



City Administrator's Report

May 2006

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Key Meetings:

- May 9, 16, 23 ▪ City Council
- May 13 ▪ The Single Family Design Guidelines/Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance Open House, 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Central Library, Faulker Gallery, 40 E. Anapamu St.
- May 29 ▪ City offices closed for Memorial Day Weekend

Community Events:

- May 5 ▪ **Cinco de Mayo Celebration**, De la Guerra Plaza, all day.
- May 10, 17, 24, 31 ▪ **Nite Moves**, Leadbetter Beach, For more information, contact John Clinton of Run Santa Barbara at 564-8879 or go to www.runsantabarbara.com.
- May 13 ▪ **Sports Day in the Park**, Plaza del Mar, 1-5 pm. Sponsored by the City of Santa Barbara's Adapted Programs and Devereux of Santa Barbara. For more information, contact Kathy Trujillo at 564-5421.

- May 13
 - 4th annual Salsa Festival and Family Resource Fair, De la Guerra Plaza, 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.. For more information, contact Ricardo S. Venegas at 963-7605.
- May 13
 - Rummage Sale to benefit Teen Center, 1235 Chapala St., 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, contact Cyrus Alexander at 897-2650.
- May 17
 - Bike To Work Day, State and De la Guerra Streets, 7 to 9 a.m. For more information, contact Dru van Hengel at 564-5544 or go to <http://www.sbbike.org>.
- May 18, 19, 20, 21
 - **AVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tournament**, West Beach. For more information, contact Association of Volleyball Professionals at (310) 426-8000.

Flags on State Street:

- May 5-8
 - Cinco de Mayo
- May 8-15
 - Preservation Week
- May 15-23
 - Bike Week
- May 23-30
 - Memorial Day
- May 30 – June 5
 - Big Dogs Parade

City Administrator

Jury verdict has mixed results. In the Ruben Lino vs. City of Santa Barbara case, the jury was unable to reach a verdict in two causes of action against the City - that the City discriminated against Mr. Lino and that the City failed to properly enforce its non-discrimination policies. However, the jury returned a verdict in favor of Mr. Lino in a third cause of action. Specifically, the jury found that the October 2003 Police decision to not re-hire Mr. Lino was in retaliation for his having complained about inappropriate work-place comments regarding homosexuals. In reaching this verdict, the jury awarded \$431,000 to Mr. Lino plus reasonable attorney fees subject to the judge's discretion. The City is disappointed that the jury decision in the Lino case was not fully in the City's favor. We still believe that not rehiring Mr. Lino was an appropriate and justified management decision which was not influenced by Mr. Lino's sexual orientation. The independent investigation conducted immediately after Mr. Lino complained about not being re-hired concluded that no improper discrimination or retaliation was involved in that decision. The City Police did not know what Mr. Lino's sexual orientation was at the time the decision was made not to re-hire him. We're disappointed the jury did not see it our way. Our City Attorney's Office is exploring options.

“Inside Santa Barbara” airs 101st Episode. This month’s episode will cover the Wildland Fire Assessment, the use of Front-Country trail, the “Fighting Back” teen event, the city’s recycling efforts, Earth Day, and the City Advisory Group recruitment. You can watch the premiere of “Inside Santa Barbara” on City TV Channel 18 on Saturday, May 6th at 9 p.m. Log onto www.citytv18.com for rebroadcast times.

Neighborhood Improvement Program. April 3: Parks and Police cleaned up an illegal transient camp at the Ortega Park main picnic area. P.D. continues to do direct patrol of the area.

April 5: Beat Coordinator Jeff Hill ran a “Calls for Service” report for Cabrillo Ball Field, from February 2006 to present there have been 32 incidents that officers have responded to with 28 of these resulting in the issuance of a citation or the making of an arrest. Parks staff and Police have been cleaning up trash from illegal transient encampments this past month.

April 13: Parks Staff cleaned up illegal transient camps throughout Oak Park. Over one ton of garbage was removed from the site. This area continues to be a problem with illegal camping. Parks continues to remove vegetation in areas where transients could hide and illegally camp without being seen. These areas were on the hillside above the Sycamore picnic area and an area nearest the Tallant Rd. Bridge. Police continue to patrol this park per Parks and Recreation request.

