



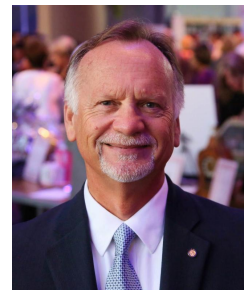
GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

December 4, 2020

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Thank you for taking the time to read our weekly newsletter. Every Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm, we distribute this publication to provide updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your neighbors to sign up for the Go Fourth! Friday newsletter by contacting us at: district4@longbeach.gov.

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



COVID-19 Updates

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

As the unprecedented increase in COVID-19 cases continues to threaten hospitalization capacity, Gov. Gavin Newsom announced that the state is being divided into five regions for monitoring Intensive Care Unit (ICU) hospital capacity moving forward. When a region's ICU capacity falls below 15%, the new stay-at-home order will be implemented for a period of at least three weeks. The City of Long Beach released a [statement](#) about the new statewide Stay at Home Order.



By the Numbers (Long Beach only):

- 17,402 total positive results
 - 313 new cases since yesterday
 - Seven-day positivity rate: 6.4%
 - 37.6 seven-day case rate per 100K population
- 282 fatalities
- 75 Long Beach residents hospitalized with COVID-19

- 154 total COVID-19 hospitalizations in area hospitals (Long Beach Memorial Hospital, St. Mary Medical Center, College Medical Center, Lakewood Regional Medical Center and Los Alamitos Medical Center)
- Approximately 14,837 recovered (Please note that, for low-risk patients recovering at home, recovery data is self-reported)
- 348,945 total tests conducted
- Information as of Dec. 2

State Indicators (Updated on 12/1/20):

- Current LA County Tier: Purple Tier (Widespread)
- Seven-day positivity rate: 7.0%
- 20.2 daily new cases per 100K population
- Testing positivity in lowest-resourced areas (health equity metric): N/A

Details Regarding Fatalities:

- 160 are associated with long-term care facilities (LTCF)
- Ages:
 - 2 were in their 20s
 - 1 were in their 30s
 - 8 were in their 40s
 - 25 were in their 50s
 - 64 were in their 60s
 - 66 were in their 70s
 - 79 were in their 80s
 - 37 were over 90
- 121 female, 161 male
- 3 individuals had no known underlying health conditions

Safer at Home Order:

- View the current ["Safer at Home" Order](#) (12/2/20)

Past News Releases:

- To view past COVID-19-related press releases, visit the [City Press Release Archive](#). Releases include information about economic relief, help for people experiencing homelessness and updates regarding City operations.

The City of Long Beach continues to monitor the situation 24/7 in coordination with local, state and federal officials. For the latest updates on Coronavirus, check our Health Department's website at this [link](#).

Long Beach Department of Health & Human Services (LBDHHS)

If you have been impacted by the pandemic and need mental health care, food access, housing/shelter, legal aid, children/family services and more, help is here. Call LBDHHS at 562-570-INFO (4636), select Option 5, leave a message and you will receive a call back with resources.

LB Resource Line

562.570.INFO
(4636)



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COVID-19

longbeach.gov/covid19

Past Events

Community Hospital Update

Yesterday, the LBPost published an article covering the re-opening of Community Hospital. A final California Department of Public Health (CDPH) inspection was referenced as being scheduled for the week of December 14th. The hospital's new operator, John Molina, stated that if the hospital passes the inspection, it could open the next day. He also indicated that physicians and nurses are already staffed, and his group would work with local workforce development agencies to fill out the hospital's staffing needs. You can read the entire article at this [link](#).



Contacting State Representatives on Caltrans Issues

In the November 6th edition of our newsletter, we reported that the City of Long Beach and Caltrans could not come to an agreement on the State agency's responsibilities. Caltrans did not agree to address the many complaints regarding trash on their freeway easements. For that reason, we are asking residents to contact their State representatives with Caltrans complaints:



Patrick O'Donnell: Assemblymember.ODonnell@assembly.ca.gov | 562-429-0470

Lena Gonzalez: Senator.Gonzalez@sen.ca.gov | 562-256-7921

Tom Umberg: Senator.Umberg@sen.ca.gov | 714-558-3785

You can also contact Caltrans directly via their website: <https://csr.dot.ca.gov/>. If you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to contact the Caltrans District 7 office at 213-897-3656 or via email at: D7inquiries@dot.ca.gov

LA County Eviction Moratorium Update

The Long Beach Citywide Eviction Moratorium due to the COVID-19 emergency expired on September 30th. At that point, the City came under the County of Los Angeles eviction moratorium jurisdiction applicable to charter cities effective September 1st. In November, the County Board of Supervisors extended the County moratorium until January 31st, 2021. The moratorium is also



subject to further extensions by the County Board of Supervisors. Additional information can be found on the County's website at this [link](#).

