

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
February 16, 2017

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

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR) FY 2015-16

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for Fiscal Year 2015-16 has been presented to the audit committee and was approved for distribution. The report is posted on the department website and a hard copy will be provided for your review in your office.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

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



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City of Garden Grove, California



COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016



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NEWS ARTICLES

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before cathedral revamp

Garden Grove sanctuary's renovation set to kick off in April

By DEEPA BHARATH
STAFF WRITER

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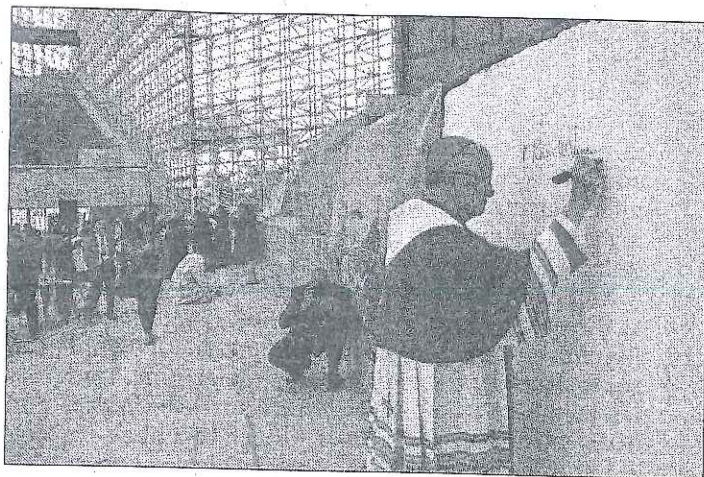
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Bishop of Orange Kevin Vann signs a wall Saturday at Christ Cathedral to mark the start of construction in the cathedral.

Christ Cathedral: Construction timeline

September 2016: The cathedral design is finalized.

December: Plans and permit requests are submitted to city of Garden Grove.

April 1: Renovation work is set to begin on the cathedral.

October 2018: Construction is scheduled to be completed then.

Mid-2019: The cathedral will be dedicated.

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Community Calendar

Ongoing

Overachievers, check this out
Chamber holds Friday meetings
The Garden Grove Chamber's
Governmental Affairs Commit-
tee meets the second Friday of
the month from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at
the Orange County Emergency
Pet Clinic, 12750 Garden Grove
Blvd. 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 chil-
dren of every age.

The group meets Thursday eve-
nings 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 Christ Cathe-
dral, 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 informa-
tion, call 714-530-0711.

Cartoonist lessons offered

Artists ages 6-12 will have fun
drawing and coloring a myriad
of expressive characters while
learning how to stay on task,
follow directions, and be visually,
spatially organized. There will be
new lessons each week, even for
previous students. The next class
will be held at 5 p.m. on Tuesdays
in the Westminster Civic Center
craft room, 8200 Westminster
Blvd. in Westminster.

School Board to meet

The Garden Grove Unified School
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District holds its regular meetings
at 7 p.m. the first and third Tues-
day of each month at the district
offices, 10331 Stanford Ave. 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 be-
gins at 6 p.m. For more informa-
tion, call 714-892-7267.

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.

Business leaders urged to support college grads

The City of Garden Grove invites businesses and local organizations to participate in the fifth annual Garden Grove College Graduates' Reception by becoming a key sponsor.

The private reception is hosted by Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones and the Garden Grove City Council, and takes place on May 9 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave.

By sponsoring the Garden Grove College Graduates' Reception, businesses and organizations not only increase their exposure and enhance their customer base, they also help support higher education and professional workforce in the community.

Sponsors can choose from four sponsorship levels, including an Associate's Sponsorship of \$100+; Bachelor's Sponsorship of \$200+; Master's Sponsorship of \$500+; and Title Sponsor of \$1,000+. In-kind donations are welcomed.

Benefits include an invitation to attend the Graduates' Reception Awards Ceremony and business name and logo displayed on the invitation and program, as well as city marketing materials, website, and social media sites.

To become a sponsor, contact the Office of Community Relations at 714-741-5280 or email community-relations@garden-grove.org.

For more information about the program, visit www.garden-grove.org/grads.

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE CITY HALL THIRD FLOOR TRAINING ROOM AT 11222 ACACIA PARKWAY, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, ON THE DATE * INDICATED BELOW TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE AND REPORTS RELATIVE TO THE APPLICATION(S) DESCRIBED BELOW:

THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M., MARCH 9, 2017

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-096-2017

A request to operate an existing 118,908 square foot hotel, Residence Inn, with a new State Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "48" (On-Sale, Public Place) License for a proposed lounge/bar in the existing lobby area. The site is at 11931 Harbor Boulevard in the PUD-104-82 (Planned Unit Development) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on March 9, 2017. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Zoning Administrator at, or prior to, the public hearing. Further information on the above may be obtained at the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

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State Senator reminds students about aid

Janet Nguyen reaches out to make sure those in need get help

With the deadline to apply for financial aid fast approaching, State Sen. Janet Nguyen, who represents Garden Grove and Westminster, would like to remind students that applications for federal and state financial aid programs are due by March 2.

Students applying for the 2017-18 school year should submit a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid, known as the FAFSA, by this date to determine their eligibility for financial aid assistance. Every year, the FAFSA helps students access more than \$150 million in federal grants, loans and work-study funds.

"With the price of tuition and books constantly rising, parents and students throughout California are struggling to meet the increased costs of attending college," said Nguyen. "By filling out the FAFSA, students can access federal and state financial aid programs that help make college more affordable and reduce the financial strain on students and their families."

