

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
March 22, 2018

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Scott C. Stiles, City Manager
Members

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A. CHANGING CITY'S WEB ADDRESS TO GGCITY.ORG**
The attached memo provides information on the proposed web URL change to ggcity.org.
- B. INVESTMENT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2018**
Kingsley Okereke's Investment Report memo outlines the financial institutions, types of investment instruments, monthly transactions, current month interest received, and the par and fair market value of investments held for February 2018.
- C. LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 3162 – ALCOHOL OR DRUG ABUSE RECOVERY OR TREATMENT FACILITIES**
A copy of the Mayor's letter of support for AB 3162 – Alcohol or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Facilities is attached for your review.
- D. LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 2463 – SMALL BUSINESS ACT OF 2018**
A copy of the City Manager's letter of support for AB 2463 – Small Business Act of 2018 is attached for your review.

• OTHER ITEMS

- NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
Copies of the local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.



SCOTT C. STILES
City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott Stiles
Dept: City Manager
Subject: INVESTMENT REPORT
FOR FEBRUARY 2018

From: Kingsley Okereke
Dept: Finance
Date: March 19, 2018

Enclosed is the February 2018 Investment Report which shows the financial institutions, types of investment instruments, monthly transactions, current month interest received, and the par and fair market value of investments held. The month-end cash in the bank and petty cash balances are also listed on the Cash and Investment Report. The pie chart (please see chart on attachment A) reflects the investment instruments as a percentage of the total portfolio.

This investment portfolio meets State guidelines and adheres to the City's investment policy. As of February 2018, the City's total portfolio is invested in:

Type of Investment	Total Investment	% of Investment
US Treasury	\$58,500,000	25.189%
Fed Home Loan Banks	\$42,250,000	18.192%
Fed Farm Credit Banks	\$34,500,000	14.855%
Fed Nat Mort Assoc	\$38,000,000	16.362%
City LAIF	\$36,538,947	15.733%
Cash with Fiscal Agents	\$22,459,609	9.671%
Total	\$232,248,556	100.000%

The cash with fiscal agents is restricted as they are funds held and invested by an outside fiscal agent. The restrictions were set forth in the related bond indentures. As of February 2018, 9.671% of the portfolio is restricted.

In summary, the investment portfolio is secured and the City has the necessary cash to pay its bills for six months in a timely manner. Please call me at extension #5060 if you have any questions.



KINGSLEY OKEREKE
Assistant City Manager/Finance Director

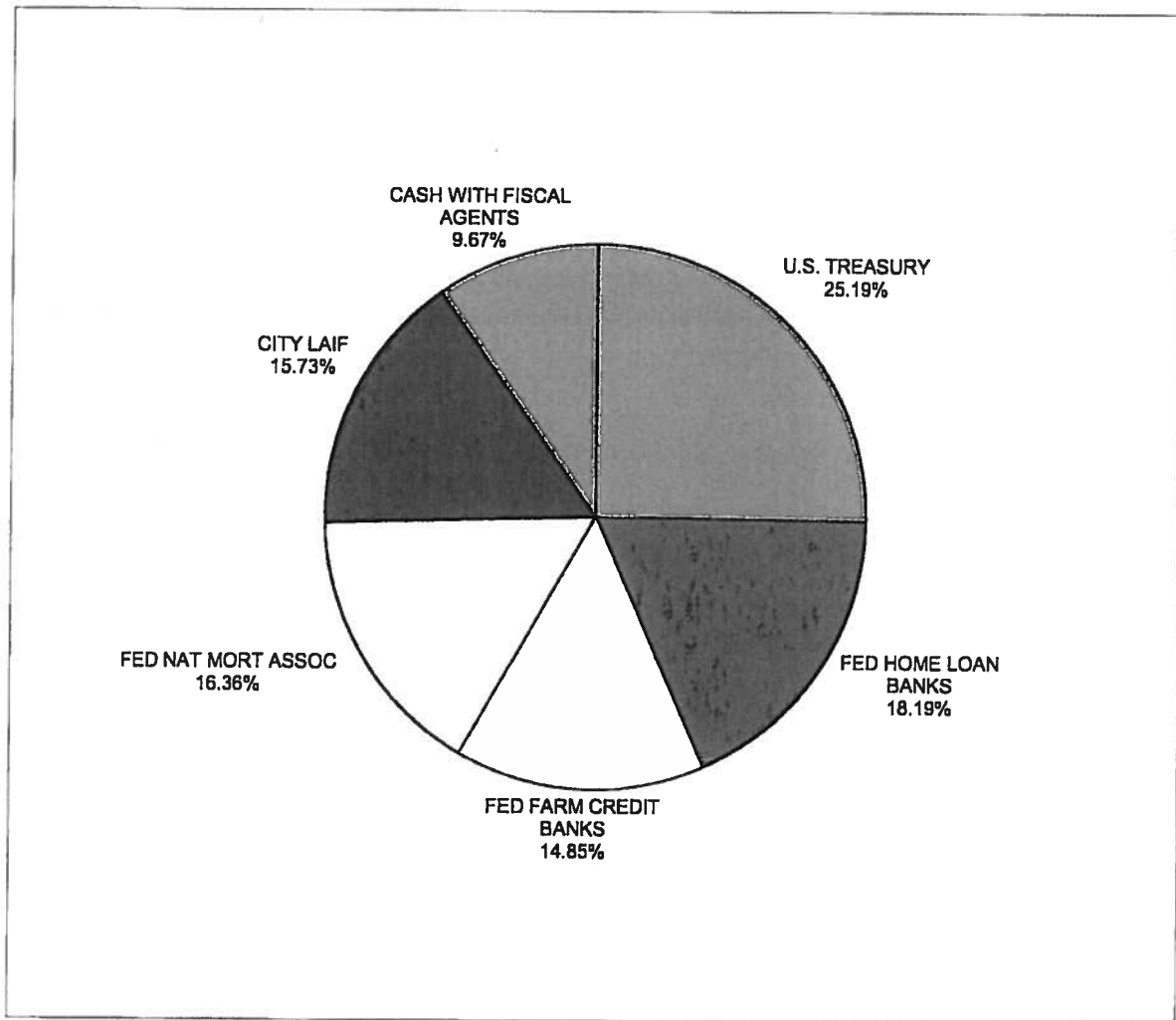
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Attachments
cc: Monica Neely

ATTACHMENT A

INVESTMENT SUMMARY February 2018

<u>TYPE OF INVESTMENT / FIN INSTITUTION</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
U.S. TREASURY	\$ 58,500,000	25.189%
FED HOME LOAN BANKS	\$ 42,250,000	18.192%
FED FARM CREDIT BANKS	\$ 34,500,000	14.855%
FED NAT MORT ASSOC	\$ 38,000,000	16.362%
CITY LAIF	\$ 36,538,947	15.733%
CASH WITH FISCAL AGENTS	\$ 22,459,609	9.671%
TOTAL OF INVESTMENTS	\$ 232,248,556	100.000%



WEIGHTED AVERAGE MATURITIES
February 2018

Investment	Yield (Rate)	UBOC Held	Amount	Date of Maturity	No. Days to Mat. 2/28/2018 or (b)	Weighted Average (a / total a = c)	Weighted # of Days (b % c)
TREASURY							
U S TREASURY	1.375	*	3,000,000	06/30/18	122	1.43001%	1.745
U S TREASURY	1.375	*	3,000,000	07/31/18	153	1.43001%	2.188
U S TREASURY	1.500	*	3,000,000	08/31/18	184	1.43001%	2.631
U S TREASURY	1.250	*	3,000,000	10/31/18	245	1.43001%	3.504
U S TREASURY	1.625	*	3,000,000	03/31/19	398	1.43001%	5.663
U S TREASURY	0.875	*	3,000,000	07/31/19	518	1.43001%	7.407
U S TREASURY	1.250	*	1,600,000	08/31/19	549	0.71500%	3.925
U S TREASURY	1.375	*	3,000,000	03/31/20	762	1.43001%	10.897
U S TREASURY	1.375	*	3,000,000	10/31/20	978	1.43001%	13.957
U S TREASURY	1.625	*	3,000,000	11/30/20	1,006	1.43001%	14.386
U S TREASURY	1.125	*	3,000,000	02/28/21	1,098	1.43001%	15.673
U S TREASURY	1.250	*	3,000,000	03/31/21	1,127	1.43001%	16.116
U S TREASURY	2.250	*	3,000,000	03/31/21	1,127	1.43001%	16.116
U S TREASURY	1.125	*	3,000,000	06/30/21	1,218	1.43001%	17.418
U S TREASURY	2.250	*	3,000,000	07/31/21	1,249	1.43001%	17.861
U S TREASURY	2.000	*	3,000,000	08/31/21	1,280	1.43001%	18.304
U S TREASURY	1.750	*	3,000,000	03/31/22	1,482	1.43001%	21.338
U S TREASURY	2.000	*	3,000,000	10/31/21	1,341	1.43001%	19.178
U S TREASURY	2.125	*	3,000,000	06/30/22	1,583	1.43001%	22.637
U S TREASURY	1.750	*	3,000,000	07/31/22	1,614	1.43001%	23.080
CITY							
FHLB	0.875	*	3,000,000	03/19/18	19	1.43001%	0.272
FHLB	2.000	*	3,000,000	08/14/18	198	1.43001%	2.831
FHLB	1.360	*	3,000,000	03/29/19	394	1.43001%	5.634
FHLB	1.625	*	3,000,000	06/14/19	471	1.43001%	6.735
FHLB	2.000	*	3,000,000	09/13/19	562	1.43001%	8.037
FHLB	1.750	*	3,000,000	06/12/20	835	1.43001%	11.941
FHLB	1.625	*	3,000,000	07/27/20	880	1.43001%	12.584
FHLB	1.625	*	3,000,000	09/11/20	926	1.43001%	13.242
FHLB	2.875	*	3,000,000	09/11/20	926	1.43001%	13.242
FHLB	1.875	*	3,000,000	06/11/21	1,199	1.43001%	17.146
FHLB	2.375	*	3,000,000	09/10/21	1,290	1.43001%	18.447
FHLB	2.000	*	3,250,000	11/10/21	1,351	1.54918%	20.929
FHLB	1.875	*	3,000,000	11/29/21	1,370	1.43001%	19.591
FHLB	2.650	*	3,000,000	02/28/23	1,826	1.43001%	26.112
FFCB	1.125	*	3,000,000	03/12/18	12	1.43001%	0.172
FFCB	1.020	*	3,000,000	09/06/18	190	1.43001%	2.717
FFCB	1.590	*	3,000,000	10/01/18	215	1.43001%	3.075
FFCB	1.460	*	3,000,000	11/21/18	266	1.43001%	3.804
FFCB	1.300	*	3,000,000	02/01/19	338	1.43001%	4.833
FFCB	1.300	*	3,000,000	06/06/19	463	1.43001%	6.621
FFCB	1.150	*	3,000,000	07/01/19	488	1.43001%	6.978
FFCB	2.060	*	1,500,000	08/01/19	519	0.71500%	3.711
FFCB	1.500	*	3,000,000	08/05/19	523	1.43001%	7.479
FFCB	1.520	*	3,000,000	03/02/20	733	1.43001%	10.482
FFCB	1.280	*	3,000,000	09/29/21	1,309	1.43001%	18.719
FFCB	2.570	*	3,000,000	02/18/23	1,814	1.43001%	25.940
FNMA	0.875	*	3,000,000	05/21/18	82	1.43001%	1.173
FNMA	1.625	*	3,000,000	11/27/18	272	1.43001%	3.890
FNMA	1.375	*	3,000,000	02/27/19	364	1.43001%	5.205
FNMA	1.500	*	3,000,000	09/18/19	567	1.43001%	8.108
FNMA	1.100	*	3,000,000	10/17/19	596	1.43001%	8.523
FNMA	1.320	*	2,000,000	10/22/19	601	0.95334%	5.730
FNMA	1.750	*	3,000,000	11/26/19	636	1.43001%	9.095
FNMA	1.500	*	3,000,000	02/28/20	730	1.43001%	10.439
FNMA	1.750	*	3,000,000	10/26/20	971	1.43001%	13.885
FNMA	1.500	*	3,000,000	11/30/20	1,006	1.43001%	14.386
FNMA	1.520	*	3,000,000	07/28/21	1,246	1.43001%	17.818
FNMA	1.000	*	3,000,000	08/24/21	1,273	1.43001%	18.204
FNMA	1.375	*	3,000,000	10/07/21	1,317	1.43001%	18.633
LAIF/REPO/COMMERCIAL PAPER							
LAIF	0.500		36,538,947	02/28/18	-	17.41700%	0.000
			209,788,947		46.816	100.00000%	681
RESTRICTED							Wtd. Avg. Maturity
2008 Katella Cottages			176,230	02/28/18	-	0.78465%	0.000
2008 UBOC			405,021	02/28/18	-	1.80333%	0.000
2010 Water			698,448	02/28/18	-	3.10980%	0.000
2014 TARB			6,925,921	02/28/18	-	30.83723%	0.000
2015 TARB			54	02/28/18	-	0.00024%	0.000
2015A COP's			10,243,086	02/28/18	-	45.60670%	0.000
2016 TAB			4,010,723	02/28/18	-	17.85749%	0.000
2017 SEWER REF			125	02/28/18	-	0.00056%	0.000
			22,459,809		-	100.00000%	-
Investment Total			232,248,556				

CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORT
PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY, 2018

TYPE INVESTMENT/ FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	BEGINNING INVESTMENT PURCHASES		CURRENT MONTH PURCHASES		CURRENT MONTH MATURITIES		ENDING INVESTMENT MATURITIES		PERIOD INTEREST RECEIVED	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE	LAST INT REC'D DATE
	RATE %	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE				
FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS												
FFCB	0.750	05/07/16	3,000,000.00	02/16/18	3,000,000.00	02/16/18	3,000,000.00	02/16/18	11,250.00	3,000,000.00	2,999,700.00	02/16/18
FFCB	1.125	05/31/17	3,000,000.00			03/12/18	3,000,000.00	03/12/18		3,000,000.00	2,997,190.00	09/08/17
FFCB	1.020	03/06/17	3,000,000.00			10/01/18	3,000,000.00	10/01/18		3,000,000.00	2,995,230.00	10/02/17
FFCB	1.590	10/01/14	3,000,000.00			11/21/18	3,000,000.00	11/21/18		3,000,000.00	2,990,370.00	11/10/17
FFCB	1.460	05/05/14	3,000,000.00			02/01/19	3,000,000.00	02/01/19	19,500.00	3,000,000.00	2,977,250.00	02/01/18
FFCB	1.300	02/01/17	3,000,000.00			06/06/19	3,000,000.00	06/06/19		3,000,000.00	2,959,350.00	12/06/17
FFCB	1.150	04/20/17	3,000,000.00			07/01/19	3,000,000.00	07/01/19		3,000,000.00	2,961,030.00	01/02/18
FFCB	2.060	07/20/15	1,500,000.00			08/01/19	1,500,000.00	08/01/19	15,450.00	1,500,000.00	1,496,160.00	02/01/18
FFCB	1.500	08/11/15	3,000,000.00			08/05/19	3,000,000.00	08/05/19	22,500.00	3,000,000.00	2,973,750.00	02/05/18
FFCB	1.520	03/02/17	3,000,000.00			03/02/20	3,000,000.00	03/02/20		3,000,000.00	2,952,360.00	09/05/17
FFCB	1.280	10/06/16	3,000,000.00			09/29/21	3,000,000.00	09/29/21		3,000,000.00	2,868,600.00	08/29/17
FFCB	2.570		3,000,000.00	02/16/18	3,000,000.00	02/16/23	3,000,000.00	02/16/23		3,000,000.00	2,974,950.00	
			34,500,000.00		3,000,000.00		34,500,000.00		88,700.00	34,500,000.00	34,135,950.00	
FED NAT MORT ASSOC												
FNMA	0.875	01/09/14	3,000,000.00	02/08/18	3,000,000.00	02/08/18	3,000,000.00	02/08/18	13,125.00	3,000,000.00	2,994,980.00	02/08/18
FNMA	0.875	06/05/14	3,000,000.00			05/21/18	3,000,000.00	05/21/18		3,000,000.00	2,990,550.00	11/21/17
FNMA	1.625	12/19/13	3,000,000.00			11/27/18	3,000,000.00	11/27/18		3,000,000.00	2,973,480.00	02/27/18
FNMA	1.375	02/27/15	3,000,000.00			02/27/19	3,000,000.00	02/27/19	20,625.00	3,000,000.00	2,968,460.00	09/18/17
FNMA	1.500	07/15/15	3,000,000.00			09/18/19	3,000,000.00	09/18/19		3,000,000.00	2,944,710.00	10/17/17
FNMA	1.100	10/17/16	3,000,000.00			10/17/19	3,000,000.00	10/17/19		3,000,000.00	1,970,340.00	10/23/17
FNMA	1.320	06/03/16	2,000,000.00			10/22/19	2,000,000.00	10/22/19		2,000,000.00	1,974,050.00	11/27/17
FNMA	1.750	05/07/15	3,000,000.00			11/26/19	3,000,000.00	11/26/19	22,500.00	3,000,000.00	2,951,280.00	02/28/18
FNMA	1.500	01/29/18	3,000,000.00			02/28/20	3,000,000.00	02/28/20		3,000,000.00	2,942,460.00	
FNMA	1.750	10/26/17	3,000,000.00			10/26/20	3,000,000.00	10/26/20		3,000,000.00	2,927,010.00	11/30/17
FNMA	1.500	12/23/15	3,000,000.00			11/30/20	3,000,000.00	11/30/20		3,000,000.00	2,876,430.00	01/29/18
FNMA	1.520	07/28/16	3,000,000.00			07/28/21	3,000,000.00	07/28/21	22,500.00	3,000,000.00	2,843,660.00	08/24/17
FNMA	1.000	08/24/16	3,000,000.00			08/24/21	3,000,000.00	08/24/21		3,000,000.00	2,878,470.00	10/10/17
FNMA	1.375	10/07/16	3,000,000.00			10/07/21	3,000,000.00	10/07/21		3,000,000.00		
			41,000,000.00		3,000,000.00		38,000,000.00		78,750.00	38,000,000.00	37,333,850.00	
SUBTOTAL			215,288,946.53	7,500,000.00	13,000,000.00	209,788,946.53	173,250,000.00	170,711,022.50	216,825.00			

CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORT
PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY, 2018

TYPE INVESTMENT/ FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	BEGINNING INVESTMENT PURCHASES		CURRENT MONTH PURCHASES		CURRENT MONTH MATURITIES		ENDING INVESTMENT MATURITIES		PERIOD INTEREST RECEIVED	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE	LAST INT RECD DATE
	RATE %	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE				

CASH WITH FISCAL AGENTS

CITY RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS		AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE
2010 WATER	02/28/18	698,448.05	-	-	02/28/18	698,448.05	-	-	-	-	-
2015-04 Refunding	02/28/18	54.32	-	-	02/28/18	54.32	-	-	-	-	-
2015A-02 Refunding	02/28/18	10,243,065.82	-	-	02/28/18	10,243,065.82	-	-	8,624,312.87	1,718,772.95	-
2017 SEWER REF	02/28/18	125.01	-	-	02/28/18	125.01	-	-	9,486,485.82	964,172.95	-
SUBTOTAL		10,941,713.20				10,941,713.20					
SUCCESSOR RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS		AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE
2009 Kalia Cottages (VanKampen)	02/28/18	176,230.39	-	-	02/28/18	176,230.39	-	-	-	-	-
UBOC	02/28/18	405,021.47	-	-	02/28/18	405,021.47	-	-	-	-	-
2014 TAB	02/28/18	6,925,921.30	-	-	02/28/18	6,925,921.30	-	-	-	-	-
2016 TAB	02/28/18	4,010,722.72	-	-	02/28/18	4,010,722.72	-	-	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL		11,517,895.88				11,517,895.88					
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		237,746,555.61				237,746,555.61					
		7,500,000.00				13,000,000.00					

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	RATE %	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE	AMOUNT	DATE				
CASH IN BANK												
COMMERCIAL BANK-Wilowick		02/28/18	Ending Cash Balance				Ending Cash Balance					
			5,906.34				5,906.34					
UNION BANK OF CALIFORNIA												
Charge Back Account		02/28/18	17,435.99	2042201638			17,435.99					
General Account		02/28/18	7,831,132.67	2042850020			7,831,132.67					
Home		02/28/18	-	2042436354			-					
Housing Authority (Accounting)		02/28/18	-	2042114021			-					
Housing Authority Escrow		02/28/18	152,326.94	2042439436			152,326.94					
Liability		02/28/18	75,000.00	2042205571			75,000.00					
Workers Comp		02/28/18	667,982.77	2042237764			667,982.77					
Successor Agency		02/28/18	32,372.53	2740032316			32,372.53					
SUBTOTAL			8,782,157.24				8,782,157.24					
PETTY CASH ACCOUNTS												
Charge Fund		02/28/18	3,680.00				3,680.00					
Finance		02/28/18	3,000.00				3,000.00					
Departments		02/28/18	3,550.00				3,550.00					
Police Dept-SJU		02/28/18	30,000.00				30,000.00					
Police Dept-Drug		02/28/18	3,500.00				3,500.00					
Police Dept-Reg		02/28/18	200.00				200.00					
SUBTOTAL			43,930.00				43,930.00					
GRAND TOTAL CASH & INVESTMENTS			2,465,574,642.85				2,465,574,642.85					
			7,500,000.00				7,500,000.00					
			13,000,000.00				13,000,000.00					
			241,074,642.85				241,074,642.85					
			173,250,000.00				173,250,000.00					
			170,711,022.50				170,711,022.50					



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

March 20, 2018

The Honorable Laura Friedman
California State Assembly
State Capitol Building, Room 2137
Sacramento, CA 95814
VIA FAX: 916-319-2143

Steven R. Jones
Mayor

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Mayor Pro Tem - District 1

John R. O'Neill
Council Member - District 2

Thu-Ha Nguyen
Council Member - District 3

Patrick Phat Bui
Council Member - District 4

Stephanie Klopfenstein
Council Member - District 5

Kim Bernice Nguyen
Council Member - District 6

Re: AB 3162 (Friedman) – Alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment facilities. Notice of Support

Dear Assembly Member Friedman:

The City of Garden Grove supports AB 3162 (Friedman), which would help maintain residential neighborhoods as a therapeutic environment for the social integration of disabled persons, including recovering alcoholics and addicts. This bill would do so by reforming outdated regulations for the licensing of residential drug and alcohol treatment facilities to enable authority for the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to ensure compliance with existing licensing laws.

