



CITY NOTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mon, Nov 14 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers
 Mon, Dec 12 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

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

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.

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UPCOMING HOLIDAY/CITY HALL CLOSURES

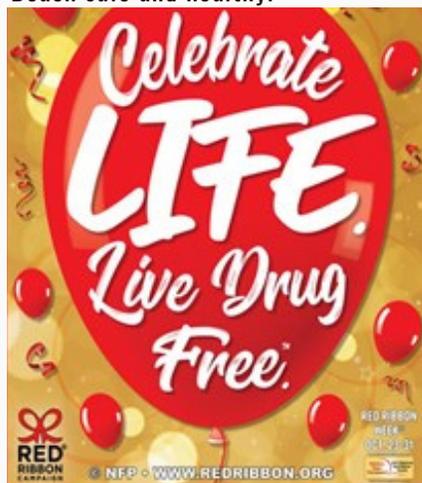
November 24 - 25 (Thanksgiving)

CELEBRATE LIFE. LIVE DRUG FREE.

The Seal Beach Police Department is excited to share with you our efforts to help keep Seal Beach drug free during this year's Red Ribbon Week. The first official Red Ribbon Week celebration was created by the National Family Partnership (NFP) in 1988. NFP continues to coordinate the campaign for families, schools and communities across the nation each year. Since then, the red ribbon has symbolized a continuing commitment to reducing the demand for illicit drugs in our communities. You can find more information about their efforts by visiting their website: www.redribbon.org

At school, students will engage in activities that promote a drug free and healthy lifestyle. Red Ribbon Week raises awareness of drug use and the problems related to drugs facing our community, and encourages parents, educators, business owners, and other community organizations to promote drug-free lifestyles. Please partner with us and discuss this message at home, at the dinner table, at family outings, and with friends and extended family. For more information about Red Ribbon Week or if you have questions about how the Seal Beach Police Department is keeping your children safe at McGaugh, please contact the SBPD Community Oriented Policing Team Officers David Rael-Brook at (562) 799- 4100 ext. 1640 or Draelbrook@sealbeachca.gov and Kendra Owen at (562) 799-4100 ext. 1630 or Kowen@sealbeachca.gov.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we strive to keep Seal Beach safe and healthy.



CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 15 - 28, 2022

CITY CLERK

- At its Regular Meeting held on October 24, 2022, Mayor Kalmick and Members of the City Council proclaimed October 23-21, 2022, as Red Ribbon Week and presented the Proclamation to Julia Lynch, Unit Commander, Southeast County Young Marines.
- At the October 24, 2022, City Council meeting, Mayor Kalmick and Members of the City Council proclaimed November 11, 2022, as Veterans Day and encouraged staff and residents to recognize the valor, courage, and sacrifice of our veterans through appropriate ceremonies, thoughts and prayers throughout the community and the nation.
- On October 25, 2022, Mayor Kalmick and Members of the City Council issued a Certificate of Recognition to Alpha Structural, Inc., in honor of their 30th year in structural engineering and construction business, serving residential and commercial property owners in the Los Angeles and Orange County areas.
- At the time of this publication, the November 8, 2022, General Municipal Election is E-10 (Election Day minus 10 days) in the City of Seal Beach.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Met with California Housing and Community Development staff for continued consultation on necessary modifications to bring the Housing Element to certification. Additional analysis is being performed to demonstrate financial viability of sites and provide guidance for new zoning standards. New policies and programs will also be introduced to incentivize housing development, pursuant to direction given by HCD. As a further challenge, the County has withdrawn their support for housing development at the Sunset Aquatic Marina. The Housing Element included 144 units at that site, which will now need to be relocated. Information on the Housing Element is available on the City's website.
- 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 late November or 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.
- A Parklet Council Subcommittee meeting was held on October 20th, with good participation, particularly from the Main Street business community. The Subcommittee provided additional direction to staff on a revised parklet program.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONTINUED

- Community Development will present a revised short-term rental program to the Planning Commission on November 7th. The action is an amendment of the Municipal Code which currently prohibits short-term rentals, therefore the Planning Commission can recommend as presented or suggest changes, which will be presented to the City Council at a later date for consideration. Changes to the Municipal Code related to short term rentals were considered necessary due to two recent appellate court decisions that declared prohibition of short-term rentals in the coastal zone are a violation of the Coastal Act.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- There are currently 1,191 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.



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PUBLIC WORKS



POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Lt. Nicholas and Yosa attended McGaugh School Carnival and assisted in fundraising.
- Working with Principal Wood and school board for PTA presentation related to workplace violence.
- Started Office of Traffic and Safety Grant cycle. Seal Beach Officers assisted in working the Street Racing Enforcement Task Force.
- Seal Beach Officers participated in National Walk to School, with McGaugh students.



- Red Ribbon Week at McGaugh School started October 24th.
- Pay station installation progressing in Main St. parking lots.
- Senior Community Services Officers attended 2-week humane animal control officer training course.



