

KCRU-FM Oxnard

Programs & Issues for the third quarter of 2013 Jul., Aug., Sept.

It has been determined that the following subjects are of concern to the community and have been considered and addressed substantially by elected officials, community leaders, expert witnesses and the general public, during the regular Santa Monica City Council meetings, which are broadcast live on Tuesdays, beginning at 8:00pm. Broadcasts last until 12:00am unless council adjourns before that time.

1. Education and Public Outreach
2. Parks and Recreation
3. Traffic and Transportation
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The following programs were produced and broadcast in the public interest:

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Which Way LA?, KCRW's ongoing series on the issues that Californians care about, hosted by Warren Olney, airs Monday through Thursday, from 7:00pm to 7:30pm.

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE/TIME	DURATION
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LOCAL POLITICS

The first day of a new era dawns at Los Angeles City Hall, as Eric Garcetti takes the Mayor's seat. Questions arise about the new City Council, traffic jams, problem schools, a lack of affordable housing and the restless leadership of organized labor.

Aired Monday, July 1, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

LOCAL POLITICS

We ask new Mayor Eric Garcetti how soon he'll get his administration up and running, how he plans to deal with a city council that's very different from the one he just left, and questions about public transit, city parks, potholes and utilities.

Aired Tuesday, July 2, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY

The Los Angeles school district is spending money on iPads. Will math and reading scores increase? We compare their plans to the experience of other school districts. Meanwhile, the elected board of LA Unified has staged a leadership revolution.

Aired Wednesday, July 3, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ECONOMIC INEQUALITY

Americans are supposed to be equal under the law, but the Great Recession renewed awareness of economic inequality. On this Fourth of July, we talk about how that's revealed in some of the films available for this summer's viewing
Aired Thursday, July 4, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

TECHNOLOGY

Google promises to "do no evil," but now Google is everywhere. We ask if Google Glass going too far, if the real world can compete with computer data right in front of our eyes and if there are limits to the personal relationship between humans and technology.
Aired Friday, July 5, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

RACE AND POLITICS

Last year, police killings of two Latino men in Anaheim sparked riots near City Hall. This year, community outrage is focused on politics. We hear what the all-white Council proposes and about a legal challenge with a hearing tomorrow
Aired Monday, July 8, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISON SYSTEM AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Forced sterilization is illegal in California, but there's evidence that women inmates in two state prisons were pressured into being sterilized as recently as 2010. We question whether the operations saved money or were performed against the women's will.
Aired Tuesday, July 9, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISON SYSTEM AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Solitary confinement leads to physical illness, mental issues and suicide. In California, hundreds of prisoners have been isolated for a decade or more—and that's the main reason that tens of thousands of fellow-inmates have started refusing food.
Aired Wednesday, July 10, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENERGY

Southern California's largest single source of electricity has been shut down. We ask what it will cost to "decommission" two reactors at the San Onofre Nuclear Power plant, question the safety and wonder where the power for 1.5 million homes come from now.
Aired Thursday, July 11, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Unarmed black teenager Kendrec McDade was killed by police bullets in Pasadena. Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson showed up to make a connection. The officers are back on duty, but an investigation is still going on. We have an update.
Aired Monday, July 15, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Mayor Garcetti and LAPD Chief Beck promise that protest rights and property rights will be protected if there are more demonstrations over the not-guilty verdict in Florida's Trayvon Martin killing. We hear what happened last night in the Crenshaw District.
Aired Tuesday, July 16, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT

Near Los Angeles massive developments are being downsized because of opposition, but in downtown LA, five-to-seven story, wood-framed apartment complexes are under construction, even though zoning and residents favor steel-framed high rises.
Aired Wednesday, July 17, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

Fifth-grade teacher Monica Ratliff beat overwhelming odds to become LA Unified's newest elected school board member. We ask what she thinks about the so-called "reform movement," iPads, achievement tests and Superintendent John Deasy
Aired Thursday, July 18, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION

At parishes in LA and Orange Counties, Catholics were asked from the pulpit to write Congress in support of comprehensive immigration reform. The Archbishop of America's largest Catholic archdiocese has written, "Immigration and the Next America."
Aired Monday, July 22, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION AND ACTIVISM

Nine young people brought to the US illegally as children voluntarily crossed the Mexican border. When they asked re-entry, they were placed in detention. We update the actions and risks taken by so-called "Dreamers" who've become political activists.
Aired Tuesday, July 23, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