Residential drug and alcohol treatment facilities provide valuable rehabilitation and supportive services in a therapeutic environment, which can benefit both individual patients and the greater community. However, the single licensed rehabilitation facility nestled into the fabric of a community has been taken over by companies that have created multi-structure, campus-style facilities within a residentially zoned neighborhood. Many of these facility operators continue to operate multistructure facilities and pay minimal fines because of the existing penalty structure.

AB 3162 updates fines for non-compliance to be more commensurate with similar licensing fines. Increasing the fines and penalties to be more commensurate with similar licensing fines will help provide an additional incentive for companies to comply with the law and provide the needed care for the patients.

This also bill clarifies existing law and enables DHCS to enforce its policies by specifying that all services under a license must be carried out at the specific physical location of the license and allows DHCS to deny a new license application if a facility is located within 300 feet of an existing facility. In addition, it establishes a one-year provisional license to serve as a probationary period for new licenses so that DHCS has time to analyze and determine compliance with regulations.

Assembly Bill 3162 (Friedman) – Alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment facilities – **NOTICE OF SUPPORT**
March 20, 2018
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For these reasons, the City of Garden Grove supports AB 3162.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven R. Jones". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steven R. Jones
Mayor

c: Janet Nguyen, Senator, 34th District (Tina.Tran@sen.ca.gov)
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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

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Council Member - District 6

March 19, 2018

The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva
California State Assembly Member
State Capitol Room 6012
Sacramento, California 94249

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Sacramento, California 94249

RE: AB 2463 (Quirk-Silva and Cervantes): Small Business Assistance Act of 2018 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Members Quirk-Silva and Cervantes:

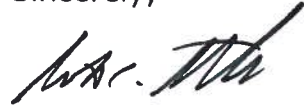
On behalf of the Office of Economic Development for the City of Garden Grove, CA, I am writing to inform you of our support of AB 2463 relating to the Small Business Assistance Act of 2018.

AB 2463 designates the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development as the lead state entity for overseeing the state's Small Business Development Centers. In addition, the state identifies the Small Business Development Centers as a federal program, operating in California, in order to promote free counseling and low-to-no cost training (around starting, operating, sustaining and providing capital for growth for small businesses) and many other services provided by the Small Business Development Centers.

The City of Garden Grove's Office of Economic Development promotes economic opportunity for all segments of the population to ensure a higher quality of life. We believe it is essential to retain, attract, and maintain businesses that contribute positively to the local economy. Our City leverages public incentives and assistance to promote community revitalization, and to attract and induce investment in local businesses. The City assists individual businesses, but also focuses on strengthening business organizations and improving business citywide.

Questions regarding this letter may be directed to Monica L. Covarrubias, Project Manager for the Office of Economic Development at 714-741-5788 or monicac@ci.garden-grove.ca.us. We look forward to working with your office on the passage of AB 2463.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott C. Stiles". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent flourish at the end.

Scott C. Stiles
City Manager

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NEWS ARTICLES

DEVELOPMENT

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Relatives mourn 4 found in van

More than 100 people gather at twilight vigil

By Jonathan Winslow
jwinslow@scng.com

More than 100 friends, family members and strangers lit candles and prayed Tuesday in a twilight-soaked parking lot in Garden Grove to honor four people — believed to be a family — found dead in a van last week.

Some bowed their heads, others brushed away tears or closed their eyes, but everyone in the parking lot — the very same where the people were found — prayed together in front of a large pile of flowers, candles, photos and other tributes that had been gathered.

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Van

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An exact cause of death won't be confirmed until a toxicology report comes back in a couple of weeks, police said.

Phonexay Kanyavong, 39, of Anaheim, heard last week that his brother Phunyouphone, identified as the man in the vehicle, was dead.

A woman and two young children were also found dead in the van.

Kanyavong said he hadn't spoken with his brother in more than a year, and that the news sparked a mix of anger and sadness in him.

"A lot of us out there who have loved ones who are homeless — most people who have tried to help them have exhausted their resources, but it wouldn't hurt to reach out a second or third time to try again. It's just tragic," Kanyavong said. "My brother's not the kind of person who would



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A crowd gathers during a prayer vigil in Garden Grove on Tuesday amid tributes of flowers, candles and photos left to honor the four people found dead in a van last week.

listen to what people will tell him about how to live his life. He'll do what he wants to do — he was always that tough guy who wanted to do things on his own."

A friend of the family, Santiago Aguilar, 35, of Long Beach, said the deaths served as a harsh reminder of the community's job to lend a hand when others are struggling — and the importance of being will-

ing to accept that help.

"What touched me most was the babies," Aguilar said. "It's like having your own kids — knowing that maybe you could have done something. You wish you could have done something if you knew — if he would have opened up to family members or friends. I knew he would have reached out, but maybe he had too much pride and didn't want to say anything."

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City stunned after 4 found dead in van

Vigil set up for homeless
family; police continue
investigation

By Brady Rhoades

Police continue investigating the death of a homeless family of four in their Honda van in a parking lot at Brookhurst Street and Chapman Avenue. Carbon monoxide poisoning is suspected.

When the family was found at 12031 Brookhurst St. last Thursday, the area around the van was littered with diapers, paper cups and other materials. Inside the van was the decomposing body of a man, his wife, their son, who was about 9-months-old, and

see VIGIL, page 4

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Photo by Brady Rhoades

Four members of a family, including two young children, were found dead inside a van that had been parked in a parking lot at 12031 Brookhurst St. in Garden Grove for several days. A vigil has been set up to remember the victims.

VIGIL:

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their 2-year-old daughter.

The father was identified as Phunyouphone Kanyavong, 41, the Garden Grove Police Department announced on Friday. The mother and children are still being identified.

On Monday morning, a vigil had been set up in the northeast corner of the parking lot of CVS Pharmacy, where the family apparently had been living.

There were flowers, candles, food and signs.

One of the signs read: "We are done with prayers. It's time to act." Another read: "It's time to love and pray for the homeless. God Bless this family. It's time

to help as a community."

Locals made their way to the site.

"Terrible, terrible," said Li Nam. "We have to figure out a better way with the homeless. Protect the children, at least, OK?"

The tragedy occurred on the heels of a county policy to dismantle about 700 homeless encampments along the Santa Ana River. The policy also calls for temporarily sheltering those homeless in motels and hotels, but many others have disbursed to cities around Orange County.

There's no indication that this family ever lived on the riverbed.

Some local homeless said the family had been living in the van for about six months.

It's common for homeless people with children to go it alone; many fear that if they seek help, their children will be taken away from them.

In Orange County, there are 120 units of emergency shelter for families with children, offering stays that can range from 30 days to about six months.

The van was parked next to a grass median, which possibly obstructed the exhaust system and may have caused lethal levels of carbon monoxide to fill the vehicle, according to Garden Grove police. Also, the van's windows were covered with blankets and sunscreen.

Police said there were no signs of trauma or foul play.

Toxicology test are in the works.

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Eggs-cavation!

The City of Garden Grove will hold its 10th annual "Eggs-cavation" event on Saturday, March 31, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Atlantis Play Center. Atlantis Play Center is at 13630 Atlantis Way in Garden Grove Park. Only 300 tickets for egg hunt participants are available.

In addition to egg hunts, activities at the event include inflatable bouncers, carnival games, arts and crafts, animal balloons, air-brushed tattoos, and pictures with the Easter Bunny. The egg hunts begin and take place by the following age groups:

- 3 to 4 years old: 1:45 p.m.
- 5 to 6 years old: 2:15 p.m.
- 7 to 8 years old: 2:45 p.m.

Raffle prizes will take place after each egg hunt. Candy grabs for 2-year-olds and younger will be held at 1:30 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$10 for children, ages 3 to 10, participating in the egg hunt, and \$2 for spectators, ages 11 and up. There will be no ticket sales at the door.

Tickets may be purchased at the recreation counter, on the 1st floor of Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway.

Trade Connect

The City of Garden Grove's Office of Economic Development will be hosting a free Trade Connect Introductory Workshop, in partnership with the Port of Los Angeles.

The workshop takes place on Wednesday, April 4 from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave., followed by a networking reception, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The workshop will cover the fundamentals of identifying markets, financing and insuring overseas sales, documentation and logistics, sea and air cargo services, and services of DEC, CTD, STEP, SBDC, WIT, SCORE, LACBFFA, and export tech.

Members of the Office of Economic Development will provide information on investment and development opportunities available in Garden Grove, as well as network with other business exhibitors and participants.

For more information or to register, visit www.tinyurl.com/IntroGG18

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ORDINANCE NO. 2890
AN ORDINANCE OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
AMENDING SECTIONS
14.12.010 AND 14.12.030
OF CHAPTER 14.12 OF
TITLE 14 ("WATER") OF
THE MUNICIPAL CODE
RELATING TO WATER
RATES AND CHARGES

City Attorney's Summary
This Ordinance amends
Sections 14.12.010 and
14.12.030 of the Garden
Grove Municipal Code to
authorize, for a period of five
(5) years, future automatic
adjustments in the minimum
charge, capital improvement
recovery charge, commodity
delivery charge, and private
fire service charge of water
rates and future automatic
adjustments to reflect adopted
increases or decreases in
wholesale charges for water
established by other public
agencies from which the City
purchases water.

