City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department 132-A Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

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Help prevent bilge-oil leaks, discharges, and spills in the harbor. Stop by the Harbormaster's Office and pick up your free oil-absorbent bilge pads, funded by a grant from CalRecycle.

GOT USED OIL?

Find a certified Used Oil Recycling Center* near you. A list of harbor dump station locations is also available at the Harbormaster's Office.





*For a complete list of certified used-oil collection centers visit www.calrecycle.ca.gov/usedoil/certcenters/

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remain at \$95. Permits are valid from date of purchase through December 31, 2020.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, General and

Slip Permittee Parking Permits may only

be purchased via phone, by calling (805)

564-5534 or (805) 564-5523. Curbside

pick-up as well mail delivery is available

to those interested in taking advantage of

this great deal.



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PARKING PERMIT FIREWORKS CANCELLED

PRICE DROPS Across the nation, countless localities have cancelled major gatherings of people in an Annual Waterfront Parking Permits offer convenient and economical parking, steps effort to slow the spread of COVID-19. Unfortunately, our City is not immune. from the sand. If you visit our beautiful harbor or beaches just a few times a year, these permits are a bargain! On May 1st, General Permits dropped in price to \$110, while Slip Permittee Permits (one per slip)



To:

Photo: Becky Davis Photography

Heeding guidance from state and county public health officials, on Monday, May 18, 2020, the Santa Barbara City Council gave direction to the City's Waterfront Director to cancel this year's July 4th fireworks display. Prior July Fourth celebrations have attracted tens of thousands of people to our beaches and waterfront neighborhoods.

The City and Waterfront Department will now focus on making next year's celebration even grander.

2020 **EVENTS SCHEDULE**

July 4 Fireworks - Cancelled October 12 Harbor & Seafood Festival December 16 Parade of Lights

Visit www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/Waterfront for more details

2020 REGULAR HARBOR COMMISSION **MEETING SCHEDULE**

January 16 July 16

February 20 August 20 - Cancelled March 19 September 17

April 16 October 15

May 21 November 19

June 18 December 17

Harbor Commission regularly meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers

Take Care of Waterfront Business from a Distance

Chris Bell, Waterfront Public Information Officer

Paying bills is never fun but doing it from the comfort of home sure takes some of the stress out of it. The Waterfront Department has made it easier than ever to take care of your Waterfrontrelated business; no envelopes, stamps or office visits required. What's better, you're now able to take care of a number of other transactions by computer or phone as well.

PARKING

Pay or Contest Parking Citations

All parking citations (including Police Dept. and Harbor Patrol) can be paid or contested within 21 days online or via phone:

- Pay or Contest Online: www.paymycite. com/santabarbara
- Pay or Contest by Phone: (855) 544-9368 Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

Reserve Parking for a Special Event

Members of the public can make a parking reservation for special events, such as weddings, birthdays, sporting events, etc., by contacting Waterfront Parking Coordinators via phone or email:

- James Hatsedakis: Phone (805) 897-1965, or email: JHatsedakis@SantaBarbaraCA.gov
- Carl Schmidt: Phone (805) 564-5520, or via email: CSchmidt@SantaBarbaraCA.gov

For more information about Waterfront Parking visit our website or call the Parking Office: Parking Phone Numbers: (805) 564-5523 or (805) 897-1965

MARINA SLIP MANAGEMENT Slip Fee Payments

- Skip the snail mail and get your bill by using our e-Billing form
- Credit card payments can be made over the phone by calling (805) 564-5531



- Better yet, make payments automatically by submitting an Auto pay form
- 99% of Slip Management forms can be emailed to us (just not Slip Permit forms)
 - Temporary Cancellation form (or cancellation request)
 - <u>Live-aboard permits</u> (or cancellation requests)
- Vacation Live-aboard permits (or cancellation requests)
- Mailing Address Change request form

If you have any questions about what web and phone services are available, please call (805) . 564-5531.