To help her constituents meet the deadline to submit the application for financial aid, Nguyen will have copies of the FAFSA application available at her Garden Grove District Office. District staff will also be available to assist with the application. Those wishing to submit the FAFSA application online can also do so by visiting www.fafsa.gov.

"When I went to college, I had

to work three jobs to pay for my books but I also benefitted from financial aid programs that allowed me to access a higher education," said Nguyen. "In order to increase access to this valuable resource for other students, I am making my District office available to pick up copies of these important applications and to ask any relevant questions."

In addition to federal assistance, the State of California provides grants, Cal Grants, which are available to students who meet eligibility and financial requirements. To be eligible for a Cal Grant Award, students must submit a 2017-18 FAFSA application or a 2017-18 California Dream Act Application and ensure that a certified Grade Point Average was submitted to the California Student Aid Commission. If a student attends a public or charter high school, school counselors are required by law to electronically upload GPAs for current enrolled seniors that do not opt-out. Students who attend a private high school need to fill out a Cal Grant GPA Verification Form which is available at Senator Nguyen's District Office and can also be found online at www.csac.ca.gov

For more information or to receive a copy of these applications, residents are encouraged to call 714-741-1034 or visit Nguyen's district office at 10971 Garden Grove Blvd. Suite D in Garden Grove.

'They need our help most of all'

Assemblywoman Quirk-Silva (D-Orange County), who represents Garden Grove and Stanton, has introduced Assembly Bill 363, which will waive the processing fee for homeless and low-income veterans who apply for a veteran designation on their California Driver's licenses and identification cards.

Current law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to offer a driver's license or identification card printed with the word "veteran" on it, indicating that the possessor is a military veteran. However, all veterans are currently charged a processing fee for this service, a cost that homeless veterans may not be able to afford. Assembly Bill 363 will waive the fee for low-income, homeless veterans that do not have the extra resources readily available to pay for the veteran designation.

"Identification with a 'Veteran' designation will allow veterans to quickly and easily identify their status, without dealing with the impracticality of carrying around a DD-214; discharge papers and veterans separation documents," Quirk-Silva said. "Unfortunately for many of our veterans, it is as if they have not yet returned from battle. They need our help most of all."

Movie day

Grab your popcorn and take a load off.

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host a free movie day on Feb. 21 starting at 9:45 a.m., in the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center A Room, at 11300 Stanford Ave.

All seniors are invited to enjoy munchies and the movie "Deepwater Horizon," starring Mark Wahlberg and Kate Hudson. The movie is about the disaster in 2010 when an offshore drilling rig exploded and created the worst oil spill in U.S. history.

For more information, call the center at 714-741-5253 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

City closures

In observance of the Presidents' Day holiday, Garden Grove City Hall and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center will be closed on Monday, Feb. 20.

No street sweeping services will be provided on the holiday. However, trash pick-up is still scheduled for that day. Streets will be swept as scheduled on all other days.

For more information on street sweeping, call the Public Works Department at 714-741-5375.

Robbery suspects nabbed

Garden Grove police officers recently responded to Morningside Elementary School, in the 10500 block of Morningside Drive, regarding a male adult victim who alleged that three male Hispanic suspects had robbed him at gunpoint and taken some of his personal property.

While officers were responding, three male Hispanic subjects matching the suspects' description were located a short distance from the school. The subjects were detained and found to be in possession of a replica handgun as well as property belonging to the victim. The subjects were arrested and subsequently admitted to several other recently reported robberies in the area.

All three suspects were later housed at the Orange County Juvenile Hall.

Detectives are asking anyone who may have been the victim of a robbery in the area of Brookhust Street and Westminster Avenue over the past four to six weeks to contact the GGGPD Robbery Detail at 714-741-5840.

Senior sweethearts celebrate Valentine's Day

And... Cupid pays a visit to H. Louis Lake Senior Center

By Loreen Berlin

In advance of Valentine's Day, seniors were treated to an early "Sweetheart Dance" at the H. Louis Lake Senior Center last Friday night.

Then a Valentine's luncheon was served on Tuesday, Feb. 14, along with treats and music. Also, "Cupid" paid a visit.

Those who attend the festivities are from Garden Grove and several surrounding cities, as the news has spread that Garden Grove's activities are "the best," according to Nelly Borum, from Cerritos.

"I live in Cerritos and I also go to activities in Anaheim but someone there told me to come to Garden Grove because it's more fun and that Lori and Juan make it more fun, so I come here and have fun and dance," she said.

The Juan and Lori she is refer-

ring to are Recreation and Human Services Division Director Juan Medina and Program Director Lori Ochoa, who have a way of making everyone feel comfortable and special.

Addy Borbon, from Santa Ana, said she attends the Wednesday dances at the senior center because of "The Serenaders," a live band.

"I don't have a car and so I used to take two busses to get here and walk from the last bus stop," Borbon, 80, said. "Now, someone who also comes here for activities gives me a ride."

These folks love to dance and socialize and really dress up for all of the events. For the Valentine's dance there was a lot of red, pink and white to get into the swing and spirit of the evening.

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Hope Galvez and Al Schrader cut a rug during a Sweetheart Dance held at the H. Louis Lake Senior Center in Garden Grove last week.

Photo by Loreen Berlin



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From left, Nelly Borum, Josafat Pareja, Addy Borbon and Ronald Borum enjoy the Sweet-heart Dance at the senior center.

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Many of the seniors are good ballroom dancers; there was line-dancing too.

The Valentine's dinner menu included fettuccini alfredo, garlic knots and green salad and, of course, Valentine-decorated cupcakes.

The musicians for the evening celebration were Armando Valencia on keyboard and Steve Coyazo on guitar.

Medina said he constantly hears seniors say they enjoy the planned events.

