



Memo

TO: City Council
FROM: Robert Clark, City Manager
DATE: August 7, 2014
SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Permit Processing

We are working to make the development permit process more efficient and predictable. In part this will be done by emphasizing the pre-application process. We are also working on internal coordination of the various divisions that have a role in the process (Planning, Building and Engineering). In order to avoid misunderstandings about City requirements, we will be encouraging people who are considering projects to reduce their questions to written form, and, where appropriate, to pay a small fee for a pre-application review of their preliminary designs. The extra effort up front, prior to making an application, is a proven way to help applicants avoid expensive and time consuming problems with their formal applications.

Trees

The drought continues to take its toll on trees throughout the City's public and private land. A large sycamore, on Ventura Street just below Montgomery, and two additional trees further down Montgomery also dropped major limbs. In an effort to minimize damage to our trees, staff is deep watering stressed live oak trees in Libbey Park, and some on Ojai Ave. Some stressed trees are going dormant early including a large sycamore in the plaza next to Serendipity Toys, and another large sycamore at the Woman's Club.

Public Works Crew

The Public Works crew is painting stop bars and legends throughout City.

Upcoming Agendas

The tentative upcoming agendas are listed below:

August 12

Parks and Recreation Commission -6pm

Consent

2nd Reading Flood

2nd Reading PRC Duties

Stuart Consulting Contract

HERO Program

Discussion

County Telecommunications Regulations (Comments)

Fire Flow

Green Coalition Funding Request

Closed Session
Department Head Compensation
RDA Loan Litigation

August 19

Special Joint Meeting with PRC regarding Skateboard Park

August 26

Consent

Paving Contract Notice of Completion
Investment Policy Amendment
Records Retention Update
TDA Grant Resolution

Discussion

Review Lighting Ordinance
Affordable Housing Discussion
Tree Protection Policy

Successor Agency

ROPS 14-15B

Closed Session

Pearl Street Land Acquisition

Sept 9 (Cancelled)

Sept 23

Presentation

School Bond Measure (Hank Bangser)

Consent

Form 700 Review

Public Hearing

Telecommunications Ordinance
Leaf Blower Ban Ordinance (Ban)

Discussion

Adopt Fee Schedule
Skate Park Security
July 4th Chairs
Holiday Meeting Schedule

Planning Commission Upcoming Meetings
 Future Agenda Items - ***Tentative***

August 20 Wednesday	September 3 Wednesday	September 17 Wednesday	October 1 Wednesday
607 N. Signal Street DRP for a new 2-story residence & 607 N. Signal Street Appeal of a Director's Decision			
999 E. Ojai Avenue Whispering Oaks, Area Housing New planting plan to modify the original landscape plan			
Landscape Ordinance Regulations City Attorney and Ad Hoc Landscape Committee			
Skatepark Lighting 450 E. Ojai Avenue			
914, 1000, 1010 E. Ojai Avenue Concept Review Variance to fence/wall height			

Pending Projects (NOTE: Not all projects have been deemed complete)

- Emerald Iguana Inn, 108 Pauline Street, modification to existing CUP
- DRP 13-18, Craftsman Village redesign, 611 Pearl Street
- DRP 14-02, California Solar Electric, 302 N. Montgomery Street
- CUP 14-03 & DRP 14-07, Mountain Vista Manor addition of a new building to an existing board and care facility for the elderly