

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 7, 2016
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Police Citizen Academy to Start Thursday, January 7 - The Police Department's 13 week Citizen Academy starts this evening and will take place every Thursday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Twenty-four community members are signed up to take this current class.

Historic Preservation Workshops - The City is in the process of holding a series of workshops with the Heritage Committee that will focus on different topic areas related to historic preservation with the purpose of formulating a revised Draft Ordinance and Historic Inventory Update. The next workshop will be held on Monday, January 25, at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers to discuss the potential of incorporating an opt-out provision into the Ordinance. The City Attorney will also be present to discuss this topic as it relates to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). For more information or information about past meetings please visit: <http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/cd/preserve/historicresources.htm>.

Sewer Line Construction Third and Forest Pipeline Project - Due to weather constraints, the project has been delayed in the last few days. For the week of January 11, weather permitting, the Contractor will continue to install pipeline on Third Street from Loma Place to Mermaid Street. **TRAFFIC IMPACTS:** The northbound lane on Third Street will be closed from Park Avenue to Loma Place. Additionally, the westbound segment of Mermaid will be closed, between 2nd Street and Gleneyre. Westbound Mermaid traffic will be rerouted to Forest Avenue via 2nd Street. All of the lane closures will be limited; 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more details or questions concerning construction please call the project hotline at (949) 464-6686 or visit the Construction Projects section of the Water Quality Department website: www.clbwq.net.

Holiday Tree Recycling - Waste Management will collect and recycle holiday trees on the regular collection days through Saturday, January 16. Trees must be cut to lengths less than four feet. Decorations, tinsel, metal ornaments, and metal stands must be removed from the trees. Flocked trees will be collected, but cannot be made into compost due to their chemical content. After January 16, non-flocked trees can also be recycled by cutting them up and placing them in the green waste carts.

Holiday Transit Operations - Mainline Transit service will run from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, January 18.

REMINDERS:

Homeowners' Flood and Fire Insurance - The State of California Department of Insurance is recommending that homeowners take the time to review their flood and fire insurance coverage or consider purchasing coverage if they don't have it. Flood damage is often not covered by traditional homeowners' insurance. Learn more at www.floodsmart.gov/floodsmart/ and www.cfpnet.com.

The January Planning Commission, Design Review and View Preservation meetings will not broadcast live on the City's Cable Channel (852) on the City Website - As of January 4 through January 22, 2016 the City Council Chambers audio/visual and broadcast system is undergoing a significant upgrade. During this time, the January 4 View Restoration and January 6 Planning Commission meetings were not broadcasted live over the City's Cable Channel (852) or the City website. These meetings were videotaped and made available the following day for viewing on the City website. The same will apply to the upcoming January 14 Design Review Board meeting and the January 20 Planning Commission meeting.

Heisler Park Scenic Overlook and Artist Designed Bench Competition - The Arts Commission is currently accepting request for qualifications from professional, practicing artists for a project in Heisler Park near Monument Point. Artists are invited to submit images of previous installations and their public art resume. The honorarium for this project is \$50,000. The deadline for submissions is January 16, 2016. Guidelines and application is available at www.lagunabeachcity.slideroom.com.

2016 Cultural Arts Funding Applications - The Arts Commission is currently accepting applications from non-profit organizations with functioning cultural programming based in Laguna Beach. The deadline to submit the application is February 1, 2016. For additional information contact Siân Poeschl, Cultural Arts Manager at (949) 497-0722 extension 4. Applications must be submitted on-line at www.lagunabeachcity.slideroom.com.

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