



OFFICIAL CITY MANAGER newsletter

December 8, 2023

city notes

City Council Meetings

Mon, Dec. 11 - 7:00p.m. - Council Chambers

Planning Commission Meetings

Mon, Dec. 18 - 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

Dec. 25, 2023 - January 1, 2024 (Holiday Closure)

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.



@Seal Beach Recreation & Community Services
@Seal Beach Marine Safety Department
@Seal Beach Police Department
@SEALBEACHPUBLICWORKS



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@Sealbeachrecreation
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@K9YOSA
@K9.SAURUS

THE CITY FLOAT ROCKED THE SEAL BEACH CHRISTMAS PARADE



The 45th Annual Seal Beach Christmas Parade took place on Friday, December 1st with an estimated 11,000 spectators watching and more than 2,400 participants in 84 entries. The theme this year was Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree and we think all of the entries rocked it!

WE ARE HIRING

If you are interested in working for the City of Seal Beach, we are currently hiring. To view employment opportunities please visit: <https://www.calopps.org/city-of-seal-beach> or scan the QR code:



CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

FOR PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 26 - DECEMBER 9, 2023

RECREATION

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Breakfast with Santa is on Saturday, December 9th 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 Beach 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.



PUBLIC WORKS

This year's construction of the winter sand berm is now complete. The project took roughly four weeks and included back-passing roughly 20,000 cubic yards of sand from west beach to east beach. Back-passing is performed bi-annually to help manage erosion along the east beach by recycling sand that naturally shifts northwestwards to west beach. The berm will remain in place until early spring, depending on the weather.



SBPD

- Captain Nicholas recently engaged in discussions with parking vendors to streamline citation processing. Additionally, he met with a representative from the City of Dana Point's planning department to discuss matters concerning coastal parking, showcasing a commitment to addressing community needs and concerns.
- The department hosted the Citizen Council Parking Advisory Ad Hoc Committee on both November 29th and December 4th. During these sessions, the focus was on analyzing parking survey results and presenting a comprehensive overview of parking finances, demonstrating a proactive approach to community engagement and problem-solving.

WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

Communication Center Phone
Calls over the last 7 days:

- 911 Calls: 551
- Non-Emergency Calls: 1,926
- Total Calls: 2,477

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

- 1,623

Recreation Department Updates

Senior Services

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

The Christmas Tree Lighting kicked off the holiday season in town on Saturday, November 18th at Eisenhower Park from 4:00pm-7:00pm. The event was produced in partnership with the City of Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department and the Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce. The event featured photos with Santa, sledding, snow play, arts and crafts, and refreshments available to purchase. Additionally, the event featured the ceremonial lighting of the 18 foot Douglas Fir Christmas Tree located in Eisenhower Park. Staff estimates roughly 2,000 people were in attendance during the event.

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, 11:00am-12:00pm. The 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.

SENIOR CARD GAMES

The Senior Card Game program takes place once a month, on the first Thursday of every month. This program runs from 2:00pm-3:30pm at the North Seal Beach Community Center, located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive. The program is free to attend and is recommended for adults ages 60 years and older. Players may also bring a game or activity to share. For the convenience of participants, the Senior Transportation Shuttle regularly provides transportation and makes regular stops at the North Seal Beach Center in the afternoons at approximately 1:40pm, 2:40pm, and 3:40pm. For more information, please contact Anthony Nguyen via email at anguyen@sealbeachca.gov or by phone at: (562) 431-2527 X 1344.



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

email:
AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov

Recreation Department Updates (Cont.)

- There are currently 1,504 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.
- There are currently 322 pickleball members and 86 tennis members at the Seal Beach Tennis and Pickleball Center. To sign up for a membership, please contact staff at the Center, or call (562) 598-8624 for more information.

Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA)



Captain King has served his community selflessly for 45 years, beginning his career in the 1979 California Department of Forestry academy. His hard work and dedication were recognized early, and he was promoted to Engineer in 1980. Over the next 15 years, he gained enormous amounts of experience by running innumerable calls and being assigned to multiple strike teams. Unsurprisingly, he was promoted to Captain in 1995. He worked at various stations from the beginning of his career until 2001, when he found his home in Seal Beach; he has spent 21 years at Station 48 and has been at Station 44 since 2022. Captain King is not the kind of man to give the bare minimum; he has been part of many extracurriculars throughout the years; including, but not limited to, helping to develop manuals for training, Explorer Program, assisting other departments as an outside proctor evaluator, Honor Guard, and over 20 rookie firefighters (all of which were successful). At our most recent Best and Bravest ceremony, Captain King and the crew of E25 received a Unit Citation for saving a young man from a fire. Captain King is not just an outstanding firefighter; he is a loving family man with a wife and three wonderful children.

