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## 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

### LBWD Well Construction Meetings

Last Thursday night and Saturday morning, the Long Beach Water Department hosted community meetings to inform neighbors about the proposed well construction project. The plan includes the construction of two new groundwater wells on the park's north end. Project construction is set to begin later this summer, and LBWD is committed to making every effort to mitigate impacts on the surrounding community. About a dozen residents attended Saturday's meeting, and the primary concerns included noise mitigation and the loss of trees. If you were unable to attend but have questions, please direct them to project manager Nikolas Baykal at [\(562\) 570-2347](tel:562-570-2347). You can also check the project website at this [link](#).





## Traffic Safety Measures at Palo Verde & Anaheim

On February 6th, a car crashed into the Bixby Hill guardhouse causing serious structural damage to the building. Residents reached out to the Long Beach Traffic Engineering Dept. for ideas on how to improve traffic safety at the intersection. Traffic Engineering developed a plan that was implemented earlier this week. There were four lanes of traffic on southbound Palo Verde Ave. at Anaheim St. These included a dedicated left turn lane, an optional left turn lane, a no-turn lane and a dedicated right turn lane. Those four lanes have been reduced to two lanes with the removal of the dedicated left and right turn lanes. The purpose is to mitigate driver and pedestrian confusion at the intersection. Also, a large stop sign has been added to the center divider to deter drivers from heading directly into the guardhouse. Questions about the safety measures can be directed to Traffic Engineering at (562) 570-6331.



## SWA Announces Mardi Gras Flights... Geaux Fourth!

Yesterday, Southwest Airlines announced it will launch weekly nonstop Sunday flights from Long Beach Airport (LGB) to Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) on a seasonal basis from January 8 through the end of March 2023, just in time for Mardi Gras season. You can read LGB's press release at this [link](#).

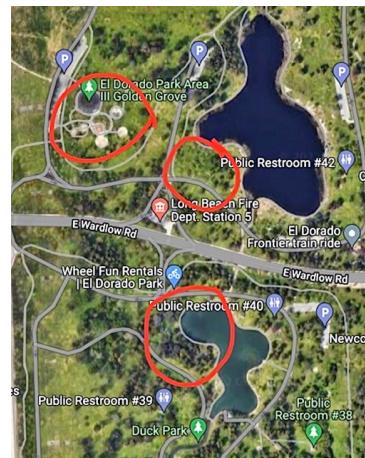


## Upcoming Events

### Filming in the Fourth - El Dorado Park East

July 22nd & 29th | 9 am - 6 pm | Areas II & III

Filming will take place at El Dorado Park East, Areas II & III. Filming will consist of exterior dialogue of talent against scenery. Scenes will include talent sitting and talking at a park table near the water, jogging, playing on the playground/swing set, and pitching a tent. Production must follow park rules and traffic laws at all times. Production shall be mindful of noise levels at all times and may not disturb other park patrons or wildlife at any time. Production MUST leave a 4-foot pedestrian access on sidewalks/walkways at all times and 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.



### 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 "Let's Dance" with an array of dance music for all appetites. For more information on the concerts, please click [here](#).



### FREE Household Hazardous Waste Event

July 23rd | 9 am - 2 pm | 2755 California Ave.

Household cleaning products, pesticides, paint, e-waste including batteries, medications, and many other products are considered hazardous waste and should not go in your trash or recycling carts. The next collection event is tomorrow, Saturday, July 23rd. Learn more at this [link](#).



### BARK Reading Program

July 23rd | 11:30 am to 12:30 pm | 5614 Britton Dr.

Come practice reading with calming, friendly, and nonjudgmental dogs tomorrow at the Los Altos Library! No registration is required, and all ages are welcome: Toddlers (1-3 years), Preschool (3-5 years), School-age, Teens and Tweens. For more information, email [Tamara.hall@lbpl.org](mailto:Tamara.hall@lbpl.org) or call (562) 570-1045.



## Nature Center Concert - Silo Rags

July 28th | 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](tel:5625701745).

- July 28 – Sligo Rags
- August 11 - Corday
- August 25 – JP McDermott and Western Bop



## Spring St. Bike Lane Project to Start in August

Construction on the much anticipated Spring Street Bikeway is scheduled to commence next month. Phase 1 of this 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 boards are scheduled to be placed on the street on August 1st. Construction will start two weeks later and is expected to be completed on September 9th. Please call the Dept. of Public Works at (562) 570-6331. More details are in the construction notice at this [link](#).



## National Night Out on August 2nd

August 2nd | 6 pm - 9 pm | Citywide

National Night Out is a community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. LBPB encourages you to turn on your porch lights, lock your doors, and go out and meet your neighbors and police officers. It's past the deadline to guarantee attendance by LBPB personnel. However, if you'd like to host a NNO event on August 2nd and would like to register with LBPB East, please email your name, phone number and location of your event [here](#).



