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STRONGER, SMARTER, SAFER: BOARDWALK RECONSTRUCTION BEGINS IN LONG BEACH

On Saturday, January 5, 2013, more than 3,000 Long Beach residents joined together to say "goodbye" to an old, trusted friend, the boardwalk. The farewell ceremony coincided with the beginning of the Long Beach landmark's \$1.435 million demolition process. "Let's not consider today as a eulogy for our old friend; rather, let's see today as a milestone," said City Council President Scott J. Mandel. "The boardwalk is so much more than just lumber, nails, benches, and rails. It's the heart of Long Beach for which most of us have built our fondest memories."

The Department of Public Works sent out Request for Proposals (also known as an RFP) to a number of interested contractors. Those contractors must be able to meet the demanding schedule put in place by the City to ensure that sections of a new boardwalk will be accessible by, or as close



Substantial boardwalk reconstruction work will continue for several months



From l-to-r: Long Beach Historical Society members Roberta Fiore and Carole Geraci, City Council President Scott J Mandel, Councilman John McLaughlin, Council Vice President Fran Adelson, Councilman Len Torres, & Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg

as possible to, the start of the summer beach season. In addition, the planning of the beach is being done in consultation with the Army Corps of Engineers. This means that specifications can be coordinated with new storm protection measures.

The City also teamed up with Sustainable Long Island to host Boardwalk Redevelopment focus groups that were open to all members of our community. Residents were encouraged to attend and provide input on what is most important to them during the rebirth of the legendary landmark (more on Page 3).

Though most of the design details of the new boardwalk are still being evaluated

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A MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT MANDEL

To Our Neighbors,

We truly had an extraordinary year in our beautiful City by the Sea. Superstorm Sandy may have done its worst, but Long Beach responded with its best. Our workforce and new friends who lent a helping hand, in our time of need, were invaluable, and we cannot thank them enough. Though the road to recovery is long, we have already made monumental strides. Our community has come together, making our bond as Long Beach residents even stronger.

Not to be forgotten, we had an amazing summer prior to the storm. There were dozens of tremendous concerts on the beach, two arts & crafts festivals, a fireworks extravaganza, and even a film festival. We also had our playground program for youngsters, wonderful programs for seniors, and many successful sports leagues — volleyball, soccer, softball, baseball, you name it! We look forward to doing all of this, and more, in 2013.

As always, please remember to visit us at longbeachny.gov for the latest up-to-date news and events.

Scott J. Mandel
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 City Council President



Scott J. Mandel was voted City Council President at the Council meeting on January 8, 2013

STRONGER, SMARTER, SAFER: BOARDWALK RECONSTRUCTION BEGINS IN LONG BEACH

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as of press time, the new boardwalk is expected to cost around \$40 million, the vast majority of which will be paid by insurance, FEMA and other government grants. Memorial benches have been placed in storage and will be used on the new boardwalk for seating as well.

In accordance with the Stronger, Smarter, Safer slogan adopted by the City to describe the philosophy behind Long Beach's post-Sandy reconstruction, the new boardwalk will be built to last. With that in mind, the City hopes that future generations of Long Beach residents will have one less thing to worry about when a storm hits; they will know the boardwalk will still be there, in one piece, when the weather clears. 



From r-to-l: City Council President Scott J. Mandel, City Council Vice President Fran Adelson, Governor Andrew Cuomo, Police Commissioner Michael Tangney, City Councilman Len Torres, City Manager Jack Schnirman



Kevin McCarthy, Pete Meyers, and Mike Bradley received proclamations from the City Council for holding the Polar Bear Splash, having raised more than \$1M for the Make-a-Wish Foundation



Zumba class is in session at the Magnolia Senior Center



Members of the City's Board of Ethics were sworn in earlier this fall, from l-to-r: Corporation Counsel Corey Klein, Bob Carroll, Helen Dorado Alessi, Chris Lynch, John Laffey, City Manager Jack Schnirman, Stuart Banschick, and Matthew Behrens

RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The newly equipped cardio and weight rooms have reopened 7 days a week, opening at 6am on weekdays and 7am on weekends. Public swimming on school nights is offered at Long Beach High School from 8pm to 9:30pm. Sunday activities at Lindell School from 9am to 6pm include Yoga, Dodgeball, Gaga, and Basketball for kids ages 5 through 12. Women's kickball games are held at Monroe Tennis Center on Sundays from 6pm to 10pm, and wrestling for boys ages 5 through 12 is held at Long Beach Middle School on Mondays and Wednesday nights from 6pm to 9pm. Activities at Earth Arts for K-8 are held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, and instruction is offered through RK Gould Tae Kwon Do for kids K-6 on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Planning for spring and summer activities is ongoing. Please visit us at longbeachny.gov/rec for the latest recreation offerings. 



Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg joins City Council President Scott J. Mandel and City Council Vice President Fran Adelson during the City's 9/11 Memorial Ceremony at the Recreation Center

EILEEN J. GOGGIN UNANIMOUSLY APPOINTED TO CITY COUNCIL

The City of Long Beach is pleased to announce that Eileen J. Goggin has been unanimously appointed

to the City Council, filling a vacant council seat. Eileen J. Goggin, a local attorney, previously served as a member of the City's Zoning Board of Appeals. She has a daughter who attends Long Beach Middle School



Eileen J. Goggin

and has been actively involved in a number of organizations and activities in the City, including the Long Beach Lawyers Association and Long Beach Theater Guild.

"In this time of recovery, it is critical that we have a full, five-member council in place to tackle the important issues facing the City and our residents," said Council President Scott J. Mandel. "Eileen is a great representative of the City and a terrific choice."

Currently a law secretary with the New York State Unified Court System, prior to that Eileen

served as a deputy county attorney in Nassau County. Some of her responsibilities have included conducting trials, attending court conferences, researching legal issues, and negotiating settlements. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Adelphi University and a Juris Doctor degree from Brooklyn Law School.

"I am honored to be joining the Long Beach City Council," commented Eileen J. Goggin. "During this critical period of rebirth, I look forward to working with the current dedicated members of our City Council and our many concerned citizens in the task of rebuilding Long Beach into the City we all know and love."

"I am extremely confident in Eileen's ability to represent the citizens of Long

Beach," stated City Council Vice President Fran Adelson. "She is an excellent selection. I have met with her, and I know that she is fully prepared for the task at hand."

"Eileen has been a resident of Long Beach for over a decade and is well qualified for the position," said City Councilman Len Torres. "She's a wonderful addition to the council."

"I am really excited to have the opportunity to work with Eileen as this administration moves forward and continues to focus like a laser on the City's recovery," stated City Manager Jack Schnirman. 



City Council members John McLaughlin, Vice President Fran Adelson, President Scott J. Mandel, Eileen J. Goggin, & Len Torres

15 MPH SPEED LIMIT IN THE PRESIDENT STREETS

The Speed Limit has been lowered to 15 MPH in the President Streets thanks to the legislation passed by Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg and by the Long Beach City Council. Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg announced last month that the governor signed legislation that he sponsored, giving the City of Long Beach the ability to reduce speed limits on certain residential streets to less

than 30 mph. After a traffic study was completed, the City Council set the speed limit at 15 MPH. The new signs have already been posted.

“There have been many tragic accidents on the many streets in Long Beach and Lido Beach in recent years,” Assemblyman Weisenberg said. “This long overdue law will allow these communities to finally set

appropriate speed limits on many residential streets.”

“The Long Beach City Council would like to laud the efforts of Assemblyman Weisenberg. This bill protects the safety of motorists and pedestrians, alike,” said City Council President Scott J. Mandel.

“The aim of this bill is to make Long Beach a safer place, and we are so appreciative of the work that Assemblyman Weisenberg has done on behalf of the residents of Long Beach,” said Fran Adelson, City Council Vice President.

“Public safety is paramount, and this bill certainly helps to ensure that. Assemblyman Weisenberg is always fighting for us, and we are truly thankful,” said City Councilman Len Torres.

“I appreciate the governor signing this important legislation that will allow these communities to adjust the speed limit to make them a safer place to live.” Assemblyman Weisenberg concluded. 🗳️



Police Commissioner Michael Tangney, City Council Vice President Fran Adelson, City Council President Scott J. Mandel, City Councilman Len Torres, Police Officer Stephanie Marra, & Lt. Phillip Ragona stand by one of the newly installed 15-mile-per-hour speed limit signs that was posted in the President Streets

Summer Employment

Summer job applications are currently available in the Civil Service office on the 5th floor of City Hall

- Beach Park Gate Attendants must be at least 14 years of age.
- Recreation Summer Camp staff must be at least 16 years of age.
- Youth & Family Services Camp usually hires qualified college students.



