#### City of Garden Grove

#### WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO

August 30, 2018

TO:

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

Members

#### **DEPARTMENT ITEMS** I.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER Α. ADMINSTRATIVE FEE FUNDING

A copy of the Mayor's letters of support to various Federal Officials for the Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Fee Funding is included for your information.

В. LETTER REQUESTING SIGNATURE FOR AB 448 (DALY)

> A copy of the Mayor's letter requesting signature on AB 448 (Daly) Joint Powers Authorities: OC Housing Trust to Governor Brown is provided for your perusal.

#### II. ITEMS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, OUTSIDE AGENCIES, **BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS**

- A. OC Streetcar open house meeting flyer in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese for September 5<sup>th</sup> and September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- В. Orange County Transit Authority flyer asking for resident participation for 2018 Long Range Transportation Plan.
- C. Information on South Coast Air Quality Management District's new electric lawn mower rebate program.

#### OTHER ITEMS

- SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS Items of interest are included.

SCOTT C. STILES City Manager



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Paul Ryan Speaker of the House of Representatives United States Capitol Washington D.C. 20515

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August 28, 2018

Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. State of California State Capitol, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

# RE: AB 448 (Daly), Joint Powers Authorities: Orange County Housing Trust-REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE

Dear Governor Brown:

The City of Garden Grove would like to express its support for AB 448, which would establish the Orange County Housing Trust, aiding in our regional efforts to address homelessness in Orange County. The homeless challenges in our communities have only increased during my time in office, and I believe the time to find solutions is long overdue. Since 2013, Orange County has experienced a 53 percent increase in the unsheltered homeless population, despite the expansion of expenditures by the cities of Orange County, the County of Orange, and our healthcare industries, which totaled nearly \$300 million in the 2014/2015 fiscal year. The establishment of a single city/county entity will bring focus to the opportunities to address the issues of homelessness and housing affordability, through a single purpose, Joint Powers Authority (JPA) agreement.

Additionally, the Association of California Cities—Orange County (ACC-OC) has released a detailed 2700 Permanent Supportive Housing Unit plan, which seeks to address chronic homelessness in a regionalized manner. The time to work together in addressing the homeless challenges in our communities has never been more important.

The ACC-OC 2700 Unit Plan outlines and emphasizes the possibility of accessing state funding to support these and other on-going projects. Utilizing a Housing Trust to receive and pursue state funding ensures a better chance for Orange County to capture a fair share of these available dollars, while reducing unnecessary competition between the cities. Additionally, the Orange County Housing Trust will have the ability to receive both public and private funding, the ability to bond against those funds, and service debt. Most importantly, it will accomplish these critical functions without acting as a regulator of land use or as an owner/operator of housing units, therefore preserving local control.

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There are many benefits to regionalizing our work on this issue and the financial implications are too great for any single stakeholder to take on alone. The collaborative approach of the Orange County Housing Trust will ensure we are working together toward pragmatic solutions. It is for these reasons the City of Garden Grove supports AB 448.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Jones

Mayor

C: Tom Daly, Assembly Member, 69th District Sharon Quirk-Silva, Assembly Member 65th District Janet Nguyen, Senator, 34th District Travis Allen, Assembly Member, 72nd District Heather Stratman, ACC-OC Tony Cardenas, League of California Cities Meg Desmond, League of California Cities



Join us for a project update, including the upcoming construction, ongoing utility relocation efforts, and vehicle branding.

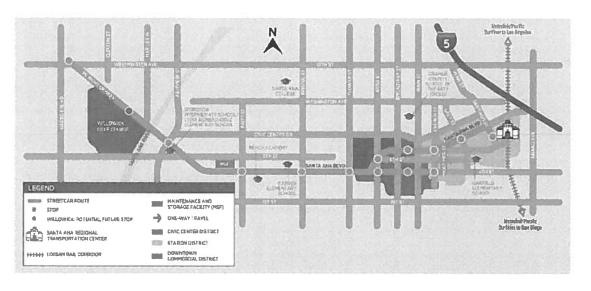
#### Wednesday, September 5, 2018

Stop by anytime between 6–7:30 p.m. Santa Ana Senior Center 424 W 3rd St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

#### Saturday, September 8, 2018

Stop by anytime between 10-11:30 a.m.
Santa Ana Corporate Yard
215 S Center St, Santa Ana, CA 92703

Information will be the same for both open house meetings. Please attend the one that is most convenient to you. For additional language requests, please call the project helpline at (844) 746-6272.



#### **OC Streetcar is Moving Forward!**





Acompáñenos para una actualización del proyecto, incluyendo construcción, reubicación de servicios públicos continuos y marca del vehículo.

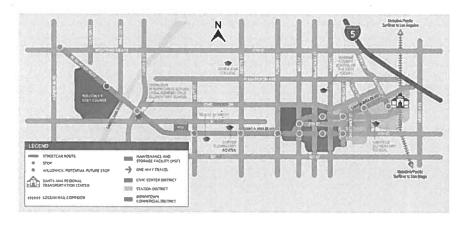
#### Miércoles, 5 de septiembre de 2018

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#### Sábado, 8 de septiembre de 2018

Visitenos entre las 10–11:30 a.m. Santa Ana Corporate Yard 215 S Center St, Santa Ana, CA 92703

Información será la misma para ambas reuniones. Por favor asista a la reunión que sea más conveniente para usted. Para solicitudes de idiomas adicionales, por favor llame a la Línea de Ayuda del proyecto al (844) 746-6272.



#### El Tranvía de OC está Avanzando

- Ruta de 4 15 millas
- Abordaje facil para bicicletas, carriolas y sillas de ruedas
- 10 paradas en cada dirección
- Servicio cada 10-15 minutos
- 14+ conexiones de autobús

















Tham gia cùng chúng tôi để cập nhật dự án, bao, gồm việc xây dựng sắp tới, Việc Di Dời Tiện Ích đang được Tiến Hành, Xây Dựng Thương Hiêu Xe

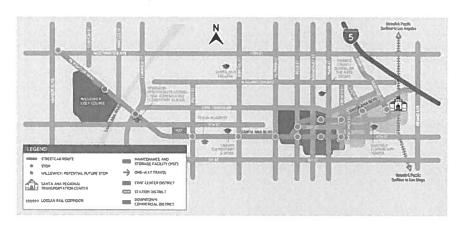
Thứ Tư, ngày 5 tháng 9 năm 2018

Đến bất cứ lúc nào từ 6 giờ - 7 giờ 30 tối Santa Ana Senior Center 424 W 3rd St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

Thứ Bảy, ngày 8 tháng 9 năm 2018

Đên bắt cứ luc nào từ 10 giờ - 11 giờ 30 sang Santa Ana Corporate Yard 215 S Center St, Santa Ana, CA 92703

Cả hai buổi họp đều có thông tin giống nhau. Vui long tham dự buổi họp thuận tiện nhất đối với ban. Đối với các yêu cấu bổ sung về ngôn ngữ, xin vui lòng gọi đường dây trơ giúp dự án theo số (844) 746-6272.



#### OC Streetcar tiến về phía trước

- o 4.15 dām
- Dễ dàng lên xe dành cho xe đạp, xe đẩy và xe lăn
- o Kết nối với dịch vụ
- 10 điểm dùng theo mỗi hướng
- Phục vụ mỗi 10-15 phút
- o 14+ kết nối xe buyt





# E-Communications Toolkit Orange County Transportation Authority



As of August 23, 2018



Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is now shaping the future of Orange County transportation! We're paving the way towards the year 2040 based on projected increases in population, housing, and employment. We need help from Orange County residents like you! What do you want your daily journey to look like?

#### Four Ways to participate:

- Survey: Give your input online, help us see OC through your eyes.
- Art Contest: Students! Show us your transportation vision, win up to \$200! \*
- Telephone Town Hall: Share your ideas with the experts on Sept. 12
- Family Open House: Bring the whole family for a fun night on Sept. 22

#### [Learn More Button]

Learn More leads to the LRTP website at <a href="http://octa.net/Projects-and-Programs/Plans-and-Studies/Long-Range-Transportation-Plan/2018-LRTP/">http://octa.net/Projects-and-Programs/Plans-and-Studies/Long-Range-Transportation-Plan/2018-LRTP/</a>

<sup>\*</sup> Art contest open to students K - college. See contest rules for details.



# NEW! Electric Lawn Mower Rebate Program

Receive a rebate of up to \$250 with the purchase of a cordless, battery electric lawn mower.

Purchase must include mower, battery and charger. Eligibility is limited to residents of Southern California who reside within the South Coast AQMD's four-county jurisdiction. Participants must also scrap a working gas mower in order to qualify for the rebate. For eligibility and program details, please visit www.aqmd.gov/lawnmower.

Thanks for mowing down air pollution.

What You'll Need: Proof of purchase and signed scrap certificate.

The rebate program is first-come, first-served and rebates will continue until all program funds have been exhausted.

For questions, please call the SCAQMD toll-free (Tuesday-Friday) at **888-425-6247** or email lawnmower@aqmd.gov.

#### **WEEKLY MEMO 8-30-18**

# SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

Engagement

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Clicks

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Garden Grove City Hall

Date Sent

Garden Grove Police Department is conducting a DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint tomorrow, August 25, 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.

#SafeStreetsGG #StayAlertGG #GGPD32 #GG1956 #GardenGrove



(Post) August 24, 2018 9:18 am



**Garden Grove City Hall** 

Check out **Garden Grove TV 3**'s video on the **#GardenGrove** Historical Society!

1.8k

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Total Reach

3.1k

Reactions

31

Comments

24

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18

14

5%

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#GG1956



(Post) August 24, 2018 1:41 pm



#### **Garden Grove City Hall**

Did you see them?