The foregoing
Ordinance was passed by
the City Council of the City
of Garden Grove on the ____
day of _____.

ATTEST: MAYOR

CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

SS:
CITY OF GARDEN
GROVE)

I, TERESA POMEROY,
City Clerk of the City of
Garden Grove, do hereby
certify that the foregoing
Ordinance was introduced
for first reading and passed
to second reading on March
13, 2018, with a vote as
follows:

AYES: COUNCIL
MEMBERS: (5)
BEARD, NGUYEN T.,
KLOPFENSTEIN, NGUYEN
K., JONES

NOES: COUNCIL
MEMBERS: (2) O'NEILL,
BU!

ABSENT: COUNCIL
MEMBERS: (0) NONE
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CITY OF GARDEN
GROVE
NOTICE INVITING
SEALED BIDS
CITY PROJECT NO.
7164, 7131, 7132 and
7134

Notice is hereby given
that sealed bids to fur-
nish material, equipment,

and labor for "TRAFFIC
SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS
AND PEDESTRIAN
COUNTDOWN SIGNAL
HEADS AT VARIOUS
LOCATIONS, CITY
PROJECT NO. 7164, 7131,
7132 and 7134", will be
received in the City Clerk's
Office, City Hall, 11222
Acacia Parkway, Garden
Grove, California 92840.

The engineer's estimate
is \$735,000. The proposed
project generally consists
of traffic signal modifica-
tions, striping modifications,
signage installation, handi-
cap ramp installation and
installation of pedestrian
countdown signal heads.

The plans, specifications
and contract documents
may be purchased from
SABP Reprographics for
the price of fifty five dollars
(\$55). The price does not
include tax or shipping if
needed. The documents
may be made available for
"will call" or shipped directly
to you. Please contact:

SABP Reprographics
2372 Morse Avenue
Irvine, CA 92614
www.sabp.com

949-756-1001 (ask for the
Digital Bond Department)
Alternatively, you
can e-mail your order
to.workorder@sabp.com

Bids are due in the City
Clerk's Office by 10:00
a.m. on Thursday, April 5,
2018 and will be opened in
Conference Room 1 - South,
first floor, in City Hall.

Direct ANY and ALL
questions to Ken Vu, P.E.,
Associate Engineer, (714)
741-5184.

/s/ Teresa Pomeroy,
CMC
City Clerk

Date: March 13,
2018

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN THAT THE
PLANNING COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF GARDEN
GROVE WILL HOLD A
PUBLIC HEARING IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER
OF THE COMMUNITY
MEETING CENTER, 11300
STANFORD AVENUE,
GARDEN GROVE,
CALIFORNIA, ON THE
DATE * INDICATED
BELOW TO RECEIVE AND
CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE
AND REPORTS RELATIVE
TO THE APPLICATION(S)
DESCRIBED BELOW:

THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M.,
APRIL 5, 2018

SITE PLAN NO. SP-050-
2018

CONDITIONAL USE
PERMIT NO. CUP-128-
2018

A
request for Site Plan approv-
al to demolish an existing
2,747 square foot accessory
building on a 101,407 square
foot lot also improved with
an existing, approximately
21,708 square foot, two-
story auto sales and repair
facility, and to construct an
approximately 5,485 square
foot addition to the exist-
ing auto sales and repair
building, along with site
improvements that include:
revisions to the parking and
landscaping area; adding
new lighting; service office
and canopy addition; inter-
ior offices, and vehicle
display areas. In conjunc-
tion with a request for a
new Conditional Use Permit
approval for an auto sales,
service, parts, and inventory
facility within a total 39,300
square foot structure on
the 101,407 square foot
lot. An auto sale and repair
currently operates on the
Site pursuant to Conditional
Use Permit No. CUP-550-
01. Upon approval of the
proposed new Conditional
Use Permit, Conditional
use Permit No. CUP-550-
01 would be deemed void
and of no further force and
effect. The site is at 13731
Harbor Boulevard in the
C-3 (Heavy Commercial)
zone. This project is exempt
pursuant to CEQA Section
15301 - Existing Facilities.

ALL INTERESTED
PARTIES are invited to
attend said Hearing and
express opinions or submit
evidence for or against the
proposal as outlined above,
on April 5, 2018. If you
challenge the application in
Court, you may be limited to
raising only those issues you
or someone else raised at
the public hearing described
in this notice, or in written
correspondence delivered to
the Planning Commission at,
or prior to, the public hear-
ing. Further information on
the above may be obtained
at the Planning Services
Division, City Hall, 11222
Acacia Parkway, or by tele-
phone at (714) 741-5312.

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12, 2018

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One lucky night on Main Street...



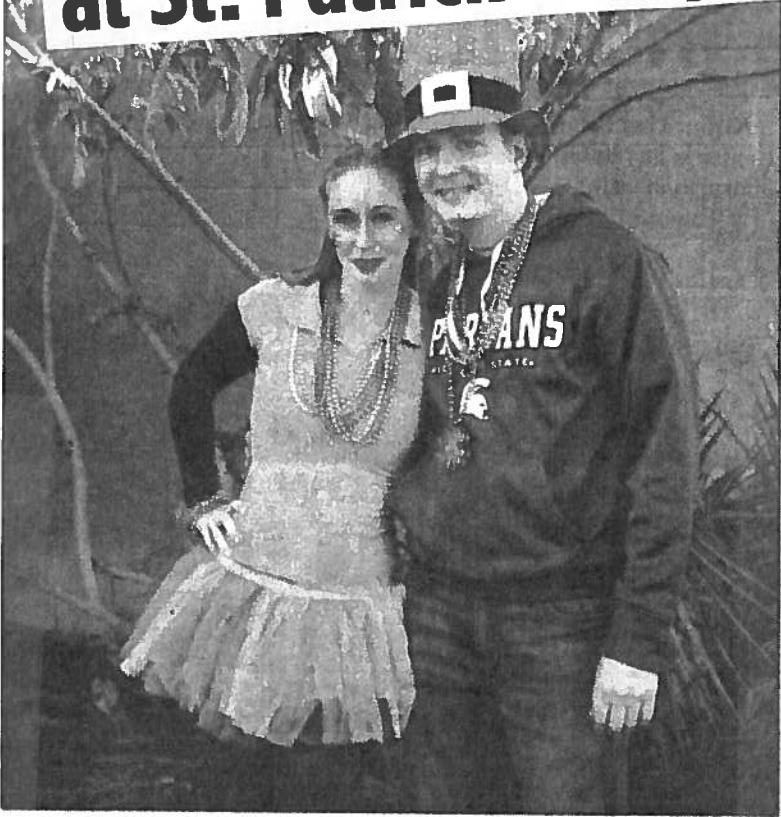
Photo by Loreen Berlin

Garden Grove held a St. Patrick's Day party at the Garden Grove Amphitheater on Main Street on Saturday night. From left, Marquis, David Lee, Aiden, Ethan and Josh of the music band "The Minor Strut — Rocking Live" take a break from playing. For more photos, see page 6.

Plenty of suds and smiles

at St. Patrick's Day celebration

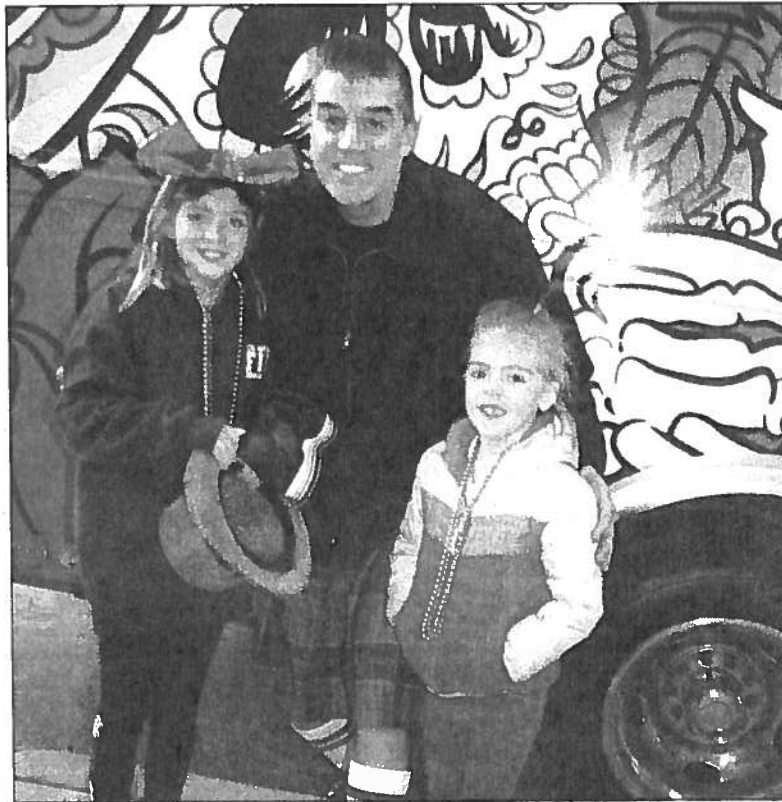
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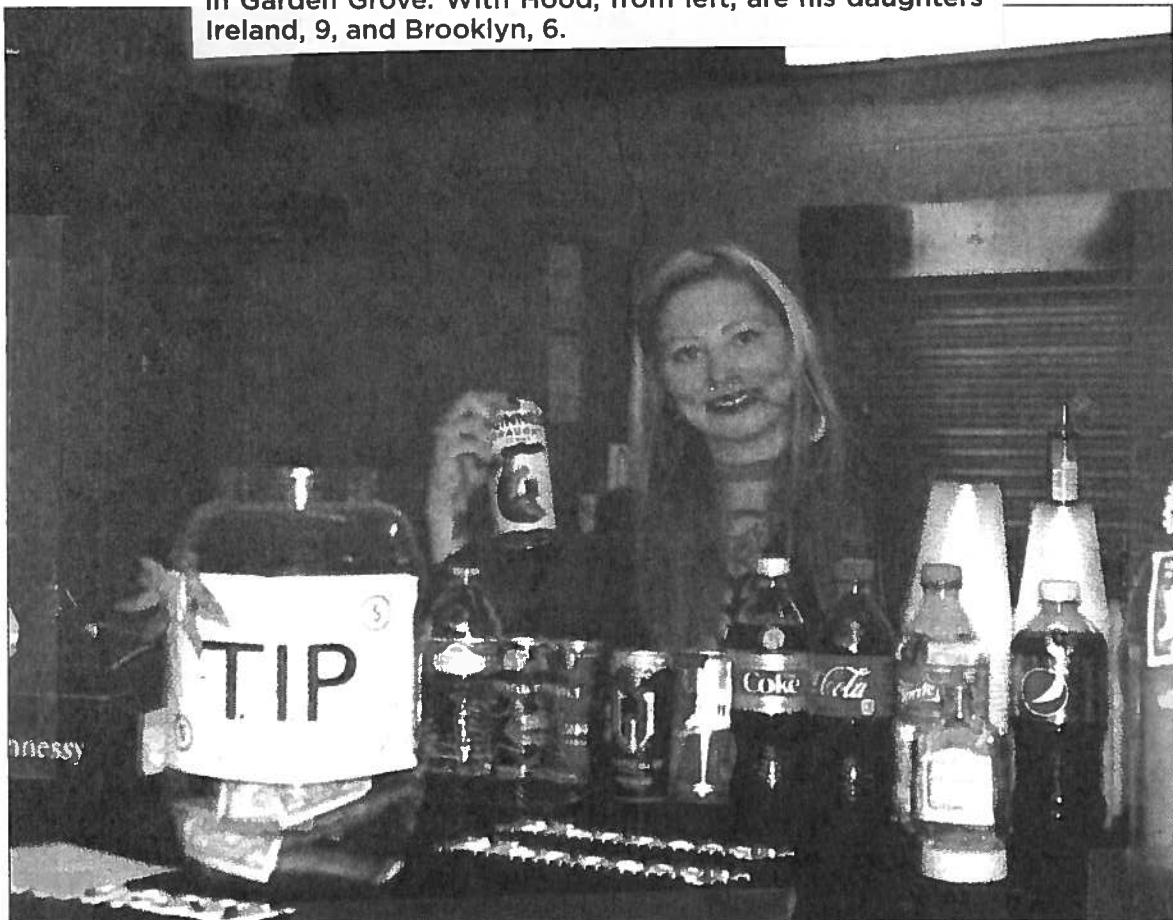


