

CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

February 20, 2014

Planning Division

Listed below are the public hearing items that the Planning Commission will review at their meeting on Monday, February 24, 2014:

SAFRANG ADDITION – Consideration of a REGULAR COASTAL PERMIT (RC13-00017) to allow remodeling of an existing single-family residence, construction of a new two-car detached garage, addition of 695 square feet of building floor area and 956 square feet of deck area to an existing single-family dwelling at 208 Godfrey Street (Item continued from the February 10, 2014, Planning Commission public hearing). ***Staff is recommending approval.***

EL CAMINO MEMORY CARE FACILITY – Consideration of a DEVELOPMENT PLAN (D13-00001) for the construction a three-story, 34,338-square-foot building, parking and associated site improvements; CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP13-00006) for the establishment and operation of a memory care facility; and VARIANCE (V13-00005) to permit a building encroachment of 10 ft. into the required 20 ft. front yard setback; VARIANCE (V13-00006) to construct retaining walls in excess of the maximum 6 feet height permitted in the Commercial Professional (CP) zone. ***Staff is recommending approval.***

MOHSEN'S @ 628 S. COAST HWY – Consideration of a Regular Coastal Permit (RC13-00002) and Conditional Use Permit (CUP13-00007) to permit the conversion of an existing 1,350-square-foot vehicle service bay into a food market in association with an existing gas station located at 628 South Coast Highway. ***Staff is recommending approval.***

Development Services

Mission Avenue Improvement Project Phase 1: Work on the project continues. On the north side of Mission Avenue between Ditmar and Coast Highway the demolition of sidewalk, curb, gutter and asphalt and a portion of rough grading have been completed. In addition to the above, work will continue in the same area on water line relocation through next week. Street light and traffic signal infrastructure work will begin the last week of February between Ditmar and Coast Highway. Work continues east of Ditmar preparing infiltration basins and planter areas to receive future landscaping this spring, and precise grading for curb/gutter will resume in the first week of March.

Library

Mission Branch Library Closure March 1 – March 31, 2014: The Library will be closed for a carpet/flooring replacement project. During this closure the Library will also be replacing the old mismatched shelving with new shelving, and replacing the reference and circulation desks. The shelving and desks were purchased with a generous donation from the Oceanside Public Library Foundation. The Mission Branch Library is scheduled to reopen at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 1st.

Big Read 2014 – Finale Event March 1: The Oceanside Public Library will present a live re-creation of the radio version of the 1946 Maltese Falcon, along with sound effects and actors. Some of these actors worked during the Golden Days of Radio on such shows as Lux Radio Theater, Fibber McGee and Molly, the Great Gildersleeve, and Our Miss Brooks. The event will be held March 1 in the Civic Center Community Rooms at 3:00 p.m. It is free for all ages.

Water Utilities

Drought Conditions: In January, Governor Brown declared a State of Emergency in California due to current drought conditions. While different parts of the state are being affected in different ways, San Diego County (including Oceanside) currently remains at a level 1 drought watch. We are asking residents and businesses to remain diligent in their water use and to continue using water wisely and efficiently. For more information about how residents and businesses can save water, please visit www.savewateroceanside.com. In addition, over the next few months, Water Utilities will be offering a series of free events and workshops that are designed to give Oceanside residents specific tools to reduce water waste and increase water use efficiency.

Fix-a-Leak Workshop: The Department will be offering a free Fix-a-Leak workshop on Tuesday, March 18 at the Civic Center Community Rooms from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The workshop will feature a licensed plumber from Green Plumbers USA, who will provide information on the most common leaks found in a home, how to identify them, and tips on how to fix them yourself.

California Friendly Landscape Workshop: Join us for a free Landscape Workshop on Saturday, March 29. Attendees will learn 6 ways to become more water-wise gardeners. Topics will cover "Right Plant, Right Place," "Using Rainwater as a Resource," and "Managing Irrigation." The workshop will be held in the Civic Center Community Room from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. March 29. Seating is limited. For more information, or to make a reservation, call 760-435-5857 or visit the website at www.greenoceanside.org.

California Friendly Landscape Contest: Oceanside residents who have front-yard landscaping that is "California friendly" are encouraged to enter our contest. The contest requires participants to submit 4 - 5 photos of their front-yard landscaping and provide water-wise tips to be shared with fellow residents to the Water Utilities counter at City Hall. Top prize is \$250 and the deadline is Monday, April 7th, 2014.

Residential Surveys and Smart Landscape Evaluations: Both the Smart Landscape Evaluation and the Residential Survey are free to Oceanside customers, and are designed to assist residential, multi-family, and business customers with identifying inefficiencies in water use, and to provide water saving opportunities. Single-family participants can expect to have technicians review indoor fixtures and evaluate the performance of their landscape irrigation system. Upon conclusion of the visit, participants will receive a list of recommendations and a proposed watering schedule. Multi-family and business customers are eligible for an outdoor audit and will receive a report outlining site specific irrigation, maintenance recommendations,

and suggestions for plant alternatives designed to reduce water waste and increase water efficiency. For more information or to enroll for this free service, call 866-883-1332.

Community Events:

Feb 23 **California Surf Museum's 28th Birthday Celebration.** 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.
(760) 721-6876.

Mar 1 **Brother Benno's Auxiliary Membership Drive and Shelter Tour.** 9:00 a.m. Thrift Shop. (760) 439-1244

Mar 1 **Surfrider Beach Cleanup at the Pier.** 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Mar 2 **Mardi Gras Brunch Fundraiser for OMA.** 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. El Camino Country Club. (760) 435-3720.

Mar 4 **Art + Music Series: Women in the Arts.** Oceanside Museum of Art. 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.