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City Manager Report

"I read the news today, oh boy..." (Lennon/McCartney)



**'Well, who are you...
I really want to know...'**
(The Who)

Often at community meetings and events, I am approached by folks who have questions about various projects or want to point out maintenance issues around our great Village by the Sea. This past week I was approached by a North Beach resident who pointed out a structural issue with a City facility and then he asked if I minded him pointing out these various issues. I responded by saying 'absolutely not – as you and the many others that contact me are the eyes and ears of our community.' So, please, no matter who you are, call me or email me and let me know of any concerns that you might have about projects, issues and especially those that impact the safety of our visitors and citizens. By the way, the North Beach issue is being addressed...but may have gone undetected if I had not been informed. Thanks to - you know who you are...

What You Want to Know

Ole Hanson Beach Club

All of us want our Historic Beach Club open again – and soon! This project has been delayed due to escalating costs and the project team is revising some of the non-essential items in order to reduce the current cost estimates. Not only is this a tough bidding climate, the rehabilitation of historic buildings must adhere to strict guidelines and we are doing everything we can to maintain the historic character of this important community asset.

As of now, bidding for this project will start in September and construction is anticipated to be completed by December 2015. I'm ready for a dip in the pool.

Milestones	Date
Complete design	August 2014
Bidding and award of construction contract	December 2014
Construction completion	December 2015

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Library Expansion

A town without a library is like Seattle without a Starbucks! The San Clemente Library expansion is well underway and demolition work is nearly complete. The demolition of the ceiling brought a great surprise when the beautiful and original beams were exposed and saw the light for the first time in many years. These beams will remain exposed in the new library and the design will be incorporated into the space recently occupied by the Senior Center which will become the new Children's Library. Great project, great beams and I look forward to reading some great books!



Base of Pier Restroom Rehabilitation

I think we can all agree our base of Pier restrooms need a little rehab. Bidding on this project will begin this month with construction anticipated in Fall 2014, after SeaFest concludes. Rest assured by next summer we will have new restrooms at the base of our pier.

Milestones

Out to bid	July 2014
Award of Contract	September 2014
Construction anticipated	Fall 2014

Marblehead Coastal Development

Activity is increasing on both the residential and commercial sides of Marblehead Coastal Project. For the residential development, trail construction continues, including grading and fence post installation. Avenida Vista Hermosa wet utility (water, wastewater, drainage) is also underway and will be completed in July. Park plans (including restroom buildings and other features) are in final plan check and being updated to conform to California Green Code requirements. Completion of the first phase of the trail system and opening of Avenida Vista Hermosa is anticipated for late 2014. Taylor Morrison Homes expects to start model home construction in early 2015.

For the commercial project, work on the parking structure is underway and building foundations have started. Vertical walls will start construction next week. Craig Realty is targeting Summer/Fall 2015 to open the first phase of the commercial center.

Milestones

	Date
Start Pico Park and Sunset park construction	July 2014
Complete remaining Pico improvements	September 2014
Complete Trails Phase I	December 2014
Complete Pico park and Sunset park construction	June 2015

What I Like to Know

One of the best things about this job are the written accolades I receive regarding our employees when they are recognized for the great work that they do, day in and day out. Here is just one example of a letter I recently received from a citizen:

To whom it may concern:

This past April we got a call from one of the city employees, Gary Eggert, to advise us that our water drain at the sidewalk was gushing away and we must have a leak. We were out of town and were in a panic. I called the plumber who was on the way out to the house ASAP. I got a follow up call from Gary asking permission to access our back yard to check out the possible cause of the leak. Our pool was overflowing and someone had left the valve open which caused the pool to overflow into the runoff drains. Thank goodness for people like Gary who go above and beyond for their neighbors/citizens. I didn't think they made people like that anymore and they only existed in Hallmark movies and on the Turner Movie Classics channel!

He reminded me to call the plumber off and to avoid a visit charge.

Please give him a raise.

Thanks

Bruce Tammelin MD

Our Mission Statement

I want to thank those who took the time to respond with their thoughts on what the mission statement means to them. Next up will be a synopsis of what we heard so give us your thoughts...I really want to know!



Mission Statement

The City of San Clemente, in partnership with the community we serve, will foster a tradition dedicated to:

- Maintaining a safe, healthy atmosphere in which to live, work and play;
- Guiding development to ensure responsible growth while preserving and enhancing our village character, unique environment and natural amenities;
- Providing for the City's long term stability through promotion of economic vitality and diversity;
- Resulting in a balanced community committed to protection of what is valued today while meeting tomorrow's needs.

Upcoming Events

- July 31st Beach Concert-Kenny Cetera-Tribute to Chicago – On the sand North side of the San Clemente Pier
- August 5th America’s Night out Against Crime” 5-8pm San Clemente Aquatic Center/Vista Hermosa Sports Park
- August 10th San Clemente Street Festival-9am - Avenida Del Mar
- August 19th San Clemente City Council meeting