Yesterday and this morning, from approximately 4:00 a.m. to 4:15 a.m., the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District were at West Street Basin, corner of Chapman Avenue and West Street. OCMVCD staff were conducting adult mosquito control treatment via truck application: AquaDuet™. West Street Basin, along with other areas in Orange County, has been identified as an area with a high mosquito abundance.

For full details and the 2018 current treatment schedule, visit http://www.ocvector.org/GroundBased Adult.html.

#gg1956 #gardengrove #ocmvcd #publichealth #westnilevirus #wnvprotection #mosquitocontrol

Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

(Post) August 29, 2018 8:17 am

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The City would like to give a shout out to Aiga Fuimaono, from Garden Grove High School, for taking home the title of "The Voice of Garden Grove 2018." She was awarded a \$500 scholarship, and another \$500 for her high school choir program. Congratulations! #voiceofgg #ggsummerconcerts #ggcf #gg1956 #gardengrove #summerconcerts
Garden Grove Unified School District Garden Grove High School CHOIR



(Post) August 27, 2018 12:55 pm



### Garden Grove City Hall WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Today is the first day of school for 43,000 Garden Grove Unified School District students. The City would like to wish all of them a successful 2018-2019 school year.

If commuting near or around schools, please remember to:

- \* Slow down
- \* Give yourself extra time for the commute
- \* Watch for pedestrians

#GardenGrovePD officers will be present in the areas around the schools, to make sure all students are safe. #ggpd32 #community #gardengrove #gg1956 #ggusdpride Garden Grove Police Department



(Post) August 29, 2018 10:30 am

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G	Garden Grove City Hall *Increased Activity of Invasive Aedes Mosquitoes in #OrangeCounty*  Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District  #GG1956 #GardenGrove  (Post) August 28, 2018 9:30 am	1.6k	8	3	11%	248
Gi	Garden Grove City Hall  19th Annual Elvis Festival is tomorrow at Historic Main Street Garden Grove, CA!  #GG1956 #GardenGrove #ElvisFestival  (Post) August 25, 2018 6:27 pm	1.1k	7	-	5%	65
G.	Garden Grove City Hall Construction continues for the 405 Improvement Project! #GG1956 #GardenGrove  (Post) August 25, 2018 11:53 am	947	6		5%	61
G	Garden Grove City Hall Envision Willowick! The Cities of #GG and City of Santa Ana	733	5	1	4%	47

The Cities of **#GG** and **City of Santa Ana** invite you to help develop a Vision Plan for the redevelopment of the **Willowick Golf Course** site.

Come out to the first workshop, of four, to explore ideas, needs, and goals of the community tomorrow, August 30, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Goodwill Industries, 410 N Fairview Street.

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #SantaAna

**Envision Willowick | City of Garden Grove** 

(Post) August 29, 2018 3:27 pm

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G CADEN GADE	Garden Grove City Hall H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host a free movie night tomorrow, August 28 starting at 5:00 p.m.!	814	5	•	2%	12
	All seniors are invited to enjoy free refreshments and the movie, "Patriots Day."					
	For more information, please call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at (714) 741- 5253					
	#GG1956 #GardenGrove					
	H. Louis Lake Senior Center Hosts Free Movie Night   City of Garden Grove					
	(Post) August 27, 2018 3:24 pm					
Gi Baseri Base	Garden Grove City Hall With a rise in the number of cars being left unlocked at night, Garden Grove Police Department wants to make sure you take the proper precautions.	992	5	1	5%	53
	#GGPD32 #GG1956 #GardenGrove  (Post) August 23, 2018 4:09 pm					
Gi Garage Gades	Garden Grove City Hall You can register online today for Northeast Garden Grove Little League's fall ball registration!	861	4	1	2%	25

#GG1956 #GardenGrove



(Post) August 23, 2018 12:07 pm

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Garden Grove City Hall					
That's a wrap! The 2018 free Summer Concert Series in Garden Grove comes	744	2	1) <b>2</b> 0	3%	35

That's a wrap! The 2018 free Summer Concert Series in Garden Grove comes to a close after the annual run of family-friendly performances open to the public. Plus, 'The Voice of Garden Grove 2018' is chosen. And, the Garden Grove Community Foundation celebrates 20 fun-filled years. GGTV3 reporter Rachel Jordan has the story.

#GGSummerConcerts #VoiceofGG #GG1956 #GardenGrove



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(Post) August 28, 2018 2:26 pm

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#### **Garden Grove Police Department**

This morning at 6:30 AM, officers responded to the 8900 block of Blossom for a domestic violence call, with an injured female in front of the residence.

The scene turned into a homicide. The victim is an 11-year old female. Her 36-year old mother was also shot and stabbed. Her 2-year old and 6-year brothers were unharmed.

The 73-year old suspect, Tanh Thien Tran, is a resident of Garden Grove, and is the victim's step-father. He is in custody and was treated for self-inflicted stab wounds. Detectives will be onscene for the next several hours for CSI.

For the full press release: http://bit.ly/GGPDHomicide #GGPD32 #incustody #murder #homicide #domesticviolence #GardenGrove Garden Grove City Hall



(Post) August 29, 2018 3:03 pm



#### **Garden Grove Police Department**

Tomorrow, Garden Grove Unified School District students will be returning **#BackToSchool**. Remember to:

- \* Slow down
- \* Give yourself extra time for the commute
- \* Watch for pedestrians
  #GardenGrovePD officers will be
  present in the areas around the schools,
  to make sure all students are safe.
  #GGPD32 #community #TuesdayTip
  #ourfuture #GardenGrove
  Garden Grove City Hall



(Post) August 28, 2018 12:35 pm

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Garden Grove Police Department

Last night, #PoliceExplorer #Post1020 3.2k 147 12 12% 425



Last night, #PoliceExplorer #Post1020 was recognized by the City Council for their exemplary conduct and commitment to service.

At this year's 20th Annual Chandler Tactical Explorer Competition, they competed against 65 other teams from eight states, in a variety of tactical events. Our team returned with eight trophies, the largest amount of ANY Orange County Agency.

In 2017, Post 1020 donated over 8800 hours of service time to the City of Garden Grove and surrounding communities by working events such as numerous DUI checkpoints, Garden Grove Annual Strawberry Festival, Tustin Tiller Days Event, Huntington Beach Airshow and the Annual Orange Street Fair.

We are beyond proud of these young men and women. They embody the characteristics and leadership skills we seek in all our officers.

Are you 14–20 years old, interested in law-enforcement and always wanted to know if being a **#hero** is the career for you? **#JoinGGPD**. For more information about the **#GardenGrove** Police Explorer program email us at explorerrecruiting@Gmail.com **#GGPD32 #ourfuture #thinblueline** Garden Grove City Hall



(Post) August 29, 2018 6:32 pm

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	Garden Grove Police Department #FlashbackFriday. Community Policing with Officer J. Enriquez, back in the day of "old" #BuenaClintonBlock (c. 1982). #GGPD32 #thinblueline #policecar #policehistory #station32 #GardenGrove	1.9k	61	5	7%	104
	(Post) August 24, 2018 12:02 pm					
	Garden Grove Police Department Are you advertising your belongings? If you leave your car unlocked and windows rolled down, that's what thieves	6.7k	53	10	6%	398

Officers have noticed an alarming number of cars being left unlocked at night. Don't be an easy target for a crime of opportunity.
\* Hide Your Things

- \* Lock Your Car

see.

\* Take Your Keys #GGPD32 #GardenGrove #antitheft #crimeprevention #DontBeAVictim #HideltLockItKeepIt **Garden Grove City Hall** 



(Post) August 23, 2018 12:01 pm

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	RAFFIC ALERT***	2.5k	20	1	4%	108	
	FRAFFIC ALERT*** I nighttime freeway closure of I-405	2.5k	20	1	4%	108	

Full nighttime freeway closure of 1-405 through #HuntingtonBeach and #WestminsterCA in #OrangeCounty, is scheduled for the McFadden Bridge demolition.

The Northbound and Southbound I-405 lanes will be closed tonight, Saturday, August 25 from 11 p.m. - 7 a.m.

Northbound motorists will exit the freeway at Beach Boulevard, and southbound motorists will exit the freeway at Bolsa Avenue/Goldenwest Street. Please expect delays and use alternate routes if possible. For more information, visit 405 improvement Project or https://bit.ly/2P7bG2F

#GGPD32 #GG1956 #GardenGrove #KnowBeforeYouGo Garden Grove City Hall



(Post) August 25, 2018 12:00 pm

	Date Sent	Potential Reach	Organic Impressions	Responses	Likes	Clicks
<b>G</b>	CityGardenGrove Envision Willowick! The Cities of #GG & @CityofSantaAna Ana invite you to help develop a Vision Plan for the redevelopment of Willowick Golf Course site.Come out to the 1st workshop to explore ideas, needs,&goals of the community tom, 8/30,6PM-8PM bit.ly/2N6ctD6 #GG1956  (Tweet) August 29, 2018 3:26 pm	2.8k	290	(New	1	8
G	CityGardenGrove *Emergency water outage*  Water Services has an emergency water outage on Clover Lane, between Tristan and Shelley, for approximately one hour. We apologize for any inconveniences this may have caused. #GG1956 #GG  (Tweet) August 28, 2018 2:58 pm	2.8k	305	N=		
G	CityGardenGrove H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host a free movie night tom, 8/28 starting at 5:00 p.m.! All seniors are invited to enjoy free refreshments and the movie, "Patriots Day." For more info, call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at (714) 741-5253 bit.ly/2oefi6X #GG1956 #GG  (Tweet) August 27, 2018 3:25 pm	2.8k	482	-	2	4

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#### CityGardenGrove

You can register online today for Northeast Garden Grove Little League's fall ball registration!

