

**CITY COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE**  
**September 11, 2014**

**Planning Division**

Listed below is the public hearing item that the Planning Commission discussed at their meeting on Monday, September 8, 2014.

Status Report regarding Mitigation of Unreinforced Masonry Buildings – ***Item discussed (Balma, Martinek, Rosales – Absent)***

**Neighborhood Services**

**CALHome First Time Homebuyer Program** - In May of 2009, Neighborhood Services received a \$900,000 grant from the State of California Housing and Community Development (HCD) to fund the City of Oceanside CalHome First Time Homebuyer Program. The CalHome Program helps make homeownership a possibility for first-time homebuyers who meet specified low and moderate income limits and provides a deferred-payment junior loan in the maximum amount of \$56,000 per household. This junior loan is to be combined with a first mortgage loan provided by City-approved lenders.

Our CalHome grant was due to expire on September 9, 2014. On June 4, 2014 we requested an extension for expenditure of the remaining CalHome mortgage assistance funds from HCD. A portion of our grant funds are currently committed to eleven (11) households, nine (9) of which have attained homeownership, and two (2) out shopping for a home. With the improving economy and consumer confidence in owning a home, along with our best efforts at marketing using website exposure and community forums, we expect to expend the remaining funds within the next year.

On September 4, 2014, Neighborhood Services received approval for our request, along with an amended Agreement from HCD valid through September 9, 2015. Neighborhood Services takes great pride in the opportunity to provide assistance to low-income households in attaining homeownership. Now, with the extended deadline, we can confidently continue in our efforts to attract viable applicants and further affordable housing in Oceanside.

**Mother with a Message Workshop** - City of Oceanside, Neighborhood Services Department is partnering with Oceanside Police Department, Oceanside Unified School District and other community organizations in hosting a Gang Prevention/Intervention Workshop at Oceanside High School (Multi-Purpose Room), on Thursday, September 25 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. titled: *Mother's With A Message*. Workshop will include guest speakers from prevention and intervention groups on measures parents and residents can take to prevent and reduce youth

violence as well as an opportunity for those impacted by violence to start the healing process. Through collaboration efforts, residents of Oceanside will have an opportunity to hear the presenters as well as have access to community organizations and resources from Oceanside Police Department's Crime Prevention/Neighborhood Policing Team, Vista Community Clinic, NC Lifeline, OUSD school campus programs, faith-based groups, Drug & Alcohol Prevention and/or Treatment youth programs and other youth programs. Childcare is provided for children 11 years and younger. For more information contact Maria Yanez (760) 435-3393.

**Resident Leadership Academy** – Neighborhood Services Department Resource Center staff is partnering with Vista Community Clinic to host a Resident Leadership Academy for residents in the Libby Lake, Fireside and Back Gate communities. Classes are free and open to all residents interested in taking an active role in their community. Classes are held every other week starting Thursday, September 18 from 6:00–8:00 p.m. at the Libby Lake Community Center (4700 North River Road) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in the VCC-Project REACH room. For more information contact Maria Yanez at (760) 435-3393.

**Free Legal Clinic** – Las Valientes non-profit provides referrals for free or low-cost legal services and assistance with any legal documents to residents. They will be hosting a FREE legal clinic at the Chavez Resource Center on Saturday, September 27, from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Attorneys specializing in Labor Laws, Criminal Law, Immigration, Divorce, Bankruptcy and Guardianship/Conservatorship will be present to address questions and provide referrals. For more information contact Ana Serrano at (760) 439-1133.

## **Water Utilities**

**Taste of Oceanside 2014 - Saturday, September 13** from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. Oceanside restaurants, breweries and wineries will be offering samples of their food and beverages in and around the Oceanside Civic Center. Live entertainment from the Red Fox Tails and Top Hat Trio will add to the ambience of this inaugural special event. In addition, event attendees will receive a commemorative "Road to Zero Waste" stainless steel fork sponsored by Green Oceanside. This tasting fork will eliminate the needless waste generation of over 15,000 plastic tasting forks in just a 4 hour event period. The City's Green Oceanside team, in partnership with Main Street Oceanside, has also ensured that all of the containers provided for attendees tastes are recyclable and recycling containers will be available throughout this event. The Taste of Oceanside will support local business while raising awareness and participation in our community goal of Zero Waste by 2020. [List of participating restaurants](#)

## **California Coastal Cleanup Day – September 20**

Please join thousands of volunteers throughout the State for the 30th Anniversary of California Coastal Cleanup Day on September 20, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. In Oceanside, you can select from three sites along Buena Vista Creek and two beach locations. Pre-register for the event at [www.cleanupday.org](http://www.cleanupday.org). Event information can also be found at [www.GreenOceanside.org](http://www.GreenOceanside.org) and then select the Clean Water Program. Volunteers are encouraged to bring their own bucket, gloves, and water bottle in order to reduce the carbon footprint of the event itself. Remember to pre-register at [www.cleanupday.org](http://www.cleanupday.org).

## **Community Events:**

- Sept 13      **Taste of Oceanside.** Nevada to Pacific; Civic Center to Seagaze. 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. (760) 754-4512.
- Sept 14      **Lites Out Jazz at the Beach.** 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Junior Seau Pier Amphitheater. (760) 277-2228.
- Sept 27-28    **Oceanside Harbor Days.** 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Oceanside Harbor. (760) 722-8336.
- Oct 3        **Countryfest North.** 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. Junior Seau Pier Amphitheater. (619) 291-9797.
- Oct 4        **Walk to End Alzheimer’s.** Junior Seau Pier Amphitheater. 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. (760) 692-2900.