




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<h3>Mooring "Support Center" Proposal</h3> <p>The Harbor Commission will hear a proposal encouraged by City Council on developing a mooring-permit holder-serving "support center" located at Balboa Yacht Basin. The <a href="#">Harbor Commission agenda</a> (pdf - 32KB)  has only a few details but Harbor Resources will present more information at the January 12th meeting. Click to Outlook-downloadable information on the <a href="#">January 12th Harbor Commission</a> meeting.</p> <p>The Balboa Yacht Basin is where the Harbor Resources department is located. The proposed mooring support center's purpose is not to create a new level of bureaucracy to respond to mooring permit holders' questions, but rather to provide modest amenities, such as a slip to use for wash down, access bathrooms, or recharge a vessel. See The <a href="#">Log article</a> of 2010-12-21 for some details.</p> <h3>Mooring Fees and Transferability</h3> <p>Click to the <a href="#">mooring fees page</a> for background information, news and outcome on the issues of mooring fees and transferability. Mooring permit holders will be receiving their first increased billing statements with the January 2011 invoice. After five years, the permit fee will have about tripled, from its 2010 level of \$20/ft/yr, to around \$60/ft/yr, or 14% of the City's "Newport Beach slip index." See the next story, <a href="#">below</a>, to understand how this new mooring fee relates to mooring fees in other southern California harbors with moorings.</p> <p>In a nutshell, transfers within families will be permitted going forward. Otherwise, only two transfers total per mooring will be allowed in the next decade. Thence, mooring transfers will occur by way of waiting list. If you need a mooring in "J" field but are assigned a mooring in "A" field, from the waiting list, tough luck. Even if you would have willingly paid a premium for a mooring located conveniently for your particular situation, this option will no longer exist. Since the City passed the Ad-Hoc Committee's transferability proposal on Dec. 14, 2010, it will become law on Jan. 14, 2011. The City has set no restrictions on sale price in the</p>	<h3>NMA Board Meeting</h3> <p>The Board of Directors invites you to attend the next board meeting.</p> <p><b>Wednesday, August 3, 2011</b> <b>NHYC, at 6PM</b></p> <p>You are welcome to park in the parking lot or in available public spaces adjacent to the club.</p> <p><b>NMA Members are welcome to attend!</b></p> <h3>Newport Harbor Yacht Club</h3> <p>720 W Bay Av Newport Beach, CA 92661 (949) 673-7730</p> <h3>Harbor Patrol News</h3> <p>The Sheriff's Department's Orange County Harbormaster is Lt. Tom Slayton.</p> <h3>Harbor Resources News</h3> <p>Manager Chris Miller presents the Harbor Commission with an update on projects and issues each month. Here is a link to his <a href="#">November</a> (pdf--694K B)  and <a href="#">December</a> (pdf--1.21M B)  Manager's Updates. Click <a href="#">here</a> to find other updates on the Harbor Resources site.</p> <h3>News from Newport Beach</h3> <p>What's going on in Newport Beach? Click to info about (derelict) <a href="#">boat auctions</a>. When the news feeds below are working, the blue boxes will contain City and harbor news. <b>Click any Headline Below</b> to open that story in a new window. If the blue box is empty, the feed is broken or has no news. Some browsers may still click to open the news feed direct from the City of <a href="#">Newport Beach</a>.</p> <h3>City of Newport Beach Live RSS Feed</h3>

next decade, but will allow market pricing to seek its own level.

After 2021 when moorings may no longer be transferred (except within families), moorings must be returned to an "interest list", from which they will be distributed. If a particular mooring is unappealing to those on the waiting list, the City plans to auction it to the highest bidder. Mooring transfer fees will be one half of the annual permit fee. Here are links to the [transfer ordinance](#) and [fees resolution](#).