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NorthEast Garden Grove Little League



(Tweet) August 23, 2018 12:07 pm

#### **WEEKLY MEMO 8-30-18**

# **NEWS ARTICLES**

#### Los Angeles Times *Times OC* August 26, 2018



Nick Ut | AP

**VIETNAMESE REFUGERS** escape by sea from Vung Tau to wait for U.S. ships to pick them up in 1975.

## Fountain Valley backs bill to enhance teaching of Asian history in state

Curriculum would include Vietnamese refugees, Cambodian genocide and Hmong cultural studies.

#### BY HILLARY DAVIS

The Fountain Valley City Council formally supports a legislative effort to introduce curriculum to teach California schoolchildren about the Vietnamese refugee experience, the Cambodian genocide and Hmong cultural studies.

State Sen. Janet Nguyen (R-Garden Grove) authored Senate Bill 895, which intends to launch social studies lessons about Vietnamese refugees and their experiences in the United States after the 1975 fall of Saigon.

Studies also would cover

the brutal Khmer Rouge regime under the rule of Pol Pot, who oversaw the killings of 2 million Cambodians between 1975 and 1979, and the history and culture of the Hmong people of Southeast Asia, including contributions of the Laotian Hmong who assisted the United States in the Vietnam War-era "secret army."

The subject matter likely would resonate with tens of thousands of Nguyen's constituents in Orange County and eastern Long Beach, including Fountain Valley Mayor Michael Vo, who, like Nguyen, was one of the "boat people" who fled communist persecution in Vietnam.

Vo, who led the council's unanimous support for Ngu-

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yen's bill Tuesday night, was 18 when his family "was embraced, nurtured and given a second chance here in America."

He said European settlement in the United States going back to the Mayflower is covered in history books and that this should be too.

"Maybe the next generation of Cambodian Americans, Vietnamese Americans, they would ask themselves why they are here,"

Vo said. "Just like the Latino American or Japanese American, we [are] all here as Americans — but why we are here."

Fountain Valley has a significant Asian American, and especially Vietnamese American, population. According to the U.S. Census, about a third of the city's 57,000 residents are of Asian descent, and of those, about 12,000 have Vietnamese heritage.

Fountain Valley's Cambodian population numbers a few hundred, but Long Beach has about 20,000 of California's

114,000 people of Cambodian descent, according to the census. About 100,000 Hmong live throughout the state.

If Nguyen's bill passes and becomes law, the state would need to adopt the K-12 curriculum by 2023. The bill has passed the state Senate and was approved by the Assembly Appropriations Committee this week. It would need full Assembly approval by Aug. 31 if it is to pass this legislative session.

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# Woman arrested after vandalism at Orange County Buddhist temples

Officials urge public to report 'possible hate crimes' in search of other potential suspects in recent crimes.

#### BY ANH DO

A woman was in custody Wednesday in connection with vandalism at Buddhist temples in Orange County, and officials appealed to the public to report more "possible hate crimes" to help them identify other potential suspects.

The vandalism — slashed fingers, chopped hands and other missing parts — has caused at

least \$60,000 in damage in the last two weeks, according to authorities. And that's in addition to the theft of donation boxes, floral arrangements and dozens of items of religious decor.

Five temples in Santa Ana have been vandalized, along with two houses of worship in Garden Grove.

The arrest was announced at a news conference at Bao Quang Temple in Santa Ana on Wednesday afternoon, but few details—including the suspect's name—were released.

"The question is, is this being done by an isolated individual or is it coordinated by other groups?" asked Andrew Do, chairman of the Orange County Board of Supervisors. He called on elected officials in his district to unite in finding those responsible "for this terrible, terrible act."

"The statues symbolize the spiritual value that we have as a community. To have them be destroyed in such a systematic manner does great harm to our spirit," he said.

At the temple, Do stood flanked by Miguel Pulido, mayor of Santa Ana; David Valentin, the city's police chief; and Tony Rackauckas, Orange County district attorney. All of them pledged their support to find the vandals, with Do say-

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Christina House | Los Angeles Times

THIS STATUE at Huong Tich Temple in Santa Ana was vandalized.

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ing that "the sooner that crimes are reported, the fresher the evidence and the greater the ability to canvass neighborhoods."

"This is so, so, so wrong," said Pulido, citing Santa Ana's diversity. "This is a gorgeous temple, and to think that someone wants to deface it this way hurts us in our hearts."

The vandalism began Aug. 8, with the hammering of five statues at Huong Tich Temple along 5th Street in Santa Ana, where hundreds of worshipers stream onto the grounds each week. Six days later, someone struck three more statues, slicing off their marble fingers. And just Tuesday, an additional four statues imported from Vietnam were vandalized.

Surveillance video showed a woman walking into the temple's back parking lot, carrying a bag and possibly holding a hammer. Valentin said police arrested the woman after the third attack, and, while not naming her, said she was convicted for similar vandalism at temples in 2014 and 2015.

The woman was previously charged with hate crimes and served up to two years in county jail, along with finishing a mental health treatment program, Rackauckas said. He described the recent incidents as an attack on "our core values" and urged members of the immigrant community to contact law



Photos by Christina House | Los Angeles Times

**A MAN VISITS** Bao Quang Temple in Santa Ana, one of several Buddhist temples in Orange County to be vandalized in recent weeks. Total damage is at least \$60,000, authorities say.



CYNTHIA LE prays at Bao Quang Temple.

enforcement.

"Often times, these crimes are committed but not being reported. They must be," he said, adding that the latest string of crimes "looks like a hate crime, but we need to review it before deciding on the strategy."

The houses of worship in Santa Ana where theft and vandalism occurred include Pho Da Temple, Truc Lam Yen Tu Temple and To Dinh Minh Dang Quang. The two locations in Garden Grove were the Lien Hoa Temple and Quan Am Temple.

"It does not matter what

religion you are from or if you believe in a God or multiple gods. At a temple, everyone is welcomed to learn about peace — peace in the mind and in society being our goal. This shouldn't be happening," said Kim Hoang, a Garden Grove Buddhist who attends services at Truc Lam Yen Tu Temple with her husband. "Who would want to bring harm to a place of tranquility?"

Cynthia Le of Santa Ana, a regular at the Bao Quang Temple, said, "When you go to temple, you expect respect. Once, I had a homeless person follow me, and I didn't know whether to feel scared or to feel sorry for him. I just want us all to feel safe in the place where we go to pray for a serene life."

Do writes for the Los Angeles Times.

# 11-year-old killed and mother wounded

Motive is unclear in stabbing by stepfather

By Alma Fausto

afausto@scng.com @AlmaFausto1 on Twitter

GARDEN GROVE » An 11-year-old girl was stabbed to death in her home by her stepfather who also shot and stabbed his 36-year-old wife and cut himself before being taken into custody Wednesday morning, police said, with the possible motive unclear.

Investigators had not released details about what led to the outburst except to say it was "domestic violence related."

The mother was in stable condition, authorities said, while two boys, ages 6 and 3, were found unharmed. after the 6:30 a.m. attack at the duplex in the 8900 block of Blossom Avenue.

A neighbor, who requested that his name not be used, said that he and his wife jumped out of bed when they heard screaming.

"We ran outside, and (the woman) was covered in blood," he said.

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She was leaning up against a minivan parked in the street.

"I asked about her kids," he said. "But she didn't say

His wife called police and told them the woman was wounded and had children in the home.

The neighbor said he didn't know much about the family members, because room. they only moved into the house perhaps six months

the bleeding woman in the front yard and treated her wounds. She told officers that she lived in the back unit of the duplex and her children were still inside.

Police found the suspect at the unit's sliding door that led to the patio, and the girl was on the floor anything. I think she was in of the same room, said. Lt. Carl Whitney of the Garden Grove Police Department.

"He was still armed with the knife, and officers were trying to get him to surrender," Whitney said.

The boys were in another

"(Officers) were negotiating with him when another group of officers came Arriving police found up behind him without him

seeing and grabbed her off the floor," Whitney said.

They took the girl, who was suffering from stab wounds, outside and to a hospital, where she was pronounced dead at about

Officers shot the man with beanbags and foam projectiles, and he was taken into custody. He was identified as 73-year-old Tanh Thien Tran and taken to a hospital to be treated for the self-inflicted knife wounds.

The mother was taken to a hospital where she was being treated for multiple stab wounds and a gunshot

died was the suspect's stepdaughter, and the unharmed 6-year-old boy was his stepson, police said. The unharmed 3-year-old boy was his biological son. The injured woman was the mother to all of the children.

A video posted by the department shows Orange County Crime Lab personnel on scene, checking in a rife and another weapon with a long stock. Five cars are in the home's driveway, lined with police tape.

The neighbor said he wished he could have done more to help, upset that the victim was a child.

"Why?" he said. "Why The 11-year-old girl who her? She was a little girl."

#### TRANSPORTATION

## OCTA will seek public input on look of OC Streetcar vehicles

\$400M system to run between Garden Grove, Santa Ana by 2021

#### By Lilly Nguyen lnguyen@scng.com

Three variations of orange, white and blue paint schemes are being considered for Orange County's first streetcar system.

Board members of the Orange County Transportation Authority got a look Monday at four proposed designs for the \$400 million OC Streetcar that is expected to be running in Santa Ana and Garden community in upcoming



ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

A rendering of one of the designs being considered for the electric vehicles that would be used by the OC Streetcar.

Grove by 2021.

One design that used a lot of white around the skirt of the electric streetcars was rejected because of the potential for higher painting and maintenance cost. The other three designs will be shown to the

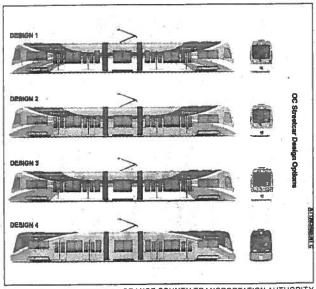
workshops.

