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 filling out the form at this link.

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw

COVID-19 Updates

**Long Beach Sees Surge in COVID-19 CASES**

With high demand due to the holiday, combined with inclement weather and the surge in cases, it is important for people to make testing appointments. The average daily number of cases increased by 1,234%, from 44 cases on December 1st to 587 on December 29th. These are some of the highest daily numbers Long Beach has seen since mid-January 2021. You can read more details in the City’s December 30th press release at this link. People should get tested if any symptoms are present or if they have been in close contact with someone who has or is suspected to have the
COVID-19 Updates and Information available at this link

Gather Safety This Holiday Season

Two weeks ago, the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services issued an updated Health Order with requirements for mega events, workplace mask guidance, recommendations regarding travel and updated protocols regarding youth sports. The City’s press release is at this link. As we gather during the holiday season, please exercise all COVID-19 precautions. Los Angeles County reported more than 16,000 new COVID-19 cases Wednesday, one of the highest daily case counts of the pandemic. Reported cases have increased by 91% over the past week, jumping from 8,633 to 16,510, according to the county’s Department of Public Health.

Give the Gift of Health
Gather safely for a joyous season

Past and Ongoing Events

Redistricting Changes Now in Effect

The newly drawn council district borders went into effect on December 18th. Our office will continue to work with Districts 3 & 5 regarding requests on all ongoing projects or issues. If you have left CD4 and would to reach out to your new council district office, please use the email addresses listed below. The changes to the 4th council district are substantial, and all neighborhoods leaving CD4 are south of PCH:
- Clark to Redondo will be in CD3 - District3@longbeach.gov
- Redondo to Junipero will be in CD2 - District2@longbeach.gov
- Junipero to Gardenia will be in CD6 - District6@longbeach.gov
For CD3 and CD5 residents redistricted into CD4, please contact us at: District4@longbeach.gov If you or a neighbor would like to sign up to receive our weekly e-newsletter, please do so at this link. New “zoomable” final maps of each of the council districts are available at this link.

Rainy Day Refuse & Recycle Cart Procedures

With the National Weather Service predicting rain, we’re posting the rainy day cart procedures and other rain related information. To report street flooding, downed trees or inquire about street sweeping, please call 562-570-2700. Visit the Department of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications’ website for more information on Preparing for Severe Weather.
**Treecycle Your Christmas Tree**

From December 26, 2021 - January 7, 2022, you can drop off your Christmas tree for recycling at one of 12 special locations. Your nearest CD4 location may be at Stearns Park (corner of 23rd St. and Roycroft), El Dorado Park (2760 Studebaker) or the Environmental Services Bureau at 2929 E. Willow. 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 January 8th. Just make sure you put it 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 LB Recycles [website](#) for more information.

**Santa “Caught” Fishing at El Dorado Park**

On Monday, Santa visited El Dorado East Regional Park to try out the fishing. He also brought along some fishy prizes and a $22,000 check from Berkley to go toward habitat restoration and wildlife education. Fox 11 was on hand to broadcast live as the lake was stocked with rainbow trout. I stopped by in time to record a video (below) of the moment Santa declared, “release the fish”. Thanks to everyone who voted for Long Beach in Berkley Fishing's "Santa Fishes" contest.
Give the Gift of LBLL Baseball - Final Day!
Thru Jan 1st | Stearns Champions Park | Register here

There is only one day left to register for ages 4-12! Upper Divisions remain open until the first weekend in February. Divisions are filling up fast, so don’t delay! LB Little League has been proudly offering kids the opportunity to play baseball for over 60 years! Programs are available for kids 4-16 years old. Difficulty with the Online Registration process? Contact the Information Officer at: webmaster@lbll.org

Register Your New Bicycle

The City of Long Beach has partnered with 529 Garage, the premier online bike registry, to easily pass along information in case of theft. Long Beach residents are encouraged to register their bikes at www.project529.com/garage or through the 529 Garage App. More information is available at this link.

Upcoming Events

Celebrate Safety Tonight

Fireworks are illegal in Long Beach and can cost you up to $20,000 in fines. LBPD and LBFD are asking residents to report illegal fireworks online here or by downloading the Go Long Beach app here.

Holiday Schedule This Week at City Hall

There was no city council meeting this week. Our next regularly scheduled city council meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 4th. Refuse and recycling pick up will occur as regularly scheduled today, Friday, December 31st. Street sweeping will not take place today. You can read about all the citywide closures at this link. The Go Fourth! Friday newsletter has maintained its regularly scheduled Friday distribution at 1:30 pm. Happy New Year to all!
Next on the City Council Agenda
January 4th | 5:00 pm | 411 W. Ocean Blvd.

The City Council meeting will start at 5:00 pm. The civic chambers will be open to the public, and the public can also use eComment to provide comments on agenda items. Comments can also be submitted by email to: CityClerk@longbeach.gov. Below are items on Tuesday's agenda:

- #28: Recommendation to request the City Manager to work with all appropriate departments to report back to the City Council in 60 days with recommendations for implementing a pre-approved Accessory Dwelling Units program.
- #34: Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary for a First Amendment to Amended and Restated Operating Agreement No. 34876 with Grand Prix Association of Long Beach, LLC, to amend certain provisions of the Agreement and facilitate an extension through June 30, 2028. (Districts 1, 2)
- #37: Recommendation to rename the El Dorado Park West Senior Center the “Dr. Thomas J. Clark Community Center,” in recognition of the legacy, contributions and services of former Long Beach Councilman and Mayor, Thomas J. Clark. (District 4)

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

Preferential Parking District Permit Renewals

Renewal notices have been mailed out for PPD permits. Each household is allowed up to three residential and one guest preferential permit per year. The annual fee for each residential preferential or guest permit is $33.00. If you have not received your renewal notice, you can visit the Parking Permits Portal to purchase your new blue permits for 2022. The yellow colored permits expire on 12/31/21.

LGB Taxiway L Construction Project

A major construction project to improve the safety of the Long Beach Airport (LGB) airfield will commence the first week in January and is expected to last through August 2022. The $25 million project is primarily funded by grants from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). It will reconstruct Taxiway L, which is the primary taxiway for all departing commercial aircraft. The construction will occur adjacent to the main runway which will close nightly from 10 pm to 6 am except for Friday and Saturday evenings. Due to the closure, operations will shift to Runway 08L-26R which runs parallel to Wardlow Road. Read more details here.

January Community Budget Meetings Canceled

On December 23rd, the City asked council offices to promote four FY23 Community Budget Meetings taking place in January. We did not feature the announcement in last week’s newsletter, but others did. A City webpage was also created with details about the meetings. On December 28th, we were advised that we should not share any meeting information because they would not be taking place. The cancelations are due to COVID, and it does not look like virtual meetings will be possible. City Council had requested that the annual budget process start earlier in the year, but it will not be happening in January 2022.
And Finally

Final Go Fourth! Friday Newsletter of the Year - Our 349th

This is the final GF!F newsletter of the year, and it is our 349th newsletter published since taking office in 2015. With an average of 15 items per issue, that's a total of 5,235 updates on a variety of CD4 topics. Thank you for your readership, and special thanks to those who have taken the time to let us know how much you enjoy the updates. If you have a friend or neighbor who would like to receive the GF!F newsletter, please have them sign up at this link. Also, if you have an item you'd like to share in the newsletter, we want to hear from you. Please submit your article or idea via email and type "Newsletter item" in the subject line. It is also helpful if you provide the date you would like it published. We look forward to hearing from you at: district4@longbeach.gov

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