April 20: Parks Division cleaned up an illegal transient camp at Chase Palm Park Expansion nearest the Fess Parker property line -- 250 lbs. of garbage was removed.

April 28: Park Staff cleaned up five illegal transient camps along East Beach - 280 lbs. of garbage was removed.

Airport

Quarterly passenger count shows slight increase. During January, February and March, the total number of passengers arriving and departing from the Santa Barbara Airport was up 1% compared to the same period last year. In January 2005 the count was especially high during the mudslide closure of Highway 101, and this year it was more in line with 2004. California had unusual weather in February, which caused flight cancellations thus a decrease in passengers. But in March the count was up and long term parking even overflowed into other lots. Typically the long term parking lot doesn’t reach capacity until the summer months and during the winter holidays.

Minimum FAA facility standards to be updated. The FAA recommends that airports develop minimum standards and requirements for individuals or entities providing aviation related businesses on the Airport. The goal is to provide Airport facilities on a fair and reasonable basis to all aviation users. SBA’s Minimum Standards were adopted by City Council in July 1998. In April, Airport staff invited current SBA business owners and pilot groups to participate on a committee to review the current Standards and to assist in making needed changes to update the document. The Committee meetings have resulted in lively discussion, new understanding, and a draft agreement that is responsive to SBA’s aviation community.

Community Development Department

Planning Commission News. On May 11th, the Planning Commission will meet to discuss priority projects for utility undergrounding, using funds provided to the City by Southern California Edison. The Commission will also hear a presentation on the proposed Planning Division budget for Fiscal Year 2007. Finally, the staff will present initial information regarding the Upper State Street Study for Planning Commission feedback.

On May 18th, the Planning Commission will hold a hearing and make a recommendation for City Council regarding a proposed General Plan Amendment for the area between the western city limits of Santa Barbara and the eastern city limits of Goleta. The Planning Commission will also make a recommendation to City Council regarding a proposed Street Light Master Plan. The Plan will provide the public, Public Works Department and Developers information about approved street light fixtures for their neighborhoods.

NPO Update. The Single Family Design Guidelines/Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance (SFDG/NPO) Update Steering Committee process concluded in April after 32 Steering Committee meetings and many public workshops. An Open House meeting will be held Saturday May 13th, 12:30 to 5:30 PM, to introduce the Architectural Board of Review (ABR), Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC), Planning Commission (PC) and City Council members to the SFDG/NPO Draft Update Package. The Open House will include exhibit viewing time, a staff presentation, a public hearing and informal question and answer time. After the Open House, the Update Package will be reviewed by the ABR, the HLC, the PC, and then the ABR again. After these reviews, staff will revise the Update Package to incorporate the hearing bodies' comments for presentation to City Council. This meeting will be videotaped by City TV and aired in May. Check City TV's website for replay times: www.citytv18.com.

City Council Initiates Upper State Street Study. On April 25th, the City Council initiated the Upper State Street Study and Improvement Plan process. The study will address immediate traffic and circulation needs as well as interim development standards and design guidelines for State Street from Calle Laureles to Highway 154.

Over the next year, City Staff will work with the public and many City Boards and Commissions to 1) analyze existing traffic conditions; 2) identify traffic and circulation improvements to address those conditions and, to the extent feasible, identify long-term infrastructure improvements, and 3) reach agreement on interim development standards and design guidelines for the Upper State Street area.

We encourage public participation in the process, particularly among property owners interested in making improvements in the study area. Pending projects will be allowed to continue in the development review process while taking into consideration the recommendations of the study. A Draft Capital Improvement Plan and Interim Standards & Guidelines will be available for public review in early 2007.

Fire Department

Fire Station 1 Modernization Project - Phase One to begin this summer.

Having recently secured additional RDA funding on April 17, 2006 for this project, phase one of the Fire Station 1 Modernization Program is scheduled to commence in July. This phase will include design, the permit approval process and construction of the first of three major phases of remodeling for this 47 year old public safety facility. Overall, the project is inclusive of seismic retrofitting, HVAC and exhaust removal systems, electrical and plumbing improvements, ADA compliance work and an overall improvement to the work/live spaces within the building. Phase one has a projected budget of \$4.3 million dollars and will complete a significant portion of the multi-year re-construction program.

