

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
November 5, 2015

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

I. PRIORITY AND COUNCIL AGENDA ISSUES

None.

II. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A. GARDEN GROVE 2015A LEASE REVENUE BONDS
Kingsley Okereke reports that Standard & Poor Rating Services (S&P) has raised the City's rating outlook.

- B. PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST LOG
Kathy Bailor provides a listing of public records requests for the month of October, 2015.

• **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: Garden Grove 2015A Lease
Revenue Bonds - Due Diligence
Meeting/Call

From: Kingsley Okereke
Dept: Finance
Date: November 3, 2015

As part of the refinancing process for the City's outstanding 2002 bonds, the City sought a credit assessment from a national credit rating agency, Standard & Poor's Rating Services ("S&P"). S&P had assigned the City of Garden Grove's Lease Revenue Bonds a rating of "A" with a stable outlook since 2002.

We are pleased to report that S&P has raised The City of Garden Grove rating outlook from "A" stable to "A" positive for the City's Lease Revenue Bonds. The positive outlook was based on some of the following factors, and reflects a favorable chance that the City can raise its rating within two years.

- Stabilizing budgetary performance and improving local economy;
- Very strong budgetary flexibility;
- Very strong liquidity; and
- Strong management, with good financial policies and practices under Standard & Poor's financial management assessment methodology.



Kingsley Okereke
Assistant City Manager/Finance Director

Attachment A: Standard & Poor's affirmation of rating.

ATTACHMENT "A"



One California Street, 31st Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111-5432
tel 415 371-5000
reference no.: 40125433

November 2, 2015

Garden Grove
11391 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, CA 92642
Attention: Mr. Kingsley Okereke, Chief Financial Officer

Re: *Garden Grove, California, Certificates Of Participation Bonds, Date of Delivery: April 09, 2002, Due: March 01, 2005-2015, 2017, 2022, 2026, 2032, Series 2002A*

Dear Mr. Okereke:

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("Ratings Services") hereby affirms its rating of "A" for the underlying rating (SPUR) on the above-listed obligations and changed the outlook to positive from stable. A copy of the rationale supporting the rating and outlook is enclosed.

This letter constitutes Ratings Services' permission for you to disseminate the above rating to interested parties in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. However, permission for such dissemination (other than to professional advisors bound by appropriate confidentiality arrangements) will become effective only after we have released the rating on standardandpoors.com. Any dissemination on any Website by you or your agents shall include the full analysis for the rating, including any updates, where applicable.

To maintain the rating, Standard & Poor's must receive all relevant financial and other information, including notice of material changes to financial and other information provided to us and in relevant documents, as soon as such information is available. Relevant financial and other information includes, but is not limited to, information about direct bank loans and debt and debt-like instruments issued to, or entered into with, financial institutions, insurance companies and/or other entities, whether or not disclosure of such information would be required under S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12. You understand that Ratings Services relies on you and your agents and advisors for the accuracy, timeliness and completeness of the information submitted in connection with the rating and the continued flow of material information as part of the surveillance process. Please send all information via electronic delivery to pubfin_statelocalgovt@standardandpoors.com. If SEC rule 17g-5 is applicable, you may post such information on the appropriate website. For any information not available in electronic format or posted on the applicable website,

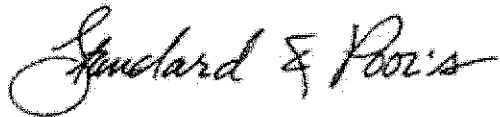
Please send hard copies to:

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services
Public Finance Department
55 Water Street
New York, NY 10041-0003

The rating is subject to the Terms and Conditions, if any, attached to the Engagement Letter applicable to the rating. In the absence of such Engagement Letter and Terms and Conditions, the rating is subject to the attached Terms and Conditions. The applicable Terms and Conditions are incorporated herein by reference.

Ratings Services is pleased to have the opportunity to provide its rating opinion. For more information please visit our website at www.standardandpoors.com. If you have any questions, please contact us. Thank you for choosing Ratings Services.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Standard & Poor's". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the organization.

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services

mv
enclosure

<u>1402</u> 10/29/15 Shelley A. Johnston	Business license for Lincoln Villa Apartment Homes, LLC at the time of 11/01/2014 Good afternoon,	Revenue Management	11/09/15 10/29/15
<u>1401</u> 10/29/15 Lauren Masterson <i>Dean Runyan Associates, Inc.</i>	Dean Runyan Associates is doing its yearly data collection on transient occupancy tax (TOT) collections for all jurisdictions in California. This information is used in the County Travel Impacts Report prepared for the California...	Revenue Management	11/09/15 10/29/15
<u>1400</u> 10/28/15 Mark Maust <i>API Investigations</i>	Dear Records Section: We rep Honda Motor Co as one of their accident investigators and we would like to request the fire incident report pertaining to a traffic accident that occurred in Garden Grove on 9/9/2013. The acc occurred at Valley View S...		11/06/15 10/28/15
<u>1399</u> 10/28/15 Rachel Fechser <i>Chapman University</i>	Copy of the most current expense/reimbursement reports for City Council, to include backup documents.	City Manager	11/06/15
<u>1398</u> 10/28/15 Rachel Fechser <i>Chapman University</i>	Copy of any and documents pertaining to \$52,000 for the Eastgate Park exercise equipment. Part of the 2014 Grant Funds from Community Action Partnership of Orange County. REF: 8342 GARDEN GROVE BLVD.	Community Serv	11/06/15 10/28/15
<u>1397</u> 10/27/15 Andrew Kim <i>ENCON Solutions, Inc.</i>	Copies of fire code violation history, hazardous materials disclosure, permits, and environmental records pertaining to the property located at 8342 Garden Grove Blvd. SECOND REQUEST:	Fire Prevention	11/06/15 10/29/15
<u>1396</u> 10/27/15 LexisNexis	Copy of the Incident Report for the fire that occurred at 13122 Jefferson Street A-D on July 6, 2015.		11/06/15 10/27/15
<u>1395</u> 10/26/15 Joshua Zachariah McIntosh	PDF copy of the 1986 Historic Resource Inventory Report (available in the Planning Division) approximately 150 pages RE: SR EA 102281239 3v Investment Group The Snowflake Factory 9904 Westminster Ave. Garden Grove, CA 92844-2909	Planning Serv	11/05/15 10/27/15
<u>1394</u> 10/23/15 Scott Schneider <i>State Board of Equalization</i>		Revenue Management	11/02/15 10/29/15

To Whom It May Concern,

Government Code Section 15618 provides the Board of Equalization (BOE) with the authority to examine...

I would like a copy of the incident report on 3/22/15 on the intersection of Westminster and Bushard

11/02/15 10/27/15

Please see the attached records request regarding:

1393 10/23/15 Chelsea Inthavong

1) Stale-dated/Un-Cashed Check Information

1392 10/23/15 Jeff Koch
Professional Finders

Fiscal Services 11/16/15

2) Cash Deposit, Performance Bonds/Cash Securities/Escrow Information

1391 10/23/15 Kristoffer Nocon

Building Serv 11/02/15 10/27/15

3) Property Tax Overpayments/Unclaimed Tax Lien Certificate Information

residential blueprints, requesting a copy of blueprints for the 3 bed room 2.5 bath model of the town homes in the somerset place community located on haster and chapman behind the vons shopping area.

1390 10/22/15 Terry Abruzzise /
Robert Johnson

Neighborhood Impr 11/02/15 10/23/15

Any and all open and closed code violations for the property located at 12231 Movius Drive, Garden Grove 92840

Copy of the Conditional Use Permit for Devonshire Village, Garden Grove, CA.

1389 10/22/15 Tammy Sherrin

Planning Serv 11/02/15

This was previously requested but had to be pulled and scanned from micro film. I was asked resubmit request.

The date of the last inspection by the Fire Department for 7422

1388 10/22/15 Ken Ledermann
A/E West Consultants Inc.

Fire Prevention 11/02/15 10/22/15

Chapman Avenue and whether there are any open fire code violations currently logged against the property.

Copy of Sully Miller Public Works contract for concrete, asphalt and center island construction on Valley View Street. I am sure it was part of a large contract for work they were doing in May 2015

1387 10/21/15 JORDAN SIMONS
Crescent Investments, Inc.

City Clerk 11/02/15 10/27/15

Can you send me the incident report for the fire that happened at my business, The Brickhouse on Main, 12941 Main St, Garden Grove, Ca 92844, on 9/27/15? I need this information ASAP so I can work with the insurance company. Thank you

1386 10/21/15 Dennis T Nguyen
The BrickHouse on Main

11/02/15 10/22/15

<u>1385</u> 10/21/15 Brian Dooley	The sidewalk in front of my residence is buckling at the seam between two sections of concrete sidewalk. It has been shaved in the past. There is at least 1-inch raised area that has caused tripping by pedestrians and falls from skateboarders. T...	City Clerk	10/21/15 10/21/15
<u>1384</u> 10/21/15 Chris 1974	May i please request the following documents: Proof of Publication for Council Meeting Agenda and Public Notice of meetings: April 24, 2012, January 17, 2012, November 8, 2011, August 23, 2011, August 9, 2011, July 19, 2011, October 14, 2008, ...	Comm Dev Mgmt City Clerk	11/02/15 10/21/15
<u>1383</u> 10/20/15 Chris Haire <i>Orange County Register</i>	Dear Denise, I would like to get the amount of hours and the cost to the city in police overtime during the 2015 Tet Festival, held from Feb. 20 to Feb. 22. Those costs, according to a contract, is being charged to the Vietnamese Community of So...	Fiscal Services	10/29/15 10/20/15
<u>1382</u> 10/20/15 Veronica Gomez	Copy of incident report G1406355 for a apartment fire that occurred on July 9, 2014, at the location of 9121 Trask Avenue Apt # 7.	Fire Admin	10/29/15 10/22/15
<u>1381</u> 10/20/15 Kevin Tarbell <i>Tarbell, Realtors</i>	I am requesting a formal documentation of rezoning or a "zoning verification letter" or any other relevant documents for the 12251 Nutwood Street, Garden Grove, CA 92840 property to confirm that years prior it was rezoned from commercial to R1 ...		10/29/15 10/20/15
<u>1380</u> 10/19/15 Melissa Borgel <i>Andersen Environmental</i>	This firm is performing a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment on a property located at the following address: 12711, 12721, and 12731 Brookhurst Street, Garden Grove, CA	Environmental Comp Fire Prevention	10/29/15 10/22/15
<u>1379</u> 10/19/15 Scott Schroeder	We are requesting any information from your department pertaining to... Copy of the incident report for an auto accident/fire that occurred near the intersection of Gilbert and Joyzelle on October 1, 2015, between 8:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.	Fire Prevention	10/29/15 10/22/15
<u>1378</u> 10/19/15 Bob Ackermann <i>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigations</i>	To obtain the Business License Application for Optimo A located at 13482 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92843.	Revenue Management	10/29/15 10/22/15
<u>1377</u> 10/19/15 Brad Austin	SUBJECT: PUBLIC RECORDS/OPRA/FOIA REQUEST	Fiscal Services	11/12/15

Pursuant to the laws and regulations regarding public information in your state, I hereby request:

I. A copy of any existing records showing such details as the depositor names, deposit amounts, d...

SUBJECT: 12951 GILBERT STREET

1376 10/19/15 Andrew Kim
ENCON Solutions, Inc.

