



EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY

Seal Beach employees were celebrated and recognized for their hard work as part of Employee Appreciation Day. The Kona Ice Truck of Cypress sponsored the event for all employees, and if you are interested in booking an event, please contact Kona Ice of Cypress at 657)238-8622.



CITY NOTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- Mon, Mar 13 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers
- Mon, Mar 27 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

- Mon, Mar 20 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers
- Mon, April 3 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

City Council and Planning Commission meetings can be viewed on SBTV-3 and on the City's YouTube Channel. A recording of the meeting will be posted within 24 hours.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY/CITY HALL CLOSURES

May 29, 2023 (Memorial Day)

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Want to keep up with City events, news, and programs? Follow our Lifeguard, Recreation, K9, Police Department, and Public Works Departments.

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DUMP DAY

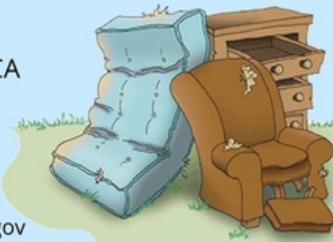
SEAL BEACH

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

LOCATION:
Public Works Yard
1776 Adolfo Lopez Dr., Seal Beach, CA

TIME: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
or until intake capacity is reached.

NO hazardous waste will be accepted.
Questions? Email AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov







CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

FOR PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 25 - MARCH 10, 2023

CITY MANAGER

- Attended Lions Red Car Committee meeting with Seal Beach Historic Resources Foundation (SBHRF) to discuss transfer of the Red Car on 02/25/2023.
- Attended SBHRF Board meeting on 03/02/2023.
- Attended Community Suicide Prevention Initiative Meeting on 03/01/2023.
- Participated in OC Human Relations Consortium Meeting on 03/01/2023.
- Attended OC Recycling Coordinators Meeting on 03/02/2023.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Staff is preparing to send an updated draft of the Housing Element to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to request a formal review and advance toward certification. This draft will not be adopted by the Council prior to HCD's review, but will be available on the City's website for a minimum of seven days prior to submittal. Upon receiving feedback from HCD, staff will continue to refine the draft as directed and prepare to bring it to the City Council for adoption.
- A draft of the Land Use Plan, one of two major components of the City's first Local Coastal Plan, will be submitted to the Coastal Commission for comments later this month. The draft will be available on the City's website for public comment as well. Upon receiving comments from the Coastal Commission and the public, staff will refine the Land Use Plan and seek grant funding to initiate the next component, the Implementation Plan. Staff hopes to present the Local Coastal Plan in its entirety to the City Council in 2024.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- There are currently 1,257 users registered for the Senior Transportation Program. The program is available for Seal Beach residents ages 60 years and older and consists of a pre-fixed shuttle route and Yellow Cab Taxi service. To register for the program, please visit www.sealbeachca.gov or contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 431-2527 X 1307.
- Red Cross Blood Drive – The City of Seal Beach sponsored a blood drive with the Red Cross on February 22 at Fire Station 48. There were a total of 21 donors, and were able to collect 25 units, which is calculated to potentially save 75 lives.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Police Facility Dog Yosa attended Read Across America Day at McGaugh.
- Captain Nicholas attended the California Peace Officers' Association Legislative Summit to discuss upcoming legislative issues related to law enforcement.

WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

- Communication Center phone calls over the last 7 days:
 - 911 calls - 601
 - Non-Emergency Calls - 2,035
 - total Calls - 2,636
- Calls for services handled over the last 7 days for all agencies - 1,642

PUBLIC WORKS

- Staff attended MWDOC's Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) kick-off meeting to begin organizing for the City's upcoming 2023 Water Quality Report that will be distributed to the public this summer.
- Impacts from recent storms led to significant cleanup efforts. Staff responded to multiple fallen trees and other related calls for service.



CITY ATTORNEY RECOGNITION

At the February 27, 2023, City Council meeting, Mayor Kalmick and Members of the City Council recognized City Attorney Steele for his more than 30 years of service to the City of Seal Beach.