From left, are William Hammer and Fabiola Rincon.

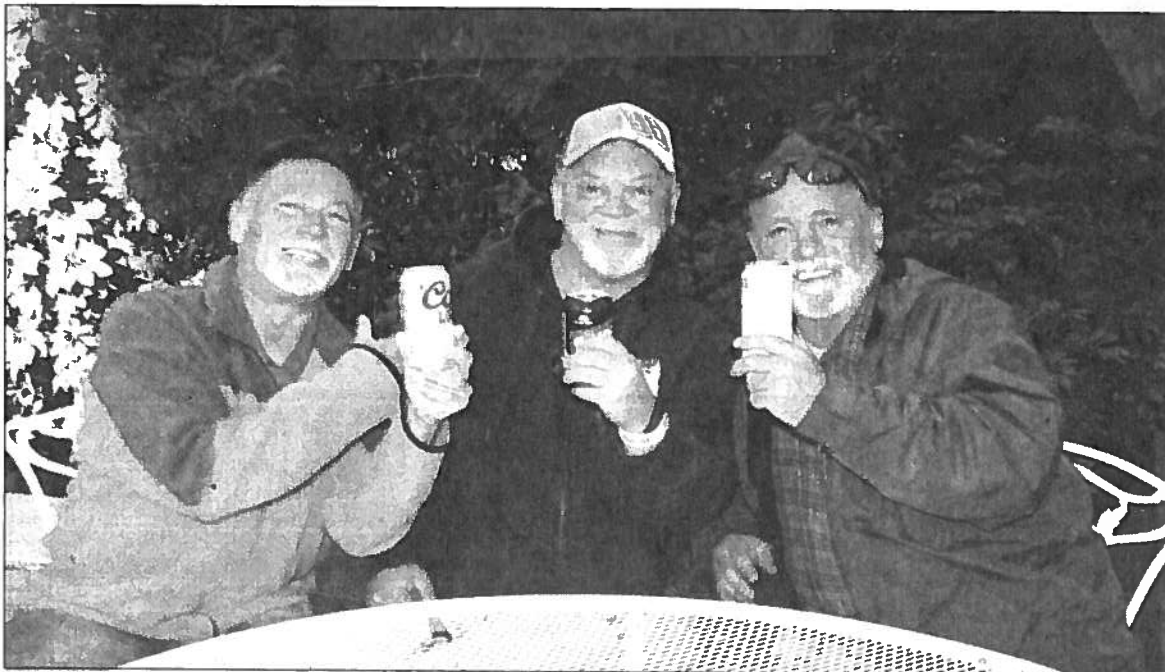


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Todd Hood (center), a firefighter with the Los Angeles County Fire Department, donned his green Irish Kilt for St. Patrick's Day at the Festival Amphitheater on Main Street in Garden Grove. With Hood, from left, are his daughters Ireland, 9, and Brooklyn, 6.



Irish maiden Lo Kribell, onsite bar manager, served up lots of green beer for St. Patrick's Day on Main Street.



Photos by Loreen Berlin
A toast to pals! Garden Grove held a St. Patrick's Day party at the Garden Grove Amphitheater on Main Street on Saturday night. From left, are childhood friends David Parks, Randy Aikins, Donald Pickard.



From left, are are Jimmy Mun, April Rock, Luna, 5, and Pam Lindgren.

GARDEN GROVE

Some identities of family members found dead in van still unconfirmed

By Alma Fausto and Jonathan Winslow

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Coroner's officials have not released the names of three of the four family members found dead inside a van in a parking lot last week in Garden Grove, saying Monday that they're still working to confirm the information.

A man found in the van Thursday was identified as 41-year-old Phunyouphone Kanyavong, Garden Grove police said. Still left to determine are the identities of the woman and two young children inside and the official causes of death.

The discovery of the de-



COURTESY OF ONSCENE.TV

One of two adults found dead in this van Thursday has been identified by coroner's officials as Phunyouphone Kanyavong, 41. Two children were also discovered

ceased family was made in a parking lot outside a CVS pharmacy on Brookhurst Street and Chapman Avenue when a passerby smelled a foul odor coming from a white Honda van.

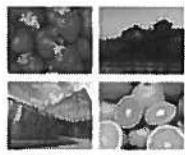
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suicide case, he said. The family's van was parked near a grass median that may have blocked its exhaust pipe and caused a carbon monoxide buildup, police said.

Kanyavong was identified shortly after the discovery but the rest have yet to be confirmed — Whitney said the children need to be positively identified through DNA tests, and decomposition has made identifying the mother more difficult. A confirmed cause of the family's death will have to wait until a toxicology report comes back, which could take a couple of weeks, Whitney said.

A prayer vigil is scheduled for today in the lot where the family was found.

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Cottage, Galleria projects win approval

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON MARCH 15, 2018 • (LEAVE A COMMENT)



GARDEN GROVE'S Community Garden will be incorporated into the "Farm Block" of the Cottage Industries project approved by the city planning commission Thursday night (Orange County Tribune photo).

By Jim Tortolano

Two major projects won approval from the Garden Grove Planning Commission Wednesday night, as planners voted in favor of the Cottage Industries development in the downtown-civic center area as well as a senior citizen housing project that will turn the much-maligned “rusty skeleton” into a sleek eight-story landmark.

Planners voted 6-0 to approve the Cottage project to be located east of Euclid Street and north of Garden Grove Boulevard, with member Andrew Kanzler recusing himself.



(https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2016/07/gg-logo_lg.jpg)The Galleria project, incorporating the Garden Brook Senior Village into a building near Brookhurst Street with retail uses on the first floor, won 7-0 approval from the commission.

At the Cottages’ public hearing, several property owners in the area were concerned about noise and parking issues. But most people voiced enthusiasm.

“This project is going to transform the area,” said John Martinez. “In five years you’re not going to know the area.”

The Cottage Industries project calls for the conversion of six existing buildings between Civic Center Drive and 9th Street into commercial restaurant and retail use, and the construction of two new commercial buildings with a square footage of about 2,884 feet.

Those buildings will include a communal lounge area, a restaurant, restrooms and storage, along with a trellis and patio shade structures of about 4,900 square feet, and the conversion of two parcels into a surface parking lot.

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A RE-DO of what’s been called “the rusty skeleton” won approval Thursday night by Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday (OC Tribune photo).

Intended uses for the buildings will include a gastropub, a vegan restaurant and, perhaps, an ice cream shop.

The original Galleria project, to be built on property at 10080 and 10189 Garden Grove Blvd. and owned by the Hoag Foundation, benefactor of the Boys and Girls Club of Garden Grove, was begun in 2004 but stalled during the Great Recession.

Efforts to restart the development were stopped by legal wrangles among several parties, and the slowly-rusting superstructure has been an embarrassment and frustration to the community. But now AMG & Associates is planning on restarting the project with several changes, including an increase in density from 42 dwelling units per acre to 60 and an increase in the developable site area from 3.09 acres to 5.09 acres.

The only “complaint” voiced about this development was commission chair George Brietigam’s humorous comment: “I’m going to miss looking at Garden Grove’s Eiffel Tower.”

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HOMELESS

Family found dead in van in parking lot

2 tots among those sleeping in makeshift home in Garden Grove shopping center; carbon monoxide poisoning suspected

By Scott Schwebke and Theresa Walker
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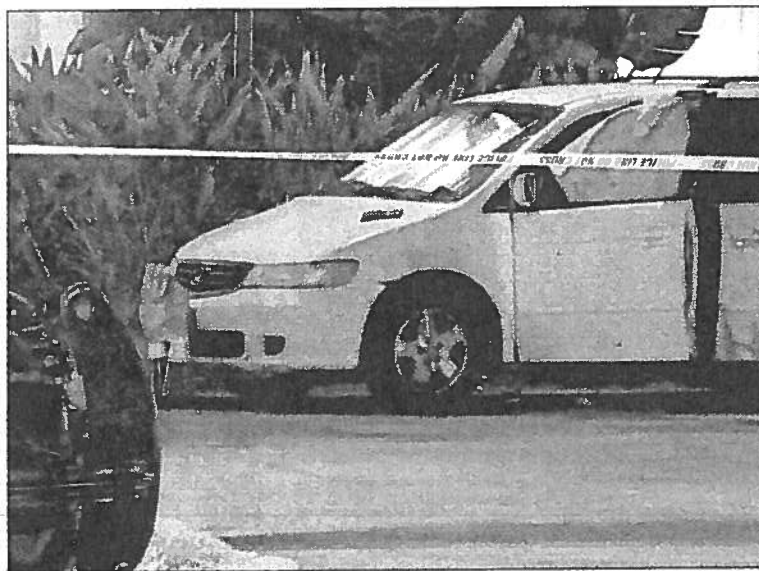
A homeless family of four, including a young boy and girl, that had been sleeping inside a van at a Garden Grove shopping center's parking lot was found dead inside its makeshift home, possibly victims of carbon monoxide poisoning, authorities said Friday.

