

COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

December 9, 2021

PLANNING

Housing Element Update – Staff is finalizing responses to comments received from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) regarding the City’s draft Housing Element. Once a pre-approved certification of the Housing Element is received from HCD, staff will release any proposed amendments for public review and comment prior to requesting City Council re-adoption, which is expected in early 2022.

ENGINEERING

Annual Slurry Seal Project - The contractor has completed all contract work to 95% in all Districts. Remaining work includes completing cross walk markings and change order work for additional roadway marking in District 4.

Overlay Project – The contractor completed all contract work. The project is substantially complete and the City received Partial Acceptance Letters for work within all districts. The South Strand plans, specifications, contract documents have been finalized and issued to the contractor.

Buccaneer Park Project – The project team is preparing to conduct a third workshop during the week of January 17 – January 22, 2022, during which the restroom and park conceptual designs and survey responses will be presented. The goal of the meeting will be to receive community feedback on the proposed conceptual designs.

Beachfront Improvement Feasibility Study Phase II – The study website was recently updated to include recorded videos from the two focused community meetings. The final committee meeting presentation for the “Discovery Phase” of the feasibility study is scheduled with the Cultural District Steering Committee on Wednesday, December 15 at 9:00 a.m. in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms. Please continue to check the [study webpage](#) for up-to-date information and next steps.

Neptune Stairway Repair Construction of the stairs continues this week with the installation of the handrail.



PUBLIC WORKS

Harbor Small Fishing Pier Grant – The California Wildlife Conservation Board recommended approval of a \$267,000 grant to the Oceanside Harbor for the design, engineering, and permitting of a new Harbor Fishing Pier. In June of 2021, Brady and Associates identified significant structural deficiencies in the pilings and decking of the small fishing pier. As a result, the Harbor Fishing Pier was closed pending temporary repairs to stabilize the deck. The Harbor Pier was recently repaired and reopened with a capacity limit of 10 people. The new Harbor Fishing Pier will be larger and furnished with ADA parking spaces, restroom and non-motorized vessel launch. Harbor staff will apply for a construction grant once the construction permits have been approved.



Jolly Roger Transient Dock Grant – The California Division of Boating and Waterways confirmed a grant for \$950,000 to replace and expand the Jolly Roger transient dock. This is one of the oldest docks in the Harbor and is nearing the end of its useful life. This grant will allow for a complete replacement and enlargement of this dock. In addition, it will provide for ADA access, improved utilities for boaters, and an improved fire prevention system.

Status of Sand Compatibility and Opportunistic Use Program (SCOUP) permits - SCOUP permits allow the City to place beach-quality sand on beaches when made available through development or dredging. There are three separate SCOUP permits issued by different oversight agencies. The status of these permits is described below:

1. **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Permit** - The permit expired 11/29/2021. Prior to its expiration, the City filed a request for the renewal and extension of the permit. USACE staff have acknowledged their receipt of the City's request (prior to the expiration date) and are reviewing the application. The City anticipates a determination in January 2022.
2. **California Coastal Commission (CCC) Permit** - This permit expired on 1/14/2021. The City has applied for a new permit. CCC staff have reviewed the City's initial application and has requested additional information which has been provided. The City anticipates a determination in early 2022.
3. **Regional Water Quality Board Permit** - The permit expired on 4/10/21. The City has applied for a new permit. Board staff have reviewed the City's application and requested additional information which was provided in November 2021. Statutorily the Board must reply within 30 days with approval or a request for more information. The City anticipates a response in December 2021.

WATER UTILITIES

Community Choice Energy (CCE) Update – Per Council’s direction at the September 29, 2021, CCE workshop, the City will join Clean Energy Alliance (CEA) collectively with the cities of San Marcos, Escondido and Vista. Escondido and San Marcos voted to join CEA in October and November 2021, respectively. Recent updates from the City of Vista indicate their revised timeline for membership consideration is now April or May 2022. Assuming Vista’s approval of membership, staff plan to approach City Council shortly thereafter to recommend membership. This will include introducing a CCE ordinance, a resolution to adopt CEA’s Joint Powers Agreement, and requesting Council to appoint a member to the CEA Board of Directors. If approved in 2022, Oceanside and Vista are on similar timelines for a 2024 launch of service under CEA.

