

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** June 25, 2010  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Kenneth Frank, City Manager  
**SUBJECT:** **FRIDAY UPDATES**

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**Pedestrian Signal Timing on South Coast Highway** – Caltrans has increased the “Walk” time for pedestrians on South Coast Highway crossing at signalized intersections from and including Cleo Street to and including Ocean Avenue. The “Walk” time, as shown by the green man, has been increased to 25 seconds. The “Walk” time at these locations was previously between 9 seconds and 15 seconds. The City had received many complaints from pedestrians that the green lights on Coast Highway are very long while the “Walk” times are very short. As a result, large numbers of pedestrian would be left standing for 90 seconds or more with a green light and a “Don’t Walk” signal. In early May, the City sent a letter to Caltrans requesting that they review this condition. Later in May, Caltrans adjusted the pedestrian timing. Caltrans explained that, for reasons that are too involved to address here, increasing the pedestrian “Walk” time to more than 25 seconds would create other problems related to traffic congestion and safety.

**City Hall Exhibition** -- On Monday, June 28, the Festival of Arts will install an exhibition from its permanent collection titled “As Time Goes By.” The paintings will reflect Laguna Beach both in the past and present. The exhibit will be on display through October.

**Artist Painted Parking Meters** -- The three artist painted parking meters by Patrick Moran, Ene Rahu and Mike Tauber have been installed. Contributions to the meters are allocated to the Laguna Relief and Resource Coalition that provide services to the homeless. The meters are located at the Act V parking lot, the crosswalk from the Forest/Laguna Canyon Parking lot to the Festival of Arts, and the Broadway Bus Depot.

**Concrete Barrier on South Coast Hwy at Forest Avenue** – Two weeks ago a vehicle hit the concrete K-rail barrier on the northbound side of South Coast Hwy at Forest Avenue. The barrier was badly damaged and was repaired this week on an emergency basis. The work will be completed today. There is temporary K-rail in the street that will remain while the new concrete cures and will be removed next Tuesday.

**North Laguna Alley Paving** – The paving of the North Laguna alleys has been completed. Because of the confined working areas, there are some areas where the paving is not as smooth as it should be. At the contractor’s cost, those alleys that have rough surfaces will receive a slurry seal to provide a uniformly smooth surface. That work will be delayed until September to allow the new asphalt to cure and to avoid working in the area during the summer months.

Attachment

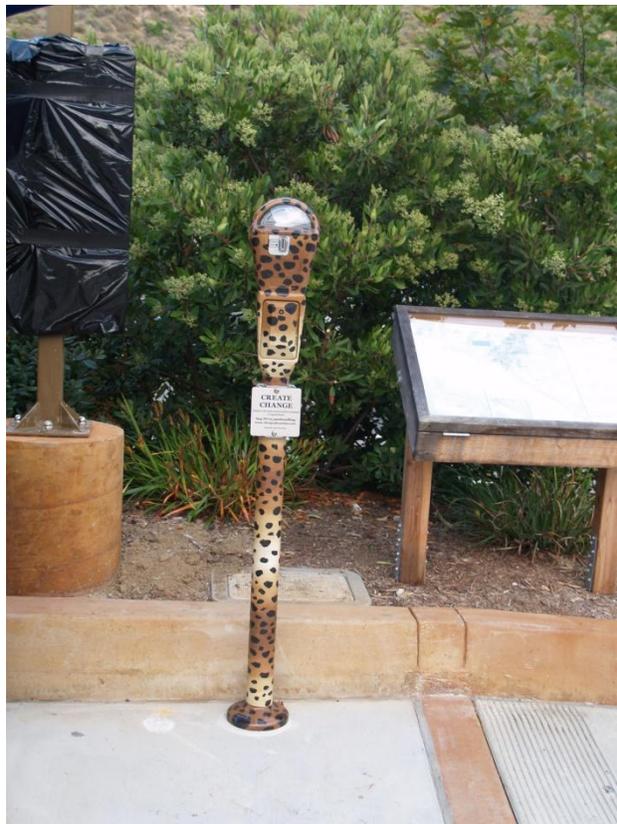
## Artist Painted Parking Meters



Broadway Bus Depot  
Artist: Ene Rahu



Forest/Laguna Canyon Parking Lot  
Artist: Patrick Moran



ACT V Parking Lot  
Artist: Mike Tauber