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friends and neighbors.**

**Encourage them to sign up to
receive our weekly emails.**

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**Things are Kicking into High
Gear!**

This newsletter is packed with information. Please read through it all!

We know most people will begin to think about the upcoming elections after this Labor Day weekend. We will be stepping up our efforts to let residents know which candidates are the "Library Champions". In addition, to the yard signs, we will be initiating a texting campaign and a social media campaign.

As always, we are looking to our community to help fund these grassroots efforts. With most of our team being retired folks, it was imperative that some younger people help us out. We've hired an intern to do graphics and social media. We've contracted with a texting company to help get our message out. **We will be able to do both of these things as long as we have the money to cover it.** Please consider donating and sharing this message with friends and neighbors.

Intern: \$250/week

Texting: \$350/ ten thousand texts (we have 133, 000 registered voters in HB)



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INFO NIGHT &
FUNDRAISER

- Q & A
- AGAVE SEASONS GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY
- UPDATES
- DONATIONS

BUY A DRINK, BUY A MEAL!
NO HOST, SUPPORT A LOCAL BUSINESS.
BRING A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR!

AGAVE SEASONS
(ATLANTA/BEACH BLVD)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

6 - 8:30PM

\$20 DONATION



PLEASE RSVP:

HBCITIZENSFORGOODGOVERNANCE@GMAIL.COM



Natalie Moser

Rhonda Bolton

Dan Kalmick

HB CITY COUNCIL INCUMBENTS

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS & CANDIDATES



Dave Min
47 Congressional District



Frances Marquez
OC Board of Supervisors



Tara Bayer
Advocate for Libraries
& the Law



Gina Clayton-Tarvin
OVSD School Board



Regina Blankenhorn
City Clerk



Cindy Barrios
HBCSD School Board

Libraries, Lawsuits, Schools,
Airshow

Democracy!

Protect HB will be hosting local candidates and supporting a local business (no-host libations/dinner) on

September 9, 6-8:30pm. \$20 donation

We'll hear insights from candidates, have some Q & A, and give away some restaurant gift cards!

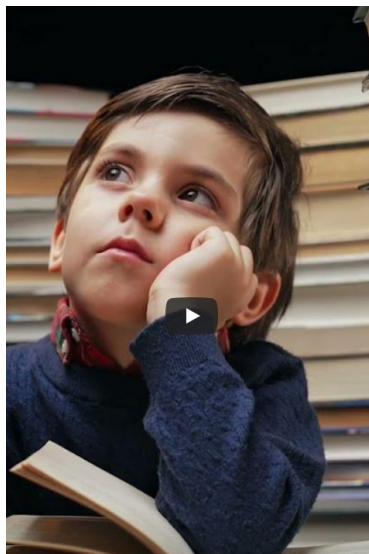
Space limited--Please RSVP below

RSVP for State of Our City

Donate for State of Our City

We Have More Yard Signs!

The demand was high, so we ordered another batch of "Library Champions" yard signs. If you would like one **delivered to you**, please respond to this email with your name, phone number, address, and cross streets. We'll deliver the sign in about 2 days. We're suggesting a donation of \$10 to cover the cost of the signs.



[Click here to view](#)

The Dark Side of Book Banning

Click on the picture to view a short video explaining many of the things a community misses out on when books are banned.

URGENT!

Signature Gatherers--**If we cannot reach our voters, we will lose the election and all of your efforts to collect signatures will be a WASTE.** We only have about 2000 email addresses, but we have over 12,000 signatures on our petitions. These measures will not be on the November ballot and we must be able to reach our people to encourage them to vote in a special election. **PLEASE ask the signers to voluntarily give us their contact information.** It's fine if they refuse, but it is not OK if you don't even ask! You can click [here](#) to print a simple form. When it is full, take a picture and send it to contact@protecthb.org.

And, a giant thank you to the few that have been sending in the contact sheets!

