Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for taking the time to read our Fourth District 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.

-Councilman Daryl Supernaw

Hot Topics

Land Use Element & General Plan Update
As we covered in previous newsletters, the Planning Commission voted to forward the Land Use Element, Urban Design Element Place Type and Height Maps to City Council. We’ll announce the date for that City Council meeting as soon as it is scheduled. Updated Place Type maps reflecting the changes made by the Planning Commission will be available after the first of the year. We had planned on posting the new maps in today’s newsletter, but they have not yet been released by the City Manager. We’re hoping to have them available in time for next Friday’s newsletter. Please submit all questions or map changes you’d like to see to our office at: district4@longbeach.gov.

Community Hospital Update
City staff has been hard at work exploring all options to keep the CHLB Emergency Room open. In addition to studying the hospital facilities, they’ve met with representatives from the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). Our
council office expects to have a formal report from those meetings next week. We've also come up with a new slogan for our task force campaign. We are now using "Save the East Side ER". We already have buttons, and we will be distributing them at our initial task force meeting in the coming weeks. Thanks to all the volunteers who have already expressed an interest in joining this effort.

"Dr. Mike" Weighs in on CHLB ER Patient Volumes
Dr. E. Mike Vasilomanolakis, MD, former Chief of Staff at Community Hospital, submitted a letter to the Beachcomber Newspaper that was published today. Dr. Mike states, "The night after Christmas there were 52 patients in the Community Hospital Emergency Room at one time and many were really sick. Where would they have gone if Community wasn't around?". You can read his entire letter at this link.

Past Events

Volunteer Opportunities on Tuesdays in the Fourth
The AIDS Food Store is looking for volunteers on Tuesday, January 9th, 16th and 30th. They will be having food distributions between 9 AM - 12 PM and 1 PM - 3:30 PM. The AIDS Food Store is located at 3935 E. 10th Street near Termino Ave. For additional information call 562-494-3425 or visit www.aidsfoodstore.org. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.
SCAQMD "No Burn Day" Alerts Continue
During late fall and early winter, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) asks residents to participate in its "Check Before You Burn" program. On a "no burn day", burning wood as well as manufactured fire logs in fireplaces or any indoor or outdoor wood-burning device is prohibited. Under the program – intended to help improve wintertime air quality – SCAQMD may issue mandatory no-burn alerts from November 1 through the end of February. You can sign up to receive the alerts via email here.

Weekly Updates

Los Altos Family YMCA Open House Tomorrow
Join the Los Altos Y this Saturday, January 6, 2018! Enjoy facility tours, jump house for the kids and a family barbeque. This will be the final day the Y is offering 100% off their Joiners Fee. The Los Altos Y is also now including all Parent/Child programs with family memberships at zero additional cost. This includes parent/child swim, pee wee sports and Adventure Guides. Learn more at the Open House!

LOS ALTOS FAMILY YMCA
1720 Bellflower Blvd
562-596-3394
Member Benefits

BARK Dogs at Brewitt Library Tomorrow
Tomorrow, January 6th at 1:00 pm, BARK Dogs will be at the Brewitt Library. Children can meet a friendly dog and read to the dog at 1:00 pm. Founded in 2007, BARK is an all-volunteer program that encourages children to increase their reading skills and self-confidence by reading aloud to certified therapy dogs. Children might find it intimidating to read in front of others, but they love to read to these nonjudgmental, calming dogs. The
Brewitt Library is located at 4036 E. Anaheim.

Next on the Council Agenda
Due to the "State of the City", the city council meeting is scheduled to begin at 3:30 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 are some of the topics that will be discussed at Tuesday's special city council meeting:

- The City Council will discuss a recommendation to authorize the City Manager to accept two easement deeds from Monte Riviera Property, LLC, a California limited liability company, the owner of the properties located at 4401 and 4411 East Pacific Coast Highway, for the installation of public utilities; and, accept Categorical Exemption 15-140 for a new Chick-Fil-A restaurant and Wells Fargo Bank branch.

- The City Council will consider a recommendation to request the City Manager to work with appropriate staff to report to Council within 30 days on a potential MOU executed between public safety and Water and Gas Departments. Public safety enterprise fund services and weighted costs must be addressed appropriately by all departments.

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.