## 2010 Mooring Fee Survey

The NMA offers the NMA [mooring fee survey](#) (best version for printing – pdf – 819KB ) for harbors in southern California. Or read the [mooring fees survey in web page format](#) with clickable links. It shows what harbors elsewhere in California charge for a mooring permit. It also includes berth fees, liveaboards, and transferability. For comparison, see the [2008 mooring fees study](#) (Word doc--50KB ) (or [view as webpage](#)).

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Do you need to reach Harbor Resources?  
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## NMA Newsletters

Your eyes are now reading lines of the NMA ***Electric Pennant***, our online newsletter, available only online. It has a hardcopy cousin, ***NMA Pennant***, mailed to all dues-paid NMA members, and is the official newsletter of the Newport Mooring Association. After members receive it via postal mail, recent and past editions are available on the [Newsletters](#) page.

## Mooring Loan Permission Form

Need to [loan a mooring](#) to a friend? Here is the form you fill out, print, sign, and send to the Harbor Department. Many other documents may be found on the Documents page (and the Links page), accessed via the navigational links to the left.

## Slippery Sea Lions

If you need to rethink your sea lion deterrents, please see the NMA [Pinniped Pointers](#) page in the NMA documents library. This year sea lions have not shown up in force yet, but moored boats and private piers throughout the harbor remain prime targets. Your continuing effort to keep sea lions off of your boat helps all of us. Sea lions have sunk about [ten boats](#) in Newport Harbor, recently including a 1950's [Star](#)  boat.

At the February 2010 Harbor Commission meeting, a shortened time frame for notification of permit holders of sea lion problems was approved. Formerly a permit holder had 10 days to effect sea lion deterrents; now the permit

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## AlertOC Mass Notification Test Call

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## September 27, 2011 Study Session and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

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## Meet the Mayor Saturday, October 22

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## Newport Beach Selling Retired Parking Meters

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## City Council Public Hearing Notices for Tuesday, October 25, 2011

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## The Central Library will be Closed October 17-30

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## Building Division

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## Building Division Staff Meeting

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## CERT "Drill the Skills" and Shelter class

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## Seeking City Representative to Visit Newport Beach Executive Committee

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## Changes to City Hall Visitor Parking

holder has just [seven days](#) (pdf--40KB) from the first warning letter.

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### [Newport Harbor Speed Limit Exemption Gets Council Nod - The Log Newspaper](#)

NEWPORT BEACH -- Sailboat and crew boat racers should soon be allowed to enjoy their competition without having to worry about receiving a speeding ticket, as plans for an exemption to Newport Harbor's 5-mph speed limit appear to be moving forward. ...Corona del Mar Today...

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### [Mailbag: No more Republican talking points on jobs - Daily Pilot](#)

She is not only a resident of Newport Coast but she is a member of the Newport Harbor Republican Women and is the committee chairwoman for special projects. This explains her comments, and particularly her defense of Eric Cantor's comments, .....

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## Frequently Asked Questions

You may [find your answer](#) in our list of FAQs.

We always appreciate your continuing support and valued opinions.

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## Plastic in the Bay

Fish, birds, and marine mammals are innocent victims when it comes to plastic in the water. Plastic in the bay is just a tide change away from being plastic in the ocean. Please pick some up; help it find a trash can. [green badge](#)



[Learn more](#) from the people at SCCWRP. Algalita tells us there is [six pounds](#) of plastic floating in the central North Pacific Ocean for every pound of surface zooplankton. Fish, birds, and marine mammals mistake it for food. Scientists performing necropsies on deceased Laysan albatross at Midway Atoll have found so much indigestible plastic in the birds' stomachs there is no room for food. This NMA website is certified powered by 100% wind energy; we're doing what we can to minimize our impact on the environment.

## Jiggling Jellyfish

There are fewer moon jellyfish around than earlier in the summer. Have you [seen](#) them? Did you know that NASA took some of them into [outer space](#) for study?

