

# City of Seal Beach

AUGUST 19, 2022



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## CITY NOTES

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mon, Aug 22 - CANCELLED

Mon, Aug 29 - 7:00 p.m. (Special City Council Meeting)

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Tue, Sep 6 - 7:00 p.m.

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.

### FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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-  @K9YOSA
-  @K9.SAURUS

### UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Mon, September 5, 2022 (Labor Day)

## NOMINATION PERIOD - DISTRICTS 1, 3, & 5

The Nomination Period for Districts 1, 3 and 5, has concluded, with a total of 10 candidates for the November 8, 2022, General Municipal Election. The Candidates are listed by District and in alphabetical order only. **NOTE: This is not the order that names will appear on the Ballot.**

The Secretary of State will conduct the Random Drawing to Determine Order of Names on the Ballot on Thursday, August 18, 2022. This information will be updated as soon as possible and uploaded to the City's website.

District 1	District 3	District 5
Gregg Barton	Lisa Landau	Mariann Klinger
Christopher DeSanto	Fred Macksoud	Michael McGrorty
Joe Kalmick	Stephanie Wade	Jonathan Rich
		Nathan Steele

For more detailed information on each candidate, please review the Candidate Filing Information for Public Review at the following link: <https://www.sealbeachca.gov/Departments/City-Clerk/Information-for-Council-Candidates>.



# CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

## FOR PERIOD OF JUNE 2022 - AUGUST 2022

### CITY MANAGER

- Awarded over \$33,000 in funds for the SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program.
- City received non-profit status from the IRS for the Seal Beach Historic Resources Foundation and secured a \$10,000 funding allocation from Council.
- Staff participated in a Centenarian Birthday Celebration in Leisure World hosted by the Golden Age Foundation with the support of Council Members Massa-Lavitt and Moore.
- City staff met with Frontier representatives to discuss new fiber optic cabling in CPE and CPW. A Council study session regarding this potential project was held on June 13th.
- Staff attended a Proposition 218 virtual collaboration meeting with the cities of Anaheim, Brea, Huntington Beach, and Placentia to discuss ways in which different cities observe the Prop 218 process.
- City staff along with SBTV-3 reps attended a Council Chamber technology tour hosted by the City of Simi Valley. Simi Valley staff and their contractor were on hand to showcase their new audio/visual equipment, as well as describe how they have met the challenges of the new virtual environment. Many other cities were also present and discussed a myriad of challenges they've faced with Zoom, Teams, and WebEx platforms.
- The City co-hosted the Summer Concert Series with the Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce.
- The City participated in the Leisure World Health Fair.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Approved a contract for service with Transtech Engineers for FY 22-23 to provide comprehensive Building Division services.
- Approved a contract for service with Sagecrest Planning and Environmental to provide interim Planning staff due to staff vacancy.
- Joined the Orange County Housing Finance Trust.
- Approved a contract with Psomas to prepare an Environmental Impact Report for a proposed project at the Old Ranch Golf Course.
- Approved a Zone Text Amendment in the RLD-9 "Gold Coast" zoning district.

### CITY CLERK

- The City Clerk's office called and provided notice of holding a General Municipal Election for City Council Members in District 1, District 3, and District 5 to be held on November 8, 2022 and a possible Run-off election to be held on January 31, 2023 in the event no candidate receives 50% plus 1 votes.
- City Council recognized Girl Scout Troop 3341 at the June 13, 2022 City Council meeting for receiving their Silver Awards for the following projects; Addison Price & Josephine Stevenson "Encouraging Literacy in the Orange County Foster System", Nathaly Ann Sumoba "Decreasing the Chance of Injury in Youth Soccer", Alissa Endelman & Sophia Mason "Dog Care 101: Creating Successful Homes for Both the Dog and Owner", Yara Saadeh "Now COVID, Next What: a Middle Schooler's Guide to Emotional Well-Being During COVID", and Phoebe Grimshaw "Expressing Emotion through Art: No Special Supplies Needed to Create Art".
- Celebrated "Parks Make Life Better" Month in July with a Summer Kick-Off, social media contests, and a flower seed giveaway.
- Council recognized Congresswoman Michelle Steel with a Proclamation for securing \$15.5 million for Surfside-Sunset & Newport Beach Replenishment Project at the July 25, 2022 City Council meeting.
- Council welcomed the City of Hope to Orange County with a Proclamation at the July 25, 2022 City Council meeting.
- City Council recognized Run Seal Beach's fastest Seal Beach resident winners; Rachelle Lee-Warner (10K Female), Dan Lasker (10K Male), Mya Lugo (5K Female), and Gabriel Velasco (5K Male) at the August 8, 2022 City Council meeting.