Library Department

Library Receives Grant for Computer Equipment. The Santa Barbara Public Library has received a grant for \$18,000 from the California State Library, acting a fund distributor for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. These monies will be used for computer software and hardware for public access computers at the Central and Eastside Branch libraries. Given the extreme use and wear and tear on these computers at the public library, these funds will help in replacing worn or damaged equipment and in upgrading software to better meet patron needs.

Library "Friends" Party for Fun and Funds. On April 21st, the Friends of the Santa Barbara Library held a party --- "Just Kidding Around" -- just for fun and to raise money for children's library services. The event featured chocolate, storytelling, chocolate, hors d'oeuvres, chocolate, and displays of library programs such as Summer Reading Program, Reach Out and Read, and Reading is Fundamental. The Friends provided a good time for all and raised over \$5,000 for the Library.

Waterfront Department

Harbor Clean Sweep Scheduled For May 20

The Waterfront Department, in partnership with the California Professional Divers Association, harbor dive businesses and local environmental groups, will sponsor Harbor Clean Sweep on May 20th. The project's initial goal is seafloor debris removal in the vicinity of Marina 3. About 15 divers and 30 shore support staff will work from 8:00 a.m. until noon to remove, sort and display its "catch." They will be joined by safety boats and vessels capable of lifting heavy objects.

Finance Department

March Transient Occupancy Tax Down 2%: This was the first year-over-year decline this fiscal year. Year-to-date growth is 10.2%. Several factors may have contributed to the decline. These include the poor weather in March and the fact that two major hotels had many rooms

“off-line” due to reconstruction or remodeling. Finally, we were building off a very strong March of the previous year, which is when our growth rate began to accelerate. We have projected a growth rate of 8.6% for the current fiscal year, which will require us to grow 4.4% in April, May and June, and we believe that is still a reasonable expectation.

TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAXES										
Month	FY 2002	Change from Prior Year	FY 2003	Change from Prior Year	FY 2004	Change from Prior Year	FY 2005	Change from Prior Year	FY 2006	Change from Prior Year
July	\$ 1,171,041	-2.8%	\$ 1,183,951	1.1%	\$ 1,198,952	1.3%	\$ 1,301,652	8.6%	\$ 1,477,789	13.5%
Aug	1,276,212	2.3%	1,328,278	4.1%	1,349,990	1.6%	1,357,717	0.6%	1,504,589	10.8%
Sept	808,657	-15.1%	849,174	5.0%	887,095	4.5%	931,244	5.0%	1,109,428	19.1%
Oct	790,919	-5.8%	830,054	4.9%	863,919	4.1%	914,718	5.9%	963,261	5.3%
Nov	653,829	-5.4%	684,776	4.7%	696,742	1.7%	721,982	3.6%	809,684	12.1%
Dec	539,598	-9.2%	529,694	-1.8%	553,094	4.4%	575,075	4.0%	671,965	16.8%
Jan	511,090	-11.7%	583,413	14.2%	584,653	0.2%	606,484	3.7%	661,507	9.1%
Feb	611,322	-2.8%	616,824	0.9%	703,493	14.1%	699,349	-0.6%	738,532	5.6%
Mar	783,829	1.9%	704,942	-10.1%	782,652	11.0%	872,554	11.5%	855,414	-2.0%
April	822,209	1.5%	793,352	-3.5%	875,760	10.4%	941,281	7.5%		
May	856,251	1.7%	817,047	-4.6%	895,378	9.6%	1,001,450	11.8%		
June	1,012,905	0.0%	942,897	-6.9%	973,955	3.3%	1,157,985	18.9%		YTD
FY Total	\$ 9,837,862	-3.3%	\$ 9,864,403	0.3%	\$ 10,365,683	5.1%	\$ 11,081,490	6.9%	\$ 8,792,169	10.2%
Budget	\$ 9,779,115		\$ 9,974,700		\$ 10,273,900		\$ 10,684,900		\$ 11,504,200	

This report includes only the 10% unrestricted TOT revenues. Beginning in January 2001, an additional 2% is credited to Creeks/Clean Water (Measure B).

