



MEMORANDUM

TO: RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER *[Signature]*
DATE: APRIL 17, 2013
SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 13-15

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April 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Brooks/Misetich)</i>	2 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	3	4	5	6 <i>9:30 am—11:00 am—Composting Workshop @ Hesse Park</i>
7	8	9 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	10 <i>7:00 pm—WQFP Oversight Committee Meeting—Community Room</i>	11	12	13
14	15	16 <i>5:00 pm—San Ramon Groundbreaking Ceremony @ Project Site</i> <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	17 <i>12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Brooks)</i> <i>1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Brooks)</i> <i>7:00 pm—FAC—Community Room</i>	18 <i>7:00 pm—EPC Meeting @ Community Room</i> CANCELLED	19	20 <i>9:00—12:00—RPV E-Waste Shredding Event @ City Hall</i>
21	22 <i>7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Commission @ Community Room</i>	23 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	24 <i>6:00 pm—Storm Drain Oversight Committee Meeting @ Community Room</i>	25	26	27
28	29	30 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park (Budget Workshop)</i>				

May 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 <i>6:00 pm - "Forty & Fabulous" - RPV 40th Anniversary Gala @ Terranea</i>	6 <i>7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Brooks/Duhovic)</i>	7 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	8 <i>7:00 pm—FAC—Community Room</i>	9 <i>8:00 am—Regional Law Enforcement Meeting @ RH City Hall (Brooks/Misetich)</i> <i>7:00 pm—Vector Control Board Meeting - Culver City (Brooks)</i>	10	11 <i>9:00 am—3:00 pm—HHW/E-Waste Roundup @ City Hall Maintenance Yard</i> <i>11:00 am—12:00 pm—Meet the Goats @ PVIC</i>
12	13	14 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	15 <i>12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot ((Brooks)</i> <i>1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Brooks)</i>	16 <i>7:00 pm—EPC Meeting @ Community Room</i>	17	18
				<i>CCCA 54th Municipal Seminar—Indian Wells, CA (Brooks, Campbell, Knight, Misetich, Lehr)</i>		
19	20	21 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	22	23	24	25
26	27 <i>Memorial Day Holiday—City Hall Closed</i>	28	29 <i>7:00 pm—Storm Drain Oversight Committee Meeting—Community Room</i>	30	31	

June 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 <i>7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Brooks/Campbell)</i>	4 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	19 <i>12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Brooks)</i> <i>1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Brooks)</i>	20 <i>7:00 pm—Emergency Preparedness Committee—Community Room</i>	21	22
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CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES

MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER

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DATE: APRIL 17, 2013

SUBJECT: WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

“FORTY AND FABULOUS” ON FACEBOOK

Staff has set up a Facebook page for the “Forty and Fabulous” event at the Terranea Resort. The page includes event details and registration information, and Staff intends to post photos and event updates as the day of the festivities approaches. Check it out at <http://www.facebook.com/RanchoPalosVerdesIs40AndFabulous>.



STAFF TO DEVELOP CITY WEBSITE CLEAN-UP PROTOCOL

In an effort to keep the City's citizenry aware and informed, the City's website contains a vast array of current and archival information. The City's redesigned home page was a tremendous improvement that directs visitors more quickly to the latest news and information about events and issues in the City. However, from time to time, citizens have pointed out to City Council members and Staff outdated and/or inaccurate information and links on the website. In response to this issue, Mayor Pro Tem Duhovic has recently suggested that Staff take a more proactive approach to managing content on the City's website in order to keep it as fresh and timely as possible.

Some protocols for the posting, archiving and deletion of content on the City's website are already in place, such as those for the City Council and Planning Commission agendas. However, there are currently no consistent, Citywide protocols in place regarding the maintenance of website content, and no single individual or department responsible for reviewing website content with an eye toward culling outdated and/or inaccurate information and links. Therefore, Staff intends to develop such a protocol to be implemented through the City Manager's office, in consultation with all City departments. Staff will also be consulting with other jurisdictions on the Peninsula and in the South Bay to identify "best practices" in this regard.

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY BOUQUET

In recognition of California Native Plant Week (third week in April), the South Bay Chapter of the California Native Plant Society has provided the City with a lovely bouquet of native wildflowers to display in the main lobby at City Hall. The display is intended to familiarize the public with the versatility of native plants that residents can use to beautify their own yards, helping to make their landscaping more sustainable and water-wise.





CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES

MEMORANDUM

TO: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER
FROM: DENNIS McLEAN, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DATE: APRIL 17, 2013
SUBJECT: WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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HELICOPTER NOISE RELIEF ACT LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The City was recently contacted by a member of the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition (LAAHNC) regarding current, proposed legislation introduced in the United States Senate (S. 208) and the House of Representatives (HR 456) that seeks to compel the FAA to significantly mitigate helicopter noise in the Los Angeles area. The LAAHNC is strongly in support of this legislation, known as the Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act of 2013, as well as a State Senate Joint Resolution (SJR 7) proposed by California State Senator Ted Lieu, that was recently introduced in support of the Federal legislation. The LAAHNC is seeking City support for S. 208, HR 456 and SJR 7. The City Council previously approved support for the Helicopter Noise Relief Act at its December 20, 2011 meeting. Following that initial approval, then Mayor Anthony Misetich sent three letters of support for Helicopter Noise Relief in 2012 to the State Senate and both Houses of Congress, on behalf of Federal legislation that was the basis for the current proposed legislation.

Background Information

California State Senator Ted Lieu recently introduced Senate Joint Resolution 7 on March 15, 2013 in support of proposed U.S. Senate and House of Representatives legislation that would control helicopter noise in the Los Angeles area. Lieu's measure notes that low-flying helicopter has proved disruptive to local residents and communities. Lieu stated in a press release that, "Los Angeles County residents who have endured the cacophony of seemingly endless helicopter flights over their homes need relief."

The proposed Senate and House of Representatives legislation that Lieu is supporting was introduced by U.S. Representatives Adam Schiff, Henry Waxman and Brad Sherman and United State Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein on February 4, 2013. These companion pieces of legislation, known as the Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act (House-HR 456 and Senate S.208), are closely modeled on bills previously introduced in the House and Senate in 2011 which eventually stalled at the Committee level.

