



GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Thank you for taking the time to read our weekly newsletter. Every Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm, we distribute this publication to provide updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your neighbors to sign up for the Go Fourth! Friday newsletter by contacting us at: district4@longbeach.gov.

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



Past Events

City Manager Pat West Announces Retirement

Last Sunday, City Manager Pat West announced that he is leaving his position, effective September 20th, after 14 years with the City of Long Beach. He plans to pursue work in the private sector. In 2005, he was hired as executive director of the city's redevelopment agency after having worked for 25 years for the nearby City of Paramount. He has served as city manager since 2007. We wish Pat the very best in his future endeavors and thank him for his years of service to our city. There are only two positions in the City of Long Beach that are hired by city council: the city manager and the city clerk. On Tuesday, city council will meet to discuss the procedure for recruiting and hiring a new city manager.



First "Streamlined" Council Meeting

Tuesday night was our second meeting in the new civic chambers, and it was the first meeting using our new "streamlining" procedures. The good news is that a lot of time was

saved, but the bad news is that the meeting still lasted over seven hours. The meeting length can be attributed to the fact that we're in budget season, and the presentations involve a lot of detail. We also had closed sessions before and after the public meeting that had us starting at 4 pm and ending after 11 pm. We'll continue to work on the streamlining process with a goal of shortening meetings to increase public engagement and participation.



UMBERG Meets UMBERTO

Yesterday, I met our new (since January) State Senator Tom Umberg for lunch at Hof's Hut in Los Altos. Senator Umberg represents the 34th district that includes the eastern end of our 4th council district. The border between SD33 and SD34 runs north from 10th Street on Roswell, east on Anaheim, north on Clark, east on Stearns and north on Bellflower. After lunch, I took Senator Umberg next door to Umberto's Menswear to meet the owner. I thought I would start the conversation by pointing out that both their names start with U-M-B-E-R. Before I could say anything, Senator Umberg launched into a conversation with Umberto in perfectly fluent Italian. It was amazing, and it caught everyone off guard including the senator's staff. Umberto previously taught us how to say "Go 4th!" in Italian. Now I think that's going to be "Go 34th!"



Senator Tom Umberg, Umberto Autore and Councilman Daryl Supernaw

Laura Som Nominated for Ethics Commission

The mayor and city auditor have announced their choices for the city's first Ethics Commission that was created by charter amendment in last November's election. One of the four nominees is Laura Som. She is the founder of the MAYE Center in CD4's Cambodia Town district, and she oversees the Gladys Avenue Urban Farm in CD4's Zaferia district. Laura was 10 when she emigrated to Long Beach from a refugee camp in Cambodia. The MAYE Center promotes individual healing through time-old techniques of meditation, agriculture and gardening, yoga, and education. Laura has a biochemistry degree from UC Riverside. After the nominations are heard by the Personnel and Civil Service Committee, they will be forwarded to the full council for consideration at its next scheduled meeting. Congratulations Laura!



Welcoming Reception for New Airport Director

Last night, a poolside reception was hosted at the LB Airport Marriott to welcome LGB's new Director, Cynthia Guidry. Mayor Garcia, council members, airport commissioners and many other dignitaries were on hand for the event. Ms. Guidry brings 26 years of local government experience in various leadership positions including 14 years in airport management. For the past five years, Ms. Guidry has served as the Deputy Executive Director for the City of Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), the governing body for LAX and Van Nuys Airports. She holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from UC Irvine, an MBA from Pepperdine and she is a licensed Professional Engineer. She is also a Long Beach resident who lives near the airport. Congratulations, Cynthia, and welcome aboard!



Long Beach Airport Director, Cynthia Guidry

R.I.P. Cupcake

We are sad to report the passing of Cupcake, the 4th district resident and goodwill

ambassador throughout the city. Cupcake always brought a smile to everyone's face in her many public appearances. She was so great at posing for photos, including one with the First Lady of the 4th in our parade car in 2016 (see below). Cupcake's mom, Dara Samson, posted that Cupcake was also a Type 1 diabetic alert dog and had saved her life on four specific occasions. Our deepest condolences to Dara and to all of Cupcake's many fans.



Upcoming Events

Budget Meetings Announced

A proposed schedule of the upcoming FY 20 Budget workshops and hearings, as well as a schedule of budget meetings has been released. These workshops and hearings provide opportunities for review and discussion on the specific recommendations contained in the City Manger's Proposed Budget, the Mayor's Budget Recommendation and the Budget Oversight Committee's recommendations. The CD4 Community Budget Meeting will be on Wednesday, August 28th at 5 pm at the Los Altos Library. A list of all workshops, hearings and meetings is available [here](#).

2020
Proposed
Budget

Youth Sport Registration

July 29th - Aug 31st | Phone or Online | Citywide

Save the date for Youth Sports! Flag Football & Volleyball online registration starts on July 29 - August 31st!. For more information or to register visit their [website](#).

LONG BEACH PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

Registration starts July 29th!

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YOUTH
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LEAGUE RUNS FROM
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LB Little League Challenger Division Registration Now Open

Challenger
DIVISION BASEBALL

LB

WE'RE HERE TO PLAY!

**2019 Challenger Fall Ball
Registration is Open!**
(SPECIAL NEEDS BASEBALL PROGRAM)

**Practices/Games begin
September 8th.
At Stearns Champions Park**

**\$55 Per-player
(includes shirt and hat)**

Register at lbll.org

Questions: vpchallenger@lbll.org
www.lbll.org

Next on the Council Agenda

August 20th | 5 PM | 411 W. Ocean Blvd

The City Council meeting will start at 5 pm in the Bob Foster Civic Chambers on the ground floor of City Hall, located at 411 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 topics that appear on next Tuesday's agenda:



- The City Council will conduct a Budget Hearing to receive and discuss an overview of the Proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Budget for the following Departments: Public Works including Capital Improvement Program and Development Services.