## 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:5625706383) 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.

## FREE Knyght Ryder Concert in El Dorado Park!

August 19th | 6 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 - 8 pm. Join us for an evening filled with live entertainment, children's activities, food and family fun! Admission is free. For more information on the event, contact the CD4 Office at (562) 570-4444 or [District4@longbeach.gov](mailto:District4@longbeach.gov).



## Female Firefighter Career Workshop

August 21st | 9 am - 1 pm | [Register Here](#)

The LBFD is hosting workshops for potential female firefighter applicants. These workshops will feature an introduction to the hiring process, including lessons on fitness challenges, how to file an application, and preparing for the interview process. To participate, registration is [open here](#) and participants must fill out an [interest form here](#). All genders are welcome to attend.



# And Finally....

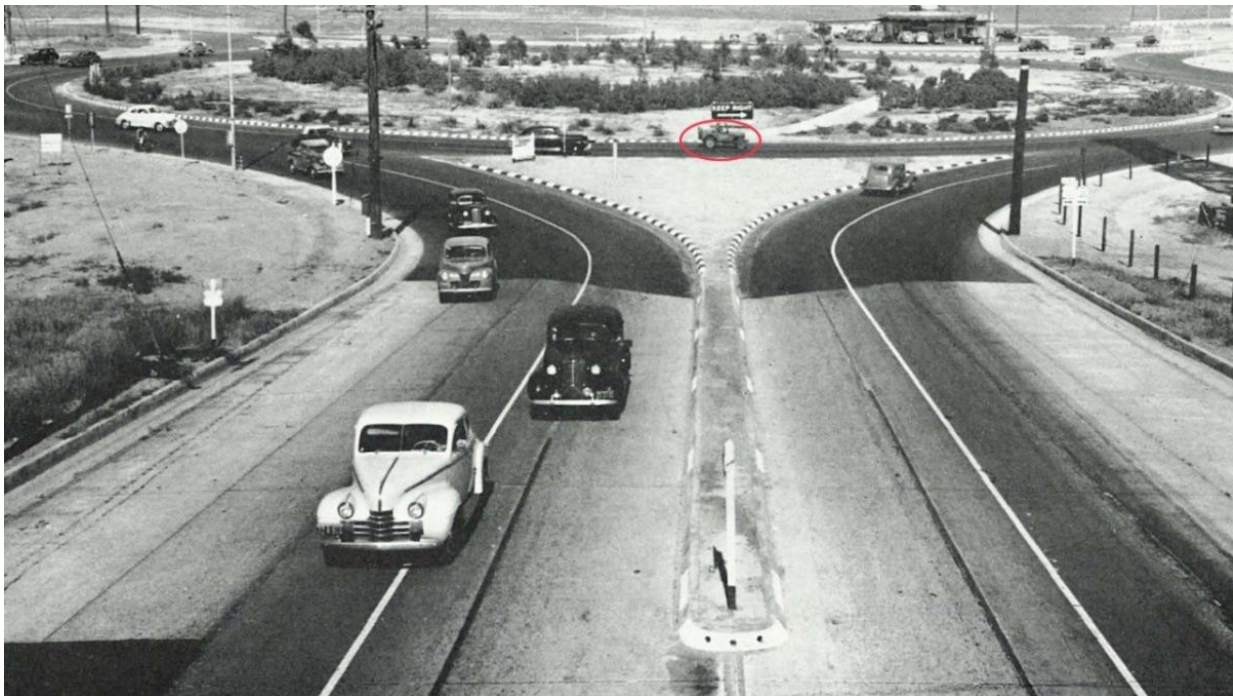
## How Douglas Aircraft Changed the Traffic Circle

In last week's "And Finally", we explained how the production of the DC-8 jetliner prompted the extension of Runway 30 across Spring St. and Lakewood Blvd. Fifteen years earlier, WWII production of Douglas military aircraft influenced the redesign of another Long Beach roadway. You likely already know that the Alamitos Traffic Circle was built for the 1932 Olympics. However, it was not the wide-lane roadway we know today with an outer circle.



That redesign/reconstruction took place 10 years after the original traffic circle was built. The lanes were widened to increase capacity and speed for Douglas workers. The State Division of Highways described the project's goal to "eliminate a bottleneck between the defense worker and his job in one of the most vital industrial areas of Southern California".

The photos below show the redesigned traffic in April of 1942. You can see the basic design has not changed in the past 80 years. The top photo was taken from PCH (then State St.) near Termino Ave. facing east. There appears to be a military jeep near the "Keep Right" sign. The bottom photo was taken from PCH (then Hathaway) near Outer Circle. The driveway to the right is still there and serves Wells Fargo and Chick-fil-A. On the horizon near the center right is the natural gas cylinder we featured in previous "And Finally" articles.





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