



City of Highland Weekly Report

May 21, 2010

Public Nuisance Hearing & Building Code Appeals Board - Vacant Seats Available

Community Development

Seats declared vacant on the Public Nuisance Hearing Board. On May 11, 2010, the City Council declared three (3) seats vacant on the Public Nuisance Hearing Board. The Public Nuisance Hearing Board consists of five residents and meets as needed for the purpose of hearing the issues associated with the enforcement and abatement of various City laws and/or regulations as set forth in



the Highland Municipal Code, and to hear appeals of Administrative Citations. Three vacancies exist which terms of office will expire August, 2010. The City Council is tentatively scheduled to make the appointment at their Meeting of June 22, 2010. Appointees must be a resident of the City and shall be qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to enforcement of the Highland Municipal Code. All appointees serve without compensation, will need to complete an ethics training course and will have to submit an FPPC Statement of Economic Interest Form. Residents meeting the criteria above who desire to be considered must file an Application with the City Clerk prior to the close of business **MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2010.**

Applications can be obtained at City Hall, 27215 Base Line, Highland, California, 92346.

Seat declared vacant on the Building Code Appeals Board. On May 11, 2010, the City Council declared one (1) seat vacant on the Building Code Appeals Board. The Building Code Appeals Board of the City of Highland consists of three (3) members and is appointed by the City Council. Two of the members shall be qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction and the third member may be a lay person. The Board shall be any combination of professional individuals who are structural engineers, architects, general contractors or trade contractors. One vacancy has been declared by the City Council, which term of office expires June, 2010. The duties of the Board shall be to hear and determine appeals of orders, decisions and determinations of the City Building Official regarding the application and interpretation of the adopted Uniform California Codes, including but not limited to, the Uniform Housing Code and the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, herein referred to as the "Building Code" and undue hardship appeals of orders or determinations made by the Building Official relative to Title III, Chapter 9, Subpart I) of the American with Disabilities Act, Public

Law 101-336. The City Council is tentatively scheduled to make the appointment at their Regular Meeting of June 22, 2010, pursuant to Government Code. All appointees serve without compensation, will need to complete an ethics training course and will have to submit an FPPC Statement of Economic Interest Form. Highland residents wishing to be considered should file an Application with the City Clerk prior to the close of business **MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2010**. Applications can be obtained at City Hall, 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA, 92346.

Community Trails Day Event is only two (2) weeks away!!! Please join the Community Trails Committee on Saturday, June 5, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. for the 16th Annual Community Trails Day Event which is open to the public. Free Guided Trail Tours, will be led by the Community Trails Committee Members. It starts at 8 a.m. and will run until 10:00 a.m. Tours will leave every fifteen minutes for a total of five (5) groups. The last Tour group will set out at 9:15 a.m. The Tour lasts approximately 45 minutes - 1 hour.

This year's Event will be staged at the eastern terminus of Base Line and the City's new Natural Park.

The City of Highland's Community Trails Committee (CTC) invites participants to hike, or ride horses on the City's newest trails. The Route is approximately 1.6 miles in length. The Route will follow unimproved dirt trails. Participants should wear appropriate clothing and shoes or boots.

For more information, please contact Assistant Planner Sean Kelleher at (909) 864-8732 Extension 210, or visit the City's Website www.ci.highland.ca.us/CommTrails/

Planning Commission determination: At its May 18, 2010, regular Meeting, the Commission considered the following Item:

1. DRA-010-003 - A Design Review Application for the construction of thirty-five (35) new single-family homes on-site and off-site improvements associated with Approved Tract Map 18677. The subject parcels of land combined to form a 9.37 acre Site generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Cypress Street and Palm Avenue. The Site extends north and west from this location with Ninth Street running through the center of the Project. Assessor Parcel Numbers: 1192-461-59 through 69 and 1192-481-70 through 94. Representative: Keith Herren, Williams Homes Inc.



The Planning Commission:

1. Approved DRA-010-003 for the Proposed Site Plan, Preliminary Grading Plan, Fences and Walls, Building Elevations, and Conceptual Landscape Plans, all subject to the Conditions of Approval, as modified, and;
2. Approved the Design Review Findings of Fact.

