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**TO:** Honorable Mayor Lesser and Members of the City Council  
**FROM:** Nadine Nader, Assistant City Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Bi-weekly Update  
**DATE:** November 9, 2017

### Community Prepares for Natural Disasters



The City of Manhattan Beach has engaged in a number of emergency preparedness events over the past month. On October 19, the City joined groups and individuals across California in the Great Shake-Out by activating our Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The [Manhattan Beach Community Emergency Response Team \(CERT\)](#) also hosted a disaster simulation on Saturday, October 21, at multiple locations across Manhattan Beach (left).

Both our organization and our community are committed to preparing for natural disasters as best we can and are lucky to have some great resources in our region. This includes renowned seismologist, Dr. Lucy Jones, who spoke to a crowd of over three hundred on Monday, November 8 about disaster preparedness. She provided some very real information about what will happen to Manhattan Beach when a huge earthquake hits. Representatives were present from the following organizations:

- [Manhattan Beach Community Emergency Response Team \(CERT\)](#)
- [Map Your Neighborhood](#)
- [American Red Cross](#)
- [More Prepared](#)
- [Southern California Animal Response Team \(SCART\)](#)

Attendees were able to review [Emergency Preparedness Checklists](#) and speak to different organizations about how to best prepare themselves and their loved ones, both two and four-legged. For those unable to attend, the presentation is available online on the [City's website](#) or on your subscription cable network (Spectrum Ch. 8 or Frontier Ch. 35) at these times:

- Mon. – Wed. at 10 pm
- Thurs/Sat at 9:30 am
- Sun at 8:30 am



## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Multigenerational Event on Saturday, November 11



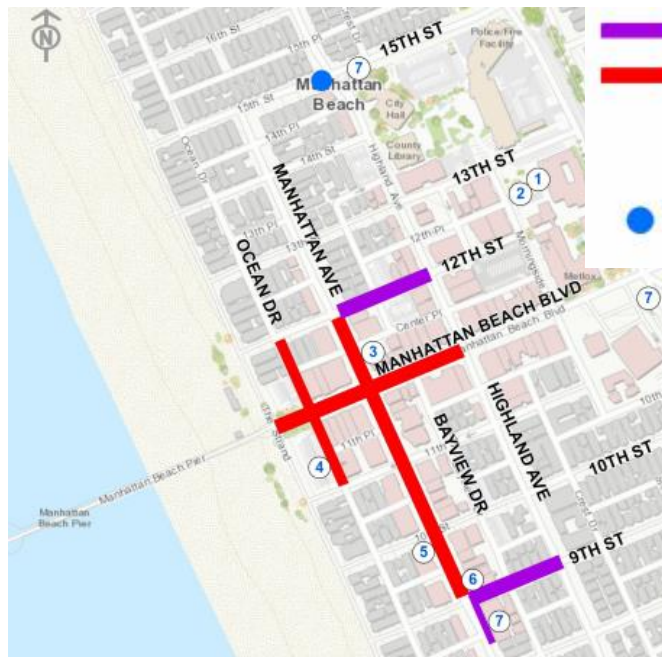
The City of Manhattan Beach is proud to host the **20<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Multigenerational Event** on Saturday, November 11, starting at 11:00 a.m. The community is invited to join with us as we honor our veterans at Veterans Monument at the corner of Valley Dr. and 15<sup>th</sup> St.

The Hyperion Outfall Serenaders will provide the welcoming entertainment. Mayor David Lesser will welcome guests and dignitaries, and the Manhattan Beach Police Department Color Guard will present the Colors. The event will be followed by a reception at the Joslyn Community Center with light refreshments and live entertainment.

## Annual Pier Lighting Illuminates Downtown Manhattan Beach

For over 20 years, Manhattan Beach has celebrated the start of the holiday season by lighting up our iconic pier. On Wednesday, November 15, stroll through downtown and see the creative window displays of our local shops, taste the delicious food and enjoy the sounds of the season.

The Pier will light up at 7:00 pm and downtown merchants will be open until 9:00 pm. This event has something for everyone in the family, including a visit with Santa Clause at Metlox Plaza, starting at 5:00 pm! Shop our great local stores and start chacking things off that holiday list. Enjoy an evening of holiday music, shopping and dining in beautiful downtown Manhattan Beach.



-  NO PARKING 4-9pm
-  STREET CLOSURES 4-10pm
  - MBB from Highland to Manhattan Ave
  - MBB from Manhattan Ave to the Pier
  - Manhattan Ave from 12th St to 11th St
  - Lower Pier Parking Lots
  - Upper Pier Parking Lots
-  SOFT CLOSURE
  - Local Traffic Only

Please note that street closures and parking restrictions will start at 4:00 pm on Wednesday and continue through 10:00 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to carpool or use alternative methods of transportation (such as Uber, Lyft or the Downtowner) since parking will be limited. See the map below for information about specific streets or check out the [City's website](#).

## **Construction Updates**

In an ongoing effort to maintain and improve the City's infrastructure, there are a number of construction projects currently taking place that may impact traffic. Please consider the following areas, which will be experiencing construction:

- [Manhattan Beach Boulevard \(MBB\) between Sepulveda and Aviation](#)
  - MBB will be reduced to one lane in order to address street resurfacing.
  - Lane closures will NOT occur until after 9:00 a.m. to accommodate heavy traffic and will run from Nov. 6 – Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Construction will take place between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.
- [Marine Avenue between Sepulveda and Elm Avenue](#)
  - Plains West Coast Terminals (PWCT) underground pipe maintenance
  - Reduced to one westbound lane but no full closures
  - From 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through the end of November
- Westbound Rosecrans between Sepulveda and Poinsettia
  - Transmission pole replacement by SCE
  - All lanes will be closed between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. from Nov. 27 – Dec. 1.
  - One left turn lane from Rosecrans to Southbound Sepulveda will be closed.
  - Two left turn lanes onto Northbound Sepulveda will be closed.
- Eastbound Rosecrans between Pacific and Sepulveda
  - Transmission pole replacement by SCE
  - Reduced to one lane with no bike access or parking between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. from Nov. 27 – Dec. 1.
  - Both left turn lanes onto Northbound Sepulveda will be closed.

