CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

October 30, 2020

PLANNING

Brother Benno's Standing Committee – The next Standing Committee meeting is scheduled for November 12.

General Plan Update Phase 2 – The City has recently been awarded a second grant from the California Department of Community Development (HCD), in the amount of \$500,000 to augment funding for the General Plan Update. These additional grant funds will be used to expand the scope of the Smart and Sustainable Corridors Plan and prepare an Active Transportation Master Plan that consolidates and refines the City's Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plans. The project team will also explore the possibility of dedicating a portion of the grant funding to a Recreational Trails Plan. The City has now received three state grants in support of the General Plan Update, totaling over \$1.3M.

ENGINEERING

El Corazon Aquatics Center – Plumbing and tile work continues in the West Building. The drop ceiling in the East Building is nearing completion. Glazing (windows) is anticipated to be completed within the next two weeks. Exterior painting is anticipated to be completed by the end of next week. Site work continues around the pool decks, including the installation of slot drains, pool deck concrete, plastering of the pools and tile work.

Emergency fire escape access will be maintained at the Senior Center at El Corazon from October 31, 2020 through the close of voting on November 3, 2020.

Quiet Zone Update – The contractor returned to the site Monday, October 26. Additional work includes: installing pedestrian signs at the SPRINTER crossing to the platform at the south end of the Oceanside Transit Center, constructing a walkway from the NCTD OTC platform north to Mission Ave., installing a new SDG&E meter for SDG&E service to the railroad equipment hut at Mission Ave., modifying the Mission Ave. median to match the Oceanside Beach Resort improvements, and installing a traffic signal at Mission/Myers intersection. Work continues on the walkway construction to Mission Avenue.

Overlay Project - Work commenced for the Overlay Project on 8/3/20. Utility adjustments are being performed in Rancho Hermosa area. Paving operations for the Industry Street area were halted on 10/16/20 due to areas of subgrade that needed to be addressed. Therefore, eastbound Industry Street from approximately Garrison Street to the NCTD parking lot is unpaved. This area is outside of the one-way westbound detour and therefore not impacting traffic. Staff and the Contractor are working this week to remedy the situation and paving work will be completed by the end of the week. On-street parking is still restricted.

Slurry Seal Project - The Contractor finished slurry sealing operations. Striping and pavement markings will be completed this week.

San Ramon/Rancho Del Oro Traffic Signal – The contractor potholed the locations of the remaining three poles. The cages and bolts were set and concrete was poured. All pole foundations have now been placed. Work for the coming week include pouring the ADA ramp on the east side of Rancho Del Oro and bringing sidewalk behind poles to maintain the 4 feet minimum clearance for ADA. Additionally, contractor is working on running all conduit.



WATER UTILITIES

Construction for expansion of recycled water and Pure Water Oceanside - Construction for both projects continue. These projects originate at the San Luis Rey Water Reclamation Facility (SLRWRF) and construction is currently occurring on Douglas Drive. Construction of the Recycled Water Main and Pure Water Main through the intersection of Douglas and North River Road was completed last week, which allowed detours through the neighborhoods to be removed. The contractor is progressing with the horizontal directional drilling operation on the east side of the Douglas bridge, which will construct the portion of the Pure Water main under the river. In conjunction with this operation, the contractor has installed k-rails on Douglas, which will allow for longer construction times and improved traffic on Douglas and surrounding areas. The contractor is installing both mains on the south side of the bridge and through the Douglas & Pala Road intersection in the upcoming weeks. Construction of the injection wells in Coco Palms will begin in November. Staff held a virtual workshop for residents in nearby neighborhoods which was recorded and posted online. Residents with questions may call (760) 435-4570 or visit www.PureWaterOceanside.org for more information.

Transition to a Permanent Special Agricultural Water Rate (PSAWR) Program - Over the next few months, Water Utilities staff will be assisting Oceanside's agricultural customers with joining the PSAWR program. PSAWR is the San Diego County Water Authority's new special agricultural rate program that will begin in January 1, 2021, following the conclusion of the current Temporary Special Agricultural Water Rate (TSAWR) Program. Like the TSWAR program, the PSAWR program will offer farmers lower water rates in exchange for cut backs during periods of drought. However, the PSAWR program offers a more inclusive registration which will allow new participation and a serve as a way to strengthen the region's agricultural industry. Participation in the program is voluntary, but expected to be popular among our City's agricultural customers, and staff is excited to be able to offer the program to new customers so all who are interested are able to take advantage of the lower rate. Currently, about fifty Oceanside customers are part of the TSWAR program, and those electing to make the transition will have until June 30, 2021 to verify eligibility for the program. Under the permanent program in 2021, participants will pay \$1.85 per unit of treated water, while non-participating commercial agricultural customers users will pay \$2.87 per acre-foot.

Oceanside Donation Weeks Support the Oceanside DAV from November 2 through 13 - Oceanside residents can donate up to eight gently used items curbside between November 2 and November 13 as part of the biannual Donation Weeks. All items donated will be brought to the Oceanside DAV, to support local veterans. Acceptable items include furniture, bags of textiles, sporting equipment, electronics, appliances, and more. Please contact Waste Management at 760-439-2824 to schedule your donation pick up.

UPCOMING COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings follow the same format as the City Council.

Nov 12 Brother Bennos Standing Committee – 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Nov 17 Utilities Commission. 3:30 p.m.

Nov 17 Housing Commission. 6:15 p.m.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Oct 29 Commercial & Industrial Property Owner Forums. Details

Oct 29 Coastal Rail Trail Project Virtual Community Meeting. 5:00 p.m. Details

Nov 26 Virtual Turkey Trot