Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for taking the time to read our Fourth District weekly newsletter. It is emailed every Friday afternoon and provides updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to sign up to receive our publication by contacting our office at: district4@longbeach.gov or (562) 570-4444.

Past Events

FIS Study Session Draws Huge Crowd of Residents in Opposition

Last Tuesday’s City Council FIS Study Session drew literally hundreds of residents opposed to the international terminal proposal. The crowd was too large for the council chamber, so those who could not get in watched the proceedings from monitors in the lobby. A total of 40 speakers addressed council members from the podium, and all but 5 spoke in opposition. This was a "study session" only, so no vote was taken on the item. That is scheduled for the council meeting on January 24, 2017. We'll be providing details on the study session and upcoming vote in our future newsletters. Thank you to all the residents who attended on Tuesday night, and special thanks to residents from the five council districts who spoke.
The map below plots all the LBFD response calls for the month of November in Council District 4. Included in the total are 450 medical (87%) and 43 fire (8%) responses. An engine company is the only fire apparatus capable of carrying and pumping water. The western end of the Fourth is covered by Engine 10 stationed in Council District 6. The eastern end of the Fourth is covered by Engine 22 stationed in Council District 3. In the center of the Fourth is Fire Station 17, but there is no engine company at that station. It was eliminated years ago due to budget cuts. In recent weeks, Engine 22 has been working out of Station 17 while Station 22 is closed for repairs. So, the good news is west Los Altos and Artcraft Manor now have a fire engine. The bad news is that it was taken from east Los Altos.
Cambodian Association of America 41st Anniversary
Last Friday, I attended CAA’s 41st Anniversary Gala at Hak Heang Restaurant in the 4th council district. CAA was incorporated as a nonprofit organization in 1975 and is the oldest and largest Cambodian organization in the United States. The organization has been instrumental in establishing the Cambodian community in Long Beach and promoting small businesses along the Anaheim Street corridor.

(l to r): Doug Sato, Chanthy Yi, Sheriff Jim McDonnell, Councilman Supernaw and Wayne Chaney, Sr.

Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane Parade
Last Saturday, I attended the 63rd Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane Parade. Councilman Dee Andrews and I rode together on an antique fire engine. Thank you to everyone who helped organize the event and to all who attended this great holiday parade. I look forward to participating again next year.
RV Parking Restricted in Traffic Circle Area
This week, new signs were posted to restrict oversized vehicle parking in the area surrounding the traffic circle. In recent months, RV parking has posed a public health risk in addition to being a traffic hazard and eyesore. RV parking restricted areas now include Ximeno Avenue from 15th St. to Los Coyotes Diagonal; Outer Circle from PCH to Los Coyotes Diagonal; Atherton St. from Ximeno to Outer Circle; and the east Lakewood Blvd. service road between Outer Circle and Stearns St.

Long Beach Water Department Holiday Luncheon
Wednesday afternoon, I stopped by the LBWD holiday luncheon to support the employees and the hard work they do each and every day. The annual event includes current and retired employees. LBWD Board Commissioners attending included Art Levine, Robert Shannon, Frank Martinez, Gloria Cordero and retired Commissioner Charles Parks. Commissioner Harry Saltzgaver had a scheduling conflict, but told me he had attended the five previous years. Thanks to LBWD General Manager, Chris Garner, for hosting the event and for the invitation.
New Community Watch Groups Being Formed

Last night, I stopped by the Los Altos Library to for an orientation meeting on forming Community Watch Groups. Commander Liz Griffin and Lt. Ryan LeBaron from the East Patrol Division were on hand to provide the orientation and answer questions. Thanks to the area neighbors for attending and to Theresa from Los Altos for organizing the event with LBPD. We look forward to individual CWG's forming on a block-by-block basis.

![East Patrol Division Commander Liz Griffin explaining the function of a Community Watch](image)

Arts Council to Receive $20,000 Grant from the NEA

This morning, the Arts Council for Long Beach issued a press release announcing they will receive a $20,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. According to the release:

"The funding will support the Arts Council's Cambodia Town Mural Project, an initiative that will install up to nine public art murals along Anaheim Street between Long Beach Blvd. and Junipero Ave. by Summer 2017. This project is in partnership with Cambodia Town Inc., the United Cambodian Community (UCC), Homeland Cultural Center and the offices of Councilmembers Dee Andrews and Daryl Supernaw and is additionally funded through a matching grant from the California Arts Council."

The Fourth Council District office is proud to help sponsor this project. We also want to thank the Arts Council, Pasin Chanou, Chairman of Cambodia Town, Inc. and Susana Sngiem, Director of UCC, for their leadership and support.

![Arts Council to Receive $20,000 Grant from the NEA](image)

Your Weekly News & Updates

70th Annual Naples Boat Parade

The Naples Improvement Association is hosting
their 70th Annual Holiday Boat Parade this Saturday, December 17th. The theme this year is "Naples Boat Parade - 70th Year a Platinum Celebration". Street closures will start at 5 p.m., and the parade will begin at 6 p.m. I'll be aboard a Port of Long Beach "landing craft" vessel.

