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SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOL

The City Council has set two main goals for Smarter Traffic and Safer Streets:

- 1) Make residential streets safer.
- 2) Move motorists through the City faster at a lower speed.

ACTIONS:

- ✓ The City Council unanimously passed Ordinance #2094/15, which reduced speed limits on side streets that were 30 miles per hour to **25 miles per hour.**
- ✓ The City's Police Department partnered with Nassau County to time traffic lights along Park Avenue to 28 miles per hour, providing seamless travel through the City while discouraging speeding. This adjustment encourages motorists to use Park Avenue as opposed to residential side streets.



City Council President Len Torres meets with Police Officer Patrick McLoughlin at one of the City's newly installed 25 mile per hour speed limit signs at the intersection of Park Avenue and Maple Boulevard

FROM JANUARY TO AUGUST...

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS HAVE DECREASED 9%, FROM 974 IN 2014 TO 886 IN 2015.

THE LONG BEACH CLEAN TEAM

The Long Beach Clean Team is comprised City crews from various departments, including public works, police, building, recreation, & transportation. As the Clean Team continues working its way through the City, we have an update on some of our major accomplishments thus far:



- Power washing of sidewalks in the City's business districts is ongoing.
- Every street in Long Beach has been swept which equates to more than 340,900 feet of roadway.
- Citywide, all streets with dirt gutters have been inspected & cleared.
- The Police Department continues their replacement of damaged signs. New 25 MPH City speed limit signs were installed.
- The Building Department continues to issue code violations for matters such as overgrown grass and weeds and abandoned or unkempt homes/properties with 47 violations issued to date.



More options for food, activities, and amenities than ever before!

GRADE BOOK BEACH PARK



An unprecedented 46 free summer concerts took place on the beach!

\$3.8 million + in total revenue for the season, a new record high!

LONG BEACH EVENTS CALENDAR

Below is a list of several significant events taking place in the coming weeks. Visit longbeachny.gov/rec for a complete calendar of events!

- MICHELLE O'NEILL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT - 9/12
- WORLD TRADE CENTER MONUMENT DEDICATION 9/13
- LONG BEACH JAZZ FESTIVAL - 9/17 - 9/20
- LONG BEACH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL - 9/24-9/27
- IRISH DAY PARADE & FESTIVAL W/ KIDS ZONE - 10/3
- FALL FESTIVAL AND COSTUME PARADE - 10/10-10/11



Please join us on September 13th at 1:00 PM for the official dedication of the World Trade Center Steel Monument, located across the street from the VFW Hall on West Park Avenue and Grand Boulevard



City Council President Len Torres and City Councilman Anthony Eramo welcome the audience at one of the many events taking place during the summer season

FLOOD INSURANCE DISCOUNT

The City of Long Beach is one of only five communities on all of Long Island that successfully participates in the NFIP's Community Rating System (CRS) program that gives incentives for resilient community floodplain management.

Previously, because of our successful involvement in the program, Long Beach residents enjoyed a 10% discount off the top on their flood premiums. Thanks to our continued efforts, we are pleased to announce that, effective May 1, 2016, we are being upgraded to a Class 7 community, which results in a **15% premium discount on flood insurance in the City of Long Beach!**

Absolutely no action is required by Long Beach homeowners to receive this discount. The 15% reduction is automatically applied to your flood insurance plan and is indicated on your annual bill.

KEEPING LONG BEACH SAFE



Under Commissioner Tangney's leadership, the Long Beach Police Department works around the clock to keep residents safe and maintain a high quality of life.

Crime Is Down, Arrests Are Up

From January to August 2015:

- ✓ Reported crimes were down from 1,953 cases in 2014 to 1,906 cases in 2015, a decrease of 2%.
- ✓ There were 479 arrests, compared to 445 during the same time in 2014, an increase of 8%.
- ✓ Summer Special Police Officers increased their enforcement of Code of Ordinance Violations, issuing 1,528 summonses in 2015, versus 1,112 in 2014, an increase of 37%.

LONG BEACH LIFEGUARDS

The Long Beach Lifeguards have had another phenomenal summer, keeping Long Beach residents and visitors safe at the beach. This summer 17,387 preventative actions were taken, with 462 swimmer assists and 48 water rescues. The City of Long Beach would like to thank the Long Beach Lifeguard Patrol and Chief Paul Gillespie for their dedication and hard work.



The Long Beach Response Mobile App Is Now Available!

Available on iOS and Android, the Long Beach Response Mobile App is the fastest way to find information about Long Beach, interact with City Government, or just locate the nearest restaurant or shop.



Download the new Long Beach Response app! Now available for iOS and Android.

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