Upcoming Events

AQMD's Check Before You Burn Alerts

NO BURN DAY TODAY! - DECEMBER 4th

Smoke from wood-burning fireplaces contains gases and tiny particles known as PM 2.5 that can lodge deep in your lungs and contribute to a variety of respiratory health problems including asthma and lung disease. Young children and the elderly are especially vulnerable. From November 1st through the end of February, you can protect your family and community by participating in South Coast AQMD's "Check Before You Burn" program. You can pledge to not burn wood in fireplaces when unhealthy air quality is forecast and by signing up to receive daily Air Alert and No-Burn day notification emails. Additional details and the sign up link are at this [link](#).



Shop Small - Shop Local - Go Fourth!

For your holiday gift buying, why not support our small local businesses in the 4th District? From See's Candies in Los Altos, to J&L Jewelry in the Circle Center to a Joe Jost's T-shirt in Zaferia, our retailers have a lot to offer. You'll save the online delivery costs and help the environment by keeping that packing material out of the landfills. Go shopping and Go Fourth!



Free Coffee for Health Care Workers & First Responders

Palo Verde & Stearns - Bellflower & Stearns - Atherton & Ximeno

Starbucks will be giving away free cups of coffee to health care workers and first responders who have been working during the Covid-19 pandemic. They want to show their deep gratitude for those who support and protect us every day with a small gesture of kindness and a cup of coffee. Until the end of December, a customer "who identifies as a front-line responder to the COVID-19 outbreak" can walk into any Starbucks and receive a free tall brewed coffee, hot or iced. The giveaway also extends to other hospital staff, like janitors and security, mental health workers and active-duty military.





"Lighting of the Letters" Food & Hygiene Items Drop Off

Dec. 6 - Jan. 4 | 5609 E. Los Santos Dr.

LIGHTING OF THE LETTERS

Let the tradition continue!
Sunday, December 6
dusk at Whaley Park

In lieu of annual community event
we will be collecting food and
hygiene items for the
Christian Community Outreach in Action
from Dec. 6 to Jan 4
Place donations in barrels located
at 5609 E. Los Santos Drive.

Canned goods	Paper goods, utensils, napkins
Boxed Mac n Cheese	Toilet paper, paper towels
Rice	Cleaning supplies
Noodles	Coffee
Boxed Potatoes	Creamer
Peanut Butter	Sugar
Jelly	Syrups
Cereals	Grits
Graham Crackers	Spices
Brownie Mix	Baby diapers

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day on Monday

Monday, December 7th, marks National Pearl Harbor

Remembrance Day. Each year on this date, we remember and honor the 2,403 men and women who lost their lives at Pearl Harbor on December 7th, 1941. The American flag should be flown at half-staff until sunset to honor those who died as a result of the attack on U.S. military forces in Hawaii. Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is not a federal holiday, and government offices, schools and businesses do not close. In commemoration of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day on Monday, all Long Beach City facilities are authorized to fly the American flag at half-staff from sunrise to sunset.



See's Candies Hanukkah Collection

Dec. 10th - 18th | 8:30 am - 8 pm | 2129 N. Bellflower Blvd.



See's Hanukkah collection is fun, festive, delicious and 100% certified kosher. Stop by See's Candies in the Fourth District to pick up treats for the first night. For a limited time they have free shipping for orders over \$65. More information is available [here](#).



Next on the City Council Agenda

December 8th | 5:00 pm | Teleconference

The City Council teleconference will start at 5:00 pm. The civic chambers will be closed, but the public can use eComment to provide comments on agenda items. Comments can also be submitted by email to: CityClerk@longbeach.gov. Items on Tuesday's council meeting agenda include:



- Recommendation to conduct a Study Session to receive and file an update on COVID-19 data and recent Health Order.
- Recommendation to request City Manager to create a \$5 million Restaurant, Brewery & Bar Resiliency Fund from the next federal COVID-19 stimulus fund package. This fund could be increased depending on demand and final federal

stimulus bill.