Fire Prevention 10/29/15 10/22/15

Copies of fire code violation history, hazardous materials disclosure, permits, underground storage tanks, and any records of environmental concerns/issues of the site.

1375 10/19/15 Amanda
Garden Grove Chamber of
Commerce

Revenue 10/29/15 10/27/15
Management

Hello, I need a list of all large companies in Garden Grove. If possible please include company name, owner name, full address and phone number. Thank you.

Dear,

1374 10/19/15 Hiep
Ana Real Estate

Building Serv 10/29/15 10/22/15

I'm Hiep, a real estate agent at Ana Real Estate. I'm requesting a floor plan for the home at the address: 11351 Jacalene Lane, Garden Grove, Ca 92840.

SUBJECT: 11777 Harbor Blvd.

1373 10/15/15 Kara Chatham
AEI Consultants

Fire Prevention 10/26/15 10/22/15

Copies of hazardous materials disclosure, environmental records, and violations relating to underground storage and/or hazardous materials.

SUBJECT: 13225 Harbor Blvd.

1372 10/15/15 Kara Chatham
AEI Consultants

Fire Prevention 10/26/15 10/22/15

Copies of hazardous materials disclosure, environmental records, and violations relating to underground storage and/or hazardous materials.

SUBJECT: 13189 Harbor Blvd.

1371 10/15/15 Kara Chatham
AEI Consultants

Fire Prevention 10/26/15 10/22/15

Copies of hazardous materials disclosure, environmental records, and violations relating to underground storage and/or hazardous materials.

SUBJECT: 13185 Harbor Blvd.

1370 10/15/15 Kara Chatham
AEI Consultants

Fire Prevention 10/26/15 10/22/15

Copies of hazardous materials disclosure, environmental records, and violations relating to underground storage and/or hazardous materials.

1369 10/14/15 Elizabeth McGee
Martin

City Clerk 10/14/15 10/14/15

Divorce record

<u>1368</u>	10/14/15	GGCAS - Garden Grove Community Arts Society	Ray Gibb	Need the name of the Property Owner for 12919 Main St, Garden Grove, CA 92840, it is the building connected to Zlaket's to the North.	10/14/15
<u>1367</u>	10/14/15	Neighbor Of Garden Grove City	Hi Police of Garden Grove, Please check the Courtyard Villas 13923 Erin Street Garden Grove Ca 92844. The crime group had selling the marijuana to The Bolsa Grande Highschool. They had hung the pair of tennis shoes on electrical pole, between T... Hi Garden Grove Police Department, Please check the crime group, whom selling marijuana infront of The Bolsa Grande Highschool, located at 9401 Westminter Garden Grove Ca 92844. This group hang a pair of tennis shoes on the electrical pole come...	City Clerk	10/14/15
<u>1366</u>	10/14/15	Neighbor Of Garden Grove City	Request for public records for the Great Wolf Lodge 12628 Harbor Boulevard Garden Grove, CA	City Clerk	10/14/15
<u>1365</u>	10/13/15	Richard Salinas Southern California Labor Compliance	Copies of any and all open code and building violations for the property located at 8751 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove.	City Clerk Economic Dev	11/06/15
<u>1364</u>	10/13/15		Any reports, fire reports, photographs, logs, or recordings, regarding the Garden Grove Fire Department's response to a fire at 16300 Sandalwood Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708 on 9/8/15.	Neighbrhood Impr Building Serv	10/23/15
<u>1363</u>	10/13/15	Keith Connett Bowman and Brooke LLP	Hi am not asking for records I am asking for assistance & don't really know how about to do it . he live 3147 Casa Linda Ln Apt D Garden Grove Ca 92844 his cell phone 714-910-2855 - he has custody to take my grand son on weekends but he is a dea... I REQUEST A COPY OF BUSINESS DETAILS TO SUBMIT TO CALIFORNIA TAX BOARD TO SHOW THEM THAT MY BUSINESS HAS BEEN CLOSED SINCE 2010. PLEASE I NEED IT URGENTLY TO AVOID LEVY AND LIEN ON MY ACCOUNTS. BUSINESS NAME: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GIANT WHOLESA...	Fire Prevention	10/23/15
<u>1362</u>	10/12/15			City Clerk	10/22/15
<u>1361</u>	10/12/15	HABIB ISBER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GIANT WHOLESALE		Revenue Management	10/22/15

<p><u>1360</u> 10/12/15 HABIB ISBER</p>	<p>I REQUEST A COPY OF BUSINESS DETAILS TO SUBMIT TO CALIFORNIA TAX BOARD TO SHOW THEM THAT MY BUSINESS HAS BEEN CLOSED SINCE 2010. PLEASE I NEED IT URGENTLY TO AVOID LEVY AND LIEN ON CITY CLERK MY ACCOUNTS. BUSINESS NAME: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GIANT WHOLESA... Good Morning,</p>	<p>10/22/15 10/12/15</p>
<p><u>1359</u> 10/09/15 Robert Fellner <i>Transparent California</i></p>	<p>I am requesting a copy of Garden Grove's Employee Compensation Report for the 2014 year under the provisions of California Govt. Code §§ 6250 - 6270, the California Public Records Act.</p>	<p>10/19/15 10/19/15</p>
<p><u>1358</u> 10/08/15 Allen Quirk <i>Paraclete Fire & Safety, Inc.</i></p>	<p>Please be advised that our request can be ... I am requesting a copy of the Fire Department and/ or any other City report relating to : Kayes' Kitchen 12939 Main Street Garden Grove, CA 92840 This relates to their kitchen fire on Monday night September 28th at approximately 9:30 pm,</p>	<p>10/19/15 10/09/15</p>
<p><u>1357</u> 10/08/15 robert paul mccullough</p>	<p>hello my name is robert paul mccullough i would like a copy of my police report from 1970's to 1980's thank you please let me know rpm1963mc@yahoo.com thank you.</p>	<p>10/08/15 10/08/15</p>
<p><u>1356</u> 10/08/15 Aria Ghafari</p>	<p>I would like a copy of the settlement in the lawsuit that is resulting in district elections. Greetings, In connection with a due diligence research for refinancing, I would like to request information on any open or outstanding fire code violations/citations on the Hampton Inn hotel property located at 11747 Harbor Blvd. If there are op...</p>	<p>10/19/15 10/12/15</p>
<p><u>1355</u> 10/08/15 Jorge Berdin <i>AEI Consultants</i></p>	<p>Need all Building Permits (including, Electrical, Plumbing and Mechanical) for property located at 11581 Anabel Avenue, Garden Grove, California. Parcel Number 100-471-13</p>	<p>10/19/15 10/09/15</p>
<p><u>1354</u> 10/08/15 Carla Allred <i>EarthTouch, Inc.</i></p>	<p>Building Serv</p>	<p>10/19/15 10/09/15</p>

SUBJECT: 7422 Chapman Avenue, Garden Grove

1353 10/06/15 Antwonette Hill
Planning and Zoning
Resource Company

Good Afternoon,

Neighborhood
Impr 10/19/15 10/08/15

I am requesting copies of any open/active Zoning Violations for the property referenced above. I have attached our request form for your convenience. Please advise estimated turnar...

1352 10/06/15 Sheneetra Scroggins
PZR

Requesting copies of any open/active Building & Fire Code Violations for the property addressed 7422 Chapman Avenue with APN: 13166123. (our ref#: 88655-1)

Fire Prevention
Building Serv 10/19/15 10/14/15

1351 10/06/15 Mark S. Rosen
Attorney at
Law

See the attached records request regarding the Montoya settlement.

City Clerk 10/19/15 10/19/15

SUBJECT: GG Mayor's alleged recent GG Hyatt Hotel/union organization interaction(s) Sept/Oct 2015 - Potential/Possible Violations

Police Admn
Serv 10/15/15 10/15/15
City Manager

1350 10/05/15 Tony Flores

It has come to my attention that there was an alleged interaction/encounter between Mayor Bao Nguyen, the managem...

Dog bite incident on 9/18/15, in Garden Grove Ca
11881 Weaver Cir Garden Grove Ca

Fire Prevention 10/15/15 10/05/15

1349 10/05/15 Sarah Davis

I am requesting under the Freedom of Information Act, a complete list of all employees (current and former) that have relatives working for the City. I would like that ASAP.

Human
Resources 10/15/15 10/06/15

1348 10/05/15 Bruce Broadwater

Thank you very much.

Requesting for copies of any permits or records relating to hazardous materials and underground storage tanks for 10080 and 10180 Garden Grove, Garden Grove, CA 92842

1347 10/05/15 Sarah Ho
EPC Co

Fire Prevention 10/15/15 10/09/15

1346 10/05/15 Christopher Contreras
Department of
Criminology, Law &
Society; University of
California, Irvine

Complete longitudinal Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Part I crime point incident data, in electronic format (e.g., Excel file), from as far back as possible to the present day, with data containing information on the addresses where incidents took ...

Police Support
Serv 10/29/15 10/29/15

<u>1345</u> 10/05/15 Virginia Nevares <i>County of Orange - Birth Records</i>	Prehospital Care Report for an baby delivery on October 2, 2015, approximately 5:00 a.m., picked up at the location of 13195 Parklawn, Garden Grove. Patients name is Guadalupe Galindo.	Fire Prevention	10/15/15 10/05/15
<u>1344</u> 10/05/15 Steve Diaz	Please provide 2 reports (Incident and Investigation) for fire at 12161 Magnolia St., GG, CA. Incident #10341, 09-09-15, 1932. Thank you. Good Afternoon,	Fire Prevention	11/04/15
<u>1343</u> 10/05/15 Sandy Valladares <i>Level 2 Automation</i>	I would like to request a list of new businesses for the month of September 2015. Please include owners names and phone numbers. Please contact me if you have any questions.	City Clerk	10/15/15 10/06/15
<u>1342</u> 10/05/15 Linda Zamora	Thank you. Current City contract with trash collector Republic Services. Hello Staff,	City Clerk	10/15/15 10/06/15
<u>1341</u> 10/05/15 Maureen Blackmun <i>Garden Grove Neighborhood Association</i>	Could you please direct me to where I could find the history of Garden Grove's voting outcome when the voters passed a ballot measure to elect the mayor at large?	City Clerk	10/15/15 10/06/15
<u>1340</u> 10/05/15 Maureen Blackmun <i>Garden Grove Neighborhood Association</i>	Thank you, Hello Staff, Is there any police reports from Sept 29th to Oct 2, 2015 from the Hyatt Hotel on Chapman and Harbor in regards to public protest? If so, could I get a copy of that report?	Police Admn Serv Police Support Serv	10/15/15 10/15/15
<u>1339</u> 10/05/15 Erin Mills	Thank you. The salary for each of the last 5 years for the Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Garden Grove. Additionally, please provide the Total Compensation for each of the last 5 years for the Executive Director of the Housing Au...	Fiscal Services	10/15/15 10/05/15
<u>1338</u> 10/05/15 Steve Kunkle, CFEI <i>G4S Compliance and Investigations</i>	Requesting the incident report/investigation report for a structure fire located at 12939 Main Street, Garden Grove, CA 92840. Date of loss was 09/28/2015	Fire Prevention	10/15/15 10/05/15

1337 10/05/15 Allison Paul
CIRB

Building Serv 10/15/15 10/06/15

Issued building permit records for September 2015.