Budget Review Process Underway: The Recommended Fiscal Year 2007 budget was filed with the City Council on April 11th and review by the Council and Finance Committee is now underway. The Finance Committee has already held four meetings to review various components of the recommended budget (both will be televised on City TV-Channel 18). The City Council has scheduled two worksessions and public hearings on the budget. The following are the dates of the two worksessions (and public hearings) and the departments to be covered. Both meetings will be held in the City Council Chambers in City Hall.

Monday, May 8 th 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Friday, May 19 th 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Police	Parks & Recreation
Fire	Community Development
Airport	Library
Community Promotion	Administrative Departments
Waterfront (5:00 pm, time certain)	

Parks and Recreation Department

Teen Center Slated to Open in 2007. The new Teen Center, located at 1235 Chapala Street, is set to open in January of 2007. The \$562,000 project will include removing interior walls, a game room, study room, internet café, arcades, lounge, snack bar, and recording studio for

youth in grades 7 through 12. Fundraising efforts continue by the Santa Barbara Youth Council for future programs and events.

Rummage Sale to Benefit the Teen Center. On Saturday May 13, Youth Council members and the Teen Center Volunteer Committee will host a Rummage Sale at 1235 Chapala Street, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of equipment and the creation of programs at the new Teen Center, set to open in 2007. Donation items to be sold at the Rummage are still being accepted, so clean out your closet, organize your garage, and bring your unwanted items to the Teen Programs office before it is too late! For additional information about the rummage sale, or to make arrangements for the drop-off or pick-up of donation items, please contact Cyrus Alexander at 897-2650.

City's PHAER Model Presented to National Symposium. Santos Escobar, the City's Integrated Pest Management Coordinator, presented the City's IPM Pesticide Hazard and Exposure Reduction Model (PHAER Model) at the 5th National IPM Symposium in St. Louis April 5th, 2006. Over 650 people shared innovations that lead to a safer food supply, enhanced human health and an improved environment at the symposium "Delivering on a Promise" from April 4-6th. With over 23 countries represented, the program included mini-symposia, workshops, roundtable sessions and social events that reviewed the basic tenets of IPM and addressed challenges involved in educating the public about the importance of integrated pest management. Sessions addressed state of the art strategies and technologies that will successfully solve pest problems in agricultural, recreational, natural and community settings.

Underage Drinking Discussed at April Town Hall Meeting. On Thursday, April 13, the Teen Programs ADAP (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention) Coalition, in partnership with Fighting Back, hosted a Town Hall meeting, "Start Talking Before They Start Drinking," which addressed underage alcohol abuse in Santa Barbara. Approximately 150 attendees listened to emotionally fueled testimonials from teens that had fallen victim to the perils of alcohol, and from adults who work in intervention and law enforcement. The forum included a panel of speakers—including Judge Frank Ochoa, Chris Lambert of Cottage hospital, and various high school students—who not only confronted the problem of underage drinking, but also spoke of the many alternatives available to local teens. City TV videotaped the event; to request a copy of the tape, contact City TV at 564-5311.

Sports Day in the Park Hosted by Adapted Programs. The City of Santa Barbara's Adapted Programs and Devereux of Santa Barbara are joining forces for a Sports Day in the Park! Creative sports, games and activities for all ages and abilities on Saturday, May 13 from 1 – 5 p.m. in Plaza del Mar. Come experience an afternoon filled with fun and games brought to you by Creative Athletics! Enjoy a free hot dog lunch sponsored by The DOGHOUSE and dance along to Santa Barbara's Premier Surf Band RAM-BUNK-SHUSH! Open to all individuals with disabilities, their family and friends.

4th Annual Salsa Festival needs volunteers, co-sponsors and participants. Novice salsa makers, arts and craft vendors, classic cars show entry participants, volunteers, and event co-sponsors are invited to contact the Community Services section of the Parks and Recreation Department to be part of this year's event. The 4th Annual Salsa Festival Santa Barbara and Family Resource Fair runs from 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 13, 2006 at De la Guerra Plaza. Proceeds benefit the many valuable neighborhood services. For more information contact Ricardo S. Venegas, at 963-7605. Reservations are due by May 12, 2006.