The original legislation was introduced in response to complaints about intrusive media, touring and paparazzi helicopters, especially during the first "Carmeggedon" in July 2011. HR 456 and S. 208 would require the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to exercise its authority to set guidelines on flight paths and minimum altitudes for helicopter operators throughout Los Angeles County within twelve months of being signed into law. The bills would exempt first responders and military aircraft from any guidelines. Senator Boxer said that, "This legislation will ensure that the FAA sets reasonable guidelines that allow helicopters to continue to operate above Los Angeles while protecting residents from excessive noise associated with low-altitude

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flights." Rep. Waxman stated that, "If the FAA won't act, Congress must." HR 456 and S. 208 are currently under committee review in the House and Senate.

At Rep. Shiff and Sen. Feinstein's urging, the FAA formed a working group to solicit input on this issue from communities and stakeholders in Los Angeles County. City staff attended a meeting conducted by the FAA and co-hosted by Rep. Berman on August 6, 2012 in Sherman Oaks, which was attended by hundreds of residents voicing their frustration. FAA personnel informed City staff that they anticipate completing a report on this issue within a year, which will document the identified concerns, potential solutions and will include recommendations on next steps. However, the impact of possible federal sequester budget cuts may affect this timeline.

The City's airspace consultant, Tom Kamman of Williams Aviation Consultants, has opined that although drafting practical and enforceable regulations will be a challenge for the FAA and the aviation community, a Helicopter Act could have the potential to reduce helicopter-based noise disturbances for residents in Rancho Palos Verdes and throughout Los Angeles County. However, Mr. Kamman also expressed that regulation and enforcement of such guidelines would be difficult at best.

The City Council voted unanimously at its December 20, 2011 meeting to authorize a draft letter of support for the original Helicopter Relief Bill (HR 2677). Based on that prior Council action, a subsequent letter of support for the Senate companion bill (S. 2019) was also signed by Mayor Missetich on January 31, 2012. Mayor Missetich also sent a letter in April 2012 in support of State Assembly Joint Resolution No. 25 which urged Congress to support the 2011 Helicopter Relief Act. Staff has a positive working relationship with officials at the FAA and will continue to monitor this important community issue and will update the City Council on any further developments.

Because the City has previously authorized support for Helicopter Noise Relief legislation, staff can prepare letters in support of HR 456, S. 208 and State Senate Joint Resolution 7, if so directed. Council members should contact Matt Waters at 310-544-5218 if they have any questions, wish to have this issue placed on a future City Council agenda or if they would like to send letters of support.


CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES

TO: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER
FROM: *Sol* LES M. JONES II, INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS *ng*
DATE: APRIL 17, 2013
SUBJECT: WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

SAN RAMON CANYON PROJECT UNDERWAY

Construction on the long awaited San Ramon Canyon Project has begun! Work was initiated last week both east of PVDE in the canyon and south of PVDS. A ground breaking ceremony was conducted last night by the City Council.



Residents of adjacent neighborhoods were notified of the beginning of construction last week. (See attached notice)

The contractor has established a project field office off the lower switchback and will be accessing the canyon from there and from a new access road off the upper switchback. The public will not have access to the field office. He will also be working in the utility easement within Shoreline Park south of PVDS in preparation for tunneling activities. The pipe alignment below PVDS is within the westernmost 100 feet of Shoreline Park along the mobile home park boundary, which is a dedicated utility easement.

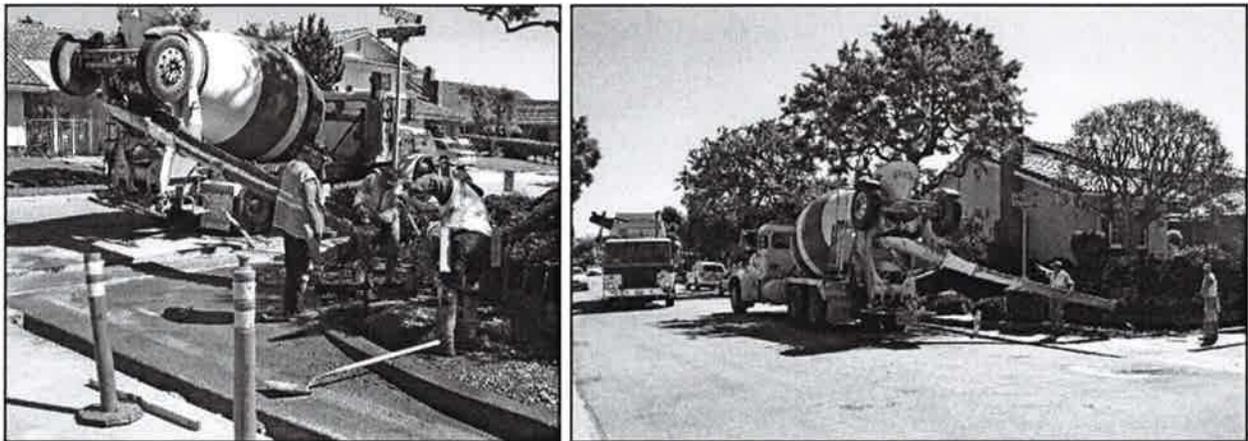
The pipe alignment is also in the location of a path leading from PVDS toward the bluffs. This path will need to be closed for safety reasons during this phase of construction. Construction trucks will be unloading materials along 25th street, just over the RPV – LA City border which will impact pedestrian access to the park from the East. Access to the park from the west can be gained from access points just east of the intersection of La Rotunda and PVDS, from the parking area at the lower end of La Rotunda, or from the parking area at Founder's Park.

Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians travelling along PVDE and PVDS should exercise extreme caution during working hours as large trucks will be turning in and out of the roadway. For short periods of a few minutes traffic may be stopped when directed to do so by flaggers. As always, active construction areas should be treated with caution and for the safety of both the public and the workers. We appreciate your cooperation and patience during the implementation of this important project.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE ON PHASE I OF THE FY11-12 RESIDENTIAL STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AREAS 3 AND 5

Concrete repair continues this week at several locations on Blackhorse Rd, Deepbrook Dr, Hawkhurst Dr, Honey Creek Rd, Rockhurst Ln, and Rockvalley Rd. An updated project schedule has been posted on the project website:

<http://palosverdes.com/rpv/publicworks/Residential-Streets-Improvement-Areas-3-5/index.cfm>



**Concrete ADA Curb Ramp, Sidewalk, and Curb and Gutter Repair at the Intersection
of
Rockvalley Rd and Rockhurst Ln**

NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION

SAN RAMON CANYON STORM DRAIN PROJECT CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

A contract for the construction of the San Ramon Canyon Storm Drain Project was awarded to L.H. Woods & Sons, Inc. at the RPV Council meeting on 3/5/2013. Site preparation began on Tuesday April 9th, to be immediately followed by formal construction activities. The anticipated project completion date is April 2014. A map of the project area is included in the back of this notice. The majority of the work will be divided into two separate work areas:

1. South of Palos Verdes Drive South at RPV-San Pedro Border:

Work activities will be to the south of the road (PVDS), however, there will be some construction vehicles accessing the south side of 25th Street above PV Shores Mobile Home Park in San Pedro. There will be some impact to the flow of traffic in the area and pedestrian access in that area will be severely limited during active construction hours. Work in the area will begin in April 2013 and should conclude by December 2013.

2. East of the switchbacks on Palos Verdes Drive East:

There will be a staging area adjacent to the lower elevation switchback on PVDE. A maintenance access road will be constructed into the canyon from the upper elevation switchback to the storm drain inlet structure located within the canyon. There will be considerable activity on and around both switchbacks over the duration of the project.

The majority of the construction related truck-traffic on PV Drive East will be restricted to the area between PV Drive South and Vista Del Mar.

**** During this project PVDE & PVDS will be open to through traffic at all times.****

Below is a map of the area showing the two work/activity areas



**** During this project PVDE & PVDS will be open to through traffic at all times.****

If you have any questions regarding this project, contact RPV Public Works Department at 310-544-5252, or email: sanramonproject@rpv.com.

Thank you.

RPV Public Works



TO: Carolyn Lehr, City Manager
FROM: Joel Rojas, Community Development Director
DATE: April 17, 2013
SUBJECT: Weekly Administrative Report

Planning Commission Agenda

Attached is the agenda for the Planning Commission meeting on April 23rd, 2013.

Applications of Note

Attached is a table with a summary of the applications of note that were submitted to the department between Wednesday, April 10th, 2013 and Tuesday, April 16th, 2013.

Attachments

PC Agenda for April 23, 2013
Applications of Note



AGENDA

**RANCHO PALOS VERDES PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013
FRED HESSE COMMUNITY PARK, 29301 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD**

REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M.

SCHEDULING NOTES

REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR PRIOR TO THE COMPLETION OF THE REMARKS OF THE FIRST SPEAKER ON THE ITEM. NO REQUEST FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT TIME.

PURSUANT TO ADOPTED PLANNING COMMISSION PROCEDURE, UNLESS THE PLANNING COMMISSION AGREES TO SUSPEND ITS RULES, NO NEW BUSINESS WILL BE HEARD AFTER 11:00 P.M. AND NO ITEM WILL BE HEARD PAST MIDNIGHT. ANY ITEMS NOT HEARD BECAUSE OF THE TIME LIMITS WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY CONTINUED TO THE NEXT COMMISSION AGENDA.

NEXT P.C. RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10

CALL TO ORDER:

FLAG SALUTE:

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

COMMUNICATIONS:

City Council Items:

Staff:

Commission:

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE (regarding non-agenda items):

CONSENT CALENDAR:

NONE

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. GENERAL PLAN UPDATE – REVIEW PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE EXISTING LAND USE MAP REGARDING THE LOCATION OF THE HILLSIDE (HAZARD) LAND USE BOUNDARY: City/Citywide (GP/AH)

Request: A request to approve the proposed land use boundary changes to the General Plan land use map related to the Hillside (formally known as Hazard) land use designation.

Action Deadline: None

Recommendation: Approve adjusting of the Open Space Hillside boundaries presented within the Staff Report, as recommended by the City Geologist.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2. MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2013

ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS:

3. PRE-AGENDA FOR THE MEETING ON MAY 14, 2013

ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2013

Americans with Disabilities Act: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability-related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call the Community Development Director at 310 544-5228 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Notes:

1. Staff reports are available for inspection at City Hall, 30940 Hawthorne Boulevard during regular business hours, 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. Monday – Thursday and 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. on Friday. The agenda and staff reports can also be viewed at Hesse Community Park, 29301 Hawthorne Boulevard during the Planning Commission meeting.

2. Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the Planning Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection at the front counter of the Planning Division lobby at City Hall, which is located at 30940 Hawthorne Boulevard, Rancho Palos Verdes during normal business hours as stated in the paragraph above.
3. You can also view the agenda and staff reports at the City's website www.palosverdes.com/RPV.
4. Written materials, including emails, submitted to the City are public records and may be posted on the City's website. In addition, City meetings may be televised and may be accessed through the City's website. Accordingly, you may wish to omit personal information from your oral presentation or written materials as they may become part of the public record regarding an agenda item.



"Green" Case Summary

As of April 17, 2013

Street Address**Owner/Applicant**

2822 COLT RD

ZIV BENDER

Case No.	Project Description	Status	Date Received	Action/Issuance Date	Date Finaled	Expiration Date
ZON2009-00303	New GREEN 3,889 square foot 2-story residence, 770.3 square foot guest house, 921.4 square foot pool house and 326.3 square foot studio. The overall square footage of the residence, garage and accessory structures would be 5,907.		7/31/2009	5/25/2010		9/21/2013
BLD2010-00407	Build New 2-story SFR 3270 Sf, 619 Sf Garage, 770 Sf Guest House, 921 Sf Pool House, 326 Sf Studio; 2190 Sf Ret Walls w/ 13-caissons; ; M.E. & P's included; Guest house and Studio are habitable spaces (see permit B10-464 for demo). Revision on 4/14/11 to add 7 caissons to rear of house.	Permit Expired	6/15/2010	1/27/2011		1/27/2013