Commissioner Michael Tangney, First Deputy Police Commissioner David Mack, Judge Roy Tepper, Lt. Phillip Ragona, Lt. Daniel Larson, and Lt. Stefan Chernaski



City of Long Beach

Recovery Update

March 2013



Building Department

In this critical time, we continue to do as much as possible to “cut through the red tape” – we are on your side. Extra personnel have been brought on to help streamline the process and get everyone back into their homes as soon as possible. Please remember, if you are hiring contractors to work on your home, they must be licensed by the City Clerk.

- Lists of licensed contractors can be found at www.longbeachny.gov/cityclerk or by visiting the City Clerk’s office
- All work except minor repairs require building permits, which can be obtained through the Building Department.
- For reconstruction, licensing and permits are required.
- To expedite the repair and/or reconstruction process, dumpster fees and weekend restrictions have been temporarily waived.
- If your landlord is not making necessary repairs in a timely fashion please contact the **Building Department at 431-1005**.
- The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation is relaxing permit requirements for repair work. Many projects for stabilization and repair that normally require coastal erosion hazard area and wetlands permits will be covered under a general permit along the coastal areas of Long Island, New York City and the lower Hudson Valley. For more information and to apply for the general permit please visit www.dec.ny.gov/public/76659.html

Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC) coverage under FEMA’s National Flood Insurance Program is one of the several resources for flood insurance policyholders. This coverage provides those eligible up to \$30,000 to help cover the costs of mitigation measures that will reduce flood risk. For more information, please visit www.fema.gov or call **1-800-427-4661**.

More than 1800 ICC inspections have been completed to date. FEMA inspectors are in Long Beach, and are in the process of inspecting another 3000 homes that have not yet been looked at. If you would like more information or an inspection, contact the Building Department at 431-1005.

At the request of New York State, FEMA has granted a 30 day extension for those affected by Superstorm Sandy to register for federal disaster assistance. The new deadlines are as follows below:

Important Deadlines

- FEMA Aid Application- 3/29/13
- SBA Property Damage Application- 3/29/13
- SBA Economic Damage - 7/31/13.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program -The City of Long Beach fully intends to apply to the New York State Office of Emergency Management for the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The application period has yet to be opened by NYS and anyone wishing to be included in the application should contact the Building Department at 431-1005 to be placed on the waiting list.

Recreate NY Programs for Residents & Business Owners

The City Council would like to inform you about several New York State programs that will be starting soon. **If your residential property was affected by Superstorm Sandy**, you may be eligible for assistance to address your remaining unmet housing recovery need(s) in a variety of categories, including home repair/rehabilitation, mitigation, and elevation. **Business owners who have experienced direct damage and/or economic hardship as a result of the storm** may sign up as well. After completing the pre-application, you will be contacted to complete the application process for small business loans, grants, and/or business consulting. We urge all affected residents and business owners to register right away as time is of the essence. To sign up, please visit www.nysandyhelp.ny.gov or call 1-855-NYS-Sandy.

Disaster Recovery Center

The Disaster Recovery Center is located at the Long Beach Ice Arena at 150 West Bay Drive. Thanks to an extension that was granted at the request of NYS, it will remain open through 3/27/13 All agencies are open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. (Except for FEMA, which is open from 9a.m.-6 p.m. Mon-Sat) Agencies represented at the DRC are:

FEMA - to register for assistance and to get updates on status

Small Business Administration- to apply for loans

NYS Department of Financial Services- to answer insurance questions

NYS Home and Community Renewal - Matching people who need housing with available units

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) - FHA loans

Health and Welfare Council of Long Island- Providing facilitated enrollment; helping Long Beach citizens gain access to state funded health insurance (Child Health Plus, Family Health Plus, and Medicaid).

Disaster Assistance Programs

Sales Tax Exemptions

Businesses in Nassau County are invited to apply for a sales tax exemption on expenditures related to recovering from Sandy. Through its Local Enterprise Assistance and Development Services (LEADS) Program, the Nassau County IDA will grant businesses a sales tax exemption letter on furniture, fixtures, equipment, capital improvements, and renovations as they recover from Sandy. To learn more, visit <http://bit.ly/PUJf7L>, call 516-571-1745 or email LEADS@NassauIDA.org.

Unemployment Assistance Alternatives

As an alternative to personnel downsizing while recovering from Sandy, employers can enter into NYS Department of Labor Shared Work Program. Instead of cutting staff, you can reduce the number

of hours of all employees or just a select group, and the employees will receive Shared Work Benefits to help offset the lower wages.

