



## HAPPY (2ND) RETIREMENT SUKIE

91 Years young, Sophia (aka Sukie) has tuned in her uniform after 26 years as a Volunteer with the SBPD. During this time, she has put in over 13,505 hours at both the 820-substation located next to the pier as well as the main station on Seal Beach Blvd. Many residents will recognize Sukie from years of patrolling along Main Street. When asked about her fondest memories as a VIP, Sukie mentions her many friends as well as the years she worked in the Records Division. She loves living in Seal Beach and will continue her walks and reading her books.



However, this is actually Sukie's second retirement. Many locals will remember Sukie from her years at Safeway, now Pavilions. She is proud to say she "opened it" back in 1967 and stayed with them until 1997. You could find her in the bakery as well as her duties as a cashier. Sukie has also been a world traveler. Her son and his wife now reside in Hawaii, and she has visited them many times. In addition, she has travelled extensively through the United States, Canada, Europe, New Zealand, and the South Pacific. Sukie has called Seal Beach her home since 1960. She loves her home and her many friends. We at the Seal Beach Police Department will miss her and wish her all the best!

## CITY NOTES

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Mon, May 22 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers  
Mon, June 12 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Mon, June 5 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers  
Mon, June 19 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

City Council and Planning Commission meetings can be viewed on SBTv-3 and on the City's YouTube Channel. A recording of the meeting will be posted within 24 hours.

### UPCOMING HOLIDAY/CITY HALL CLOSURES

May 29, 2023 (Memorial Day)

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# CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 22 - MAY 5, 2023

## CITY CLERK

- The Clerk's Office celebrated the 54th National Professional Municipal Clerks Week from April 30 – May 6, 2023, themed, "Let's Flamingle," with lots of goodies, games, and prizes. Some of the activities included a Donut Taste Test, Find the Municipal Clerks Word Puzzle, a Scavenger Hunt, Find the Hidden Flamingos, and we culminated the week with a drawing for who could correctly guess the number of minutes allowed for Public Comment, for a chance to win the grand prize of a \$25 gift card to Bruster's Ice Cream. All the goodies, games, prizes and decorations were donated by staff.
- At the Regular City Council Meeting of May 8, 2023, Seal Beach Pickleball Association President, Kris Vogt, provided an update on their Association and fundraisers that have contributed to many pickleball upgrades at the Seal Beach Pickleball and Tennis Center.
- At the Regular City Council Meeting of May 8, 2023, Finance Director Arenado provided the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report Presentation.
- The City Council held two (2) Special City Council Budget Workshops on May 1st and May 2nd to discuss the Proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- A Draft Land Use Plan, the first of two major components of a Local Coastal Plan, has been submitted to Coastal Commission staff for review and comment. The public is invited to also review the document and provide feedback on the draft, which can be found on the City's website.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Staff attended the CPRS D10 Spring General Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 18th from 12:00pm – 4:00pm at the Norman P. Murray Center in Mission Viejo. The meeting consisted of a keynote from Marie Knight, a session from the Chief Executive Officer of the Orange County Event Center, and a breakout session with a selection of field allocations and special event permits.
- The Men's Basketball League started the Summer Season on Monday, May 15th. This league is comprised of 8 teams and will run for 11 weeks, concluding on August 7th.
- There are currently 1,301 users registered for the Senior Transportation Program. The program is available for Seal Beach residents ages 60 years and older and consists of a pre-fixed shuttle route and Yellow Cab Taxi service. To register for the program, please visit [www.sealbeachca.gov](http://www.sealbeachca.gov) or contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 431-2527 X 1307.
- There are currently 285 pickleball members and 90 tennis members at the Seal Beach Tennis and Pickleball Center. To sign up for a membership, please contact staff at the Center, or call (562) 598-8624 for more information.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Meeting with City of Westminster to discuss License Plate Reader technology integration.
- Capt. Nicholas met with Make-A-Wish Foundation to discuss opportunities to support children.
- Facilitated a Tsunami tabletop exercise with multiple stakeholders.
- Attending monthly City of Seal Beach parking teleconference.
- Capt. Nicholas attending the McGaugh Project Seek Award breakfast.

## PUBLIC WORKS

- The City's catch basins have been cleaned by our maintenance contractor, Ron's Maintenance. Catch basins are cleaned biannually in autumn and spring.
- Maintenance staff repaired a broken irrigation line underneath the sidewalk adjacent to the Tennis and Pickleball Center on Lampson Avenue. Staff was able to quickly expose the broken line and made the necessary repairs.