City of Garden Grove- Attention City Clerk
11222 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, CA 92840

1336 10/01/15 Dan Clark / Qui Mai
*The Business Software
Centre Limited*

Information Systems 10/26/15 10/15/15

Dear Sir/ Madam:

Under the California Public Records Act § 6250 et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records as...

1335 10/01/15 Bennie

City Clerk 10/12/15 10/06/15

please send New Business Listing for Sept. 1st-Oct 1st

1334 10/01/15 Chris Davis
Market Force One

Revenue Management 10/12/15 10/06/15

request for September "new business list" email in Excel format

thank you

Dawson St and Westminster Ave
1. Traffic Signal Timing Sheet(s)

2. Traffic Signal Design Plan or As-Built

1333 10/01/15 Bill Shao

Engr Services 10/12/15 10/01/15

Request is for these records that were in-effect on Tuesday, August 13, 2013

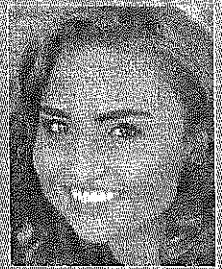
Weekly Memo 11/05/15

**NEWSPAPER
ARTICLES**



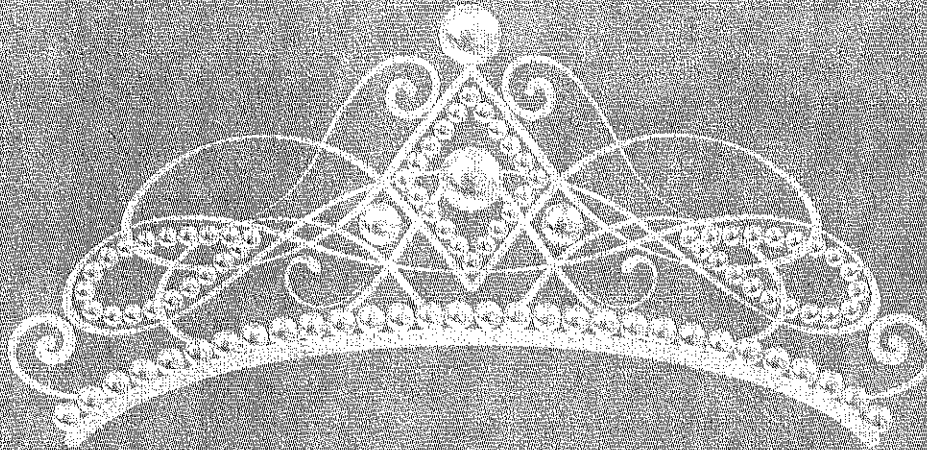
Kaetlyn Agatep

Age: 20
School: Golden West College
Major: Nursing
Talent: Jazz vocal, "Almost There"
Platform: It's On Us, an organization advocating sexual assault prevention
Sponsor: Weimer and Associates



Raena Ramirez

Age: 19
School: Golden West College
Major: Psychology
Talent: Jazz acro, "Burning Up"
Platform: Women's empowerment through sports
Sponsor: Ric and Susan Lerma



WHO WILL BE MISS GARDEN GROVE?



Cassandra Hayek

Age: 17
School: Pacifica High School
Planned major: Music
Talent: Pop vocal/piano, "Titanium"
Platform: Save the Music Foundation, which wants to increase the availability of music education
Sponsor: Garden Grove Rotary Club



Arianna Valverde

Age: 20
School: Orange Coast College and Loyola Marymount
Major: Accounting/finances
Talent: Pop vocal, "I Have Nothing"
Platform: Advocating for homeless intervention centers
Sponsor: Orange County Ophthalmology

By CHRIS HAIRE • STAFF WRITER

They say, heavy lies the crown - so after a year of extra weight, Shannon Galpault's head should feel significantly lighter after Saturday evening.

That's because she will pass off the Miss Garden Grove title and tiara to one of 10 competitors during this year's pageant.

The Miss Garden Grove Scholarship Pageant is open to girls age 17 to 20; the contest's goal is to choose a winner to represent Garden Grove for the next year who is poised, well-spoken and thoughtful, talented and fit. The winner also will get a \$1,000 scholarship.

Miss Garden Grove attends city functions, such as the annual Strawberry Festival, and Chamber of Commerce events as an ambassador for the city. She also will advance to the Miss California competition.

Seven teens, ages 13 to 16, will compete alongside the older girls Saturday night for the title of Miss Outstanding Teen 2016. The winner also advances to the state pageant.

Before the contests kicks off, here is your chance to meet the candidates for Miss Garden Grove and Miss Outstanding Teen.

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Meet the Miss Teen contestants.



Kilee Holroyd

Age: 19
 School: Cal State Fullerton
 Major: Criminal justice, with a minor in law, politics and society
 Talent: Contemporary dance, "First"
 Platform: S.O.S. - Save Our Soldiers
 Sponsor: Garden Grove Firefighters Local 2005



Jessica Jenkins

Age: 20
 School: Cal State Fullerton
 Major: Child and adolescent development
 Talent: Lyrical dance, "Gone, Gone, Gone"
 Platform: Operation Shower, which supports military families
 Sponsor: Garden Grove Women's Division

Lily Mooney

Age: 19
 School: Chapman University
 Major: Biological sciences
 Talent: Lyrical dance, "Night-ingale"
 Platform: Be humane, save a furry friend
 Sponsor: Garden Grove Lions Club



Kayla Pham

Age: 17
 School: Rancho Alamitos High School
 Planned major: Business
 Talent: Classical piano, "Solfeggietto"
 Platform: Women's empowerment
 Sponsor: Widdicombe Enterprises/McDonalds



Emily Vu

Age: 19
 School: Golden West College
 Major: Undeclared
 Talent: Theatrical vocal, "Don't Forget Me"
 Platform: Face the Music Foundation, which is dedicated to beating addiction
 Sponsor: The Colony of Performing Arts

Angelynne Vivar

Age: 17
 School: Irvine Valley College
 Major: Undeclared
 Talent: Pop vocal, "Your Song"
 Platform: Active parenting and keeping children out of the middle during parenting conflicts
 Sponsor: Garden Grove Elks Lodge No. 1952

If you go

When: 6:30 p.m. Saturday
 Where: M3 Live Anaheim Event Center, 2232 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim
 Cost: \$20 at the door; \$5 for parking
 More info: missgardengrove.org

Competition categories

Talent: 35 percent of total score
 Interview skills: 25 percent
 Evening wear: 20 percent
 Physical fitness: 15 percent
 On-stage question: 5 percent

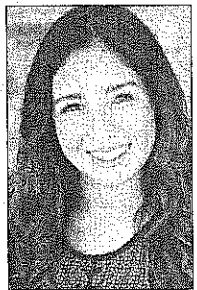
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MISS TEEN CANDIDATES



Holly Dickerson

Age: 14
 School: Pacifica High School
 Grade: Nine
 Talent: Lyrical dance, "Sweater Weather"
 Platform: Finding a cure for Ehlers-Danlos, a tissue disorder
 Sponsor: California Fuels and Lubricants



Emily Garcia

Age: 15
 School: Garden Grove High School
 Grade: 10
 Talent: Jazz dance, "All That Jazz"
 Platform: American Lung Association: "Fighting for Air"
 Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Greater Garden Grove



Heather Leffler

Age: 16
 School: Garden Grove High School
 Grade: 11
 Talent: Character dance, "Diamonds"
 Platform: Beyond beauty: Promoting positive self-image
 Sponsor: Farmers and Merchants Bank



Madison McCurdy

Age: 14
 School: St. John the Baptist Catholic School
 Grade: Eight
 Talent: Classical Piano, "Songs Without Words Opus 19, No. 1"
 Platform: Ending childhood obesity
 Sponsor: Louie's on Main



Megan Smith

Age: 15
 School: Pacifica High School
 Grade: Tenth
 Talent: Lyrical/contemporary dance, "Who You Are"
 Platform: Dance Abilities, for those with disabilities
 Sponsor: West County Goodyear



Jenna Tower

Age: 16
 School: Pacifica High School
 Grade: 11
 Talent: Roller skating, "Footloose"
 Platform: American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
 Sponsor: Grove Body Shop



Kylie Wilson

Age: 13
 School: Bell Intermediate School
 Grade: Eight
 Talent: Theatrical vocal, "Part of Your World"
 Platform: Preventing domestic violence
 Sponsor: Giuliano's Specialty Foods

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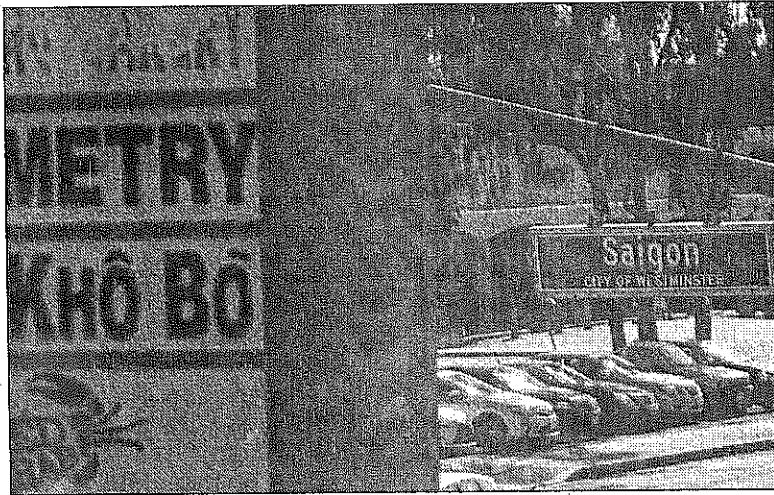
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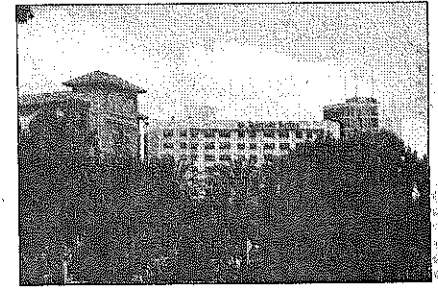
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BY CHRIS HAIRE | STAFF WRITER



In "Terror in Little Saigon" reporter A.C. Thompson reopens an investigation into the murders of five journalists in Little Saigons around the country.

ANA VENEGAS,
FILE PHOTO



JEBB HARRIS, FILE PHOTO

Hotels will no longer have to keep printed registries in Garden Grove.