Thank you for your continued patience as we work to minimize the impact of these projects.

## **Coming Up Next...**

- The City is still accepting feedback on the following topics:
  - [Solid Waste Services](#)
    - Take the survey [online](#) or fill one out at City Hall or the City Yard until **November 19**
  - [Broadband Survey](#)
    - Complete the [Residential](#) or [Business](#) surveys to weigh in on current and future broadband needs of your household
- A [Public Hearing](#) will be held on **Thursday, November 16 at 6:00 p.m.** in City Council Chambers to address the 16 applications for telecommunication devices throughout the City. The



Stay tuned to the City and all the exciting events and activities by following us on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook!](#)

## **Travel Update**

- Mark Danaj, City Manager
  - International City/County Manager's Association (ICMA) Annual Conference – San Antonio, TX; October 22-25, 2017
    - This is an annual conference for professional city/county administrators to learn about new developments in local government administration and network with others in the field.
    - Attended sessions regarding innovation, building organizational capacity, trends in sustainable infrastructure, and more.
- Nadine Nader, Assistant City Manager
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    - Attended sessions ranging from innovation to emergency preparedness to emerging technologies and more.
- Bruce Moe, Finance Director
  - CalPERS Educational Forum – Indian Wells, CA; October 23-25, 2017
    - CalPERS provides pension services to the City. This conference focused on the future of investment strategies, investment performance, employer rate increases, legislation, etc. Pensions are a major expense category for the City, and so this conference is key to understanding future costs.
    - Attended sessions about financial sustainability, pension design, future concerns, legislative issues and more.
- Teresia Zadroga-Haase, Director of Human Resources
  - Public Retirement Journal Annual Seminar – Sacramento, CA; October 26, 2017
    - Update on current issues and trends related to public sector retirement and labor relations.
    - Key Learnings:
      - Innovative funding options for pension liabilities
      - Actuarial presentation on Pension and OPEB's
      - Labor's perspective on current pension issues
      - Pension, healthcare and impacts to agency services
      - Legislative update regarding pension and OPEB issues
      - Labor negotiations trends related to retirement benefits

## **Information Memos Distributed**

- [November 3, 2017 – Information Memo: Purchases Between \\$20,000 and \\$50,000](#)

## UPCOMING CITY & COMMUNITY EVENTS, AND HOLIDAYS

<b>November 10, Friday</b>	<b>City Offices Closed</b> – All Day (City Hall and City Yard offices)
<b>November 11, Saturday</b>	<b>Annual Veteran’s Day Multi-Generational Event</b> – 11:00 AM (Veterans Monument)
<b>November 13, Monday</b>	<b>Library Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>November 14, Tuesday</b>	<b>Light Gate Sunset</b> – 4:30 PM (In front of City Hall on Highland)
<b>November 15, Wednesday</b>	<b>Holiday Open House and Pier Lighting</b> – 6:00 PM (Downtown)
<b>November 20, Monday</b>	<b>Cultural Arts Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>November 22, Wednesday</b>	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>November 23, Thursday</b>	<b>City Offices Closed (Thanksgiving)</b> – All Day (City Hall and City Yard offices)
<b>November 24, Friday</b>	<b>City Offices Closed</b> – All Day (City Hall and City Yard offices)
<b>November 27, Monday</b>	<b>Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)

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<b>December 4, Monday</b>	<b>BCHD Streets for All Community Workshop</b> – 6:00 PM (Joslyn Community Center)
<b>December 6, Wednesday</b>	<b>North Manhattan Beach BID Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (City Hall)
<b>December 8, Friday</b>	<b>City Offices Closed</b> – All Day (City Hall and City Yard offices)
<b>December 9, Saturday</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> Annual Family Holiday Crafts Night</b> – 5:00 PM (Manhattan Heights)
<b>December 10, Sunday</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> Annual Manhattan Beach Holiday Fireworks</b> – 4:00 PM (Downtown)
<b>December 11, Monday</b>	<b>Library Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>December 13, Wednesday</b>	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>December 14, Thursday</b>	<b>Parking and Public Improvements Commission Meeting</b> – 6:30 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>December 18, Monday</b>	<b>Cultural Arts Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>December 22, Friday</b>	<b>City Offices Closed</b> – All Day (City Hall and City Yard offices)
<b>December 25, Monday</b>	<b>City Offices Closed (Christmas)</b> – All Day (City Hall and City Yard offices)
<b>December 27, Wednesday</b>	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>December 28, Thursday</b>	<b>Finance Subcommittee Meeting</b> – 8:30 AM (City Hall)

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<b>January 8, Monday</b>	<b>Library Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>January 10, Wednesday</b>	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>January 15, Monday</b>	<b>Cultural Arts Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>January 22, Monday</b>	<b>Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>January 24, Wednesday</b>	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 6:00 PM (Council Chambers)
<b>January 25, Thursday</b>	<b>Parking and Public Improvements Commission Meeting</b> – 6:30 PM (Council Chambers)

## FUTURE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

### November

Thursday, November 16, 2017	6:00 p.m.	City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting
Monday, November 20, 2017	8:00 a.m.	City Council Closed Session
Tuesday, November 21, 2017	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting

### December

Tuesday, December 5, 2017	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday, December 19, 2017	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting

### January

Tuesday, January 2, 2018	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 16, 2018	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting