



# Avalon City Council Weekly Update 05-27-16

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## Heal the Bay Annual Beach Report Card

For the third year in a row Avalon Harbor is not on the Heal the Bay Beach Bummer List! It was a dramatic turn around starting in 2013, but our success is the result of significant efforts from past and present City Council, staff and the Avalon community. We know implementing all the programs and policies required to get us this far have not been easy, but they clearly have been worth it. We are not done, and we know this is something that we will always need to stay on top of, but it is gratifying to know that we are one the right path.

Once we accomplish the next few steps we might just have to host a Heal the Bay Bring Back the Beach gala in Avalon...!

For the full report visit [http://www.healthebay.org/sites/default/files/BRC\\_2016\\_final.pdf](http://www.healthebay.org/sites/default/files/BRC_2016_final.pdf)  
Avalon can be found on page 31.

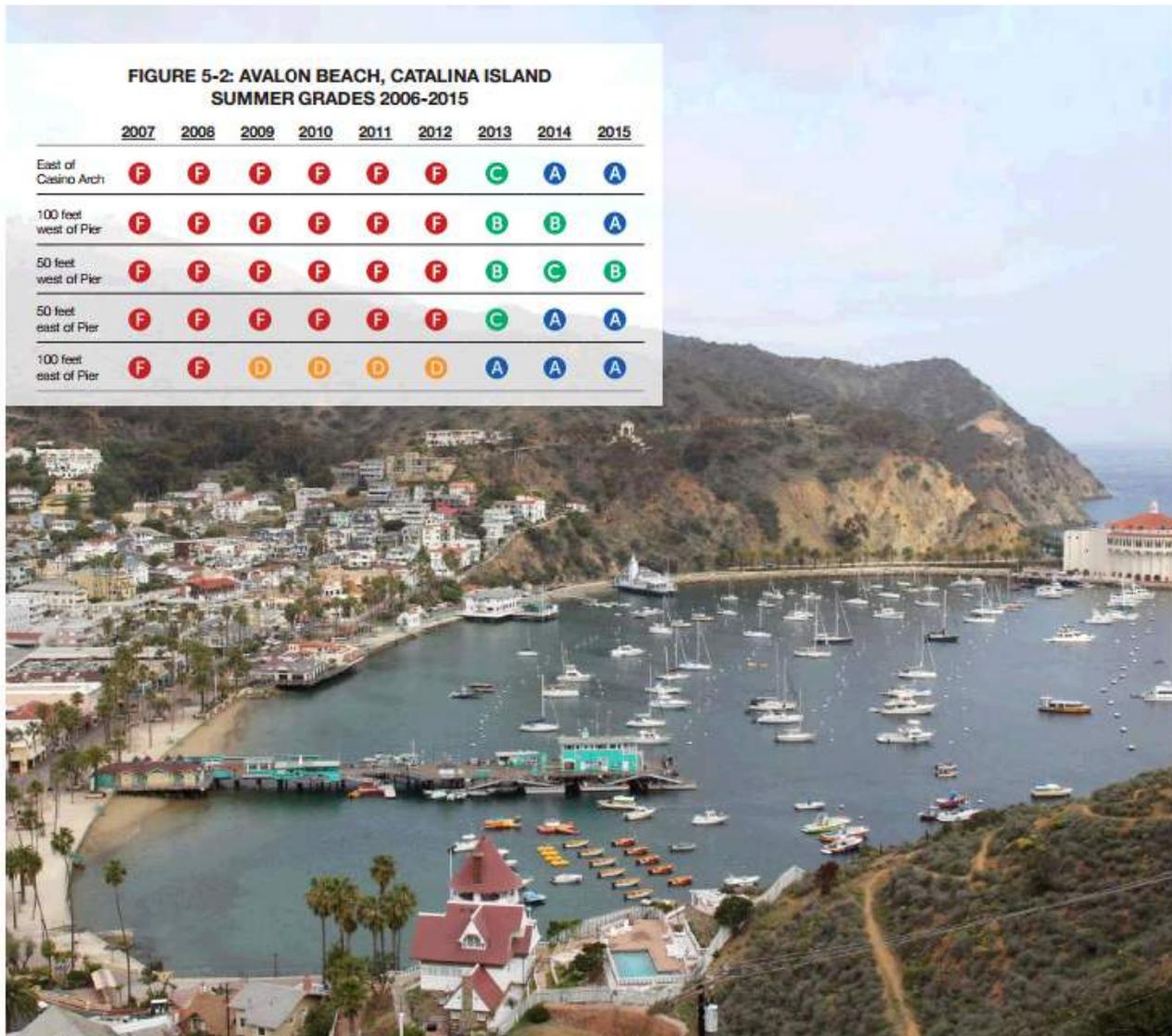


Photo 5-4: Avalon Bay on Catalina Island has shown tremendous improvement in water quality during the summer dry season.

## Administration - Income Survey Information

Audra and Jordan (and Wren) set up at Avalon School's Open House to share information on the upcoming income survey the City is conducting. The survey is critically important to assessing Avalon's Disadvantaged Community (DAC) status. We are looking to release the survey via mailers the first week of June and anticipate receiving responses through the end of the month. Households can complete the surveys and mail them back in the provided pre-stamped envelope, or they can complete the survey online. Door-to-door survey follow ups will be conducted the second or third of July. All the information, and the survey is provided in both English and Spanish. Flyers have been provided community spaces such as the churches and to some businesses to staple to paychecks. We greatly appreciate everyone's help in spreading the word, and if you have any other ideas to inform people don't hesitate to reach out: [jmonroe@cityofavalon.com](mailto:jmonroe@cityofavalon.com) and [audra1@cityofavalon.com](mailto:audra1@cityofavalon.com)



