



City of Highland Weekly Report

October 3, 2014

New Business Coming to Highland Dickey's Barbeque Pit

Community Development

"Dickey's Barbecue Pit" Comes Home to Highland. Dickey's Barbecue Pit will be opening its newest restaurant in the Highland Crossings Shopping Center on Greenspot Road (Lowe's Center) in November. The new restaurant will occupy two vacant suites between the existing NutriShop and the Dr.



Espinosa Optometry office. The property owner, TREH Partners LLC., announced that Dickey's Barbeque Pit is excited to Come Home to Highland and serving its good food to residents and businesses in the community. Staff is hopeful all required tenant improvement permits, sign permits, and other ancillary permits for Dickey's Barbecue Pit restaurant will be completed within the next couple of weeks. The founder Travis Dickey opened the first Dickey's in Dallas, Texas in 1941 with the vision of creating the perfect Texas-style barbecue.

Today, customers are wooed by the home-style flavor and family friendly atmosphere. Every location smokes all their meats on-site at the restaurant the same way it was done in 1941. Dickey's serves up beef brisket, pulled pork,

ham, polish sausage, turkey breast and chicken, with an extensive array of home-style sides from jalapeno beans to macaroni and cheese. Buttery rolls are served with every meal along with the complimentary ice cream and dill pickles, and kids eat free on Sundays.

Harmony in Highland - Update on the Harmony Specific Plan. The Harmony Specific Plan is making its way through the City's entitlement review process and it is expected to reach the public hearing phase in early 2015. The draft recirculated Environmental Impact Report is available for public review with comments due no later than October 13, 2014. Harmony is the name given to a master plan community proposed at the easterly end of the City and envisioned for approximately 3,600 residential units with neighborhood retail uses, a school site, a club house complex, and fire station. In addition, fifty percent (50%) of the project is planned for parks, recreational facilities, and natural open space.



The Applicants (Lewis Group of Companies and Orange County Flood Control District) and City staff will conduct a public outreach meeting at City Hall on October 15th at 6:30



pm. The meeting will be hosted by the City to give the general public and other agencies more opportunities to learn about the Harmony Specific Plan and ask questions. Anyone interested in being notified directly of upcoming meetings should contact Kim Stater at (909) 864-6861 Ext. 204. The City's webpage will also advertise upcoming meetings. The draft Harmony Specific Plan, draft Environmental Impact Report documents, and Tentative Tract Maps are available on the City's webpage. Questions about the Harmony Specific Plan applications can be answered by City Planner Kim Stater or Community Development Director Lawrence Mainez.

Volunteer Services

Blood Drive - November Blood Drive!

Mark Your Calendar! The next community blood drive is set for Monday, November 24, 2014.

The Blood Drive will be at the Highland Police Station (26985 Base Line) from 1:30pm to 6:30pm. Please join us in helping Highland increase its blood donations.



Should you have any questions or like to volunteer your time, please contact Denise Moreno at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Highland Improvement Team - Join

the Highland Improvement Team (HIT) this month as we help with a Community Tree Planting! This project is taking place on Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 8:00am to 12:00pm. Volunteer Services is currently taking sign-ups for this project. Contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Moreno, at 909-864-6861 extension 203 to sign up or for more information about the Highland Improvement Team.



Fire Station #3 Open House -

The community is invited to an Open House at Fire Station #3 on Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Come on down and tour the station house and partake in a hands-on tour of the fire engines. Firefighters will also be offering free blood pressure checks, answering any questions and will provide free fire prevention literature.

Don't miss out...join us and tour your local fire station! Fire Station #3 is located at 7649 Sterling Avenue (just south of 9th Street). For more information, please contact the station at 909-884-4100 or Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Administration

Emergency Preparedness - Why Prepare? More than 82% of U.S. residents are aware that emergency preparedness is important to handle disasters. Yet of these, most have made little, if any, actual preparations! What about you? Are you ready? All of us need to take a role in helping protect each other and our families and friends in the event of an emergency. From fires to landslides to ever-present earthquakes, we continuously face emergency situations.

Disasters disrupt hundreds of thousands of lives every year. Each disaster has lasting effects, both to people and property. If a disaster occurs in your community, local government and disaster relief organizations will try to help you. But you need to be ready as well. Local responders may not be able to reach you immediately or they may need to focus their efforts elsewhere. You should know how to respond to severe weather or any disaster that could occur in your area, including earthquakes, wildfires, landslides, pandemic, flooding, terrorism and more. You should also be ready to be self-sufficient for

three to seven days. This may mean providing for your own shelter, first aid, food, water and sanitation.

