

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 17, 2011
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager

SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Bicycle Safety - The Laguna Beach Police Department will be partnering with police departments from Newport Beach, Irvine, Huntington Beach, and Costa Mesa to conduct a specialized Bicycle Safety Enforcement Operation on February 19 and 24, 2011. Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by bicyclists and vehicles. Officers will be addressing traffic violations made by all vehicle operators, bicyclists, and other vehicle drivers that lead to bicycle vs. vehicle collisions, injuries and fatalities.

Alcoholic Beverage Server Training - The Police Department will be hosting another Alcoholic Beverage Server Training session in the City Council chambers Thursday, March 31, 2011, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The training will be conducted with the assistance of the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence-Orange County Community Alliance Network and Gene Barnes with Alcohol Beverage Control. Lunch will be provided. Interested servers and businesses should contact Coleen Walloch at 949-497-0382 for more information and registration materials.

Heisler Park Art in Public Places - At its meeting on Monday, February 14, 2011, the Arts Commission reviewed the finalist's proposals and presentations for art work at Heisler Park. The Arts Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council that a proposal by local artists Scott and Naomi Schoenherr be installed. The art work will satisfy the Art in Public Places requirement for the renovation work at Heisler Park. The artists presented three components titled "Time Connected," "Continuous Rotation" and "The Tidal Pull." The City Council will review the recommendation at its meeting on March 1, 2011.

Artist Designed Bench Competition - The Arts Commission conducted a regional call for proposals for designs for an artist designed bench to be installed at the corner of Mountain Street and Coast Highway. At its meeting on Monday, February 14, 2011, the Arts Commission voted to terminate the selection process due to insufficient applications and will revisit the project at a future date.

Forecasted Rains – City staff will be monitoring the coming storms and have extra personnel on duty to address any issues that develop.

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