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Customer Newsletter

EDUCATION

Sign/pole structures, special inspection are seminar topics

Highlight California Building Code, Land Development Code

Two seminars highlighting specific sections of local codes are scheduled for March and April.

On March 14, a new seminar, covering sign and pole structures, will be presented. And, the Special Inspection and Structural Tests seminar returns April 12.

Sign and Pole Structures

The 1998 California Building Code and City of San Diego Land Development Code sections covering the structural and electrical requirements, fabrication, permitting, construction and inspection will be covered in this new seminar.

Scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, March 14, it will be held at the Development Services Department Inspection Services Division office, 9601 Ridgehaven Court, Suite 220.

Use, construction and installation of sign and pole structures must comply with the

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CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY

Valuation of permitted work increased in 2000

The valuation of construction work permitted by the City of San Diego during 2000 was the second highest in history, increasing by nearly 11 percent over 1999.

During 2000, permits were issued for construction work valued for city permit fees at

Holidays City of San Diego Offices Will Be Closed

Monday,
Feb. 19
Presidents Day
Legal Holiday

Friday, Mar. 30
César Chavez Day
Legal Holiday

Reminder
Appointments
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STREAMLINING

Halbert is new Chief Deputy Director for Planning Department

Story now assistant to Mayor; Halbert moves from development review

Gary Halbert has been named Chief Deputy Director in the new Planning Department.

In addition to being senior deputy to Planning Director

New departments for city planning, development review created

City Manager highlights priorities set by new Mayor and City Council members in change

The city's long range planning and development review functions are now in two departments, part of a reorganization announced in December by the City Manager.

The Planning and Development Review Department is now two — Development Services and Planning — as of January 2.

"To address the priorities and vision expressed by the Mayor and City Council, I have made several operational and organizational changes in the managerial structure of the City," City Manager Michael T. Uberuaga wrote in a memo announcing the changes.

The changes in the organizational structure will help the city focus on several priorities, including long range planning. Another emphasis that will affect the construction and development industry, storm water pollution prevention, was also elevated in the reorganization.

"Emphasizing each of these priorities in a professional way is critical to the City's future and our success in meeting the needs of the citizens of San Diego," Uberuaga wrote. "The changes in

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Staff will continue to work together to serve customers

\$1.97 billion, up from \$1.77 billion in 1999. It was the sixth consecutive annual increase

Valuation is established by the International Conference of Building Officials and is used in the calculation of building permit fees. This measurement of

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Gail Goldberg, Halbert will also assume many of the duties formerly handled by Tom Story, who is now a Senior Policy Advisor to Mayor Dick Murphy.

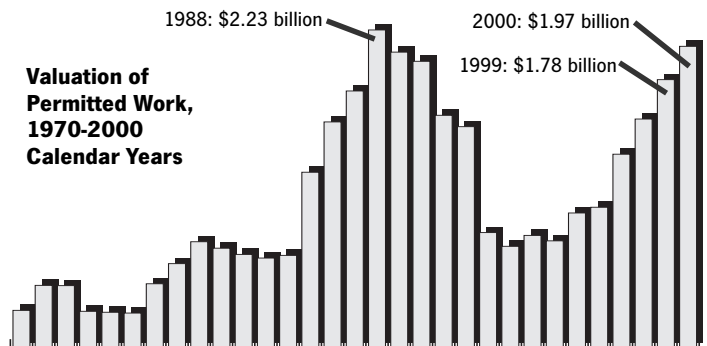
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Gary Halbert



Tom Story



Seminars

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Land Development Code and the California Building Code.

Seminar topics include: code requirements, fabrication requirements and inspections.

Cost of this seminar is \$45.

Special Inspection

The popular Special Inspection and structural tests seminar is again being held. The session is scheduled from 9

Valuation

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work performed by permit issued is generally a better measure of construction activity than the number of permits issued.

The value of work increased in all categories (adjusted for the valuation increase) over 1999. For residential new construction, valuation was up 10.5 percent; residential additions and alterations (remodeling) 28.6 percent; new commercial, less than 1 percent; commercial additions and alterations (tenant improvements), 24.7 percent.

