

KCRW-FM Santa Monica

Programs & Issues for the second quarter of 2012 Apr., May, Jun..

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. Transportation and Traffic
2. Technology and Communications Networks
3. Resources for Youth
4. Labor Rights and Negotiations
5. Beaches, Parks and Recreation
6. Environment and Urban Forest
7. Housing and Homelessness
8. Water Quality
9. Services for Seniors
10. Education and Continuing Education

Santa Monica City Council Meetings were broadcast on the following dates:

April 10, 2012
April 24, 2012
May 8, 2012
May 22, 2012
June 12, 2012
June 26, 2012

Additionally, the following programs were produced and broadcast in the public interest:

KCRW PROGRAMS/ISSUES LIST – 2nd Quarter 2012 APR. MAY JUN.

Which Way LA?, KCRW's ongoing series on the issues that southern 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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EDUCATION/BUDGET

California's plan for higher education says all high school graduates are eligible for community college admission, but some 400,000 students are likely to be rejected. Can California invest enough in education to keep the US competitive?

Aired Monday, April 2, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT

We hear what LA's learning about the business of big time sports: Magic Johnson and partners paid a huge price for the Dodgers and the space around Dodger stadium could be a challenge to for development of Farmers' Field and part of the convention center. Aired Monday, April 2, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

CONGRESSIONAL POLITICS

Newly drawn boundaries and California's new election rules have created confusion as candidates of different parties now run in the same primary. The top two vote-getters in the June primary will be in the November election, even if they're from the same party. Aired Tuesday, April 3, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION, BUDGET CRISIS AND POLICE

Student protesters and others were pepper-sprayed last night on the campus of Santa Monica College. We hear about an incident sparked by efforts to cope with the worst crisis in higher education funding in California history. Aired Wednesday, April 4, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

If Los Angeles gets an National Football League franchise, would a football stadium guarantee gridlock in downtown LA? Developer AEG released an answer today that's 10,000 pages long. We get a first read. Aired Thursday, April 5, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Ninety-three square miles of the San Gabriel Valley are now under a citrus quarantine because of a bug that could cost California \$2 billion. It carries a disease called citrus greening that's been found on a backyard lemon tree in Hacienda Heights. Aired Monday, April 9, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY

Also, LA County's ban on plastic bags survived in a lower court, but bag-maker Hilex-Poly plans an appeal. It claims the County's .10 cent fee for a paper bag is an illegal tax and some wonder "where does the ten cents go, anyway?" Aired Tuesday, April 10, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION AND POLICE

On the eve of another bike event with 10-miles of Los Angeles streets cleared of cars -- there is growing tension between bicycle riders and drivers of automobiles. Are hit-and-run incidents on the increase? Was one intentional? We hear from police. Aired Wednesday, April 11, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Two of USC's 2500 students from China were murdered yesterday morning a mile from the campus. Is violent crime on the rise again in West Adams? Why have Chinese social media sensationalized the incident with reports of "rich kids" in a high-end auto? Aired Thursday, April 12, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISON SYSTEM

There are 723 people on California's Death Row, at a cost of \$184 million per year. In November, voters may be asked to replace capital punishment with life without the possibility of parole. We talk with an unexpected supporter. Aired Monday, April 16, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT

The Wilshire Boulevard Temple is on America's Register of Historic Places. We get an update on its \$175 million restoration and efforts to reach beyond LA's highly mobile Jewish community. Aired Tuesday, April 17, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

WAR IN AFGHANISTAN

Today's Los Angeles Times made news from LA to Washington to Kabul with pictures of American soldiers posing with the body parts of dead Afghans who apparently blew themselves up. Is such behavior understandable? Is it forgivable? Aired Wednesday, April 18, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR AND BUDGET CRISIS

LA City workers are bracing for proposed layoffs when the Mayor introduces his budget. Meantime, the Mayor's plan for extending the sales tax to speed construction of public transit has met with opposition. We talk with Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. Aired Thursday, April 19, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