New Waterfront Director

Chris Bell, Waterfront Public Information Officer

Mike Wiltshire took the helm of the Waterfront Department on February 1st. Mike was previously the City's Facilities and Energy Division Manager where he oversaw maintenance and upgrades for a variety of public buildings and facilities.

Prior to working for the City, he worked in the offshore oil industry both locally and internationally. He also worked as a federal contractor for the U.S. Navy where he managed facilities, energy, and infrastructure projects at Port Hueneme, Port Mugu, and San Nicolas Island. He has a strong technical and leadership background and is knowledgeable of marine operations and issues related to working harbors.

Mike hails from Bowen Island, a small isle off of Vancouver, British Columbia. Not surprisingly, Mike had a strong relationship with the ocean

age, enjoying boating, fishing, and diving. Mike received a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of British Columbia, and a Master's degree in Business Economics from UCSB.

from an early



Mike has lived in the Santa Barbara area for 12 years and currently lives in Carpinteria with his wife Alanna and two sons Landon and Wyatt.

DockLines

City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department

Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to noon 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Business Office: 564-5531 Harbor Patrol: 564-5530 Maintenance: 564-5522 Parking Services:564-5523 Office Fax: 560-7580

Local area code (805)

Clean Marina Corner

SOCIAL DISTANCING AT THE WATERFRONT

Chris Bell, Waterfront Public Information Officer

city for many reasons, one of the biggest being the open area it affords. Everyday, hundreds of people flock to the Waterfront to exercise and play. But, even though there's a lot of elbow room here, we still need to maintain good social distancing, especially in areas of high traffic. Here are some tips.

Don't Get Choked Up

Some of the walkways in front of our restaurants and retail stores are narrower, creating pinch points. When approaching these areas, look ahead to see if you can pass while keeping six feet apart. If not, step aside and wait until the coast is clear.

The beach path is a great place to exercise but, even though it's pretty wide, sometimes it's impossible to pass people and stay six-plus feet apart. When this happens, if you can, step off into the sand or grass. You'll decrease the odds of virus transmission and increase the odds of appreciative smiles.

Keep it Clean

The Waterfront is a unique place in our washing your hands so much it should be second nature. To support this critical practice, the Waterfront Department has placed hand sanitizer stations inside each marina gate and around the harbor.



Be Patient

Whether it's standing in a line or waiting for someone to pass in a tight space, patience is a commodity we all need to stock up on. Realizing that many everyday tasks and routines are going to take a little longer will make for a friendlier, less-stressful atmosphere. Plus, it's the Santa Barbara Wa-By now we've all heard the mantra about terfront; where else would you rather be?

MARITIME MUSEUM WINS LOCAL AWARD

Brian Bosse, Waterfront Business Manager

Congratulations to the Santa Barbara Maritime Museum for being recognized as the 2019 Non-Profit of the Year at the 12th annual Regional Business Awards, hosted by the Chamber of the Santa Barbara Region. The award was presented to the Museum on February 12, 2020.



The Museum, located in the Waterfront Center Building in the Santa Barbara Harbor, opened to the public in July 2000. Founded by a group of fishermen, divers, and sailors, the Museum is a place where the public can experience maritime culture within the Santa Barbara Channel.

One of the Museum's most popular educational programs is the Spirit of Dana Point Tall Ship program which gives local fourth graders the opportunity to live the lives of 19th century sailors aboard a tall ship. Other favorites include the Marine Science and Ocean Connections programs, where third through sixth graders experience a boat ride and scientific investigation. The Museum currently has a membership base of nearly 2,000 members and annual attendance is over 40,000 visitors.

