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ADU – What Is It And How Does It Apply To Cal Heights?

By Karen Highberger

Many of you have heard about ADUs, but may not be familiar with the term or the new City Ordinance. An ADU or Accessory Dwelling Unit is an attached or detached residential dwelling unit which provides complete independent living facilities. It includes permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation and is located on the same lot as a single family dwelling to which is it subordinate and shall have an exterior entrance. Also known as granny flats or in-laws quarters, they are now allowed in all of California as mandated by the State Legislature to ease the housing shortage.

Despite California Heights being zoned R-1 (one residential unit per lot), ADUs are now allowed. The ADU Ordinance does allow for both Limited ADUs and Conforming ADUs. A limited ADU is created solely from existing floor area of the primary dwelling unit or accessory structure in a single family zone. This includes existing garages and accessory structures. Conforming ADUs involves the construction of new floor area either with a new structure or to expand an ADU.

Some of the elements that apply to our neighborhood include:

- All current building codes and zoning laws must be followed.
- The maximum size of an ADU is 50% of the square footage of the primary dwelling or 800 square feet-whichever is less.
- The minimum lot size is 5,200 square feet.
- If you opt to convert your existing garage to an ADU, you will still need to provide the required parking for the primary residence off the street. If you utilize your driveway, the two vehicles must fit behind the primary setback of the home.
- No additional parking is required for an ADU, as long as it is not located in a designated Parking Impacted Area. Cal Heights is not a Parking Impacted Area.
- A Certificate of Appropriateness is required for all ADUs and the ADU will be held to the same standards as an addition to the primary residence.
- The first step for residents in Historic Districts is to start a Certificate of Appropriateness application to start the review process.

There are many more zoning requirements for the ADUs. If you are considering an ADU, please make sure you get all of the pertinent information before starting the process. Be aware that you will need building plans, including structural engineering, to submit to the City. There are fees associated with architectural plans and submission of your project to the Cultural Heritage Commission for review. Your property tax basis will also be adjusted upon completion of your construction.

Please contact Development Services for more information at 562-570-6164 or lbds.info/planning/historic_preservation.

President's Message

On April 21st, we finished our first alley cleanup of the year. If you are west of Orange, hopefully you saw the fliers, and had an opportunity to participate, or at least take advantage of the oversized item drop off point. If you're east of Orange, don't worry – you haven't been forgotten, your turn will be coming up on November 3rd. Stacey has been experimenting with the model for the alley cleanups, as we've found that the number of volunteers who show can sometimes be in a challenging position to try to get to the specific alleys planned for a given day. This last time around (and the next time), we took a more self-organizing approach, where all of the alleys in the west half of the neighborhood were open for cleaning, and the people who were available to help worked on the alley(s) of their choosing. It seemed to work out quite nicely. It certainly let everyone work up a good solid thirst to bring to Liberation Brewing Company's soft-opening that afternoon.

I hope you had an enjoyable and productive Spring, as we brace for Summer. Incidentally, the beginning of Summer means a new advertising year for us, if you are interested in advertising in this newsletter, please email us at newsletter@calheights.org. Our advertising year begins in July. To me it feels like we've been going through Spring and Summer on alternating days for months already, but soon enough the cooler days will be falling away. We are certain to have some nice neighborhood activities lined up for the Dog Days to come. 🐕

Kindly,



Hugh Little, CHNA President

GET OUT TO VOTE ON JUNE 5th

The City Council races in Districts 5 and 7 will go to a June runoff after incumbents Stacy Mungo and Roberto Uranga both fell shy of the 50 percent-plus-one threshold to reclaim their seats outright.

The runoffs will coincide with the statewide gubernatorial and congressional midterm primary on June 5th.

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Cal Heights Looking Back

By Frances Stoner

Welcome summer! School is out, days are getting warm, time for family BBQ's, but you know it is never too early to plan for the holidays - especially if you want to come close to the fabulous holiday displays that Michael Pack and his partner Bob LaParo display on the corner of 37th and Gaviota. What motivates someone to spend time and considerable money to decorate in such an extravagant way, not only at Christmas but Halloween too? It started as a way to do something special for the kids, Michael recalled, and then it just snowballed from there.

Michael became a parent to his sister's two children when he lived in Belmont Heights. Soon after that, Bob became part of the growing family. Needing more room, they moved to Cal Heights in 2007. Maybe the desire to make people happy came from Michael's grandfather, Clarence Parker, who at the age of 11 ran away to join the circus in 1903. He became a clown and entertained children at various local circuses. His grandmother also got in the act, driving the tiny clown car chasing Clarence around the ring. Even Michael's Mom assisted in the animal act!

Although people come from miles around to view the outstanding displays where giant inflatables rule the ground and lights fill the night sky, Michael is most touched by the children in the neighborhood who stare in wonderment at the spectacle in front of them. The kids tell them how much it means to see the characters, wander around the displays and try to find the Elf on the Shelf. People honk when they drive by, leave thank you notes, try to contribute money and ask a lot of questions.

