

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 24, 2009
TO: City Council
FROM: Kenneth Frank, City Manager
SUBJECT: THURSDAY UPDATES

Newest Lawsuit – The owner of the large parcels of property at the end of Lavender Lane (Anacapa Real Estate Investments, LLC) has apparently filed for bankruptcy. As part of that process, they are asking the bankruptcy court to determine that the two lots are each legal building sites. A copy of the complaint is available in the City Council office.

Thurston Mobile Home Park – There has been a substantial amount of turmoil within the Thurston Trailer Park. In October, staff from the State Department of Housing and Community Development met with City staff, residents in the mobile home park, and members of the Board of Directors for the park to review compliance with all of the State requirements. The State staff determined that there were nine findings of deficiencies which need to be corrected. Some are extremely easy to correct and some would be substantial undertakings. The State staff has offered to convene a meeting of the Thurston residents along with their staff and City staff after the first of the year to discuss the changes that need to be made. A copy of the report is available in the City Council office.

Community and Senior Center Wins Award -- The California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) awarded the City of Laguna Beach Community and Senior Center an Achievement Award for Facility Design—Community Centers/Facilities for the population category 20,001 to 50,000. This is the highest award category for facilities presented by CPRS, an organization composed of 525 local parks and recreation agencies throughout the state.

City Hall Closed – City Hall will be closed on Friday, December 25 and Friday, January 1. We will be open Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve until the normal 5:00 p.m. time.

Victoria Area Street Light Rehabilitation Project –The project was completed this week. The project consisted of refurbishing all 57 of the vintage style street lights in the Victoria Beach/Alta Vista Area. The project included cleaning and painting of each pole and replacement of non-operational photo cells, cracked lenses, burnt bulbs and several top fixtures.