To learn more or apply, please visit <http://bit.ly/R0D274>.

NYS Department of State-

http://www.dos.ny.gov/storm_resources/

Additional categories of assistance provided:

Waiver of Fees for Flood Disaster Victims

In response to the historic flooding caused by Superstorm Sandy, Governor Cuomo issues Executive Order 69 on November 9, 2012 temporarily suspending certain fees charged by the Department of State for replacement documents for victims of the disaster. Until further notice, the fees charged by the Department of State’s Division of Licensing Services for issuing duplicate license certificates and identification cards are suspended. Also suspended are the fees charged by the Division of Corporations, State Records and Uniform Commercial Code for copies of any document or record on file with the Division.

Nassau County Office of Economic Development

<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/EconomicDevelopment/index.html>

Tax Incentive Program

The Business Development Unit can help facilitate business participation in a range of tax incentive programs to make it easier to operate while encouraging investment and job creation. One such program is the Excelsior Jobs Program, which is administered statewide by the NY Empire State Development Corp. The program offers tax credits to targeted industries such as manufacturing, biotech, pharmaceutical, high-tech, clean-tech, etc. Qualified businesses may receive tax credits that can be applied against the business’ NY State income taxes.

Community Development Corporation of Long Island

<http://www.cdcli.org> &

<http://www.cdcli.org/component/content/article/173>

Business Growth Loan Program

Eligibility

- For for-profit businesses located in Nassau & Suffolk Counties
- Must meet underwriting standards and business criteria as set forth by funding sources defining the size of small business (most small businesses qualify)
- Small Businesses, which may not meet regular bank lending criteria, but who have a business track record and pay their bills on time and have a good chance to repay a loan.

Loan Amount

- Minimum of \$1,000 with a maximum of \$100,000.

Public Works

The Department of Public Works has and will continue to labor tirelessly to make sure that the rebuilding process is not interrupted and is completed in a timely fashion.

- Residents are again responsible for the proper removal of all construction debris. Bulk debris (furniture, mattresses, bagged clothing, carpeting and appliances) will be picked up by City scheduled bulk days.
- Residents with additional construction debris should obtain a dumpster; City dumpster fees have been temporarily waived; however a permit is still required.
- Sand barriers have been built on the beach to protect the City from future winter storms.
- Additional streetlight crews are handling street light restoration due to storm damage. It is not necessary to call in outages at this time.
- If you see anything out of the ordinary, such as running water, etc. please report it to (516) 431-1011.
- Residents who won't be returning to their homes for a significant length of time should contact the City and have their water and sewer shut off until they return. This will prevent issues such as burst pipes from doing further damage to one's property and/or the property of their neighbors.
- Boardwalk demolition is complete. **The boardwalk area will be CLOSED until work is complete. Please keep clear of the boardwalk, as the area is unsafe.**
- The City has commenced a thorough and thoughtful 10-step process for Phase 1 construction of the new Long Beach Boardwalk. We sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding as we have engaged in this methodical approach, including outside expertise and large-scale public input.
- Sand sifting has been completed.
- All memorial benches have been marked and are being stored in a safe City owned location until they can be returned to their original location on the restored boardwalk.
- DPW has begun dialogue with the Army Corps of Engineers as well as other stakeholders to rebuild our beach and bayfront— **Stronger, Smarter and Safer!**

Donations & Volunteers

We continue to receive tremendous support from near and far.

- The City of Long Beach has initiated reconstruction of the MLK Center. The distribution center and mobile facilities have been relocated to 515 Long Beach Blvd for the duration of the construction.
- The City of Long Beach thanks the many volunteers who continue to help in various city projects.
- Interested volunteers can email sandyvolunteers@longbeachny.gov to sign up and ask for information.
- Total amount received to date in the City of Long Beach relief fund is \$366,140.67.
- For information on donating to the **City of Long Beach Relief Fund**, please see www.longbeachny.gov.

City Clerk

2013 Resident Parking Permits are on sale now Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Forms can be downloaded at www.longbeachny.gov/cityclerk.

