

## **CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE**

### **August 29, 2019**

### **PLANNING**

**El Corazon Specific Plan** - Sudberry's request to amend the El Corazon Specific Plan is scheduled for consideration by the El Corazon Standing Committee on August 29. The request includes adjustments to the Specific Plan's land use area boundaries, roadway realignments and a Tentative Map to further subdivide the site in anticipation of future build-out. The request also includes adding "sports stadiums and arenas" to the current definition of Commercial Recreation and Entertainment uses. It's anticipated that the request will be scheduled for Planning Commission consideration on October 7 and by the City Council in late November or early December.

**Zoning Ordinance Consolidation Completed** – On August 21, the City Council adopted modifications to base zoning districts and Article 30. This is the final action needed by the Council to consolidate the City's former three zoning ordinances (Downtown, '86 and '92) into one ordinance, and the project can now be considered complete. The multi-year consolidation required meticulous review of the three zoning ordinances that contained different regulations, organizations and formats; and often required re-adoption due to Coastal Commission modifications; all the while incorporating specific zoning amendments such as for agritourism, ADUs, 1<sup>st</sup> amendment uses, medical cannabis, and others. The consolidated ordinance, now known as the City Zoning Ordinance, will be much easier to utilize and to amend with substantive revisions.

**Parks Master Plan** - Staff will be distributing the draft Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update to City Council the week of September 3 and scheduling meetings with City Council the week of September 9. The overall program in the updated plan focuses on infill and repurposing of the current park inventory to meet current resident needs and recreational trends, as well as methods to improve access to the current park inventory.

#### Adoption Schedule:

September 5, 2019: Presentation of draft plan to Parks & Recreation Commission

October 8, 2019: Parks & Recreation Commission recommendation to City Council for adoption of the final Plan

October 21, 2019: Planning Commission recommendation to City Council for adoption of the final Plan

November 6, 2019: City Council adoption

Listed below are the public hearing items that the Planning Commission reviewed and acted on at their meeting on Monday, August 26, 2019.

**CHASE BANK THIRD WALL SIGN** – Consideration of a Variance (V19-00001) request to obtain a third wall sign on a third side of a commercial building within an existing commercial center, where signs are permitted only on two sides of a building, located at 1040 Mission Avenue. ***The Commission voted 3-2 (Busk, Rosales – No; Morrissey – Recused; Krahel – Absent) to approve the project. Resolution of approval will be brought back to the September 23, 2019 PC meeting for adoption***

**EL CORAZON SPECIFIC PLAN AREA CSP** – Consideration of a COMPREHENSIVE SIGN PROGRAM (CSP19-00001) to allow the establishment of a sign program that guides sign designs for the 465-acre El Corazon Specific Plan Area located at the northeast corner of Oceanside Boulevard and El Camino Real and is bound by Mesa Drive to the north and Rancho Del Oro Drive to the east. ***The Commission adopted the Resolution by a 4-2 vote (Goodkind, Busk – No) approving the project with revisions to the resolution.***

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

-Report on Draft Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) – ***Item discussed***

-Planning Commission Bi-Annual Work Plan – ***Item discussed***

***The Commission voted 6-0 (Krahel – Absent) recommending City Council approval***

## ENGINEERING

**Quiet Zone Update** – This week staff is sending the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) minutes of the August 7 diagnostic meeting, along with an action plan to address their concerns. The FRA had notified the City not to implement the Quiet Zone at the end of July until additional work, such as additional protective fencing, is done. The action plan entails additional work by the City's Quiet Zone contractor, which staff will process for approval. Restarting the Quiet Zone requires a new notification period to the railroad operators; this will take three months.

## PUBLIC WORKS

**US Coast Guard Derelict/Abandoned Vessel Assessments** - The U.S. Coast Guard is planning a visit to the Oceanside Harbor on September 17-18, 2019. They intend to identify environmentally hazardous, derelict, unseaworthy and other vessels at Oceanside Harbor that have the potential to harm the water quality. They will be doing this throughout San Diego County and we are the first Harbor for this inspection.

**Downtown Lot Development** - In order to achieve a more robust distribution of the RFP for the Development of Downtown parking lots, the due date has been extended by 30 days to October 30, 2019. At this time, staff is completing additional website postings and mailings of the RFP to increase distribution.