LOCAL POLITICS

Nury Martinez was elected yesterday to fill a vacancy on the LA City Council. She's an executive at the DWP and a former member of the LA School Board. We'll ask how she feels about gender balance in LA politics and what plans she has for the east Valley.
Aired Wednesday, July 24, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION

"Ride share" set-ups like Uber, SideCar and Lyft have taken carpooling high-tech with smart-phone apps that bring drivers and passengers together. Taxi companies call it unfair, unregulated and unsafe. It was ordered stopped until the mayor was elected.
Aired Monday, July 29, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

REDEVELOPMENT

The City of Inglewood may have fallen on hard times, but the Fabulous Forum will re-open in January, and Hollywood Park racetrack conversion is back on. We hear from an enthusiastic Mayor James and from others who say, "don't hold your breath."

Aired Tuesday, July 30, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

CHILDRENS SERVICES AND SAFETY

LA County is trying to fire social workers after the death of boy, 8, allegedly tortured by his mother and her boyfriend. Earlier this year, a scathing report on lack of protection for thousands of abused children led to reforms now underway at Family Services.

Aired Wednesday, July 31, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTH AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Some residents of South Los Angeles have planted fruit trees and vegetables in the city-owned strips across the sidewalks from their front yards. They share the bounty with hungry neighbors. So why are they in court fighting city orders to cease and desist?

Aired Thursday, August 1, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PRISON SYSTEM

The Los Angeles Times carried an editorial titled, "Don't Run Again, Sheriff Baca," citing "an extraordinary cascade of scandals" including alleged beating of inmates and an FBI investigation. What are Baca's plans for next year's re-election?

Aired Monday, August 5, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

HOUSING

the key to the American dream has been your own key to a home in the suburbs, with a car in the driveway and a back yard. Now, fewer people have or want that dream. We ask what's driving people out of the suburbs.

Aired Tuesday, August 7, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISON SYSTEM AND CIVIL RIGHTS

As California continues its battle against a federal court order to reduce its prison population, the state continues to struggle with a massive hunger strike among prisoners over the use of solitary confinement.

Aired Wednesday, August 8, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION

Union Station in downtown LA is being prepared to connect with high-speed rail. A Central Valley tomato Farmer says he's ready for the high-speed rail authority to pay him for moving his house. We ask how soon those things will be necessary?

Aired Monday, August 12, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

It's the first day of school for LA Unified, and the Superintendent compares the magnitude of anticipated changes to compulsory attendance. We find out if teachers are ready for the "Common Core" curriculum, iPads and new grad requirements.

Aired Tuesday, August 13, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION

Today in Bakersfield, the office of Majority Whip Kevin McCarthy became one target of a national effort to press for action on immigration reform this year. We hear about caravans from around the state with police diverting traffic on Interstate freeways.

Aired Wednesday, August 14, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

CIVIL RIGHTS AND EDUCATION

Starting next year, discrimination against transgender students will be illegal in California schools. Students will be able to use the bathrooms and participate in the sports designed for the genders they prefer, not those dictated by biology.

Aired Thursday, August 15, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ARTS AND CULTURE

The LA City Council will vote on whether to remove the ban on murals that was enacted 11 years ago during a battle between street artists and advertisers. One version would still ban murals on private homes. We hear about art, ethnic tradition and taste.

Aired Monday, August 19, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE, YOUTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY

LA's new City Attorney will ask a court for an anti-gang injunction in four square miles of Echo Park and some of Silver Lake. Crime is down; opponents warn of racial profiling that can mark kids as gang-members, making them ineligible for jobs or education.

Aired Tuesday, August 20, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND STATE POLITICS

Governor Jerry Brown has a letter from almost 50 environmental organizations who were supporters of his election. They wonder why he wants to weaken California's environmental-quality law, transport water and allow more development of Lake Tahoe.

Aired Wednesday, August 21, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Mike Feuer is LA's new City Attorney and it'll be his job to enforce Proposition D, which would limit medical marijuana outlets to 135. With more than a thousand in operation, we find out how he will he enforce the will of the voters.

Aired Thursday, August 22, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

CHILDRENS SERVICES AND SAFETY

Children. Including infants, who are sometimes medically or mentally ill are being kept in holding centers such a long time, the state is threatening fines if there's no improvement. We talk with the Director of Children and Family Services.