MAYOR PRO TEM & COUNCIL MEMBER RECOGNITIONS

At its Regular Meeting held on Monday, February 27, 2023, the Mayor and Members of the City Council, along with representatives from the federal, state, and local level, and other agencies, boards, districts and organizations, recognized outgoing Mayor Pro Tem Mike Varipapa, District 3; and, outgoing Council Member Sandra Massa-Lavitt, District 5, for their eight (8) years - two consecutive four (4) year terms of unwavering and selfless service to the residents and community of Seal Beach.

DISTRICT 3 & DISTRICT 5 COUNCIL MEMBER SWORN IN



At the City Council's Regular Meeting held on Monday, February 27, 2023, the official results of the City of Seal Beach Municipal All Mail Ballot Run-Off Election, held on January 31st, were approved by the City Council. Lisa Landau was elected as District 3 City Council Member and Nathan Steele was elected as District 5 City Council Member for a full term. Additionally, Council Member Landau was sworn in by Senator Janet Nguyen and Nathan Steele was sworn in by City Clerk Harper.

MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEM SELECTIONS FOR 2023

At its Regular Meeting held on February 27, 2023, Members of the City Council approved the reorganization of the City Council and selection of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem for 2023. Council Member Moore – District 2 was unanimously elected to serve as Mayor for 2023 and Council Member Sustarsic – District 4 was unanimously elected to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for 2023.



HOME HEATING SAFETY



For many residents, the high cost of home heating has increased the use of portable space heaters, fireplaces, and wood burning stoves. Unfortunately, using these devices can also increase the risk of home fires and carbon monoxide poisoning.



Space heaters cause 85% of all home heating fire deaths.

Home Heating Safety Tips

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet from all heat sources.
- Hire a professional to clean, inspect, and service your home’s heating equipment, fireplace, and chimney annually.
- Purchase space heaters that have an automatic shut off.
- Always plug space heaters directly into wall outlets and unplug them when they are not in use.
- Keep space heaters away from children and pets.
- Turn space heaters off before leaving the room or going to sleep.
- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace to prevent sparks and embers from escaping.

Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

- Carbon monoxide is a colorless and odorless gas that can be deadly. Know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning – headache, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, weakness, sleepiness, and confusion. If you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning, get outside to fresh air and call 9-1-1.
- Install carbon monoxide alarms outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.
- Never use a gas range or oven for heating.
- Carefully follow the manufacturer’s installation and maintenance instructions if a wood stove is used to heat the home.
- Open the fireplace damper before lighting a fire and keep it open until the ashes are cool.



**Orange County
Fire Authority**

(714) 573-6200
ocfa.org



FREE TAX ASSISTANCE WITH AARP

The City of Seal Beach in partnership with AARP is offering free tax assistance for taxpayers ages 50 and over. Appointments take place every Monday from February 6 – April 10 from 8:30am – 10:45am at OCFA Fire Station 48 located at 3131 N Gate Road, Seal Beach 90740. Appointments are 45 minutes in length and can be made by contacting the Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 431-2527 X 1307 or communityservices@sealbeachca.gov.



Free Tax Assistance

TAXPAYERS AGES 50+ | FEBRUARY 6 - APRIL 10

MONDAYS | 8:30AM - 10:45AM | FIRESTATION 48

APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED

To schedule an appointment, contact (562) 431-2527 X 1307 or communityservices@sealbeachca.gov

SENIOR LUNCH CAFE

Senior Lunch Café - The Seal Beach Lunch Program is provided by Meals on Wheels Orange County (OC) at the North Seal Beach Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive. The Dine-In Lunch Café takes place Monday - Friday from 11:00am- 12:00pm. The Dine-In Lunch Program is open to adults ages 60 years and older. A suggested donation for lunch is \$3.00. For any additional questions, please contact Anthony at (562) 431-2527 ext. 1344 or visit www.sealbeachca.gov/city-services/senior-services.