Street Address**Owner/Applicant**

73 HEADLAND DR

ENGEN FAMILY TRUST

Case No.	Project Description	Status	Date Received	Action/Issuance Date	Date Finaled	Expiration Date
BLD2011-00320	NSFR 5088sf (1st flr 3994sf & 2nd flr 1094sf) w/2-508sf each garages tot 1006sf, 352sf Pool House; M.E.&P's included (private street - no PW review)	Finaled	5/9/2011	6/30/2011	8/13/2012	12/30/2012

Street Address**Owner/Applicant**

27513 LONGHILL DR

CHAO, MARTIN V & LOUISE T

Case No.	Project Description	Status	Date Received	Action/Issuance Date	Date Finaled	Expiration Date
ZON2009-00147	New GREEN two-story single-family residence.	Approved	4/23/2009	9/14/2010		9/14/2011



"Green" Case Summary

As of April 17, 2013

BLD2011-00650 Demo existing 1670sf res & 430 sf Garage; Build 3556sf NSFR w/651sf att garage, 40sf Retaining Wall, w/ 10 Cu Yds Grading, & 155sf Covered Porch (Fire Sprinklers and Separate curb core permits are required) Issued 9/12/2011 8/20/2012 12/21/2012 2/20/2014

Street Address **Owner/Applicant**
 30939 RUE VALOIS EDMOND E GRIFFIN, II

Case No.	Project Description	Status	Date Received	Action/Issue Date	Date Finaled	Expiration Date
ZON2009-00497	Demolish existing 1-story residence and construct a new GREEN 3,567 square foot two-story residence.	Approved	12/23/2009	5/25/2010		5/25/2011

Street Address **Owner/Applicant**
 2700 1/2 SAN RAMON DR THOMPSON, HAROLD R, JR & ALMA M

Case No.	Project Description	Status	Date Received	Action/Issue Date	Date Finaled	Expiration Date
ZON2009-00396	Conduct 1,500 yd ³ grading to accommodate a new two-story 3,463ft ² residence.	Approved	10/2/2009	6/9/2011		5/18/2012

Street Address **Owner/Applicant**
 7 SEA COVE DR PHILLIPS, SHAUN & CARMEN A

Case No.	Project Description	Status	Date Received	Action/Issue Date	Date Finaled	Expiration Date
ZON2011-00242	New 21.33' tall, 4,515SF split-story residence with 285CY of grading.	Approved	8/29/2011	6/7/2012		5/22/2013

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MEMORANDUM

TO: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER

FROM: CAROLYNN PETRU, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER / INTERIM DIRECTOR, RECREATION AND PARKS 

DATE: APRIL 17, 2013

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Paint Out at City Hall

The Palos Verdes Art Center will hold a Paint Out event at Point Vicente Park/Civic Center this Friday, April 19th from 7:30 a.m. – noon. Plein air painters of various skill levels will set up painting areas around the park and Alta Vicente Reserve to capture the beautiful views of Rancho Palos Verdes on canvas. Palos Verdes Art Center staff will be on hand to provide painting tips and teach plein air painting skills. Registration for the event is required through the Palos Verdes Art Center.

Junior Ranger Program

On Saturday, April 20th, Junior Rangers will meet MRCA Interpretive Rangers at Abalone Cove Shoreline Park. They will hike down to the beach for an Earth Day tide pool expedition and beach cleanup.

Fred Hesse Jr. Community Park

Recreation Class Rentals (April 15th – April 21st)

- Parent and Infant Music Class (Fireside Room): Monday
- Aerobic Dance Lite Classes (Multipurpose Room, Activity Room): Monday, Wednesday
- Kuk Sool Martial Arts Classes (Fireside Room): Monday, Wednesday
- Suika Mommy & Me Classes (Activity Room, Fireside Room): Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Duplicate Bridge Classes (Activity Room): Monday, Friday
- Bridge Instruction Class (Multipurpose Room): Tuesday
- Bones for Life Class (Multipurpose Room): Tuesday
- Mommy and Me Classes (Activity Room): Tuesday, Thursday
- Tai Chi Chuan Class (Multipurpose Room): Saturday
- Basics of Fine Arts Class (Activity Room): Saturday
- Palos Verdes Strings Classes (Activity Room): Sunday

Community Groups/Private Rentals/City Programs (April 15th – April 21st)

- Non-Profit Meeting (Fireside Room): Tuesday
- Peninsula Seniors Weekly Lecture (Multipurpose Room): Wednesday
- Pony League Practice (Baseball League): Wednesday

- PV Amateur Radio Club Meeting (Activity Room): Wednesday
- RPV Council of HOA Meeting (Fireside Room): Wednesday
- Seniors Bridge Club Meeting (Multipurpose Room): Thursday
- US Youth Volleyball League Practice and Games (Soccer Field): Thursday, Saturday
- Silver Spur Little League Practice (Baseball Field): Saturday
- AYSO Registration Rental (Multipurpose Room, Fireside Room): Saturday
- Girl Scout Troop Meeting (Fireside Room): Sunday
- Non-Profit Meeting (Fireside Room): Sunday
- Beach Head Lacrosse Clinic (Soccer Field): Sunday

Founders Park

The park has been rented for a wedding ceremony on Saturday, April 20th. Approximately 100 guests are expected to attend.

Ladera Linda Community Center

Recreation Class Rentals (April 15th – April 21st)

- Adult Tap Dance Class (Multipurpose Room): Tuesday
- Mommy and Me Class (Room C): Wednesday
- Parent and Me Music Class (Room J): Saturday

Point Vicente Interpretive Center

On Monday afternoon, April 15th, staff met with members of the Grants Oversight Committee to discuss current grants and future grants opportunities.

Los Serenos Docent-Led Hikes and Tours

On Wednesday, April 17th, Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy docents led a hike at Abalone Cove to coincide with their 3rd Grade Program.

On Wednesday, April 17th, forty 12th grade students from Carson Marine Magnet School attended a docent-led tour of the Interpretive Center.

On Thursday, April 18th, seven adults with the Circle Group will enjoy a docent-led tour of the PVIC museum. Seventy students from Leland Street Elementary School will take a docent-led hike down to the tide pools at Abalone Cove.