"The different bands definitely have their dedicated followers who go to wherever they are playing, just to hear their music," Medina said.

Volunteers for the evening included Shayna Anderson, Ngoc Trinh Vuong, Gisell Cruz and Kenny Travis. Also on hand were staff members Steven Gomez and Brianna Moore.

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center, 11300 Stanford Ave. in Garden Grove, is open to all local seniors and lunch for those 62 years and older is served for a donation of \$3.50.

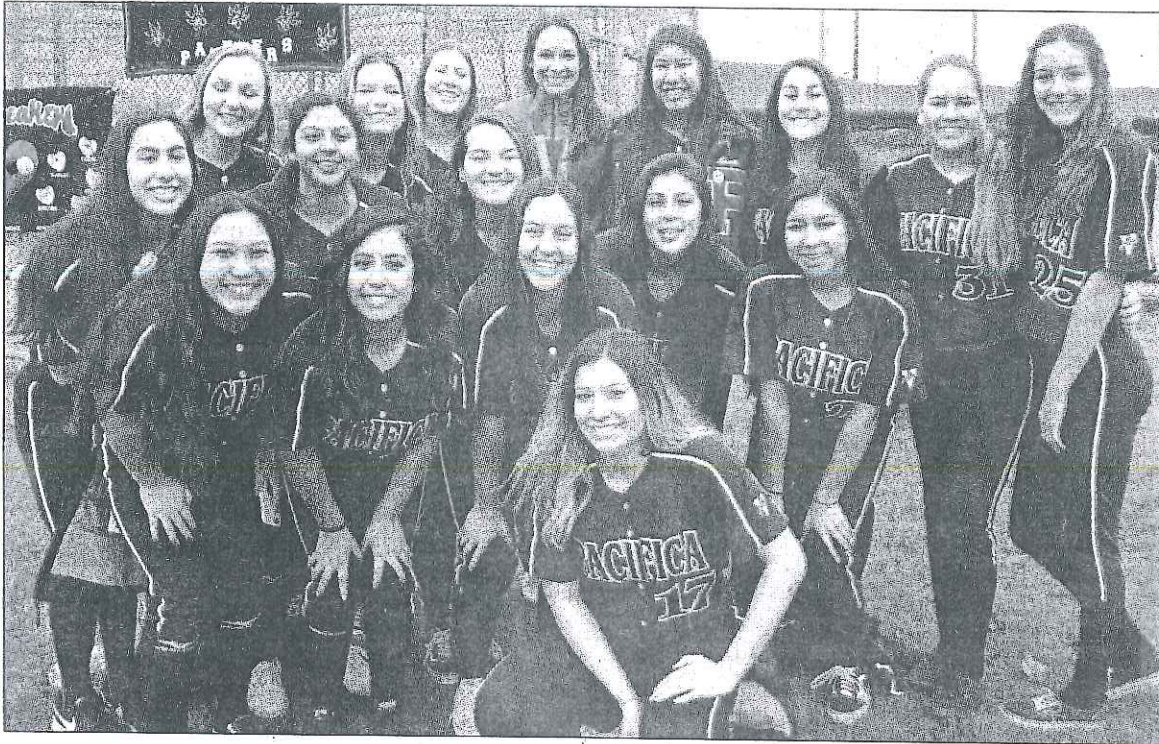


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Olympic Gold medalist Amanda Freed, back row, center, a Pacifica High School graduate, attended the opening day ceremonies for West Grove Girls Softball and West Garden Grove Youth Baseball on Saturday. Here, she gathers with the Pacifica High School girls softball team.

'Play, fair, have fun, and make friends for life'

By Loreen Berlin

West Garden Grove Youth Baseball and West Grove Girls Softball held their opening day Saturday morning. It began with a parade starting at Edgar Park and culminated at Bell Intermediate School for baseball and Enders Elementary for softball.

Although it had rained

through the night, Saturday dawned with a little sunshine and lots of clouds with teams dressed in their respective uniforms, looking very official.

However, the playing fields, even though protected by being covered, needed extra time to dry out. The only drawback was each participating group would start one-hour later, but

other than that, all proceeded as planned.

Parade cars were provided by the Model T Club of Long Beach.

During the opening ceremonies, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout Troop No. 1103 and Cub Pack No. 271, followed by Miss Garden

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Grove Missy Mendoza singing the National Anthem.

Mayor Steve Jones was the Grand Marshal for the parade and was also asked to give some opening remarks, which included, "Have a wonderful season; have fun and play fair."

California State Sen. Janet Nguyen was on hand for the opening ceremonies. She noted that baseball has been a favorite American pastime since the 1800s when baseball was played in back yards.

Nguyen asked the young participants to give their parents a "hand" for all of their help.

"It's a team effort," she said. "Your parents and all of the volunteers and your coaches do this because they love you and want to help you learn teamwork. I echo what the mayor said: play fair, have fun and make friends for life."

In attendance were Garden Grove city council members John O'Neil, Kris Beard, Stephanie Klopfenstein and Kimberly Nguyen, along with Garden Grove Unified School District Superintendent Gabriela Mafi and school principals from Enders, Garden Park and Patton.

Also in attendance was softball Olympic gold medalist Amanda Freed, who is a Garden Grove Pacifica High School alumni and former Pacifica varsity softball team member. She was also a UCLA Bruin.

Local Garden Grover Carly Hatcher Dalton said she stepped up to Freed and introduced herself, remembering the time she played against Freed while

attending Ocean View High School in Huntington Beach.

"I remember how super-excited I was to play against Amanda Freed, because our coach had prepared us for how good of a player she was," Hatcher-Dalton said. "I played against Freed in my freshman year and got a hit off of her!"