We know that the next emergency is coming. We just don't know when or what kind it will be. But we can - and must - prepare now for the next emergency. Our family, friends and community depend on it.

For more information on getting prepared, please visit www.ready.gov.

Finance

Commercial Business License Applications - There was one new commercial business licenses for the week of 9/29 to 10/03/14. Water Plus located at 7750 Palm Ave., Suite-E.

Public Works

Base Line Paver Repairs - Road Closure.

Repairs to the decorative pavers at Base Line/Palm Avenue and Base Line/ Church Avenue have been scheduled for Friday and Saturday of next week. The work hours are set from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. During construction, motorists will not be able to make left or right turns on at these intersections. However, one lane for east-west direction of Base Line will be open. The contractor will tackle one intersection at a time. Work will begin at the intersection of Base Line and Palm Avenue. Detours will be set to assist motorists navigate through the intersection closures. The City thanks you in advance for your cooperation during construction of the paver repairs.

Base Line/Greenspot Road Traffic Safety and Bikeway Improvements. This week the westbound speed feedback and speed limit signs were relocated on Base Line due to

conflict with parkway trees. The speed feedback sign on Base Line and Greenspot Road were also activated, ahead of schedule. A gas meter in conflict with the widening improvements was relocated on the north side of Base Line west of Palomino Street. Now that all utility conflicts on Base Line have been resolved between Browning Road and Palomino Street, construction in earnest on the north side of the street will be underway next week.



Greenspot Road Widening Improvements

- The contractor continued with installation of electrical wiring, traffic signal loops and adjustment of manholes to grade this week. Next week, traffic signal at Greenspot Road and Boulder Avenue will be restored to normal operation because it is currently on recall where it cycles through all phases. Edison has pushed back service for the decorative street lights on the median and parkway. The lights are estimated to be turned on by October 17th. City staff continues to work closely with Edison to fast-track completion of the overhead transmission lines in order to complete the roadway widening once the power poles are removed.

City-Wide Sidewalk Repairs

- Reconstruction of damaged sidewalk and damaged or non-ADA compliant handicap curb ramps at various locations throughout the City; and construction of new sidewalk and new handicap ramps where none exist at various locations throughout the City is set begin Monday, October 13th. Work will begin on the west side of the city and continue to the east. Construction is anticipated to be completed January 30, 2015.

Vine Street Pavement Rehabilitation and Various Street Repairs - Vine Street from Base Line to 13th Street and Tippecanoe Street to east end is being rehabilitated.

Improvements include removal and replacement of existing pavement and asphalt concrete overlay. Additionally, this project includes isolated pavement repairs on Tippecanoe Avenue, 3rd Street, 6th Street, Base Line, Highland Avenue, Sterling Avenue, and Greenspot Road. Construction will begin Monday, October 20th. The project is estimated to be completed by December 12th.

9th Street and Palm Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation - Bids were opened on October 2nd for construction of pavement rehabilitation on 9th Street (Del Rosa Drive and Palm Avenue) and Palm Avenue (Base Line to 5th Street). The apparent low bid construction cost is \$983,000. The project will be funded using a combination of Measure I and Local Funds. Bid award will be made at the October 14th Council meeting.

Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, October 7, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, October 9, 2014

5pm - Community Trails Committee, Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, October 11, 2014

9am to 2pm - Used Oil Filter Exchange & Recycling Event, AutoZone - 27292 Base Line, Highland

Tuesday, October 14, 2014

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, October 18, 2014

8am to 12pm (Noon)/Sign in from 7:30am to 8am - Highland Improvement Team Cleanup, Meet at Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line

Saturday, October 18, 2014

9am to 2pm - Fire Station #3 Open House, 7649 Sterling, Highland

Tuesday, October 21, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Wednesday, October 22, 2014

2:30pm - Orange County Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room

October 23, 2014 through October 31, 2014

Red Ribbon Week

October 27, 2014 through November 25, 2014

Highland Community Food Drive - Food Donation Locations:

Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line

Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line

Highland YMCA - 7793 Central Avenue

Highland Community News - 27000 Base Line, Suite G

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

3:30pm - Joint Study Session Meeting with City Council/Planning Commission, Donahue Council Chambers

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

November 4, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

November 11, 2014

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

November 13, 2014

5pm - Community Trails Committee, Donahue Council Chambers

November 18, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

November 25, 2014

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

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