



# CITY NOTES

## CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Mon, Dec 12 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

Mon, Jan 9 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Mon, Nov 21 - 7:00 p.m. - Cancelled

Mon, Dec 5 - 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

November 24 - 25 (Thanksgiving)

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SEAL BEACH, HOME OF SURF, SUN, AND FUN



# GIVE THANKS THIS THANKSGIVING

Now until Thursday, November 24th Seal Beach City Hall will be a drop off location for non perishable food items for a food drive with the Seal Beach Chamber. All donations will be given to St. Anne's Church to be distributed to those in need.



# CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

## FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 28 - NOVEMBER 11, 2022

### CITY MANAGER

- The City Manager's Office participated as the guest speaker at the Sunshine Club meeting in Leisure World on November 4, 2022. An update regarding city accomplishments and resources was provided by Lauren Barich, Management Analyst.



### CITY CLERK

- City Clerk staff attended the first day of the annual Municipal Management Association of Southern California (MMASC) Conference in Rancho Mirage to serve on a Mock Interview panel. As a panelist, staff had the opportunity to rate the interview participants from agencies throughout Southern California that were looking to promote within their respective agencies. There were 26 raters and 40 participants in attendance. The participants appreciated the candid feedback and valued the opportunity to interview with the group.
- The General Municipal Election was held in the City of Seal Beach on November 8, 2022. The Official Election Results are due in the Clerk's Office by December 6, 2022.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- The document archive scanning project continues successfully, with an additional 7,700 pages scanned into the City's electronic archive in the last month. Availability of digital documents dramatically reduces staff response times to public records requests.

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

- There are currently 1,197 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](http://www.sealbeachca.gov) or contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 431-2527 X 1307.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

- November 11th is Veteran's Day, and the department authorized the wearing of a patch to recognize and honor our veterans throughout the month of November. Officer LaGarra, himself a proud Marine Corps veteran, has created a military-themed patch to pay tribute to veterans as well as the families of veterans.



### POLICE DEPARTMENT CONT.

- These patches are available for the public to purchase. They will be sold for \$10 each in the police department lobby or online at <https://sealbeachpoliceleague.com/>, proceeds will be donated to the Recon/Sniper Foundation. This foundation assists veterans from all branches of the United States Military and their families. The Recon/Sniper Foundation helps veterans transition to civilian life, including wounded veterans (combat and non-combat related) and families who have lost a service member to combat or non-combat operations. "Recon/Sniper Foundation works to provide guidance and assistance to enhance the quality of life and be there in times of need for service-members, veterans, and their families." For more information about this organization, please visit [www.reconsniperfoundation.org](http://www.reconsniperfoundation.org).

### PUBLIC WORKS

- Staff completed the annual Gum Grove Park cleanup and removed dry, dead plants and debris in an effort to mitigate fires and to beautify the park.
- Water Division replaced a 3-inch master water meter that feeds a portion of River Beach Townhomes.
- A Caltrans Encroachment Permit was approved for geotechnical exploratory work as part of the Seal Beach Boulevard @ North Gate Road pavement project.



# SANTIAGO DAM EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN (EAP)

Sgt. Brian Gray represented the City of Seal Beach at the Santiago Dam Exercise. The Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) conducts an annual notification exercise for the Santiago Dam Emergency Action Plan (EAP). In accordance with California Government Code Section 8589.51, at least once annually, and in cooperation with local safety agencies, IRWD conducts an emergency action plan notification exercise for each dam it operates. This facilitated, discussion-based exercise included all impacted jurisdictions and stakeholders.

## WELCOME PARTICIPATING AGENCIES



## MARINE SAFETY UPDATES

STATUS REPORT FOR THE WEEKS OF 9/29/22-10/9/22

Rescues: 0 Medical Aids: 6 Major Medical Aid: 1 Stingray Injuries: 0  
Boat Rescues: 4 Preventative Actions: 3

- The City has seen all types of weather over the last two weeks. The surf has been in the 2-3 foot range.
- The Winter sand berm is well under construction and making steady progress.
- Marine Safety hosted 2 citywide CPR and AED classes, with 20 participants.
- During last week's rain we had a major medical aid followed by a boat on the rocks in the San Gabriel River. The boat had gotten lost from a large sailboat overnight and ended up on the rocks. Boat US was contacted to make the recovery.

## WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

Communication Center phone calls over the last 7 days:

911 Calls - 622

Non-Emergency Calls - 2,155

Total Calls - 2,777

Calls for service handled over the last 7 days for all agencies: 1,471



## COFFEE WITH A COP

Seal Beach Police Department along with Council Member Sandra Massalavitt hosted Coffee with a Cop at Starbucks on Monday, November 7th. Members of the community had an opportunity to interact with the police department and address questions, voice concerns and to get to know each other. Often the community's only interaction with the police is during a time of emergency or other crisis, and the goal is to strengthen the relationship between the City of Seal Beach, Police Department, and the community.



