

**CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE**  
**December 14, 2017**

**Planning**

-- The December 18, 2017 PC meeting has been cancelled.

**North River Farms - Additional EIR Scoping Meeting to be scheduled in response to Lilac Fire:** The EIR Scoping Meeting for the North River Farms project scheduled for Wednesday, December 13 (6:00 p.m.) at the Melba Bishop Recreation Center did take place as planned. However, due to the disruption caused by the Lilac Fire and at the request of Morro Hills residents, a second EIR scoping meeting will be held in early January. The purpose of these meetings is to share project information with the public and to solicit comment as to the types of environmental impacts that should be addressed in the EIR. Once an exact date for the second meeting has been determined, public notices will be sent to the surrounding community. The public comment period on the Notice of Preparation for the EIR will be extended two weeks from the second scoping meeting date to ensure adequate time to submit comments. In order to enhance community engagement in the EIR process, both scoping meetings will be videotaped and posted on the internet.

**Veterans Association North County (VANC)** is proposing full alcohol with a banquet facility. While a banquet facility is considered as Commercial Recreation and is a permitted use, Planning would normally require a CUP for the alcohol usage associated with a banquet facility. Because the original 2011 CUP included alcohol usage, Planning staff will not require a CUP for the banquet facility with alcohol. However, Planning staff needs to tie the alcohol usage to the original CUP and will require a Substantial Conformity application in order to document approval of the banquet facility with alcohol and to tie the approval back to the conditions of the original CUP, which can then be enforced if necessary.

**Lawrence Canyon (80-acre site SE of I-5/SR76)** - Staff conducted an introductory meeting with the property owner regarding a proposal to develop the area with Multi-Family residential. Staff provided the owner with an overview of the site that holds a VC (Visitor Commercial) and R-3 zoning designations and a corresponding General Plan designation of SC (Special Commercial) and MBR (Medium Density Residential). Development potential will need to factor in regulations regarding Hillside Development, habitat issues and consistency with the MHCP-SAP, and that the site is within the Coastal Zone. No draft plan/proposal was provided at the meeting.

**Melrose Heights (intersection of Melrose Drive and Oceanside Blvd)** - The project is a request to change the General Plan and Zoning in order to implement a Planned Development Plan creating 3 Plan Areas with a total of 301 D.U.'s and a Mixed Use Plan to allow 20,000 Sq. Ft of Commercial within Plan Area 1 in a horizontal configuration. Plan Area 2 and 3 will be developed with SFR in the north portion of the property and Townhouse configured units in the south portion of the site, east of Melrose Dr. New site design reduced to 301 Units to accommodate Least Bell Vireo buffer. Staff is in the process of conducting a screen check of the FEIR and preparing the item for PC.

**Local Coastal Program Update (LCPU)** - The project team recently conducted a series of interviews with representatives of various coastal zone constituencies, including neighborhood groups, coastal advocates, business advocates, conservation groups, the development community, and various City disciplines. Participants noted key assets within the coastal zone, discussed ways to address state-prescribed policy issues (e.g., coastal access, recreational uses, habitat preservation, water quality) and responded to map exhibits that illustrate the extent of future coastal flooding anticipated in conjunction with sea level rise and associated phenomena (e.g., tides, storm events). A summary of input received at these interviews will be posted to the project webpage by December 21st.

The project team continues to prepare background studies, including a sea level rise vulnerability assessment. The vulnerability assessment will be the subject of a public workshop in early spring 2018. In the interim, the project team will continue to gather public input through a variety of means.

### **Special Downtown Advisory Committee Meeting December 13 meeting agenda summary:**

- A. Review and Recommendation of a two-year time extension for the previously approved Belvedere Mixed-Use project located on a city block bounded by Mission Avenue north, Seagaze south, Horne Street east and Clementine Street west. (REXT17-00002, RD12-00001)  
*Recommend approval 4-1 (Andrioff-NO)*
- B. Review and Recommendation of a ten room boutique hotel with associated tenant improvements located at 408 Pier View Way (RD17-00005, RCUP17-00003, RRP17-00007)  
*Recommend approval 4-1 (Andrioff-NO)*
- C. Review and Recommendation of a three-unit residential apartment complex located at 519 North Tremont Street (RD17-00002, RRP17-00004) *Recommend approval 4-1 (Hankins-NO)*

### **Fire**

The Emergency Operations Center was successfully deployed for the Lilac Fires beginning Thursday, December 7. Staff performed exceptionally well. A debriefing with Department Heads and Section Heads will be held on Monday, December 18 at 2:00 p.m.