The second highest valuation year in history, 2000 follows only 1986's \$2.1 billion. Other big years were 1987's \$1.96 billion and 1988's \$1.9 billion and 1999's \$1.77 billion. At the depth of the early 1990s recession, in 1992, valuation was of all work permitted was \$675.71 million.

a.m. to 4 p.m. April 12, at the Development Services Department Inspection Services Division office, 9601 Ridgehaven Ct., Suite 220. Cost is \$95.

Topics include requirements for special inspections and structural tests.

Engineers, architects, contractors, building developers, special inspectors, their agencies and construction testing labs are invited.

To Register, complete the form below. For more information, call Shadyab at (858) 492-5070.

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Location:

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- March 21
 April 18

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City, State, ZIP Code

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Land Development Review
Traffic Control Section
1222 First Ave., MS-502
San Diego, CA 92101**

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Inspection Services Seminars

See below for dates, cost

For information, call (858) 492-5070

Location:

City of San Diego
Development Services Department
Inspection Services Division
9601 Ridgehaven Ct., Suite 220

Please select a seminar

- Sign & Pole Structures, March 14, \$45
 Special Inspection & Testing, April 12, \$95

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Land Development Code submittal requirements packet available

City Council to review document in February; draft now in use for projects being submitted

Draft submittal requirements for projects needing Land Development Code review are now available.

The draft is scheduled to be reviewed by the City Council in February. Customers can use the submittal packet as a guideline for submitting projects requiring review for zoning, grading, signs and other Land Development Code provisions.

The packet includes checklists to help determine materials needed for submittals, fee schedules and needed forms. It is designed to provide all necessary information for submittal of projects requiring land development code review.

The city's Development Project Managers are using the manual to help customers make the review process more timely and predictable.

Copies are available at the Development Services Department Information Counter, 1222 First Avenue, Third Floor. To receive a copy by mail, send a self-addressed 9x12 envelope with \$2.65 postage to the Permit Press return address.

To comment on the draft, send a letter to Kelly Broughton, care of the Permit Press address. Only letters can be made part of the comment record. ☐

Organization

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organizational structure will effectively place an additional emphasis on these priorities, while continuing to meet the city's other high priorities."

The separate Planning Department has Gail Goldberg as the city's first Planning Director in several years. She reports to the city's new Assistant City Manager, Lamont Ewell.

"Creating a separate Planning Department will emphasize the long-range planning function and provide a better focus on the city's strategic planning, general plan and appropriate smart growth initiatives, while implementing the Mayor and City Council's vision for the community," Uberuaga wrote.

Long Range Planning, Transportation Planning, Facilities Financing, the Multiple Species Conservation Program, Stra-

Staff

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Story advises the mayor on land use, water and transportation issues.

Halbert has been Deputy Director of the Land Development Review Division of the Development Services Department since 1995.

"Gary's broad planning knowledge and expertise in transportation planning and development and infrastructure financing will make him a valuable addition to the Planning Department," said Goldberg. "Gary's expertise and experience will contribute greatly to the very important Strategic Framework effort, as well as other large scale projects such as MSCP and infrastructure."

Tina Christiansen, Development Services Department Director, said no replacement for Halbert has yet been selected. In the interim, his duties will be assumed by Stephen M. Haase, Assistant Director. ☐

Reorganization, January 2001

tegitic Framework Update and Naval Training Center Reuse Planning are included in the new Planning Department.

The Development Services Department includes building inspection and plan check functions, development engineering and public improvements, zoning, environmental and development planning, as well as the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency.