No more ink registers for hoteliers

Garden Grove is bringing the portion of its municipal code dealing with hotels into the 21st century - and aligning itself with a recent U.S. Supreme Court decree.

The City Council recently nixed a portion of Garden Grove's municipal code that required hotels to ink the names and addresses of whoever stayed there in a physical register, though most lodgings have for years checked people in electronically.

The council also struck a portion of its laws that said hotels had to make those registers available to police officers for inspection upon demand, without a warrant.

For years, the city has had these laws on the books to deter drug dealing and prostitution at hotels and motels. Staffers decided requiring print guest registers was outdated, according to a city report.

As for forcing hoteliers to show the guest registers to police: The Supreme Court decided that was unconstitutional in June when it ruled on City of Los Angeles v. Patel.

DOCUMENTARY RECALLS WAVE OF VIOLENCE IN LITTLE SAIGON

One died of smoke inhalation after his apartment was firebombed.

Another was shot seven times.

And a third was hit with a single bullet to his pulmonary artery.

They all had three things in common: They were Vietnamese Americans, they were journalists, and their killers were never brought to justice.

In "Terror in Little Saigon" - a new documentary by PBS' Frontline and an investigative news website, ProPublica - reporter A.C. Thompson reopens an investigation into a violent moment in the Vietnamese

American story:

Between 1981 and 1990, five journalists were murdered - perhaps by a radical Vietnamese organization dedicated to restarting a war in the homeland to overtake the Communist government. The journalists, living in Little Saigons from Houston to Orange County, were critical of the organization, known as the Front (The firebomb victim was a Garden Grove resident).

"Terror in Little Saigon" was scheduled to first air at 10 p.m. Tuesday on PBS, but is available online. ProPublica also published an article Tuesday.

Gabriela Mafi was named Woman of the Year.



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Superintendent a Woman of the Year

Saturday will be a big day for the superintendent of the Garden Grove Unified School District.

Gabriela Mafi, who has been in charge since 2013, is one of eight people to receive Women of the Year awards from the Santa Ana chapter of the League of United Latin American Citizens.

Mafi, a first-generation college graduate who grew up in urban Los Angeles, won the

award in the education category.

She has overseen several district initiatives aimed at increasing academic success, helping students in poor socio-economic situations succeed, and preparing and motivating all students to be college and career ready.

The award ceremony will be at 6 p.m. on Saturday at The Ebell Club, 625 N. French St., in Santa Ana.

City honors late police sergeant

After decades of serving the Garden Grove community, former police Sgt. Bruce Beauchamp had his moment in the sun.

Last week, the city added Beauchamp's name to the Juvenile Justice Center and unveiled a bronze plaque there in his honor.



Beauchamp

Beauchamp, who died in 2014, spent 30 years with the Police Department. After he retired, he continued to work with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove, which partners with the city to run the newly named Bruce Beauchamp Juvenile Justice Center. He also worked with several local organizations and was named the city's Man of the Year in 1985.

The Juvenile Center provides services to at-risk youths and families, can counsel people "in the wake of devastation and uncertainty when they lose a family member or everything they owned," according to a release from the department.

Villicana, who in 1991 opened Praise Chapel Fullerton with his wife, Elizabeth, will be on call 24 hours a day to help when needed. He has already gone out on several calls to counsel Garden Grove residents.

The church moved this year to 915 W. Imperial Highway in Brea and became Fire House Church. The church's motto is: "Win souls for Christ, build fruitful disciples and release trained leaders into ministry."

Villicana is also the chaplain for Brea and Fullerton fire departments.

"Fernando has provided his service to countless families, during times of crisis," Garden Grove Fire Chief Tom Schultz said in a statement. "And we're fortunate to have him in our organization."

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Before his band competes, Westminster High School band master Kim Long Vo, left, leads them in singing songs as preparation.

KEEPING THE BEAT

Marching bands from Pacifica, Westminster, Bolsa Grande and La Quinta high schools recently traveled to Capistrano Valley High School in Mission Viejo for its 39th annual Field Show, part of the California State Marching Band Championship Series.

By way of preparation, Westminster High School band master Kim Long Vo lead his marchers in song before the competition.

"Singing makes us play better," explained band member Miguel Jimenez.

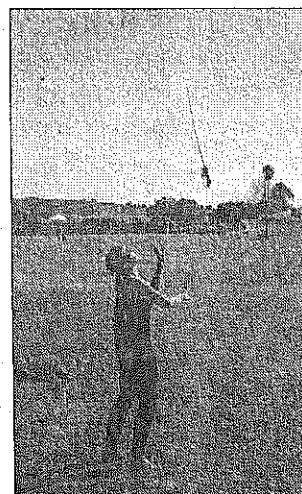
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Awaiting the judges' decision, some Westminster High School band members hug each other.



Westminster High's player Niki Nguyen gets encouragement.



Kathie Huynh of Westminster High School practices twirling a saber.

Hear the music

Want to check out the marching bands of Garden Grove? The school district is hosting a showcase on Nov. 18. The marching bands will perform their field shows. The event is a fundraiser for the school bands.

When: 7 to 9 p.m. on Nov. 18

Where: Bolsa Grande High School Stadium, 9401 Westminster Ave., Garden Grove

Cost: \$7 at the gate; \$5 presale if purchased ahead from a band member or the school

City keeps red-light cameras for now

By CHRIS HAIRE
STAFF WRITER

It seems as though red-light cameras will be sticking around in Garden Grove for a while longer.

On yet another 3-2 vote over what has become a controversial debate about the effectiveness of the cameras, the City Council recently opted to continue its contract with Redflex Traffic Systems. Los Alamitos is the only other Orange County city with a redlight camera program.

Garden Grove, which in June automatically extended its contract with Redflex for another three years, pays \$2,900 a month for 11 approaches - an approach is one direction heading into an intersection; an intersection typically has four approaches.

The city receives cameras for three other approaches free of charge.

"I think it does add quite an element of safety," Councilman Kris Beard said at the last week's meeting. "I think we should keep it in place."

In June, Mayor Bao Nguyen asked staffers to report on the effectiveness of red-light cameras. The city has since grappled with whether they are a deterrent or merely a way to fill the city's coffers.

Garden Grove can cancel its contract with Redflex at any time, but must give the company a 30-day notice, according to a staff report.

At a meeting in August, city staff defended the program - arguing that the cameras

have reduced broadside collisions, which are the most dangerous type of crash, and has allowed police to more easily prove in court that someone has run a red light.

But at that meeting, Jay Beeber, who runs Safer Streets L.A., an organization opposed to red-light cameras, presented a different set of statistics than what came from the city's Engineering and Police departments - arguing, instead, that the cameras increased rear-end collisions.

The differences, both sides admitted, were because of varying methodologies.

Nguyen and the rest of the council told staffers to go back and compare their study with Beeber's and report back.

The report came back last week and Nguyen and Councilman Phat Bui were still not happy.

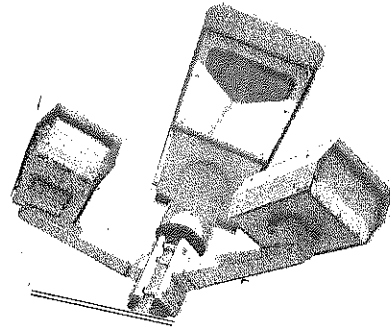
"I do not see how cameras actually make anyone safer," Nguyen said. "Education helps increase safety. A camera doesn't do anything."

Beeber, who spoke during public comment, said, "The benefit of the system is not borne out in the statistics."

But staffers defended the program in a report, "We can safely conclude that an increase in rear-end collisions does not negate the safety and economic benefits of a reduction in broadside collisions."

"We're not in this to make money," Police Chief Todd Elgin said. "It holds people accountable for running red lights and that's the most important thing."

Councilmen Steve Jones and Chris Phan sided with Beard in the majority.



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CHINESE MOM'S DEATH RULED NEGLIGENCE

Husband and sons get
\$5.2 million from
Garden Grove Hospital
and an obstetrician.

By **JENNA CHANDLER**
STAFF WRITER

A jury found a Garden Grove obstetrician negligent Monday in the death of a 26-year-old mother from China, finding he abandoned his patient in an intensive care unit after she had bled profusely.

Jurors awarded her husband, Yuanda Hong, and their two young sons about \$2 million in damages. Before the trial, Garden Grove Hospital Medical Center settled for \$3.2 million.

The verdict, which Hong called "justice," ends a seven-week trial described by Orange County Superior Court Judge James Di Cesare as "very emotional." Jurors viewed pictures of the mother, Ling Nie, and of the couple together and with their older, 4-year-old son.

SEE MOTHER •

“

She is the most beautiful. It's hard to believe my wife bled to death. It's unbelievable.”

YUANDA HONG

Yuanda Hong holds a picture of his wife, Ling Nie, and their first child after a hearing at the Orange County Central Justice Center in Santa Ana on Monday. Nie died due to complications following a C-section to deliver the family's second child.



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After the verdict, obstetrician Long-Dei Liu denied doing anything wrong.

"I'm very sorry for the patient," the obstetrician said. "I wouldn't leave a patient who was not stable. Impossible."

Nie and Hong, who met in junior high school, lived apart in China; he is an architect and she was a financial executive. They decided she should come to Orange County after searching the Internet for the best places to give birth in the U.S.

"She is the most beautiful," Hong said. "It's hard to believe my wife bled to death. It's unbelievable."

Hong said they were lured by the United States' reputation for having "the best medical services."

For hundreds of other expectant parents in China, a journey to Southern California means more than top-notch medical care. Some pay up to \$50,000 to companies touting American citizenship, free education and other perks for U.S.-born babies.

It is legal for a foreigner to give birth in the U.S., but in March, federal agents raided at least 20 residences in Southern California, including an apartment complex near John Wayne Airport, to crack down on the growing practice of maternity tourism.

It does not appear Hong and Nie had ties to any of those companies, but Liu is listed on Chinese websites catering to mothers interested in giving birth in the U.S.

The couple's dream of a healthy delivery in a "good environment" went tragically awry.

Late in the night of March 9, 2014, Liu delivered the couple's healthy, 4-pound baby boy. The procedure went smoothly until a nurse massaged Nie's uterus, releasing a gush of blood, according to Hong's attorney. Nie was suffering postpartum hemorrhage, one of the leading causes of death for pregnant women.

About 2 1/2 hours later, after ordering medicine and four units of packed red blood cells and inserting a balloon to control the bleeding, Liu transferred Nie to the intensive care unit, where she could be monitored overnight.

He stayed with Nie for 15 minutes to reinsert the balloon, which had dislodged, then went home, believing, he said, he would be notified if her condition worsened. But the doctor left the observation to nurses.

Before Liu left, he did not check her vitals, he testified in court. He did not need to, he testified, because her bleeding had stopped and she was awake and able to talk. He did not note that in her medical chart.

Hong's attorney, Neil Howard, said the doctor should have done more.

"What's the worst thing the doctor can do in that situation? He left his patient," Howard said.

