

CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

November 13, 2020

ENGINEERING

El Corazon Aquatics Center – Concrete pool decking and site work continues. The Competition Pool bleachers have been installed. Work on the Splash Pad continues. Plastering of the pools will wait until all site work has been completed to lessen the chance of contamination of the pool filtering and pumping equipment. Once plastering has been completed, the pools will be filled with water prior to testing and commissioning of the equipment. Work continues on finish work for the East and West Buildings.



NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

Parks & Recreation Fall Aquatic Programming - The Fall Lifeguard Academy has begun with 15 students enrolled in the 5-week course. Upon successful completion, students will have all the certification required to apply for lifeguard positions with the City of Oceanside. The new Water Polo Conditioning classes began last week with 18 registrations. This is a new program being offered to high school athletes at the Brooks Street Swim Center. The purpose of the class is to get high school athletes in shape prior to the beginning of their sports season. Due to popular demand and at the request of numerous participants, Parks and Recreation Fall Surf Camp has been extended until November 19. The extended program runs Monday-Thursday and has 34 participants enrolled in the camp. The Brooks street Swim Center continues to offer lap swim seven days a week for our active swimming community. Brooks Street Swim Center will now offer adult learn-to-swim instruction for those individuals who may want to improve their strokes or for those who may be learning to swim.

City of Oceanside Partnership for Mobile COVID-19 Testing - The City and Vista Community Clinic (VCC) have partnered to provide mobile COVID-19 testing at various City Recreations and Resource Center sites in Oceanside since October 6, 2020. VCC has provided 203 tests over six locations (averaging 34 tests per site) thus far. There are no requirements to receive a test and testing is free. Appointments are preferred and limited. Walk-ins are acceptable upon availability, call ahead to see which day the mobile clinic will be at your preferred site. Staff will be following and enforcing all safety guidelines. To schedule an appointment, people can call Alma Diaz at office 760-631-5000 ext. 7201 or mobile 760-505-4401. Mobile clinic days are varied, call ahead for locations:

- Chavez Resource Center, 605 San Diego St., Oceanside
- Crown Heights Resource Center, 1210 Division St., Oceanside
- Libby Lake Community Center, 4700 North River Rd., Oceanside
- John Landes Recreation Center, 2855 Cedar Rd. (Tri-City), Oceanside
- New Song Church, 3985 Mission Ave., Oceanside
- Melba Bishop Recreation Center, 5306 North River Rd., Oceanside

City of Oceanside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award Nominations -

The City is now accepting nominations for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award. The annual award is given to a resident of the City of Oceanside or member of the U.S. Armed Forces stationed at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton. The award is given to a resident who exemplifies the ideals and teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. who worked to advance civil rights, equal education, labor, and voter rights and who fought racial inequality through non-violence and civil disobedience. The award recognizes those in the community who have given time and energy through volunteerism to improve community life, develop positive relations in the community, and enhance the lives of individuals. The award has no restrictions as to race, ethnicity, gender, or type of service and is open to any resident of Oceanside or Camp Pendleton. The nomination forms are found [on the City website](#). The deadline to return nomination forms is December 7, 2020. All nominees and the award recipient will be announced in January 2021. For more information or submission of nominations, contact staff at (760) 435-5044 or via email at mlkserviceaward@oceansideca.org.

WATER UTILITIES

Pure Water Oceanside and Recycled Water Expansion - Pipeline work for Pure Water Oceanside and expanding the Recycled Water System continues on Douglas Drive. Well preparation on Coco Palms Drive began this week and 24-7 well drilling will begin in mid-November. A construction information flyer was sent to parents at Foussat Elementary regarding construction and potential delays regarding pick up and drop off of students. An [e-newsletter](#) was also sent out to those signed up for updates, and provided more detailed information regarding construction to customers.