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

Volunteer Services

Blood Drive. Highland's next BLOOD DRIVE is Monday, May 24. The drive will take place at the Jerry Lewis Community Center, 7793 Central Avenue from 1:30 pm to 6:30 pm. This is your chance to give back to the community of Highland and donate the "Gift of Life".

Please Remember:

- Bring photo identification with you, preferably a LifeStream ID card or Driver's License
- If you are 15 or 16 years old, please bring a signed LifeStream parental consent form. This is available on-line at www.LSTREAM.org
- Drink Plenty of decaffeinated liquids

Many times a person can be denied the privilege

of becoming a donor due to a low iron level. Here are a few tips on increasing your blood iron level.

What to Eat Before Donating Blood. Before making a life-giving blood donation, you should eat at your regular mealtimes and drink plenty of liquids. A few days before making a blood donation, you might also increase your consumption of "iron rich" foods such as



lean red meat, liver, iron-rich cereal, clams, oysters, potato, spinach and beans. Eating red meat with your vegetables can help increase iron absorption. In addition, try not to drink tea or coffee with iron rich foods as both could inhibit absorption of iron in the body.

For every lifesaving donation participants will receive:

- A discounted coupon to Knott's Soak City.
- Complimentary Marrow screening to join the National Marrow Donor Program
- Points as part of the "Gift of Life" donor loyalty program, which can be redeemed for items at LifeStream's online store

More information is available on-line at www.LSTREAM.org. For questions or more information, please contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Garnsey, at 909-864-6861 ext. 203.

Ninth Annual Public Safety Appreciation Week - June 15, 2010 - June 18, 2010. The City of Highland will be honoring our Police Officers and Firefighters by celebrating Public Safety Appreciation Week. During this week, the City will host a potluck lunch each day at a different station. Please join us and show your support by contributing a favorite dish to share and by staying to enjoy lunch among Highland's Police and Fire personnel. This is just a small way we can show our gratitude for their commitment to our community...everyday.

The dates and schedules are as follows:

11:00 am - 12:00 pm - Preparation
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Lunch

Tuesday, June 15, 2010 - Highland Police Station
- 26985 Base Line - 909-425-9793

Wednesday, June 16, 2010 - Fire Station #1 -
26974 Base Line (west) - 909-862-3031

Thursday, June 17, 2010 - Fire Station #2 -
29507 Base Line (east) - 909-862-1760

Friday, June 18, 2010 - Fire Station #3 - 7649
Sterling Avenue - 909-884-4100

Please contact Denise Garnsey, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at 909-864-6861 extension 203 for more information.

Public Services

Repete's Wisdom of the Week - Free Compost!!!! Get Your FREE Compost on May 22, 2010. 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 **May 22, 2010** 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.

Library News

Highland ELC Presents: Waste-To-Energy. The Highland Sam J Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center is proud to present the newest addition to their Environmental Exhibit Hall! The new "Waste-to-Energy" Exhibit is comprised of three sections to introduce patrons of all ages to the process, pros and cons of energy production from trash. The first section invites patrons to use a penny probe to investigate the flow of waste from the garbage bin to harvesting landfill gases to generate electricity. The center section let patrons explore Waste Management's "Think Green" web-site and learn the pros and cons of turning landfill gases into usable energy. Patrons are also encouraged to experiment with human energy by using their legs on pedals to generate enough electricity to turn on a fan, a bell, a light, or all three. The exhibit was funded through a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency and designed and built by Universal Exhibits.

Eco-Matinee: The Electric Car Question. The Highland Environmental Learning Center will present the award-winning film "*Who Killed the Electric Car?*" on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 1:00 pm in the Community Room. This documentary examines the life and death of the first all-electric automobile, the EV-1, in an attempt to determine if the reason for their disappearance was due to a lack of consumer confidence or something bigger. A discussion focusing on the current state and future prospects of electric vehicles will follow the film. This program is free and open to the adult public.

For more information, please contact Lauren

Bergh at the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center at (909) 425-4706 or HGLENV@lib.sbcounty.gov.

Family Science to Explore Oil spills.

The Highland Environmental Learning Center invites families to join a "Slick Exploration" as Family Science Exploration examines oil spills. Join us on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at 10:30 am in the Science Lab as we discuss the current oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico and similar situations throughout history. Come try to mix oil and water to discover how they interact, create a model oil spill, and try to figure out how to clean it up before it hurts the ocean and the coastline! Learn why oil spills are a problem, and how you can be part of the solution. This program is free and open to the public; children must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, please contact Lauren Bergh at the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center at (909) 425-4706 or HGLENV@lib.sbcounty.gov.

