

COUNCIL WEEKLY UPDATE

February 26, 2009

Listed below are the public hearing items that the Planning Commission reviewed and took action on at their meeting on Monday, February 23, 2009:

Vista Pacific – To construct 16 detached residential condominium units on a 3.35-acre site, with access being provided directly off Rancho Del Oro Drive. The Commission approved the project by a 4-2-1 vote and adopted the resolution; call for review/appeal period ends on March 5, 2009.

Adoption of Planning Commission Resolution approving to permit a 54-foot-tall ground-mounted HAM radio antenna that exceeds the maximum allowable height requirement located at 142 Carey Road -- Kruger Residence Variance. The Commission adopted the resolution by a 6-1 vote; call for review/appeal period ends on March 5, 2009.

Coast Highway Vision and Strategic Plan

On February 23, the Planning Commission will consider and provide comments on the draft Coast Highway Vision and Strategic Plan proposal. The comments will be forwarded to the City Council for their April 15 meeting, along with other Commission/Committee input which has been received by staff. The Commission adopted the draft proposal by a 7-0 vote and is recommending approval to the City Council.

ARRA of 2009 signed by President Obama and the effect on Oceanside

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 signed by President Obama last week appropriates \$1 billion for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, with the specific provision that "... in selecting projects to be funded, recipients shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days from the date the funds are made available." These additional CDBG funds cannot be used for public services and must meet standard CDBG guidelines of serving low- and moderate-income individuals, families and neighborhoods. The City estimates receiving approximately \$500,000 from this special appropriation. City staff will bring recommendations for use of these funds to the City Council.

The ARRA also appropriates \$1.5 billion for a Homelessness Prevention Fund, which will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are homeless to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance. The funds will provide a variety of assistance including short- or medium-term rental assistance, security and utility deposits, utility payments, case management and other services to stabilize families in permanent housing. The City will receive funds under this program.

SER/Jobs for Progress, Inc.

San Diego County SER/Jobs for Progress, Inc., based at the Libby Lake Community Center, is submitting an application to the San Diego Workforce Partnership for the Hire-A-Youth 2009 Summer Youth Employment Program. This is an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act stimulus package program that seeks to provide 3,000 San Diego County low-income youth, ages fourteen to twenty-four, with 120 to 240 hours of quality paid work experience this summer. This will help youth improve employment skills and expand their horizons and motivation regarding future careers. SER has past experience in providing Hire-A-Youth services as well as other youth and adult employment training programs in our community; they will be applying for the North Sub Region of the County where the total grant amount to be distributed is estimated to be \$1,260,000 and minimum grants will be \$250,000. If successful, SER will be seeking to collaborate with the City and other area public and non-profit employers to obtain suitable job placements for youth. Participating youth will receive work readiness skills training prior to job placements and will be paid by SER through the grant. Grant submissions are due on March 3, with grants being awarded mid-March and successful programs starting on April 1. The actual job placements will be over this summer.

Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony at Melba Bishop Skate Park and the new Graffiti Truck

Saturday, February 28, at 1:00 p.m. there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the newest skate spot in Oceanside. There will be music and light refreshments. Immediately following, the new Neighborhood Services/Code Enforcement Graffiti Removal Truck will be on-site for viewing and tours.

Aquatics

Brooks Street Swim Complex and Marshall Street Pool are now in compliance with the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool & Spa Safety Act, VGB 2008 and ASME/ANSI A112.19.8-2007. Both pools are up and fully functional. Current pool schedule is: Marshall Street will be open from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Brooks Street will be open from 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

California Parks and Recreation Society – District XII

On Wednesday, February 25, 2009, Melba Bishop Park’s and Martin Luther King Park’s new skateboard parks were awarded “Best Facility Design” in 2008. Ms. Shannon Sellinger was installed as the president of this professional association.

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WEEKLY OCEANSIDE EVENTS LISTING

The following events listing is a compilation of items sent to the Oceanside City Manager's Office as of February 26, 2009, by various City departments and divisions and area agencies and organizations. Any errors of fact or omission are the responsibility of the individual or organization providing the information. If you wish to have information included in this listing please call Linda Pruss, 435-3075 or fax to 435-6061 or e-mail her at LPruss@ci.oceanside.ca.us.