On Friday, April 19th, twelve girls from a local Girl Scout troop will meet some requirements for their Earth badge by taking a docent-led tour of the museum.

On Saturday, April 20th, forty students from Toland Elementary, a Title I school, will visit the Interpretive Center for a docent-led tour focusing on Whaling and Native Americans. Following their tour, they will head to Abalone Cove for a docent-led hike to the tide pools.

Whale Watching Report

Members of the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Cetacean Society continued their annual whale census on the back patio of PVIC. Here are their observations, with some comparison statistics.

As of 04/14/13

Southbound -----	0
Northbound -----	13
Today Whales ---	13
Cow/calves South --	0
Cow/calves North ---	1

Season to Date

Southbound -----	769
Northbound -----	828
Total -----	1597
Cow/calves South ----	21
Cow/calves North -- -	14

Robert E. Ryan Community Park

Recreation Class Rentals (April 15th – April 21st)

- Super Soccer Stars Youth Classes (Grass Field): Tuesday, Saturday

Community Groups/Private Rentals/City Programs (April 15th – April 21st)

- PVP Girls Softball League Practice (Baseball Field): Thursday, Friday

REACH Program

On Monday, April 15th, REACH participants met at Hesse Park to dine on a tasty meal of veggie lasagna, salad, and baked apples. Following cleanup, the participants enjoyed several rounds of bingo.

On Saturday, April 20th, REACH participants will travel to Cal Poly Pomona to celebrate Earth Day with a BioTrek tour. BioTrek is an educational enterprise of the Biological Sciences Department of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. In its greenhouse, garden, and labs, it brings to students and the public both hands-on and electronic educational experiences of the tropical rainforest, aquatic environments of the tropics and California, and California indigenous plants and people.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Note: Time Estimates include 30 mins. for the first section of the agenda (Mayor's Announcements, etc. through the Consent Calendar) and 15 mins. for the last section (Future Agenda Items through Adjournment).

April 30, 2013 - (Time Est. – 2 hrs) – Budget Workshop – Adj. Reg. Mtg

Closed Session: Potential Nuisance Abatement Action

New Business:

Consent

FY12-13 Budget Adjustments
City Council Reserve Policy

Regular Business

Introduction of Ordinance – Annual Budget Document (5 mins)
Draft FY13-14 Budget with Menu Exercise (60 mins)
Draft 2013 CIP Document (30 mins)

May 7, 2013 - (Time Est. – 3 hrs 20 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements: National Public Works Week - May 19-25, 2013

City Manager Report:

New Business:

Consent

Adoption of Ordinance – Annual Budget Document
Approval of MOA for Machado Lake Trash Screen Project
Revocable License Agreement with Jim York for a Multi-Purpose Public Trail
Award Prof Services Agmt for Realignment of PVDS (East end)
Notice of Completion – Blackhorse ADA Project

Public Hearings

Marymount College Time Extension (2 hrs)

Regular Business

Marymount–Award of Contract for Environmental Consultant Serv-Athletic Field (20 mins)
Renaming of City Council Chambers in Honor of John McTaggart (15 mins)

May 21, 2013 - (Time Est. – 3 hrs 50 mins)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report: National Building Safety Month Announcement

New Business:

Consent

Award Prof Services Contract for City of RPV Infrastructure Report Card
Approve Extension of Contract for Tree Maintenance
PW Inspection Services Renewal
Landscape & Lighting Maintenance District Engineer's Report
Pavement Striping Maintenance Renewal
Award Professional Services Contract for Storm Water Quality Consultant
Award Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract
RFP for Selection of Independent Auditors

Public Hearings

Crestridge Senior Condominium Housing Project (60 mins)

Regular Business

Draft Annual Budget (45 mins)
Draft Five Year Model (15 mins)
Draft Capital Improvement Plan (20 mins)
Agreement with Tyler for Financial Software (15 mins)
Options for Reinstating the Equestrian Committee (30 mins)

June 4, 2013 - (Time Est. – 2 hrs 5 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

New Business:

Consent

Border Issues Status Report
Award AB 939 Consultant Contract
Renewal of Contract for City Geologist
Renewal of Contract for Building and Safety Consultants
Renewal of Contract for View Restoration Mediator
Renewal of Contract for City Arborist
Renewal of Contract for City Biologist
Renewal of Contract for City View Simulation Consultant
Adoption of Resolutions - November 5, 2013 General Municipal Election

Public Hearings

EDCO Rate Adjustment FY 13-14 (20 mins)
UWS Rate Adjustment FY 13-14 (10 mins)

Regular Business

Beacon Award Resolution (10 mins)

Adoption of City of RPV Accessibility Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (40 mins)

June 18, 2013 - (Time Est. – 2 hrs 40 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

New Business:

Consent

Extension of Prof. Services Contract for HIP Administration
Extension of Prof. Services Contract for CDBG Administration

Public Hearings

Adoption of Annual Budget (30 mins)
Landscape & Lighting Maintenance District Engineer's Report (10 mins)
Abalone Cove Sewer System Engineer's Report (15 mins)
Storm Drain User Fee (15 mins)

Regular Business

2013 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan (20 mins)
2013 Five-Year Financial Model (10 mins)
Sheriff's Contract (15 mins)

July 2, 2013 - (Time Est. –)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

New Business:

Consent

Public Hearings

Regular Business

July 16, 2013 - (Time Est. – 1 hr 15 mins)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

New Business:

Consent

Public Hearings

Regular Business

Civic Center Master Plan Status Report (30 mins)

Future Agenda Items (Identified at Council Meetings)

July 3, 2012 – Consideration of Implementation of a Wireless Master Plan (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

August 21, 2012 – Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline (Duhovic) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Mayor Pro Tem.]

City Maintenance Yard – View, Location and Safety Issues (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

November 20, 2012 – Compensation Value Model for Senior Management (Misetich) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

March 19, 2013 – Explore outreach program to residents to incorporate 100% participation in Neighborhood Watch Program (Misetich) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

April 2, 2013 - Transparency regarding Labor Negotiations (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

Revisit Policy regarding Naming of Public Facilities and establish a protocol for acknowledging the passing of former City officials, civic leaders, and military personnel (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

Expansion of notification radius for City Tree Review Permits; Review standards that apply to City street trees in the Miraleste area (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Mayor.]

