CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE December 27, 2018

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

Highway Safety Improvement Program Grant - On December 18, 2018, City staff received notification from Caltrans that the City was successful in applying for the Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 9 Grant. Funds from this grant will be used to install pedestrian countdown signal heads, ADA-compliant pedestrian pushbuttons, and upgrade traffic signal controllers at signalized intersections along the corridors of Coast Highway, El Camino Real, College Boulevard, Oceanside Boulevard, Mission Avenue, Douglas Drive, Vandegrift Boulevard, Mesa Drive, North Santa Fe, Cannon Road, Rancho Del Oro, and Lake Boulevard. The grant amount being allocated to perform the work is \$2,230,300 with a zero City match required.

FIRE

The Oceanside Fire Department held its Fire Academy 14 Graduation on Friday, December 21, 2018. Seven new Probationary Firefighter Paramedics received their badges and took the oath of office.

WATER UTILITIES

Rain Brings Urban Runoff to Beaches - The San Diego County of Environmental Health has issued a General Rain Advisory to avoid water contact at all coastal beaches and bays due to recent rainfall. Swimmers, surfers, and other water users are warned that rain brings urban runoff, which can cause bacteria levels to rise significantly in Ocean waters, especially near storm drains, creeks, rivers, and lagoon outlets. Urban runoff may contain large amounts of bacteria from a variety of sources such as animal waste, soil, and decomposing vegetation. Bacteria levels can remain elevated after a rainstorm depending upon the intensity of the storm, volume of runoff, and ocean conditions. Many coastal storm drains have permanent warning signs, however, additional warning signs are not posted for General Rain Advisories. Water contact such as swimming, surfing and diving should be avoided during rain and for 72 hours following the rain event. For updates on beach closure information, please visit the County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health website at www.sdbeachinfo.com or call the 24-hr. hotline at (610) 338-2073.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Jan 8 Cal Competes Tax Credit Workshop. 9:00-10:00 a.m. Oceanside Chamber of Commerce. (760) 722-1534.
- <u>Jan 19</u> **Women's Empowerment Event.** 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. Civic Center Plaza. (760) 672-1848.

- Jan 21 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Prayer Breakfast. 8:00-10:00 a.m. QLN Conference Center. (760) 435-3377.
- Jan 25 **WeALLCOUNT census of homeless.** 4:00 a.m. El Corazon Senior Center. https://rtfh.volunteerhub.com/ (760) 435-3360.
- <u>Jan 31</u> 'Meet the City' event. 5:00-7:00 p.m. El Camino Country Club. (760) 722-1534.