanside's CalHome application requested \$4,520,250.

County of San Diego Emergency Rental Assistance Program - The County of San Diego's Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) helps eligible households in qualifying areas that have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program provides payment assistance for renters behind on rent and utilities, from April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021. Residents can apply online at www.sdhcd.org through March 16, 2021. Only one application per household will be processed. If applicants do not have internet access and need assistance in completing an application, they can call (858) 694-4801 for assistance. This program is open to residents of all cities and unincorporated communities with the exception of the cities of San Diego and Chula Vista. For more information on the County of San Diego ERAP, visit www.sdhcd.org.

2021 Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program - The City announces the opening of the 2021 Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Program. The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program is sponsored by the City of Oceanside and managed by the Housing Commission. The scholarship program was established in 1989 to encourage and enable graduating high school seniors in Oceanside to attend college. The scholarship program is directed primarily to students that exemplify the ideals and teachings of Dr. King and other civil and human rights leaders. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic achievement, financial need, ability

to meet and overcome challenges, and perceived ability to succeed in college or university. Recipients must be residents of the City of Oceanside and/or attend high school (public, private or charter) in Oceanside. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, religion or any other arbitrary factor. Last year, the MLK Scholarship committee selected 13 recipients totaling \$41,000 in scholarship awards ranging in amounts from \$1,000-\$10,000.

Due to the pandemic, City staff are reaching out to school counseling departments, career centers and school principals to promote the Oceanside MLK, Jr. Scholarship Program. Students will be able to submit their application online or mail it to the City of Oceanside. Applications may be found [on the City website](#). The application deadline is May 3, 2021. For questions, email: mlkscholarship@oceansideca.org or call 760-435-5042.

WATER UTILITIES

\$1 Million Awarded to Loma Alta Slough Wetlands Enhancement - On February 24 staff was notified that the United States Fish & Wildlife Service has selected the Loma Alta Slough Wetlands Enhancement project for a \$1 million Federal grant to construct the project's first phase. The award is issued through the National Coastal Wetlands Conservation grant program, a nationwide solicitation that funds projects that protect, restore and enhance coastal wetland ecosystems. The award is given to state resource agencies which pass the funds to local restoration projects. The City partnered with the State Coastal Conservancy as a sub-recipient to make the project eligible for award. The Loma Alta Slough Wetlands Enhancement is split into two phases. Construction of Phase 1 will be completed under this Federal grant award. Phase 2 construction is dependent on the future acquisition of the remaining private parcel at the project site and securing additional implementation funding. The project was one of 33 selected nationwide across 14 states.

WaterSmart Meter Project – The WaterSmart Meter Project utilizing advanced meter infrastructure (AMI) is part of the City's continued efforts to enhance customer service, improve water efficiency, and replace aging infrastructure. The contractor has mobilized and set up the project staging area on Ocean Ranch Boulevard. They have begun replacing meter box lids and are preparing to start the limited installation of WaterSmart Meters for the pilot phase in Cycle 7. All Oceanside customers were mailed a [WaterSmart introduction letter](#) and are invited to attend a virtual workshop on March 9 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Residents may register for the workshop [here](#) or sign on directly using the zoom link, <https://zoom.us/j/99436426893>. The workshop will be recorded and placed on the City's website.

The initial WaterSmart meter installations will begin on March 15, the contractor will knock on the resident's door and provide a [door tag](#) prior to work beginning on their property. The contractor has begun performing site visits to each of the ~240 large water meters (sized 3-inch and above) to document existing conditions and plan for the meter upgrades. The customers at these locations have received a [notification letter](#) along with the [WaterSmart Fact Sheet](#). The first two AMI data collectors, located at the Henie Hills reservoir and City Hall, have been installed and are being tested. The initial setup of the AMI Head-end Software, Neptune 360, has begun and system testing is starting.

2020 Zero Waste Plan as well as Judgment and Award of Damages to the Water Authority at Council Workshop on March 17 at 2:00 p.m. – Staff will present the 2020 Zero Waste Plan, which includes an Action Plan for Compliance with the State’s Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Mandate (SB 1383) and a draft Marine Debris Reduction Ordinance. Staff will also be discussing judgment and award of damages to the Water Authority related to 2011 – 2014 rate litigation and seeking direction on the use of the proceeds.

Loretta Street Force Main Replacement – The bid opening for the Loretta Street Force Main Replacement project was held on February 24, 2021. Ten bids were received. Staff is reviewing bid documents and anticipates recommending an award of the contract at the City Council meeting on April 7, 2021. Construction is expected to begin in April 2021 and to be complete by August 2021.

PUBLIC WORKS

City Hall Bike Station - The City Hall Bike Station is now operational. The Bike Station was funded through a SANDAG Active Transportation Grant to encourage bike commuting. Twenty-eight bikes can be parked in the secured, camera monitored enclosure. Electrical outlets are installed to recharge electric bikes. A repair stand with basic bike tools and air pump will be added in the coming week. The enclosure is available for City employees and local bike commuters in the downtown area. Interested users may request a free membership. [Application](#)

LIBRARY

Request for Proposals: Permanent Art for Oceanside Public Library’s Early Learning and Community Information Hub - The Library is inviting artwork submissions to consider for installation at Oceanside Public Library’s Civic Center Library. Artwork already in existence, proposals for new artwork, or proposals for a mural to be created directly on the walls of the space will all be considered. Oceanside Public Library is creating a dedicated Early Learning and Community Information Hub (HUB) for families to access essential information more readily, and engage in learning opportunities that meet families’ needs to promote healthy development in young children. The Hub will be centrally and visibly located in the Civic Center Library, currently a space like this does not exist in the City. The Hub space will ensure a welcoming and purposeful environment, with staff, volunteers, and key community partners, experienced in identifying helpful resources, providing ongoing workshops, and generating valuable connections and support. The theme is aquatic, and should entail some aquatic life but artists are encouraged to be creative. The selected artist will be paid \$2,000 for the project. The art will be owned by the City of Oceanside/Oceanside Public Library. Deadline for submission is March 5. Find submission requirements and more details [here](#).

UPCOMING COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEETINGS VIA ZOOM

- Mar 4** CANCELLED: ~~Manufactured Home Fair Practices Commission. 6:00 p.m.~~
- Mar 8** Planning Commission. 6:00 p.m.
- Mar 9** Parks and Recreation Commission. 6:00 p.m.
- Mar 10** El Corazon Standing Committee. 9:00 a.m.
- Mar 11** Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee. 2:00 p.m.
- Mar 16** Utilities Commission. 3:30 p.m.

- Mar 18** Police & Fire Commission. 4:00 p.m.
Mar 23 Library Board of Trustees. 2:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS / EVENTS

- Mar 13** Virtual Community Workshop: Smart and Sustainable Corridors Specific Plan.
10:30 a.m. (Rescheduled from March 20). [Details](#)