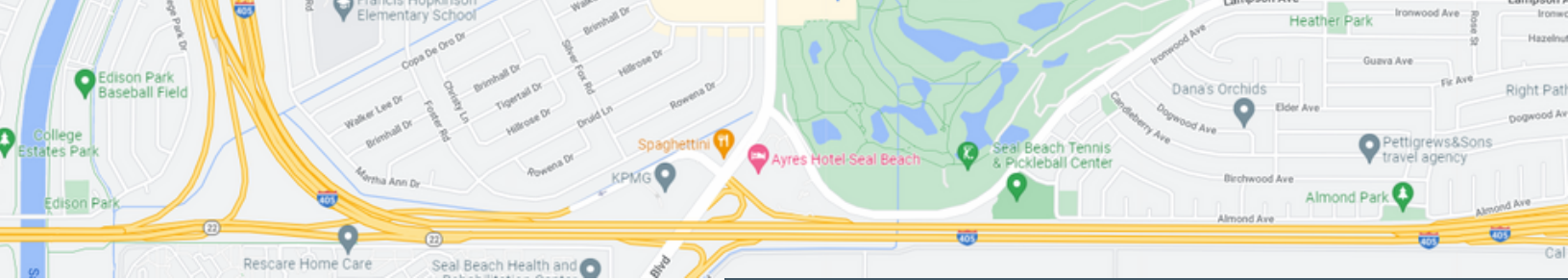
### POLICE DEPARTMENT

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- SBPD held their very first "Coffees with Canines" event.

- The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) completed the distribution of door hangers in city neighborhoods that provides residents Seal Beach emergency preparedness information.
- Officer Rael-Brook was honored at the Orange County Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Awards as the top DUI officer in Seal Beach.
- SBPD hosted National Night Out / Open House.
- SBPD participated in the 2022 Pink Patch Project photoshoot at SoFi Stadium.
- VIP Vonnie Schulten was recognized as one of our District's Seniors of Distinction this year by Rep. Michelle Steel. Vonnie has served over 9,000 volunteer hours for the City of Seal Beach.

### PUBLIC WORKS

- Published its 2022 Water Quality Report, which includes information on where the City's water comes from, how it is tested, what is in it and how it compares with state and federal limits.
- Staff contacted the Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) to respond to and investigate recent illegal dumping that has taken place on City property.
- Water Division began importing water through our Metropolitan Water District (MWD) connection making up the balance of the City's water supply in addition to groundwater pumping.
- Water Division began public outreach to residents and customers of the recently declared Level 2 water supply shortage at the July 25th Council public hearing.
- The Rivers & Mountains Conservancy organized a tour of the Los Cerritos Wetlands to discuss the envisioned restoration plan that would affect both the City of Long Beach and Seal Beach.
- Partnered with the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) to pilot test a sidewalk assessment program.
- In celebration of National Water Quality Month in August, Public Works shared its water quality video produced in partnership with Orange County Water District (OCWD) to showcase how the City safeguards the City's water supply.
- On July 25th, Resolution 7314 was adopted to provide additional on-call plan checking support to assist with increased development review needs.
- On August 8th, Resolution 7323 was adopted to retain EXP US Services to design the Seal Beach Boulevard at North Gate Road pavement intersection utilizing one-time Pavement Management Relief Funding (PMRF) funds.
- On August 4th, Public Works issued a Notice Inviting Bids for the Beverly Manor Well Rehabilitation Project.
- Partnered with CJPIA to conduct safety training for our field staff, including confined space entry, bucket truck safety, and forklift operations training.



## GARDEN CLEANUP - EDISON PARK

Staff hosted a community garden cleanup on Saturday, August 6th at the Edison Park Community Gardens. Attending a minimum of one garden cleanup annually is mandatory for all gardeners to participate in the program. As a thank you to all gardeners, staff organized a community barbecue at the conclusion of the event. The BBQ gave the gardeners an opportunity to share produce grown in their gardens and spend time together more socially.



## FALL 2022 SHORELINE

The Fall 2022 Shoreline is posted online on [www.sealbeachca.gov](http://www.sealbeachca.gov) and classes are available for registration. 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](http://www.register.sealbeachca.gov). Classes begin the week of September 4th and early registration is encouraged. Staff are currently developing the Winter 2022-2023 class schedule and will request information from contract class instructors and City staff within the next coming weeks.

## SUMMER SEND OFF - HEATHER PARK

On Saturday, August 6th the City partnered with the College Park East Neighborhood Association to host a movie in the park event at Heather Park. The event was free to all and featured Disney's "Luca" starting at sundown. Food and beverages were provided in by the Seal Beach Lions Club. The Orange County Fire Authority set up an information booth, and a fire engine was available for tours.



*How can we help you?*  
 Do you have any questions about the City of Seal Beach or one of the many services the City provides?  
 Contact us at:  
**AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov**





# POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department is pleased to announce their next new lateral officer is starting on Monday, August 22nd. Officer Evelio Suarez comes to our City from Huntington Park Police Department where he has been a level 1 reserve for the past two years.