Seal Beach Police Department Updates

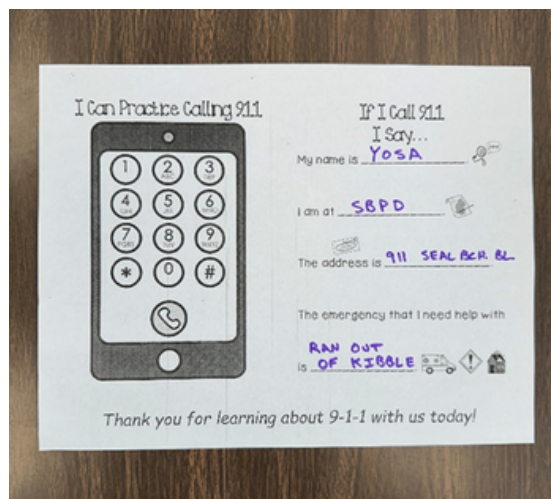
SOUTHWEST PARKING & TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION PARKING EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR!



A big round of applause for Seal Beach Police Department's Police Services Manager Michael McDonald, who has been recognized as the 2023 Southwest Parking & Transportation Association (SWPTA) Parking Employee of the Year! With nearly two decades of dedicated service and a remarkable journey from the U.S. Navy to the Seal Beach Police Department, Michael's commitment to excellence in parking management is truly inspiring. His multitasking abilities, dedication, and unwavering support for the community have not gone unnoticed. Michael has been instrumental in driving innovation and efficiency in parking services, and his work behind the scenes has elevated Seal Beach's parking operation to one of the most advanced on the West Coast. He does all this while balancing his other responsibilities, such as staffing the jail, animal control, and other administrative duties.

Congratulations, Michael, for your outstanding contributions to the community and the parking industry. We are proud to have you on our team!

MCGAUGH KINDERGARTEN 911 TRAINING



Facility Dog Yosa played a crucial role in assisting West-Comm Dispatch by actively participating in an initiative aimed at educating McGaugh kindergarten children on the proper procedures for dialing 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency.

Seal Beach Police Department Updates (Cont.)

MCGAUGH KINDERGARTEN 911 TRAINING



In another heartwarming endeavor, Facility Dog Yosa dedicated time to visit and bring joy to sick children at CHOC hospital, providing comfort and companionship during challenging times.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- Facility Dog Yosa continued to make a positive impact by organizing and leading two station tours for auction winners, providing an insider's glimpse into the workings of the station while contributing to charitable causes.
- The Volunteers in Policing monthly meeting served as a platform for collaboration and coordination among dedicated community volunteers, fostering a sense of unity in the shared goal of maintaining public safety.
- Acknowledging the importance of community involvement, the SBPD Command Staff attended the McGaugh PTA meeting, actively participating in discussions and staying informed about the concerns and priorities of the local school community.

City Clerk

On December 2, 2023, Mayor Moore and Members of the City Council issued a Proclamation to the Seal Beach Republican Women Federated in recognition of their ongoing support to the community for the past 70 years and proclaimed the Year 2023 as the 70th Anniversary of the Seal Beach Republican Women Federated.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 9
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December 10

Breakfast with Santa at Marina Center
Holiday Spectacular at the Shops at Rossmoor
Santa and Snow at Heather Park

CITY UPDATES

Public Works Updates

ANNUAL SLURRY SEAL PROJECT

The City's annual slurry seal project is underway and close to completion. This year, the City applied slurry seal to almost two miles of roadway located throughout College Park West and College Park East. Minor repair work and final striping is scheduled to be completed in late December.



SEAL BEACH BOULEVARD PAVING (OLD RANCH PARKWAY TO LAMPSON AVENUE)

The OC 405 Partners are in the final stages of construction along Seal Beach Boulevard. With all signals, median, and concrete work now completed, the contractor was able to repave and stripe Seal Beach Boulevard between Lampson Avenue and Old Ranch Parkway.



Public Works Updates (Continued)

BIKE TRAIL SINKHOLE REPAIR

Staff repaired a sinkhole on the bike trail that runs along the northern portion of Leisure World connecting the San Gabriel River to North Gate Road.



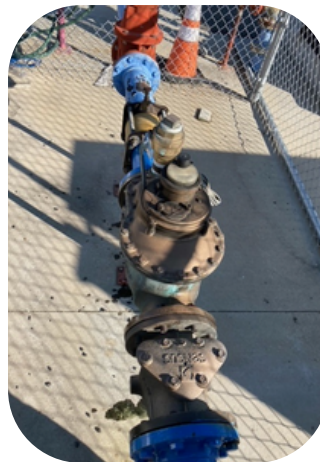
REPLACING FALLEN TREES

Over the last week, staff has been addressing multiple downed trees caused by recent showers and strong wind gusts. Staff is currently in the process of stump grinding and replacing the fallen trees throughout Old Town, the Hill, College Park West, and College Park East.



LARGE METER CHANGE OUT

Water meters and their registers often lose accuracy as they age and periodically require replacement. Staff recently replaced a customer's 4" water meter located on Old Bolsa Chica Road.



CITY UPDATES

City Manager's Office DEPARTMENT AND INDIVIDUAL DESK DECORATING CONTEST



Yosa's Dog Blog



Meet Miss November in the Seal Beach Police League Limited Edition 2024 K9 Calendar.

Purchase yours online at:
www.sealbeachpoliceleague.com