Hong and his attorney said the doctor should not have left - what if his wife started bleeding again and needed emergency surgery? They argued Nie was not actually stable when Liu left; her fingernails were blue and her heart rate was up.

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The nurses did call Liu at home about two hours later. It was 3:14 a.m. and Nie was code blue. She required an oxygen mask to breathe. Her heart rate had slowed to just 44 beats per minute.

Liu arrived in 14 minutes, but Nie's condition continued to deteriorate. Her family took her off life support three days later.

"I feel terrible that a young woman died. I feel so sorry to have lost one of my patients and that I could not help prevent her death," Liu said. "I understand the jury has sympathy for the patient's family. I have sympathy for them too."

But Liu maintains he treated Nie within the standard of medical care and blames the nurses for not calling him sooner.

"My biggest issue was he did not write anything down," said juror Elgine Rodriguez, 26. "So all we got was his word against everyone else's."

"He should have stayed."

Reporters Scott Schwebke and Roxana Kopetman contributed to this story.

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Two groups join forces in bid to host Tet festival

The new application could compete with one from the host of the past two festivals in Garden Grove.

By CHRIS HAIRE
STAFF WRITER

GARDEN GROVE • Shortly before City Hall closed Thursday, two organizations filed a joint application to host a Tet festival in Garden Grove Park in February – just ahead of the deadline.

Meanwhile, the group that hosted the festival the past two years, the Vietnamese Community of Southern California, may decide as early as this weekend whether to keep its application alive; it owes the city about \$27,000 from this year's festival.

With city officials wary of

dealing with the Vietnamese Community of Southern California, it looked increasingly likely in recent weeks that Little Saigon could be without a Lunar New Year celebration for the first time in 30 years.

Now, the City Council could have two proposals before it at the Nov. 10 meeting, said Kim Huy, the city's Community Services director.

"I love choices," Mayor Bao Nguyen said. "I'm hopeful we can find some way to offer the community a space where we can celebrate the culture in our city."

Huy said staffers would investigate the ability of the applicants to host a festival, and then present the proposals to the council – without offering a recommendation.

"We want the kids to know about our culture," said Richard Bui, chairman of the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces Association in Southwestern USA, which would hold the festival with the Tran Hung Dao Foundation.

Bui noted that his group used to help the Union of Vietnamese Student Associations when it hosted its festival in Garden Grove. "We have the experience and the relationship with the vendors."

Over the past few days, the Vietnamese Community of Southern California

has been trying to get Garden Grove officials to soften their stance on letting the group host the festival again.

"We want to work with the city," said Hoa Nguyen, the chairman for the past two Garden Grove Tet festivals.

"We want to pay what we owe and maintain a good relationship with the city."

And the talks seem to be working.

"It's certainly taken me back from the ledge," Councilman Chris Phan, who had lunch Thursday with an official from the Vietnamese Community of Southern California, said prior to the filing of the second application.

"I am definitely willing to work with them."

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Doctor lost hospital privileges after patient's death

The obstetrician found negligent in a civil trial this week is no longer on staff at Garden Grove Hospital.

By JENNA CHANDLER
STAFF WRITER

Garden Grove Hospital and Medical Center pulled the privileges of an obstetrician after one of his patients, a 26-year-old mother

from China, died of complications from a C-section last spring.

On Monday, a civil jury found Dr. Long-Dei Liu negligent in the woman's death. Her 29-year-old husband and their two sons, ages 4 and 1, were awarded about \$2 million in damages.

A hospital spokeswoman said Liu was let go along with at least one of the nurses who cared for Ling Nie in the intensive care unit.

"The physician is no longer on staff and the nurses

are no longer employed," spokeswoman Elizabeth Niekels said.

She would not say when they were let go.

Nie died at the hospital four days after delivering her son. She had developed complications from postpartum hemorrhage. Her husband filed a wrongful death and medical malpractice lawsuit, arguing that Liu left Nie's bedside in the ICU too soon and without first checking her vital signs.

Before the seven-week

trial got underway, the hospital settled for \$3.2 million.

Liu, who said he specializes in treating multicultural patients, argued that Nie was stable when he went home. He blamed the nurses for waiting too long to summon him back to the hospital.

The verdict has not affected Liu's medical license. He has a clean record with the Medical Board of California and is still practicing out of an office in Garden Grove.

Some see ghost campaigns in race for Sanchez's seat

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The publicity could help cement name recognition for supervisorial bids.



MARTIN WISCKOL
STAFF COLUMNIST

Perhaps it's the time of year.

A couple of political observers have told me they see ghost campaigns wafting in the background of the race to fill the seat being vacated by Rep. **Loretta Sanchez**, the Orange Democrat running for U.S. Senate.

There are four Democrats running and at least three of them won't be headed for Congress. At least two could be running ghost campaigns - that is, using the publicity of their House bids to help build name recognition for eventual campaigns for county supervisor.

Former state Sens. **Lou Correa** and **Joe Dunn** probably have broader name ID among voters, thanks to having represented larger geographic areas than Anaheim Councilman **Jordan Brandman** or Garden Grove Mayor **Bao Nguyen**. Both Brandman and Nguyen will be able to run for re-election to their current posts in November if they don't advance out of the June primary for Congress.

But if Nguyen is unable to gain traction in his House race before the March 11 filing deadline, he could file paperwork to challenge central county Supervisor **Andrew Do** instead. Republican Do won his office in a low-turnout special elec-

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tion in January and was elected by just 43 votes over Correa. March 11 is also the filing deadline to run for supervisor.

With Democratic turnout likely to be much stronger in a regularly scheduled election featuring a presidential primary than in the January special election, Do could be vulnerable against a strong Democratic candidate. While the race is nonpartisan, it can be driven by party loyalties, and Democrats have a 12.5 percentage point advantage in the district's voter registration.

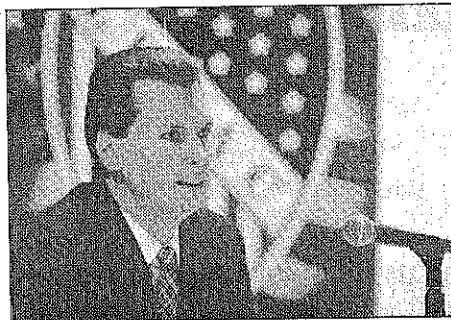
Indeed, even Correa or Dunn could decide to run for supervisor and emerge as the front-runner if things are looking uphill in the House race.

BRANDMAN'S OPTIONS

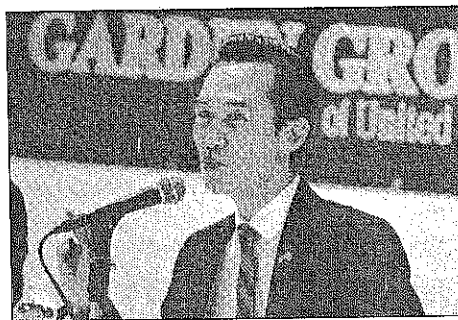
Brandman will have easier choices. If he loses his House bid, he can run for re-election to the Anaheim council in November and then run for supervisor in 2018 - that's when **Shawn Nelson**, the supervisor representing Anaheim, will be termed out.

Of course, the dancing in the House race would likely draw to a quick end should Sanchez decide to seek re-election rather than continue her Senate run. She too has until March 11 to make her final decision and would be a shoo-in to retain her current seat.

Sanchez continues to trail Attorney General **Kamala Harris** in polling for the seat being vacated by



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Anaheim City Councilman Jordan Brandman is among four Democrats in the race to fill the seat being vacated by Rep. Loretta Sanchez

Garden Grove Mayor Bao Nguyen is also among the Democrats vying for the House seat.

retiring Sen. Barbara Boxer: A Field survey in early October found 30 percent favoring Harris, 17 percent preferring Sanchez and 34 percent undecided.

Harris also leads in fundraising. And in a setback for Sanchez, the nation's largest Spanish-language newspaper - La Opinion - endorsed Harris on Oct. 26.

GOP'S LONG SHOT

Irvine Councilwoman **Lynn Schott** is the only Republican I've heard of taking formal steps toward a candidacy, with a website and a modest campaign account (\$3,900 raised as of the end of the most recent filing period). She doesn't live in the district - which includes Santa Ana, Anaheim and parts of Garden Grove and Orange - but district residency isn't a requirement for Congress.

During the summer,

Schott emailed me that she had not decided whether to run.

Democrats have a 20-percentage point advantage in voter registration, yet the state's top-two open primary offers the GOP a glimmer of hope if they field two strong candidates.

In the 2012 primary, four Democrats and two Republicans faced off in the Inland Empire's 31st Congressional District, where Democrats had a 5-point edge in voter registration. Democrats split the vote and the two Republicans advanced to November, with **Gary Miller** winning the seat.

But in Sanchez's district, the hill is much steeper for the GOP, which trails Democrats by nearly 20 points.

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State starts crackdown

on water guzzlers

“We’re in the position of having to prepare for drought and flooding at the same time, but that’s what we’re faced with.”

FELICIA MARCUS
CHAIRWOMAN, STATE WATER BOARD

But state regulators for the first time slapped \$61,000 fines on four water suppliers, including the city of Beverly Hills, for failing to do their part in the historic drought.

“Up and down the state, residents and water suppliers are making the necessary sacrifices needed to help California meet its conservation goals. Some urban water suppliers, however, simply have not

met the requirements laid before them,” said Cris Carrigan, director of the Office of Enforcement for the State Water Resources Control Board. “For these four suppliers, it’s been too

little too late to achieve their conservation standard.”

The hefty fines against Beverly Hills, Indio, Redlands and the Coachella Valley Water District mark

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Newport readies notices to top water wasters; fines may follow.

By JODIE TILLMAN
STAFF WRITER

Californians once again exceeded state conservation mandates, cutting water use by more than 26 percent in September.

a new phase in the mandatory conservation effort, which requires communities cut water use by 25 percent compared with 2013 levels. Officials said those four relatively large suppliers consistently have missed their targets by a wide margin.

Other districts that don’t pick up their game could be next.

“Realistically, they may not be the last of the fines,”

Carrigan told reporters in a conference call.

Orange County residents saved, on average, 29 percent in September when compared with the same month in 2013. Nearly all communities met or beat their conservation targets. Districts that are the heaviest users must cut the most under the plan, which set targets of 8 percent to

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36 percent to reach the statewide goal of 25 percent.

Newport Beach is faring worst locally, falling short of its savings target by 6 percent since June. George Murdoch, the municipal operations director, said the city has distributed educational material but is now taking more significant enforcement steps. Next week, notices of violation will go out to top water wasters, the worst 100 single-family homes and 50 commercial properties.

Owners will have between 30 days and 60 days to cut water use or face fines, which start at \$100.

Nearly 7,000 Newport Beach homeowners are failing to meet their own benchmarks; some of them are as much as 200 percent over their targets, he said. Murdoch said he'll be asking city leaders for the money to hire two new code enforcement officers.

"I think there's more that we can do," he said.