Yes, it takes lots of planning and the 43 inflatables that never deflate the whole Christmas season run up the electric bill. Do they ever get tired of all the planning, work, and expense? Oh yeah, says Michael, but somewhere around September they get the 'itch' to begin again.

In a few short months, you can see Michael, Bob and the kids as they continue to spread joy right here in Cal Heights - and don't forget to look for the Elf on the Shelf. 🧝

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Cal Heights In Pictures

By Tom Underhill

#1: April 21st Alley cleanup, partnership with Litter Free Long Beach

#2: Thanks to the new Clean Streets volunteers who helped pick up trash during their spring break.

#3: Liberation Brewing Company is now open on 3630 Atlantic Avenue www.liberationbrewing.com

#4: New dog park in Signal Hill at California and Spring, across from the Home Depot shopping center

#5: Annual Friends of the LA River (FOLAR) cleanup. Excellent volunteer turnout over three weekends.

#6: Friends of Sunnyside Cinco de Mayo Cleanup. Follow ongoing efforts to restore Sunnyside Cemetery at www.facebook.com/friendsofsunnyside/



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Port of Long Beach Tile Mural Update

by Karen Highberger

As construction of the new Civic Center and Port of Long Beach Headquarters moves forward, the efforts of Long Beach Heritage to save the original mural on the former Port Headquarters continues. The organization has been working on this project for the past 3 years and has achieved a real measure of success. The mural is a beautiful example of art tile and a very important piece of Long Beach history. The mural was manufactured by the Gladding McBean Company and installed on the Port building in 1959. It measures 74 feet in width and tells the story of the discovery of San Pedro Bay by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo in 1542 through the development of the Port of Long Beach in 1959. The method used is direct painting on the tile bisque and the detail is incredible. The artist was Paul Marciel Souza. The architects were Warren Dedrick and James R Friend.

To date, the efforts to save the mural have been somewhat daunting. Long Beach Heritage first needed to determine if it was even viable to do so. They hired a well-respected tile and stone consultant company to research the mural and it was discovered that it could be removed. The Port of Long Beach contributed to the research effort by financing the second phase of the research - a test removal of some tile and the subsequent removal protocol. Long Beach Heritage has selected the contractor to do the removal and fundraising for the project is now their main priority. At this point, they have close to two thirds of the \$150,000 necessary to safely remove the mural, catalog it, and pack it safely for storage. A generous donation was provided by the family of the original architect. The Port has a specific timeline for its removal and collecting the necessary funds is paramount.

Long Beach Heritage respectfully requests your help in reaching their financial goal for saving the mural. The Port mural is an important piece of Long Beach history and deserves to be saved. Donations can be made at www.lbheritage.org/ or at www.facebook.com/donate/2006309849697165/. Donations are tax deductible. For more information call (562) 493-7109.

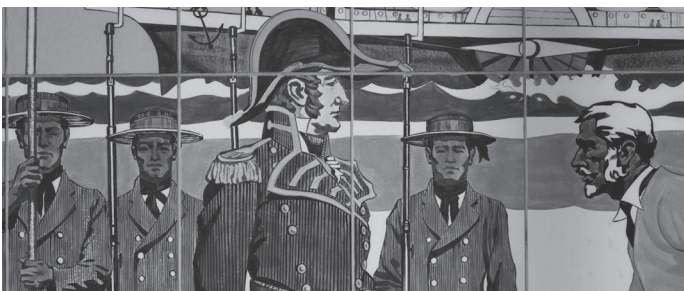



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by Josephine Caron, Senior Librarian

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The Long Beach Public Library is preparing for the highly anticipated Summer Reading Program. The theme this year is "Reading Takes You Everywhere" and the program will run from June 16th to August 11th. This program is for children, teens, and adults. In addition to reading, families can also enjoy fun and educational programs such as Buster Balloon, Annie Banannie, and Wild Wonders. Please check the library's website at www.lbpl.org for more information as we get closer to the start date.

The Library is also very excited to announce its new year-round early literacy program, "Dive into Reading". The goal of the program is to read 1,000 books with your little one before they enter kindergarten. Visit one of the four participating Long Beach Public Libraries (Main, Los Altos, Mark Twain, and Michelle Obama) to sign up and pick up your book tracker. After reading 100 books you can pick up a prize from any of our libraries. After reading 1,000 books, visit one of the participating libraries for your final prize!

We look forward to seeing you, your family, your neighbors and friends at the Dana library!! ↩

Mark your Calendar!

The Great Homes of Long Beach 2018 Home Tour will be held on Sunday, June 3, 2018 - From noon to 5:00 p.m.

This self-driving tour will feature six homes which emphasize the unique architectural character found in historic Long Beach. Houses are located in Cal Heights, Bluff Park, Belmont Heights, and Los Cerritos neighborhoods of Long Beach. Tickets are \$35 for members and \$40 for guests.

