

Programs & Issues for the third quarter of 2017 July-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 p.m. Broadcasts last until midnight unless council adjourns before that time.

1. Energy and environment
2. Disaster relief
3. Labor, wages, and immigration
4. Public health and healthcare
5. Police and public safety
6. Recycling and reuse
7. Housing, homelessness, and affordable housing
8. Waste and water management
9. Development and redevelopment
10. Transportation and traffic

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

July 11, 2017
July 25, 2017
Aug. 8, 2017
Sept. 12, 2017
Sept. 26, 2017

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

KCRW PROGRAMS/ISSUES LIST – 3rd QUARTER 2017 JULY-AUG-SEPT

To The Point is hosted by Warren Olney and aired Monday - Friday, from 1 - 2 p.m.

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE/TIME	DURATION
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ENVIRONMENT

Scientists are looking at extreme options to slow global warming. Is it time to try altering the atmosphere by what's called "geoengineering?" We hear about unintended consequences, international relation and ethics.

To The Point aired Tuesday, July 4, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, PUBLIC HEALTH

President Trump is "sending the feds" to Chicago. Can 20 new agents help get gun violence under control or is this a political stunt with racial undertones? Also, the legal implications of Donald Trump, Jr.'s meeting with Russian lawyer.

To The Point aired Monday, July 10, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT

Maybe you read the recent New York Magazine cover story, which dares to imagine an "uninhabitable Earth." Guest host **León Krauze** explores whether it is an exercise in journalistic alarmism or necessary scientific awareness.

To The Point aired Friday, July 14, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

HEALTHCARE

The Republican-controlled Senate has had a hard time repealing and replacing Obamacare, and now the latest attempt by Mitch McConnell got a surprise delay. Guest host León Krauze explores whether that will weaken the bill's chances.

To The Point aired Monday, July 17, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

HEALTHCARE

Guest host León Krauze looks at the sudden failure of the Republican attempt to replace Obamacare and what comes next, especially for the party that made this a campaign promise ever since 2010.

To The Point aired Tuesday, July 18, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

LABOR AND MANUFACTURING

The White House has declared this 'Made in America' week, showcasing products made entirely in the country. But when we say something is 'made in America' the next question is where in America?

To The Point aired Wednesday, July 19, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

IMMIGRATION

On today's Talking Point, the program protecting so-called "Dreamers" from deportation is facing uncertainty. We hear from a leader of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

To The Point aired Friday, July 21, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

IMMIGRATION, POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

The gruesome deaths of people found in a smuggler's truck in San Antonio dramatizes the desperation of people trying to cross illegally. Would the border wall now being considered by Congress make conditions better?

To The Point aired Wednesday, July 26, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

HEALTHCARE

Last night Republicans failed to repeal parts of Obamacare—even with control of the White House and both houses of Congress. A desperation plan called "skinny repeal" failed in the Senate—with John McCain casting the decisive "no" vote.

To The Point aired Friday, July 28, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

CIVIL RIGHTS, LABOR, MILITARY

President Trump's new policies on gender and sexual orientation are a far cry from his promises during last year's election. We hear what they could mean at job sites and in the military.

To The Point aired Monday, July 31, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

PUBLIC HEALTH, MEDICINE

Gene editing now used for agriculture and developing drugs can also prevent inherited human diseases. We hear the pros and cons of the latest breakthrough in medical science.

To The Point aired Friday, Aug. 4, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

IMMIGRATION

The President says legal immigration should be cut in half, with Green Cards based on "merit" and not on family connections. Would the US survive as a "nation of immigrants" if it only admitted "the best and the brightest"?

To The Point aired Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

President Trump has reversed course on declaring opiate addiction a National Emergency, or has he? Also, Trump tells North Korea the US military is "locked and loaded."

To The Point aired Friday, Aug. 11, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EDUCATION

Last weekend's deadly violence at the University of Virginia is a wake-up-call for leaders of higher education. It's another example of how the so-called alt-right is recruiting on campuses—utilizing protections for free speech.

To The Point aired Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The ACLU's protection of free speech in the public square has made it a frequent target of the conservative Right. Now, deadly violence in Charlottesville has it under attack from the Left and some of its own members. We hear about the limits of free speech.