State of the City 2018 Next Tuesday Night
Mayor Garcia will deliver the 2018 State of the City on Tuesday, January 9th. RSVP on this website. Plan to arrive early to mingle with your Long Beach friends and neighbors while you enjoy an array of dining choices from the food trucks parked at the Terrace Theater Plaza. Stay after the address to enjoy games, refreshments, and photos with your friends. Please visit the sponsor booths from the Long Beach Harbor and Water Departments, Long Beach Transit and Long Beach Public Library Foundation.

Rite Aid Ribbon Cutting Next Wednesday
The new Rite Aid at Ximeno & PCH will have their ribbon cutting and
grand opening ceremony on Wednesday, January 10th at 9:00 a.m. The CD4 office will be there with our giant scissors, so please stop by and join us. The store actually had a "soft opening" in November, but the ceremony next week will commemorate the "official" grand opening.

Joint Charter Amendment Committee/City Council Meeting
Council members will meet to deliberate and consider taking action on the topic of a Utility Revenue Transfer Charter Amendment. The entire text of the proposed charter amendment is available at this link.

8 More Days of Christmas "Treecycling"
Now through January 12th, you can drop off your Christmas tree for recycling at one of 12 special locations. For CD4 residents, your nearest location may be Stearns Park (corner of 23rd St. and Roycroft) or the CSULB Recycling Center (5800 Atherton).

If your trash/recycling is collected by the City's refuse and recycling service, you qualify for a FREE pick-up at your home on Saturday, January 13th. Just make sure you put your tree out before 7 am where you normally leave your carts. If your tree is over 12 ft. tall, make sure to cut it in half. Visit the website for more information.
30th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade and Celebration is scheduled to take place on Saturday, January 13th. The parade begins at 10:30 a.m. at Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue and Anaheim Street and will proceed north to Martin Luther King, Jr. Park. This year's theme is "Standing on the Shoulders of Giants." The celebration will continue at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park with entertainment, food trucks and crafts.

Volunteers Needed for January 27th Clean Up
On Saturday, January 27th, the West East Side Community Association (WESCA) will be hosting their monthly neighborhood clean up. Volunteers are needed to work from 8:00 am to noon, and they can also use volunteers with pick up trucks. Please come out and help make the neighborhood look great. Tools and supplies will be provided. They are accepting tires and electronic waste (anything with a cord). The cleanup will start at 8 am at 14th St. and Orizaba Ave.
And Finally

**PCH & Ximeno - From Sea Serpent to Staples**

In honor of the grand opening of Rite Aid at this intersection, we're featuring a vintage photo taken at PCH & Ximeno in July, 1958. To the left is The Hawaiian restaurant where Pep Boys now stands. In the distance is Don’s Motel next to the Virginia Motel. Don’s is still there, but the only thing remaining from the Virginia Motel is the former coffee shop which is now Pancho’s Mexican Restaurant. To the right of the photo is the Beany’s Drive-In road sign with Beany waving to motorists and Cecil the Sea-Sick Sea Serpent peeking over the top. The Beany’s sign has been replaced with a Staples and Centennial Pet Supplies sign.
Calendar of Upcoming Events

1/5: Coloring Club for Adults, 3:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/9: City Council Meeting, 3:30 p.m., City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd.
1/9: State of the City, 6 p.m., Terrace Theater, 300 E. Ocean Blvd.
1/10: Joint Special Meeting, 5 p.m., City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd.
1/11: Folk Jam, 7 p.m., The Red Leprechaun, 4000 E. Anaheim St.
1/12: Baby & Toddler Storytime, 9:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/12: Inclusive Storytime, 10:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/12: Coloring Club for Adults, 3:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/16: Family Story Time with Miss Carla, 2:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/16: City Council Meeting, 5 p.m., City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd.
1/17: Bookworm Buddies, 2:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/17: The Pub Quiz, 7 p.m., The Red Leprechaun, 4000 E. Anaheim St.
1/18: Cardmaking & Scrapbooking Creative Space, 12:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/19: Baby & Toddler Storytime, 9:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/19: Inclusive Storytime, 10:15 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/19: Coloring Club for Adults, 3:30 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/20: Make & Take Craft, 10 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/20: Book Club for Adult, 10 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/20: BARK Dogs, 11:30 a.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
1/20: Book Club Movie, 12 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.