Special Events Scheduled for Women's Golf Week at Santa Barbara Golf Club. The SBGC is a host club for the 2006 American Express Women's Golf Week from June 3-June 10 and will be offering women of all skill levels free golf lessons and golf-related social activities all week long. Saturday, June 3 is a parent/daughter golf special; Sunday is Women's Demo Day from 1 – 5 p.m.; Monday a fashion show and happy hour at Mulligan's Café at 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday 2-for-1 Twilight Golf (2pm until dark); Wednesday half price golf carts for women only; Thursday 2-for-1 range tokens; Friday a free golf clinic at 5:30pm and Saturday free 10 minute lessons for women from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. In addition, Mulligan's will have happy hour half price appetizers for women all week long. For more information, please call the SBGC at 687-7087.

Ortega Park Ready for Play. The fence surrounding Ortega Park's field was removed on Monday, April 24, marking the end of a great project for Santa Barbara's Eastside residents. By removing three outfield lights, expanding the turf area into a portion of Quarantina St., regrading the entire field, and installing new grass and irrigation, the popular park will now provide a great place for soccer practice and other activities. In addition to the extensive work to improve the quality of the turf, a new bike path was installed and Santa Barbara Junior High received a safe drop-off area for students to take some of the pressure off of the Cota Street morning rush. The project was funded through the General Fund, two sources of State grant money, and the Public Works Department bikeway money. Thanks to everyone who made this project a success.

Police Department

Arrests Follow Gang Violence. On March 31st, a 41-year-old man was found with multiple stab wounds at 700 Wentworth Ave. The suspects were gang members. A suspect was identified, and an intensive man-hunt ensued. On March 7th, police arrested a 25-year-old man for assault with a deadly weapon. Police seized a knife, drug paraphernalia, and crystal methamphetamine. While hunting down this suspect, seven other gang members were arrested for violations including parole violation, probation violation, drug charges, and warrants. All eight of these suspects are associated with a Westside gang.

More Gang Violence, More Arrests. On April 13th at 7:45 p.m., two men were returning to a friend's house after running an errand at an Eastside market. As the two men reached the footbridge at 1200 Cacique St., they were accosted by a group of five men described as Eastside gang members. The largest gang member challenged the two men, asking "where are you from?" The men replied that they were born and raised on the Eastside. The gang member taunted him, and punched him in the face. As the two started grappling, another gang member stabbed the victim in the back. Felled by his wounds, the victim was set upon by the group of gang members. He was beaten and received additional stab wounds. The suspects fled on foot. The victim was admitted to Cottage Hospital in critical condition. His condition has been upgraded to stable. Gang officers and detectives have arrested three gang members in this assault.

Armed Robbery on Eastside. On April 17th at 9:00 p.m., a 58-year-old man was walking home from the grocery store. As he rounded the corner of Quinientos and Alisos St., he was confronted by first one, then two, and then three young men. Suspect #1 blocked his path and demanded cash. Suspect #2 approached with a gun in hand and a bandana covering his face. Suspect #2 knocked the victim to the ground and pointed the handgun directly at the victim's face. Suspect #3 stood across the street, and acted as a look-out. Fearing for his life, the

victim took his wallet out of his pant's pocket. Suspects #1 and #2 grabbed for it, and there was a brief three-way struggle. In the process, the cash became exposed, and the suspects took it. The stolen money amounted to \$58. Cash in hand, the suspects fled on foot. Very shook up, the victim went to the nearby Rite Aid store on Milpas St. and called police. Two minutes later Officer James Fuller spotted the three suspects walking a few blocks from the crime scene. Despite the danger he ordered the suspects to halt at gunpoint. Two suspects ran, but Officer Fuller tackled the third at the scene. Minutes later Sgt. Dan McGrew arrested a second suspect at 1100 E. Carpinteria St. Several hours later police spotted the third suspect in a car and arrested him. The suspect with the gun was 18 and the other two suspects were 16 and 17 years old.

Public Works Department

Construction Begins for the Public Restrooms at 914 State Street. The City has contracted with local contractor W.T.Thomson Construction, Inc. for \$306,606 to construct a one story building of 330 square feet to house restroom facilities. This long awaited project will be located between the Fiesta Five Theatre, the City Parking Garage, and Borders Bookstore. Construction started on April 27 and is scheduled for completion by August 7. Pedestrian traffic will be open through the Paseo, except for occasional closure for underground utilities work.