SUMMER 2023 SHORELINE

Staff began production of the Summer 2023 Shoreline covering the dates of June 12 – August 26. The Summer Shoreline will be posted online at the end of March with registration opening in early April. Specialty camps, classes, surf, swim lessons, and Junior Lifeguard information will be included in the Summer Shoreline. Registration takes place in person at City Hall, by mail with check payable to the City of Seal Beach, or online at register.sealbeachca.gov.



Ages 60+!

Seal Beach
Senior Card Games

EVERY THURSDAY NORTH SEAL BEACH CENTER
3333 ST. CLOUD DRIVE
12:30PM - 2:30PM

Enjoy BUNCO - RUMMY - BRIDGE - PINOCHLE - AND MORE!

FREE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
CALL: (562) 431-2527 X 1344
EMAIL: ANGUYEN@SEALBEACHCA.GOV

ADULT SPORTS LEAGUES

The Winter Season of the Softball Leagues is coming to a close, and the tentative start dates of the Spring Season will be Tuesday, March 21st and Wednesday, March 22nd for the Men's Leagues, and Thursday March 23rd for the Coed League. These leagues comprises of 6-7 teams each and will conclude in the month of June.

SENIOR CARD GAMES

The Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department hosts the Senior Card Games at the North Seal Beach Community Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive every Thursday from 12:30pm-2:30pm. Games can include: Pinochle, Bridge, Rummy, or any other card games participants may want to play. This is a great opportunity to meet and socialize with other players. For more information, please contact Anthony at (562) 431-2527 ext. 1344, or email anguyen@sealbeachca.gov.





YOSA'S DOG BLOG

@k9yosa

Police Facility Dog Yosa read to McGaugh's Classroom 4 as part of their Read Across America Day.

POLICE ACTIVITY IN THE AREA

READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

The Seal Beach Chief of Police attended Read Across America Day at McGaugh Elementary School, Chief Henderson had a great time reading to the children at McGaugh.



EVERY FIFTEEN MINUTES

Chief Henderson, Officer Owen, Officer Rael-Brook (COP team), and Motor Officer Montgomery participated in the "Every 15 minutes" Program last week at Los Alamitos High School. The Every 15 Minutes program is a two-day program focusing on high school juniors and seniors, which challenges them to think about drinking, driving, personal safety, the responsibility of making mature decisions and the impact their decisions have on family, friends, their community, and many others. The program brings together a broad coalition of interested local agencies with the goal of reducing alcohol-related incidents among youth. The partnering of the California Highway Patrol, local law enforcement, local hospitals, emergency medical responders, schools, businesses, and service clubs validates the importance of working together to ensure a healthy community. The two-day Every 15 Minutes program is very dramatic and emotional-and purposely so. Teenagers are constantly reminded about the choices they have to make involving alcohol and how many others are affected by their decisions. They know the intellectual statistics. However, many teens share the belief it will never happen to them. This powerful program is designed to create an awareness among students that they are not invincible. This program helps open the emotional doors, and it They experience first hand how their actions affect the lives of so many other people.

WELCOME NEW POLICE OFFICER: NISHIMURA

Please join in welcoming our newest Seal Beach Police Officer Alex Nishimura. Alex was raised in Burbank, California and enlisted in the Marines in 2011 as an Engineer Equipment Mechanic. Following an honorable discharge in 2014, he attended Pasadena City College and obtained his Associate's Degree in Administration of Justice. In 2017, Alex began working for Immigration and Customs Enforcement, then in 2018 re-enlisted into the Army Reserves as a Military Police Officer with Criminal Investigations Division. Alex began his career as a Police Officer in 2019 with the Torrance Police Department. In his free time, he likes to spend time with his family, work on home projects, and surf.