Revisiting the Skateboarding Ordinance (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Mayor.]

Future Agenda Items Agendized or Otherwise Being Addressed



RPVTV Channel 33 Programming Schedule Guide

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Week of 04/17/13 - 04/23/13
Wednesday through Tuesday

6:00 AM - 6:30 AM	Sit and Be Fit - Low Impact Fitness	3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Armchair Traveler: The PV Art Center Re-Opening
6:30 AM - 7:00 AM	Cardio Strength Stretch - Moderate to Rigorous Exercise Routines	4:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 B-17 takes flight in Torrance
7:00 AM - 7:30 AM	Peninsula Beat 20 - Home Invasion Update, Friends of the Library, RPV's 40th Anniversary, The PV Art Center	4:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 Veteran, B-17 Pilot Wes Coss
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	Armchair Traveler: The PV Art Center Re-Opening	5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Sit and Be Fit - Low Impact Fitness
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 B-17 takes flight in Torrance	5:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Cardio Strength Stretch - Moderate to Rigorous Exercise Routines
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 Veteran, B-17 Pilot Wes Coss	6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Peninsula Beat 20 - Home Invasion Update, Friends of the Library, RPV's 40th Anniversary, The PV Art Center
09:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Peninsula Beat 20 - Home Invasion Update, Friends of the Library, RPV's 40th Anniversary, The PV Art Center	6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Armchair Traveler: The PV Art Center Re-Opening
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Armchair Traveler: The PV Art Center Re-Opening	7:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Peninsula Seniors: NASA Dryden Flight Research Center
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 B-17 takes flight in Torrance	7:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Peninsula Seniors (continued)
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 Veteran, B-17 Pilot Wes Coss	8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 B-17 takes flight in Torrance
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	L.A. County News	8:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Armchair Traveler - WW2 Veteran, B-17 Pilot Wes Coss
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Port of L.A. News	9:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Peninsula Beat 20 - Home Invasion Update, Friends of the Library, RPV's 40th Anniversary, The PV Art Center
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Peninsula Seniors: History of Medicine and War, Dr. Joseph Wagner	9:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Armchair Traveler: The PV Art Center Re-Opening
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Peninsula Seniors (continued)	10:00 PM - 10:30 PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting Recorded April 16th 2013
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Peninsula Beat 20 - Home Invasion Update, Friends of the Library, RPV's 40th Anniversary, The PV Art Center	10:30 PM - 11:00 PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Armchair Traveler: The PV Art Center Re-Opening	11:00 PM - 11:30 PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting Recorded April 16th 2013
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	L.A. County News	11:30 PM - 12:00 AM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Port of L.A. News	12:00 AM - 1:00 AM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Peninsula Beat 20 - Home Invasion Update, Friends of the Library, RPV's 40th Anniversary, The PV Art Center	1:00 AM - 6:00 AM	Community Announcements



PVPTV35 Programming Schedule Guide
Week of 04/22/2013 to 04/28/2013

Monday, April 22

3:00PM

Palos Verdes Library Dist.

6:00PM

PVP Coordinating Council

7:00PM

PVPUSD Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 23

7:00PM

City of RHE City Council Meeting - Live

Wednesday, April 24

7:30PM

City of PVE City Council Meeting 04/23/13

Thursday, April 25

Friday, April 26

6:00PM

PVP Land Conserancy Nature Walk

7:00PM

City of RHE City Council Meeting 04/23/13

Saturday, April 27

10:00AM

City of PVE Planning Commission 04/16/13

7:00PM

City of RPV Planning Commission 04/23/13

Sunday, April 28

7:00PM

City of RHE City Council Meeting 04/23/13

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT- LOMITA STATION
REPORTED CRIMES & ARRESTS BETWEEN 4/7/2013 - 4/13/2013**

LOMITA:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE - RAPE	13-01321	1711	4/5/13-4/10/13	2300-0200	25300 BLK CYPRESS ST	N/A	N/A	SUSPECT KNOWN
PETTY THEFT	13-01274	1712	4/7/13	1717	25000 BLK ESHELMAN AV	N/A	GO-GART	2 SUSPECTS ARRESTED. GO-CART RECOVERED
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-01277	1710	4/7/13	0000-0700	2300 BLK 241ST ST	FRONT PASSENGER WINDOW PUSHED DOWN	REMOTE CONTROL, CIGARETTES, CD's,	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	13-01289	1711	4/8/13	1515	25600 BLK NARBONNE AVE	UNKNOWN	1991 BEIGE TOYOTA PREVIA VAN	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	13-01298	1714	4/8/13-4/9/13	1830-1000	1900 BLK PCH	UNKNOWN	2013 GRY CHRYSLER 300	SUSPECT ARRESTED. VEH RECOVERED
PETTY THEFT	13-01322	1710	4/10/13	1816	24800 BLK WESTERN AV	OPEN BUSINESS	"TOMMY HILFIGER" PURSE, WALLET	SUSPECT ARRESTED
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-01326	1712	4/11/13	0013	1900 BLK 254TH ST	REAR DRIVER SIDE WINDOW SMASHED	"OGIO" BACKPACK, WALLET W/EAGLE ON IT, CREDIT CARDS, CDL, \$14	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-01327	1712	4/10/13-4/11/13	2000-0030	1900 BLK 254TH ST	DRIVER WINDOW SMASHED	WOMEN'S "GUESS WALLET, CDL	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-01328	1712	4/10/13-4/11/13	2200-0030	1900 BLK 254TH ST	REAR DRIVER SIDE WINDOW SMASHED	CAMERA CASE WITH "NIKON" CAMERA AND LENSES	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-01339	1713	4/11/13	0000-0900	2100 BLK PV DR N	PASSENGER SIDE DOOR	BLK "JANSPORT" BACKPACK, MEN'S WALLET, CDL, \$10, CREDIT CAD, SSN, TEXTBOOKS, (10) TENNIS RAQUETS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (BICYCLE)	13-01341	1714	4/12/13	1620-1630	2100 BLK PCH	N/A	"KENT THRUSTER" BICYCLE BLK W/RED RIMS	SUSPECT: MW/20-25
GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	13-01345	1712	4/12/13-4/13/13	1800-0900	25000 BLK WALNUT ST	UNKNOWN	1988 RED TOYOTA 1/2 TON TRUCK	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ARRESTS: DRUGS-2, DISORDERLY CONDUCT-1, PETTY THEFT-2, POSSESS BURGLARY TOOLS-1								

