

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 23, 2015  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** John Pietig, City Manager  
**SUBJECT:** WEEKLY UPDATES

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**Swimming Pool Moratorium Update** - The 45-day moratorium approved by the City Council on Tuesday, July 14, prohibits the approval of any development applications to construct or install swimming pools (the definition of a swimming pool includes spas) that do not already have the necessary design review entitlements. City staff will be returning to the City Council at its August 4 meeting with a report to identify options regarding swimming pool regulations, at which time the City Council will receive public comment regarding the moratorium and possible future policies. There are 28 pools/spas pending design review approval and seven on this week's Design Review Board agenda. These pools and spas are on hold and the Board cannot take action to approve them. However, the Board can provide comments and give direction based on design review criteria for future consideration. Comments specifically related to pools can be discussed by the Board for future reference but will ultimately need to be considered in the context of future City Council policy determinations regarding swimming pools.

**Nita Carmen Park Sculpture** - The condition of sculptures "Sunbathers" by Leonard Glasser located at Nita Carmen Park was noted at the City Council meeting on July 21, 2015. The Arts Commission has discussed the sculpture on a number of occasions. Since its installation, the sculpture has been de-installed and refurbished three times. The Arts Commission has hired art conservationist Steve Colton to review the piece and offer input as to the feasibility and cost effectiveness of refurbishment. Once Mr. Colton has completed his review the Arts Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council.

**County to Study Laguna Audubon Detention Basin** - One of the recommendations from the Laguna Canyon Flood Mitigation Task Force in 2011 was to ask the County to study the Laguna Audubon Detention Basin off of El Toro Road and the 73 Toll Road to determine whether the basin is configured in a way that most effectively reduces peak storm flows in Laguna Canyon. The County recently agreed to conduct a study and has hired a consulting engineering firm to analyze the basin and to make recommendations.

**Temporary Roundabout** - Work to install the new temporary roundabout at the intersection of Catalina Street and El Camino Del Mar will begin on Monday, July 27. The installation will take approximately two weeks, during which the intersection may be closed intermittently. After the roundabout is put into use, additional warning signs will be posted for a few months to alert motorists of the change in traffic pattern.

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