To The Point aired Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT

President Trump has stirred controversy in the Western States by taking aim at National Monuments protected by former presidents. As he looks at recommendations to shrink them in size, does he have the legal power?

To The Point aired Friday, Aug. 25, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY

One weather expert says what we're seeing in Houston, "could go down as the worst flood disaster in US history." We hear about Houston — how it became so vulnerable to massive flooding and how President Trump is handling federal assistance.

To The Point aired Monday, Aug. 28, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RELIEF

In Texas, 13 million people live in zones either flooded already or under flood watch — with one trillion gallons of water inundating Harris County in just four days. Floodwaters are still rising. Rescue efforts may last for weeks.

To The Point aired Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RELIEF

Tens of thousands in Houston are living through a disaster all too much like New Orleans went through when it was struck by Katrina 12 years ago. We talk about the struggle for recovery from one disaster while making plans for the next one.

To The Point aired Wednesday, Aug. 30, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

DISASTER RELIEF AND CONGRESS

The best laid plans of Republicans and Democrats are likely to go astray when Congress returns on Tuesday. Damages from the storm will be political as well as financial and the impacts will last until the mid-term elections in November of next year.

To The Point aired Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT

It's not just Houston, but much of the Gulf Coast--suffering record damage with Hurricane Season just beginning. We'll hear how Harvey compares to other storms in the rest of the world and what it could mean for the future.

To The Point aired Friday, Sept. 1, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

IMMIGRATION

Eight-hundred thousand undocumented immigrants brought to this country as children are now in limbo. Attorney General Jeff Sessions says Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals is not just illegal, but that it's had very negative consequences.

To The Point aired Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

IMMIGRATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Yesterday, President Trump cancelled DACA, but hours later he tweeted, if Congress doesn't renew it in six months, he'll "revisit" the program. We hear what that could mean. Also, North Korea has stepped up its nuclear arsenal.

To The Point aired Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT

Just days after Harvey devastated so much of Texas and parts of Louisiana, the monster hurricane Irma is bearing down on Florida. Two other storms are building in the Atlantic. Is America protecting itself from potential disasters in the near future? To The Point aired Thursday, Sept. 7, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT, DISASTER RELIEF AND HEALTHCARE

The sun is out in the Florida Keys and massive damage from Irma is all too visible. The storm is still battering Jacksonville and heading Northward. We update the weather as relief efforts get underway. Also, one final push to repeal Obamacare.

To The Point aired Monday, Sept. 11, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RELIEF

Texas, Florida and other states face years of environmental consequences from Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. At the same time, the Trump Administration is downsizing the Environmental Protection Agency and weakening rules for protection.

To The Point aired Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

DISASTER RELIEF

Harvey and Irma: two major disasters, one right after the other. We look at where the suffering is worst while federal relief money will be running out almost as soon as it's been spent.

To The Point aired Friday, Sept. 15, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

IMMIGRATION

President Trump struck a deal last week with Democrats Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer. Or did he? Sometimes he sounds like he did and sometimes he doesn't. We look at what might or might not be next for the Dreamers protected by DACA.

To The Point aired Monday, Sept. 18, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

PUBLIC SAFETY

President Trump, in his first address to the United Nations General Assembly, told world leaders the US is ready to "destroy" North Korea—while saying that nations should work together, each in its own self-interest.

To The Point aired Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

HEALTHCARE

Just four days remain for the latest Republican effort to "repeal and replace" Obamacare, and it seems doomed for failure. If so, it's a dramatic ending on Capitol Hill as we'll hear on today's program.

To The Point aired Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RELIEF

Hurricane Maria struck Puerto Rico with winds up to 150 miles an hour for ten straight hours. We'll hear about the humanitarian consequences, the property damage and relief efforts.

To The Point aired Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

Medical advances should be driving America's average life expectancy up. But instead, it's going down. The cause is an epidemic of deadly overdoses, driven by doctors -- over-prescribing legal painkillers that make their patients addicted to drugs. To The Point aired Friday, Sept. 20, 2017 1 p.m. 1 hr.