



City of Highland Weekly Report

May 04, 2012

Practice Good Care Take your Car to the Car Wash

Public Services



REPETE'S WISDOM OF THE WEEK - Practice Good Care and Take Your Car to the Car Wash. Washing your car in a professional car wash is the

best way to prevent water pollution and keep your car clean. Wash water from car maintenance contains toxins like oil, grease, detergents, and anti-freeze that are harmful to the environment.

Such polluted water can enter the storm drain system, flow directly to our creeks, into the Santa Ana River and into the Pacific Ocean, making it unsafe for people and wildlife. Professional car wash facilities will send wash water to a wastewater treatment plant preventing it from entering the storm drain system.

San Bernardino County Stormwater Program has partnered with local businesses across the County to offer a Car Wash Discount valid through August 31, 2012.



How it works:

1. Get the discount card at events or download it
2. Take your car to one of the participating businesses
3. Present the card and get a discount!

To find a participating business nearest you or to download discount cards please visit, http://www.sbcountystormwater.org/CAR_WASH_CAMPAIN.html

Community Development

Planning Commission determination: At its May 1, 2012, regular Meeting, the Commission considered the following Items:

1. Accessory Sign Review Application (ASR-012-007), Amendment No. 2 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. (Continued from the April 17, 2012, Regular Meeting.)

The Planning Commission Adopted Resolution 12-005 denying the Applicant's proposal to enlarge the size and design of the Monument Signage Approved on September 6, 2011.

2. 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)(APNs: 1192-421-01, 02 & 39) Representative: Joseph A. Hughes, City Manager; GV Salts, Architect (STK Architects, Inc.) [Continued from the April 17, 2012 Planning Commission meeting].

The Planning Commission pulled this item from the Agenda to permit Staff additional time to process the subject Application concurrently with a Zoning Change related to the Highland Civic Center currently in process.

3. A Minor Sign Review Application (ASR-012-011) submitted by "Highland Family YMCA" for three (3) Permanent Building Mounted Signs on the existing Community Center Building located at 7793 Central Avenue. The parcel is located at the southeast corner of Central Avenue and Hibiscus Street. (APN: 1192-571-48-0000). Representative: Rob Hinderer, YMCA Representative

The Planning Commission Approved a Proposed Sign Application (ASR-012-011), for three (3) Building Mounted Signs, subject to Conditions of Approval, and Adopted the Findings of Facts

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

4. Conditional Use Permit (CUP-011-002), Design Review Application (DRA-011-002), and Accessory Sign Review Application (ASR-012-010) for a proposed new three thousand four hundred eighty five (3,485) square foot Multi-tenant Building, which will house a new Fast Food Restaurant with a Drive-thru and a new Bakery (Pepito's Drive-Thru Restaurant). The Site will also be improved with a new parking facility and new landscaping and Demolition of an existing Restaurant Building. The Site is generally located on the south side of Base Line approximately 200 feet east of Victoria Avenue, 26539 Base Line, Highland, California. Assessors Parcel Numbers: 1192-331-05, 06, and 07. Representative: Robert Chagolla Construction; James Ramos, Property Owner/Business Owner (Pepito's Drive-Thru Restaurant)



The Planning Commission Adopted Resolution 12-006 Approving Conditional Use Permit (CUP-011-002), Design Review Application (DRA-011-002), and Accessory Sign Review Application (ASR-012-010), all subject to the recommended Conditions of Approval, as modified, and the Findings of Fact.

The Applications may now proceed forward in the process.

5. Annual Review of the City's General Plan Implementation in accordance with Government Code Section 65400 and 65588.

The Planning Commission recommended the City Council "Receive and File" the Subject General Plan Implementation Annual Report.

The Annual Review may now proceed forward and will be scheduled for a future City Council Meeting.