## **WATER UTILITIES / DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

**Community Choice Energy** – Staff has been monitoring the progress of CCE efforts with other North County cities as well as with Camp Pendleton, since being provided direction at the April Council workshop on CCE formation. This past month, the City of Carlsbad approved an action to move forward with a joint powers authority (JPA) formation, which is the next step to form a CCE. In approving their action, the Carlsbad City Council also directed staff to initiate negotiations with potential partners for the Joint Powers Agreement and received the CCE Governance Analysis Report. Most recently, the Encinitas City Council voted to participate in the City of San Diego’s Community Choice Energy Program in an effort to reduce costs, maximize savings to customers, bring in more revenues, reduce liability risks and meet the end of year deadline for participating.

Similar cities to Oceanside such as the cities of Vista, San Marcos and Escondido have released a RFP for a CCE Technical Study, similar to the effort just completed by Oceanside, Carlsbad, Del Mar and Encinitas. Oceanside staff are monitoring the progress of the RFP award, as well as the work that will occur as part of the study. Oceanside staff also met with representatives from Camp Pendleton to discuss their interest in joining a CCE partnership. Camp Pendleton staff has already entered into a large Direct Access contract with Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and has had the contract for some time. WAPA currently provides 95% of the base’s energy with SDG&E providing the remaining 5% balance. The energy being provided by WAPA is 100% renewable. Staff will be exploring whether such a partnership makes financial sense, and also if the City is able to join into the military’s contract with WAPA. Such an action would be done in lieu of forming a CCE.

Staff also met with SDGE Account Representatives, and they indicated that due to implementation of a new billing system, billing for CCEs was not feasible until May of 2021.

## **WATER UTILITIES**

**“Thanksgiving in August”** – The Green Oceanside team partnered with O’side Kitchen Collaborative (OKC), San Diego Food Bank, and the North County Food Policy Council at the Green Oceanside Kitchen to host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Thanksgiving in August” event on August 22. Over 100 people attended the event, where a delicious thanksgiving meal was prepared for guests. Over 500 lbs. of fresh rescued food was used for the meal, further supporting the zero waste goals of the Kitchen and OKC. Proceeds from the event went towards the purchase of Thanksgiving Turkeys in November for the food insecure of North County.



## **NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES**

**SD Nights** - In partnership with the County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation, the Neighborhood Services Parks & Recreation Division will be continuing the free program for teens ages 10-18. The program will resume September 14 at the Melba Bishop Recreation Center and will be held every other Saturday from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. SD Nites was developed to help teens forge new social connections while equipping them with essential life skills. Programming includes a balance of games such as laser tag, bubble soccer, game trucks, arts and crafts and mentoring activities. Meals will be provided and are free to all participants. Last year's program averaged 30 teens in attendance from various communities in Oceanside.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

- Aug 31**      **International Drug Awareness Day.** 6:30-8:00 p.m. Candlelight Pier Walk.
- Sept 2**      **Labor Day Pier Swim.** 5:30 – 11:30 a.m. (760) 435-5121.
- Sept 13**      **Evening Honoring Marva Bledsoe / Women's Resource Center Fundraiser.** 5:00-9:30 p.m. The Crossings. [Info](#)
- Sept 14**      **Concert in the Park.** 5:00-8:30 p.m. South Oceanside Elementary. (760) 533-6161. [Info](#)
- Sept 15**      **Oceanside Noche Mexicana 2019.** 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. Civic Center. (760) 435-3044.
- Sept 21**      **Oceanside Harbor Days.** 9:00-5:00 p.m. Oceanside Harbor. [Info](#)
- Sept 28**      **South O'side Garden party.** 2:00-6:00 p.m. South O Elementary. (760) 200-7137.
- Oct 5**      **Taste of Oceanside.** 2:00-5:00 p.m. Downtown locations. (760) 754-4512.
- Oct 10**      **Oceanside Senior Expo.** 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Civic Center. [Info](#)
- Oct 11**      **Boys & Girls Club Gala.** 5:30 -10:00 p.m. 401 Country Club Lane. (760) 433-8920.
- Oct 12**      **Pride by the Beach.** 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Civic Center. (760) 213-1267.
- Oct 25**      **Trek-n-Treat.** 9:00-11:30 a.m. Harbor. (760) 729-3866.
- Oct 27**      **Dia de los Muertos.** Mission San Luis Rey. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (844) 653-4363.
- Nov 2**      **Crown Heights Dia de los Muertos Festival.** 6:00-9:30 p.m. (760) 435-3339.