"We don't want to roll up on scene like this, let alone where

a family died," said Garden Grove police Lt. Carl Whitney, standing a few feet from an empty parking space littered with soiled diapers and paper cups, where the van had been parked hours earlier. "They could have been sheltered."

The gruesome scene came to light around 8:30 p.m. Thursday when a woman walking through the lot outside a CVS pharmacy at 12031 Brookhurst St. noticed a foul odor coming from a white Honda van.

Called to the scene to investigate
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A van sits at a parking lot at 12031 Brookhurst St. in Garden Grove where two adults and two children are found dead Thursday.

Van

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tigate a suspicious vehicle, police officers found inside the van the decomposing body of a man, possibly in his late 30s or early 40s; his wife, who appeared to be in her 20s; their son, who was about 9 months old; and a daughter, who was nearly 2, Whitney said.

The father was identified as Phunyouphone Kanyavong, 41, the GGPD announced Friday afternoon. The others would take longer to identify, they said.

The family, from the Garden Grove area and with relatives nearby, appeared to have been sleeping in the van. The four likely had been dead about three days before being found, the lieutenant said.

The van was parked right next to a grass median, which possibly obstructed the exhaust system and may have caused lethal levels of carbon monoxide to fill the vehicle, according to Whitney.

When officers arrived, the van's windows were covered with blankets and a sunscreen. Its engine wasn't running.

Dan Walbon, 64, of Anaheim, who was homeless until recently, said he was acquainted with the family, which apparently had been living in the van for about six months.

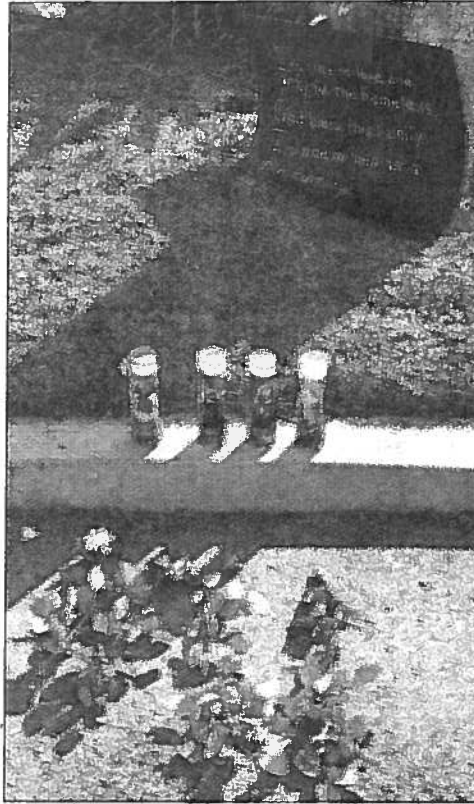
The family split its time living in the CVS lot or at nearby Hare School Park, where it hunted for bottles and aluminum cans that could be recycled for cash.

"I tried to help them out with food," he said. "The kids kind of looked like they were undernourished."

The deaths left some of the transients who congregate in the parking lot distraught and questioning what else might have been done.

"It's sad for the family and bad for the kids," Walbon said. "They didn't have a chance at life."

To those who work closely with homeless families, the deaths underscored what they say is all too common:



A small memorial has started at a parking lot at 12031 Brookhurst St. in Garden Grove, where two adults and two children were found dead inside a van Thursday.

SCOTT SCHWEBKE — STAFF

Parents without homes who have underage children often don't seek help because they worry their children will be removed from their custody. Or they encounter long waits to access limited resources.

"It's a challenge for the general population to understand or imagine a family to be homeless or living in a vehicle," said Elizabeth Andrade, director of Family Solutions Collaborative, 11 agencies that work together to provide a more welcoming and comprehensive point of entry for homeless families needing services. "Unfortunately, it takes a tragedy like this to highlight that."

Andrade said there are 450 families on a list with the county's Coordinated Entry System who are considered homeless and waiting for some sort of housing. Some are in shelters, some with motel stays paid for by social service groups, others living out of their vehicles.

"Who knows how many haven't come forward, haven't been assessed, are back and forth with friends and family, or are paying for their own motels?" Andrade said.

Next to the parking

space, a makeshift memorial of candles and flowers stood Friday afternoon. A handwritten sign resting against a tree read, "It's time to love and pray for the homeless. God Bless this family. It's time to help as a community."

Garden Grove police responded to about 4,000 calls for service involving transients in 2017, but its two officers assigned full time to deal with the homeless never encountered the family, Whitney said.

Had the parents approached police, they likely could have received shelter quickly because of their young children, he said.

"Orange County has a lot resources, but the homeless have to be willing to accept services," he said.

In Orange County, there are 120 units of emergency shelter for families with children, offering stays that can range from 30 days to about six months, depending on the program, Andrade said.

Families found to be living in vehicles typically have been doing so routinely, not for just one or two nights, Andrade added.

"They're there," she said. "They're just scared to expose themselves."

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THE BODIES of a toddler, an infant and their parents were discovered in a van Thursday in Garden Grove. Authorities are investigating the causes of death.

Family of 4 found dead

Relatives say parents, young children were homeless

BY BRITTNY MEJIA
AND ANH DO

Garden Grove police were working Friday to determine what caused the deaths of four people — including two children — whose bodies were found in a vehicle parked in a CVS lot.

Officers were sent to 12031 Brookhurst St. shortly after 8:30 p.m. Thursday to inves-

tigate “a suspicious vehicle,” authorities said.

A woman had walked past a white Honda Odyssey van and noticed a foul smell coming from it, according to the Garden Grove Police Department.

When officers arrived, officials said, they found the van’s windows covered with blankets and a sunshade. The four victims — a man, a woman, a boy and a girl —

were found together in the back of the vehicle.

The man, 41, and the woman, 20, were the parents of the children, said Lt. Carl Whitney of the Garden Grove Police Department. The girl was almost 2 years old and the boy was 8 to 9 months old.

The identities of the four have not been released.

But relatives confirmed
[See Family, B2]

Family was living

in parking lot

Los Angeles Times
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[Family, from B1] that the family was from Garden Grove and that they were homeless, Whitney said. They had been living in the parking lot for about a month, he said.

The victims did not appear to have suffered any noticeable trauma, and autopsies were underway Friday, Whitney said.

The causes of death would not be determined until toxicology tests are completed, which could take days, he said.

It appeared the victims had been in the vehicle for a day or two based on the condition of the bodies, Whitney said. The four were found in

the back of the car, near their clothes and some groceries, he said.

On Friday, four votive candles and flowers were left near the site where the bodies were found. A hand-made sign was also left nearby with the words: "It's time to love and pray for the homeless. God bless this family."

It was believed the family had been in and out of the parking lot for the last month, Garden Grove Police Lt. Chris Lawton said.

"Throughout the city we have a large homeless population," he said.

Resident Robert Pollitt said the number of people

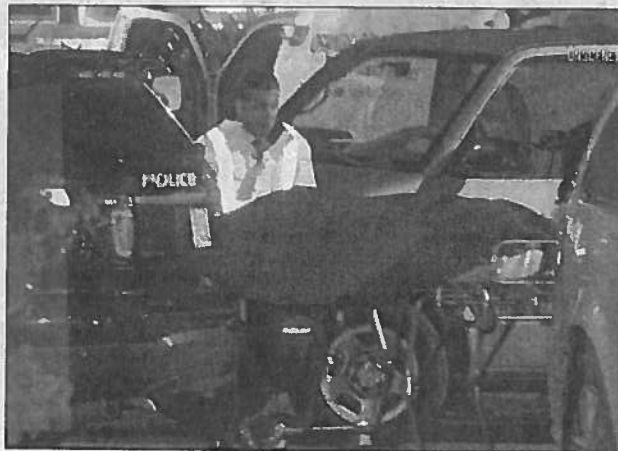
living on the street in his city has increased "by huge margins" in recent years.

"It's part of the times," he said. "The government really has to do something about offering more shelters."

Homicide detectives along with investigators from the Orange County Sheriff's Department's coroner's office are investigating the case.

Anyone with additional information on the victims is asked to contact the Garden Grove Police Department at (714) 741-5704.

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OnScene. TV

A WORKER with the Orange County coroner's office removes one of four bodies found in a van in Garden Grove. The victims' identities were not released.



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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CONTACT:

Ana Vergara-Neal (714) 741-5176
Public Works Department

Thursday, March 22, 2018

SO CAL EDISON TO UPGRADE ALL EDISON-OWNED STREET LIGHTS TO LED

Southern California Edison, in coordination with the City of Garden Grove, is beginning a project to replace all 7,300 Edison-owned city street lights with energy-efficient Light Emitting Diode (LED) street lighting. The project is scheduled to start during the third week of March 2018 and take approximately 30-40 days to complete.

The City has selected LED lighting based on performance, energy savings and aesthetics in replacing the current street lighting system. The estimated savings in energy costs to the City is \$40,000 per year. If qualified, the estimated one-time energy efficiency conversion incentive for the City will be approximately \$500,000.

"It's good for the environment, good for our energy-use, saves dollars, and makes our residential streets all that much safer," said Public Works Director William Murray.

Work hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. There will be minimal to no impacts to nearby businesses and residents.

For the street light replacement schedule and location map, please visit the City's webpage at www.garden-grove.org/sce-lighting

For more information, please contact Ana Vergara-Neal, Garden Grove Public Works Department, at (714) 741-5176.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Tom Schultz
Fire Chief

Captain Thanh Nguyen
(714) 980-2622
thanhn@garden-grove.org
[@gardengrovefire](https://www.gardengrovefire.org)

March 20, 2018

CITY DEPARTMENTS PREPARE FOR STORM






City departments are bracing for the next storm approaching Garden Grove and the southland this week. According to the National Weather Service, we should begin to see rain sometime between Tuesday and Wednesday, and lasting through Friday. Thursday will potentially be the wettest day. Residents that are prone to flooding are asked to survey their property, and ensure drains are not blocked by debris. Garden Grove fire stations 2, 3, and 4 will be supplied with sand and bags for all Garden Grove residents. Fire station locations can be found at www.gardengrovefire.org.






For the public's safety, we are asking people to stay out of any moving body of water. If anyone sees a person in moving water, do not approach and call 911. Drivers should allow plenty of time to get to their destinations as streets are going to be wet and may present hazards for drivers. With the rain, the storm may bring winds that may cause downed power lines. People are urged to stay clear of all power lines on the ground, and call 911.

