



## GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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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 filling out the form at this [link](#).

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



## Past and Ongoing Events

### Fiscal Year 2023 Proposed Budget

On Tuesday, the City unveiled its Proposed Fiscal Year 2023 (FY 23) Budget with a special presentation on a five-year Measure A Infrastructure Investment Plan. The Proposed FY 23 Budget is \$3.2 billion and continues prioritizing significant pandemic recovery support for residents and businesses; implements new forward-thinking initiatives that promote safety, health and quality of life; and makes strong investments in the City's infrastructure. You can read Tuesday's press release for a general overview of the budget at this [link](#). You can read the 8-page Community Budget Summary with select budget highlights [here](#).



### El Dorado Library Weeklong Closure

What started as a one-day building maintenance closure last Tuesday, turned into a weeklong projected closure by Thursday. El Dorado Library will remain closed until the maintenance issues are resolved. The anticipated reopening date is Tuesday,

August 9th. The good news is that the closure is not related to COVID-19. You can check out activities of the other LBPL locations at this [link](#).



## Director of Development Oscar Orci to Retire

The City has announced the upcoming retirement of Department of Development Services Director Oscar Orci. Mr. Orci has served for the past two years as Director of the Department that provides planning, permitting, code enforcement and housing services for the City. You can read the press release at this [link](#). Not included in the release is the tremendous job Oscar did on the reopening of Community Hospital. There is no one who dedicated more time and expertise to the project than Oscar Orci. Against all odds, he navigated all the State regulations necessary to reopen the hospital. The fact that the operator eventually left the project should be no reflection on the great job Mr. Orci and City staff did to convert the improbable into a reality.



## PRM Fall Class Registration Open Now

Registration for a variety of new and existing recreation classes offered by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) began on Monday, August 1st. More than 700 activities in art, music, nature, fitness, special interest subjects, adult sports leagues and aquatics will begin in September and continue through November. Residents can browse the fall classes in the latest issue of Recreation Connection, PRM's 56-page programs catalog, at Long Beach park community centers, Long Beach Public Library branches or online at this [link](#).



## Vons Gas Station Closed for Renovation

The very popular Vons gas station at Ximeno and Los Coyotes Diagonal has been closed for a major remodel. They are not expected to reopen until August 23rd at the earliest. We were asked about Vons Gas Rewards that expire prior to the reopening. Good news! Vons Gas Rewards are accepted at participating Chevron stations including CD4 locations at Lakewood/Willow and Bellflower/LCD. For a list of participating Chevron stations, check this [link](#).



## Upcoming Events

### Muni Band Concert TONIGHT at El Dorado!

The Long Beach Municipal Band is celebrating its 113th season with free outdoor summer concerts in Long Beach parks with a different musical theme every week. Council District 4

performances will continue at El Dorado Park on Friday nights through Aug 5th. Tonight's concert begins at 6:30 pm, and the musical theme is "Ragtime, Dixie, and All That Jazz" with inspiration from Ragtime's late 1800s rhythmic style. For more information, please click [here](#).



## Spring St. Bike Lane Message Boards Ahead

Construction on the much anticipated Spring Street Bikeway is scheduled to commence this month. Phase 1 of the project will create bike lanes along Spring St. from Studebaker to the Nature Center. Also, Public Works has been listening: there will be no green bollards, and the bike lanes will be wide enough to accommodate a full-size street sweeper. Message board trailers are scheduled to be in place announcing the project. Construction will start soon and is expected to be completed on September 9th. For more information, please call Public Works at [\(562\) 570-6331](tel:562-570-6331) or read the construction notice at this [link](#).



## Next on the City Council Agenda

August 9th | 5:00 pm | Virtual & In-Person

The City Council "hybrid" meeting will begin at 5:00 pm. The civic chambers will be open, but the public can also call in to provide comments on agenda items. Instructions to join the meeting virtually can be found at the top of the agenda linked below.

Comments can also be submitted by email to: [CityClerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:CityClerk@longbeach.gov). Items on Tuesday's council meeting agenda include:



- CBH-7: Recommendation to conduct a Budget Hearing to receive and discuss an overview of the Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the departments of Fire, Police, and Parks, Recreation and Marine. (Citywide)
- H-9: Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing regarding an economic subsidy associated with the First Amendment to Sales Tax Incentive Agreement No. 32687 with Alant Corporation, dba Circle Porsche Audi, a California corporation, pursuant to California Government Code Section 53083; and Authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to implement the First Amendment to Sales Tax Incentive Agreement No. 32687 with Alant Corporation, a California corporation, for the expanded Circle Porsche and Audi dealership located at 1855 North Lakewood Boulevard. (District 4)
- R-12: Recommendation to increase appropriations in the Special Advertising and Promotion Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$10,000, offset by the Fourth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide support for the end of Summer celebration; and Decrease appropriations in the Special Advertising and Promotion Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$10,000 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

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

## Filming in the Fourth - El Dorado Park East

August 10th | 6 am - 9 pm | Area III

Filming will take place at El Dorado Park East, Area III, Golden Grove (SEE MAP). Filming will consist of exterior dialogue with talent against scenery. Scenes to include picture vehicle pulling into Golden Grove parking lot space, kids jumping out and running to playground, talent playing on playground and in grass. Production to have exclusive use of Playground, Golden Grove Parking Lot, and Overflow Lot, all to be posted as closed to public. Production to have a generator and techno crane in the Golden Grove parking lot. Production may not disturb wildlife or other park patrons outside of exclusive use area at any time. Production MUST leave a 4-foot pedestrian access on sidewalks/walkways at all times. Production shall NOT park on the grass or impede traffic/bike lanes at any time. Production may NOT have camera, equipment, or persons in the street at any time. Production MUST maintain a fire lane in parking lots at all times.