- Recommendation to adopt Plans and Specifications No. R-7167 for the El Dorado Park West Artificial Turf Soccer Field Project (Project) and award a contract to Byrom-Davey, Inc. of San Diego, CA, for the construction of the artificial turf field, in the amount of \$1,323,115, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$132,312, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,455,427, and authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into the contract, including any necessary amendments; and Adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute contracts, and any necessary amendments, with FieldTurf USA, of Calhoun, GA, on the same terms and conditions afforded to Region 4 Education Service Center Contract No. R162203, through Omnia Partners, for the purchase and installation of artificial turf for the Project, in the amount of \$530,352, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$53,035, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$583,387; and, for eight years of maintenance of the artificial turf field following the completion of the Project, in the amount of \$144,000, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$14,400, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$158,400, until the Omnia Partners contract expires on May 31, 2022, with the option to renew for as long as the Omnia Partners contract is in effect. (District 5)

The entire agenda can be found [here](#). To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click [here](#).

Blood Drive at the Long Beach Playhouse **December 11th | 9 am - 3 pm | 5021 E. Anaheim St.**



The Long Beach Playhouse is working with the Red Cross as a blood drive location on Friday December 11th. Click [here](#) for more information and sign up opportunities.

Bethany/Rock White Ribbon Gift Drive **Dec. 13th | 11 am - 12:30 pm | 2250 Clark Ave.**

Join The ROCK Christian Fellowship and Bethany Church on December 13th as they support DCFS by hosting a White Ribbon Gift Drive. You are invited to purchase new gifts/toys (for kids age 3-12) as well as gift cards to department stores like Target or Walmart (for teens age 13-18). Load those unwrapped gift/toys/gift cards into the trunk of your car and drive through the Bethany Church parking lot where volunteers will unload your trunk. DCFS will distribute your gifts to local children in foster care. Thank you for your support as we help to bless kids in need in our community! Bethany Church, 2250 Clark Ave., Long Beach | (562) 597-2411



LB Youth Tobacco/Vape Diversion

3 Days - December 15th, 16th, 17th | [Online](#)



Do you know a teenager who smokes/vapes and would like support quitting? The Long Beach Health and Human Services Department has created a unique tobacco diversion program for Long Beach youth. It is FREE, online and available every month of the school year. Click the [link](#) to learn more and to register your teen. The program is for Long Beach youth ages 14-18 who smoke/vape tobacco products. Topic covered will include: health effects of tobacco/vape use; healthy brain development; nicotine addiction; refusal skills; best quitting strategies and more! For more information, please call 562-570-7950.

Nature Center Winter Break Workshops

Sign ups start December 1st | [Online](#)



EL DORADO NATURE CENTER
WINTERBREAK
WORKSHOPS
FOR YOUTH AGES 5-8

Join us for vacation fun at the Nature Center!
December 22-24 and December 29-31
10 a.m.- noon, check in at 9:45 a.m.
\$20 per class. Pre-registration required

 To register visit LBParks.org.
For more information call (562) 570-1745.



Winter Programs for Youth at LB Parks

Sign ups start December 1st at 10 am | [Online](#)

Long Beach Parks and Rec will offer programs to safely engage youth during the upcoming Long Beach Unified School District winter break. The programs will adhere to lower staff-to-camper ratios and other enhanced safety protocols. Winter Camps for children ages 5-12 will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays from Dec. 21 through Dec. 31 (closed Dec. 25, Christmas Day). Teens can participate in free winter break activities from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays from Dec. 21 through Dec. 31 (closed Dec. 25, Christmas Day). More information, sign ups and locations are available [here](#).

2020

Winter CAMP

for Ages 5-12

Fun new games and activities
following safety guidelines

December 21-31
(Closed December 25)

Games
Crafts
Fun

Register online at LBParks.org beginning December 1 at 10 a.m.
For in-person registration, call (562) 570-3150 to make an appointment.

IN-PERSON WEEKLY COST: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. - \$30

Financial Assistance available on a first come, first served basis

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And Finally

Joe Jost's Annual "Lighting of the Antlers" - We Have a Winner!

Joe Jost's celebrated their annual "Lighting of the Antlers" on Tuesday, December 1st. Part of the annual tradition is to guess how many of the 15 lights will actually light up. Congratulations to CD4 resident, Jon Monat, for correctly guessing that 12 bulbs would light up. Joe Jost's specials, pickled eggs and beer/soda are available for take out. They also have plenty of Christmas shirts along with a limited supply of "Endless Summer" and "Joe's on the Lot" shirts available.



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