"This will be the county's first modern electric streetcar and we want to pick a design that draws people's attention to this new and convenient way to travel to their destination," Eric Carpenter, a spokesman for the agency, said.

The designs stick with the colors that identify the OCTA's public bus system and were also chosen for their affordability and the ability to add in advertis-

We want the people who will use the OC Streetcar to have a say in what the cars will look like," Carpenter said. "At the same time, OCTA wants to ensure that it is branded in a way that shows unity with other modes of public transportation in Orange County, such as our OC Bus sys-

OCTA will host two workshops updating the community on the project OCTA » PAGE 4



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Four designs that were considered for the electric vehicles that would be used by the OC Streetcar.

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and discussing the branding. One will be from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 5 at the Santa Ana Senior Center and the other from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Sept. 8 at the Santa Ana Corporate Yard.

Additionally, an online survey has been launched at ocstreetcar.com/survey, and staff will be collecting feedback at community events, from city advisory groups and at city briefings.

Board members are expected to decide on a design this fall when they will also award a construction contract for laying the tracks

along the existing roads on the streetcar's 4.15-mile route. The streetcar's eight electric vehicles will travel in lanes with car traffic. It is expected that six will be running at any given time.

The 88-foot-long vehicles will be able to carry 181 passengers, with seating for 70. Eight American cities use the same model, which features big windows along the sides and in the front.

The route is planned between the Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center and Harbor and Westminster boulevards in Garden Grove. There are 10 stops proposed and the streetcars would operate seven days a week.

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# Main Street alive with Elvis vibe

## 19th annual festival proves nostalgic, fun

#### By Loreen Berlin

Elvis' music permeated the air on Historic Main Street Sunday.

Elvis fans dressed the part, complete with the Elvis signature pompadour hair and Priscilla's stylish fashions.

"The Elvis Festival has gotten bigger every year; it's growing and taking off," said Garden Grove City Manager Scott Stiles. "Congratulations to the organizers; it's great and the Azteca Restaurant is good because it ties right in. The festival brings a lot of energy to Historic Main Street."

The 19th annual Elvis Festival was a hit.

. "I drive from Diamond Bar every year for the Elvis Festival," said Larry Barger, who attended with his wife, Jayne.

Elvis tribute artists included Martin Anthony, Kirk Wall, Elvis Pham, Dave Hoover, Brad Carrow, Donovan Chavez, Lloyd Aron

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Photo by Loreen Berlin

An Elvis impersonator and his band sing the King's hits at the 19th annual Elvis Festival, featuring music, food, and classic cars, on Historic Main Street in Garden Grove on Sunday.

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Douglas, Abbit the Avenger, Sean Martin, James King, Krazy Kirk and Scot Bruce.

Starry-eyed patrons swooned over Elvis' sentimental ballads. Krazy Kirk donned his hillbilly teeth and went to town making people cackle as he sang his tunes.

For motorcycle fans, there were several groups who gathered their various bikes at the north end of Historic Main Street. Two of the groups were the Lifestyles and the Underdogs Motorcyclists that rode in from Torrance in the South Bay area.

"Elvis owned a 1956 Harley Panhead duo-glide," said Underdogs Founder The Rev. Kim Marholz. "The panhead was nicknamed that because the rocker cover's resembled cooking pans."

Restaurants on Main Street were packed all day. The Azteca Restaurant with its floor-to-ceiling Elvis memorabilia was one of those; this year, 11-year-old Sven sat outside next to a huge Elvis statue and offered Elvis wash-off tattoos.

"I've gone through several stacks of the tattoos," said Sven.

"Azteca has been crazy-busy all day long," said Owner Jennifer Stewart.

Kaye's Kitchen saw its share of hungry patrons too, with tables inside and out filled to capacity.

And what would an Elvis Festival be without Cadillacs? Main Street was a good place to see a great



Photos by Loreen Berlin

Locals get ready to enjoy the 19th annual Elvis Festival on Historic Main Street in Garden Grove on Sunday.



An Elvis impersonator and Elvis fan stands in front of the Elvis-themed Azteca restaurant.

variety of Cadillac's, with some that stretched 18-feet long.

In the 1970s, Elvis purchased Cadillacs, a Mercedes-Benz 600 and a Ford T-Bird but his most prized car was his Stutz Blackhawk.

Organizer Jill Lloyd said the best part of the Elvis Festival is watching it come together after months of planning. "It's different every year as we add and change components to the inspirations and the legacy of Elvis," Lloyd said.

Elvis sang rock, rhythm and blues, gospel and opera. The festival honors his life and legacy.

"We all have a bit of Elvis in us," Lloyd said. "He's always on our mind."

## Buddhists carry on in wake of hate crimes

Two area temples vandalized; one woman in custody

By Brady Rhoades

Hate crimes have hit Garden Grove.

Two Buddhist temples in Garden Grove and five in Santa Ana were vandalized this month, and stolen from. Statues had hands and fingers cut off, and donation boxes, religious items and floral arrangements were stolen.

"This is a terrible, terrible act," said Orange County Supervisor Andrew Do.

The two temples in Garden Grove are Lien Hoa Temple, 9561 Bixby Ave., and Quan Am Temple, 10510 Chapman Ave.

The crimes did not deter local Buddhists — and others — from visiting the temples on Monday morning. Dozens of Buddhists carried on with their routines, and visitors enjoyed

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the grounds.

"They are attacking symbols of peace and kindness," said Su Nguyen, a practicing Buddhist. "Whoever did this are suffering people, but we continue on our path."

Last week, a woman was arrested in connection with the crimes. Authorities have not released her name or any charges filed against her. The county District Attorney's Office stated she was convicted of

hate crimes in 2014 and 2015.

The first incident of vandalism took place on Aug. 8 at Huong Tich Temple in Santa Ana; the perpetrator or perpetrators hammered five statues. Six days later, three more statues had marble fingers sliced off. A few

days after that, Garden Grove temples were hit.

Westminster is home to dozens of Buddhist temples, including Chua Dieu Ngu Buddhist Temple at 14472 Chestnut St. The Dalai Lama was a guest at the temple's opening in 2016.

#### City of Garden Grove

#### Request for Proposals (RFP)

#### **RFP No. S-1240**

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent for the City of Garden Grove, Room 220, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92842 Develop a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of Garden Grove. A copy of the RFP document may be obtained from the City of Garden Grove's website by registering as a vendor. Questions can be directed in writing to Sandy Segawa at sandras@ci.garden-grove.ca.us.Proposals are due in the office of the Purchasing Agent at 4:00 p.m., local time, on Monday, October 1, 2018. Proposals received after that exact time will not be considered. ceived after that exact time will not be considered.

Dated: August 29, 2018

Sandy Segawa **Purchasing Agent** City of Garden Grove 11222 Acacia Parkway Garden Grove, CA 92840 Orange County News 8/29,9/5/2018-69402

#### **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, CALI-FORNIA, ON THE DATE \* INDICATED BELOW TO RE-CEIVE AND CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE AND RE-PORTS RELATIVE TO THE APPLICATION(S) DE-SCRIBED BELOW:

#### • THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M., SEPTEMBER 20, 2018

### SITE PLAN NO. SP-037-2017TE1 (TIME EXTENSION) CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-106-2017TE1 (TIME EXTENSION)

A request for a one-year time extension for the approved entitlements under Site Plan No. SP-037-2017 and Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-106-2017, for the construction of a new service (gas) station, with a new drive-thru convenience store, on a vacant lot located at 7051 Garden Grove Boulevard, along with Conditional Use Permit approval to allow the new convenience store to operate with a new original State Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type 20 (Off-Sale, Beer and Wine) License. The site is in the C-2 (Community Commercial) zone. The City of Garden Grove recognizes that this project was previously categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

SITE PLAN NO. SP-058-2018
TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. PM-2018-147
A request for Site Plan approval to construct a new 2,485 square foot Taco Bell restaurant pad building, with a drive-thru, on the easterly portion of the existing Home Depot parking lot, along with site improvements that include reconfiguring existing parking spaces and new landscaping. Also, Tentative Parcel Map approval to subdivide the existing 10.7-acre Home Depot property into two (2) lots (10.25-acre Home Depot property and 0.45-acre Taco Bell property) in order to facilitate the development of the Taco Bell site. The site is at 10801 Garden Grove Boulevard in the CCSP-CCT63 (Community Center Specific Plan – Community Center (Community Center Specific Plan – Community Center Transit District, Area 63) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15303 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on September 20, 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 potice, or in written correspondence delivered to the this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

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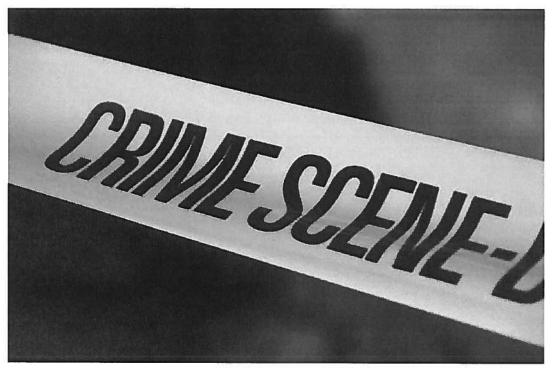


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GARDEN GROVE

### 11-year-old girl killed; mother also hurt

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON AUGUST 29, 2018 • ( LEAVE A COMMENT )



AN 11-YEAR-OLD girl was killed Wednesday morning in Garden Grove. Her mother was shot and stabbed but is in stable condition. The girl's stepfather has been arrested.

#### UPDATED ARTICLE

Domestic violence is believed to be the cause of an incident in Garden Grove Wednesday morning in which an 11-year-old girl was killed and her 36-year-old mother seriously injured.