Long Beach Heritage is a 501(c)3 non-profit education and advocacy group which promotes public knowledge and preservation of significant historic and architectural resources and the cultural heritage of Long Beach.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.lbheritage.org.



From the 7th

By Roberto Uranga

I hope you all enjoyed this year's Spring weather and had the opportunity to spend time with friends, family and loved ones.

In observance of all mothers, I hosted my annual Mother's Day Luncheon Celebration on May 8th

It was a wonderful day to honor

and recognize our hard working women throughout the Seventh District.

Furthermore, my staff and I have been working diligently to communicate with constituents and city staff to make sure public safety, improvement projects, and any other concerns are being addressed in a timely manner. We have also been working collaboratively with community groups to produce and promote unifying community based events throughout the Seventh District.

As the sponsor for this year's Inaugural Long Beach Filipino Festival, I invite you to join us on May 19th at Silverado Park from 11 am to 6 pm. This year's festivities will include, live entertainment, a variety of culturally rich foods, information booths, and a number of activities for all to enjoy.

Additionally, we are proud to partner with Vice Mayor Rex Richardson for the 7th Annual Uptown Jazz Festival. The event will be held at Houghton Park, 6302 Myrtle Avenue, on Saturday, June 9th from 11 am to 7 pm.

Lastly, please save the date for the Seventh District Harbor Cruise, happening on Wednesday, June 27th from 6 pm to 7:30 pm at the Port of Long Beach. Space is limited and RSVP is required. If you are interested in attending, please call my office and RSVP at (562) 570-7777.

I look forward to continuing to work together! As always, please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at 562-570-7777 and via email at district7@longbeach.gov.

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IN THE KNOW'LLS What's New? What's Happening?

by Blair Cohn, Executive Director BKBIA

Hi Neighbors,

There are new things and updates to share with you all. We have made some changes and reinventions at the BKBIA.

I wanted to clarify some misinformation that sailed around social media and give you the whole story about First Fridays. First Fridays is not cancelled but is evolving. For the last 10 years the BKBIA helped build First Fridays to what it has become. The BKBIA is transitioning out of being the organizer of First Fridays and the businesses will now be organizing activities on their own. The event still has traction and the business owners will keep the energy going. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the businesses in the district like you've been doing.

The BKBIA Board spent months evaluating the event, looking at costs and other issues, and voted to direct our funds and energy to creating a new event that better meets our core mission of helping our business members succeed.

The BKBIA is already creating an exciting new "Summer Saturdays" event that gets us back to our core mission of supporting our business members. There is going to be GREAT programming for everyone including the young, the old, the hip, and the square. We can launch our "beer trolley," too. Please note, the event name is "SUMMER" Saturdays...not PERPETUAL Saturdays and the BKBIA will evaluate all events after Labor Day, leaving all possibilities open.

It is critical that we manage our shrinking redevelopment funds and plan effectively for the future. We will get the most bang for the buck and make the most impact for our members and the district as a whole, by making sure we always keep to the association's core mission.

AND, as our official statement said, we still have all our ongoing monthly programs like Strollers, Literary Society, Kidical Mass, and Good Spirits Club, along with our summer Concerts in the Park(ing Lot) series returning, and the launch of our new Knights of the Round (Turn)Table.

Speaking of the summer concerts, please mark your calendars for these:

June 21: Janet Klein and Her Parlor Boys at Georgie's Place – "Merrymakers of Whoopee" and purveyors of rare and scintillating jazz, Vaudeville & Tin Pan Alley tunes of the 1920s and 30s.

July 23: Ethio Cali at the DRNK Coffee House parking lot -- A Los Angeles-based Ethio-Jazz ensemble, led by trumpeter, arranger, and composer Todd Simon. The ensemble's sublime sound is inspired by the golden age of Ethiopian music of the 1960s and 70s, filtered through a lens that is uniquely LA. Acknowledging the diverse musical foundations of Ethio-Jazz, the ensemble also draws inspiration from the rhythmic and melodic textures across Africa, Central/Latin America, and the Caribbean.

August 20: Back by popular demand, Western Standard Time Ska Orchestra at 3737 Long Beach Boulevard - Western Standard Time Ska Orchestra is Duke Ellington meets Jamaica. The big band jazz arrangements of the 1940s colliding with the sound of early Jamaica! It is jazz! It is Jamaican jazz! These extraordinary musicians have taken Jamaican music, added big band jazz arrangements, and created a sound unique unto itself. Western Standard Time Ska Orchestra is the only one of its kind in the whole U.S. and one of only a few in the entire world.

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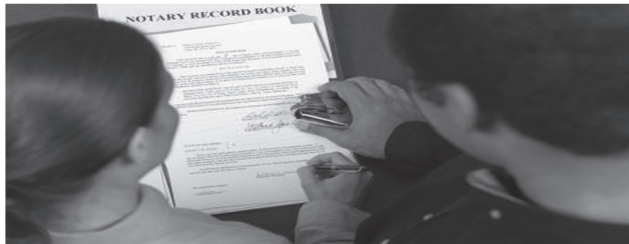
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