City Council Meets on Tuesday!

The next City Council meeting is on Tuesday, September 3, 6pm. You can check the agenda [here](#).



What is likely intended as a distraction from the release of the give-away of public funds in the Airshow Settlement Agreement, we want to draw your attention to Agenda Item 20. It moves to create a city law (making violators subject to arrest!) that requires any city employee that has any task that oversees children (such as a Parks & Rec counselor, Art Center docent, etc.) to inform parents if they observe a child exhibiting any behavior indicating their sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. **THIS IS ABSURD!** Counselors will be spending their time notifying parents when they see teenagers flirting, girls wearing "boy's" clothes, or basically kids being kids. When will they actually be able to teach kids whatever subject they were hired to teach or oversee?

Please consider making a public comment at the

meeting (plan for 1.5-2 minutes). Send emails before 9am Tuesday morning SupplementalComm@Surfcity-hb.org. To reach the Councilmembers, send to City.Council@surfcity-hb.org

California's "Freedom to Read" bill passes both the State Assembly and the State Senate and awaits Governor Newsom's signature. Brief report below from "Publishers Weekly".



Freedom to Read Bill Passes California Legislature

Aug 30, 2024

On August 29, the California State Senate passed Assembly Bill (AB) 1825, known as the California Freedom to Read Act. The bill is now awaiting Governor Gavin Newsom's signature before it can become law.

The bill is designed to prohibit public libraries from banning books based on partisan or political reasons; viewpoint discriminations or reasons related to gender, sexual identity, religion, or disability; or on the basis that the books contain inclusive and diverse perspectives. It had earlier passed the California Assembly.

"California has an obligation to protect the fundamental right of access to diverse and inclusive books and library materials for everyone," said Senator Dave Min, one of the bill's sponsors. "The freedom to read is not only a fundamental right under our constitution, it's at the heart of our nation's democracy."

"Book banning proponents are disproportionately targeting materials containing the voices and lived experiences of LGBTQ and communities of color" said Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi. "We need to fight this movement to ensure that Californians have access to books that offer diverse perspectives from people of all backgrounds, ideas, and beliefs."



Save the Date!

Public Comments Workshop 101

September 29, 3pm

We'll mentor you to:

- * Write Letters to the Editor
- * Write Supplemental Emails to City Council on key issues
- * Speak confidently at City Council meetings
- * Meet City Clerk candidate, Regina Blankenhorn to get tips on corresponding with City Hall

Ready to sign the two petitions to stop the attacks on our libraries? You can at one of these locations:

UPDATED SCHEDULE AS OF 8/18

Central Library	Tues thru Fri	9am to 3pm
	Sun/Mon	1pm to 4pm
	Saturday	9am to 4pm

Main St. Library	Tuesday	4pm to 6pm
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Main Street Surf City Nights	Tuesday	5pm to 8pm
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Park Bench Cafe	Sunday	9am to 1pm
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Senior Center	No tables	Go to Central Library to sign.
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Return your August petitions

Pick up your September petitions

Details in the graphic below.

We need your help!

***Want to pick up
the Library Ballot
Petitions?***



***Want to get a
neighborhood
to canvass?***

***Want to drop off
completed petitions?***

Every Monday, 5:30 to 7pm, 19882 Felcliff Lane HB

***or for drop off or pick up of petitions only
Monday-Friday, 11am to 5pm, Weekends, 10am to 3pm
Plants by Yours Truly, 714 Adams Avenue HB***

BY APPOINTMENT, TEXT 714-470-1353

***To arrange other times to return completed petitions, get new ones or get
trained, please contact one of our volunteers below:***

Dave: drynerson@earthlink.net (Edwards/Talbert)

Sue: sue.brewsaugh@gmail.com (Newland/Atlanta)

Cathey: HBCitizensForGoodGovernance@gmail.com (Newland/Adams)

Get a Buddy!



You Don't Have to Do It Alone!

