

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 27, 2017
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Bike & Road Safety Expo - The Police Department will be hosting the Bike Rodeo & Road Safety Expo on Sunday, April 30, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The expo will include a BMX freestyle team performance, auto-extrication demo from the Laguna Beach Fire Department, bicycle obstacle course, and MUCH more. The event is free for all ages. Please join us at this annual community engagement and education event!

Police Department Citizen's Academy Graduation - On Thursday, April 27, the 24th Police Department Citizen's Academy Class graduates with 16 community participants. With this graduating class, there are now almost 500 Citizen Academy graduates!

Downtown Specific Plan Update – Review Draft Amendments (Section III, Topics 6-8) - The City of Laguna Beach and consultant MIG will continue their efforts on the Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) Update on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, during the Planning Commission's regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall (505 Forest Avenue). The Planning Commission will review and discuss MIG's recommended draft amendments to Section III: Issue Statements and Policies, Topic 6 (Municipal Services), Topic 7 (Hazard Planning) and Topic 8 (View Preservation) of the existing DSP document. A copy of the draft amendments are available to view on the project webpage (see link below). The staff report will available to view on the City's website beginning on Friday, April 28, 2017. If you have questions, or for more information, please contact: Wendy Jung, Senior Planner, at (949) 497-0321 wjung@lagunabeachcity.net; or visit: http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/cd/planning/mjrplanginitv/downtown_specific_plan_amendment/default.htm.

Public Art Dedication - On Thursday, May 11, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. the City of Laguna Beach will dedicate the sculpture "Nine Billion" by artist Douglas Turner at the red phone booth on Forest Avenue. The dedication will be followed by a reception at Visit Laguna Beach, Visitor Center. This installation has been funded by the lodging establishments and City of Laguna Beach.

Public Art Installation - On Friday, April 28, 2017, artist, Casey Parlette will be undertaking site preparations for the upcoming installation of a sculpture and bench at the north end of Heisler Park, overlooking Divers Cove. The entire installation will be completed by mid-May. This project has been funded by the Ostensen and Olenicoff families.

Summer Recreation Brochure - The Community Services Department's quarterly recreation brochure is being mailed out to Laguna Beach residents this week. Course offerings for summer include over 150 different classes and programs in art, dance, youth and adult sports, aquatics and more. To register for classes online and learn more about our programs, please visit: <https://secure.rec1.com/CA/city-of-laguna-beach/catalog/index>.

Public Workshop for Old Top of the World Gate Installation Options - The City of Laguna Beach will be hosting a public workshop on May 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at the Community and Susi Q Center, located at 380 Third Street, to solicit public input on the possibility of installing a gate or gates, and the gate appearance and location, at Old Top of the World Drive near the trailhead. Anyone with questions or concerns is encouraged to participate in this public workshop. If you have any questions or are unable to attend the meeting and would like to provide comments, please contact Samantha Byfield at (949) 497-0342 or sbyfield@lagunabeachcity.net.

Public Workshop For Temple Hills Drive Pedestrian Improvement Options - On May 11, 2017, at 5:30 p.m., the City will be hosting a public workshop at the Community & Susi Q Center, located at 380 Third Street, to solicit public input on pedestrian improvement options for Temple Hills Drive. Exhibits showing the impact of a raised sidewalk and an at-grade walkway can be reviewed at www.lagunabeachcity.net on the Public Works page. If you have any questions or are unable to attend the meeting and would like to provide comments, please contact Tom Sandefur, P.E. at (949) 497-0792 or tsandefur@lagunabeachcity.net.

Heritage Month - Celebrate Heritage Month this May and enjoy the many scheduled activities and events. Activities and tours are scheduled throughout the entire month of May. A calendar of all the events can be found on the city website at: http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/cd/preserve/heritage_commmitee.htm.

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