Statewide, 49 water suppliers are missing their target by between 5 percent and 15 percent.

Felicia Marcus, chairwoman of the state water board, noted that water use is highest in the summer months and now is expected to decline. But officials are keeping up the conservation push, saying Californians should not count on El

O.C. water cuts

Here are the cuts in water use reported by local water suppliers for September compared with two years earlier, vs. their state-mandated targets.

Supplier	Target%	% savings in Sept.
Anaheim	20	23.7
Brea	24	32.6
Buena Park	20	31.5
City of Orange	28	29.7
East Orange County Water District	36	41.8
El Toro Water District	24	31.1
Fountain Valley	20	27
Fullerton	28	27.1
Garden Grove	20	29.3
Golden State Water Co. Placentia	24	29.9
Golden State Water Cowan Heights	36	39.7
Golden State Water Co. West Orange	16	27.6
Huntington Beach	20	26.7
Irvine Ranch Water District	16	12.8
La Habra	28	22.4
La Palma	20	30.3
Laguna Beach	24	24.5
Mesa Water District	20	17.8
Moulton Niguel Water District	20	26.2
Newport Beach	28	20.1
San Clemente	24	30
San Juan Capistrano	28	27.7
Santa Ana	12	21.3
Santa Margarita	24	30
Seal Beach	8	27.1
Serrano Water District	36	43.6
South Coast Water District	24	30
Trabuco Canyon Water District	28	37
Tustin	28	34.7
Westminster	20	20.1
Yorba Linda Water District	36	41.6

Source: Sept. 2015 water conservation report

STAFF GRAPHIC

Niño as a cure for the drought.

Marcus said heavy rain in Southern California would have little impact on the Sierra Nevada snowpack that is so critical to the state's water supply.

"We need to keep it up as best we can, even as we hope for as much rain and snow as we can safely handle," she said. "We're in the

position of having to prepare for drought and flooding at the same time, but that's what we're faced with."

Officials say residents should switch to watering once a week. Watering is prohibited during the 48 hours following rainfall.

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New chaplain: Pastor Fernando Villicana is the Fire Department's new voluntary chaplain and will provide counseling and spiritual help during difficult times, such as if a family's home burns down. The department recently started the chaplain program because many of the calls its firefighters respond to take a toll on community members and first responders.

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Name change: The city on Thursday added former police Sgt. Bruce Beauchamp's name to the Juvenile Justice Center and unveiled a bronze plaque there in his honor. Beauchamp, who died in 2014, spent 30 years with the Police Department. He also worked with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove, which helps run Bruce Beauchamp Juvenile Justice Center.

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Veterans Day: City Hall and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center will be closed on Nov. 11, Veterans Day. There will be no street sweeping that day, but there will be trash pickup. Street sweeping will continue as scheduled the rest of the week.

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Community study: Re:Imagine Garden Grove: Community in Motion, an in-depth study of the city's downtown area, will be presented at the Thursday Planning Commission meeting. In 2013, the city partnered with landscape architecture students from Cal Poly Pomona to do the study. The meeting is at 6:30 p.m. in the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main St.

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He helps: James Amato of Garden Grove will be honored as the Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser on National Philanthropy Day, Nov. 19. The Orange County Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals holds the event. He was recognized for his work with Sertoma, which helps people with hearing loss.

Chris Haire, 714-704-3707
chaire@ocregister.com

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Nov. 5, 2015

GARDEN GROVE

Lampshades: The decorative lampshades that covered the streetlights along Main Street during the open streets event are available on eBay for \$50. Andrew Kanzler, the vice president of the Garden Grove Community Foundation, created the lampshades. You can find them by searching for "Garden Grove Community Foundation."

Chris Haire, 714-704-3707

Community Calendar

Ongoing

Overachievers, check this out! Achievers Club 9331 is hosting communication and leadership meetings featuring professional speakers at the Crystal Cathedral Tower of Hope, 12141 Lewis St. Meetings will be held every Thursday except during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's holiday weeks. For more information, call Barbara Barrientas at 714-971-4123, e-mail bbarrientas@crystalcathedral.org or visit www.orgsites.com/ca/achievers9331.

Chamber holds Friday meetings
The Garden Grove Chamber's Governmental Affairs Committee meets the second Friday of the month from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave. in Garden Grove. For more information, call the chamber at 714-638-7950.

Grief support
The Grief Share Support Group is for mothers who have lost children of every age. The group meets Thursday evenings at 12831 Olive St., Garden Grove. For more information, call 714-

892-1520 or 714-343-7516.

Learn about Alzheimer's
The Alzheimer's Association of Orange County hosts a support group to provide an opportunity to meet other caregivers and families, share experiences and exchange ideas. These meetings are free and open to all caregivers and family members of individuals with dementia. All groups listed are in compliance with chapter and national standards. This is a faith-based meeting and may include prayer or pastoral speaker, and will take place at 1 p.m. Saturdays at the Crystal Cathedral Arboretum, 12141 Lewis St. in Garden Grove. For more information, call Peggy Woelke at 714-634-2161.

Dance Center hosts social
Join the staff of the Cedarbrook Dance Center for nights of square dancing, line dancing, round dancing (pre-choreographed social dancing) and salsa. The Dance Center is at 12812 Garden Grove Blvd. For more information on classes, call Eileen Silvia at (949) 637-4169.
Eco-friendly storytime

Family storytime all through the summer will highlight books about our environment and the animals that live in rivers, oceans and icy places. All ages are encouraged to attend at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Garden Grove Regional Library, 11200 Stanford Ave. in Garden Grove. For more information, call 714-530-0711.

Rotary Club to meet
The Rotary Club of Garden Grove meets at 12:10 p.m.

Wednesdays at The Marriott Hotel, at Chapman Avenue and Harbor Boulevard in Garden Grove.

GG Kiwanis to meet
The Kiwanis Club of Garden Grove hosts dinner meetings at 7 p.m. Thursdays at Kiwanisland, 9840 Larson Ave. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. Call 714-892-7267.

City Council to meet
Anaheim City Council meetings

are held in City Hall Council Chambers, 200 S. Anaheim Blvd., first floor. Public session commences at 5 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. The meetings are broadcasted on local cable Channel 3 and can also be viewed live online at www.anaheim.net.

School Board to meet

The Garden Grove Unified School District holds its regular

see **CALENDAR**, next page

Council applauds park upgrades

You can go for a stroll in the park.

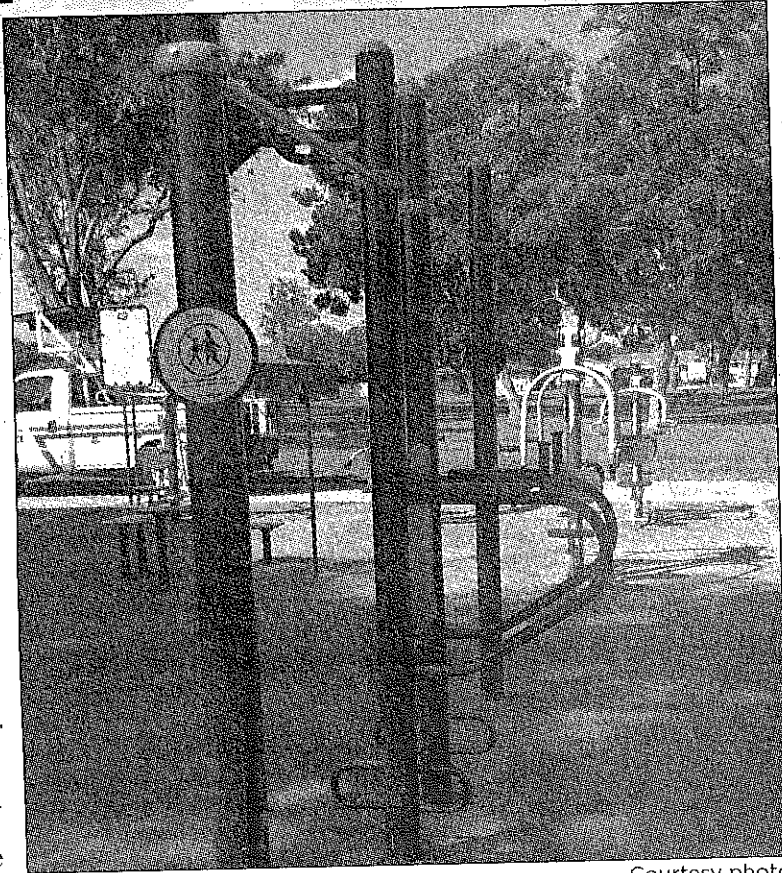
Or... you can work up a sweat.
Two words: jump training.

Mayor Bao Nguyen and the Garden Grove City Council last week officiated a ribbon cutting for the newly-installed fitness equipment at Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.

The outdoor gym equipment employs the body's mass for resistance regardless of the user's fitness level. The fitness equipment is made up of various equipment such as combo bars, plyometric; also known as "jump training," in which muscles exert maximum force in short intervals of time, parallel dip station and lat pull-down.

Funding for the \$52,000 cost of the fitness equipment was provided by the Orange County Partnerships to Improve Community Health with a grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For more information, call the Community Services Department at 714-741-5200.



Courtesy photo

New fitness equipment has been installed at Eastgate Park.

Teachers of the Year!

Three educators recently received congratulations from the Garden Grove City Council for being named the 2015 Teachers of the Year by the Garden Grove Unified School District.

Debbie Radenbaugh, a special education teacher at Peters K-3 Elementary School; Ellen Fields McLeod, who works with students with severe disabilities at Hilton D. Bell Intermediate School; and Luz Adrian Alba, an 11th-grade English teacher received the awards.

During the Community Spotlights portion of the meeting, words such as "dedicated," "compassionate," and "passionate" were used to describe the teachers.

The council also congratulated and celebrated the 50th anniversary of the school district.

Career opportunities

New sessions begin Nov. 9 for a broad range of adult ROP career and technical education classes hosted by Garden Grove Unified School District.

Registration is ongoing at Lincoln Education Center, 11262 Garden Grove Blvd., for such classes as automotive body, paint and repair; smog check inspector training; AutoCAD and more.

Call Lincoln Education Center at 714-663-6497 or visit ropcte.ggusd.us for more information.

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE COURTYARD CENTER, 12732 MAIN STREET, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2015, AT 6:30 P.M., OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS IT MAY BE HEARD, TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE AND REPORTS RELATIVE TO THE MATTER DESCRIBED BELOW:

APPEAL OF VARIANCE NO. V-011-2015

A request for Variance approval to deviate from the required number of parking spaces, Municipal Code Section 9.18.140.030 (Parking Spaces Required), to allow the operation of a new 14,300 square foot restaurant/eating establishment, East Seafood Buffet, in conjunction with the operation of an Office Depot retail establishment in the adjacent tenant space The Garden Grove Municipal Code requires a minimum of 222 parking spaces for the combined proposed two uses on the subject Site. Currently there are only 152 parking spaces on the subject Site, and parking lot modifications proposed as part of the Variance application would add an additional 26 parking spaces. A Variance is required in order to allow for the proposed combination of uses on the subject Site. The site is at 11100 and 11102 Garden Grove Boulevard in the CC-3 (Civic Center Core) zone.

