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 neighbors to sign up to receive our publication by contacting us at: district4@longbeach.gov or (562) 570-4444.

Past Events

**FAA SoCal Metroplex Public Workshop**
On Wednesday evening, I attended the FAA's Metroplex open house/workshop. The Federal Aviation Administration is in the process of implementing this project that will replace dozens of existing conventional air traffic control procedures with new satellite-base procedures. There were lots of displays (both interactive and static) and plenty of experts to explain the new system. The bottom line is that our Fourth District will experience very few changes. At the north end of the main runway, new departure procedures will be in place, but they will be used on an infrequent basis. For more information about the project, visit the SoCal Metroplex website.

**Meet Zaferia Monthly Mixer - February 8th**
On Wednesday, the East Anaheim Street Business Alliance (EASBA) hosted their Meet Zaferia Monthly Mixer. The location
was the Lighthouse Capital Group’s new "Go Green" Building at 4433 E. Anaheim Street. EASBA's community mixers are held in a different location each month for business owners, neighbors & friends. Please visit EASBA's [website](http://www.easba.com) for more information.

(l to r): Light House Capital Group owner, Dennis Fontes, Councilman Supernaw and the Neme Family: Katerina, Becher and Alexandra Lilly

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**Midtown Business Improvement District**

Last night, I stopped by the Midtown Business Improvement District Board of Directors meeting. In the 4th council district, the Midtown BID runs along Anaheim Street from Raymond Ave. to Gardenia Ave. It continues in the 6th council district along Anaheim to Alamitos Ave. I did learn last night that while we will not have a parade this year, the Cambodian New Year Festival is still scheduled to take place on April 22nd in El Dorado Park.

Midtown BID Board Members: Monorom Neth, Executive Director; Kenneth McDonald, Chair; Pasin Chanou, Vice Chair; Peter Kong, Secretary; Lisa Patton, Treasurer; Sakphan Keam,
Greater Los Altos Neighborhood Association
The next GLANA meeting is Saturday, February 11th at 10:30 am. The location is Whaley Park on the south side of Atherton, behind the Community Building. It will be a wrap up meeting on the Lighting of the Letters event and discussion about a music event at Whaley Park sometime in July. Email MicheleK90815@gmail.com to be placed on email reminder list. You can check out the GLANA Facebook for more information.

Filming in the Fourth
Bar Rescue | Feb. 12, 13 & 15 | Times: Various
Filming will take place at the Liquid Lounge, 3522 E. Anaheim St. Filming will consist of interior and exterior dialogue/walk and talk with interviews and remodeling. 2/17/17, 11 AM to 1 PM: Filming will consist of interviews with employees (Bar closed to Public); 7 PM to 11 PM: Filming will consist of interview with the public (Bar open to the public). 2/13 11 AM to Midnight: Filming will consist of interior dialogue filming remodeling take place. 2/15, 2 PM to Midnight: Filming will consist of interior and exterior of bar reveal and interviews (Bar open to the public).

Car Commercial | Feb. 15 | 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Filming will take place at 4800 Pacific Coast Highway, Circle Marina Hand Car Wash (Open to the public). Filming will consist of exterior dialogue with car wash patrons.

Chronic Tacos Grand Opening - This Sunday!
Chronic Tacos, at 5525 E. Stearns Street, is hosting a grand re-opening celebration this Sunday, February 12th. Jason Acuna, a professional skateboarder, stunt performer and television personality - better known by his stage name, Wee-man - is the new owner of this location. The Grand Opening party will be this Sunday, February 12th from 11AM - 4PM. The first 20 people get a free taco every week for a year, and the first 50 people will get a free taco at the event. There will be food samples, giveaways, and KROQ will on be onsite with live music. In addition, you will have the
Next on the Council Agenda: February 14th

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 broadcast 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:

- City Council will discuss approving Commission and Board appointments to Non-Charter Boards and Commissions.
- City Council will discuss approving the designation of one-time infrastructure funds for City Council District infrastructure projects and existing programs and approving related budget appropriation adjustment in accordance with existing City Council policy.
- City Council will discuss requesting the City Manager to work with South Coast Air Quality Management District to determine potential health, safety, and/or environmental impacts to Long Beach residents cause by the high levels of hexavalent chromium found recently in the city of Paramount.
This is just a small selection of the topics to be covered at next week's city council meeting.
Public comment is also available. The entire agenda can be found here. To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click here.

