



City of Highland Weekly Report

April 19, 2013

Celebrate Arbor Day at Community Park Thursday, April 25, 2013

Volunteer Services

Arbor Day. As part of Tree City USA, the City of Highland will be celebrating Arbor Day by holding a tree planting ceremony.



We will be planting a tree at Highland's Community Park on Thursday, April 25th at 9:00am. Please come and join us at this annual event.

Highland Community Park is located at 27003 Hibiscus in Highland. Should you have any questions, please contact Denise Moreno, Volunteer Services Coordinator at 909-864-6861 ext. 203.

More information about National Arbor Day or Tree City USA can be found on the National Arbor Day Foundation website, arborday.org

Highland Improvement Team -This month, the Highland Improvement Team cleanup will be litter abatement around our community facilities which include Highland Community Park, the Highland YMCA and the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and ELC. The cleanup takes place from 8am to 10am at Highland Community Park (7793 Central Avenue). Volunteers will also have the opportunity to help out during the YMCA

Healthy Kids Day event at the park, during which time, the volunteers and community members will have an opportunity to join in the "Mayor's Walk" around Community Park at 10:45.

For more information about the Healthy Kids Day, please contact the Highland Family YMCA at 909-425-9622.

Please remember...the HIT always welcomes New Volunteers!

To sign up for this cleanup or for more information regarding the Highland Improvement Team, please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Safe Routes to School - Students at Arroyo Verde Elementary School are participating in "Fit Friday's". In addition to engaging in activities that promote fitness, Friday will be a dedicated "Walk to School Day."

Students have a chance to sign up for the Active4Me scan program. The program is run by the Safe Routes to School parent committee at Arroyo.



Parents go on-line to register their student(s), once registered; the student is issued a barcode

tag at the school. Students will then participate by walking to school on Friday's. Upon arrival at school, a committee member will scan the student's barcode tag. A text message or email will immediately be sent to the student's parent/guardian notifying them that their child has arrived at school. In addition to the fabulous parent alert system, the program will keep track of miles walked, calories burned, gallons of gas saved and dollars of gas saved...all by walking to school. Please visit www.Active4.me to find out more information about this great program!

You may contact, Denise Moreno for more information about the Safe Routes to School Program at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Engineering

Base Line Town Center Beautification Construction Update. There was a lot of construction activity this week. The outer lanes at Palm Avenue and Base Line have been repaved.

The existing street lights have been removed on Base Line from Cole Avenue to Palm Avenue. Foundations for the new lights have been poured. Median street lights have been installed on Base Line east of Palm Avenue.



The outer lanes at Church Avenue and Base line will be paved by Monday, April 22, 2013. Next week, Edison will continue to remove existing street lights and construct foundations for new street lights. The contractor will continue to install conduit for street lights and irrigation. This project will construct a total of 61 new street lights. The project remains on schedule to be completed by June 28, 2013.

Community Development

Planning Commission determination: At its April 16, 2013, regular Meeting, the

Commission considered the following Items:

1. A Modification to an existing Sign Program for the 76 Gas Station, and Canopy Alteration (ASR-013-002). The Project is generally located at the corner of Base Line and the 210 State Highway. Address: 27627 Base Line. APN: 1201-051-17-0000. Representative: Sorin Enache (Promotion Plus Sign Company) (This Item was continued from the February 19, 2013, and March 19, 2013, Regular Meetings.)

The Planning Commission approved ASR-013-002; a Modification to an existing Sign Program for 76 Gas Station, for an additional Gas Pricing Sign required by Weights and Measures, subject to the Conditions of Approval and approved the Findings of Fact.

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

2. Accessory Sign Review Application (ASR 013-009) Amendment No. 3 to the Approved Sign Program for ARCO Gas Station Center.

The Planning Commission continued this Item to May 7, 2013.