### Filming in the Fourth

**Tuesday, December 20 and Wednesday, December 21 - 7 AM to 7 PM**

Filming will take place at 2015 E. 10th Street, Lam's Barber & Beauty Salon. Filming will consist of interior and exterior dialogue, where exterior dialogue is talent walking up into the business. Production to also film general B-Roll footage of Long Beach. Production shall not have camera, equipment, or persons in the street at any time. Production shall leave a 4-foot pedestrian access on sidewalks/walkways at all times.

### Holiday Toy Drive at SideYard Cafe

The SideYard Cafe at 2222 Palo Verde Ave. is holding a toy drive again this year. They will be donating the toys they receive to Precious Lamb Preschool. Precious Lamb provides free, quality education and care for homeless children that promotes school readiness as well as a supportive community for parents that fosters hopeful, healthy and permanent change. If you are interested in giving, please take a look at their wishlist. SideYard Cafe will be collecting toys and supplies all month long.
What's Next on the Council Agenda: December 20th
The city council meeting is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. in the council chambers on the ground floor of City Hall, located at 333 W. Ocean Blvd. City council meetings are broadcasted live online and are also available on Channel 3 for Charter cable subscribers and Channel 21 for FIOS subscribers. Here is one of the topics that will be discussed at Tuesday’s city council meeting:

- The City Council will discuss entering into an agreement with Loyola Marymount University Center for Urban Resilience to conduct a one-year study involving human and coyote conflicts in the City of Long Beach.
- The City Council will consider requesting the City Attorney to draft an ordinance that bans the sale and distribution of expanded polystyrene (a Styrofoam-like plastic) and other polystyrene disposable food service containers within the city, but exempting the school district.
- The City Council will discuss directing staff, Economic Development Commission and the Planning Commission to review uses that require conditional use permits (CUP), making the CUP process more cost effective, streamlining the CUP public noticing process, expediting CUP modifications for existing businesses and simplifying the CUP process for existing businesses opening another location.

This is just a small selection of the topics to be cover at next week's city council meeting. the entire agenda can be found here. To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click here.

Reminder: FIS Coming to Council January 24, 2017
The City Council is projected to vote on the International Terminal FIS Facility on January 24th. Please mark your 2017 calendar for this very special date. We will be providing updates on this agenda item in future newsletters.

Long Beach Airport: Lot A Closure
Parking Lot A will close on January 7 for renovations. The last day travelers will be permitted to park in the garage will be Thursday, December 29, and all vehicles must exit the garage by Friday, January 6 or be subject to towing. Among the renovations being performed, the parking garage’s stairways will be replaced, and the existing elevator will be replaced with two elevators. Vehicle entry and exit points will be revised, and parking spaces will be re-striped.

And Finally
Holiday "Greetings" from Fire Station 22 - December 28, 1960
This 56-year-old photo of Fire Station 22 was taken long before anything was built on the CSULB lower campus. Engine 22 and the Chief's car, a '57 Chevy, are parked on the apparatus floor. The CSULB upper campus and water tower are visible in the background. The photo caption from LBFD archives reads: Night view of ranch-style fire station, located at 6340 Atherton Street. Holiday lights and tinsel frame fire engine bay and windows, and lighted sign on front wall says "Greetings."
Calendar of Upcoming Events

12/17 - Ugly Sweater Day, All Day, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/17 - Mickey's Christmas Carol Movie, 11 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/17 - A Christmas Carol Classic Movie, 1 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/23 - Baby & Toddler Storytime, 9:15 a.m. - 10 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/23 - Preschool Storytime, 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/23 Baby Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m, Brewitt Library, 4035 E. Anaheim St.
12/23 - Los Altos Coloring Club for Adults, 3 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/26 - Free Christmas Tree Drop Off Locations Open, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Stearns Park, Corner of 23rd St & Roycroft
1/7 - Free Christmas Tree Pick Up, 7 a.m., Your House!
1/10 - State of the City, 5 p.m., TBA, RSVP

El Dorado Nature Center

Construction on the Nature Center's new entryway project is scheduled to continue through fall. During this time, access to trails and the parking lot will be impacted. As we know more details, we will provide updates. Thank you for your patience as we work to improve access to the Nature Center for all.

Winter Break Workshops: Join us for vacation fun at the Nature Center!
Workshops are available for children ages 5-8 from 9 a.m. to noon during winter break! Pre-registration is required at www.lbparks.org. Workshop include: Creature Comforts (19771), The Eyes Have It (19772), Itty Bitty Bird Brigade (19773), Woodland Wizardry (19774), Habitat Helpers (19775), Pond Picassos & Meadow
Monets (19776), Migration Madness (19777) and Roly Polys and the FBI (19778).

Long Beach Library Information

Brewitt Neighborhood Library Book Club
The Brewitt Neighborhood Library Book Group meets the fourth Saturday of the month at 10:00AM. Bring your favorite title suggestions (fiction or nonfiction) and join us! Everyone welcome! For more information call (562) 570-1040.

Los Altos Neighborhood Library Book Club
The Los Altos Neighborhood Library Book Group meets the second Saturday of the month at 10:00AM. Bring your favorite title suggestions (fiction or nonfiction) and join your neighbors for lively discussions. For more information call (562) 570-1045.

2 Days Per Week Watering Restrictions

Check out the Long Beach Water Department's website for information about water use prohibitions, available rebates, and ways you can conserve water during this drought!