According to Lt. Carl Whitney of the GGPD, Tanh Thien Tran, 73, of Garden Grove, the stepfather to the girl and husband of her mother, was arrested on a homicide charge.

Police received a call about a domestic violence case at 6:32 p.m. in the 8900 block of Blossom Avenue in which an injured woman was in front of the building.

Arriving officers administered first aid and the woman told them her three children were still inside. A second team of police entered the rear of the building and confronted the suspect at the patio door; he was armed with a knife.

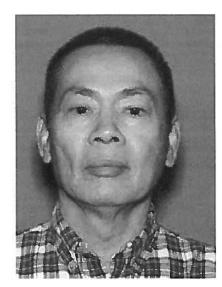
The man was bleeding from self-inflicted knife wounds and officers began negotiating with the suspect, while a second team of police entered the building from another door and evacuated a 3-year-old and a 6-year-old boy unharmed.

While the negotiations continued, two officers were able to enter the home and take the 11-year-old girl out of the house, immediately performing first aid and life-saving efforts. She had suffered multiple stab wounds.

The negotiations continued, but officers eventually used less-than-lethal rounds shot from a bean-bag shotgun to disarm the suspect, who was taken into custody.

At a local trauma center, the girl died from her injuries; her mother is being treated for multiple stab wounds and a shotgun wound.

The suspect was taken to a different hospital for treatment of his self-inflicted knife wounds and is in police custody.



TANH THIEN TRAN (GGPD photo).

According to Lt. Whitney, the two boys were taken to child protective services for interviews. The suspect is the stepfather to the 11-year-old girl and the 6-year-old boy, as well as the father of the 3-year-old boy.

The 8900 block of Blossom is located in a neighborhood southwest of the intersection of Magnolia Avenue and Chapman Avenue.

#### **ORIGINAL POST**

An 11-year-old girl was killed in Garden Grove Wednesday morning, according to police. Her 36-year-old mother was shot and stabbed, but is in stable condition.

Police have arrested the girl's stepfather in the incident that occurred around 6:30 a.m. in the 8900 block of Blossom Avenue (southwest of Chapman Avenue and Magnolia Avenue). He has self-inflicted stab wounds.

Two other children in the home, boys 2 and 6, were unharmed.

More information will be posted as it becomes available.

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GARDEN GROVE

### Switch to OCFA could add \$15m in red ink

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON AUGUST 28, 2018 • ( LEAVE A COMMENT )



GARDEN GROVE firefighters in action (Dooley photo).

#### By Jim Tortolano

The cost of replacing the Garden Grove Fire Department with services from the Orange County Fire Authority could amount to an additional \$15.3 million in expenses over a 10-year period.

At a study session of the city council on Tuesday, Ann Eifert, senior administrative analyst for the City of Garden Grove, presented a report which indicated that if the OCFA took over fire and paramedic services, there would be a savings to the city of \$1,174,509 in the first year, but red ink in every year following.

(https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2017/05/ggfd-logo.png)Under a scenario in which OCFA's charges to the city increased 2.92 percent annually, the total additional cost to Garden Grove would reach \$14,526,255 by the fiscal year 2027-28. If the costs rose to 4.5 percent (the maximum allowed under the proposed OCFA deal), that number would rise to \$15,373,970.

The city council will consider the issue at its Sept. 11 meeting, although a final decision could be postponed to a later date.



In OCFA's original plan, while the staffing level in Garden Grove would remain the same as with the GGFD, there would be more paramedics available.

However, on Tuesday, Garden Grove Fire Chief Tom Schultz rolled out a reorganization plan which would allow the city to equal that at a lower cost. His proposal is to eliminate one captain position and one engineer post and add two paramedics, matching the OCFA model.

(https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2018/03/ocfa-logo-200.png)The OCFA provides services for 23 cities in the

county, including the neighboring communities of Cypress, Stanton, Westminster and Santa Ana. It's headquartered in Irvine.

An alternative cost analysis from the Garden Grove Firefighters Association which argues that the switch would instead save the city money was mentioned at the meeting, but details were not available.



The issue has been before the council since March, and at a meeting of the city council, OCFA Battalion Chief Brad Phoenix said the city could save \$2.5 million in the first year, and \$23 million through the fiscal year of 2034-5.

However, at a meeting in July, a city report stated that the switch would instead cost the city \$1.64 million more in the first year and \$1.99 million in the second, with pension liabilities accounting for much of the difference.

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ACROSS THE AREA

### New website for City of Garden Grove

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON AUGUST 27, 2018 • ( LEAVE A COMMENT )

### ggcity.org



THE CITY of Garden Grove's new website (City image).

A new website for the City of Garden Grove has been launched. The new site – www.ggcity.org (http://www.ggcity.org/)= features a new search engine and navigation system intended to emphasize city services and resources.

(https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2016/07/logofornewsbriefs.jpg)The site was created in house by the city's information technology staff, lead by Charles Kalil. The emphasis is on "responsiveness," which means the site will be readable whether the user is viewing it on a desktop computer, laptop or smart phone.

Research indicates that most users of the city site are employing a mobile device.

This is the 10th version of the city's website, the first debuting in 1996. The former web address — www.ci-garden-grove.ca.us (http://www.ci-garden-grove.ca.us/)— will direct users to the new site.

#### "Blessing of the Waves" set for Sept. 9

The annual "Blessing of the Waves" ceremony will be held on Sunday, Sept. 9 at the Pier Plaza (Main Street and Pacific Coast Highway) in Huntington Beach, starting at 8:30 a.m.



News

The star-studded program will bring together surfers, rock and roll and faith community leaders and legends.

It will include a tribute to Father Christian Mondor and Pastor Sumo Sato.

The event is organized by the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council.

#### Be aware at chamber business breakfast

The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a business breakfast on Friday with the theme of "Situational Awareness." Kris Backouris, a community service officer with the GGPD, will speak on mental health, heat awareness, power outages, earthquakes and emergency preparation, among other topics.

It will be held at the Home Town Buffet in the Promenade Mall, 9635 Chapman Ave., Garden Grove. Check-in is from 7:20 to 7:40 a.m. The presentation is from 7:40 to 8:30 a.m.

The cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. RSVPs are required and should be made to (714) 638-7950 or by e-mail to staff@gardengrovechamber.com.

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## Elvis lives! ... on Main Street for a day

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON AUGUST 26, 2018 • ( LEAVE A COMMENT )



**ELVIS and PRISCILLA** on stilts strode around the crowd on historic Main Street in Garden Grove on Sunday (Orange County Tribune photos).

The 19th annual Elvis Festival – themed "Always On Our Minds" – packed Garden Grove's historic Main Street on Sunday, attracting a big crowd to celebrate the heritage of the "King of Rock 'N' Roll." The event, presented by the Garden Grove Downtown Business Association and the Garden Grove

Community Foundation, featured a wide variety of musical acts, a motorcycle and a car show, food trucks and a lot of people dressed up like Elvis and Company, including a stilt-walking Elvis and Priscilla pair.

In addition to featured performances by Elvis tribute artists – non-fans might call them "impersonators" – there were booths to buy memorabilia and Elvis-themed merchandise, connect with the Garden Grove Elks lodge and get information about a variety of Elvis groups.

There were also performances by young musicians such as the "School of Rock Tustin," which covered music by Presley and other artists from the Fifties and Sixties. The event was free and open to the public.

According to one report, a driver – ignoring the "street closed" signs – turned onto Main Street and motored slowly right through the festival. No one was injured and the driver was described as an "elderly man" on his way to church.



J.J. JAUREGUI (Main Street's original "Elvis guy") sold Elvis stuff.

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### OCFA proposal, bike paths on agendas

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON AUGUST 24, 2018 • ( LEAVE A COMMENT )



GARDEN GROVE fire equipment (GGFD photo).

Fire trucks and bicycles will be the vehicles of interest on Tuesday night before the Garden Grove City Council when it convenes.

A special meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave. to discuss a proposal from the Orange County Fire Authority to provide fire services for Garden Grove.

An earlier proposal from the OCTA appeared to save the city several million dollars, but new figures from the state retirement system indicated it would actually cost Garden Grove over \$2 million annually.

(https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2016/07/gg-logo\_lg.jpg)At the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m., the council will consider awarding a contract worth \$95,220 to Mark Thomas & Associates to provide engineering design services for the Garden Grove Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program.

The city has a state grant to create new bike lanes through the community along five corridors. The north-south paths will include:

- Brookhurst Street between Katella and Trask avenues.
- West Street between the city limit (to the north) and Garden Grove Boulevard.

• Gilbert Street between Katella Avenue and Westminster Avenue.

#### The east-west corridors will be

- Chapman Avenue between Valley View Street and the city limit with Stanton.
- Lampson Avenue between the western city limit with Stanton and Haster Street.

Also, the council will hear a status report on the future development of the Willowick Golf Course site.



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### **Elvis comes to the Big Strawberry**

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON AUGUST 23, 2018 • ( LEAVE A COMMENT )

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DAVE HOOVER will perform at the 19th annual Elvis Festival Sunday.

The 19th annual Elvis Festival will come to Garden Grove's Main Street (between Garden Grove Boulevard and Acacla Parkway) on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event is presented by the Garden Grove Downtown Business Association and the Garden Grove Community Foundation.

A full day of tribute to the "King of Rock and Roll" will be on hand with performances by James King, Martin Anthony, Dave Hoover, Scot Bruce, Kirk Wall, Elvis Pham and Krazy Kirk and the Hillbillies.

In addition to the Elvis performance artists, there will be the "King of Cadillacs" Car Show and the "Hound Dog" Bike and Ride Show. There's Elvis bingo and food "fit for a king" with food trucks and Main Street restaurants.

