

## **Asian American Pacific Islander Month Resolution**



At our May 21, 2024, meeting, the Board joined me in Proclaiming the Month of May 2024 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage (AAPI) Month in Ventura County. AAPI Heritage Month was signed into law in 1992 to celebrate and honor the contributions of Asian American and Pacific Islanders in the U.S. This year's recipient of the Proclamation was the Filipino American Council of Ventura County, Inc. They stand as a beacon of unity, strength, and advocacy for the Filipino-American community in the county.

## **Communities Represented**

Central and Southern portions of the City of Oxnard, City of Port Hueneme, Oxnard Plain, Oxnard Shores, Mandalay Bay, Silver Strand, Hollywood Beach, Hollywood by the Sea, Channel Islands Harbor, California State University Channel Islands, Naval Base Ventura County, California Air National Guard, Oxnard Airport, Ormond Beach Wetlands, and Channel Islands National Park.

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## **Ventura County Peace Officers Memorial**



At the County Government Center, our community gathered for the 2024 Peace Officer's Memorial Ceremony led by our Ventura County Sheriff's Office. This ceremony honors the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. Thank you, Peace Officers, for your service and sacrifice.

## **Ventura County Fire Department Graduation**



I was in attendance with community members at the County's Regional Training Center in Camarillo to celebrate the graduates from the 61st Firefighter Academy. These 15 men received their badges and station assignments at the ceremony. During their station assignment, the graduates are on probation for a year, and if they meet the standards, they will become permanent firefighters. Congratulations to the 61st Academy on their incredible accomplishment.

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## **Housing Bond Update**



At our April 9th Board meeting,
Supervisor LaVere and I requested
support from our Board to conduct a
poll of our residents on the feasibility of
a Housing Bond Measure for the
November 2024 ballot. This bond
measure would create a local fund to
continue our County's efforts in
supporting the development of
affordable housing for seniors,
veterans, and workforce. Although
residents recognize that the county is
moving in the right direction of

addressing homelessness and affordable housing, the poll results indicate it is not the best time for a bond measure to be pursued. I thank my colleagues for supporting the initial poll and willingness to consider a solution. I look forward to continue supporting affordable housing development to ensure our residents can thrive and reside in the communities they grew up in. You can view the survey results here.

## **Waste Management Landfill Tour**





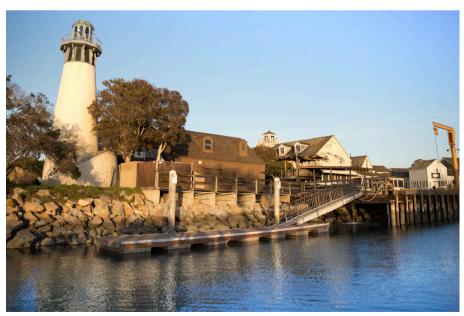
I joined Fourth District Supervisor Janice Parvin on a tour of the Waste Management Simi Valley Landfill. It was great to see all the precautions they take to ensure proper disposal of waste. For example, they hire a Falconer to scare away seagulls to make sure they are not scattering the trash. We also toured their preservation site, where they are removing invasive plants and replanting native plants, creating a beautiful habitat for wildlife. Thank you, Supervisor Janice Parvin and Nicole from Waste Management for the invitation to tour the landfill. To learn how to properly dispose of your waste and more about Waste Management, click <a href="https://example.com/here-example-new-com/here-e

## **Renewable Energy Program**



At our May 21 Board meeting, our County completed Phase 1 of our 3 Phased Renewable Energy Program. Our Board deemed battery storage a renewable energy source, which allows for more flexibility for battery storage. It also supports our County's general plan, increasing opportunity for investment in renewable energy infrastructure and supports the green economy, conserving agricultural land and natural environment. To learn more about battery storage, you can view the item here.

## **Fisherman's Wharf Agreement**



After nearly two decades of negotiating proposals, the Board of Supervisors approved a lease agreement with Karls LLC for development at Fisherman's Wharf in Oxnard. In May of 2022, the Harbor sent out a request for proposals (RFP) and received four responses. After researching and holding public workshops, the Harbor Department and Board of Supervisors agreed to enter into an exclusive right to negotiate (ERN) with Karl's Adventure Village in April of 2023. The concept will consist of a nautically themed

playground, open floor plan inside with bakery, artisan market, coffee shops, communal dining areas, family entertainment, and more. There will also be a public access pier and hotel onsite. To learn more about the Karls at Fisherman's Wharf project, click here.

## **County Sea Level Rise Meeting**

# Save the Date! You're invited to a Community Meeting!

#### Draft Sea Level Rise and Coastal Hazards Local Coastal Program Updates

The Ventura County Planning Division is conducting community outreach to gather input and feedback about draft goals, policies, and programs that will help Silver Strand and Hollywood Beach communities become more resilient to sea level rise and coastal hazards. Community input and feedback is helpful to ensure the proposed amendments meet the local community needs.

All residents and community members are invited to attend this community outreach event at the following time and location:

- When: June 11, 2024, between 6:30 and 7:30 PM
- Where: Hollywood Beach Elementary School <u>Cafeteria</u> at 4000 Sunset Ln, Oxnard, CA 93035

Thank you for taking the time to attend this important meeting. Please see reverse side for more information.

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#### VC Resilient Coastal Adaptation Project

In 2020 the Board of Supervisors approved a grant from the California Coastal Commission to prepare amendments to the County's Local Coastal Program that will provide a comprehensive update for sea level rise and coastal hazards. Planning Division staff developed the draft amendments and is notifying community residents (and other interested parties) about the opportunity to review and comment on the draft before public adoption hearings begin in the Fall.

