

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 7, 2014  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** John Pietig, City Manager  
**SUBJECT:** WEEKLY UPDATES

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**Donation for Police Canine Program** - The Hearts of Montage will be presenting a donation of \$5,000 to the City for the Police Canine program at the Montage 5th annual Holiday Tree Lightening and community open house event. The festivities will begin at 4:30 p.m. on December 1.

**Moulton Meadows Park Celebration** – Please join us as we celebrate the completion of the Moulton Meadows Park Renovation Project. The event will be held on Thursday, November 20, at 4:00 p.m. at Moulton Meadows Park, adjacent to the soccer field. Light refreshments will be provided. The recently-completed park improvements include replacement of the turf and irrigation system, as well as the installation of new fitness equipment.

**Ruby/Catalina Utility Undergrounding** – A neighborhood workshop was held at the Community Center on Wednesday evening to provide information and answer questions from the public regarding the upcoming balloting process for the Ruby/Catalina assessment district. This undergrounding district will be on the November 18 City Council agenda for a public hearing and on December 16 for a final ballot on the project.

**New Traffic Message Boards** – Staff took delivery Tuesday of two new traffic message boards. The technology has improved greatly since our last purchase and includes an easy to update programming feature that can be done from a cellular phone or computer. The new systems also include animations. The public can view the new board and traffic safety message as they travel along Laguna Canyon this week. Our first message is; “Give bikes 3 feet” and “Don’t text and drive” with an animated bicyclist.

**Green Business Certification Program Kick-Off Event** – The City’s solid waste hauler, Waste Management, and the Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring a Green Business Certification Program kick-off event on November 12. The meeting will be from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Rooftop Lounge, Casa Del Camino, located at 1289 South Coast Highway. The Green Business Certification Program is designed to recognize and assist businesses in Laguna Beach that are moving towards sustainability. All businesses are invited to attend the kick-off event and meet the Waste Management team that manages the program for the City. Businesses are encouraged to RSVP to the Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce at [info@lagunabeachchamber@gmail.com](mailto:info@lagunabeachchamber@gmail.com) or by phone at (949) 494-1018.

**American Legion Veteran’s Day Event** – Mayor Pro Tem Bob Whalen will be speaking at the American Legion Veteran’s Day Ceremony at Legion Hall Tuesday, November 11. Members of the Police and the Fire Department will also be in attendance. The event begins at 10:30 a.m. The Police Department Honor Guard will present the colors.

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