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Hello Neighbors –

I hope you have a good summer weekend planned with lots of sun but equal amounts of hydration and sunscreen. Should be a busy one in town given the nice weather.

Here's what's in store for the Newport Beach City Council meeting planned for **Tuesday, July 11, 2017**. It again may be a short meeting. Remember that I don't summarize every item on the agenda, so make sure you look at the City Clerk's [agenda page](#) to read the whole [agenda](#) if you'd like.

There is no **study session**. Therefore, the Council meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. for a brief presentation to "Fast Eddie" (of Fast Eddie's Barbershop fame in CdM) on his 50th Anniversary of fast haircuts. Congratulations, Eddie! I would still go there like I did 20 years ago if I still had hair. No, I'm not bitter about that. Not at all. Really. What makes you think I'm bitter?

Following a few closed session items, the evening's **Regular Session** will start at **7:00 p.m.** I basically have almost nothing to call out of any interest (!). Maybe except for one item. Each year, the Council allocates a certain amount of funding for **various special events** – like the Christmas Boat Parade, the Newport to Ensenada race, and more. We have a long history of providing some City funding to these events, in the range of about \$300,000 per year. In some cases, the City Council grants enough funds to cover City support and fees for the event. In other cases, we propose giving a bit more or a bit less. Generally, the event needs to have a specific public benefit to the Newport Beach community or local economy or both. The staff report for this item is [here](#).

While it might be a light Council night, a few community notes are in order:

- The **Balboa Trolley** is going strong and had a gangbuster weekend as well as on Tuesday, July 4. Remember that you can park off of Hoag Drive for free and ride the Trolley from there to the Balboa Village (and back) free of charge every Saturday and Sunday all the way through Labor Day (including that Monday).
- Our first **Concert on the Green** is this coming **Sunday, July 9th** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Come early and bring dinner (though food trucks will be onsite) and beach chairs and/or blankets, but no alcohol please. First up in the 4-concert series sponsored by the **City Arts Commission** is **Flashback Heart Attack**, which I first thought was a Heart cover band. But no, they're much more than that – it's all about the 80s. Sidebar: Remember Ryan Gosling in *La La Land* when he says to Emma Stone, *requesting 'I Ran' from a serious musician, it's just, it's too far.* So - someone *please* request "I Ran" - I will be cheering you on. An important warning: An 80s band to start off the Concerts on the Green means one thing – **kids, your parents are going to embarrass you.** In public.
- Our **second one** is the following **Sunday, July 16th**. It's the **Pacific Symphony's** return to the Green after a great performance last year. The show starts at 5:30 p.m. with a kids' element then the full Symphony's

concert starts at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 8:30 p.m. Again, buy food from the food trucks or bring your own. No alcohol here either. More information is [here](#).

- I am pleased (and thankful) to report that the City's endeavor to provide a **stronger customer-service experience on the Harbor** seems to be going pretty well thus far. This began on July 1 under the good leadership of **Harbormaster Dennis Durgan** – nothing like jumping right in on a weekend in the middle of summer. But we did it, and Dennis and his crew did it (in part because that's also the start of the Fiscal Year). For more information about this change, please look [here](#). And remember to offer a wave or a friendly hello to the folks in the vessels called **Harbormaster 1, 2, or 3** as you see them on the water.

That's it for now. Please keep enjoying summer in Newport Beach (why would you be anywhere else?), and thanks for reading. Please forward this *Guide* to family, friends and members of your HOA if you represent one. I always like hearing from you, too, so please don't hesitate to ask a question or offer a comment.

Sincerely,

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City Council Meeting Information: The Newport Beach City Council meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of most months (the exceptions are August and December). Typically, there is a **Study Session** that starts at 4:00 p.m. Study sessions are times for the Council to take a deeper look at a specific issue, or hear a presentation, that might eventually lead to a specific and more formal action. A **closed session** often follows the Study Session. Closed sessions are typically to address legal, personnel, and other matters where additional confidentiality is important. The **Regular (evening) Session** typically starts at 7:00 p.m., and often has a specific listing of 20-40 different items ready for formal votes. Items on the "Consent Calendar" are heard all at once, unless a Council member has removed (aka "pulled") an item from the Consent Calendar for specific discussion and separate vote. If an item on the agenda is recommended to be "continued", it means that the item won't be heard nor voted on that evening, but will be pushed forward to another noticed meeting.

Public Comment is welcomed at both the Study Session and the Regular Session. The public can comment on any item on the agenda. If you want to comment on a Consent Calendar item that was not pulled from the Consent Calendar by a Council Member, you will want to do so at the time listed on the agenda – right before the Council votes on the entire Consent Calendar (it's Roman Numeral XIII on the posted agenda). If an item is pulled, the Mayor will offer that members of the public can comment as that specific item is heard separately. Additionally, there is a specific section of Public Comment for items not on the agenda, but on a subject of some relationship to the city government. If you cannot attend a meeting and/or want to communicate with the City Council directly, this e-mail gets to all of them: CityCouncil@newportbeachca.gov. Please know that I get a copy of that e-mail, too, because in almost all cases it's something that the City Manager follows-up on. It's my head-start.

The Council meets in the Council Chambers at 100 Civic Center Drive, off of Avocado between San Miguel and East Coast Highway. There is plenty of parking in the parking structure behind City Hall. You are always welcome to attend in person, but you can also watch on TV Time Warner / Spectrum 3 and Cox Channel 852 or stream it on your computer.