Trashy T-shirts become Trendy

Totes. Have a favorite old t-shirt that you do not wear anymore but just can not bear to part with? The Highland Environmental Education Coalition (HEEC) and the Highland Environmental Learning Center is pleased to announce an eco-friendly solution... make a bag out of it! Join us on Saturday, June 05, 2010 at 10:00am in the Community Room for Creative Crafts for Adults, "T-Shirt Totes". Patrons are encouraged to bring their own t-shirt (any size) and learn how to transform that tired old tee into a trendy new re-usable tote bag, no sewing required!



For more information, please contact Lauren Bergh at the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center at (909) 425-4706 or HGLENV@lib.sbcounty.gov.

Public Works

What's New in Public Works?The

following activities were completed by Public Works Crew between 5/3/10 - 5/13/10: Various maintenance tasks at City Hall; various sign replacements at Greenspot/Church, Cunningham s/o Hibiscus, Greenspot e/o Santa Ana Canyon, Cunningham/Cypress, Rodgers n/o 9th, Rodgers s/o 11th, Sterling n/o 9th, 6th e/o Lankershim, Cunningham/5th, 7591 Eucalyptus, 26250 9th, Lankershim n/o 9th, Base Line e/o Bonita, Greenspot e/o Club View, Michael Dr. 2/o 5th, Leslie n/o 5th, Marilyn/4th, Del Rosa n/o Court St., Fairfax s/o Union., Messina/Cole, Central/Messina, Victoria s/o Cypress, Base Line/Browning, Base Line/Church St., Amberwood/Cloverhil, Amberwood/Winterwood, Cloverhill/Base Line, Base Line/Yarnell; pickup chairs/table from Fire Station #1; cleaned oil spill on Victoria; cleaned Canyon Oak, Oak Creek, Seeley, Cunningham parks; did routine vehicle checks; checked USA tickets; replaced broken pvc fencing on LMD 30; picked-up trash at Aurantia Park; landscape maintenance districts and City facilities irrigation maintenance; asphalt repair at 5th/Palm and 13th e/o Sterling; sprayed weeds on Red Hill Trail from Aplin to Plunge Creek; cut down weeds and native brittlebush growing into Northfork Trail; fixed water leak on east side of City Hall; pot hole hot mix repair at various locations; PARSAC training; safety training; checked for dumped trash on Greenspot to Emerald; picked-up trash in Union St. alley; custodial work at Corporate Yd.; completed service requests; replaced lights at Fire Station #3; replaced broken pvc fence bracket on fence rail in front of Cram School (Aplin Trail); walk-thru of LMD #44; installed pole banner flags and banners; Traffic Control training course; trimmed tree at 26611 Central; picked-up dumped furniture at Orange/Millar and Mansfield/San Francisco; repaired broken irrigation system at LMD #44 (Church St. and Lemon St.); manually watered stations 13-19 at LMD #30 due to irrigation failure.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, May 22/Sunday, May 23, 2010

8 am to 8 am (24-hour event)

Relay for Life (Highland), Highland Community

Park - 27003 Hibiscus

Monday, May 24, 2010

1:30 pm to 6:30 pm - Blood Drive, Jerry Lewis Community Center - 7793 Central Avenue

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

City Council Regular Meeting- Canceled

Monday, May 31, 2010

Memorial Day - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, June 1, 2010

4pm - Joint Study Session with City Council and Planning Commission, Donahue Council Chambers

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Wednesday, June 2, 2010

4pm - Public Nuisance Hearing Board Special Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, June 3, 2010

5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, June 5, 2010

8 am - Community Trails Day Event

9 am to 2 pm - Fire Station Open House Station #2 - 29507 Baseline

Tuesday, June 8, 2010

4pm - Special Joint Meeting with City Council and Planning Commission, Donahue Council Chambers

6 pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, June 10, 2010

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

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, June 19, 2010

7am - Highland Improvement Team Clean Up
Meet at City Hall - 27215 Base Line

Tuesday, June 22, 2010

6 pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Monday, June 28, 2010

5pm to 6pm - Blood Drive Committee
Recruitment Meeting, Jerry Lewis Community
Center - 7793 Central Avenue

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