Thru Mar 1 **Quilt Visions 2008 Exhibition.** Oceanside Museum of Art. (760) 435-3720.

Thru May 24 **LOWBROW ART: Nine San Diego Pop Surrealists Exhibition.** Oceanside Museum of Art. (760) 435-3720.

FEBRUARY 2009

Feb 27 **Fine-Free Friday at Library.** Return your overdue books and all fines are forgiven.

Feb 27 **Red Cross HeartSaver CPR .** 9:00 am – 12 noon. MiraCosta College, Room 4809. Register (760) 795-6820 or www.miracosta.edu/commsvcs.

Feb 27 **Music Industry Occupations Fair.** 10:00 am – Noon and 1:00 – 3:00 pm. MiraCosta College, Bldg 2200, Studio A. (760) 757-2121 ext. 6493 or Imontes@miracosta.edu.

Feb 27-28 **Anything Goes.** 7:30 pm. MiraCosta College Theatre, (760) 795-6815 or www.miracosta.edu/events.

Feb 27-Mar 1 **Recovering Women's Retreat.** 4:00 pm. Mission San Luis Rey, (760) 757-3659 or slretreat@sanluisrey.org.

Feb 28 **Polar Plunge.** 8:00 am – 12:00 noon. Pier Amphitheater. (619) 283-6100.

Feb 28 **Pet Food Drive.** 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Pet Smart, 3420 Marron Road. NC Humane Society, (760) 757-4357 ext. 1211.

Feb 28 **Oceanside National Little League Opening Day Ceremonies.** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. MLK Jr. Park, (760) 757-6655.

Feb 28 **Oceanside Valley Little League Opening Day Ceremonies.** 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. Melba Bishop Park, (760) 757-6655.

Feb 28 **“Les Miserables” by California Youth Theatre.** 2:00 pm. Truax Theatre (El Camino High School). (619) 944-7574 or www.cyctheatre.com.

Feb 28 **Spring World Music Series – OMEGA.** 7:00 pm. Sunshine Brooks Theatre. Oceanside Public Library, (760) 435-5560.

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Mar 1-31 **Free Admission to California Surf Museum.** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm, extended hours Thursdays until 8:00 pm. 312 Pier View Way. (760) 721-6876.

Mar 1-May 24 **LOWBROW ART: Nine San Diego Pop Surrealists Exhibition.** Oceanside Museum of Art. (760) 435-3720.

Mar 2 **Lenten Monday Series.** 7:30 am and 7:00 pm. Mission San Luis Rey, (760) 757-3659 or slretreat@sanluisrey.org.

Mar 2 **Dr. Seuss’ Read Across America.** 5:00 pm. Civic Center Library Children’s Room. (760) 435-5590.

Mar 3 **Eco-Justice Movie Series.** 6:30 pm. Free. Mission San Luis Rey, (760) 757-3659 or slretreat@sanluisrey.org.

Mar 4 **Paws to Read.** Grades 2-5. 3:00 pm. Civic Center Library. (760) 435-5590.

Mar 4 **Day of Reflection & Telescope Viewing.** 3:00 – 9:00 pm. Mission San Luis Rey, (760) 757-3659 or slretreat@sanluisrey.org.

Mar 5-7 **Anything Goes.** 7:30 pm. MiraCosta College Theatre, (760) 795-6815 or www.miracosta.edu/events.

Mar 6 **CITY HALL CLOSED.**

Mar 6-7 **Stargazing Party.** 8:00 – 10:00 pm. MiraCosta College, baseball field. (760) 757-2121 ext 6201.

Mar 7 **Mission Branch Matinees.** 2:00 pm. Mission Branch Community Room. (760) 435-5640.

Mar 8 **Anything Goes.** 2:00 pm. MiraCosta College Theatre, (760) 795-6815 or www.miracosta.edu/events.

Mar 8 **Daylight Savings Time Beings.** 2:00 am. Turn clocks forward 1 hour and check batteries in smoke alarms.

Mar 8-10 **"Happy Wanderers"** Senior Casino Trip to **Buffalo Bills.** RSVP (760) 435-5250.

Mar 8-12 **Celebrate Teen Tech Week.** (760) 435-5577.