The opening day ceremonies is sponsored by the City of Garden Grove, which provides the mobile stage and police officers to block-off streets for the parade.

All of the youth teams were announced and acknowledged by West Garden Grove Baseball President Terry Anderson and Auxiliary President Joi Stewart.

Six baseball players read a poem from the stage. It was titled "He is just a little Boy," and the poem's author is not known:

He stands at the plate, with his heart pounding fast.

The bases are loaded, the die has been cast.

Mom and Dad cannot help him, he stands all alone.

A hit at this moment, would send the team home.

The ball meets the plate, he swings and he misses.

There's a groan from the crowd, with some boos and hisses.

A thoughtless voice cries, Strike out the bum!

Tears fill his eyes, the game's no longer fun.

So open your heart and give him a break. For it's moments like this, a man you can make.

Please keep this in mind, when you hear someone forget.

He is just a little boy, and not a man yet.



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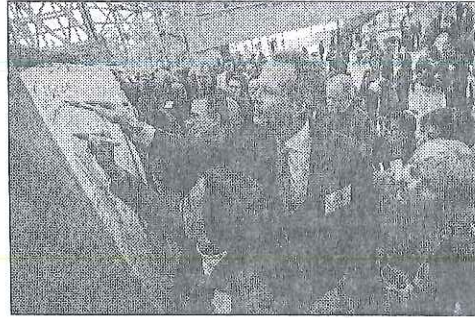
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Official start for cathedral makeover

Bishop will bless the Catholic sanctuary, then it will be sealed for renovations

By DEEPA BHARATH
STAFF WRITER

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Today, after several months of agonizing over cost estimates and design plans, Bishop Kevin Vann will bless the Christ Cathedral sanctuary before it is sealed off to be renovated into a Catholic cathedral. When completed, it will serve as the mother ship for more than 1.5 million Orange County Catholics.

"We're calling this the Christ Cathedral celebration, blessing and signing event," said Father Christopher Smith, the cathedral's rector and episcopal vicar.

Today's event will be an opportunity for everyone involved in the project — contributors, parishioners, architects, engineers, designers and volunteers — to sign their names and write their prayers on the concrete floor of the building before construction begins.

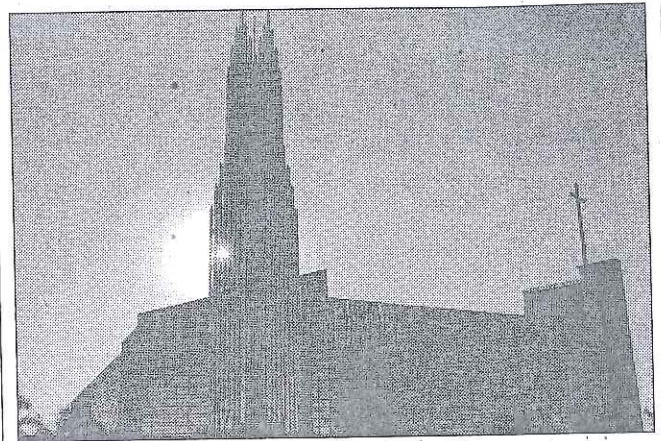
"It's a mark, a connection between the building and the people who helped renovate and rebuild it," Smith said. "We wanted a way for those who have been involved in the project to be memorialized in the building."

Vann, bishop of the Diocese of Orange, will place his signature and scripture verse on the concrete.

"We are blessed as a community of faith to have reached this much anticipated milestone, the day we will prepare the future worship level of Christ Cathedral for its transformation," he said in a statement. "Only through the grace of God and the prayerful commitment of our loving community will Christ Cathedral truly become the beacon of Christ's mercy and love in our world."

The start of the renovation is a major milestone for the diocese, said Cindy Bobruk, executive director of the Orange Catholic Foundation. The diocese's fundraising arm launched an effort in 2012 titled "For

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BRUCE CHAMBERS, FILE PHOTO

The former Crystal Cathedral was purchased in 2012.

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Christ Forever Capital Campaign" to raise money for the \$72 million cathedral renovation project.

Bobruk said the foundation needs to raise about \$7 million to \$12 million more, but is confident it will be successful.

Orange County's Catholic community has been

eager to pray in the new cathedral, she said.

"It took us a little longer to get started on the renovation, but the magnitude of the project needed more due diligence to ensure everything is done right," she said. "The most important thing is to build the community around the cathedral."

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Police searching for Garden Grove gas station robber

By **SCOTT SCHWEBKE**
STAFF WRITER

GARDEN GROVE • Police said they are investigating an armed robbery that took place Wednesday night at a Garden Grove gas station.

The incident happened about 9:50 p.m. at a Shell Oil station in the 13500 block of Euclid Street, police said in a statement.

A store clerk reported that a man displayed a

handgun and demanded cash, the statement says. The clerk gave the robber an undisclosed amount of money from the cash register.

The robber then fled on foot southbound on Euclid, police said.

Officers searched the area and located an undisclosed piece of evidence. But the man who robbed the business was not found.

The robber is described as a black man, possibly older than age 30, 6 feet tall and weighing about 220 pounds.

The suspect was last seen wearing a dark gray hoodie, dark gray pants and a light blue surgical mask covering his face.

Anyone with information about the robbery is asked to call Garden Grove police 714-741-5704.

GG High students eyed for college success

Student gives speech in capital

Megan McCall selected
to represent OC

Pacifica High School senior Megan McCall's inspiring speech, which encourages students to self-advocate for academic financial aid, was selected among the winning speeches as part of the American Soapbox Initiative.

She was selected to represent Orange County at the Mikva Youth Summit in Washington, D.C. along with other soapbox speech winners from across the country.