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### Dinghy Dock Extensions

Dinghy dock extensions are in place



#### *15th Street Dinghy Dock Extension*

### **Construction Finished; Dock Extensions in Service**

Your input helped bring these dinghy dock extensions to fruition. The City is **conducting outreach on contemplated time limits** for use of these new public resources. Time limits are being considered to reduce the likelihood that the dock extensions will become dinghy graveyards. Harbor Resources personnel will solicit input from the public on time limits on **Wednesday afternoon (5:30PM), July 7th, at the 15th Street Public Dock** (pictured). Further opportunity for public input is possible at the following morning's Mooring Master Plan Subcommittee meeting. Members of your NMA Board will attend the Thursday morning meeting. Please see this [flyer on time limit input](#). (\*.pdf - 91KB)

Public dock extensions have been installed at [Fernando](#) Street, [15th](#) Street, and [19th](#) Street public docks. As always, you can also send your comments on time limits to the Harbor Resources department by email or phone. See news page one for contact information.

### Slip Survey

The City's Revenue office sent to real property

### Blast From the Past

The January (2009) Harbor Commission meeting saw the presentation of the draft on mooring transferability after a ten-month stop at the City Attorney's office. The document represents hundreds of hours of citizen volunteer and City Staff time updating pertinent sections of City ordinances relating to mooring transfers. This project actually began about a year before the 2007 Orange County [Grand Jury investigation](#) of City mooring administration.


You are welcome to review the [mooring transferability draft](#). (\*.pdf - 150KB)


Following the City Attorney's review of the subcommittee's draft, the document was presented to the Harbor Commission for approval, but the commission recommended it back to the subcommittee for some further consideration of educational institution and sailing club mooring ownership and other details. Following subcommittee work, the draft has been submitted to the **new** City Attorney for his review. Subsequently, the draft will again be presented to the Harbor Commission at a future Harbor Commission meeting. The Log ran a story about the January 2009 [Harbor Commission](#) meeting at which transferability was addressed. You are encouraged to read the transferability draft itself for clarification.

### Roll Clock Forward to December 2010


Council did vote November 23, 2010 to toss the several year's efforts by staff and subcommittee members, Harbor Commission and previous City Attorney in favor of a plan drawn up by its own Ad-hoc Committee on Mooring Fees. Their proposal has eliminated transferability (effective in ten years) and instead returns moorings to the waiting list. That's despite that no City or County ordinance has ever stated there should even be a waiting list. And that the OC Grand Jury did not require eliminating transferability, but instead to better regulate and charge more equitably for it. Read more about this on the [mooring fees](#) page.

### Harbor Commission Meetings

owners a [survey](#) (\*.pdf - 314KB)  in advance of issuing new pier permits. The survey asks whether pier and slip space is rented and asks permit holders to report vessel identification for the vessels secured. Again, this survey comes from the City's Revenue department.

City ordinance [17.35.020\(A\)\(4\)](#) (\*.pdf - 297KB)  (opens to p. 49) states that shore-connected piers bayward of commercial zones may be rented. If other piers are not to be rented, to raise revenue, will the City elect to issue higher-revenue commercial pier permits to residential users who have rented their piers?

## Vessel Pumpout Stations

Here is a handy chart of vessel [pumpout stations](#) (\*.pdf - 327KB)  and public piers around Newport Harbor. The 15th St. pumpout station is operational; it has two redundant systems so it's very likely to be always operational.

## Rhine Wharf progress

The Rhine Wharf repairs were completed and even the new public dinghy dock alongside the Rhine Wharf has been finished. There will be an official opening ceremony on November 23rd, so you can plan to use it after that date!