This is the first in a week of special programs about the riots of 1992, sparked by the acquittal of police who beat Rodney King. Considered the worst civil disturbance in 20th Century America, we ask how it happen? How has it shaped the city we know today? Aired Monday, April 23, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION

Westside commuters are getting their first chance to take rapid transit all the way downtown, but what about getting from home and back and paying for parking? Aired Monday, April 30, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ANIMAL CRUELTY

Some of California's best-known chefs are lobbying to repeal a ban on foie gras which provided seven years for development of more humane means of production than the current practice, produced by force-feeding geese and ducks to enlarge their livers.
Aired Tuesday, May 1, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY

The San Onofre nuclear power plant is shut down, at least until "a serious issue" of leaking tubes has been resolved. In summe, will some big power users have to shut down? How likely are rolling blackouts? Is San Onofre earthquake safe?
Aired Wednesday, May 2, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY

Hydraulic fracturing for natural gas has been blamed by some people for earthquakes and water contamination in Northeastern and Rocky Mountain states. It turns out that "fracking" has been used for years to get oil out of depleted fields in California.
Aired Monday, May 7, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE

Prop 29 on the June ballot would raise taxes on cigarettes by a dollar a pack and the money would go to cancer research and anti-smoking campaigns. With the cigarette industry outspending supporters 10 to one, what are its chances?
Aired Tuesday, May 8, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE AND HOUSING

According to the latest research, nearly half of adult Americans are single and almost a third of all households have just one resident. We looks at this phenomenon, what's driving it, and the consequences for individuals and the community as a whole.
Aired Wednesday, May 9, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND ENGINEERING

The science of geoengineering explores whether we could use technology to alter the atmosphere and cool the warming planet. What could go wrong with that? There are scientists who think we should start trying to research exactly these questions
Aired Monday, May 14, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

We hear what it would mean if budget cuts shut down one of America's largest institutions of its kind : LA Unified's adult education program, a lifeline for 25 million recent immigrants, high-school drop-outs and anyone else who needs training.
Aired Tuesday, May 15, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING AND INDUSTRY

Some low-income communities live with unhealthy emissions from polluting businesses, and are under the radar of agencies like the EPA. The LA City Council is looking at ways to toughen regulations and replace the polluters with green industries.

Aired Wednesday, May 16, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

On Saturday, the private company, SpaceX, is scheduled to do what NASA's been doing for years: launch a capsule developed in Southern California to rendezvous with the International Space Station. We hear about the risks and potential benefits.

Aired Thursday, May 17, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR AND AGRICULTURE

The United Farm Workers celebrated its 50th anniversary this weekend with leaders, including the late Cesar Chavez, still being canonized by some, demonized by others. Has the UFW kept its promise for higher wages and better working conditions?

Aired Monday, May 21, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

CALIFORNIA PRIMARY

According to supporters of Proposition 28, term limits prevent state legislators from learning their jobs, giving the real power in Sacramento to lobbyists and bureaucrats. Does it make things better by giving lawmakers less total time in the Capitol?

Aired Tuesday, May 22, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

CALIFORNIA PRIMARY

The June 5 election will have some office holders hiding their party affiliation or their incumbency. Republicans have given up some legislative and Congressional races altogether and the general election will feature run-offs between same party candidates.

Aired Wednesday, May 23, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

LOCAL POLITICS

When he ran for LA City Attorney, Carmen Trutanich promised he'd serve two terms. He said, if he ran for District Attorney, he'd take out a full-page ad in the LA Times saying, "I'm a Liar." Well, there's been no such ad, but Trutanich is running for DA.

Aired Thursday, May 24, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

CULTURE

Memorial Day is a holiday dedicated to America's war dead, spent in very different ways in different cities, towns, neighborhoods and by different individuals. We speak with public radio listeners and others about the meaning of Memorial Day.