Megan was awarded with an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., which she took in January during Martin Luther King Jr. weekend.

She toured the Capitol, delivered her speech in front of fellow winners at Lafayette Square across from the White House, and participated in a Youth Summit and Leadership Cafe at AFL-CIO, discussing community issues and concerns with local community advocates and activists.

"We are so proud of Megan for this exciting accomplishment," said Lan Nguyen, Garden Grove Unified School District Board of Education president. "It is inspiring to see our students transform into the next generation of leaders who will make a difference

Garden Grove High School is one of only 1,000 schools worldwide that has been selected to implement the College Board's AP Capstone™ program in the fall of 2017.

The innovative diploma program helps students strengthen the skills that matter most for college success, including research, collaboration and communication.

The program consists of two courses taken in sequence: AP® Seminar and AP Research. Developed in direct response to feedback from college admission officers, AP Capstone complements the in-depth, subject-specific study of Advanced Placement® courses and exams.

"We are so proud to offer our students another opportunity to gain those high-level strategic thinking skills critical for success in competitive college programs and 21st century careers," said Board of Education trustee Dina Nguyen. "This rigorous course will give students an important advantage when they enter college with the ability to research, collaborate and present with confidence."

Garden Grove High School students who earn scores of 3 or higher on AP Seminar and AP Research assessments and on four additional AP exams of their choosing will earn the AP Capstone Diploma™. This signifies their outstanding aca-

demical achievement and attainment of college-level academic skills. Students who earn scores of 3 or higher on AP Seminar and AP Research assessments only will earn the AP Seminar and Research Certificate™.

The AP Seminar course, typically taken in 10th or 11th grade, equips students with the ability to look at real-world issues from multiple perspectives. Through a variety of materials, students tackle complex questions; understand and evaluate opposing viewpoints; interpret and synthesize information; and construct, communicate, and defend evidence-based arguments. Teachers select subject content based on students' interests, making coursework more stimulating and engaging. Students are assessed through a team project and presentation, an individual project and presentation and an end-of-course written exam.

In the subsequent AP Research course, students design, plan, and conduct a yearlong research-based investigation on a topic of individual interest, documenting their process with a portfolio. Students build on skills developed in the AP Seminar course by learning how to understand research methodology; employ ethical research practices; and collect, analyze, and synthesize information to build, present and defend an argument.

in their communities."

In her after-school civics club, Megan researched how students can self-advocate for more academic aid, wrote, revised and eventually performed her speech in front of her fellow students

The trip was organized by Action Civics LA, an initiative

of Mikva Challenge and Project Soapbox is a public speaking competition that calls young people to speak out on issues that affect them and their communities. These powerful speeches have lasting, transformative impacts on classrooms, schools, and communities.

Sophomores get Simon scholarships

Scholars receive \$16,000 for college expenses

The Simon Family Foundation is expanding the number of college scholarships it will provide to students at Garden Grove Unified School District this year. Sophomores at Garden Grove High School will now have an opportunity to become Simon Scholars and earn one of eight new scholarships being offered as part of the expansion. The program already provides eight scholarships to students at each of the participating schools, including Los Amigos and Rancho Alamitos high schools.

"We are thrilled to have been one of the only school districts in Southern California selected to receive additional scholarship funds from the Simon Family Foundation due in part to our outstanding caliber of students," said Board of Education trustee Walter Muneton. "Our district is committed to ensuring students have as many resources as possible to help them attend and achieve success in college."

The district's 24 Class of 2019 Simon Scholars will be announced in May. Simon Scholars receive a laptop, \$16,000 in college scholarship money, SAT/ACT preparation courses, leadership training, professional development, financial literacy workshops, academic support and personal coaching throughout their high school and college careers.

Eligibility requirements include: graduating with the class of 2019, entering the program with a GPA of at least 2.5, A-G eligible to attend a university, demonstrating financial need and difficult life circumstances, a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and planning to graduate from a certified Simon Scholar School.

Applications for district sophomores are due Feb. 9.

Over the last 10 years, dozens of district students have benefited from the Simon Family Foundation scholarship program which empowers students to achieve their college dreams.

Love is in the air...

February is the month for roses, romance and the city's annual affair-of-the-heart: the Sweetheart Dancel

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center hosts a special evening of dinner and dancing on Friday, Feb. 10, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. The Senior Center is at 11300 Stanford Ave. in Garden Grove.

In addition to enjoying a romantic dinner and beverages, sweethearts can have fun with live entertainment provided by Armando Valencia.

Tickets are \$15 per person, and available as pre-sale only.

For more information, call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at 714-741-5253.

GARDEN GROVE

Opening day: Several major streets in west Garden Grove will be closed Saturday morning for the West Garden Grove Youth Baseball opening-day parade, including Lampson Street from Valley View to Lamplighter streets, and Springdale Street from Stanford to Belgrave avenues. The streets will be closed from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Information: 714-741-5252.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

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Feb. 10, 2017

GARDEN GROVE

IT awards: The city's information technology department will receive two awards at tonight's City Council meeting from the Municipal Information Systems Association of California - the Innovation Award and an Award of Excellence. The council will also present the department with a Community Spotlight for receiving the awards.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

Register
Feb. 14, 2017

GARDEN GROVE

Undercover cars: The City Council on Tuesday will likely approve a 36-month, \$96,000 lease with Enterprise Fleet Management for five undercover police vehicles. The current contract expires in June and Enterprise needs 12 to 21 weeks to deliver the new vehicles.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

Register
Feb. 11, 2017

GARDEN GROVE

Animal services: In January, the city switched from contracting with OC Animal Care to creating its own division, Garden Grove Animal Care Services. The division is part of the Public Works Department and is partnering with the Orange County Humane Society, which now provides shelter services.
Information: 714-741-5565.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

Register
Feb. 15, 2017

GARDEN GROVE

Shakespeare productions: The City Council on Tuesday will decide whether to approve a contract giving the theater group Shakespeare Orange County \$20,000 a year to produce shows at the Strawberry Bowl Festival Amphitheater on Main Street. The contract would run from March to Dec. 31, 2018.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
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Feb. 13, 2017

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Contact:
CERT Operations (714) 563-3917

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

GARDEN GROVE OFFERING CPR, FIRST AID, AED TRAINING

The City of Garden Grove's CERT program will offer a CPR/First Aid/AED certification on Saturday, March 11, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at North Net Fire Training Center, located at 2400 E. Orangewood Avenue, Anaheim, 92806.

