

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS
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**Mayor Steve Pougnet to Deliver “State of the City”
Jan. 26; Community Invited to Demolition of Old Bank of
America in Downtown Palm Springs Immediately Following**

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With the passage of Measure J and the revitalization of downtown Palm Springs on the horizon, tourism on the upswing, a plethora of successful new restaurants and expansions, the arrival of Virgin America and a host of new airlines at Palm Springs International Airport, and the recent announcement by medical device company CareFusion that it will remain in the city rather than relocate to Minnesota, 2011 was a year of tremendous successes for the City of Palm Springs!

Join Mayor Steve Pougnet on **Thursday, Jan. 26** and learn more about what the City has accomplished over the past year and goals for 2012 at the annual State of the City luncheon, sponsored by the Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce. The event is slated for 11:30 a.m. and will be held at the Hilton Palm Springs, 400. E. Tahquitz Canyon Way.

Tickets are \$45 per person. However, free seats will be available for residents wishing only to hear the Mayor’s address which will begin promptly at 12:30 p.m. Immediately following a question and answer session, the Mayor will invite the audience and the entire community to join the City and Wessman Development at Palm Canyon Drive and Tahquitz Canyon Way as demolition begins on the old Bank of America building and part of the former Hamburger Hamlet. The demolition site will be located behind the property in the parking lot.

“Palm Springs is about to begin an exciting transformation,” according to Pougnet. “I invite every resident, business person or interested party to come learn about what we have achieved and to join the City and Wessman Development on this historic day as we begin the long-awaited demolition of the old B of A building, the first step in the much anticipated revitalization of Desert Fashion Plaza and our downtown core. The best is yet to come!”

To reserve a spot for the luncheon, visit www.psychamber.org or call (760) 325-1577.