



# City of Highland Weekly Report

April 20, 2012

## Community Trails Day Saturday, April 21, 2012

### Community Development

Community Trails Day Event is **THIS SATURDAY!!!** You are invited to participate in the City of Highland Community Trails Committee's 18th Annual Trails Day Event, to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2012. This year, the City will be utilizing the City of Highland's New Natural Parkland. Free Guided Tours will be lead by the Community Trails Committee Members from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. sharing points of interest and facts about local Trails and the environment.



The Tour takes approximately 45 minutes to one hour. The Route is approximately 1.6 miles in length. The Route will follow unimproved dirt trails and participants should wear appropriate clothing and shoes or boots. Please feel free to bring your off-road bicycle as at least one group will be lead by bicycle. The City will also attempt to set-up a horseback tour for those who wish to bring their horses to the Event, if interest is expressed prior to the Event.

This year's Event will be staged near the Eastern Terminus of Base Line in the City of Highland. For more information, about the Trails Day Event, please contact Sean Kelleher at (909) 864-8732 Extension 210. You may also visit the City's Website at [www.cityofhighland.org](http://www.cityofhighland.org) under the Events Section.

**Planning Commission determination:** At its April 17, 2012, regular Meeting, the Commission considered the following Items:

1. A Minor Sign Review Application (ASR-012-008) submitted by "Freddy's Auto Electrico" for a Permanent Building Mounted Sign on an existing Commercial Building. The Project's address is 7259 Osbun Road Unit B, a two (2) parcel site located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Base Line and Osbun Road. (APN: 1192-631-14-0000). Representative: Jose Mendez

The Planning Commission Approved a Proposed Sign Application (ASR-012-008), for a ten (10) square foot Building Mounted Sign, subject to Conditions of Approval, and Adopted Findings of Facts

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

2. Accessory Sign Review Application (ASR-012-007), Amendment No. 3 to the approved Sign Program for the Arco Gas Station Center. The Project is located at the southeast corner of Palm Avenue and Fifth Street and is identified as Assessor Parcel Number: 1201-311-48. Representative: Amer Quol.

The Planning Commission continued this Item to May 1, 2012, and directed Staff to prepare Conditions of Approval, Findings of Fact and Resolution to Deny the Project.

3. Design Review Application (DRA 011-008) for the City's New Fire Station No. 1 (First Phase) which includes a 16,107 square foot four (4) Bay Fire Station Facility, 1,152 square foot detached Storage Building, and twenty-five (25) standard Parking Stalls, and fifteen (15) Secured Parking Lot Facility for City vehicles, and approximately 37,000 square feet of landscaping / open space. The Project is located at 27177 Base Line (westerly and contiguous to the Highland City Hall facility - previously the Highland Branch Library and Post Office) (APN: 1192-421-01, 02 & 39). Representative: Joseph A. Hughes, City Manager; GV Salts, Architect (STK Architects, Inc.)

The Planning Commission continued this Item to May 1, 2012.

## Administration

**ATTENTION MOTORISTS! The 215 BIGSHIFT is coming!** Starting Monday, May 7, 2012, major changes on I-215 will go into effect.

A northbound traffic shift will result in changes for drivers traveling both sides of the freeway. These changes are necessary to allow crews enough working space to safely pave new freeway lanes and construct the new transition from

westbound SR-210 to southbound I-215.

A total of six changes will occur - three southbound and three northbound. Listed below are the upcoming changes. Please visit [www.215news.com](http://www.215news.com) to view a detailed map of what drivers can expect.

### Southbound I-215

- New connector ramp to southbound I-215 from westbound SR-210 (southbound SR-259)
- New temporary left-lane connection to southbound I-215 from westbound SR-210 (southbound SR-259)
- First access to Downtown San Bernardino for drivers entering southbound I-215 from westbound SR-210 (southbound SR-259) will be at 3rd Street

### Northbound I-215

- New temporary left-lane access from northbound I-215 to northbound SR-259 (eastbound SR-210)
- New northbound I-215 Baseline Street off-ramp opens permanently
- Current northbound I-215 Baseline Street (10th Street) off-ramp closes permanently

To keep in the know about these and other changes as part of the **#215BIGSHIFT**, follow us on Twitter [@215NEWS](https://twitter.com/215NEWS) and join the conversation using the hashtag - **#215BIGSHIFT**.