Certification will be through EMS Safety Services, Inc. The cost for the class is \$30.

CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) is a volunteer organization with the Garden Grove Fire Department that provides citizens training on how to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a disaster. CERT members are also trained to help augment first responders in the event of a disaster.

Seating is limited. Reservations for the class must be made in advance by emailing ggcert.oc@gmail.com. For more information, please contact CERT at 714-563-3917.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

Contact: Kim Huy (714) 741-5200
Community Services Director

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Public Information Office (714) 741-5280
Tuesday, February 14, 2017

CITY ANNOUNCES 2.5-MILE ROUTE FOR OPEN STREETS EVENT

On Saturday, April 1, 2017, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., a 2.5-mile route, planned for the 3rd annual Open Streets event, will be closed to cars, and open to all forms of non-motorized transportation. The Open Streets route spans from Garden Grove Boulevard at West Street, to Acacia Parkway and Historic Main Street. A relaxing, fully marked, shared bike route, or neighborhood greenway, will allow bicyclists to connect from West Street to 9th Street by way of College Avenue, Dorada Avenue, and Morgan Lane.

Along with an afternoon of bike riding, other highlights include:

- Garden Grove Boulevard, 8th Street, and Acacia Parkway: Open Streets route, filled with numerous activities, displays, and demonstrations including zip lines, a sports zone, rock wall, skate park, food truck court, the Anaheim Ducks Street Team, wine tasting, and live music.
- West Street: 2-way protected bike lane on the west side of the street (bike lane will be physically separated from vehicle traffic).
- Historic Main Street: After Party from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Event pop-up projects, co-sponsored by Go Human, will provide a sneak peek into long-term active transportation improvements, highlighting concepts from the City's Active Streets Plan (Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan), as well as projects already planned for construction. Projects, such as the new buffered bike lanes on West Street, funded by a grant from OCTA, will be completed by June 2019.

Bicycle and Pedicab rental stations will also be available.
11222 Acacia Parkway * P.O.Box 3070 * Garden Grove, CA 92842
www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us

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City Announces 2.5-Mile Route for Open Streets Event 2-2-2

The catalyst for the Open Streets event is the City's Re:Imagine Garden Grove campaign.

"The idea behind Re:Imagine Garden Grove is to create unique spaces for people to personally identify and connect with," says Community and Economic Development Director Lisa Kim. "The Open Streets event encourages the community to experience Garden Grove streets in a different and fun way."

For the safety of bicyclists and pedestrians, several streets will be completely, or partially closed to traffic on April 1:

- Garden Grove Boulevard (approximately 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.): westbound closed between West and 7th Streets.
- 8th Street (approximately 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.): closed between Garden Grove Boulevard and Acacia Parkway.
- Acacia Parkway (approximately 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.): closed between 8th and Main Streets.
- Main Street (approximately 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.): closed between Garden Grove Boulevard and Acacia Parkway.
- Intersections of Garden Grove Boulevard and Newhope Street, and Garden Grove Boulevard and Lemonwood Lane: partial closures.

The Garden Grove Police Department's Traffic Unit will be onsite to direct traffic and suggest alternate routes. For more information on street closures, contact the Garden Grove Police Department's Traffic Unit at (714) 741-5823.

For event details and updates, visit www.ggopenstreets.com, or @ggopenstreets on Facebook. Updated street closures will be posted in the following weeks.

GET READY FOR GARDEN GROVE'S
3RD ANNUAL OPEN STREETS EVENT!

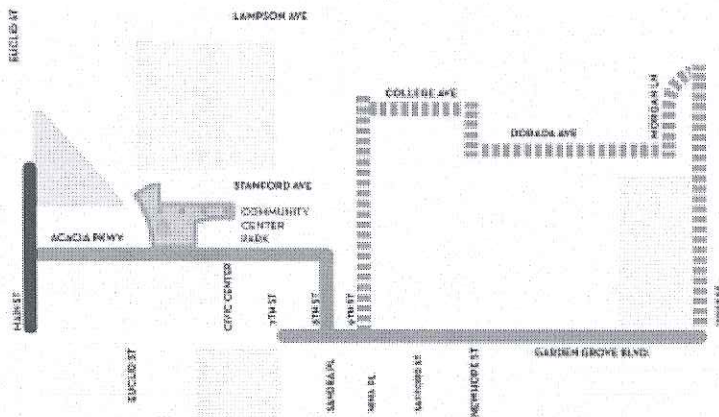
APRIL 1, 2017

OPEN STREETS ROUTE // 3 PM - 6 PM (SHARED ROAD)

ZIP LINES · ORBITRONS · SPORTS ZONE · FOOD TRUCK COURT · DJ'S · WINE TASTING
DUCKS STREET TEAM · ROCK WALL · POP-UP SKATE PARK · ART CROSSWALKS & MORE!

