

## CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

January 19, 2017

### Planning

No update

### Oceanside Police Department

**Decreased Crime Rates** - As Council is aware, the police department has been battling increases in crime for the past two years due to changes in the law (AB109 and Prop 47) that has made the Department's job very challenging. With a collective effort by all personnel in different areas of the department and strong leadership by our supervisors and managers, personnel have kept their focus on crime trends and thorough investigations. We are happy to report that our City has seen **a 9% decrease in violent crime and a decrease of 5.6% in overall crime for 2016.**

**Social Worker/HOT Team** - The Oceanside Police Department has entered into an agreement with County Health and Human Services to work in partnership with the HOT Team in addressing the needs of the homeless populations in Oceanside. A County Health and Human Services Social Worker will work out of the HOT Team office on a part-time basis and partner with HOT Team Officers out in the field. This will increase our ability to link homeless individuals/families to needed services and resources and enhance the community's health and safety. We are very pleased to have developed this partnership and hope for much success. We are expecting big things out of this partnership and hope to convince the County to assign a full-time social worker to this program. There is no cost to the City of Oceanside in this agreement.

### Public Works

A series of storms is moving through the area and is expected to bring periods of strong winds, rain, and high tides will be present at times. Preventative measures taken in preparation of this winter season as well as response that will be provided during emergencies and storm events are:

#### **Public Works**

- 1.) Cleared all debris from city maintained concrete and earthen channels.
- 2.) Mowed all city maintained drainage basins and easements.
- 3.) Cleared and sprayed all drain outlets (approximately 100) and gravity gates in the SLR river.
- 4.) Vacuum cleaned all catch basins and curb inlets/outlets (approximately 3,300) in the City right-of-way of more than 80 tons of trash and pollutants that would otherwise wash into the City's waterways and ocean.
- 5.) Continued an aggressive street sweeping program which removes 45 tons of debris weekly from the City's streets.
- 6.) Cleared and sprayed growth under all 4 bridges over the SLR river.
- 7.) Inspected and cleared detention basin stand up pipes.

- 8.) Mowed 166 acres of growth in the San Luis Rey River in 2015.
- 9.) The after-hours on-call duty person will be monitoring the upcoming storm events and re-inspect drainage structures after each storm.

In addition to these annual preventative measures, staff is available during heavy wind and rain events to remove debris from the right-of-way and clear clogged drains as well as provide emergency assistance. Problem flooding areas are monitored and outlets into the ocean at Buena Vista Creek and Loma Alta Creek are cleared of sand as needed after high tides to keep these waterways flowing. We will also provide sand management along the Strand and beaches during high tides, large surf and windy conditions for pedestrian and vehicular traffic use as well as around the beach restrooms, picnic areas, sidewalks and other infrastructure. Also, free sand and sandbags are offered to Oceanside residents at the City Operations Center at 4927 Oceanside Boulevard between 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Monday-Friday and Moody's Recycling at El Corazon at 3210 Oceanside Boulevard also has free sand and bags, or pre-filled sandbags for \$1.50 each.

### **Water Utilities**

Staff is available during emergencies and storm events for response as needed and has prepared for the upcoming event by:

- 1.) Fueling all vehicles and equipment.
- 2.) Coordinated with garage to ensure all equipment is available.
- 3.) Fueled all stand by generators.
- 4.) Checked availability of employees for after-hour response.
- 5.) Ensured equipment and materials such as chainsaws, sand bags and straw wattles are available and in good working order.
- 6.) Lowered levels of reservoirs to ensure excess capacity.

### **Fire**

Swift water teams will be ready to respond as needed based on current rainfall, runoff, and ground conditions. They will have briefings with personnel throughout the event and as ground conditions warrant will conduct routine inspections of waterways and access points.

### **Neighborhood Services**

**"Solutions for Seniors on the Go"** - The City was awarded full funding under the SANDAG Senior Mini-Grant Program for fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. The senior transportation program provides seniors 65 and older with three transportation options to easily get to and from doctor's appointments, pharmacies, grocery stores, and other daily outings. The three different transportation services are discounted taxi scrip purchase, van service at \$5 per one-way trip, and a free volunteer driver service. Out of 27 requests for TransNet Senior Mini-Grant program funds, the City of Oceanside's Solutions for Seniors on the Go ranked fourth for funding approval.