Recreation/Youth & Family Services

The newly equipped Recreation Department Cardio and Weight rooms have reopened 7 days a week opening at 6am weekdays and 7am weekends. Swimming for the public on school nights is offered at Long Beach High School from 8pm to 930pm. Sunday activities at Lindell School from 9am to 6pm include Yoga for Kids and Adults, Dodgeball, Gaga, and Basketball for kids ages 5 through 12. Women's kickball games are held at Monroe Tennis Center on Sundays from 6pm to 10pm. Activities at Earth Arts for Kindergarteners through 5th grade are held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and instruction is offered through RK Gould Tae Kwon Do for kids Kindergarten through 6th grade on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. In addition, planning for Spring and Summer Activities including Summer Camp is ongoing. Please visit us at <http://www.longbeachny.gov/rec> for the latest Recreation Department offerings

The Magnolia Senior and Daycare Center are undergoing major renovations. The Senior Center reopened on March 1st and the Daycare will resume operations Mid-March. Limited City Senior programs are being held at alternative sites until the Magnolia Center reopens. Please see the Recreation Center website at www.longbeachny.gov/rec for class calendar and locations. Copies of the Senior Center schedule are also available at City Hall in the lobby. For Daycare program information and updates, please contact the Youth & Family Services Department at (516) 431-3510.

Georgia Avenue & Clark Street Parks are now open to the public. Additional work will be completed in the coming months to finalize repairs.

Please rest assured, work will continue non-stop on all City facilities and parks in an effort to reopen them as soon as possible.

Medical & Emergency Services In Case of Emergency Dial 911

- North Shore LIJ has a mobile medical van providing primary and urgent care services, no cost medical evaluation by NSLIJ physicians, answers to medical questions and concerns, blood pressure checks, diabetes evaluation, prescription refills, flu & tetanus shots. The van will be in Long Beach: - Tuesdays at 225 W. Park Avenue from 12 to 3 p.m. and on National Blvd from 3 to 6 p.m.; Thursdays at 175 W. Broadway from 12-3 p.m. and at 35 East Broadway from 3 to 6 p.m., and Saturdays at Waldbaums in Kennedy Plaza from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- During the storm abandoned vehicles were towed to Lido West. Please call LYPD Traffic Division at (516) 705-7317 for more information.
- The Refuah Health Center Medical Van is located in the Ice Arena parking lot, 150 West Bay Drive, from 10am-4pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday for Primary Care. Sliding scale fees and insurance are accepted.
- Project Hope, a crisis counseling program focused on mitigating the adverse effects of Superstorm Sandy, has carefully trained crisis counselors available to offer confidential counseling, education and resource linkage at no charge. For more information, please contact 1-800-LIFENET.

Useful Storm Numbers

<u>FEMA</u>	(800) 621-3362
STEP	(888) 684-4267
ICC	(800) 427-4661
<u>U.S. Housing & Urban Development</u>	(800) FED-INFO
<u>U.S. Small Business Administration</u>	(800) 827-5722
<u>NYS Attorney General</u>	(516) 248-3302
<u>Nassau County Price Gouging Hotline</u>	(800) 771-7755
<u>NYS Department of Labor</u>	(518) 457-9000
Unemployment	(888) 209-8124
<u>NYS DMV</u>	(718) 477-4820
<u>NYS Department of Financial Services</u>	(800) 339-1759
<u>NYS Department of Home and Community Renewal</u>	(800) 855-SANDY
<u>Nassau County Consumer Affairs</u>	(516) 571-3871
<u>Nassau County Department of Health</u>	(516) 227-9697
<u>City of Long Beach</u>	(516) 431-1000
<u>City Manager</u>	(516) 431-1001
<u>Building Department</u>	(516) 431-1005
<u>City Clerk</u>	(516) 431-1002
<u>Public Works</u>	(516) 431-1011
<u>Police Non-Emergency</u>	(516) 431-1800
Traffic Division	(516) 705-7317
<u>Fire Non-Emergency</u>	(516) 705-7249
<u>Long Beach School District</u>	(516) 897-2000
<u>Long Beach Hospital</u>	(516) 897-1000
<u>2-1-1 Long Island</u>	211 (888) 774-7633
<u>LIPA (outages)</u>	(800) 490-0075
<u>NATIONAL GRID</u>	
Gas leaks	(800)-490-0045
Request service	(800) 930-5003
<u>"Project Hope" -- Crisis Counseling Program</u>	(800) LIFENET (543-3638)
<u>Disaster Distress Help</u>	(800) 985-5990 TEXT: 66746
<u>Disaster Case Management "Catholic Charities"</u>	(631) 608-8883
<u>Disaster Case Managers Sandy Help Line (DCM)</u>	(855)258-0483
<u>Family Employment Guidance Services (FEGS)</u>	(516) 496-7550

In Case of Emergency
CALL 911

LBDP RECEIVES \$300,000 GRANT FOR INTEROPERABILITY RADIOS

The City of Long Beach is pleased to announce that it has received a grant of approximately \$300,000 for the purchase of interoperability radios. These special devices will allow the Long Beach Police Department to better communicate with the City's Fire Department and Lifeguard Patrol, as well as any police agency in Nassau County during emergency situations. Additionally, the new system provides for interoperability with other state and national agencies when necessary.