MAIN STREET AFTER PARTY // 6 PM - 10 PM

CLASSIC ROCK BAND "THE ANSWER" · BEER GARDEN · STROLLING PERFORMERS



EXPLORE 2.5 MILES OF OPEN ROAD, WHERE PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS CAN EXPERIENCE GARDEN GROVE, CAR-FREE! LOANER BIKES AND PEDICABS WILL BE AVAILABLE, SO COME OUT AND HIT THE STREETS FROM 3 - 6 PM.



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

Liên lạc: C.E.R.T. Operations (714) 563-3917

Thứ Tư, 15/2/2017

THÀNH PHỐ GARDEN GROVE MỞ LỚP HUẤN LUYỆN CẤP CỨU CPR

Thành phố Garden Grove sẽ mở một lớp huấn luyện để cấp chứng chỉ CPR / First Aid / AED do công ty EMS Safety Services phụ trách hướng dẫn. Lớp huấn luyện sẽ được tổ chức vào ngày Thứ Bảy, 11 tháng 3, từ 7:30 giờ sáng - 4:30 giờ chiều, tại Trung tâm North Net Fire Training Center, tại địa chỉ 2400 E. Orangewood Avenue, Anaheim, 92806. Chi phí cho lớp học là \$30. Những ai muốn tham gia xin mời ghi danh trước bằng cách gửi email về địa chỉ ggcert.oc@gmail.com.

Riêng các lớp C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) sẽ được diễn ra bốn buổi trong Thứ Bảy, bắt đầu ngày 18 tháng 3 đến ngày 29 tháng 4. CERT là một tổ chức tình nguyện phối hợp với Sở Cứu Hỏa Garden Grove với mục đích huấn luyện cho cư dân để chuẩn bị ứng phó, hướng dẫn khả năng tự vệ nếu có biến cố thiên tai xảy ra. Điều kiện để gia nhập chương trình huấn luyện là phải đủ 18 tuổi, và đang làm việc/ hoặc sinh sống trong Thành phố Garden Grove.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, liên lạc tại số (714) 563-3917, hoặc download đơn trên trang mạng cert.gardengrovefire.org.

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Từ Thành Phố Garden Grove

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

Liên lạc: Mark Ladney, (714) 741-5382
Ban Công Tác Công Cộng

Thứ Hai, 13/2/2017

THÀNH PHỐ GARDEN GROVE ĐÓNG CỬA LỄ PRESIDENTS' DAY

Thành phố Garden Grove xin thông báo sẽ đóng cửa City hall và trung tâm H. Louis Lake Senior Center vào ngày Thứ Hai, 20 tháng 2, 2017 nhân dịp lễ Tổng Thống Hoa Kỳ (Presidents' Day.)

Hơn nữa, phục vụ quét đường cũng sẽ nghỉ vào ngày này. Thứ Ba, ngày 21 tháng 2, Thành phố sẽ mở cửa lại như thường lệ.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, liên lạc về Ban Công Tác Công Cộng tại số điện thoại (714) 741-5382.

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Garden Grove Mời Học Lớp Huấn Luyện Cấp Cứu CPR

16/02/2017 00:00:00



GARDEN GROVE -- Thành phố Garden Grove sẽ mở một lớp huấn luyện để cấp chứng chỉ CPR / First Aid / AED do công ty EMS Safety Services phụ trách hướng dẫn.



Lớp cấp cứu.

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Những ai muốn tham gia xin mời ghi danh trước bằng cách gửi email về địa chỉ gccert.oc@gmail.com.



Lớp cấp cứu.

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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Missy M. Mendoza 19h · 2 hrs · 🌐

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- Haga
- Dudman... See More

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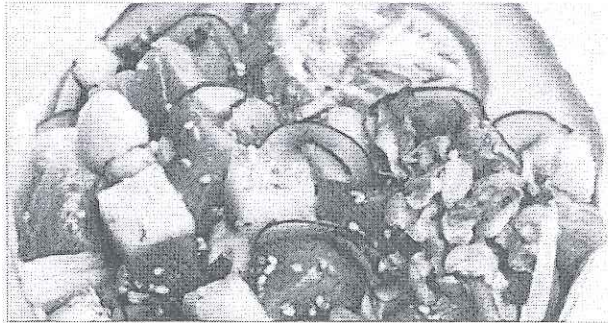
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Hungry?

Check out #GardenGrove's newest Mongolian BBQ restaurant called Howl Wok Mongolian BBQ!

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The Vox Kitchen has taken over the spot vacated by "Asian-Latin Street Food" restaurant Pango in Fountain Valley. The Vox offers small plates such as spicy...

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Garden Grove City Hall showed Garden Grove Fire Department's photo.

Published by [Wally N. Hernandez](#) on Feb 19, 2018

Rain is expected to fall later this week!

Be sure to get your sandbags now at Garden Grove Fire Department Stations 2, 3, and 4.

#GardenGrove #GGRain Garden Grove Public Works Department



Garden Grove Fire Department in Garden Grove, California. February 19 at 11:30am

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"This non-computerized gizmo built in Garden Grove is just beginning to be discovered, yet it allows someone with a lower leg injury the ability to walk, move hands free and avoid the soreness that goes with crutches."

#GardenGrove Orange County Register



Forget crutches, this gizmo lets you follow in Harrison Ford's footsteps

Feeling very much the pirate, I take my first step on something called an iWalk, a device that attaches a high-tech peg-leg just below my knee.

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Garden Grove City Hall shared a link.

Published by Garden Grove ProPublica (P) · Yesterday at 8:08am ·



City of Garden Grove on Twitter

"Scheduled outage this morning, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., on Dudman Drive and Pentagon Street in #GardenGrove. Residents were notified."