YOU CAN VOTE ANYWHERE

You can now vote at any Orange County Vote Center or any pop-up one-day voting locations, to view a list of Vote Centers and pop-up locations, visit the following link: <https://www.ocvote.gov/voting/voting-and-dropoff-locations-by-election>.

There will be two (2) Vote Centers in the City of Seal Beach:

SEAL BEACH SENIOR CENTER
707 Electric Avenue
Seal Beach, CA
Opens: October 29th

FIRE STATION 48 - SEAL BEACH
3131 N Gate Road
Seal Beach, CA
Opens: November 5th

A walk-up Ballot Drop Box is located at the Mary Wilson Library at 707 Electric Avenue between Main Street and Marina Drive; and, a drive-thru and walk-up Ballot Drop Box is in Leisure World* at 13531 St. Andrews Dr., in front of the Amphitheater, both locations are open 24/7 until 8pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

***You must have community access to use the Ballot Drop Box in Leisure World.**

For additional information about Ballot Drop Boxes and Vote Centers, such as locations, hours of operations and pop-up voting, in the City of Seal Beach and the County of Orange, please visit <https://www.ocvote.gov/voting/voting-and-dropoff-locations-by-election>.

WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

Communication Center phone calls over the last 7 days:
911 Calls - 612
Non-Emergency Calls - 2,024
Total Calls - 2,636
Calls for service handled over the last 7 days for all agencies: 1,747



 City of Seal Beach

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

Email AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov

MARINE SAFETY UPDATES

- STATUS REPORT AS OF 10/13/22 - 10/26/22
 - Rescues - 16
 - Medical Aids - 7
 - Major Medical Aids - 0
 - Stingray Injuries - 5
 - Boat Rescues - 2
 - Preventative Actions - 68
- We continue to have warm weather and mild surf. We had a small south swell arrive last week which gave us surf in the 3-4 foot range.
- Our lifeguard towers on the south side of the pier have been pulled back to allow for the start of the sand berm construction. The construction is scheduled for three weeks. The north side towers will be pulled back later this week.
- On 10/26/22 we hosted the US Coast Guard maritime symposium where agencies that have marine rescue capability get together and go over any multi-agency responses in the last 6 months.
- We have hired a new Aquatics Coordinator to supervise pool lifeguards. We are looking forward to her start in the next couple of weeks.
- Marine Safety held CPR training for all City Staff to stay up to date on CPR life saving techniques.



SAND BERM PREPARATION AND TOWER RELOCATION

In preparation for the sand berm, Public Works staff removed the surf towers from the beach to clear the way for the winter sand berm. The towers were temporarily relocated to the 8th and 10th Street beach parking lots until the berm is taken down.



ZOETER DOG PARK

ZOETER DOG PARK UPDATES

Public Works staff installed a french drain, replumbed the new drinkers and laid gravel around them at Zoeter Dog Park to prevent dogs from getting muddy. The sandpile was restocked so that visitors can fill in any holes their dogs dig up. Finally, a retired fire hydrant was refurbished for Zoeter Dog Park. The decorative hydrant will be installed prior to the Dog Park's grand opening on October 26th.



ZOETER DOG PARK GRAND OPENING

The Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department hosted the grand opening of the Zoeter Dog park on Wednesday, October 26th. The event consisted of vendor booths, refreshments, a dog photo booth and a ceremonial grand opening by Mayor Kalmick. The Zoeter Dog Park was funded using discretionary funding from District 1.



McAULIFFE PICKLEBALL CLUB

On Wednesday, October 19th the Seal Beach Pickleball Association hosted the McAuliffe Middle School Pickleball Club at the Seal Beach Tennis and Pickleball Center for a fun day of pickleball. Members of the association were on hand to help teach and play pickleball with the local kids in the program.



COMMUNITY GARDEN SCARECROW CONTEST



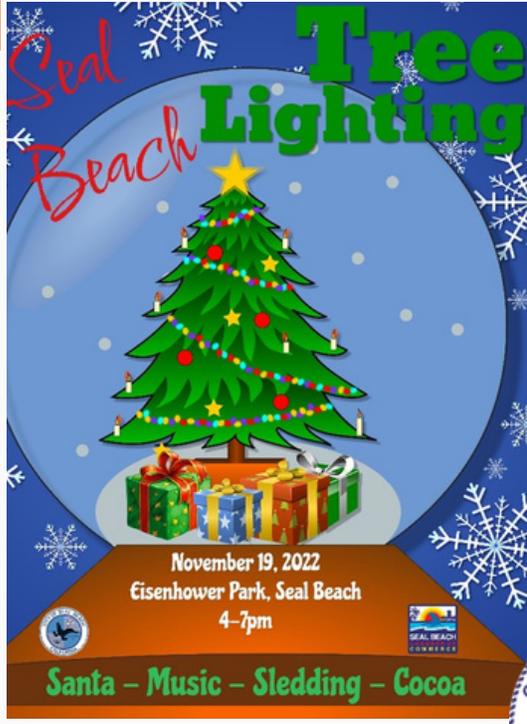
The Edison Community Garden held its first annual scarecrow contest, and gardeners had the opportunity to compete against each other by preparing a scarecrow in their garden. The deadline to submit their entries was Monday, October 17th. Judges visited the gardens and have awarded Jan Arboit as the winner of the scarecrow contest!