- The City Council will discuss a recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager to execute an agreement, and any subsequent amendments, with Forensic Nurse Specialists, Inc., of Los Alamitos, CA, for Sexual Assault Response Team services, in an annual amount not to exceed \$120,000, for a period of two years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager.
- The City Council will consider a recommendation to accept the transfer of real property at 1095 East Willow Street, Assessor Parcel Numbers 7212-009-903 and -908, also known as Sunnyside Cemetery.

The entire agenda can be found [here](#). To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click [here](#).

Nature Center Concert Series

August 22nd | 7 pm | 7550 E. Spring St.

The Friends of El Dorado Nature Center Concert Series continues on August 22nd with Silgo Rags. Gates open at 6:30 p.m., and the concert begins at 7 p.m. Bring a picnic dinner and low back chairs to this event by the lake. A \$3 donation goes to supporting concerts and other programs at the Nature Center. Parking is free! For more information call (562) 570-1745.



Volunteers Needed for WESCA Clean Up Next Week!

August 24th | 8 am - 12 pm | 14th St. & Orizaba Ave.

Next week, 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... especially those with pick up trucks. Please come out and help make the neighborhood look great. Tools and supplies will be provided. They are also accepting tires and electronic waste (anything with a cord). Go Fourth!



Save the Date: End of Summer Concert

August 24th | 4 pm - 6 pm | Whaley Park

Join us for an afternoon filled with live entertainment, food and family fun! This is a FREE public event, and everyone is invited. Live music by The Emperors and hotdogs provided by Local 372 Firefighters! We hope to see you there.

Go Fourth!



Movie Night at El Dorado Nature Center

August 24th | 8 pm | 7550 Spring St.

The next movie night at El Dorado Nature Center is Saturday, August 24th. It's a free program down at the picnic area at the end of the parking lot. Bring your low chair, blankets and picnic dinner. For More information call 562-570-1745.

A NIGHT WITH THE STARS

AUGUST 24

GATES OPEN AT 7 P.M. • MOVIE BEGINS AT 8 P.M.

JOIN THE FRIENDS OF EL DORADO NATURE CENTER
AND THE ORANGE COUNTY ASTRONOMY CLUB

AS WE SPEND AN EVENING GAZING AT THE NIGHT SKY
AND ENJOYING A HOLLYWOOD CLASSIC.

BRING LOW CHAIRS AND A PICNIC DINNER

CD4 Community Budget Meeting

August 28th | 5 pm - 6 pm | 5614 E. Britton Dr.

Join on on Wednesday, August 28th, 5 pm at the Los Altos Library for our annual budget overview meeting. Assistant City Manager, Tom Modica, will do the presentation and provide answers to all your questions. If you'd like to participate in the Long Beach Budget Priority Survey for Fiscal Year 2020, please check this [link](#).

Just the Facts
Fourth District
Community Budget
Meeting

Wed., August 28th
5 pm

Los Altos Library
5614 E. Britton Dr.



And Finally

Fighting Fires - Saving Lives - Trimming Trees

Firefighters are known for keeping the fire station grounds and fire apparatus in tip top shape, but trimming a palm tree at Station 17 seems a little "over the top" and goes "above and beyond". However, it makes perfect sense when you consider our firefighters are sometimes called upon to rescue a tree trimmer from the top of a palm tree. Why not use those same skills, and Truck 17, to trim the palm tree at the station? Of course, it does help when one of your crew members is a certified arborist.



Calendar of Upcoming Events

- 8/17 - **Craft Faire**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center
- 8/17 - **Brewitt Book Club for Adults**, 10 am, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/17 - **Shakespeare Aloud**, 1 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
- 8/18 - **Yoga**, 11am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/20 - **Community Mural**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/20 - **Homework Help**, 1 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/20 - **Writer's Workshop**, 4:30 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
- 8/20 - **City Council Meeting**, 5 pm, City Hall, 411 W. Ocean Blvd.
- 8/20 - **Night Walk**, 7 pm, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/21 - **Education Stations**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/21 - **Homework Help**, 3 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/22 - **Community Mural**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/22 - **Coloring for Adults**, 3 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
- 8/22 - **Homework Help**, 3 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/22 - **Summer Concert**, 7 pm, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/23 - **Education Stations**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/24 - **WESCA Cleanup**, 8 am, Orizaba Ave & 14th St
- 8/24 - **Craft Faire**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center
- 8/24 - **BARK Dogs**, 11:30 am, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
- 8/24 - **End of Summer Concert**, 4 pm, Whaley park, 5620 Atherton
- 8/24 - **Movie/Astronomy Night**, 8 pm, El Dorado Center
- 8/25 - **Yoga**, 11am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/27 - **Community Mural**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/27 - **Homework Help**, 1 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/27 - **Night Walk**, 7 pm, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/28 - **Education Stations**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/28 - **Homework Help**, 3 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/28 - **CD4 Community Budget Meeting**, 5 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton
- 8/29 - **Community Mural**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)
- 8/29 - **Coloring for Adults**, 3 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
- 8/29 - **Homework Help**, 3 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
- 8/30 - **Education Stations**, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center - [Register](#)

8/30 - Toddler Storytime & Playtime, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim
8/31 - Craft Faire, 9 am, El Dorado Nature Center

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