### **Financial Services**

The State of California Board of Equalization (sales tax collection) completed their audit of our accounts payable to ensure all taxes were paid. I am pleased to report we had zero findings. Special thanks to Charlene Linton, Christine Mora, Dorothy Robinson and Elizabeth Nicolai for their diligent efforts in processing accounts payable.

### **Neighborhood Services**

**Joe Balderrama Recreation Center Holiday Movie event** - Joe Balderrama Recreation Center, Chavez Resource Center and Project REACH will be hosting a Movie Night at the Joe Balderrama Recreation Center December 15 from 5:30 – 8:00 pm. This is a free event open to the community. There will be pizza, popcorn and drinks available for all in attendance. The

movie for the evening is Dr. Seuss's "How The GRINCH Stole Christmas." Please contact Jesse Montanez at (760) 435-5551 or Jennifer Martinez at (760) 435-3371 with any questions.

**Crown Heights Posada Celebration** - The Crown Heights Neighborhood Group (CHNG) and Association in partnership with North County Lifeline and the Housing and Neighborhood Services' Crown Heights Resource Center will be hosting La Posada on December 20 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. The neighborhood group board members and resident volunteers come together to conduct the Posada procession at the Crown Heights Resource Center and afterwards celebrate with games and food for all in attendance.

**S.O.S. Candlelight Vigil** - Save Our Streets (S.O.S.) will be hosting the annual Candlelight Vigil in honor and remembrance of Dan Bessant, Tony Zeppetella, and all the victims of violence on December 20 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the following four locations: Crown Heights Resource Center, Balderrama park (behind the Handball Court), Libby Lake Community Center (inner quad area) and corner of Arthur and Gold St. Refreshments will be provided at each event. For questions, please contact Jennifer Martinez at (760) 435-3371 or Adrian Mendoza at (760) 435-3340.

**Potential Additional Pickle Ball Courts** - In response to the high demand for pickle ball courts, staff proposed converting two of the five tennis courts at Rancho Del Oro Park. A sign was posted that said "Pickle Ball Coming Soon" with the Parks and Rec Admin phone number to gauge if there was strong push back from tennis players. Staff has heard from approximately 10 tennis players that prefer not converting courts to pickle ball. However, the response has not been negative and there appears to be much greater support and demand for the court conversion from pickle ball players. Multiple emails have been recorded. Pickle ball players have raised the funds to pay for the re-surfacing (painting) of the courts and for the cost to install the nets. The City would procure a contractor to do the necessary work to ensure the work would meet our standards. This item with a recommendation to convert the courts will be placed on the January 9, 2018 Parks and Recreation Commission agenda. An update will be provided to Council after that action.

## **Community Events**

- Dec 20      **La Posada.** 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Crown Heights Resource Center. (760) 435-3393.
- Jan 1        **Rose Bowl Parade Trip.** 4:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (760) 435-5041.
- Jan 6        **Surfrider Beach Cleanup.** 9:00-11:00 a.m. Pier.
- Jan 13      **Western Surfing Championship Tour.** 6:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Harbor Beach.
- Jan 26      **We All Count Census of Homeless.** 4:00 – 7:00 a.m. El Corazon Senior Center is deployment site. (760) 435-3363.
- Feb 10-11   **Ferris Wheel at the Beach.** Parking lot #9. (760) 435-5041.
- Feb 10-11   **Horse and Carriage Rides on The Strand.** (760) 435-5041.
- Feb 10       **Valentines Movie Night.** Pier Amphitheater. (760) 435-5041.
- Mar 6-11    **Pan American Beach Handball Championships.** Harbor Beach. (760) 435-5041.