The Long Beach Police Department was awarded 75 state-of-the-art Motorola XTS 2500 portable radios, 40 Motorola XTL 2500 mobile radios, radio holders, battery chargers, and spare batteries.

Programming of all the radios and installation of mobile radios in the vehicles was also included in the award.

"Interoperability among all emergency responders is vital when it comes to saving lives, and we found out how critical these devices are in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy," states Police Commissioner Michael Tangney. "Communication on these radios is fully encrypted for enhanced security, and every officer will have one, increasing accountability. Also worth mentioning is that the Department's existing portable radios are no longer manufactured and obtaining replacement parts is becoming difficult,



making this grant even more significant."

The entire project was supported by a grant administered by the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. Nassau County was awarded the grant and subsequently distributed funds to local departments.

"The grant's purpose is to provide emergency management agencies with funds to enhance their operations and capabilities," says City Council President Scott J. Mandel. "This radio equipment enables the LBDP to better support first responders. All equipment was obtained at absolutely no cost to the City." 

"LONG BEACH LISTENS" PART OF BOADWALK REDEVELOPMENT

The City of Long Beach, alongside Sustainable Long Island, held focus groups in February to determine what residents of this City think should be the most important features included in the new boardwalk, capping off Step 5 of the 10-Steps included the Phase 1 Boardwalk Redevelopment Process.

The reconstruction and redevelopment of the boardwalk, known as Phase 1, is divided into a 10-step process. Steps 1 through 4, which included assessing damage, bidding out a contract to demolish the damaged structure, demolishing the old boardwalk, and assessing proposals for building the new boardwalk have been completed. For the public input portion of

Step 5, the City held a program called Long Beach Listens, in which the City government and Sustainable Long Island convened 3 focus groups, each one concerning the residents of a different area of Long Beach to determine, in their opinion, what would be most important features to see in the new boardwalk. This was followed by a fourth meeting, which included residents from all areas of the City, to review the findings the three previous focus groups. These focus groups, which were heavily attended and involved lively and passionate discussion, served as a great example of the steps City Council President Scott J. Mandel and the rest of the administration have taken to run

a transparent rebuilding process and promote public participation in the project which is estimate to cost approximately \$25M.

Steps 6 through 10, which involve presenting FEMA with the new design to gain approval for funding, working with the engineering firm to bid out and manage the planning construction of the new boardwalk, monitoring the progress of the construction, opening parts of the boardwalk as they are completed, and completing the project as a whole, are next in line. The City hopes to have the beloved boardwalk back, better than ever, and ready to thrive for the next hundred-plus years. 

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LONG BEACH'S ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL AGAIN A HIT!

Two weeks prior to Superstorm Sandy, the City's 16th Annual Fall Festival held on October 13 & 14, 2012 was a tremendous success. There were extended hours this year and an expanded "Kids Korner" to make the event even more family friendly. Along with family favorites like the famous pumpkin patch, carousel, & petting zoo, the City also had its first ever Bicycle Rodeo and Pony Rides.



City Council President Scott J. Mandel goes Pumpkin Picking at Fall Festival



Along with the Festival's featured sponsor King Kullen, our sponsors included AAA, All Valley Tennis, Arthur J. Gallagher & Co/The Treiber Group Insurance, Beach Street Liquors, Decobike, Dover Caterers, East End Bagel Café, EmPower Solar, Gino's of Long Beach, Hulaforg, Long Beach Chamber of Commerce, Nassau Financial Federal Credit Union, Newsday, Secure Access Digital Security Systems, Skudin Surf, Stephen P. Celella DDS, & Verizon FIOS. 



City Manager Jack Schnirman, Police Commissioner Michael Tangney, City Council Vice President Fran Adelson, City Councilman Len Torres, Nassau County District Attorney Kathleen Rice, and Long Beach Lions Club President Bob Carroll at a Lions Club meeting held in Billy's Beach Cafe.



City Manager Jack Schnirman, City Councilman Len Torres, and City Council Vice President Fran Adelson were visited by New York State Lt. Governor Robert J. Duffy in Long Beach City Hall.