Construction of the Westside Storm Drain Improvements Project began on April 24. The project was awarded to Lash Construction by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2006 for \$4,705,773. An official groundbreaking ceremony will take place on May 4, 2006 at 10:00 am at the intersection of Micheltorena and Chino Streets. The scope of this project includes a variation of pipe ranging from 30-inch to 54-inch pipe, drain inlets, and access ramps. The main portion of the project will begin at the intersection of Chino and Micheltorena Streets, go up to Mission St., head west on Mission Street to Gillespie St., then head North on Gillespie Street and terminate at Portesuello Ave.

Cottage Hospital Will Improve Public Right of Way. Cottage Hospital's mega \$500 million modernization project also includes about \$8 million of improvements in the public right of way. With the closure of Castillo Street, and the construction of two parking structures, a child care center, and an energy center, drainage patterns have changed and a new storm drain will be built below the road surface on Junipero Street, then turning south onto Oak Park Lane and discharging into Mission Creek. There will also be other right of way improvements such as sidewalks, landscaping and pedestrian amenities. The use of recycled water is being maximized. Construction is anticipated to start within 2-3 months.

May is Water Awareness Month. Join us for the following tours:

- May 6 at 9 a.m., Charles Meyer Desalination Facility, 525 E. Yanonali St.
- May 13 at 10 a.m., Alice Keck Park Memorial Garden, Low-water Using Demonstration Garden, corner of Santa Barbara and Micheltorena Streets
- May 14 and 28 at 2 p.m., Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Home Demonstration Garden.

For more information, call 564-5460. Also, check out the latest on saving water at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov and clicking on "learn about water conservation."

Transportation Workshops: The Transportation Division, in coordination with the Planning Division and other divisions and departments, is conducting a series of Planning Commission workshops in order to educate and increase decision-maker and public confidence in transportation review of land development projects. The first workshop was held on March 2, 2006 to discuss procedures for traffic analysis of land development projects. The second workshop, to be held at 1:00pm in Council Chambers on May 18, is to understand the concept of traffic “Levels of Service” (or LOS), how the City uses level of service in traffic policy and traffic analysis, and to discuss measures for reducing congestion levels. The third workshop will be on parking policy. No date is currently set for the third workshop.

St. Francis Neighborhood Traffic Mobility Plan: On April 11, City Council unanimously approved moving forward with the design of permanent traffic calming devices at 7 of 19 locations described in the St. Francis Area Mobility Plan. Dru van Hengel, Mobility Coordinator, began the program with area residents in 2002. She facilitated the neighborhood’s education about its own travel behavior and eventually regarding the neighborhood’s desire to install traffic calming devices to slow down motorists driving through. The Transportation Division also worked closely with the Police and Fire Departments to ensure the traffic calming devices would not negatively impact emergency response times. In 2004, Tully Clifford, Transportation Engineer, began supervising the installation of temporary traffic calming devices at various intersections to measure and adjust their effectiveness. The permanent traffic calming devices will be ready for construction this summer.

Bike to Work Day is Wednesday May 17th. The City of Santa Barbara invites all bicycle commuters that day to its Downtown event at State Street and De La Guerra Street from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Free food, coffee, and raffle prizes for participants. See <http://www.sbbike.org> for more about Bike to Work Day and the upcoming Team Bike Challenge. Call Dru van Hengel at 564-5544 to volunteer, donate prizes, ask questions, or to schedule CycleSmart instruction in anticipation of the big day.

Progress in Public Area Recycling and Litter Abatement. As part of the City’s goal to provide public area recycling where trash cans are present, Environmental Services recently installed more than 25 new recycling and trash containers throughout the City. Complementing the Amtrak station renovation, nine of the City’s new hybrid recycling and trash containers have been installed in the area, providing cigarette ‘butlers’ in targeted smoking areas only. Carrillo Street is now lined with recycling and trash containers between Chapala and Anacapa Streets as well. Finally, as part of our systematic response to various citizen and business requests for new containers and for recycling capacity, individual containers have been placed at 700 Santa Barbara Street, 1100 Montecito Street, and 1500 San Andres. Environmental Services is currently managing a list of neighborhood requests for containers and will install requested containers using budgeted solid waste funding.