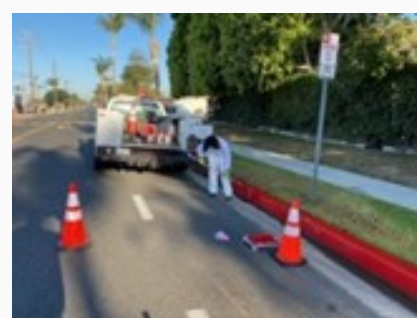
# WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

**Communication Center phone calls over the last 7 days:**  
911 Calls - 610  
Non-Emergency Calls - 2,304  
Total Calls - 2,914  
**Calls for service handled over the last 7 days for all agencies: 1,860**



# BACK-TO-SCHOOL PREPARATIONS - MCGAUGH ELEMENTARY

This past Monday, August 15th, McGaugh Elementary welcomed all students back for a new school year. In preparation for back-to-school and in an effort to keep pedestrians safe and increase visibility, Public Works staff repainted the crosswalks around McGaugh Elementary as well as all the red curbing.



*The City of surf, sun, & fun*

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS UPDATES

- Several projects of community interest are moving forward with the Planning process.
  - The applicant for the Chevron Station at 1300 PCH is working with staff to schedule a meeting of the Environmental Quality Control Board to review the Negative Declaration prepared for the project.
  - The City has received a proposal for a Mitigated Negative Declaration as a part of the entitlement process for a solar project at Hellman Ranch. As with all CEQA projects, the City acts as the lead agency, but the project applicant pays for the work.
  - The City and applicant for the Old Ranch Country Club Specific Plan are collecting relevant information as a part of initial data gathering for the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for that project. After review of the proposed project, the City has determined enough information is available to perform a Project EIR.
  - The City has obtained a proposal for an Environmental Impact Report, which will analyze the Zoning Code Update the City is required to complete in order to facilitate implementation of the Housing Element. The estimated cost for the EIR is \$350,000-\$400,000.
- Staff is finalizing the revised Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance, pursuant to direction from the California Department of Housing and Community Development, and expects to present it to the Planning Commission in September and the City Council in October.
- A study session with the Planning Commission on the Zoning Code Update is tentatively scheduled for September 19th.
- In conjunction with Public Works, staff obtained cost estimates related to pre-fabricated parklets and is working on a programmatic approach to the future of the parklets that can be presented to the City Council.
- Code enforcement efforts continue on Main Street, with a number of improvements noted over the last month, including cleaner parklets and easier pedestrian travel along sidewalks. Sidewalk vendors are being checked for appropriate licenses and staff is working with sidewalk entertainers, considered a form of free speech, to ensure pedestrian access is not obstructed for safety purposes.

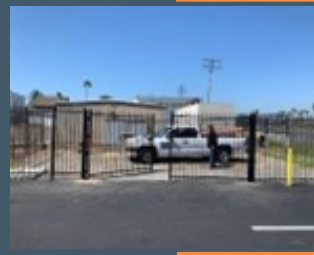
# ANNUAL CONCRETE REPAIRS

The City's Public Works staff and a contractor began working on the City's annual concrete repairs throughout the city. The work consisted of repairing sidewalks and gutters and addressing areas that had lifted concrete. Public Works staff and the contractor interacted with residents and answered questions as crews were working in various areas of the city.



# IMPROVING SEAL BEACH CITY STREETS

Staff is continuing to grind away sidewalk lifting throughout various areas of the city. This past week, staff worked in Old Town and the Hill. Staff also oversaw work done by a paver contractor to overlay pavers to make way for a smooth walkway.



Staff worked alongside a welding contractor to fabricate and install a wrought iron security fence along the bike trail at the west end pump station. The contractor also fabricated and installed a new gate from the Eaves apartments' side of the station.

Starting September 1! Ages 60+!

## Seal Beach

### Senior Card Games

**EVERY THURSDAY** NORTH SEAL BEACH CENTER  
3333 ST. CLOUD DRIVE  
1:00PM-3:00PM

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

**FREE!**

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

**CLEAN CALIFORNIA**

## CLEAN CALIFORNIA DUMP DAY

Saturday, September 24, 2022 | Seal Beach

Drop off your bulky household waste at no cost for all residents.

Caltrans staff will be on-site to collect household items that are too bulky for residential garbage bins, such as mattresses, furniture and toys.

**Location:** Public Works Yard - 1776 Adolfo Lopez Dr., Seal Beach, CA 90740

**Time:** 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. or until intake capacity is reached.

**The following items will NOT be accepted at this event:**

- Hazardous materials (batteries, paints, oils, chemicals, pesticides, smoke detectors, fluorescent lights, etc.)
- E-waste or universal waste (anything with a circuit board or battery)
- Concrete, dirt, rocks, brick, asphalt, or sand
- Treated wood
- Tires

Space is limited; Waste may not be accepted once capacity is reached. Please cover your load. Uncovered loads may not be accepted. This event is organized to further Caltrans' goal of keeping our highways litter-free as part of the Clean California Initiative.

Contact: Christianne Smith  
[christianne.smith@dot.ca.gov](mailto:christianne.smith@dot.ca.gov)  
[www.CleanCA.com](http://www.CleanCA.com)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## AUGUST 2022

29 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
VIA ZOOM

## SEPTEMBER 2022

9,16,23,30 MOVIES IN THE PARK  
EISENHOWER PARK

10-11 SEAL BEACH ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR  
EISENHOWER PARK

24 CLEAN CALIFORNIA DUMP DAY  
PUBLIC WORKS YARD