RANCHO PALOS VERDES:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	13-01275	1730	4/7/13	1715	5300 BLK BAYRIDGE RD	N/A	N/A	SUSPECT ARRESTED
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - CHILD ABUSE	13-01347	1747	4/13/13	1200	28500 BLK RADBROOK CT	N/A	N/A	SUSPECT ARRESTED

PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	13-01266	1731	4/7/13	0710	26500 BLK ROCKHURST LN	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	TAPE PLAYER	SUSPECT1: MW/20-25/510-600/170-180lbs RUMMAGED THROUGH VICT'S VEH. SUSP GOT INTO PASSENGER SIDE OF A GRAY HONDA 2DR VAN WHERE SUSPECT2 MW WAS DRIVING.
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	13-01285	1732	4/8/13	1235-1300	28800 BLK CRESTRIDGE RD	UNKNOWN	CHECK BOOKS, CAR KEY	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN. VICT SAW BLACK P/U TRUCK NEAR RESIDENCE BEFORE BURGLARY. RELATED TO FILE #13-01285
BURGLARY	13-01286	1731	4/8/13	1330	27400 BLK WARRIOR DR	BROKE INTO SIDE DOOR OF GARAGE LEADING INTO HOUSE	NOTHING TAKEN	SUSPECT: MH/30's/BLK SHORT HAIR/BRO EYES. SUSPECT ENTERED A BLACK P/U TRUCK W/EXTENDED CAB AND IT'S LOWERED
PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	13-01297	1731	4/8/13-4/9/13	1930-0730	26600 BLK HONEY CREEK RD	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	BLACKBERRY CELL PHONE, MISC GIFT CARDS, CAR CHARGER, \$6	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	13-01206	1746	4/9/13	1530	28900 BLK WESTERN AV	OPEN BUSINESS	(2) PAIRS OF "VANS" RED/BLK SHOES	SUSPECT1: MH/20/600/175lbs/BRO HAIR/BRO EYES SUSPECT2: MH/18/503/160lbs/BRO HAIR/BRO EYES
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-01315	1736	4/10/13	0715-1245	7000 W LOS VERDES DR	FRONT PASSENGER WINDOW SMASHED	NOTHING TAKEN	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
GRAND THEFT (TOOLS)	13-01316	1746	4/9/13-4/10/13	1800-1000	1900 BLK TOSCANINI DR	N/A	CHOP SAW, ELECTRIC DRILLS, ROUTER TOOL, "BLK & DECKER" JIG SAW, CORDLESS TOOLS, SKILL SAW, SPRAY PAINT MACHINE, BLOWER, MISC HAND TOOLS, MISC CUTTING TOOLS, MEASUREMENT TOOLS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	13-01334	1734	4/11/13	0830-1310	5600 BLK RAVENSPUR DR	FRONT DOOR	COSTUME JEWELRY, \$100	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ARRESTS: CHILD ENDANGERMENT-1, DUI-1, BATTERY ON SCHOOL PROPERTY-1, POSSESS SHOPPING CART-1, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE-1								

ROLLING HILLS:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PETTY THEFT	13-01346	1761	4/9/13-4/11/13	1500-1500	EASTFIELD DR	GARAGE OPEN	WALKER	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
NO ARRESTS DURING THIS TIME								

ROLLING HILLS ESTATES:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SAN PEDRO:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PETTY THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	13-01276	1750	4/7/13	1600	970 BLK W 1ST ST	OPEN BUSINESS	MISC GROCERIES	2 SUSPECTS ARRESTED
ARRESTS: PETTY THEFT-2								

WESTFIELD:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PETTY THEFT	13-01299	1753	4/6/13- 4/9/13	1630- 0645	26300 BLK CRENSHAW BL	N/A	MISC PLASTIC BOTTLES	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
NO ARRESTS DURING THIS TIME								



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Local Government "Most Trusted" by Americans in New National Poll

APRIL 10, 2013

WASHINGTON - Voters trust local government to address the issues that matter most to them more than any other level of government according to results from a new Mason-Dixon poll for the National League of Cities. The nationwide poll surveyed 1,000 registered voters on March 27 and 28 and April 1, 2013.

"This poll confirms the strength of our nation's cities and towns and their efficiency in managing the various needs of our diverse communities," said Clarence Anthony, Executive Director of the National League of Cities. "Local governments are trusted to address the issues that are critical to the everyday lives of Americans."

The poll asked 1,000 voters, "Which level of government do you trust the most to address issues that matter in your life: local government, state government or the federal government?" It found that 37 percent put the most trust in their local governments, as opposed to 22 percent for state and 12 percent for federal. Women put more faith in local government than men, and voters with the most trust in local government and the least in the federal government are men and women between the ages of 35 and 49.

No Republican respondents said they trust the federal government most. Similarly, only 22 percent of Democrats and 12 percent of Independents expressed the most trust in the federal government. In contrast, trust in local government is solid across party lines with 32 percent of Democrats, 39 percent of Independents and 40 percent of Republicans saying they trust local government most. State government is most trusted by 26 percent of Republicans, 21 percent of Independents and 19 percent of Democrats.

"While trust in the federal government appears to be fractured and tragically low, this survey shows that when it comes to getting the job done on critical issues in people's lives, voters firmly entrust their local leaders to represent them best," said Marie Lopez Rogers, President of the National League of Cities and Mayor of Avondale, Ariz. "Voters would rather have the issues they care about addressed by their local leaders who are neighbors they know and trust. That makes the work of the National League of Cities in bringing local voices to national leaders so critical."

The National League of Cities advocates for more than 1,600 cities and towns across the nation through lobbying and grassroots campaigns on Capitol Hill. It provides key communications channels

to community leaders by keeping them informed on relevant issues while giving local issues a voice on the national stage. It also affords municipal leaders the opportunity to network and cooperate with one another on common problems to achieve shared solutions.