MARINE SAFETY UPDATES THROUGHOUT SEAL BEACH

- Rain, surf, and storms continued to impact the beach and ocean. On 2/25 at 1:42 p.m. the beach and pier were closed due to lightning in the area. Marine Safety staff cleared all beach goers until the National Weather Service lifted the advisory. The closure lasted approximately 45 minutes.
- The McGaugh Pool remains closed this week for maintenance and repairs.
- On 2/25 heavy wind and seas caused a bait barge and floating dock to come loose overnight from the Long Beach area (pictured below). This resulted in debris scattered along the beach at the high tide line. Public Works staff did a tremendous job of cleaning up the dock and wooden wreckage.
- On 3/01 Lifeguards took part in the Los Alamitos High School Career Day. Seal Beach Lifeguards had a booth and unit on display to answer questions about available positions and hiring process. The event was a success in recruiting for beach and pool lifeguards, pictures shown below.
- On 3/04 Marine Safety hosted a one-hour clinic to prospective lifeguard candidates. Six candidates were in attendance and Marine Safety Officer Mike Diller led them through different drills. This included entering the water safely and effectively, open water swimming techniques, and strategies to complete and compete in the distance swim and run swim run tryout evolutions.
- On 3/04 the Rescue Watercraft (Jetski) was launched for a 25' cabin cruiser aground in the San Gabriel River. Two people were on the vessel. Upon completing a welfare check there were no injuries on board and the mariner was able to free themselves from the sandbar. This situation tends to be a common occurrence due to the close proximity of Alamitos Bay Harbor entrance and the San Gabriel River mouth.



PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES THROUGHOUT SEAL BEACH

BEVERLY MANOR WELL REHABILITATION

General Pump Company continues the cleaning and rehabilitation of Beverly Manor Well. This past month General Pump was able to remove over a dozen feet of sediment that accumulated at the bottom of the well's column throughout its previous 55 years of operation. This action will increase the specific capacity, thus maximizing well efficiency. The contractor is expected to complete the cleaning of the well's column mid-to-late March.

WATER SAVING EFFORTS

In the month of February the City had a water savings of 8% relative to February 2021. February was the first month that the City missed its water use reduction goal of 11-20% since the declaration of a water supply shortage in July 2022. Please visit our Water Conservation webpage at sealbeachca.gov for water savings tips and resources.





Community Day

SPRING INTO ACTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 25
MIKE WARD PARK
20 LAKE ROAD IN IRVINE 11 A.M.-3 P.M.



Entertainment

Local community and high school bands. Local dance groups and more.

Games

Interactive educational games and workshops for all ages.

Community

State and local agencies, businesses, food trucks and more! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and enjoy an afternoon outdoors.

Clean CA Community Day - Spring into Action is part of an 11-day celebration of the Clean CA Initiative. To learn more, scan here:



ASK CITY HALL

Do you have any questions about the City of Seal Beach or one of the many services the City provides, contact: AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov You will have an answer to your question no later than two business days.



Have a question for us? We have an answer for you.

Email AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov

WE ARE HIRING

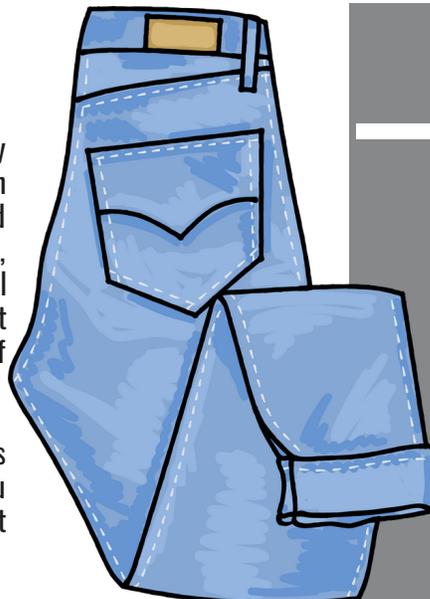
If you are interested in working for the City of Seal Beach, we are hiring. Please scan the barcode below and you will be directed to CalOpps where you will be able to see all current job postings. If you have any questions email HR@sealbeachca.gov.



SEAL BEACH STAFF MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Every Thursday of each month, City staff are able to wear denim, with a \$5 contribution which is donated to various charities. In February, staff raised \$200.00 to Global Giving. The donation will support Turkey and Syria Earthquake Relief Funding.

Next time you see staff members wearing denim on Thursdays, you now know they are helping out some great charities!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 2023

- 18 DUMP DAY
PW YARD
- 25 RUN SEAL BEACH
1ST & MARINA