### **Water Utilities**

**Downtown Water/Sewer** - Contractor is moving forward from the northeast portion of the project (downtown area) going southwest. The pipeline on Nelms was installed and the re-

plumbing of the water services is scheduled to be completed over the next couple weeks. Work along Freeman Alley between Neptune and Civic Center will occur over the next two weeks. Work near City Hall is still anticipated to occur in Feb-March. Communication with Sunset Market is still ongoing as we get closer to working in those areas. The Water Department has been doing an excellent job working with the contractor and the onsite inspector to coordinate shut downs and bac-T testing.

**Loma Alta Emergency Sewer Replacement** - Contractor has completed all the portions of the pipeline that had to be drilled. They paved Oceanside Boulevard Friday and will pull off all traffic control on Oceanside Boulevard by the end of the week. The remaining portion on Rancho Del Oro will continue with completion anticipated for the middle of February.

**Waste Characterization Study** - Pending weather conditions, the City Zero Waste team, in partnership with Waste Management and HF&H Consultants, will be commencing a week long Waste Characterization Study at the COC, of the City's solid waste stream, as part of the City's Organics Feasibility Study. Additionally, organics processing stakeholder meetings will be conducted on January 30 to evaluate various local processing options and costs for organics materials.

**Annual Love Your Planet Workshop Series** - Agri Service Inc. and the City's Green Oceanside team have partnered to provide a 7-week workshop sustainability series for Oceanside residents. During the program, residents will learn through weekly online blogs and 3 hands-on workshops that will feature presentations and live demos on zero waste, water efficiency, backyard composting, energy savings, eco-cooking, and healthy living. Limited seating available. Register today at the [Love Your Planet registration page](#) or email the Green Oceanside team at [greenoceanside@ci.oceanside.ca.us](mailto:greenoceanside@ci.oceanside.ca.us).

**Pilot Residential Food Scrap Compost Program** - As part of the City Organics Feasibility Study, a pilot residential food scrap collection/compost program will take place for two months during March and April. During this period, single-family residents living in the north section of Rancho Del Oro (Frazee and 76) will be able to place vegetative food scraps and grains into their green waste cart. The materials collected during this pilot will be collected by WM and then composted at the El Corazon Compost Facility. City staff will be sending out direct mailers to residents within the targeted pilot area, in addition to providing compost kitchen buckets, and educational workshops and resources for the community. The goal of the pilot is to identify educational and infrastructure needs or barriers to composting residential food scraps.

**North County Earth Festival** - North County's Earth Festival 2017 will be held on April 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It is free to host a booth, however, spots fill up quickly. Applications and event information can be found at [www.greenoceanside.org](http://www.greenoceanside.org), or questions can be emailed to [greenoceanside@ci.oceanside.ca.us](mailto:greenoceanside@ci.oceanside.ca.us).

## **Community Events**

Jan 26      **Meet the City of Oceanside.** 5:00-7:00 p.m. El Camino Country Club. (760) 722-1534

Jan 28      **Oceanside Beer & Music Festival.** 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Junior Seau Pier Amphitheater. (562) 338-2087.

- Jan 31      **Oceanside Agritourism Workshop.** 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Melba Bishop Recreation Center. (760-721-1101).
- Feb 4      **Amazing Race to Serve.** Scavenger foot race. 6:00 – 8:30 a.m. (760) 724-6700.
- Feb 4      **Youth Success Week Finale.** 2:00-4:00 p.m. Junior Seau Pier Amphitheater. (760) 966-7863.
- Feb 4      **Oceanside Harbor Wine Cruise.** 5:00 p.m. Oceanside Adventures. (888) 507-1130.
- Feb 11-12    **Valentine’s Bike and Valentine’s 5K Run/Walk.** Civic Center/Strand. 7:00 a.m. – noon. (858) 259-9595.
- Feb 11      **Movie at the Pier.** 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. “The Notebook.” (760) 435-5041.
- Feb 18      **Scottish Music Concert** – “Daimh”. 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Library Community Rooms. (760) 435-5600.
- Feb 23      **Enlisted Recognition Reception.** 6:00-8:00 p.m. VANC. 760-722-1534.
- Mar 12      **Western Surfing Association Championship Tour.** 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Harbor South Jetty. (949) 369-6677.