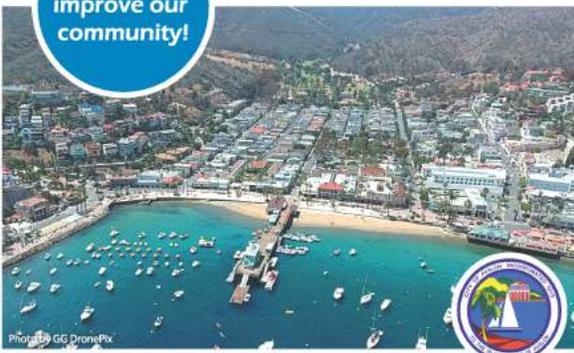
### THE CITY OF **AVALON** **NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

The City is promoting a household survey to improve the U.S. Census information about Catalina Island. Each address will receive a survey, with a self-addressed stamped return envelope. Fill out the survey and mail it back in the provided envelope. OR you can **take the survey online** with the confidentiality code from your mailed survey. The data will help Avalon apply for grants to improve the sewer, water, and transportation services on the Island.

**COMING SOON!**

**Help us improve our community!**

The Survey is 100% confidential, and will not be shared with any other State or Federal agencies.



For questions, contact Audra McDonald at 310-510-0220, ext. 118, or [Audra1@cityofavalon.com](mailto:Audra1@cityofavalon.com), or Jordan Monroe at [jmonroe@cityofavalon.com](mailto:jmonroe@cityofavalon.com).

### LA CIUDAD DE **AVALON** **NECESITA TU AYUDA!**

La ciudad es la promoción de una encuesta de hogares para mejorar la información del Censo de U.S. sobre la Isla de Catalina. Cada dirección recibirá una encuesta, con un retorno sobre sellado con su dirección. Llenar la encuesta y enviarlo por correo en el sobre adjunto. O puede **tomar la encuesta en línea** con el código secreto de su encuesta por correo. Los datos ayudarán a Avalon solicitar subvenciones para mejorar la red de alcantarillado, agua y servicios de transporte en la isla.

**¡PRÓXIMAMENTE!**

**¡Ayúdenos a mejorar nuestra infraestructura de la comunidad!**

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## **Outreach for New Transit Program Continues**

This week, City and Transportation Concepts Staff continued the outreach effort regarding the City's new Dial-a-Ride program. Staff met with social services staff at the Catalina Island Medical Center, attended the senior meals at Singing Waters Church and met with residents of Beacon Hill apartments. For more information regarding Avalon Transit, go to [www.avalontransit.org](http://www.avalontransit.org).



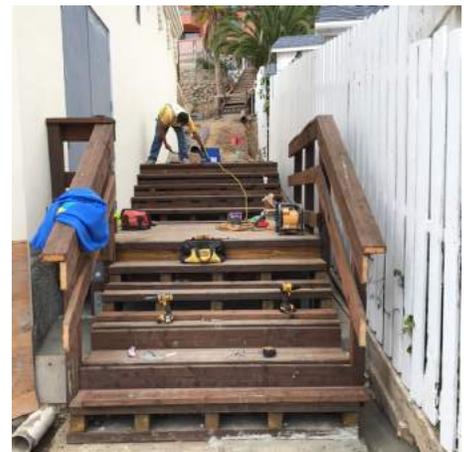
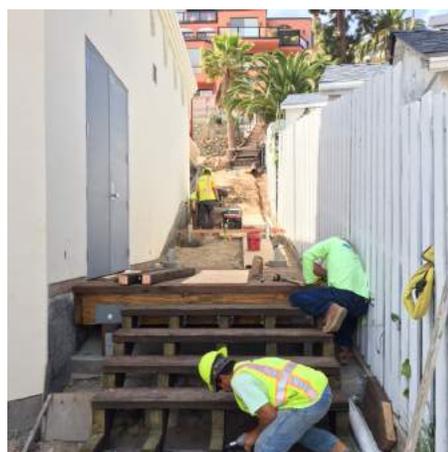
## **Public Works - eBus**

Work continues on the eBus charging stations behind City Hall.



## **Public Works - Stairs**

Work continues on the stairs.



### **Harbor Department – Fuel Dock Construction Barge**

The crane barge anchored at the fuel dock site during the pier construction has completed its task and departed the harbor on Tuesday May 24th. Avalon Mooring Service dedicated Tuesday and Wednesday to place 12 moorings back in service that were dropped to allow the barge access to the harbor.

### **Avalon Fire –Wildland**

Los Angeles County Fire Department Heavy Equipment Division personnel and their equipment were on the island all week improving fire breaks and roadways. This is an annual occurrence and is another level of safety in preparation for wildland fire season.

Avalon Fire and Los Angeles County Fire also conducted annual wildland fire refresher training this week. This is also an annual occurrence where both agencies train together and review various topics and train on such items as safety, fire shelters, line construction and fire attack. Many additional drills are conducted throughout the brush season, but this training provides for a great overview for new and more experienced firefighters.

### **Avalon Fire –Safety Stand-Down**

In cooperation with the Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services Agency, Avalon Fire is participating in Sidewalk CPR Day next Thursday June 2nd from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M at the Avalon Fire Station. This is an opportunity for people to review CPR skills; it is not a certification class. The spirit of the program is to give people the opportunity for a quick refresher rather than a class. AFD is also going to offer fire extinguisher training and a review of non-aerial day/night marine signaling devices for interested boat owners.

### **Memorial Day**

Just a reminder City Hall will be closed in Observance of Memorial Day, Monday May 30.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Island Outpost 4682 will host a Memorial Day service at the Avalon Cemetery Monday May 30, 2016 beginning at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
The Avalon City Staff