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WEEKLY MEMO 3-22-18

**SOCIAL MEDIA
HIGHLIGHTS**

Date Sent	Total Reach	Reactions	Comments	Engagement	Clicks	
	<p>Garden Grove City Hall Congratulations to Pacifica High School's Hockey Team!</p>	987	44	4	8%	92
	<p>They won the Fall/Winter 2017/2018 ADISL (ADISL - Anaheim Ducks Inline Scholastic League) High School Division Championship.</p>					
	<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove #GGUSD Pride Garden Grove Unified School District</p>					
						
	<p>(Post) March 15, 2018 8:36 am</p>					
	<p>Garden Grove City Hall "Garden Grove SteelCraft's core values of restoration, the celebration of craft and community engagement aligns well with the City of Garden Grove's Re:Imagine initiative which focuses on transforming the downtown and Civic Center area."</p>	1.2k	29	-	6%	68
	<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove #Steelcraft</p>					
	<p>Groundbreaking Ceremony for SteelCraft Garden Grove well-attended by community - SteelCraft</p>					
	<p>(Post) March 15, 2018 3:00 pm</p>					
	<p>Garden Grove City Hall</p> 	1.3k	22	3	7%	124
	<p>(Post) March 15, 2018 11:48 am</p>					

Date Sent	Total Reach	Reactions	Comments	Engagement	Clicks	
	Garden Grove City Hall	1.3k	22	3	7%	124
<p>The City is currently at CPRS Conference & Expo, promoting Re:Imagine GG - Open Streets campaign!</p>						
<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove #GGOpenStreets #CPRS</p>						
						
<p>(Post) March 15, 2018 11:48 am</p>						
	Garden Grove City Hall	1.4k	17	10	9%	175
<p>JOB SEEKERS ...</p>						
<p>You're invited to attend tomorrow's job fair (3/22), from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, at 11300 Stanford Avenue. The free event is a chance to network with key businesses and organizations in the area. Remember to bring copies of your resume and dress professionally. For more information and a list of participating employers, visit http://www.oconestop.com/job-fairs_2018_Central_OC_JobFair_ParticipatingEmployers.html.</p>						
<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove #JobFair</p>						
						
<p>(Post) March 21, 2018 5:00 pm</p>						
	Garden Grove City Hall	869	9	4	6%	62
<p>Civic Center pond closed for maintenance starting this Monday, March 19 through Monday, April 2!</p>						
<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove Garden Grove Public Works Department</p>						
<p>Civic Center Pond Closing for Maintenance City of Garden Grove</p>						
<p>(Post) March 16, 2018 9:10 am</p>						

Date Sent Total Reach Reactions Comments Engagement Clicks



Garden Grove City Hall

It's not too late to donate!

671 7 - 3% 13

The Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center is still accepting donations of loaves of bread, peanut butter, and jars of jelly for the True Neighborhood Teens' Peanut Butter and Jelly Project.

Drop off locations are at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, and Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center, 12661 Sunswep Avenue.

#GG1956 #GardenGrove



(Post) March 21, 2018 12:30 pm



Garden Grove City Hall

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #SafeStreetsGG #StayAlertGG Garden Grove Police Department

651 4 - 5% 44



(Post) March 16, 2018 6:59 pm

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Garden Grove City Hall
It's #FreeConeDay!

162 2 - 4% 6

In celebration of the first day of spring, participating Dairy Queen locations are giving away free small vanilla cone ice creams all day (limit one per person). Grab your cone today, visit Dairy Queen on Harbor Boulevard or Valley View Street in Garden Grove. -->

<https://www.dairyqueen.com/us-en/>
Think #BiGG - Buy in #GardenGrove!
#GG1956

Donations are also being accepted for CHOC Children's at participating DQ's.



(Post) March 20, 2018 3:19 pm



Garden Grove City Hall

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) invites you to apply to the OC Go (formerly Measure M) Taxpayer Oversight Committee (TOC), which has been ensuring that all OC Go funds are spent on voter-approved transportation projects for over a decade.

682 2 3 3% 21

There are openings in the First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth Supervisorial Districts. Apply today!

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #OCTA

The Taxpayer Oversight Committee

(Post) March 19, 2018 8:47 am



Garden Grove City Hall

Garden Grove Unified School District's
40th First Impressions Student Art Exhibit is this weekend!

494 1 - 3% 23

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #GGUSD Pride



(Post) March 15, 2018 10:04 am

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Garden Grove City Hall

Connect with employers today, attend **Coastline Community College's Career Fair**, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Newport Beach Campus, at 1515 Monrovia Avenue.

517 - - 2% 10

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #CareerFair #JobFair



(Post) March 21, 2018 8:49 am



Garden Grove City Hall

Are you prepared for the rain ahead?

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#GG1956 #GardenGrove Garden Grove Fire Department Garden Grove Police Department



(Post) March 20, 2018 12:23 pm



Garden Grove City Hall

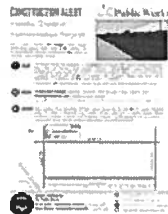
OC Public Works begins rehabilitation this Monday, March 19 through Friday, April 27 on the Rosalia Flood Control Channel.

625 - - 3% 23

They are anticipating minimal impacts to nearby businesses and residents. The potential impacts could be dust and noise from the use of heavy equipment.

For more information, please visit www.ocpublicworks.com

#GG1956 #GardenGrove Garden Grove Public Works Department



(Post) March 16, 2018 5:00 pm

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Garden Grove City Hall

The Orange County Transportation Authority (**OCTA**) is on the lookout for qualified volunteers to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee!

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15

Applications are due May 1st.

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #OCTA

Public Committees - Citizens Advisory Committee Overview

(Post) March 16, 2018 12:00 pm

Date Sent Total Reach Reactions Comments Engagement Clicks



Garden Grove Police Department

Tonight Officers were sent to the CVS parking lot located at 12031 Brookhurst Street to investigate a suspicious vehicle. A witness reported a white Honda van was parked in the lot and had a very foul odor emitting from it. Officers located four deceased victims inside the van. An adult male, an adult female, and two small children. There was no obvious trauma to the victims. Homicide detectives and investigators from the O.C. Sheriff Coroner's office are investigating. Please read the attached press release for further details. Anyone with information about this incident should contact detectives at 714-741-5704.

174.3k 3.7k 1.7k 27% 67.8k



(Post) March 16, 2018 1:40 am

Date Sent Total Reach Reactions Comments Engagement Clicks



Garden Grove Police Department

UPDATE - Death Investigation of Family of Four

11.2k 311 129 34% 5.0k

The Orange County Sheriff Coroner's (OCSC) office has confirmed the identity of the adult male as Phunyouphone Kanyavong, a 41-year old from Garden Grove. The identities of the other three victims will take longer to verify. They will be identified through DNA and fingerprints. GGPD Detectives have spoken with Kanyavong's family members and were told, they believed all four victims inside the van were Kanyavong's immediate family (his girlfriend and their two children). We will not be releasing the other victims' names until we receive official confirmation from the OCSC's office. The Coroner will not release the cause of death until the toxicology reports are finished. Homicide Detectives did not see any signs of obvious trauma on the victims and do not suspect foul play. Detectives spoke with several witnesses and learned the victims had been living in the van in the general vicinity; often sleeping inside their vehicle at nearby parks and business shopping centers. We will continue to investigate this case and will be speaking with additional witnesses. Anyone with information about this investigation is asked to contact the Garden Grove Police Department. For the full press release, see <http://bit.ly/2phID08> Photo courtesy of **OnScene.TV** **#GGPD32**



(Post) March 16, 2018 6:30 pm

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Garden Grove Police Department
#WednesdayWisdom. It's going to be raining, it will be pouring; here's some tips not to be ignoring.
#GGPD32 #GG1956 #SafeStreetsGG #StayAlertGG #getthersafely
Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Fire Department

2.8k 127 8 7% 107



(Post) March 21, 2018 6:30 pm



Garden Grove Police Department
 This St. Patrick's Day, don't just rely on the Luck o' the Irish. Designate a sober driver, before the celebrations begins. Or, download the free OTS DDVIP app <http://bit.ly/2s0cWgG>, to easily order a sober ride.
#GardenGrovePD will deploy additional officers to conduct special DUI saturation patrols, specifically to stop and arrest drivers showing signs of alcohol or drug impairment during the hours of 6:00 PM - 4:00 AM.
 Remember, it's not just about you. There are other people who want to get where they're going, safely.
 For the full press release, see <http://bit.ly/2pfdM4j>
#GGPD32 #GG1956 #SafeStreetsGG #planahead #impaireddriving #getthersafely Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Fire Department

7.3k 122 22 8% 731



(Post) March 15, 2018 7:02 pm

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Garden Grove Police Department

With the heavy storms moving in this week and potential for flooding, don't miss out on important information and news from the City. Make sure you've updated your New Feed Preference.

2.1k	39	4	8%	209
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Check out the short video below to see how easy it is to do.

#GGPD32 #GG1956 #stayconnected #GGPDwhereareyou

Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Fire Department Garden Grove Public Works Department



(Post) March 19, 2018 6:08 pm





Garden Grove Police Department

Are you prepared for the heavy storms moving in this week? Our **Garden Grove Fire Department** has some important information and tips for you. **#GGPD32**



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(Post) March 20, 2018 12:22 pm






Date Sent	Total Reach	Reactions	Comments	Engagement	Clicks	
	<p>Garden Grove Fire Department Never miss an opportunity to make someone's day! Have a great day, everyone & make it a safe one.</p>	1.8k	161	11	13%	166
<p>#gg1956 #GardenGroveFireDepartment</p>						
						
<p>(Post) March 15, 2018 8:35 am</p>						

	<p>Garden Grove Fire Department Happy St. Patrick's Day! Have a fantastic day, and make it a safe one. #gg1956 #StPatricksDay</p>	1.6k	131	3	10%	61
						
<p>(Post) March 17, 2018 10:17 am</p>						

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 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department We're expecting rain this week.</p> <p>Sandbags are available to #GardenGrove residents at stations 2, 3, and 4. Their locations can be found at www.gardengrovefire.org.</p> <p>Once the rain gets started, stay away from large moving bodies of water. If you see anyone in the water, do not approach and call 911.</p> <p>As with any storm, there is a potential for wind. Strong winds can cause downed power lines. Assume all power lines are live, and keep everyone including pets away and call 911.</p> <p>Driving may become a challenge during the rain due to reduced visibility and slippery roads. Please allow yourself plenty of time to get to your destinations, and drive safely.</p> <p>#gg1956 Garden Grove Public Works Department Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove City Hall #cawx #LArain</p>  <p>(Post) March 20, 2018 10:36 am</p>	4.2k	94	12	11%	593