## WATER CONSERVATION

The City has had another excellent month of conserving water. In the month of October, the City had a water savings of 14% compared to October 2020.



## METER TESTING

The Water Division is required to test a portion of the 5400 water meters annually for accuracy. Testing began in early October and will be completed mid-November. The testing results are submitted to the State Water Board as part of the City's annual water audit.

## MONTECITO CHANNEL CONSTRUCTION

The I-405 contractor has temporarily paused their work to widen the Montecito Channel until after the winter and rainy season. It is anticipated that work will restart in Spring 2023.

The work began in Spring 2022 to widen the storm drain channel that runs along the I-405, I-605 and SR-22 interchange and along the southern boundary of the College Park West neighborhood. Construction was originally scheduled for the dry, summer months in hopes to complete construction prior to this time of year. Unfortunately, the coordination took longer than anticipated and working in a storm drain channel during the rainy season introduces many challenges that the contractor in conjunction with Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and Orange County Flood Control District (OCFCD) did not wish to continue with. Part of the construction includes rebuilding two Seal Beach waterlines that run under the channel that feed water the College Park West neighborhood.



## STATE WATER BOARD UPDATED PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

The State Water Resources Control Board recently adopted new performance standards for urban retail water suppliers that it estimates will save 88,000 acre-feet of water per year by requiring suppliers to monitor and reduce leakage in their distribution systems. The new regulation aims to bring about more efficient water use by providing retail suppliers with a volumetric standard that sets cost-effective levels of achievable water loss. The City remains proactive in its efforts to eliminate water loss and continues to work closely with Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) and other partners to remain compliant with the State's performance standards. Mitigating water loss has been a high priority for all California suppliers since the previous drought that was declared by Governor Brown in 2015.

## NORTH GATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION

The I-405 contractor completed sewer work on North Gate Road, which allowed the roadway to be reopened to the public after months of closure. In addition, the new sound wall running along North Gate Road is nearing completion.

## OLD RANCH PARKWAY CONSTRUCTION

The sewer line connecting North Gate Road to Old Ranch Parkway was recently completed. The I-405 contractor finished backfilling the large excavation pit at the entrance of the SR-22, initially dug in June of 2020, which was used to bore the sewer line under the freeway. The contractor will reconstruct the cul-de-sac at the end of Old Ranch Parkway back to original conditions.





# STREET SWEEPING UPDATES

Street sweeping will begin in the new Ocean Place Development, as shown on the attached map. The affected areas highlighted in brown will be swept on Thursdays, while areas in pink will be swept on Mondays. Signage has been installed and sweeping enforcement will commence the week of December 12, 2022.

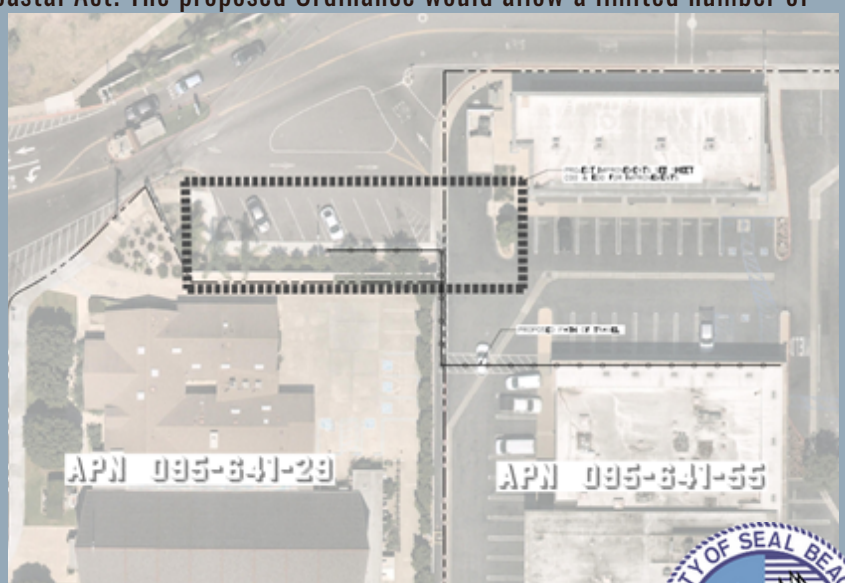


### SWEEPING SCHEDULE

- EVERY MONDAY
- 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS
- 2ND & 4TH MONDAYS
- 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS
- 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAYS
- EVERY THURSDAY
- DAILY
- 6 TIMES A MONTH
- 2 TIMES A WEEK

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

- A scoping meeting, which is a part of the process for the Old Ranch Country Club Environmental Impact Report (EIR), is expected to be held in early December. The meeting is one of the opportunities for the public to provide input on the environmental analysis necessary for the EIR. Further information will be available on the City’s website in the near future.
- The Planning Commission held a public hearing on a new short-term rental program on November 7th. The new program, which will be a part of the zoning code, is being developed in response to two recent appellate court decisions that declared prohibition of short-term rentals is a violation of the Coastal Act. The proposed Ordinance would allow a limited number of short term rentals in the Coastal Zone, and the draft is available on the City’s website. This item will likely be presented to the City Council on December 12th.
- Following many months of inactivity, the development application for 490 Pacific Coast Highway (former ARCO Station) has expired.
- New electric vehicle charging stations will soon be installed near St. Andrews Drive and Church Place. Five charging systems will serve seven existing parking spaces.





The Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce held a competition for the best Trunk or Treat and pumpkin display on Main Street and voted IN-N-OUT as being the best Trunk on Main Street.

# TRUNK OR TREAT AND PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

The City's annual Trunk or Treat on Main event was a huge success. This is an annual event that City staff truly loves and looks forward to each year, especially since it is an event that allows all City staff a great opportunity to work together to connect with so many in our community. In addition to providing an opportunity for kids and their families to vote for their favorite City department-decorated trunk theme, they were also able to vote on their favorite decorated pumpkin as part of our City department pumpkin decorating competition. We want to thank all the kids and families in our community for joining us on Halloween and we very much look forward to Trunk or Treat on Main in 2023.

**Winner of the Trunk or Treat 2022:**

- 1st Place:** City Manager/City Clerk's Offices with their "IN-N-OUT" theme
- 2nd Place:** Finance Department with their "Harry Potter" theme
- 3rd Place:** Public Works Department with their "Grinch" theme

**Winner of the Pumpkin Decorating Contest 2022:**

- 1st Place:** Public Works Department with their "Wicked Witch of the West" Pumpkin
- 2nd Place:** City Clerk's Office with their "Madame Clerkinpine" Pumpkin
- 3rd Place:** Two-way tie between two departments: Recreation Department and their "Danger Zone" Pumpkin and Police Department with their "Gary Tabasci" Pumpkin





# BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Breakfast with Santa is on Saturday, December 10th at the Marina Community Center located at 151 Marina Drive from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The event features a free pancake breakfast provided by the Seal Beal Lions Club, photos with Santa, arts and crafts, and live music. New, unwrapped toy donations are being accepted to benefit children in need this holiday season.

**Breakfast with Santa**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10**

**MARINA COMMUNITY CENTER \* 151 MARINA DRIVE**

**9:00AM-11:00AM**

FREE ❄️ PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
 CRAFTS ❄️ PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Toy donations are being accepted to help children in need this holiday season

# HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

The Holiday Tree Lighting in partnership with the Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce is on Saturday, November 19th at Eisenhower Park from 4:00pm-7:00pm. The event features photos with Santa, sledding, snow play, arts and crafts, and refreshments available to purchase.

**Seal Beach Tree Lighting**

**November 19, 2022**  
**Eisenhower Park, Seal Beach**  
**4-7pm**

**Santa - Music - Sledding - Cocoa**

# SEAL BEACH CHRISTMAS PARADE

**Friday December 2nd** **On Main Street At 7:00**

**FRESH CUT CREATIVE** Presents

**Merry Christmas Under the Sea at the Sea Beach 2022 Parade**

**SUN** **HARBOUR** **REPUBLIC** **BEACH**

MediX Urgent Care Seal Beach  
 Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach  
 Chick-Fil-A Shops at Rossmoor  
 Glory Days Sports Grill  
 Marley's Preschool

The Seal Beach Christmas Parade is on Friday, December 2nd at 7:00 p.m. on Main Street featuring the theme "Under the Sea." City of Seal Beach staff are participating in the event with a "Spongebob" float to celebrate the theme, along with Councilmembers riding down Main Street in the City's vintage Firetruck.

adult technology classes are being offered. 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](http://register.sealbeachca.gov)

# 2022 - 2023 WINTER SHORELINE

The Winter 2022 - 2023 Shoreline is posted online and is available to view at [www.sealbeachca.gov](http://www.sealbeachca.gov). Classes take place from January 3 - March 25 and new, older

**Shoreline**  
 Classes and Activities • Winter 2022-23

Visit the **NEW Zoeter Dog Park!**

**Parks Make Life Better!**







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:  
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## YOSA'S DOG BLOG

Tryptophan has been associated with turkey dinners for causing drowsiness, this is why this year Miss Yosa is sticking with her toy flamingo with her best friend Nubbin (@k9nubbin) to allow for her to have ample energy for all her Seal Beach residents!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## NOVEMBER 2022

- 11 VETERANS DAY CEREMONY  
EISENHOWER PARK
- 19 TURKEY TROT  
MAIN STREET
- TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY  
EISENHOWER PARK

## DECEMBER 2022

- 2 CHRISTMAS PARADE  
MAIN STREET
- 10 BREAKFAST WITH SANTA  
MARINA COMMUNITY CENTER