On September 3, 2015, pursuant to Resolution No. 5848-15, the City of Garden Grove Planning Commission approved Variance No. V-011-2015, subject to specified conditions of approval. Variance V-011-2015 would permit the property owner to maintain 44 fewer parking spaces than otherwise required by the Garden Grove Municipal Code. The Planning Commission determined that the project was categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Planning Commission's decision has been appealed by an adjacent property owner. Potential City Council action could include (i) denial of the appeal and upholding of the Planning Commission's decision to grant the requested Variance, (ii) granting of the appeal and denial of the Variance request, and/or (iii) granting of the Variance request, subject to modified and/or additional conditions of approval.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend the City Council Public Hearing, or write a letter, to express opinions or submit evidence for or against the project as outlined above. If you challenge the project in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the Public Hearing. Written correspondence received before 3:00 p.m. on the Wednesday before the hearing will be given to the City Council prior to the meeting. Information received after that time will be given to the City Council at the time of the meeting. Further information on the above matter may be obtained from the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, or by telephone at (714) 741-5312.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
City Clerk

Date: October 28, 2015
Publish: October 30, 2015

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ORDINANCE NO. 2861

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. A 014 2015, A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO PORTIONS OF CHAPTERS 9.04, 9.16, AND 9.18 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GARDEN GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENTS AND OTHER USES AT WHICH MASSAGE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED

City Attorney Summary

This Ordinance approves text amendments to portions of Chapters 9.04 (Definitions), 9.16 (Commercial, Office Professional, Industrial, and Open Space Development Standards), and 9.18 (Mixed Use Regulations and Development Standards) of Title 9 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code to update the references, definitions, development standards, and operational conditions pertaining to massage establishments and other types of uses at which massage services are provided to be consistent with the City Massage Regulations set forth in Chapter 5.12 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code and the State Massage Therapy Act. Pursuant to this Ordinance, massage establishments are treated as a separate commercial use, rather than as an adult entertainment business, and may be located in the C-2 (Community Commercial), GGMU (Garden Grove Mixed Use), and NMU (Neighborhood Mixed Use) zones, subject to approval of a Conditional Use Permit, provided they are not located within 1000 feet of another massage establishment, meet specified development, operational, and minimum parking standards, possess a valid and current massage operator's permit issued by the Police Chief, and comply with all other requirements of the City Massage Regulations in Chapter 5.12. Existing legally established and permitted massage establishments will be deemed legal nonconforming uses that are subject to the provisions of Chapter 5.12 (Massage Regulations) and Chapter 9.36 (Nonconformities) of the Garden Grove Municipal Code. This Ordinance also updates the definitions, references, conditions and standards applicable to Athletic and Health Clubs, Spas or Gyms that provide massage services, and permits massage services to be provided as part of a salon, spa or similar facility located in, and incidental to the operation of, a Hotel that contains at least one hundred fifty (150) rooms located anywhere in the City.

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, Deputy 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 October 27, 2015, with a vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (5)
BEARD, BUI, JONES, PHAN, NGUYEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0)
NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0)
NONE

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ORDINANCE NO. 2862

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AMENDING SECTIONS 8.70.030 AND 8.70.040 CHAPTER 8.70 OF TITLE 8 OF THE GARDEN GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO GUEST REGISTERS AT PUBLIC LODGING FACILITIES

City Attorney Summary

This Ordinance would amend Sections 8.70.030 and 8.70.040 of Chapter 8.70 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code to update the City's regulations pertaining to the register of guests required to be kept by public lodging facilities in the City and to add new regulations regarding verification of guests' identity and acceptance of payment by credit or debit card in order to prevent fraud. This Ordinance would amend Section 8.70.030 to permit such registers to be maintained in electronic form and would amend Section 8.70.040 to delete existing provisions requiring that such registers be at all times open for inspection by the City pursuant to the recent United States Supreme Court decision in City of Los Angeles v. Patel. This Ordinance would also amend Section 8.70.030 to require verification of each guest's name, address and proof of financial responsibility upon check-in and to prohibit the manual entry of credit or debit card payment information in order to prevent fraud.

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

ATTEST:

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL VACANCY NOTICE

Pursuant to Garden Grove Municipal Code Section 2.21.013, notice is hereby given that the Garden Grove Planning Commission has an unscheduled vacancy with the term expiring December 2016. Information and a Commission application can be obtained by accessing the City's website at www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us or by

visiting the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, or by calling (714) 741-5040.

Commissioners are non-compensated volunteers. Planning Commission Meetings are regularly scheduled on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., and will be held at the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, California, during remodeling of the Community Meeting Center.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
City Clerk

Date: October 28, 2015
Publish: October 30, 2015
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City of Garden Grove

Request for Proposals (RFP)

RFP No. S-1181

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent for the City of Garden Grove, second floor, Room 220, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840 to Provide Data Processing, Printing, Mailing and Inserting Services for City of Garden Grove Utility Bills. Contractors interested in submitting a proposal for this project are required to attend a MANDATORY pre-proposal meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Thursday, November 5, 2015, at Garden Grove City Hall, Third Floor Training Room, located at 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840. A copy of the RFP document may be obtained from the City of Garden Grove's website. Questions can be directed to Sandra Segawa via email at sandras@garden-grove.org. Proposals are due in the office of the Purchasing Agent by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 23, 2015. Proposals received after that exact time will not be considered.

Dated: October 23, 2015

Sandy Segawa, C.P.M., CPPB
Purchasing Agent
City of Garden Grove
11222 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, CA 92840
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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Contact:
John Montanhez (714) 741-5214
Community Services Department

Thursday, November 5, 2015

WALKING IN A WINTERFEST WONDERLAND

The Garden Grove Community Services Department presents Winterfest 2015 on Saturday, December 5, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at Atlantis Play Center. Atlantis Play Center is located at 13630 Atlantis Way in Garden Grove Park.

Be sure to dress warmly because there will be 50 tons of snow! Santa and Mrs. Claus will be visiting from the North Pole from 4:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Activities at the event include crafts, inflatables, carnival games, train rides, music and food for sale.

Ticket prices are \$10 per person. There is a limited amount of pre-sale tickets, and children 2-years-old and under are free. Only cash or credit cards are accepted. There will be no ticket sales at the door.

Ticket sales for Winterfest run from Monday, November 16 through Friday, December 4 or until quantities run out. Tickets may be purchased at the Recreation Counter, located on the 1st floor of Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway. To order by phone, or for more information, call (714) 741-5200.

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City of Garden Grove Community Services Department Presents

Winterfest 2015

ATLANTIS
Play Center

13630 Atlantis Way
Garden Grove, 92844

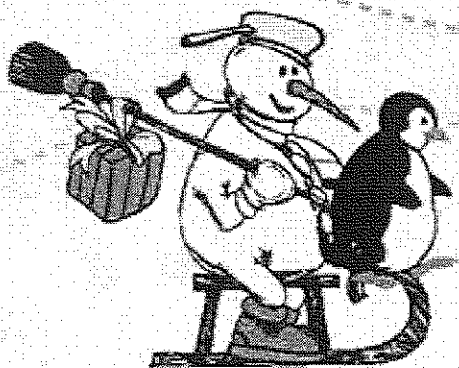
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4:00 to 7:30 p.m.

- ★ 50 tons of snow! Dress Warmly!
- ★ Pictures with Santa & Mrs. Claus (4:00 – 7:15 p.m.)
- ★ Food for sale
- ★ Crafts, inflatables, carnival games, train rides, music & more

General Admission \$10
Children 2 years old &
under are FREE

No ticket
sales at
the door

Tickets are limited to 1,000.



Tickets are available by phone or in person, Monday, November 16 through Friday, December 4 at Garden Grove City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Payment by cash or credit card only. **No refunds** except for cancellation of event. To order by phone or for more information, call the Garden Grove Community Services Department at (714) 741-5200.



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

Contact:
Ana Pulido, (714) 741-5280
Supervisor, Office of Community Relations

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Cindy Spindle, (714) 638-7950
CEO, Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

BLACK FRIDAY GOES BiGG!

The biggest shopping day of the year—Black Friday—goes “BiGG” by offering Garden Grove shoppers a chance to win some extra holiday cash. From Friday, November 27, 2015 through Friday, December 18, the City’s shop local program, *Buy in Garden Grove* (BiGG), and the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce will reward customers who make at least \$50 in Garden Grove purchases, with a chance to win \$500.

For every \$50 in total register receipts from local Garden Grove merchants, customers will receive one raffle ticket towards a \$500 cash drawing. If purchases were made at a participating BiGG business, or from a Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce business member, customers will receive one additional raffle ticket.

Businesses that participate in the BiGG program offer special shopper discounts or incentives. Participating businesses can be accessed from the City of Garden Grove website at www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us by clicking on the BiGG icon, or through the free Garden Grove mobile app available via Play Store (iPhone/iPad) and Google Play Store (Android). Chamber of Commerce business members are listed on the Chamber website at www.gardengrovechamber.com.

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BLACK FRIDAY GOES BIGG
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Receipts must be taken to the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce office, at 12866 Main Street, Suite 102, Garden Grove 92840, to receive raffle tickets. Raffle tickets will not be available at business establishments. The first 100 customers to turn in their receipts will also receive a free thank-you gift from the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce and the City of Garden Grove.

The deadline to turn in receipts is by 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 18, 2015. Participants must be at least 18 years old to win.

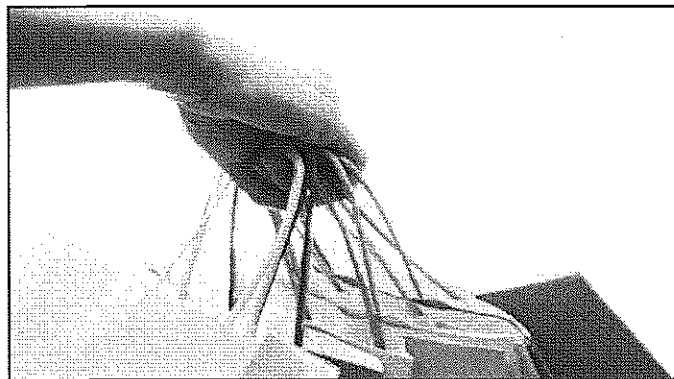
From all the entries received, one winner will be chosen and the winning name will be posted on the City of Garden Grove and Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce websites and social media, on Monday, December 21, 2015. Winner must present winning raffle ticket to the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce within 30 days to claim their prize.

Since 2008, the City's Buy in Garden Grove program has encouraged customers to support the local business economy as well as receive special discounts for shopping in Garden Grove. Keeping purchases in Garden Grove keeps tax dollars in the community, which is a crucial resource for providing public safety, roads, parks, and other quality-of-life needs. Over 100 businesses, ranging from auto repair to restaurants, currently participate in the Buy in Garden Grove program, offering special customer incentives. There is no charge to become a participating Buy in Garden Grove business.