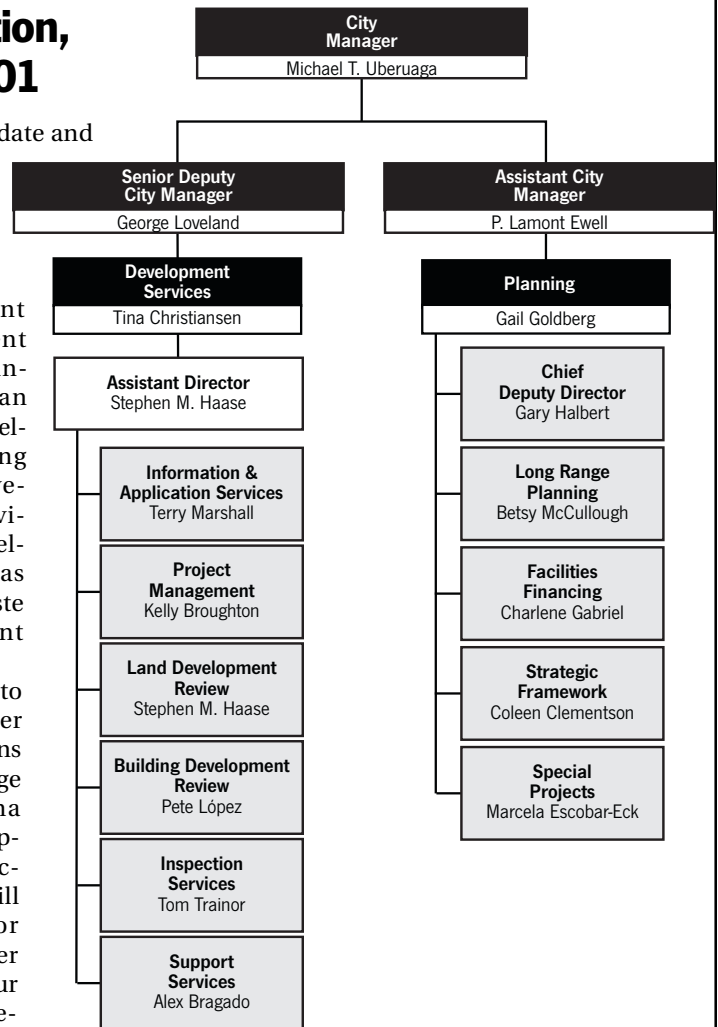
"We will continue to work closely together to implement the plans created by Long Range Planning," said Tina Christiansen, Development Services Director. Christiansen will report to Senior Deputy City Manager George Loveland. "Our customer service depends on all of our staff coming together, regardless of our organizational structure."

No telephone numbers or service locations will be changing.

"Planning depends on our colleagues in Development Services to implement the visions created by our residents," said Goldberg. "The reorganization places an emphasis on planning in the organizational chart, but we're still here to work with the community to ensure projects fit

the community plans."

Statewide storm water pollution prevention efforts are resulting in regulations that will effect development. The local effort has been assigned to a division of the new General Services Department. Storm water pollution prevention staff is working with Development Services to implement new development regulations on storm water runoff from new developments and construction sites. ☐





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Services by FAX

- For printouts of plan clearances. You will be faxed the printout or mailed a copy.
- PlanFinder Touchtone Line (858) 581-7171
- PermitFax Line (619) 236-7687

Appointment Required Services

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- Electrical Plan Check (619) 446-5300
- Engineering Project Close-Out, Time Extension, Bond Release (619) 446-5363
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- Review (619) 446-5440
- Home Owners Night (619) 446-5300
- Master Plans (619) 446-5052
- Sign Permits (619) 446-5300
- Structural Plan Check (619) 446-5300
- Transportation Planning (619) 235-5231

Appointment Optional Services

- Address Coordinator (619) 446-5411
- Demolition/Removal/Relocation; Grading; Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, Gas Permits; Public Improvements; Tenant Improvements; Transportation; Wet Taps; Water & Sewer, Zoning (619) 446-5000
- Development & Permit Information, Submittal Appointments (619) 446-5300
- Engineering Information (619) 446-5460
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- Seismic/Geologic Hazards (619) 446-5460
- Traffic Control Plan Check (619) 446-5150

Schedule In Advance Services

- New Construction, Relocation, Removal, Demolition Inspections (858) 581-7111
- Engineering Field Inspections . (619) 627-3200

Service Locations

Development Services Center, 1222 First Ave. Development Services (Building Development Review, Information & Application Services, Land Development Review, Support Services).

Stadium/Kearny Mesa area, 9601 Ridgehaven Ct., Suite 220
Development Services Inspection Services: Selected permit issuance, reinspection fee payment (checks only), 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., office open to 5. Construction, sign, demolition inspectors.

City Administration Building, 202 C St. Planning Department (Long Range Planning, Multiple Species Conservation Program, Transportation Planning, Facilities Financing)

Executive Complex, 1010 Second Ave. Engineering and Capital Projects Dept., Traffic Engineering.

Civic Center Plaza, 1200 Third Ave. Neighborhood Code Compliance

Community Service Centers are located in many neighborhoods, including Clairemont, Market Street, Mid-City, Navajo, Otay Mesa/Nestor, Peninsula, Rancho Bernardo and San Ysidro. Call City Information at (619) 236-5555 for the nearest location and operating hours.