

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 26, 2013
TO: City Council
FROM: Christa Johnson, Assistant City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Holiday trash collection schedule and Tree Recycling - This week and the week of December 30, residential and commercial trash collection is delayed one day for customers normally serviced Wednesday through Friday. Waste Management will collect and recycle holiday trees on the regular or rescheduled collection days at no charge between today, December 26 and Friday, January 17. Trees must be cut to lengths less than four feet. Decorations, tinsel, metal ornaments, and metal stands must be removed from the trees. Flocked trees will be collected but cannot be made into compost due to their chemical content. After January 17, non-flocked trees can also be recycled by cutting them up and placing them in the green waste carts.

No Holiday Street Sweeping - There will be no street sweeping on Wednesday, January 1, and there will not be parking enforcement for those streets posted for street sweeping on this date.

City Hall Closed - City Hall will be closed Wednesday, January 1, in observance of the holiday.

Laguna Beach Community & Susi Q Center - The Center is currently closed for the holidays and will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2014. The staff and volunteers wish the Laguna Beach community a joyous holiday season.

El Toro Road Resurfacing - The slurry seal resurfacing of El Toro Road will resume and be completed on Friday, December 27. Pavement striping and markings will be placed over the following two weeks. Resurfacing of various residential streets will begin next week and will continue for approximately four weeks.

Acquisition of Property at 725 Laguna Canyon Road: On Friday, December 20, the City closed escrow on the property located at 725 Laguna Canyon Road (adjacent to the Forest/Laguna Canyon parking lot).

Dogs Allowed at Aliso County Park Beaches - On December 6 the County Board of Supervisors approved the adoption of Laguna Beach standards for allowing dogs on the beach in the Aliso Beach County Park. Dogs will only be prohibited from June 15 through September 10 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Remember that a leash is always required.

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First Friday Flicks at the Forum - First Friday Flicks at the Forum will be held on Friday, January 3, 2014 at the Forum Theatre located at the Festival of Arts grounds at 650 Laguna Canyon Road. A no-host bar will be available at Tivoli Terrace at 6 p.m. and the film will be screened at 7 p.m. The first film titled “Marina Abramovic: The Artist is Present” is a feature length documentary that follows the artist as she prepared for a major retrospective of her work taking place at The Museum of Modern Art in New York. This film is not rated and has adult content. This program has been funded through the generosity of Laguna Beach residents Steve Chadima and Mark Porterfield.

Artist Open Studios - Artist Open Studios will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2014 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants can catch a free shuttle service from the Act V parking lot, located at 1900 Laguna Canyon Road, and take advantage of free parking. Over 30 artists will be opening their studios, offering hands-on experiences and insights into their creative process. This is opportunity to see artists working in a variety of media from glass blowing to bronze welding. This event is funded by the lodging establishments and City of Laguna Beach.

Sunset Serenades and Music in the Park - The City of Laguna Beach Arts Commission is currently accepting submissions from professional musicians interested in being considered for the Sunset Serenades and Music in the Park series. Musicians can submit information to the Cultural Arts Department by Friday, January 17, 2014 via e-mail to spoeschl@lagunabeachcity.net or Cultural Arts Department, 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, CA 92651.

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