For more information and updates, go to the Facebook page "19th Annual Elvis Festival."

#### **SPORTS**

The Los Angeles Angels will stagger home to Anaheim after losing five out of six games. starting a fivegame home stand on Friday at the Big A. The first three games will be against the Houston Astros. Friday's contest will commence at 7:07 and will be the "80s Replica Jersey Night." On Saturday, the game will be at 6:07 p.m.; Sunday's game at 1:07 p.m. will feature a \*Mike Trout Youth Jersey" giveaway.

#### ON STAGE

"Tenor by Night" continues at the Rose Center Theater in Westminster with performances on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. General admission tickets are \$25; students and seriiors are \$10.

#### AND FOR FREE ....

The animated film "Despicable Me 3" will be screened on Thursday, Aug. 23 at the Atlantis Play Center in Garden Grove. Activities will start at 5:30 p.m. and the movie will start at 8 p.m. For more information, call (714) 741-5200.

The Orange County Tribune's quick guide to entertainment for the coming weekend debuts today. There are Angels games in Anaheim, a free movie, a stage play in Westminster and, of course, the 19th annual Elvis Festival on Main Street in Garden Grove on Sunday.



CONTACT: Mark Ladney (714) 741-5382 Public Works Department

Monday, August 27, 2018

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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#### **CITY HALL CLOSED ON LABOR DAY**

In observance of the Labor Day holiday, Garden Grove City Hall and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2018. Trash pick-up and street sweeping services will not be provided on the holiday.

For more information on street sweeping, please call the Public Works

Department at (714) 741-5375. For trash pick-up information, contact Republic

Services at (714) 238-3300.

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CONTACT:
Nate Robbins (714) 741-5206
Community & Economic Development

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE









Wednesday, August 29, 2018

#### **GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR SENIOR HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

The City is now accepting applications for its Senior Home Improvement Grant program. Qualified applicants can receive up to \$5,000 for home repairs that address code violations, substandard conditions, and necessary health and safety improvements. To apply, visit <a href="https://www.ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement">www.ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement</a>, and click on Housing Programs.

To qualify, applicants must be 62 years of age or older, a Garden Grove homeowner, and have a gross annual household income that is at, or below, 80 percent of the County's median household income limits. Income level is based on all adults living in the home.

Effective May 2018, low-income limits per household are as follows:

Household size of one: \$61,250

Household size of two: \$70,000

• Household size of three: \$78,750

• Household size of four: \$87,450

Household size of five: \$94,450

• Household size of six: \$101,450

For more information about the Senior Home Improvement Grant program, contact Senior Program Specialist Nate Robbins at (714) 741-5206.

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### **THÔNG TIN**

#### Từ Thành Phố Garden Grove

Để phổ biến trên các phương tiện truyền thông Văn phòng thông tin liên lạc: (714) 741-5280



Contact: Nate Robbins (714) 741-5206 Community & Economic Development

Thứ Năm, 30/8/2018

#### CHƯƠNG TRÌNH TÀI TRỢ GIÚP SỬA CHỮA NHÀ CHO NGƯỜI CAO NIÊN

Thành Phố Garden Grove sẽ bắt đầu nhận đơn cho chương trình trợ cấp giúp sửa chữa gia cư dành cho cư dân Garden Grove. Người nộp đơn hội đủ điều kiện có thể nhận tới \$5,000 để sửa chữa nhà, giải quyết các vi phạm về điều luật xây dựng của Thành phố, sửa sang không đạt tiêu chuẩn và các sửa chữa khác liên quan về sức khỏe và an toàn cần thiết. Để đằng ký, hãy truy cập <a href="www.ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement">www.ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement</a> và nhấn vào Housing Programs.

Để hội đủ điều kiện, người nộp đơn phải từ 62 tuổi trở lên, chủ nhà tại Garden Grove, và có tổng thu nhập hộ gia đình hàng năm bằng hoặc thấp hơn 80% mức thu nhập gia đình trung bình của County. Mức thu nhập dựa trên tất cả người lớn đang sống trong nhà.

Giới hạn thu nhập thấp cho mỗi hộ gia đình như sau, có hiệu lực từ tháng 5 năm 2018:

- Hộ gia đình một người: \$61,250
- Hộ gia đình hai người: \$70,000
- Hộ gia đình có ba người: \$78,750
- Hộ gia đình bốn người: \$87,450
- Hộ gia đình năm người: \$94,450
- Hộ gia đình có sáu người: \$101,450

Để biết thêm tài liệu về chương trình trợ giúp này của Thành Phố, xin liên lạc với Ban Phát Triển Cộng Đồng của Thành Phố Garden Grove ở số (714) 741-5206.

> # # # 11222 Acacia Parkway • P.O. Box 3070 • Garden Grove, CA 92842



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(714) 741-5382

Public Works Department



Thứ Ba, 28/9/2018

#### CITY HALL ĐÓNG CỬA NGHĨ LỄ LAO ĐỘNG

Thành phố Garden Grove và Trung tâm H. Louis Lake Senior Center sẽ đóng cửa vào Thứ Hai, ngày 3 tháng 9, 2018 nhân dịp lễ Lao Động (Labor Day). Phục vụ quét đường và lấy rác sẽ không làm việc vào ngày lễ mà được dời vào những ngày khác.

Để biết thêm chi tiết về việc quét đường, xin gọi ban Public Works tại số (714) 741-5375. Để biết thêm thông tin dịch vụ lấy rác, liên lạc Republic Services tại (714) 238-3300.

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

#### August 30, 2018

- 1. Calendar of Events
- 2. Agenda for the September 6, 2018 Planning Commission meeting attached and 102 page back-up available online.

  (<a href="https://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/internet/pdf/afm/plancom/a09062018.pdf">https://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/internet/pdf/afm/plancom/a09062018.pdf</a>).
- 3. League of California Cities email update dated August 20, 2018 and Newspaper Briefing Statewide dated August 28, 2018.



#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 30, 2018 - September 25, 2018

Thursday	August 30		Casual Day
		6:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.	Community Workshop (1 of 3 – Listen) Vision Plan for Willowick Site, Goodwill Industries 410 N. Fairview St., Santa Ana, 92703
Friday	August 31		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Monday	September 3		City Hall Closed – Labor Day
Tuesday	September 4	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday	September 6	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Monday	September 10	6:30 p.m.	Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Tuesday	September 11	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday	September 13	9:00 a.m.	Downtown Commission Meeting, Constitution Room <i>CANCELLED</i>
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room
		Noon- 1:00 p.m.	Customer Service Coaches presents "Nutrition – Super Foods to the Rescue!" CMC A Room
Friday	September 14		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	September 20	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Tuesday	September 25	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber City Council Meeting, Council Chamber



#### AGENDA

#### GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION

#### REGULAR MEETING

#### SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

#### COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER 11300 STANFORD AVENUE

#### REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 P.M. - COUNCIL CHAMBER

ROLL CALL: CHAIR BRIETIGAM, VICE CHAIR TRUONG
COMMISSIONERS KANZLER, LAZENBY, LEHMAN, NGUYEN, SALAZAR

Members of the public desiring to speak on any item of public interest, including any item on the agenda except public hearings, must do so during Oral Communications at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker shall fill out a card stating name and address, to be presented to the Recording Secretary, and shall be limited to five (5) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing.

Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services due to a disability should contact the City Clerk's office at (714) 741-5035 to arrange for special accommodations. (Government Code §5494.3.2).

All revised or additional documents and writings related to any items on the agenda, which are distributed to all or a majority of the Planning Commissioners within 72 hours of a meeting, shall be available for public inspection (1) at the Planning Services Division during normal business hours; and (2) at the City Community Meeting Center Council Chamber at the time of the meeting.

Agenda item descriptions are intended to give a brief, general description of the item to advise the public of the item's general nature. The Planning Commission may take legislative action it deems appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS PUBLIC
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 19, 2018
- C. <u>PUBLIC HEARING(S)</u> (Authorization for the Chair to execute Resolution shall be included in the motion.)
  - C.1. <u>AMENDMENT NO. A-022-2018</u>

APPLICANT: CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

LOCATION: PORTIONS OF RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED WITHIN THE

HISTORICAL MAIN STREET AREA, NORTH OF GARDEN

GROVE BOULEVARD, SOUTH OF ACACIA PARKWAY

REQUEST: City-initiated zoning text amendment to Title 9 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code to add new definitions, operating conditions, and development standards to outdoor dining in the public right-of-way within the Historical Main Street area that involve eating establishments with or without alcohol sales for on-site consumption for properties that are zoned CC-2 (Civic Center Main Street). The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the Garden Grove City Council regarding the proposed Amendment and a determination that it is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The site is in the CC-2 (Civic Center Main Street) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15061(b)(3) – Review for Construction.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of Amendment No. A-022-2018 to City Council.

#### C.2. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-139-2018

APPLICANT: SPRINT (J. JOHNSON)

LOCATION: SIX (6) EXISTING STREET LIGHTS OWNED BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, ALL IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

REQUEST: Conditional Use Permit approval to allow for the installation and operation of six (6) Citywide small wireless telecommunication facilities disguised as street light poles, along with related below-grade or internally concealed meter, attached equipment, and site improvements. The existing street lights in the City's public right-of-way are owned by Southern California Edison. The street lights will be removed and replaced with the new street light poles, all poles would include small wireless telecommunication facilities. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-139-2018, subject to the recommended conditions of approval.