Not on Twitter? Visit us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/215news](http://www.facebook.com/215news). You can always check out our website at [www.215NEWS.com](http://www.215NEWS.com), or call the I-215 helpline at 1-877-215-NEWS (6397).



## Public Services



### REPETE'S WISDOM OF THE WEEK -

Get Your **FREE** Compost on April 21, 2012. Highland residents this is an opportunity for you to tackle those lawn and garden projects for Spring. The City of Highland Public Services Division and Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc. are teaming up to host a one day compost give-a-way.

Join us on April 21, 2012 from 8:00am to 12:00 (noon) at Highland City Hall (27215 Baseline) to pick up your **FREE** compost.

#### Here is how it works:

- **Open to Highland Residents ONLY (proof of residency will be required).**
- **This is a self-service program**
- **Available on a first come first serve basis**
- **A tarp is recommended for open bed truck or trailers**
- **City reserves the right to end the event at any time due to product availability.**

Compost can be used as a soil additive in gardens and flower beds to give plants additional nutrients and acts as a natural fertilizer. Compost helps grow stronger, healthier flowers, plants and vegetables.

For more information on this event, please contact Public Services Coordinator, Andrea A. Saavedra at 909-864-8732 ext 271.

## Volunteer Services

**BLOOD DRIVE COMMITTEE.** Please join us at our next Blood Drive Recruitment Meeting to find out how you can join our committee. Find out how you can give back to your community by volunteering during a blood drive. Volunteers are needed to help with registration and in the canteen area. The next

meeting is this coming Monday, April 23 at Highland City Hall (27215 Baseline) from 4pm to 5pm. Please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 for more information.

### HIGHLAND IMPROVEMENT TEAM.

There will not be a Highland Improvement Team (HIT) cleanup in this week. There are several other events scheduled for the same day, which happens to land on our regularly scheduled HIT cleanup day. Don't worry, HIT will be back in action in May...with everyone rested up and ready to go!

Some of the events and projects you may be interested in participating with on April 21st are the Open House at Fire Station #2 (29507 Baseline), City of Highland Trails Day (far east end of Baseline) and a Compost Give-Away held here in the parking lot at City Hall (27215 Baseline).

**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL.** Let's get ready to WALK! Cypress Elementary is having two more Walk to School Days this school year. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, April 25 and Wednesday, May 9. Volunteers are still needed to help with many different tasks on these two days. Many parents and community members inquired about helping out during our Walk to School Day in February.

If still interested, please join our next planning meeting at Cypress Elementary School on Tuesday, April 17 at 2pm. We welcome the help and encourage volunteerism with the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program and activities. The two upcoming Cypress Walk to School Days on April 25 and May 9 and will take place from 8am to 9am. Please do not hesitate to contact Volunteer Services for more information!



**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 Community Park on Thursday, April 26, 2012 at 9:00am. Please come and join for this annual event. Highland Community Park is located at 27003 Hibiscus in Highland. Should you have any questions, please contact Denise Garnsey, 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, [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org)

## Mark Your Calendar

### **Saturday, April 21, 2012**

Community Trails Day Event -Location City's Natural Parkland near the eastern terminus of Base Line. Guided Tours from 8am - 8:30am. 9am to 2pm - Open House at Fire Station #2 - 29507 Base Line, Highland

### **Monday, April 23, 2012**

4pm to 5pm - Blood Drive Recruitment Meeting  
Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line, Highland

### **Tuesday, April 24, 2012**

3pm - Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chambers  
5pm - Public Works Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room  
6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Council Chambers

### **Wednesday, April 25, 2012**

8am to 9am - Walk to School Day at Cypress Elementary - 26825 Cypress Street, Highland

### **Thursday, April 26, 2012**

9am - Arbor Day, Location: TBD

### **Tuesday, May 1, 2012**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### **Tuesday, May 8, 2012**

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Council Chambers

### **Thursday, May 10, 2012**

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

### **Tuesday, May 15, 2012**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### **Tuesday, May 22, 2012**

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Council Chambers

### **Monday, May 28, 2012**

Memorial Day Observed - City Offices are closed

### **Tuesday, June 5, 2012**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### **Thursday, June 7, 2012**

Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### **Tuesday, June 12, 2012**

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Council Chambers

### **Thursday, June 14, 2012**

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

### **Tuesday, June 19, 2012**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### **Tuesday, June 26, 2012**

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Council Chambers

*Assembled by: Elena Rodrigues*