Staff have received an updated schedule from CEA on the important actions that must be completed in 2022 to join. CEA is currently assessing Oceanside’s electrical service data from SDG&E as required for all new members, and expects the assessment to be completed in late January 2022. Following completion of the assessment, the table below lists important actions for both the City and CEA to complete for a 2024 launch of service.

Timeline for 2024 launch of service – Oceanside and Vista new members

DATE	TASK/ACTIVITY
March 2022	Assessment Report Review/Approval by CEA Board
April/May 2022	City adopt resolution to join CEA & Ordinance establishing CCE
June 2022	CEA approves new cities joining
July 2022	New Board Members Seated (30 days after Ordinance effective)
November 2022	Implementation Plan Amendment Approved
December 2022	Implementation Plan Amendment filed with CPUC
March 2023	Implementation Plan Amendment Approved by CPUC

PARKS AND RECREATION

Swim Meet comes to Oceanside - The William Wagner Aquatic Center will host its first official swim meet December 18-20. The meet, organized by San Diego Imperial Swimming, will showcase individuals and teams from around San Diego County and the surrounding counties of Orange, Riverside and Imperial. There may also be teams traveling from Mexico to compete. This event, previously unable to be held in Oceanside, will be the first opportunity to demonstrate the regional impact of the new Aquatic Center in comparison to other facilities.

Senior Holiday Cheer event - A Senior Holiday Cheer event will be held at Country Club Senior Center Tuesday, December 14 from 3:00-5:00 pm. The event will include holiday crafts, refreshments, and a musical performance by the Oceanside High School Choir. Additionally, staff will be delivering cheer baskets including Poinsettia flowers to households who participate in the Home Delivered Meal program in an effort to perform wellness checks and provide some holiday cheer to residents who may have challenges leaving home.

[LIBRARY](#)

Friends of Oceanside Public Library Event - The Friends of the Library will hold a *Gifts Galore! Books and More!* Sale on Saturday, December 11, 2021, in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *Gifts Galore!* offerings will include gift items, gently used books, artworks, puzzles and more, at great prices. In addition, shoppers will have the opportunity to meet and greet with renowned author and linguist Richard Lederer from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mr. Lederer will have copies of his books for sale, including *A Treasury of Christmas Humor*.

[COMMISSION / COMMITTEE MEETINGS](#)

- Dec 13** Planning Commission. 6:00 p.m.
- Dec 14** Economic Development Commission. 3:00 p.m.
- Dec 15** Cultural District Steering Committee. 9:00 a.m.
- Dec 16** Measure X Citizen's Oversight Committee. 2:00 p.m.
- Dec 28** Housing Commission. 6:15 p.m.
- Jan 11** Parks & Recreation Commission. 6:00 p.m.
- Jan 18** Utilities Commission. 3:30 p.m.
- Jan 20** Police and Fire Commission. 4:00 p.m.
- Jan 26** Downtown Advisory Committee. 9:00 a.m.

[COMMUNITY MEETINGS / EVENTS](#)

- Dec 9** Community Needs Assessment Meeting. 7:00 p.m. Bishop Recreation Center. [Info](#)
- Dec 11** Gifts Galore Library Holiday Fundraiser. 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Library Community Rooms. [Flyer](#)
- Dec 11** Harbor Parade of Lights. **Updated time:** 7:00 p.m. [Flyer](#)
- Dec 11** Holiday Mercato. 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Beach House Winery. [Details](#)
- Dec 14** Senior Cheer Event. 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Country Club Senior Center. [Details](#)
- Dec 17** Oceanside Firefighter's Charity Fund presents Jazz and Jokes. 7:30 p.m. Country Club Senior Center. [Info](#)

- Jan 15** MLK Day of Service Project. 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. MiraCosta College. [Sign up](#)
- Jan 17** MLK Community Prayer Breakfast. 9:00 a.m. El Corazon Senior Center. [Tickets](#)
- Jan 27** Annual Homeless Census. 4:00 – 8:00 a.m. [Volunteer Registration](#)
- Jan 27** Buena Vista Creek Restoration Planning Meeting. 4:00 p.m. [Info](#)
- Feb 26** Oceanside Museum of Art 25th Anniversary Gala. 6:00 p.m. Seabird Hotel.