

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 24, 2010
TO: City Council
FROM: Kenneth Frank, City Manager
SUBJECT: FRIDAY UPDATES

Brooks Street -- The 49th annual Brooks Street Surf Contest was held last weekend with ideal conditions. The contest, which is open to Laguna Beach residents only, drew approximately 100 contestants participating in twelve events according to age group. The contest is said to be the oldest surfing contest in the world and is truly a community event.

September Sunset Serenades -- Every Friday evening in September the Arts Commission will be presenting Sunset Serenades. The concerts are held at 5:30 p.m. at the Picnic Beach entrance in Heisler Park. The four performances include: 9/3 Global Beat Foundation (World Beat); 9/10 Fugowies (Pop/Harmony); 9/17 Arte Hernandez (Latin Jazz); and 9/24 Nancy Sanchez (Jazz). This program is funded by the lodging establishments and the City of Laguna Beach.

Storm Drain Repair Project – Construction will begin next week on the repair and replacement of 40 metal storm drain pipes at various locations throughout the City. Pipes will either be lined with an inner layer of polyester resin felt, or completely replaced with new concrete pipes. Work will begin in areas where the street resurfacing is being done in order to complete any excavation work before the resurfacing. Construction will be completed in November.

Story Poles Behind City Hall – A concept design for slope stabilization and a debris wall behind City Hall was presented to the City Council in July. The preliminary design will be presented to the Planning Commission for Design Review in October. Story poles for the wall will be installed next week.

Reef Inn Management Change -- The Reef Inn on Coast Highway will be changing management and will be operating under the Travelodge flag beginning September 1st. Over the next few weeks, they will be requesting temporary and permanent sign changes.