Aired Monday, August 26, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT

Supporters credit the California Environmental Quality Act, or CEQA, with protecting both natural resources and public health from the greed of developers. We ask if the legislature can resolve a long-running controversy in less than three weeks.

Aired Tuesday, August 27, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

CIVIL RIGHTS

We hear from national figures and from local veterans of the Civil Rights Movement. In 1963, was LA as segregated as the Deep South? What about education, employment opportunities and integrated schools, and what connects the movement with music?

Aired Wednesday, August 28, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Kids are bullying other kids on social media. Now the Glendale Unified School District has hired a private company to monitor and analyze the messages students are sending. Does it mean early intervention before real harm can be done?

Aired Thursday, August 29, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

CONSUMER TRENDS

The consumer economy is facing a challenge from what's called the "sharing economy," a new way of introducing people who own things to people who need to use them.

Aired Monday, September 2, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Undocumented immigrants are a major part of California's economy, but Washington is paralyzed on immigration reform. The State Supreme Court will hear the case of a man who's not here legally, but who went to law school and passed the State Bar.

Aired Tuesday, September 3, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

VETERANS

The Veterans' Administration has six months to decide if part of its 387 acres in West LA should continue to house the UCLA Baseball stadium, sports facilities for a private school and a hotel laundry, or make way for homeless, often disabled veterans.

Aired Wednesday, September 4, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISON SYSTEM

California state officials don't agree about how to reduce prison overcrowding as federal courts have ordered by the end of this year. Brown wants \$315 million to rent new jail space and Dems say \$200 million spent on rehabilitation would do the job.

Aired Thursday, September 5, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

MILITARY ACTION

Local Congress members are among those briefed on the case for action against Syria. We hear from two Dems: Brad Sherman, who went in favoring the President's limited strikes and Janice Hahn, who has defied her party's leadership so far and said, "No." September 9, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE

Medicare and the Part D Drug Prescription Plan both started out as confusing and controversial. Now the Affordable Healthcare Act is about to become a reality, and California is ahead of the game. We ask who is going to be eligible, for what and when. Aired Tuesday, September 10, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

California could be in for another Gold Rush from what's called "fracking" to release billions of barrels of oil trapped in shale rock underground. Opponents insist that the cost to the environment is already proving to be much too high. Aired Wednesday, September 11, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

HOUSING

The City of El Monte has started a battle with the mortgage industry and Wall Street players who've invested in home loans. El Monte wants to seize mortgages that are "underwater" and work out more affordable deals so people can stay in their homes. Aired Monday, September 16, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT

The Army Corps of Engineers, which originally paved it the LA River, has chosen a plan to restore some habitat for animals, fish and vegetation, without spending too much federal money. Local officials want more, including expanded recreation for people. Aired Tuesday, September 17, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The new, \$1.9 billion Tom Bradley International Terminal at Los Angeles International Airport opened today, designed to reflect LA and attract travelers from Asia — where they're used to the world's best airports. Aired Wednesday, September 18, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE

E-cigarettes supply nicotine without the carcinogens from burning tobacco, and they're on their way to becoming a billion-dollar industry in the United States. Are e-cigarettes a great way to stop smoking or should local governments prevent health problems? Aired Thursday, September 19, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT

Many tons of trash produced every day in Los Angeles is going to end up in an unknown location when the massive Puente Hills Land Fill shuts down on Halloween. There a way, not just to recycle trash to turn it into a commodity here at home?
Aired Monday, September 23, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

CONSUMER TRENDS AND HOUSING

Airbnb is an Internet service connecting people who want to rent out their homes, or just rooms in their homes, with people looking to stay for a few days. Some say it's been a life-saver for those who need a few extra bucks, while others say it's a nightmare. Aired Tuesday, September 24, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY

The police chief at LA Unified says maybe the distribution of iPads to all students ought to be delayed. It took hundreds of kids at several high schools just one week to find out how to hack through security so they could surf the Internet.
Aired Wednesday, September 25, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

Monica is notoriously cautious about so-called "smart growth," but a new park and an upscale condo complex are finally bringing energy to the Civic Center. Would letting developers go higher than seven stories change the "character" of the city?
Aired Thursday, September 26, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Calls to the IRS will go unanswered. The military-industrial complex will be hard hit. We hear what pain some Southern Californians might begin to feel if the government partially shuts down.
Aired Monday, September 30, 2013 7:00pm ½ hr.