- D. <u>MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS</u>
- E. MATTERS FROM STAFF
  - E.1. BUILDING PROJECTS UPDATE
- F. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

#### **League Legislative Update**

From: Tony Cardenas <tcardenas@cacities.org>

Mon, Aug 20, 2018 12:27 PM

**Subject:** League Legislative Update

2 attachments

To: Tony Cardenas <tcardenas@cacities.org>



Senate and Assembly Committees Decide Fiscal Measures; Prepare for Final Floor Votes

The Appropriations Committees of both houses met on Thursday, August 16, to decide the fate of hundreds of bills requiring significant funding before the final two weeks of the legislative session. The committees approved many bills, including some with amendments.

Below is a complete listing of all bills on which the League has a position that were pending on either the Senate or Assembly Appropriations Suspense Files. Those that passed as listed as Pass and those that failed to move are listed as Held.

The held measures were tabled ineligible for further action this session. To access bill language, the League's position letters and sample letters, go to the <u>League's Legislative Database</u> and plug in the bill number into the search function.

#### **Senate Appropriations**

#### **Oppose**

- > AB 748 (Ting) Peace officers: video and audio recordings: disclosure Passed with amendments
- > AB 924 (Bonta) Indian tribes: commercial cannabis activity Held
- ➤ AB 1395 (Chu) State highways: Department of Transportation: litter cleanup and abatement: report Held
- > AB 1597 (Nazarian) Public employee retirement systems: prohibited investments: Turkey Pass
- > AB 2544 (Lackey) Parking penalties Pass
- > AB 2681 (Nazarian) Seismic safety: potentially vulnerable buildings Passed with amendments
- ➤ AB 2923 (Chiu) San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District: transit-oriented development Passed with amendments
- > AB 3081 (Gonzalez Fletcher) Employment: sexual harassment Passed with amendments

#### Oppose unless amended

- > AB 1771 (Bloom) Planning and zoning: regional housing needs assessment Pass
- > AB 1870 (Reyes) Employment discrimination: unlawful employment practices Passed with amendments

#### **Concerns**

> AB 2061 (Frazier) Near-zero-emission and zero-emission vehicles — Pass

#### **Removal of Opposition**

#### amendments

#### Support

- ➤ <u>AB 1766</u> (Maienschein) Swimming pools: public safety Pass
- ➤ AB 1775 (Muratsuchi) State lands: leasing: oil and gas Pass
- ➤ <u>AB 1804</u> (Berman) California Environmental Quality Act: categorical exemption: infill development Passed with amendments
- > AB 1959 (Wood) Telecommunications: universal service programs Pass
- > AB 1968 (Low) Mental health: firearms Passed with amendments
- ➤ <u>AB 2258</u> (Caballero) Local agency formation commissions: grant program Pass
- ➤ <u>AB 2415</u> (Calderon) Public Employees' Retirement System: officers and directors: appointment and compensation Pass
- ➤ <u>AB 2538</u> (Rubio) Municipal separate storm sewer systems: financial capability analysis Passed with amendments
- ➤ <u>AB 2749</u> (Bonta) State agencies: state entities: Internet Web site accessibility: standards Passed with amendments

#### Bills Re-Referred to Senate Rules Committee

- ➤ <u>AB 931</u> (Weber) Criminal procedure: use of force by peace officers Oppose
- ➤ AB 2890 (Ting) Land use: accessory dwelling units Oppose

### Assembly Appropriations Oppose

- > SB 1077 (Wilk) Construction contracts: wrap-up insurance and indemnification Passed with amendments
- > SB 1186 (Hill) Law enforcement agencies: surveillance: policies Held
- > <u>SB 1300</u> (Jackson) Unlawful employment practices: discrimination and harassment Passed with amendments

#### **Oppose Unless Amended**

- ➤ <u>SB 828</u> (Wiener) Land use: housing element Passed with amendments
- ➤ <u>SB 937</u> (Wiener) Lactation accommodation Pass
- > SB 1086 (Atkins) Workers' compensation: firefighters and peace officers Pass
- ➤ <u>SB 1421</u> (Skinner) Peace officers: release of records Passed with amendments

#### Support

- > <u>SB 25</u> (Portantino) Elections: alternate ballot order: Los Angeles County pilot program Passed with amendments
- ➤ <u>SB 834</u> (Jackson) State lands: leasing: oil and gas Pass
- ➤ <u>SB 919</u> (Dodd) Water resources: stream gages Held
- > SB 966 (Wiener) Onsite treated nonpotable water systems Passed with amendments
- ➤ <u>SB 1343</u> (Mitchell) Employers: sexual harassment training: requirements Passed with amendments
- > SB 1413 (Nielsen) Public employees' retirement: pension prefunding Pass

Please let me know if you have any follow up questions.

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#### League Newspaper Briefing - Statewide (Aug. 28)

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#### **CAPITOL POLITICS**

California lawmakers shelve controversial bill that would have raised campaign contribution limits\_-- A controversial proposal to allow state legislative leaders to accept bigger campaign checks for their favored candidates was sidelined by lawmakers for the year on Monday after it failed to garner sufficient support in the state Senate. Los Angeles Times

**Gov. Jerry Brown vetoes bill regulating payments to family members by political campaigns** -- Gov. Jerry Brown on Monday vetoed a bill that would have prevented politicians from paying family members an amount greater than fair market value for goods and services. <u>Los Angeles Times</u>

**California pledged to protect net neutrality — the showdown is here** -- When federal regulators voted late last year to roll back net neutrality protections, state Democratic leaders pledged to wage a fight with the Trump administration to preserve fair and open access to the internet in California. <u>Los Angeles Times</u>

New Bill Would Give California Voters A Second Chance To Match Ballot's Signature To One On File -- California would give its voters another chance to sign their mail-in ballots correctly under a bill nearing passage in the Legislature's final week of session. <u>Capital Public Radio</u>

**Last-minute amendments prompt fresh debate over bill that would expand state power grid**-- The bill that would revise how California regulates the state power grid was amended late last week, prompting a fresh round of debate over the fate of the legislation. The new language posted online Saturday gives lawmakers nine months to consider how specifically the California Energy Commission would expand the electric grid to as many as 14 western states. San Diego Union-Tribune

California Legislature passes housing desegregation measure in rebuke to President Trump -- Assembly Bill 686 by Assemblyman Miguel Santiago (D-Los Angeles) would put into state law Obama-era rules requiring local governments to advance policies to desegregate housing in their communities. This month, Ben Carson, Trump's secretary of Housing and Urban Development, announced he was moving forward with plans to roll back rules requiring cities and counties to flight patterns of housing segregation. Los Angeles Times

#### **WILDFIRES**

California wildfires and allow utilities to pass along costs to ratepayers is going down to the final hours as the lawmakers face a crucial deadline on Tuesday. A legislative conference committee met late Monday but fell short of an agreement. Los Angeles Times

#### **HOMELESSNESS**

**Californians try to avoid homelessness by short-circuiting eviction** -- For the more than one-third of Californians living under or near the federal poverty level, eviction may be the first step toward homelessness. <u>Calmatters</u>

**Santa Monica Offers Cash to Help Seniors Struggling With Rent** -- Rumors of seniors straining to pay their rent started making the rounds at Santa Monica City Hall two years ago, so officials surveyed elderly residents. "We had one household where the participant was eating every other day," said Lisa Varon, senior analyst with the city of Santa Monica. <u>KQED</u>

**Is homelessness a crisis? Declaring it one could bring money to Stanislaus County**\_-Stanislaus County could ask its nine cities to declare that homelessness is a crisis, thereby positioning local agencies for millions of dollars in state funds. Modesto Bee

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

**California lawmakers approve new restrictions on who can possess firearms** -- California lawmakers on Monday approved a trio of bills that would reduce the number of people with access to firearms, including lifetime bans on owning guns for people convicted of domestic violence and individuals placed on involuntary psychiatric holds twice in a year by the courts. <u>Los Angeles Times</u>

WATER

**Bill to impose more scrutiny on controversial Mojave Desert water project gets last-minute push** -- Environmentalists are mounting a last-minute bid in the final week of the California legislative session to revive a stalled effort to require more review for a project to pump more groundwater from the Mojave Desert. <u>Los Angeles Times</u>

**CANNABIS** 

**Bill allowing schools to permit medical cannabis use passes California Legislature** -- California school districts could decide whether to allow their K-12 students who use cannabis for medical conditions to consume it on campus under a bill passed by the state Legislature on Monday and headed to Gov. Jerry Brown. San Francisco Chronicle

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### League-Supported Bill to Reinstate Net Neutrality Rules in California Moves to Assembly Floor

August 23, 2018

The Assembly Communications and Conveyance Committee on Aug. 22 passed <u>SB 822 (Wiener)</u>, sending the net neutrality bill to the Assembly Floor for a vote.

The committee previously gutted an earlier version of the bill.

Careful negotiations restored many of SB 822's original major net neutrality protections. The bill in this form reflects policies supported unanimously by the League's Transportation, Communications, and Public Works Policy Committee, a position the board of directors also ratified.

Consistent with existing policy, the League fully supports reinstating net neutrality protections here in California, especially in light of the recent <u>FCC actions</u> that repealed such protections nationally.

The ability for cities, their residents, and businesses, as customers and edge providers, to have access to high quality content is essential for the success of entire communities. As customers its critical for city services, such as fire and police response, not to have their internet services or services that they must access online, throttled during times of emergency. It is also important for city residents and businesses to interact meaningfully with their government, which is increasingly occurring online.

Net neutrality will prevent internet service providers from blocking, throttling, degrading, or providing for paid prioritization of lawful content, applications, or services. Strong protections for a free and open internet spur innovation and help close digital divides in communities throughout California, ensuring our collective success. Cities throughout California will continue to welcome collaboration with internet service providers in ensuring our communities have access to the latest, fastest, and most reliable services.

#### **Next Steps**

The full Assembly will now consider SB 822. A companion measure, <u>SB 460 (de León)</u> was also passed on a 9–3 vote in the same committee and awaits further action in the Assembly Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protections.