**Open Studio Art Party - February 18th**

There will be an Open Studio Art Party at Luna Rising Art Studio on Saturday, February 18th. Come out to support local Long Beach artist as they display their creations from a range of disciplines. There will be live entertainment and refreshments. The event will take place at 2102 Clark Ave from 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. Please visit their website for more information.

**Stakeholder Input Sought on Polystyrene Ban**

A date has been scheduled for the Environmental Committee to hear testimony on the City's proposed polystyrene (Styrofoam) ban. We will convene on Tuesday, February 21st at 3:00 pm in City Council Chambers. Anyone interested in helping to craft the upcoming ordinance is invited to speak at the meeting. If you cannot attend but would like to provide input, please send all correspondence to our council office. We will provide information about other Environmental Committee topics in our upcoming GFIF newsletters.

**Los Altos Library 60th Anniversary Celebration**

On February 21st, Tim Grobaty will be talking about his book "Growing Up in Long Beach" in which he writes about how much the library has influenced him. He will also have copies of his book available for autographing and purchase. The Los Altos staff plans for an all day celebration, with story-time beginning at 2:30 PM, and the program at 5:30 PM and ending at around 6:30 PM. I hope you can make it! The branch is at 5614 E. Britton Dr., phone # (562) 570-1045. Call Gail or Angela with any questions you may have or go here!
"Beach Streets" Coming April 29th
Yesterday, we received official word that CD4 will host another Beach Streets event on April 29th. The last Beach Streets took place on the Anaheim Street corridor on November 12th. The upcoming event involve both Atherton St. and Bellflower Blvd. in CD4. We’re excited to start planning, and we’ll keep you posted on our progress upcoming newsletters. Check out the previous Beach Street event at this link!

Bixby Elementary Enrollment Opens
The enrollment process for 2017/2018 school year has begun at Florence Bixby Elementary. If you live in the enrollment area and have a child who will be entering TK-5th grade next year, please stop by the main office to pick up enrollment information. Florence Bixby offers a rigorous curriculum in a safe, engaging learning environment. Last year, the students, teachers and families worked extremely hard to increase a full 13% on the state’s English Language Arts assessment - the most out of the 55 elementary schools in Long Beach. For more information please visit their website.

Spay/Neuter Awareness Month
February is nationally recognized as "Spay/Neuter Awareness Month." The purpose is to encourage people to have their pets sterilized before the spring and summer months when there is a rampant overproduction of puppies and kittens. During that time most animal shelters experience an unmanageable increase in animal intake. Long Beach Animal Care Services provides discounted procedures with a voucher from participating local veterinary hospitals and clinics. For more information on participating locations and dates, click here!

And Finally
Stearns Park Wrangler Jeans Commercial Finally Airs
In our March 20th newsletter, we featured photos (see below) of a Wrangler Jeans commercial being shot in Stearns Park. It took nine months, but we finally got to see the finished product on Super Bowl Sunday. The football practice scene in the commercial only lasts a few seconds.
March 20th newsletter:
"Last Friday night, film crews were in Stearns Park shooting a commercial for Wrangler Jeans. The scene involved a football practice in the rain. Although it wasn't an official watering day, crews were allowed to create "artificial rain" for the scene."

Calendar of Upcoming Events

2/10 - Coloring Club for Adults, 3 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/11 - Great Backyard Bird Count, 9 a.m., El Dorado Nature Center, 7550 E. Spring St.
2/12 - Chronic Tacos Grand Opening Party, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Chronic Tacos, 5525 Stearns St.
2/14 - Preschool in Nature Classes Begin, 10 a.m., El Dorado Nature Center, 7550 E. Spring St.- Call 562-570-1745 to register
2/16 - Audubon General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., El Dorado Nature Center, 7550 E. Spring St.
2/17 - Baby & Toddler Storytime, 9:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/17 - Preschool Storytime, 10:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/17 - Toddler Storytime / Playtime, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
2/17 - Coloring Club for Adults, 3 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/18 - Open Studio Art Party, 2 p.m. - 8 p.m., Luna Rising Art Studio, 2102 Clark Ave.
2/21 - Los Altos Library 60th Anniversary, 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/22 - Fourth District Community Meeting, 5 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/24 - Baby & Toddler Storytime, 9:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/24 - Preschool Storytime, 10:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
2/24 - Toddler Storytime / Playtime, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
2/24 - Coloring Club for Adults, 3 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr
2/25 - BARK Dogs, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.

El Dorado Nature Center
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](https://www.longbeachwater.org) for information about water use prohibitions, available rebates, and ways you can conserve water during this drought!