Public Works

What's New in Public Works? The following activities were completed by Public Works Crew between 4/23/12 - 4/30/12: Assist with "Free Compost Day" for Highland residents; cleaned Flintlock & Via Del Dene channels/grades; cleaned Cram drain/channel; repaired potholes w/bound 5th w/o Del Rosa Dr., 5th/Lankershim, n/bound Del Rosa Dr. n/o Base Line, on Base Line between City Hall and w/o Cole; removed project sign at Cypress/Lankershim and Lankershim/5th;



USA markings; picked-up trash at City parks./ELC/YMCA/Corp. Yd; did routine maintenance on City vehicles; checked irrigation/landscape maintenance at LMDs throughout the City; dug v-ditches along Shelton Trail, along Church St. n/o Highland Ave; removed dirt from traffic signal pull-box at Farmer Boy's Restaurant (nw/corner of 5th/Palm); completed service requests; applied hot-mix asphalt at various locations; did planting for Arbor Day ceremony; prepared Sheriff's Station for Dedication/Open House; sprayed weeds along walking trails at Aurantia Park.

Volunteer Services

BLOOD DRIVE COMMITTEE.

LifeStream (regional blood bank) supplies blood to hospitals in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. The City of Highland is included in this region. Our region requires over 600 units of blood per day to fulfill the need of our community.

Your donation does COUNT! Please consider becoming Highland's newest donor by donating the "Gift of Life"...blood. All you need to bring with you is your photo identification. The process only takes 45 minutes to an hour. The friendly LifeStream staff and our wonderful Blood Drive Committee Volunteers will help you through it.

Join us at our next blood drive on Monday, May 21 at the Jerry Lewis Community Center, 7793 Central Avenue, from 1:30pm to 6:30pm. Please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 ext. 203 for more information.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL. Cypress Elementary School had over 300 students participate in their Walk to School Day on Wednesday, April 25th. That is about 50% of the student population at Cypress. Students that participate in both Cypress Walk Days on April 25 and May 9 will be invited to a Family Night at the Highland Family YMCA on Saturday, May 12 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. This will include free swim, open gym in addition to other activities and games. Students and their families are invited to partake in this special event.

In order to track students that are walking on these two days, volunteers are posted along the walking routes to give tickets to each student as they pass by. The students then record their name, teacher's name and grade on the ticket and turn them in to the front of the school on that morning.



It requires many hands to sustain a Safe Routes to School Program. Volunteers are still needed and welcome to help with the Walk Day on May 9 from 8:00 am to 9:00 am and with the Family Night on May 12 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm.

Please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203 to volunteer or for more information about our Walk to School Day events or Safe Routes to School program!

HIGHLAND IMPROVEMENT TEAM. The Highland Improvement Team's (HIT) primary goal to help beautify the City of Highland. The HIT group likes to focus their efforts on helping senior and disabled homeowners in Highland that need help with yard clean up and/or a garage clean out. A task that may seem small to most of

us is quite a challenge for someone that may have physical limitations. This is a great opportunity for many residents that need help.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to find senior or disabled homeowners that will ask for HIT assistance. Please, keep your eyes and ears open. Contact Volunteer Services if you know of a resident or home that may qualify for a HIT cleanup project. Contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Library News

TURN CREPE PAPER INTO SPRING FLOWERS! Don't have a green thumb but would love to have a long lasting flower arrangement for the coffee table or window ledge? Then we have



a solution for you! Join the Highland Environmental Education Coalition (HEEC) and the Highland Environmental Learning Center on Saturday, May 12, 2012 at 10am in the Community Room of the Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center (7963 Central Ave) as we present Creative Crafts for Adults, "Crepe Paper Flowers."

Stop by and create a colorful and unique crepe paper flower arrangement that will last all spring or you can surprise mom the next day with a beautiful bouquet for Mother's Day. This is a great way to reuse crepe paper and not break the bank when it comes to that special gift.

This craft program is **FREE** to participate. Patrons are encouraged to bring in any color crepe paper or floral wire.

For more information, please call (909) 425-4706 or email heecinfo@yahoo.com

Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, May 8, 2012

4PM - Public Safety Subcommittee Meeting

5:30pm - Finance Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room

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

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