### League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues Nearly \$400 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Loma Linda University Medical Center

August 24, 2018

Some of the most significant benefits of League membership for cities since 1988 have flowed from the League's co-sponsorship of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA).

The California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA) announced the issuance of \$399,795,000 in tax-exempt bonds for Loma Linda University Medical Center.

#### **About Loma Linda University Medical Center**

Loma Linda University Medical Center (LLUMC), a 501c3 nonprofit organization, provides nearly 900 beds for patient care throughout its campuses in Loma Linda, Redlands and Murrieta. LLUMC operates some of the largest clinical programs in the United States in areas such as neonatal care and outpatient surgery. It is recognized as the international leader in infant heart transplantation and proton treatments for cancer. Each year, LLUMC admits more than 33,000 inpatients and serves roughly 500,000 outpatients. LLUMC is the only level one regional trauma center and Children's Hospital for Inyo, Mono, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties.

CSCDA partnered with Bank of America Merrill Lynch and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP to provide the \$399,795,000 in tax-exempt bonds for LLUMC. The bonds will provide additional financing for LLUMC's Campus Transformation Project, which includes the construction of a new health complex on the University Hospital and Children's Hospital campus.

#### **Background**

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities® and the California State Association of Counties. It was created by cities and counties for cities and counties. More than 530 cities, counties and special districts are program participants in CSCDA, which serves as their conduit issuer and provides access to efficiently finance locally-approved projects. CSCDA has issued more than \$60 billion in tax exempt bonds for projects that provide a public benefit by creating jobs, affordable housing, healthcare, infrastructure, schools and other fundamental services. Visit CSCDA's website for additional information on the ways in which CSCDA can help your city.

# Apply Now for the Coastal Cities Group 2019 Leadership Committee

Deadline to Submit Letters of Interest is Oct. 1

August 24, 2018

Incoming League President Jan Arbuckle is soliciting applicants to serve on the League's Coastal Cities Issues Group (CCG) 2019 Leadership Committee.

Applicants must be from one of the 61 cities that fall within California's coastal zone.

The Leadership Committee comprises one elected official and their respective city manager, or their staff designee, from each of the six regions within the coastal zone. Working with the chair and vice chair, Leadership Committee members and their staff designees will help facilitate the operations of the CCG, play a key role in its activities, including building relationships with members of the California Coastal Commission and staff.

Committee members must also be willing to serve as a point of contact for the Coastal Commission for cities within their coastal region. Additional information including committee responsibilities, and the six coastal regions, is available <u>online</u>.

There will be several vacancies on the committee in 2019 as a number of members term out of office. The committee's upcoming term will run Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2019. Currently serving members can reapply annually.

To apply for the Leadership Committee, please address a letter of interest to incoming League President Jan Arbuckle with your request and a brief bio or background statement. The statement should outline why you would be a good candidate to serve all coastal cities on the committee and your background in the CCG or coastal issues. Additionally, please indicate in your application if you are interested in applying for chair or vice chair.

Oct. 1 is the deadline to apply. After the application period closes, President Arbuckle will make her appointments in the fall and will notify all applicants of their status.

Please send your letters and supporting materials to League Legislative Policy Analyst <u>Derek Dolfie</u> or call (916) 658-8218 with questions.

# Newly Added 2018 Annual Conference & Expo Sessions Focus on Priority City Issues

August 24, 2018

Three priority sessions have been recently added to the program for the League's upcoming Annual Conference & Expo in Long Beach, Sept. 12–14.

Most of the sessions for this major event are selected earlier in the year, but the League is adding three high interest sessions on some of the important topics that cities are addressing today.

#### The Present and Future of Legislating Police Culture

Friday, Sept. 14, 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Police use of force has become a topic of considerable interest and remains at the forefront of the legislative agenda of criminal justice organizations. Law enforcement representatives and criminal justice advocates both acknowledge that the power of police officers to use deadly force is perhaps the most significant responsibility we confer on any public official, and that it must be guided by the goal of safeguarding human life. This discussion will delve into divergent viewpoints on use of force through the lens of public safety management, advocates of more police accountability, and the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). The purpose of the panel is to explore recent high profile state legislation pertaining to police use of force, transparency and accountability.

#### Speakers:

- Eugene Harris, chief of police, City of San Gabriel (tentative)
- Michael Gennaco, Office of Independent Review
- Peter Bibring, ACLU

## Proposition 6: Eliminating \$52 Billion for Thousands of City, County, and State Transportation Projects

Friday, Sept. 14, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

After 10 years of advocacy by the League and its partners, the Legislature and Governor ushered in SB 1 (Beall), a \$52 billion landmark infrastructure investment for transportation in California. Of the \$52 billion, \$26 billion is dedicated to the state highway system while the other \$26 billion goes to local streets and roads in direct apportionments and through grant opportunities. However, thousands of approved state and local SB 1 transportation projects are all at-risk, threatened by Proposition 6 which would repeal the law. Come learn from key state and local experts on what Prop. 6 means for your city

and the future of transportation in California.

#### Moderator:

Rony Berdugo, legislative representative, League of California Cities

#### Speakers:

- Will Kempton, former executive director, Transportation California
- Matt Robinson, legislative advocate, California Transit Association
- Kiana Valentine, senior legislative representative, California State Association of Counties

#### Reducing Homelessness in your Community: Where Do You Start?

Friday, Sept. 14, 8-9:15 a.m.

The League of California Cities, Institute for Local Government, and the California State Association of Counties released a report this year examining collaborative local solutions to address homelessness. Come hear about the findings of the report and dive into one component of the recommendations: Creating a homelessness plan. What will you do? Who will do it? How do we measure success? A homelessness plan provides direction for elected officials and staff as they make decisions about where to dedicate resources and offers a way to measure progress and success. Discover how three very different communities approached this important exercise.

#### Moderator:

Melissa Keuhne, communications manager, Institute for Local Government

#### Speakers:

- Emily Halcon, homeless services coordinator, Sacramennto
- Paul Navazio, city manager, Woodland
- Helene Schneider, regional coordinator, U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness

Online registration has ended, please register on-site. Full conference registration includes access to all general and educational sessions (except the City Clerks Workshop), Wednesday host-city reception, most networking events, Thursday lunch with exhibitors, and the Friday closing luncheon. Member city full conference registrations starts at \$575.

Visit <u>www.cacities.org/AC</u> for more information. If you have any questions, please send an email to <u>education@cacities.org</u>.

### League Testifies at Last Bureau of Cannabis Control Hearing on New Proposed Regulations

August 27, 2018

The Bureau of Cannabis Control (BCC) held its final of three public hearings today in Sacramento to discuss the recently released proposed regulations.

The League testified in opposition to several provisions in the regulations.

During the first public hearing on Aug. 7, the League was the only local government advocate in a series of testimony where most of the speakers expressed their support for the regulations or voiced no concerns.

The League's objections to the proposal focus on two main areas: the forced authorization of cannabis deliveries and establishing a 10-day "shot clock" to verify cannabis licenses. These provisions go against Proposition 64, which gives local governments the authority to determine whether or not they want to allow cannabis deliveries in their jurisdictions.

If approved, these proposed regulations could have serious consequences for cities. By removing the ability of local jurisdictions to reasonably regulate commercial cannabis, the BCC will be overturning the local control provisions crafted by proponents and supporters of Prop. 64.

#### **Cities Oppose Forced Deliveries**

The League, along with 80 cities, have formally submitted <u>letters in opposition</u> to both the forced authorization of cannabis delivery and 10-day shot clock provisions.

# Propositions 1 and 2 Rally Highlights the Need to Tackle State's Housing and Homelessness Crises

August 27, 2018

Just steps from the Capitol today, Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg stood with Sen. Jim Beall (D-San Jose), Assembly Member David Chiu (D-San Francisco), veterans, working families and other supporters of Propositions 1 and 2 on the November ballot.

Supported by a broad coalition that includes housing advocates, local governments, business and labor, the measures work together to address California's affordable housing and homelessness crises. Addressing both issues are top priorities for the League and the organization supported the legislation that led to these propositions.

The lack of affordable housing in California is one of the state's greatest challenges, along with the rising number of people in the state who find themselves homeless. Many Californians spend 30 percent or more on housing each month and one in three Californians are not able to afford their rent. In addition, the most current research found that 134,000 people are homeless in California.

Prop. 1 builds and provides affordable housing for veterans, working families, and seniors, while Prop. 2 focuses on helping people who are experiencing homelessness and suffering from a serious mental illness get off the streets and into housing and treatment.

"We don't have to look far to see how the lack of a stable home affects families and individuals, drains public safety resources and adversely affects our communities," said Mayor Steinberg. "With Prop. 2, we can provide critical housing paired with mental health services for people experiencing homelessness who also have a serious mental illness — for the well-being and health of these individuals and also for the good of our community."

"Proposition 1 will change and improve the lives of veterans, children and hardworking parents so they don't have to worry about where they are going to sleep at night, as we know so many Californians are struggling with in this epic affordable housing crisis we face," said Sen. Beall. "Voting yes on Prop. 1 helps put more people into stable, affordable homes and stem the rise of homelessness in our communities."

<u>Prop. 1, the Affordable Housing for Veterans, Families and Seniors Act</u>, is a \$4 billion bond to build and provide affordable housing and includes \$1 billion for veteran affordable housing. If passed, Prop. 1 will create 137,000 jobs and pump \$23.4 billion into California's economy.

Prop. 2, the Mental Health Care + Housing to End Homelessness Act, is a \$2 billion bond to provide up

to 20,000 permanent supportive housing units that combine housing with care that addresses mental health, substance abuse, medical and case management. Funding for the bond comes from 2004's Prop. 63, the Mental Health Services Act.

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