3. 2014-2021 General Plan Fifth (5th) Cycle Housing Element Update (GPA 012-001) Planning Period of June 30, 2014 - January 1, 2021. The location is City-wide.

The Planning Commission Adopted Resolution 13-005, recommending the City Council takes the following actions:

1. Adopt a Negative Declaration for the 2014-2021 General Plan Housing Element Update and Direct Staff to file a Notice of Determination with the San Bernardino County Clerk of the Board, and;

2. Adopt a City Council Resolution certifying the City's 2014-2021 Housing Element in accordance

with the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Comment Letter dated March 9, 2013.

The Application may now proceed forward in the process and the Application will be scheduled for a future City Council Meeting.

Street Naming Committee Members appointed. At the January 10, 2013, Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting, the Committee appointed Mr. Michael Haynes. At the December 6, 2012, Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Regular Meeting, the Board reappointed Ms. Nancy Alexander to serve on the Street Naming Committee. The Highland Area Chamber of Commerce appointed Ms. Jessica Sutorus as its Member on March 13, 2013. Staff is looking forward to continuing work with Nancy, Michael and now with Jessica. Congratulations to all!!!



Street Naming Committee... New Chairman / Vice Chairman elected. At its April 10, 2013, Street Naming Committee Special Meeting, the Committee went through the election process and selected a new Chairman and Vice Chairman. The Committee elected Nancy Alexander as Chairwoman and Jessica Sutorus as Vice Chairwoman. This is Nancy's eighth time as Chair and Jessica's first time as Vice Chair. Staff is continuing to looking forward working with Nancy and Jessica in their new positions. Congratulations, ladies!!!

Finance

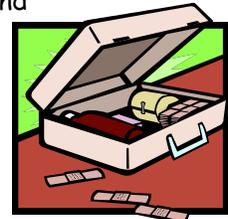
Commercial Business License Applications - There was one new commercial business license applications for the week of 04/15/13 to 04/19/13, Alkam Gold and Silver.

Public Works

Graffiti Report: During the period of 4/01/13 - 4/10/13, graffiti made known to Public Works staff, by the following means, was removed: **Reported by Staff:** 29800 Greenspot (old radio station); men's restroom at Community Park; Boulder northbound; **Routine Observation by Public Works:** Boulder Bridge; Elmwood/Base Line; Del Rosa/9th; Central/9th/Central n/o Base Line; Fisher/Central; 13th/Central, Fisher/Sterling; Jane/Sterling; 210 fw/Base Line; 25308 Base Line, 9th/Elmwood, Golondrina; Palm s/o 3rd; Base Line w/o McKinley, 25788 Base Line, 25646 Base Line, 25608 Base Line; Mira Vista/Base Line; Base Line/Del Rosa Ave.; east side of Sterling, s/o Jane; Boulder/City Creek.

Administration

Preparing makes sense - The likelihood that you and your family will survive a house fire depends as much on having a working smoke detector and an exit strategy, as on a well-trained fire department. The same is true for surviving a natural disaster or other emergency. We must have the tools and plans in place to make it on our own, at least for a period of time, no matter where we are when disaster strikes.



FEMA urges all Americans to: build a kit of emergency supplies; make a plan for what you will do in an emergency; and be informed about what might happen. Just like having a working smoke detector, preparing for the unexpected makes sense. Get Ready Now. For more information, visit www.ready.gov.

Mark Your Calendar



Saturday, April 20, 2013

8am to Noon - Highland Improvement Team Cleanup, Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line
10am to 1pm - Highland YMCA Healthy Kids Day
10:45am - Mayor's Walk, Highland YMCA - 7793 Central Avenue, Highland

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

3:30pm - Public Facilities Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room
4pm - Finance Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room
5pm - Closed Session City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers
6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, April 25, 2013

9am - Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony, Highland Community Park 27003 Hibiscus

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, May 9, 2013

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 21, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Monday, May 27, 2013

Memorial Day Observance - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Assembled by: Elena Rodrigues



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