## RECREATION UPDATES: SENIOR SERVICES UPDATES

### SENIOR GET-TOGETHER EVENT

The Recreation & Community Services Division partnered with the Orange County Public Libraries to host a Senior Get-Together Event at Eisenhower Park on Wednesday, May 3rd. This event ran from 10am – 11:30pm, and provided activities, information, and resources for all participants who attended.

### SENIOR LUNCH CAFE

Senior Lunch Café - The Seal Beach Lunch Program is provided by Meals on Wheels Orange County (OC) at the North Seal Beach Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive. The Dine-In Lunch Café takes place Monday - Friday from 11:00am- 12:00pm. The Dine-In Lunch Program is open to adults ages 60 years and older. A suggested donation for lunch is \$3.00. For any additional questions, please contact Anthony at (562) 431-2527 ext. 1344 or visit [www.sealbeachca.gov/city-services/senior-services](http://www.sealbeachca.gov/city-services/senior-services).

## PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES THROUGHOUT SEAL BEACH

### MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY LEAK DETECTION GRANT

Staff met with Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) to discuss a grant opportunity that would provide the City the ability to survey 50 miles of water mainline for hidden leaks. In many cases small leaks are difficult to detect and often times are undetectable without specialized equipment. The acoustic leak detection equipment that is used by MWDOC technicians can locate the smallest of leaks that will ultimately prevent water loss and increase the efficiency of the City's water system.

### WELCOME NEW DEPUTY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER

Join us in welcoming our new Deputy Public Works Director/City Engineer, Kathryn Cho. Kathryn comes to us with extensive experience from the City of Newport Beach where she managed capital improvement projects, development services, and the utilities sector in addition to her expertise building award-winning piers, parks and buildings. Welcome to Seal Beach, Kathryn!



### WEST END PUMP STATION FOREBAY CLEANING

The heavy rainfall from the recent winter storms caused considerable leaves, litter, dirt, and debris to settle at the bottom of West End Pump Station's forebay. Staff recently cleaned up the forebay including the accumulated heavy grime buildup that can restrict flow into the station.



### MAINTENANCE UPDATES

Maintenance staff has been working diligently on refreshing the red curb paint throughout the city beginning with Old Town. Staff anticipates completing this work by Summer.





## WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

- Communication Center phone calls over the last 7 days:
  - 911 calls - 695
  - Non-Emergency Calls - 2,099
  - total Calls - 2,794
- Calls for services handled over the last 7 days for all agencies - 1,763



@K9YOSA

## YOSA'S DOG BLOG

The Honorable Judge Yosa presiding. What is the verdict? Adorable!

Yosa has been attending Teen Court to help teenagers impacted by the criminal justice system. She is a very popular addition to the courtroom.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MAY 2023

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| 20 | BE MORE HEALTHY EXPO<br>SEAL BEACH PIER     |
| 29 | MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION<br>EISENHOWER PARK |



## Seal Beach Senior Card Games

Ages 60+!



**EVERY  
THURSDAY**

**NORTH SEAL BEACH CENTER**  
3333 ST. CLOUD DRIVE  
12:30PM-2:30PM

Enjoy **BUNCO - RUMMY - BRIDGE - PINOCHLE - AND MORE!**

**FREE!**

FOR MORE  
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The Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department hosts the Senior Card Games at the North Seal Beach Community Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive every Thursday from 12:30pm-2:30pm. Games can include: Pinochle, Bridge,

## SEAL BEACH TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL CENTER

The Seal Beach Tennis & Pickleball Center will hold a Junior Circuit Tennis Tournament on May 21st. This is a popular event where kids can get together and compete. The next Junior Circuit Tennis Tournament is scheduled to be on June 3rd and 4th.

## EDISON COMMUNITY GARDENS CLEAN UP DAY

Community Development staff coordinated a quarterly community garden cleanup on May 6th, from 8:00am – 12:00pm at the Edison Park Community Gardens. Attending a minimum of one garden cleanup annually is mandatory for all gardeners to participate in the program. The other dates for the Clean up dates are:

- August 12, 2023,
- November 4, 2023



**Having a Go! Bag which contains prescription medication, copies of important documents, and other personal items will make it easier if you are forced to evacuate and cannot take your Disaster Supply Kit.**



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