

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 20, 2019  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** John Pietig, City Manager  
**SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES**

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**Holiday Trash Collection Schedule** - Residential and commercial trash collection will be delayed by one day for customers normally serviced on Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Thanksgiving and Day After Thanksgiving Transit Service** - Laguna Beach Transit will be closed on Thursday, November 28, in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Operations will resume on Friday, November 29, with neighborhood services running from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and coastal services from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. For more information, please visit the City's website at the [lagunabeachcity.net/trolley](http://lagunabeachcity.net/trolley), use the new Laguna Beach Trolley app or call (949) 497-0766.

**Holiday Street Sweeping Schedule** - No street sweeping will be performed on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, and parking restrictions will not be enforced. On November 29, only non-residential areas will be swept, and residential parking restrictions will not be enforced. Regularly scheduled street sweeping and parking enforcement will resume on November 30.

**Take the Trolley to Small Business Saturday in Laguna Beach** - Leave your car at home and take the Trolley to Small Business Saturday on November 30. Neighborhood Trolleys will be running from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Coastal Trolleys from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. For trolley arrival times and schedules, download the Laguna Beach Trolley app, available on the Apple and Google app stores or visit [lagunabeachcity.net/trolley](http://lagunabeachcity.net/trolley). For more information, call (949) 497-0766.

**Downtown Action Plan (DAP)** - The City Council will receive a presentation from landscape architecture and urban design firm SWA Group on December 3, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall (505 Forest Avenue). An agenda bill will be available and posted on the City's website by November 27, 2019. The DAP will provide detailed design specifications for the downtown area to enhance the urban environment, including recommendations for new and replacement landscaping, paving, and furnishings. The Council's conceptual direction provided at the December 3, 2019, presentation will be incorporated into a complete first draft of the Action Plan, which will next be presented to the Planning Commission in the first quarter of 2020. For more information, contact Anthony Viera, Associate Planner at (949) 497-0398 or [aviera@lagunabeachcity.net](mailto:aviera@lagunabeachcity.net)

**Cliff Drive to High Drive Stairway Replacement** - Construction to replace the deteriorating stairway at the west end of High Drive at Cliff Drive will begin on Monday, December 2. The work is expected to be completed by the end of April 2020. The stairway will be closed during construction and alternate nearby access is available from either Myrtle Street or Cliff Drive. For more information, please contact Assistant City Engineer, Natalie Chan, at (949) 497-0741.

**Hospitality Night Friday, December 6** - Sing carols, mingle with neighbors, and watch Santa light the tree. The first Friday of each December the City of Laguna Beach and the Chamber of Commerce jointly sponsor Hospitality Night. Hospitality Night 2019 will be held on Friday December 6 from approximately 5:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. The festivities will take place in the Peppertree Lot (Lot 2 between Ocean and Forest Avenues), where Santa Claus will arrive to greet holiday revelers before the tree lighting at 6:10 p.m. Lower Forest Avenue will be filled with entertainment and merchant open houses. Street closures in the downtown area will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Friday. Please visit [www.lagunabeachcity.net/hospitalitynight](http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/hospitalitynight) for a complete detailed schedule of all the Hospitality Night events.

**Prepare Your Property for Rain** - Clean out your rain gutters and downspouts and keep the area clear. Many hillside lots have private terrace drains that convey runoff to a safe and proper point of disposal. A terrace drain is made of concrete and typically crosses several different properties before its water enters a City-maintained drainage facility. The maintenance, clean-up, and repair of these private drains is required to be done by property owners. In order to control drainage and erosion during rain events, the City advises property owners to keep terrace drains free of any vegetation and debris that might block or divert water and any cracks or missing sections should be repaired or replaced in order to prevent water from seeping into the ground and destabilizing the hillsides.

**Sign Up for Dog Park Closure Alerts** - When it rains, we often close the Dog Park due to wet and muddy conditions. We now send out text alerts when we close and re-open the Laguna Beach Dog Park. To sign up text LBDOPARK to 888-777. Closures (and re-openings) are also posted on the home page of our website: [www.lagunabeachcity.net](http://www.lagunabeachcity.net).

**Registration Open for Upcoming ‘Open For Construction’ Workshop** - The City of Laguna Beach and the Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the next “Open for Construction” workshop on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at Harley Restaurant, 370 Glenneyre St. from 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The workshop’s presentation will cover the 2019 Accessibility Standards updates. Architects, designers, contractors, real estate professionals, residents, property and business owners are invited to attend. Please visit [lagunabeachchamber.org](http://lagunabeachchamber.org) and click on the Events tab to locate and register for the event or contact Paula Hornbuckle-Arnold, Executive Director, Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce at (949) 494-1018 or [paula@lagunabeachchamber.org](mailto:paula@lagunabeachchamber.org). An optional pre-determined lunch is available for \$12.00 at the door. Reservations are required for food service. For more information on the content of the workshop, please contact Maria Ring, Sr. Permit Technician, City of Laguna Beach Building Division at (949) 497-0798 or [mring@lagunabeachcity.net](mailto:mring@lagunabeachcity.net).

**Leaf Blower Reminder** - The City is reminding community members that leaf blowers continue to be illegal to use within the City limits. These include the operation of electric and gas-powered blowers which are described in Laguna Beach Municipal Code 7.25.070(D). Warnings and/or citations may be issued when Code Enforcement Staff view someone using one of these devices. Homeowners who receive complaints will also be sent letters educating them about the law.