We know that many of you out there are hesitant to help collect signatures or talk to people about the chaos in our local government. However, most of you are more willing to step out if you are not alone. If you don't already have a "buddy" to volunteer with, we will help pair you up (and you might even make a new friend). Please write "I want a buddy" in your email.

Some suggested ways to volunteer are listed below. As the saying goes, "many hands will lighten the load"! Helping with any of these ideas can help your community as we work to get our library items on the ballot and elect candidates that support our libraries. If you are willing to do any of the suggested items (or have another idea), please email hbcitizensforgoodgovernance@gmail.com

and we'll get you started.

- Staff
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with
other
volunteers-
create
your
own
team
for
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up
locations.
- Join
an
existing
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our
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- Go
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walking
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dog?
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us

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- Pick up a yard sign for you and your friends.
- Take photos of yard signs and email to hbcitizensforgoodgovernance@gmail.com.
- Write in our email address on our door hangers so they are prepared for distribution to our

volunteers.

- Join our weekly walks to raise community awareness on HB city issues. We meet at 5:45pm at the Main Street Library and walk at 6pm. Homemade signs are the best.
- Share the Protect HB Facebook posts

on
your
own
social
media.

- Follow
us
on
social
media.
- Attend
HB
City
Council
Meetings
and
applaud
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speakers.
Speak
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if
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- Send
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- Write
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- Share
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along
with
the
54,000
Republicans.
We
have
many
voters
who

need
to
be
informed.

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

EVERY WEEK!



March to the Pier in support of HB Libraries 8/23/24



Thank you to all the participants!



WE NEED YOU!

Let's Pump It Up--Show Up!

Unhappy with the Airshow Settlement? Unhappy with efforts to change how books/materials are purchased for our PUBLIC libraries? Want a chance to vote on ensuring our PUBLIC libraries stay public? Unhappy with

the dismantling of citizen boards and commissions and repeatedly cancelling citizen boards and commissions? Concerned by the lack of transparency and accountability by our elected officials? Want cleaner bathrooms at our beaches and parks? Want affordable workforce housing? Want the council majority to focus on real city issues, not things like school districts?

If any of these issues are on your list, join us **EVERY FRIDAY** and help us raise community awareness. Together we can make a difference.

Please join us EVERY Friday at 5:45pm at the **Main St. Library** and we'll march to the HB Pier. Talking to people along the way is the best method to build the awareness we need. We will have information sheets available to pass out to those who don't know what is happening. **Make a sign**--grassroots efforts are the best! Don't have a sign? **Come join the fun** anyway.



[Click to view video](#)

Click on the picture to watch a montage of the weekly protests this summer. We'd love to have you join the fun!



Have you signed yet?

If you haven't signed the petition to repeal the Book Review Board or the petition to require a vote of the people before privatizing the library management, please stop by any of our regularly scheduled locations to sign.

If you are unable to come to one of these locations and need someone to bring a petition to your home, please click the button below.

[Click to get petitions brought to you](#)

Follow us on Social Media

In order for us to get traction and sometimes even "go viral," we need you to like, comment, and comment on comments. **If you are on any of these social media platforms, please be sure to interact with our posts.**

Facebook: [Protect Huntington Beach](#)

Instagram: [protect_hb](#)

TikTok: [protect.huntingto](#)

X (formerly Twitter): [@protect_hb](#)

YouTube: [Protect HB](#)

Protect HB has been focusing on issues surrounding the HB Public Library. We want you to know which local candidates support our librarians and preventing the private management of the libraries.

Learn more about them and donate to their campaigns here.



Regina Blankenhorn for City Clerk
Website: Regina4HBClerk.com



Councilmember Natalie Moser
Website: Natalie4HB.com



Councilmember Rhonda Bolton

Website: RhondaBolton.com



Councilmember Dan Kalmick

Website: DanKalmick.com



Ocean View School District Trustee

Website: GinaClaytonTarvin.com

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