## Channel Marker 8

In May, the Newport Harbor Yacht-Jousting Pole, known as Channel Marker 8, was removed. Formerly an imposing steel structure topped with reflective "8" signage and a red light, Channel Marker 8 was, months ago, rammed by a vessel departing the harbor. Since then, just the unsigned lower steel tube remained. Though someone placed a warning light on the remains, the partial structure was a hazard to safe navigation. In its place remains a boat-friendly smaller floating lighted red buoy. If you're racing in a beer-can race, and marker 8 is given as a racing mark, you'll know what to look for:

Channel 8 marker buoys, new and old



*Channel Marker 8, new and old*

## How grows the eelgrass?

The Newport Beach Harbor Commission typically meets on the second Wednesday each month. The next meeting is: [January 12, 2011 6 – 9pm : Harbor Commission meeting](#) (links to upcoming meetings page) at [Newport Beach City Council Chambers](#). Click the address to save to Outlook: [3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, California, 92663](#). Phone: (949) 644-3309.

Booked by: [guid.newportbeachca.gov](mailto:guid.newportbeachca.gov) on 28 May 2010 10:55pm

Look [here](#) for agendas posted the Friday evening before each Harbor Commission meeting. Several days following each meeting, minutes are posted on the same page.

## Newport Harbor Dredging

In June, Harbor Resources Director Chris Miller reported to the Harbor Commission that the Upper Bay Dredging Project is on the home stretch and should be completed by the end of the year. Lower Bay Dredging is being coordinated with the Army Corps of Engineers. Refined estimates of the contaminated sediment from the Lower Bay project about 500,000 cubic yards of sediment will be proposed for fill in LA Harbor port expansion. About 120,000 cubic yards of that total includes Rhine Channel contaminated sediment. LA Harbor can accept Lower Bay sediment ineligible for offshore disposal, and such sediment is being actively solicited for this use. Funding will still be a challenge. **(See live news feed below)**

LA Harbor use of dredged Lower Bay sediment which cannot be disposed offshore is "plan "A"" while the Lido Reach CAD site is "plan "B"" for the dredged sediments. [Anchor OEA](#) is preparing the EIR and mitigated negative declaration for the City, in case the CAD site is needed.

What determines sediment eligibility for offshore disposal is the concentration of red-tagged substances in the sediment. Measuring equipment is capable of detecting parts-per-billion, and standards are written at various levels on this scale. For perspective, one ppb is the equivalent of [50 drops of water](#) diluted into an Olympic-sized swimming pool which is over six feet deep.

Here is a link to the City's dredging and [CAD site](#) page. You can click to a Google search of [blogs](#) which discuss Newport Harbor dredging. Or, below, see a Google News live feed on news related to [dredging](#) the harbor. If there are any recent stories on this topic, they will appear in the blue box below. For history buffs, click here to a [Google News](#) archive query on Newport Harbor dredging.

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[We're No. 4 – and It's Nothing to Be Proud Of - Newport Beach Independent Newspaper](#)

... even though Congress has yet to fund the dredging of the Intracoastal Waterway through the Army Corps of



At the June 2010 Harbor Commission meeting, Chris Miller reported that the final draft of the [HAMP](#) (click to learn about the **H**arbor **A**rea **M**anagement **P**lan) will be presented to City Council for its approval and adoption in July 2010. After delays, [City Council adopted the HAMP](#) on November 9th.

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Engineers. Tip of the week is next Saturday, Oct. 15, is the Sail for the Blind and Visually Impaired hosted by the Newport Harbor American ...

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### [The Harbor Report: A warm 'Indian Summer' day in the harbor - Daily Pilot](#)

You just got to love that term "Indian Summer" in Newport Harbor. Lots going on this week in the harbor, so read my blog at <http://lenboseyachts.blogspot.com> for updates on the Rhine Channel dredging, how I did at the Harbor Commission with the Marina ...

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### [Agreement Reached on Marina Park Project Boundary - The Log Newspaper](#)

About 48000 cubic yards would be used for beach replenishment at nearby city beaches or taken to the approved offshore disposal site LA-3, about 4.5 miles from the Newport Harbor entrance. Around 5000 cubic yards of dredged sediment is expected to be ...

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