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June 5<sup>th</sup> begins a 45-day public review period for the draft amendments. During that time period, members of the public can submit comments and staff will conduct a limited number of meetings to respond to questions and listen to public comments.

Please visit the link below to access the draft amendments on or after June 5<sup>th</sup> or email the planner below to receive an electronic copy for your review.

#### Link:

vcrma.org/en/vc-resilient-coastaladaptation-project

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On June 11 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, County Planning Division will be presenting updates on the draft Sea Level Rise and Coastal Hazards Local Coastal Program at Hollywood Beach Elementary School Cafeteria (4000 Sunset Ln, Oxnard, CA 93035). Planning staff will gather input and feedback about the goals and policies in the draft coastal plan. All residents and community members are invited to attend this presentation. The feedback will be helpful to ensure the proposed amendments meet the local community needs.

### Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta Monument Dedication



I was thrilled to celebrate the life and legacy of Cesar Chavez, Dolores Huerta, and our farmworkers at a community event at Clinicas del Camino Real. I presented a proclamation honoring Dolores Huerta to her daughter Lori de Leon, Dolores Huerta's daughter. I also want to thank artist Ignacio Gomez for the beautiful monument onsite that commemorates the advocacy of Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta for our community to enjoy. Thank you to Dr. Pawar and Dr. Villanueva for organizing this event.

## 20th Annual Rebozo Festival



At the 20th Anniversary of the Rebozo Festival, I had the honor of presenting Irma J. Lopez the Madrinas Lifetime Achievement Recognition as the founder of the Rebozo Festival and for her lasting impact on the communities of Oxnard and Ventura County. The event has raised \$420,000 since its inception. Proceeds have benefited dozens of private nonprofits throughout the county, including Friends of Fieldworks, One Step a la Vez Program, Nyeland Promise, and El Centrito Family Learning Center.

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## The Port of Hueneme World Trade Week



This month the Port of Hueneme held the 11th Annual World Trade Week Event to highlight the importance and benefit of global trade to the local and national economy. This year's event focused on Supply Chain and Al. The keynote Speaker of the day was Caroline Kaufman, Industries Team Lead in the Office of Supply Chain Services, at the International Trade Administration, followed by a roundtable discussion on the role of Al in International Trade. The Port's Global Trade Partners from Mexico, Lithuania, UK, and Hong Kong shared updates and highlighted the importance of their partnerships with the port. As a result of a recent trade mission that included traveling overseas to Korea and Japan.

The Commission signed two Memorandums of Understanding that include a focus on sustainability and building Green Corridors, and moving towards a green footprint of decarbonization. Click <u>here</u> to view the full presentation.

# Oxnard Union High School District Student Trustee Harnoor Singh Recognition



It was an honor to recognize outgoing 2023-24 Oxnard Union High School District Student Trustee Harnoor Singh, for his service to the district. Harnoor a Senior at Rio Mesa High School said he took on the role to voice the student perspective and share what students feel is important. Thank you for your service to the students, parents, faculty, and staff of the Oxnard Union High School District. Your hard work has helped shape a bright future for the youth of our community.

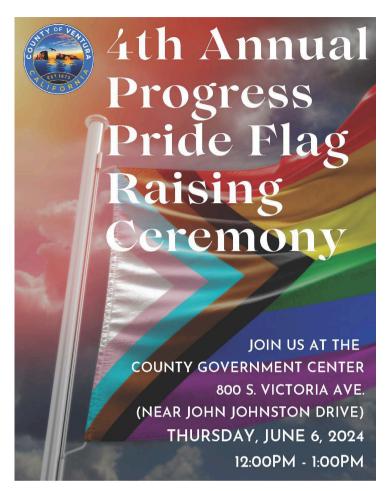
## **Fallen Oxnard Peace Officers Ceremony**

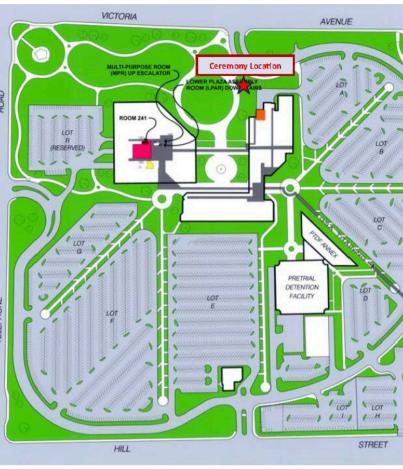


On May 15th, I joined City of Oxnard officials and First Responders to honor fallen Oxnard Peace Officers who gave their all to serve and protect fellow community members. The ceremony honored the following seven officers whose lives were lost in the line of duty: Constable Andrew McNaughton, 3-16-1906; Constable William E. Kelley, 8-20-1921; Officer Albert Gasperetti, 4-15-1956; Officer Frederick Clark, 10-12-1971; Senior Officer John Adair, 10-7-1980; Officer James E. O'Brien, 12-2-1993; and Officer James R. Jensen, Jr., 3-13-1996.

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## **Progress Pride Flag Raising & Pride Resolution**





I am pleased to extend an invitation to members of the community to join me on Thursday, June 6th at 12pm for the 4th Annual flag raising ceremony of the Progress Pride flag at the Ventura County Government Center. See map above for parking and location details.

# **UPCOMING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

Tuesday, June 4, 2024 8:30 AM

Monday, June 17, 2024 5:00 PM (Budget Public Hearing)

> Tuesday, June 18, 2024 8:30 AM



In-Person at the County Government Center 800 S. Victoria Ave, Ventura, CA 93009

Online at:

https://www.ventura.org/board-ofsupervisors/agendas-documents-andbroadcasts/