HARBOR

BOAT LAUNCH MINI MART FIRE

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

On the morning of April 21, a structure fire was reported at the Boat Launch Mini Mart. Harbor Patrol responded in Boat 3 and was able to get water on the fire from the vicinity of the Santa Barbara Sailing Center. The Fire Department also responded rapidly, helping to extinguish the fire in less than 10 minutes. Unfortunately, the damage was done and the wood roof, interior walls, window frames, and all contents of the market were destroyed. A Fire Department investigator inspected the structure and classified the fire as acciden-

The building is a single story masonry structure approximately 900 square feet in size. The masonry walls are structurally sound but the remainder of the building will have to be replaced. The City's insurer dispatched a claims adjuster and restoration contractor to assess the damage and provide a cost estimate for repairs. The loss should be covered by insurance after a \$50,000 deductible. The preliminary cost estimate is \$95,000 to replace the



shell of the building and construction has been put out to bid. It's possible that a contract could be awarded in the next 3 -4 weeks, with approximately one month to complete construction. The Waterfront Department includes \$100,000 in Appropriated Reserves in the annual budget specifically for expenses such as this. Hopefully the Boat Launch Mini Mart can reopen for business in late summer.

SEA CENTER LIT BLUE TO SHOW GRATITUDE

Museum of Natural History Sea Center on Stearns Wharf, Arlington Theater Tower, Lobero Theater, Cottage Hospital sites, and the Mission Tower were lit up in blue to show gratitude to healthcare and essential workers as part of the international Light It Blue campaign. The City of Santa Barbara teamed up with the Santa Barbara Arts Collaborative, community artists, event production companies, and local design companies, some of whom donated time and equipment to the project.

This highly visible, public act of support is in partnership with the #LightItBlue campaign which invites businesses, venues, and communities to turn blue in support of the frontline medical staff and essential workers who are confronting the COVID-19 pandemic in

On Thursday, May 14th, the Santa Barbara hospitals, grocery stores, and other essential businesses around the world.

> Mayor Cathy Murillo said, "I'm proud of the collaboration between our community artists and art organizations to honor the hard work and sacrifice of health care professionals and frontline employees. Thank you for providing the community with a lighting display to bring us all together."

SBMNH President & CEO Luke J. Swetland shared, "We are so honored to participate in this important moment of recognition and appreciation. The Sea Center floats magically above our beautiful, blue Channel. Bathing it in calming light is a wonderful way to show our community's love and support for those who are taking care of the most fragile among us."



Photo: Chris Bell

SAFE BOATING WEEK

Erik Engebretson, Interim Harbor Operations Manager



from May 15th through Memorial Day weekend. This campaign is a great reminder to all boaters of the importance of safety and responsibility while operating all types of vessels. With summer upon us, it's a great time to refresh your skills so you can enjoy safe boating with friends and family.

Travel Responsibly

Every person on board should wear the mandatory, properly fitted, Coast Guardapproved life preserver (PFD). Carry a marine radio, a GPS device and of course the required distress signaling equipment. Operate your vessel at a safe speed and designate a lookout to watch for other boaters, swimmers, wildlife and objects floating in and on the water. Don't mix boating with alcohol. More than half of all marine fatalities are alcohol-related.



Respect the Rights of Others

With increased boating, kayaking, and stand up paddle boarding in the summertime, it's everyone's responsibility to respect the rights of other recreationists in and around our harbor. Be courteous and patient with other boaters. Show consideration especially to those who may be new to boating.

File a Float Plan

Let a friend or relative know where vou're headed, and how long you'll be gone. If you don't communicate your safe return, they should contact the local boating authority or USCG. Communication devices can be the most important equipment on board, especially in case of emergency. VHF radios, cell phones, satellite phones, emergency position indicating radio beacons, and

National Safe Boating Week will run personal locator beacons can all contribute to your safety.



Check the Weather

Know the latest marine weather forecast and monitor changing conditions.

Know your State's Boating Laws Before Going Out on the Water

Rules and laws can differ from state to state, and violations can result in tickets, fines or jail. Download a free copy of "The ABCs of California Boating Law" here. And be advised, there are now mandatory boater education requirements in California.



Educate Yourself

Santa Barbara Sail & Power Squadron (805) 570-2991 and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary (info@cgauxsb.org) offer free vessel safety checks and boating-safety classes.

I hope Safe Boating Week will be on your minds throughout the year. We in Harbor Patrol look forward to seeing you on the water having fun and staying safe.