

Stop Polluting Our Newport

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A fine Friday evening to you.

Here is the *Insider's Guide* for the Newport Beach City Council meeting of Tuesday, September 22, 2015.

The City Council meeting is held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of most months. The **Study Session** starts at 4:00 p.m. (normal time) and the **Regular Session** will start at 7:00 p.m. **The Council meets in the Council Chambers at 100 Civic Center Drive.** There is plenty of parking, and you are welcome to attend. But you can also watch on TV (Channels 3/31) or on your computer.

I don't summarize every item on the Agenda – but to read the full agenda, click here:

<http://www.newportbeachca.gov/home/showdocument?id=4414>

If you are so inclined, please weigh in on these issues by contacting the entire City Council with one email address – that's CityCouncil@newportbeachca.gov. They appreciate hearing from you, especially about any agenda item.

Here's what's on the **afternoon Study Session's agenda**:

- We'll talk with the Council about what "**community paramedicine**" means – basically, it would increase the role of our paramedics in providing care different from emergency medical, but certainly aligned with it. The health care function nationwide is moving towards keeping folks in good health and avoiding the emergency room, and cities across the nation are enlisting local fire departments to help in this goal (when the paramedics are not on emergency calls). It's an interesting subject, and you'll want to tune in if you can.
- About once a year we update the community on our **water quality efforts**. In this case, ways to maintain the recreational water quality around us. This relates to the bay and ocean versus drinking water or water conservation, although that plays a role. The less water used for irrigation, the less runoff occurs. This study session item is a broad one that recognizes the good students at **Sage Hill** and what they've worked on, as well as water quality in general. We'll also ask the Council for more input on how our **median turf replacement** program is going.

Briefly, I'll note one **closed session** item – we'll talk with the Council about offers on the **Balboa Theater**. Several interesting offers came in.

Here's what's on the **evening session at 7:00 p.m**:

- **Corona del Mar folks** are following the formation of utility undergrounding assessment district #AD 117. If you're interested in this item, it's on the consent calendar.
- We've completed the **massive turfgrass replacement** project at Bonita Creek Park – it's a pretty amazing new field, if you get a chance to drive by and look at it. Its ability to be used year 'round has been dramatically increased with the change, and it's resulted in a huge reduction in water use. The agenda item is a filing of the notice of completion.
- The Council and public will see the terms of a **proposed labor agreement** with our police sergeants and lieutenants.
- The major item of the evening is the proposed issuance of a **Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to Woody's Wharf (2318 Newport Boulevard)**. Those who have been following this project should review the staff report. The link to it is here: [Woody's Wharf Use Permit Amendment located at 2318 Newport Boulevard \(PA2015-158\)](#)

- There also is an update to our **master fee schedule** – something we do annually, even as we do more in-depth review of fees for each department once every three years. This year’s review included Fire, Police, and Community Development.

Some notes:

- **Post-Tsunami.** It was a major non-event (that’s good), but it was and is a good reminder to all of us to do three things:
 - **(1)** make sure you’re signed up for **Nixle** alerts – go to this website: <http://local.nixle.com/newport-beach-police-department/>. Do it now, please, and join about 6,000 others who’ve learned its benefits – I get a lot out of it, especially the text that warn me of up-to-date traffic snarls. I’ll wait ‘til you’re done.
 - **(2)** If you felt like you got an **Alert OC** call on wrong line for the Tsunami Advisory (note: Not everyone in town was sent the Alert OC – if you were up on high ground, we likely excluded you from the 9:30-ish call), or preferred a text, you can update your preferences at **AlertOC** here: <http://bos.ocgov.com/alertoc/alertoc.asp>.
 - **(3)** think about taking our free (and very helpful) **CERT** courses - If you’re near the Civic Center tomorrow, you can also stop by our annual Disaster Preparedness Expo (details below) or sign up online for the October sessions - <http://newportbeachca.gov/home/showdocument?id=20770>
- Here are some fun calendar items for the next two weekends:

[Upper Newport Bay Cleanup Day](#)

Saturday, September 19, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Peter and Mary Muth Interpretive Center
 2301 University Drive, Newport Beach, 92660

[Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo](#)

Saturday, September 19, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
 Free admission
 Newport Beach Central Library
 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach, 92660

[Green on the Green Eco Expo](#)

Saturday, September 19, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 Free admission
 Civic Green, Newport Beach Civic Center
 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, 92660

[Team Kids Peer-2-Pier Challenge](#)

Sunday, September 20
 Free admission
[Register in advance](#)
 8 a.m. Registration
 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. Human Chain of Compassion
 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Event Celebration at Peninsula Park
 All unregistered participants: Check-in at 8 a.m. at the Team Kids booth located in Peninsula Park, 100 Main Street, Newport Beach, 92661

[Newport Beach Surf Championships](#)

Saturday, September 26 and Sunday, September 27
[Registration fees & application](#)

54th or 56th Street Beach (depending on best wave conditions), Newport Beach, 92663
Space is limited

Concert on the Green with Britain's Finest

Sunday, September 27, 6 p.m.

Free admission

Civic Green, Newport Beach Civic Center
100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, 92660

As always, thanks for reading and have a nice weekend. Please feel free to forward this e-mail to family, friends and members of your HOA if you represent one. I always like hearing from you, too, so please don't hesitate to ask a question or offer a comment.

Sincerely,

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