## Save the Date: Duck Pond Meeting Aug 10th

August 10th | 6 pm - 7 pm | [Virtual Community Meeting Link](#)

The Long Beach Department of Public Works has scheduled a Virtual Community Meeting to provide an update on the El Dorado Duck Pond restoration project. Construction was scheduled to commence earlier this year, but it was delayed to accommodate nesting season. Visit [longbeach.gov/eldoduckpond](http://longbeach.gov/eldoduckpond) for a project overview and the latest project updates. Please email [contactLBPW@longbeach.gov](mailto:contactLBPW@longbeach.gov) or call [\(562\) 570-6383](tel:562-570-6383) with any questions prior to the meeting.





## EL DORADO DUCK POND PROJECT

# ONLINE COMMUNITY MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022, 6:00 PM

To Attend, Visit : [bit.ly/eddpcm2](https://bit.ly/eddpcm2)

Or Call In At: 1 (213) 338-8477 (Zoom Meeting ID: 951 5585 1260)

Please join us for a virtual community meeting to discuss the El Dorado Duck Pond Project. There will be a review of the project plan along with questions and comments from the community. Visit [longbeach.gov/eldoduckpond](https://longbeach.gov/eldoduckpond) for a project overview and the latest project updates.

For questions or more information, e-mail [contactlbpw@longbeach.gov](mailto:contactlbpw@longbeach.gov) or call (562) 570-6383.

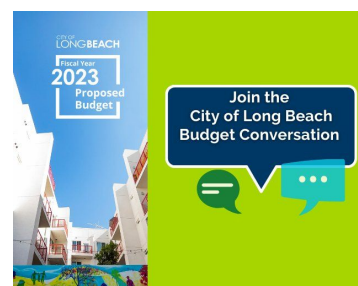
## Three Virtual Community Budget Meetings

August 11th | August 17th | August 22nd

Earlier this year, the City held three virtual community meetings to offer Long Beach residents an opportunity to provide feedback at an earlier phase of the FY 23 Budget development process. The City will host three additional virtual community meetings in August to educate community members about the Proposed FY 23 Budget and garner community feedback. City residents are invited to attend one of the three meetings listed below:

- Thursday, August 11, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 17, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
- Monday, August 22, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

For more information and to register, visit [longbeach.gov/fy23](https://longbeach.gov/fy23). Advanced registration is required in order to receive the link to the Zoom meeting. Interpretation services will be available. Those who require interpretation services may call [562.570.6465](tel:562.570.6465) 72 hours in advance of each meeting.



## Nature Center Concert - Corday

August 11th | 6:30 pm to 8 pm | 7550 E Spring St.

The El Dorado Nature Center outdoor concerts open for picnicking at 6:30 pm with live music from 7 to 8 pm. Friends of El Dorado

Nature Center members can enter early at 6 pm. Bring an eco-friendly dinner and low chairs. For more information, please call (562) 570-1745.

- August 11 - Corday
- August 25 – JP McDermott and Western Bop



## LBWD Stearns Project Community Meeting

August 18th | 6 pm | Virtual Community Meeting

Long Beach Water is hosting a virtual community informational meeting on Thursday, Aug. 18 at 6 pm to provide updates on the Stearns Champions Park well project. The project includes construction of two new groundwater wells in the north end of the park to enhance our city's access to local groundwater amid unprecedented drought. Based on community input at the first two community meetings in July, LBWD will include a presentation with updates on the project status, a revised tree plan, park improvements, site beautification, noise mitigation plans and the construction timeline. For meeting details and additional project information, please visit this [link](#). Please contact project manager Nikolas Baykal at (562) 570-2347 with any questions.



## FREE Knyght Ryder Concert in El Dorado Park!

August 19th | 6:30 pm - 8 pm | 2800 N Studebaker Rd

Back by popular demand! 80's tribute band, Knyght Ryder, is continuing the long-time tradition of their summer concert in El Dorado Park West. The location will be where the LB Municipal Band hosts their concerts. The Knyght Ryder concert will take place on Friday, August 19, from 6:30 - 8 pm. Join us for an evening filled with live entertainment, children's activities, food and family fun! Admission is free. For more information, contact the CD4 Office at (562) 570-4444 or [District4@longbeach.gov](mailto:District4@longbeach.gov).



# And Finally....

## LBWD Reservoir Tanks in CD4

Back in June, we featured the natural gas holder “gasometer” that once stood at Spring St. and Junipero Ave. It seems appropriate that we dedicate equal time to the Long Beach Water Dept. tanks that are still standing adjacent to Reservoir Drive in Council District 4. We covered the topic of Alamitos Hill (aka Reservoir Hill) in our newsletter four years ago, but we recently discovered the two “new” photos below. The top image shows tank construction on September 11, 1936. These particular tanks were built as part of a New Deal Works Progress Administration (WPA) project. The color photo at the bottom is a screenshot from the 1954 film, “A Star is Born”. That’s James Mason and Judy Garland in the yellow 1954 Mercury heading east on PCH at Redondo. The water tanks are in the background reflecting the setting sun. The green “Palmistry” house sat at the NW corner of Redondo and PCH where the Jack in the Box is now located.



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