For more information, visit the City's website, or call the Office of Community Relations at (714) 741-5280, or the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce at (714) 638-7950.

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BiGG



Buy In Garden Grove!

BLACK FRIDAY GOES BiGG!

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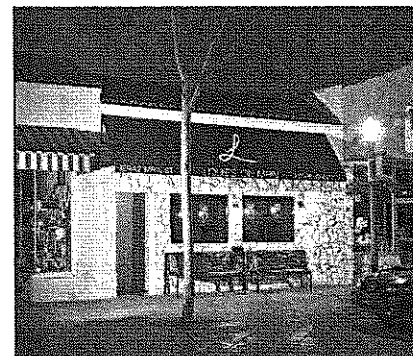
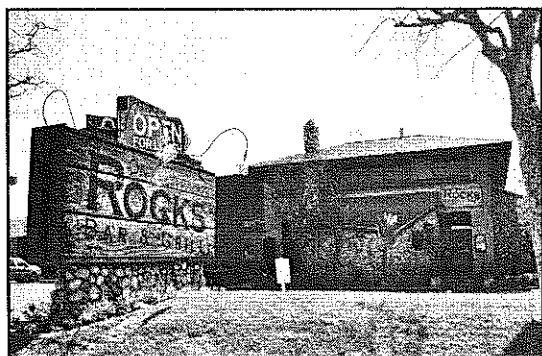
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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

Contact: Karl Hill (714) 741-5121
Community Development Director (Acting)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Thursday, October 29, 2015

RE:IMAGINE GARDEN GROVE: COMMUNITY IN MOTION

In 2013, the City of Garden Grove partnered with landscape architecture master's students from Cal Poly Pomona's award-winning *606 Studio* to conduct an in-depth study of the Downtown area. The now completed *Re:Imagine Garden Grove: Community in Motion* document was created to support the revitalization of the heart of Garden Grove, with four project objectives: a Non-Motorized Mobility Network, an Open Space Network Enhancement Plan, a 2060 Downtown Concept Plan, and a "Gardens and Groves Landscape" Theme.

The Non-Motorized Mobility (NMM) Network was created to support pedestrians, bicycling, and other forms of non-motorized travel through pathways, trails, lanes, routes, and walkways. The proposed NMM Network was based on the existing local and regional networks. The NMM Network provides detailed analysis of the current state of the City. The proposed improvements and recommendations include converting the Pacific Electric Right-Of-Way to a Class 1 trail, connecting the regional network, and converting Garden Grove Boulevard and Harbor Boulevard to multimodal corridors.

For Open Space Network Enhancement, participants want open space in the form of parks, plazas, promenades, greenways, pocket parks, and roof gardens. Ideas for the 2060 Downtown Concept Plan include unifying architectural and vegetative elements, enhancing facades, and improving public right-of-ways to offer social areas in addition to access. The use of drought-tolerant and California native vegetation was strongly advocated for the "Gardens and Groves Landscape" Theme.

RE:IMAGINE GARDEN GROVE
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The *Re:Imagine Garden Grove: Community in Motion* allows the City to apply for grants to implement projects and programs that will improve the safety of pedestrians and bicycle riders in the city.

Dr. Lee-Anne Milburn, Department Chair Landscape Architecture, from Cal Poly Pomona, will be introducing the *Re:Imagine Garden Grove: Community in Motion* at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, November 5, at the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting. The document can be viewed online at <http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/internet/pdf/commdev/RE-Imagine.pdf>.

For more information, contact Erin Webb, Garden Grove Community Development Department, at (714) 741-5313, or Dr. Lee-Anne Milburn, ASLA, Department Chair Landscape Architecture, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, at (909) 869-6814.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

November 5, 2015

1. Calendar of Events
2. Agenda for the November 12, 2015 Zoning Administrator meeting.
3. Notice of Cancellation for the November 11, 2015 Oversight Board meeting.
4. Notice of an OCTA Public Hearing on November 23, 2015 at 9:00am to discuss their 2015 Orange County Congestion Management Program.
5. Notice from OCTA of a Public Hearing on December 14, 2015 to discuss a Proposed Amendment to Measure M2 Ordinance to Reallocate \$219 million to Fund Senior/Disabled Fares and Metrolink Improvements.
6. League of California Cities, "CA Cities Advocates" dated November 4, 2015.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 5, 2015 – November 19, 2015

Thursday	November 5	1:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.	Free Flu Shots, H. Louis Lake Senior Center Registration Required: X5253
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Courtyard Center
Saturday	November 7	8:00 a.m.- Noon	Project "GO" Graffiti Off, Municipal Services Center
		7:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.	57 th Annual Miss Garden Grove Pageant and 13 th Annual Miss Garden Grove's Outstanding Teen Pageant, M3 Live, 2232 S. Harbor
		8:00 p.m.	Great Reunions Concert Series presents "Queen Nation" (Queen Tribute) Festival Amphitheater
Tuesday	November 10	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Study/Closed Session, Courtyard Center Successor Agency Meeting, Courtyard Center City Council Meeting, Courtyard Center
Wednesday	November 11		City Hall Closed
		2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Courtyard Center CANCELLED
Thursday	November 12		Casual Day
		9:00 a.m.	Main Street Commission Meeting, Courtyard Center
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room
		2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.	Team Amvets Ribbon Cutting and Open House 12345 Euclid Street
Friday	November 13		City Hall Closed
		8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	Police Department Swat Training, City Hall
Thursday	November 19	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Courtyard Center



GARDEN GROVE

AGENDA

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING

City Hall
11222 Acacia Parkway

Thursday, November 12, 2015
Third Floor – Training Room

9:00 a.m.

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 Comments by the Public. 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 the Zoning Administrator 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 Hall Third Floor Training Room 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 Zoning Administrator may take legislative action deemed appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

1. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):

a. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-051-2015

APPLICANT: Keith Montoya
LOCATION: 10680 Katella Avenue

REQUEST: To operate a new 1,000 square foot tattoo parlor, Black Ink Gallery, at 10680 Katella Avenue. The establishment will have two general areas: a retail sales area, barber area, and art gallery area located in the front; and, a tattoo station area located in the rear. The site is in the NMU (Neighborhood Mixed Use) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

2. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):

a. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-052-2015

APPLICANT: New Cingular Wireless
LOCATION: 11891 Valley View Street

REQUEST: To construct and operate a new 60'-0" tall wireless telecommunications facility disguised as a pine tree (mono-pine) along with related ground-mounted equipment. (This is a reinstatement of a previously approved case, Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-014-2014.) The site is in the C-2 (Neighborhood Commercial) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

2. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

3. ADJOURNMENT



GARDEN GROVE

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
OVERSIGHT BOARD OF THE
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE
GARDEN GROVE AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**NOVEMBER 11, 2015
REGULAR MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Oversight Board of the City of Garden Grove as Successor Agency to the Garden Grove Agency for Community Development, scheduled for Wednesday, November 11, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled pursuant to the attached Cancellation Notice.

DATED: November 5, 2015

William J. Dalton
Chair



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Public Hearing Notice

Dear Public Officials, Orange County City Managers, Colleges, and Universities:

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors will conduct a Public Hearing concerning the **2015 Orange County Congestion Management Program** as follows:

Monday, November 23, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.
Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters
600 South Main Street, Board Room – First Floor
Orange, California 92868

All persons having an interest in these matters are invited to attend the public hearing to address the Board of Directors with verbal or written comments/recommendations. If you wish to file a written comment, submit to:

Orange County Transportation Authority
Clerk of the Board
550 South Main Street
P.O. Box 14184
Orange, CA 92863-1584

or

boardofdirectors@octa.net

Please contact the Clerk of the Board with any questions regarding this hearing or request for special accommodations at boardofdirectors@octa.net or 714.560.5676.

Sincerely,

Laurena Weinert
Clerk of the Board



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November 4, 2015

RE: Proposed Amendment to Measure M2 Ordinance to Reallocate \$219 million to Fund Senior/Disabled Fares and Metrolink Improvements

Dear City Manager:

On October 12, 2015, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors (Board) received the Measure M2 (M2) Ten-Year Review Report. The Ten-Year Review, required under the M2 Ordinance, evaluates all project and program elements of M2 to determine if there is a need to make changes to improve its performance. Due to the decline of sales tax revenues, a funding shortfall was identified in the Transit Program. OCTA is seeking comments from your city as well as stakeholders in your community on a proposed amendment to M2 which addresses this shortfall.

On October 26, 2015, the Board directed staff to initiate the process to amend the M2 Transportation Investment Plan (M2 Plan) to assure the programs promised to the public in Measure M are kept. There are two programs that currently have funding gaps addressed by the proposed amendment.

First, based on current ridership projections, the funding available for the Senior/Disabled Fare Stabilization Program (Project U) has a shortfall of \$69 million. Secondly, High-Frequency Metrolink Service (Project R), which supports ongoing capital requirements and operations of Metrolink service also has a funding shortfall.

The program to convert Metrolink stations to regional gateways that connect Orange County with planned future high-speed rail systems (Project T) is complete with no new projects identified. It is recommended that the remaining funds in this project be reallocated to help stabilize fares for senior and disabled bus transit users and fund planned improvements to frequency on Orange County's Metrolink system. Again, both of these programs were promised to voters when Measure M was extended in 2006.

The OCTA Board is seeking your comments on the recommendation that remaining funds in Project T (\$219 million) be reallocated to Project U (\$69 million) and Project R (\$150 million). Project T has a capital investment emphasis, Project U has an operational assistance, and Project R has a mix of capital and operations.

The M2 Ordinance allows for amendments, but requires approval by the Measure M Taxpayer Oversight Committee (TOC), a public review period, and approval by the Board.

The public review period for the proposed amendment is now open, and we welcome your input. To solicit further input from stakeholders, a public meeting has been scheduled for:

November 19, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.
OCTA Headquarters, 600 S. Main St., Orange

The public hearing has been set for:

December 14, 2015 at 9 a.m.
OCTA Headquarters, 600 S. Main St., Orange

The completed Ten-Year Review and staff report is available on the OCTA website, www.octa.net/MeasureM. If you have any comments or questions, please contact Tamara Warren, M2 Program Manager, at (714) 560-5590.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Lalloway
OCTA Chairman

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City Revenue Generating Tax Measures Fare Well in Tuesday's Elections *Local Tax and Bond Measure Results from CaliforniaCityFinance.com*

Throughout California yesterday, 67 local measures in 17 counties appeared on the ballot. Among those measures 40 concerned taxes and bonds. City majority vote general taxes fared well with 12 of 14 passing, including all three hotel tax measures and both Utility User Taxes.

Twelve of the 14 school measures passed including eight school bonds and four parcel tax extensions.

Non-school parcel taxes and general obligation (GO) bonds did not fare as well with their higher two-thirds vote requirement. Among the three GO Bonds, only San Francisco's ambitious \$310 million affordable housing bond passed. Four of the nine parcel taxes passed.

The [full report](#) is available online.