Weese Chemical Facilities Upgrades Project - The Robert A. Weese Water Filtration Plant Chemical Facilities Upgrades Project is now complete, with the Notice of Completion filed on 10/8/20 and retention payment going out this week. The design-build project was completed with less than 5% in contract Change Orders and the new chemical systems are online and operational. This project replaced and upgraded the chemical delivery system, including an upgraded pressurized aqueous ammonia system to replace the old gravity system, and replaced the chlorine gas system with a new bulk sodium hypochlorite system adequately sized for the facility.

Office of Administrative Law Finalizes SB 1383 Rulemaking Process – CalRecycle announced on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, that SB 1383 Short-Lived Climate Pollutants Regulations have been approved by Office of Administrative Law. This confirms the State's direction to not change course, in response to COVID-19, and to further mandate the diversion of organics, with strict guidelines and enforceable requirements on California jurisdictions, generators and residents by January 1, 2021. Staff continues to engage in potential legislative fixes to this mandate, while also developing a pathway forward for successful and minimal compliance that meets our community's priorities and requirements for economic recovery and a healthy and sustainable Oceanside.

October Water Efficiency Rebate Program Participation - In October, 35 Oceanside residents and 1 commercial customer participated in the regional water efficiency rebate program, wherein Water Utilities customers receive reimbursement for purchasing water-efficient devices such as high-efficiency clothes washers, rain barrels and irrigation controllers. Over \$4,800 in rebates were issued to these Oceanside customers, and their device upgrades are estimated to save a combined 278,200 gallons of water per year.

Newly Launched Rain Barrel Distribution Program - Green Oceanside staff launched the City's Rain Barrel Give-a-Way Program last week, which will provide a free rain barrel to 300 low-income residents in Oceanside. Staff sent postcards to qualified residents last week, and is already receiving applications. Approved residents will receive a rain barrel shipped directly to their home just in time for rainy season, which could provide residents with water savings of up to 20%.

Waterway Cleanups Continue – Periodic waterway cleanups are continuing during the fiscal year 2020/21 cleanup contract. Last month, City contractor Urban Corps conducted two cleanups along Buena Vista Creek and Loma Alta Creek removing approximately 5,150 lbs. of debris from Oceanside waterways.

“Students for Zero Waste” Online Learning Tutorials for America Recycles Day November 15 – The City's Green Oceanside team, in collaboration with Waste Management and BCK Programs, are preparing an online learning platform with interactive activities and education for students, families, and on-line educators called “Students for Zero Waste.” Staff will kick-off the website on America Recycles Day, November 15, and will showcase a 6-part online tutorial series geared towards “Recycling Right” and encouraging participants of all ages to champion zero waste in the community. The tutorials are customized to three learning levels, K-3rd, 4th-7th, and 8th-12th, but everyone is encouraged to participate. Once finalized, the website will be available on the Zero Waste page at www.GreenOceanside.org.

CalRecycle and CalEPA Feature Green Oceanside Kitchen Content for their America Recycles Day Virtual Celebration – The State environmental regulatory agencies, CalRecycle and CalEPA, will be featuring Green Oceanside's “Waste Less, Enjoy More” educational videos and programming created since March 2020, as part of their agency-wide America Recycles Day Virtual Celebration on November 16. The videos feature content from the Green Oceanside Kitchen, as well as the City's Food Scraps Recycling Program, both of which have provided resources to benefit the economic and environmental wellbeing of the community.

168 Residents Participated in First of Two Donation Weeks – Between November 2-6, the Zero Waste team had over 168 Oceanside residents schedule a curbside donation pick up with Waste Management, diverting hundreds of pounds from the landfill, and to benefit the Oceanside DAV. The Green Oceanside team and Waste Management host bi-annual donation weeks, allowing residents to donate up to eight gently used items curbside to receive a second life while benefiting the local veterans' community.

UPCOMING COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings follow the same format as the City Council.

- Nov 16** Harbor & Beaches Advisory Committee. 5:00 p.m.
- Nov 17** Utilities Commission. 3:30 p.m.
- Nov 17** Housing Commission. 6:15 p.m.
- Nov 24** Library Board of Trustees. 2:00 p.m.
- Dec 17** Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee. 2:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Nov 26** Virtual Turkey Trot