WINTER 2022-2023 SHORELINE

Recreation staff are developing the Winter 2022-2023 Shoreline, which covers the dates of January 3, 2023 – March 25, 2023. The Shoreline will be available to view online by Friday, November 4 and registration opens on Monday, November 7. Registration takes place in person at City Hall, by mail with check payable to the City of Seal Beach, or online at www.register.sealbeachca.gov

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

The Holiday Tree Lighting in partnership with the Seal Beach Chamber will be held 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.

November 19, 2022
Eisenhower Park, Seal Beach
4-7pm
Santa - Music - Sledding - Cocoa



UPCOMING UTILITY BILL INSERTS

The next billing cycle will include a drought awareness bill insert with customer utility billing statements. In addition to drought awareness, the insert will highlight the landscape and outdoor device rebate programs offered by Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC). Visit mwdoc.com/ocresidentialrebates for a complete list of MWDOC's residential rebates.

I-405 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS

Staff has entered discussions with Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and Caltrans on new freeway maintenance agreements. These new maintenance agreements will replace older, outdated agreements between the City and Caltrans regarding maintenance, repairs, and future replacement of all parts of Seal Beach Boulevard bridge over the I-405 freeway. Items to be agreed upon include the future maintenance of concrete roadway surface, striping, sidewalks, lighting, security fencing, bridge structure, and graffiti removal to name a few. Most of these items will be the responsibility of Caltrans to maintain, however, there will be some items where the City will be responsible for future maintenance. These items will be discussed and brought to City Council for consideration.

I-405 RAMP AND ROAD OPENINGS

On Friday, October 21st, OC405 and Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) reopened the I-405 southbound off-ramp to Seal Beach Boulevard. That marks the fifth and final I-405 ramp closure within the City where no more ramp closures in Seal Beach are expected. The overall I-405 widening project is still tracking a target substantial completion date of September 2023, less than a year away from now. The re-opening of North Gate Road is expected to occur during the weekend of October 28th to October 30th. At that time, Leisure World residents will be able to access Leisure World from North Gate Road again.



LEISURE WORLD METER VAULTS

The renovation of a deteriorated water meter vault located in Leisure World that provides water to College Park West has been completed. The project included the installation of a new aluminum access hatch, MAG meter, and feeder valves. The vault is one of two that are scheduled for renovation, the second vault will be completed at a later date.

STREET SWEEPING DOS AND DON'TS



DOS

- ✓ Allow extra following distance when driving a vehicle behind a moving street sweeper.
- ✓ Use caution when passing a moving street sweeper.
- ✓ Remove items from the curb on sweeping days.
- ✓ Trim back branches near the street to prevent trees and equipment from damage.
- ✓ Bicyclists: ride carefully and be aware of sweeping activity near bike lanes.
- ✓ Drivers: give street sweepers plenty of room and only pass when safe to do so.

DON'TS

- ✗ Follow a street sweeper closely. Airborne dust may make visibility difficult. Small rocks may get kicked up by the rotating brooms.
- ✗ Rake or blow leaves into the street. Piles can clog gutters and drains and may result in flooding during heavy rains. Sweepers are also not designed to pick up large piles of leaves. (Piles also become road hazards).
- ✗ Ignore 'No Parking' signs posted for street sweeping days. You're putting yourself at risk of being ticketed or towed.



Trunk or Treat

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31
11:00AM - 4:00PM
MUNICIPAL LOT ON ELECTRIC & MAIN ST. BY ATHENS WEST

Trick out your City vehicle trunk!

Submit vehicle theme to Tim Kelsey at tkelsey@sealbeachca.gov

CITY OF SEAL BEACH TRUNK OR TREAT

The City of Seal Beach will have their annual Trunk or Treat Event on Halloween this year. This event will be on Monday, October 31st, from 11:00am – 4:00pm, and will be held at the municipal lot on Electric & Main St, by Athens West. This event is open for the public, and is coinciding with the Chamber of Commerce’s Trick or Treat on Main event. Visitors will have the opportunity to vote on their favorite trunk that day, so please come on by!

CITY OF SEAL BEACH PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

City Staff is having a pumpkin decorating contest between all of the City departments, and all of the pumpkins are currently on display by the City Clerk’s office at City Hall. The pumpkins will be on display until Halloween, and visitors at City Hall can have the opportunity to take a look and vote for their favorite pumpkin. Kudos to our awesome staff team for their passion, creativity, and holiday spirit!



YOSA'S BI-WEEKLY REMINDER

Yosa hopes everyone has a safe Halloween, and please never hesitate to contact the Police Departments non-emergency number (562) 594-7232 or, for life-or-death emergencies, dial 9-1-1.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 2022		NOVEMBER 2022	
31	TRICK OR TREAT MAIN STREET	11	VETERANS DAY CEREMONY EISENHOWER PARK
	TRUNK OR TREAT MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT	19	TURKEY TROT MAIN STREET
		19	TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY EISENHOWER PARK