 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department</p>  <p>(Post) March 18, 2018 7:09 am</p>	1.2k	65	1	7%	26
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 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department</p>  <p>(Post) March 18, 2018 7:09 am</p>	1.2k	65	1	7%	26
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 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department</p> <p>We're expecting potentially heavy rain this week. You don't want to miss out on important messages because your News Feed Preference doesn't include us.</p> <p>Watch this brief video to learn how. It won't take that long, we promise.</p> <p>#gg1956 Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove Public Works Department</p>  <p>(Post) March 19, 2018 5:17 pm</p>	1.6k	26	-	5%	97
 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department</p> <p>Do you have one of these Kidde #smokealarms? It may not do what it's supposed to do, detect smoke.</p> <p>#gg1956 Garden Grove Public Works Department Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove City Hall</p> <p>KiddeSmokeUSEN-Prod</p> <p>(Post) March 21, 2018 4:41 pm</p>	2.1k	14	3	4%	82
 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department</p>  <p>(Post) March 16, 2018 9:30 am</p>	890	13	-	5%	47

Date Sent	Reach	Organic Impressions	Responses	Likes	Clicks
 <p>CityGardenGrove Steelcraft Garden Grove #GG1956 #Steelcraft bit.ly/2tQoy6S pic.twitter.com/RX314JAj3m</p> 	5.7k	1.7k	5	7	28
(Tweet) March 15, 2018 12:00 pm					
 <p>CityGardenGrove The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) invites you to apply to the OC Go (formerly Measure M) Taxpayer Oversight Committee (TOC). There are openings in the First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth Supervisorial Districts. Apply today! #GG1956 bit.ly/2GHyH8A pic.twitter.com/oVgXoWf7bU</p> 	2.6k	595	1	-	2
(Tweet) March 19, 2018 8:48 am					
 <p>CityGardenGrove Connect with employers today, attend @CoastlineInOC's Career Fair, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Newport Beach Campus. #GG1956 #CareerFair #JobFair #JobSeekersWednesday (Retweet with Comment) March 21, 2018 8:55 am</p>	2.6k	457	-	-	-
(Retweet with Comment) March 20, 2018 3:24 pm					
 <p>CityGardenGrove Grab your free cone and make a donation to @chocchildrens today, visit @DairyQueen on Harbor Blvd. or Valley View St. in #GardenGrove. #FreeConeDay #GG1956</p>	2.6k	407	-	-	-

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Civic Center pond closed for maintenance starting this Monday, March 19 through Monday, April 2!

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pic.twitter.com/t0HCyS5tTL



(Tweet) March 16, 2018 9:00 am



CityGardenGrove

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is on the lookout for qualified volunteers to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee!

2.6k	733	-	1	4
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Applications are due May 1st.

#GG1956 #OCTA bit.ly/2DuJdNd
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(Tweet) March 15, 2018 11:00 am

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Congratulations to Pacifica High School's Hockey Team! They won the Fall/Winter 2017/2018 ADISL (Anaheim Ducks Inline Scholastic League) High School Division Championship. #GG1956 #GGUSDPride pic.twitter.com/e7a4qVUfIW

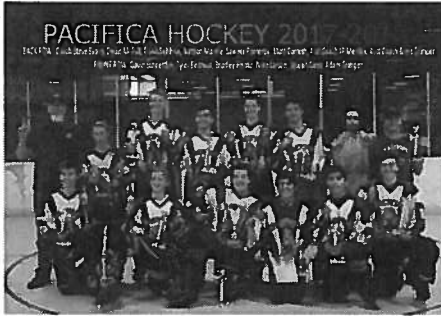
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(Tweet) March 15, 2018 8:40 am

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

March 22, 2018

1. Calendar of Events
2. Minutes from the March 1, 2018 Planning Commission meeting.



GARDEN GROVE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 22, 2018 – April 10, 2018

Thursday	March 22		Casual Day
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room CANCELLED
		10:15 a.m.	H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Stanley House Excursion, H. Louis Lake Senior Center
Friday	March 23	8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.	City Council Special Study Session Sheraton Hotel, Emerald Room 12221 Harbor Blvd.
Tuesday	March 27	11:30 a.m.	State of the City Video Viewing, CMC A Room Register on the Intranet under classes (lunch provided)
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Wednesday	March 28	10:00 a.m.- Noon	H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Spring Celebration CMC A Room
		2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
Friday	March 30		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Saturday	March 31	1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.	2018 Eggs-Cavation Atlantis Play Center
Wednesday	April 4	1:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.	Trade Connect Introductory Workshop hosted by Economic Development - 1:00-4:30 p.m. Networking Reception - 4:30-5:30 p.m. Community Meeting Center, AB Room
Thursday	April 5	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Tuesday	April 10	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting, Council Chamber

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
Council Chamber, Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 1, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Chair Kanzler
Vice Chair Brietigam
Commissioner Lazenby
Commissioner Lehman
Commissioner Nguyen
Commissioner Salazar
Commissioner Truong

Absent: Kanzler, Salazar

SELECTION OF CHAIR:

Action: Commissioner Lehman nominated Commissioner Brietigam for Chair, seconded by Commissioner Truong.

Action: Motion approved with a 5-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (5) Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Kanzler, Salazar

SELECTION OF VICE CHAIR:

Action: Chair Brietigam nominated Commissioner Truong for Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Lehman.

Action: Motion approved with a 5-0 vote as follows:

Ayes: (5) Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Kanzler, Salazar

Commissioner Brietigam assumed the duties of Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Truong.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC – Ms. Greta and Mr. Mark Corona, and Ms. Nicole Varner expressed their concerns with traffic on 9th Street, which has a high number of pedestrians with a high school, elementary school, and church in the area. They stated that people do not see children crossing and that a crossing guard is needed. They had reached out to the school district, but to no avail. They added that people, as well as animals, fences, and telephone poles have been hit by cars, however, no one is pulled over to be cited. Staff responded that safety seemed to be the real issue, not traffic, and that the concerns would be forwarded to the Traffic division. Staff mentioned that typical methods to slow down traffic to bring an awareness of pedestrians include speed bumps, the use of flashing lights, or a HAWK Pedestrian Signal (High-Intensity Activated CrossWalk Beacon).

NOVEMBER 16, 2017 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Lehman Second: Lazenby

Ayes: (5) Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Kanzler, Salazar

PUBLIC HEARING – SITE PLAN NO. SP-046-2018, LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT NO. LLA-013-2018, VARIANCE NO. V-018-2018, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF 9TH STREET, BETWEEN COLLEGE AVENUE AND STANFORD AVENUE, AT 12671 9TH STREET.

Applicant: ANH PHAN
Date: March 1, 2018

Request: Site Plan approval to demolish all existing on-site improvements, which include three (3) existing one-story apartment units, and to construct four (4) new three-story apartment units on a 12,564 square foot site. Also, a request for Lot Line Adjustment approval to eliminate an existing property line to consolidate the two (2) existing parcels into one (1) lot, along with a request for Variance approval to deviate from the minimum lot size requirement of the CCSP-PR61 (Community Center Specific Plan – Peripheral Residential, Area 61) zone, to develop the site with a multiple-family residential development. The site is in the CCSP-PR61 (Community Center Specific Plan – Peripheral Residential, Area 61) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): (Applicant) Anh Phan, (In opposition) Cynthia Beltran, Greta Corona, Darrin Pedersen, Nicole Varner, Joe Lee, Charlotte Bryant, Lizbeth Gonzalez, (In favor) Vivian Cao.

Those in opposition cited concerns in regard to parking and a dangerous sight line for pulling out of College Avenue onto 9th, aggressive drivers in a small area, car accidents, concerns for the current tenants in apartments to be demolished, privacy, loss of views and sunlight, a decrease in property values, street sweeping, loitering, debris, construction noise, and quality of life.

The person in favor stated that the project would improve Garden Grove and fix unpleasant surroundings, noting that the high obscure windows and inward facing balconies would solve any privacy issues.

Action: The Commission directed staff to bring back a Resolution of Denial to the March 15th meeting citing that Finding Nos. 3 and 5 were not accurate: No. 3 – the project would adversely affect essential public facilities such as on-site circulation and parking, and No. 5 – the project was not compatible with the physical, functional, and visual quality of the neighboring uses and desirable neighborhood characteristics as the project was inconsistent in height and massing for the area. Additionally, the public hearing would remain closed.

Motion: Truong Second: Lazenby

Ayes: (5) Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Kanzler, Salazar

Chair Brietigam called for a ten minute recess at 8:41 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:55 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-126-2018 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF KNOTT STREET, SOUTH OF CHAPMAN AVENUE AT 12072 KNOTT STREET #A.

Applicant: QUAN NGUYEN
Date: March 1, 2018

Request: Conditional Use Permit approval to modify the approved floor plan and approved hours of operation, as well as increase the number of occupants from 45 to 79 for an existing 2,400 square foot tutoring tenant space, in conjunction with the revocation of Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-333-11 and Minor Modification No. MM1. The site is in the PUD-105-71 Rev. 90 (Planned Unit Development) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Quan Nguyen
Action: Resolution No. 5912-18 was approved.
Motion: Lazenby Second: Lehman
Ayes: (5) Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Kanzler, Salazar

PUBLIC HEARING – SITE PLAN NO. SP-033-2017TE1 (TIME EXTENSION) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF HARBOR BOULEVARD, SOUTH OF GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD AT 13200-13220 HARBOR BOULEVARD.

Applicant: ROIC CALIFORNIA, LLC
Date: March 1, 2018

Request: One-year time extension for approved entitlement under Site Plan No. SP-033-2017 for construction of an approximately 4,954 square foot commercial pad building within the parking lot of an existing multi-tenant shopping center, Harbor Place Center. The site is in the HCSP-TS (Harbor Corridor Specific Plan-Transition Zone South) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Doug Bergman
Action: Resolution No. 5913-18 was approved.
Motion: Lehman Second: Lazenby
Ayes: (5) Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (2) Kanzler, Salazar

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Lazenby asked Traffic staff if a 'keep clear' area could be painted at the intersection of Euclid Street and Woodbury Road, for the southbound lanes, stating that it was a danger trying to get across to the other side of Woodbury Road. Staff would look into the matter. Commissioner Lazenby then asked who to speak to at the City to obtain clearance to change out fluorescent lights to LEDs in hotel stairways. Staff would speak to the Building Official.

Chair Brietigam mentioned an on-line City poll in regard to spending priorities. Referring to the Police Department, the only option was to maintain the number of Garden Grove Police officers at the current size, with no option to increase or decrease, which should have been included. He also challenged the City Council to

increase the number of police officers to 200 sworn by the year 2020, especially with the homeless issue and the need for law enforcement to protect the City.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff gave a brief description of the agenda items for the Thursday, March 15th Planning Commission meeting and noted that the groundbreaking event for SteelCraft was Monday, March 5th at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:29 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday, March 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

Motion:	Truong	Second:	Lazenby
Ayes:	(5)	Brietigam, Lazenby, Lehman, Nguyen, Truong	
Noes:	(0)	None	
Absent:	(2)	Kanzler, Salazar	

Judith Moore
Recording Secretary