Aired Monday, May 28, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

LOCAL POLITICS

There are three superior judges up for re-election next week in Los Angeles County and three open seats on the bench. Most voters have no idea who's qualified and who's not. We hear how endorsements are made and where to find other information. Aired

Tuesday, May 29, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTH CARE, POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

It's been 16 years since California voters approved medical marijuana, creating a nightmare for cities all over the state. Any form of the drug is illegal under federal law, and the Obama administration has surprised them all with a selective crackdown.

Wednesday, May 30, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT

The Great Park in the City of Irvine was supposed to rival Griffith Park in LA and Golden Gate Park in SF. Today a judge ruled that Irvine can't have \$1.4 billion because Governor Brown intends to abolish redevelopment agencies to pay for public schools.

Wednesday, May 30, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS

tomorrow's election could shake up state politics for years to come. It could change things in Washington, as well as in Sacramento. We'll hear why the LA Times told readers, "Don't sit this one out."

Monday, June 4, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

It takes a lot of people to get your breakfast, lunch or dinner at any restaurant, and the restaurant business employs one out of every 12 workers in the private sector. We hear about wages and working conditions in the dining room and the kitchen.

Tuesday, June 5, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS RESULTS

After yesterday's election, has California lost its power to help the Democrats re-take control of the Congress? Is the "top two" process a success or a failure? Did this Blue State really say "No" to a tax on tobacco?

Wednesday, June 6, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

LOCAL POLITICS

Outrage over the video-taped beating death of a mentally ill man by Fullerton police is likely the reason three city council members lost their jobs in Tuesday's election. Is the new council ready to fire officials, downsize government and outsource public safety?

Wednesday, June 6, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

State budget cuts have prompted UCLA's Anderson School MBA program to reject public money in favor of private donations and higher tuition. Supporters call it a way to save needier programs that cannot be self-sufficient. Opponents say it's part of a trend away from public funding of higher education.

Monday, June 11, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

Last week, LA Unified and the Teachers' Union agreed to reduce the amount of time that children will be in school — the fourth such reduction in four years. The same parties are still conflicted over using student achievement tests to evaluate teachers.
Wednesday, June 13, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY

A measure that would require the labeling of genetically modified food has qualified for California's November ballot, based on the rights of consumers to know what they're eating. Some opponents call it a crusade against science.
Thursday, June 14, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION

President Obama stunned the nation last week by announcing that some undocumented workers brought here when they were children will not be deported. How selective is the process, and what are the rules?
Monday, June 18, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Governor Brown has proposed closing 70 of California's 279 state parks to save \$22 million. About 30 will now be saved. Three of those will turn campgrounds, restaurants and maintenance operations over to private contractors.
Tuesday, June 19, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET CRISIS

Jerry Brown promised his third term as Governor would be the charm against a budget crisis that never seems to end. Eighteen months later, the deficit is twice as big as he predicted, and he says the state needs to stop living beyond its means.
Wednesday, June 20, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

PHILANTHROPY AND EDUCATION

Eli Broad has contributed more to Los Angeles Art and Culture than any single person since Dorothy Chandler built the Music Center. He's collecting art, rescuing old museums and building new ones. He's also a prime mover in education reform.
Thursday, June 21, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION

The Supreme Court has thrown out some of Arizona's tough immigration law, but not all. Has profiling by state and local police been legitimized? Could it be adopted by cities and counties in California?
Monday, June 25, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLITICS

Independents are deciding most statewide elections. Now former Republican officials and fundraisers have gone outside the party to create a Super PAC to retain enough seats to support business interests in the Assembly and Senate.

Tuesday, June 26, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE

Now that "Obamacare" has been upheld by the US Supreme Court, Mitt Romney wants it repealed by Congress. Even if he wins the White House, that's not very likely as President Obama has called for implementation to be speeded up.

Thursday, June 28, 2012 7:00pm ½ hr.