"Our finger is on the pulse of this nation," Anthony said. "The National League of Cities connects local governments with Capitol Hill, but our communications can work both ways. We hope this poll will encourage more cooperation at the federal level as we continue advocating for the critical issues affecting our communities."

These results come after a fiercely contested national election, where domestic issues like job growth, health care and immigration took precedence over international relations and defense. Local governments are closest to the people in proximity and accessibility, providing a more uncomplicated path to influence legislation while addressing specific issues that affect their constituents' daily lives.

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Santa Ana leaders take steps to clear air at City Hall

Santa Ana City Council held a study session Monday aimed at improving communication in city government.

By RON GONZALES

ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

SANTA ANA City leaders held a wide-ranging discussion on ways they can conduct City Council meetings more efficiently, stay in the loop on key issues and discourage release of sensitive information from closed-door sessions.

The City Council, in a study session facilitated by interim City Manager Kevin O'Rourke, worked through a series of practices, suggesting a variety of changes. Some can be implemented internally, others will come back for further discussion and a possible vote, such as the idea of changing council meetings from the first and third Mondays of each month to the first and third Tuesdays.

That idea gained traction after O'Rourke suggested it as a way to provide an extra day for council members to study the agenda, which is typically released on Thursdays, and to forward questions to city staff members. City Hall is closed on Fridays.

O'Rourke, City Attorney Sonia R. Carvalho and City Clerk Maria Huizar staffed the study session, suggesting ideas and observations, while Debra Kurita, a former city official whom O'Rourke appointed his interim deputy city manager, jotted down council feedback on large pieces of paper to help officials determine what issues they'll need to return to. O'Rourke, who was appointed in February, said he wants to lay a foundation for the next city manager's work, and create an atmosphere of trust.

The session was held at the Southwest Senior Center, in hopes of providing a more informal setting than council chambers. Mayor Miguel Pulido was absent.

"It's very clear to me after being about two months with you that there's a concern about council-staff communication," O'Rourke told the council, "and also the communication process from City Hall to the community."

He suggested that the council hold a goal-setting session three to four months after a new city manager comes aboard in the fall.

"To hear a council member tell me that it's been at least five years since you guys have met in this sort of setting for this kind of conversation is pretty shocking, actually," he said.

An undercurrent to the discussion was a desire by the council members present to change the culture at City Hall. Four of those present Monday were on the council last year when it adopted the city's Sunshine Ordinance, aimed at improving City Hall transparency. Those present Monday had also taken a vote in January to dismiss Paul Walters, the former city manager who later resigned, citing the need for better communication between staff and the entire council.

Part of the discussion focused on O'Rourke's communication with council. He said it was his practice to provide access for all council members to information that any of them request.

In the past, one councilman said, the information would go to the council member who requested it.

"The only thing I would add," Councilman Vincent F. Sarmiento said, "is that the entire staff understands that this is the new practice."

At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Sal Tinajero, the council bypassed some items to discuss the Brown Act, the state's public meeting law, which specifies what the council may discuss in closed session, and sets requirements for confidentiality. Some council members have been critical of Pulido for leaving a closed session in January dealing with the fate of previous city manager Paul M. Walters and informing the audience that the council had decided to fire him.

"We'll leave a closed session, and then we'll find what was discussed in closed session that very night on a blog," Sarmiento said. "And there is a clear trail, a clear link from that conversation in closed session to that blog. What is it that we do?"

Councilwoman Angelica Amezcua, who sits on the council ethics committee, asked what procedures are in place if there's evidence of a violation. O'Rourke said he would research best practices of other cities.

Councilman David Benavides recalled that a session similar to that held Monday was held about five years ago, and some items brought up for discussion fell by the wayside. He expressed a similar concern about the budget process.

"Being informed and knowing how we've moving forward," he said, "should be part of the norm, part of the culture."

Some of the suggestions would affect the nuts and bolts of council sessions. Councilman Roman A. Reyna suggested that community groups, such as Scouts, lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members also liked the idea of allowing each council member one opportunity to recognize residents at meetings, rather than two, with a five-minute time limit for each, putting place-holders on the agenda for regional board and committee reports and giving the mayor and mayor pro tem a role in shaping agendas. Some items will come back for further discussion, such as the process through which council members can place items on the agenda, as well as guidelines for the amount of staff time devoted to individual requests from council members for information.

O'Rourke recommended that the council hold a study session on its five-year strategic plan, called for in the Sunshine Ordinance the council adopted last year. The original schedule, a consultant report from Management Partners said, called for completing it by June. The report recommended that with the budget process under way, the strategic plan process begin in June, with completion by November. The budget process, the strategic plan and the council committee structure should interconnect, he said.

Councilwoman Michele Martinez and Tinajero expressed concern that the budget had in the past been presented to the council for its rubber stamp, without consideration of its priorities.

"I'm trying to get you to the table to begin to feel invested in the budget process," O'Rourke said, "and it's not just something laid at you or thrown at you at the last minute."

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NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

CITY OF ARCADIA

Notice is hereby given that at a Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, the Arcadia City Council reorganized as follows:

Mickey "Mark" Segal, Mayor

John Wu, Mayor Pro Tem

Peter Amundson, Council Member

Robert C. Harbicht, Council Member

Gary A. Kovacic, Council Member

City Council/Arcadia Successor Agency regular meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., in the City Council Chamber located at 240 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia.

Gene Glasco, City Clerk

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Dated: April 17, 2013

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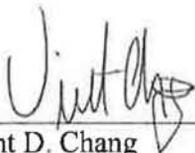
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NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

The City of Monterey Park is pleased to announce the reorganization of the City Council at a Special Meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2013, as follows:

MAYOR	TERESA REAL SEBASTIAN
MAYOR PRO TEM	ANTHONY WONG
COUNCIL MEMBER	HANS LIANG
COUNCIL MEMBER	PETER CHAN
COUNCIL MEMBER	MITCHELL ING

The Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem are selected among the members of the City Council for an approximate nine months and two weeks term.



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk (E)

Dated: April 11, 2013