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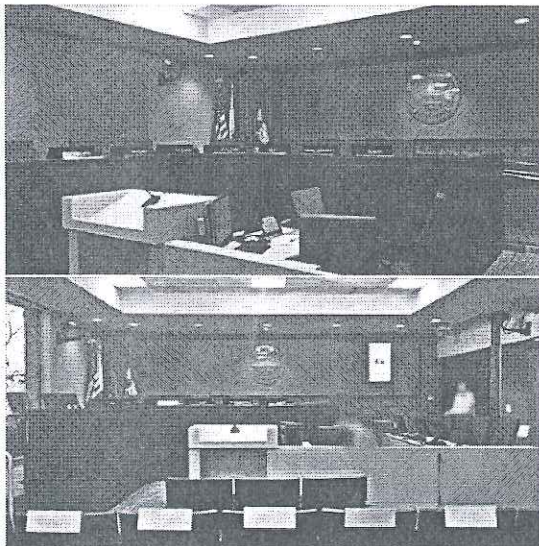


Garden Grove City Hall added 2 new photos.

Published by Garden Grove ProPublica (P) · February 14 at 6:56pm ·

Just a friendly reminder that tonight's #GardenGrove City Council meeting will be held in the newly renovated Council Chamber, at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center.

If you can't make it to the meeting, be sure to catch it on Garden Grove TV 3's #YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/c/GardenGroveTV3/live>. Check in at 6:30 p.m. Thank you!



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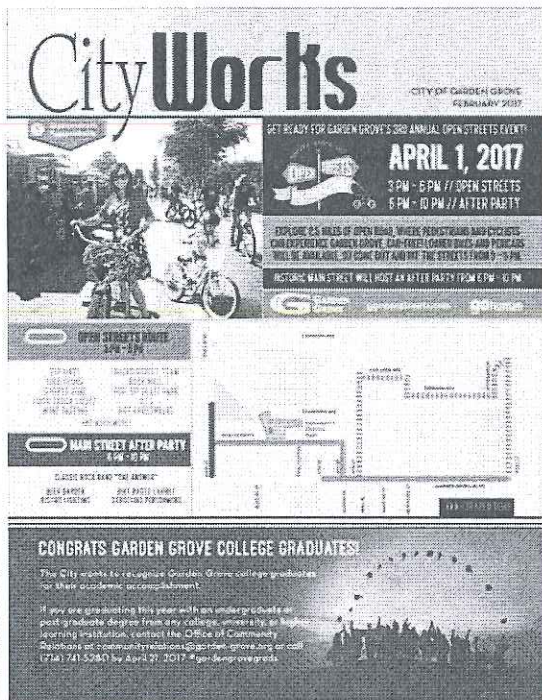
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Garden Grove City Hall
 Published to Garden Grove Facebook 17 February 14 at 2:59pm

Happy Valentine's Day, #GardenGrove!
 Be sure to check out February's City Works for all of the latest news.
<https://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/ci.../cityworks-feb-2017.pdf>



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Garden Grove City Hall
 Published by Missy M. Mendoza [?] February 16 at 1:05pm

Check out this Garden Grove TV 3 video!
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Garden Grove is Placemaking
 Aaron Paley and Shaheen Sadeghi know placemaking. In this short video, they share their views on this approach to planning, and how the City of Garden Grove ...

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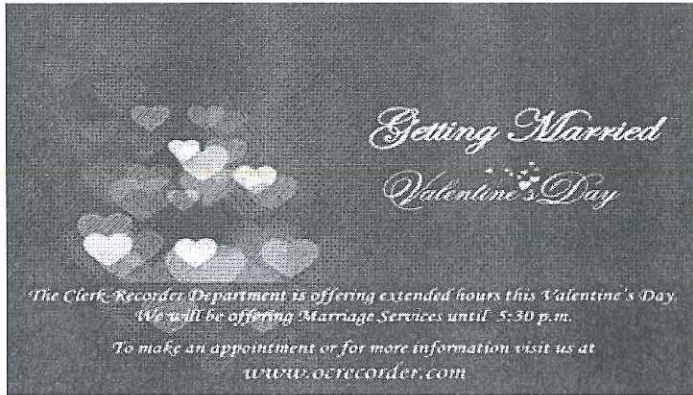
Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Missy M. Mendoza (9) · February 13 at 9:55am · 🌐

Can you feel the love in the air?

The #OrangeCounty Clerk-Recorder is offering extended hours for Marriage Services on Valentine's Day at its offices in Fullerton, Laguna Hills, and Santa Ana!

For more information or to register, please visit www.ocrecorder.com... See More



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👤 Esther Ann Torres



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Published by Missy M. Mendoza (9) · February 11 at 5:00pm · 🌐

TET CELEBRATION CONCERT

Tomorrow, February 12th, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., head over to Main Street (10971 Garden Grove Blvd.) for a free Tet Celebration Concert!

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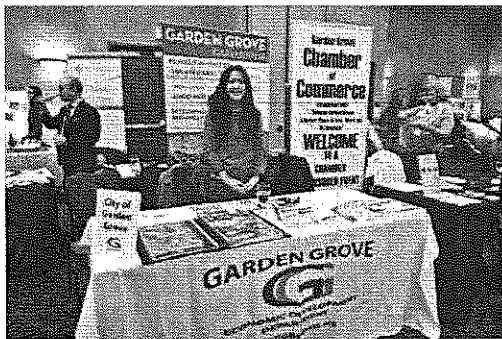


Garden Grove City Hall added 6 new photos

Published by Missy in Merced on February 10 at 2:00pm

#GardenGrove's Economic Development Division participated in #OrangeCounty's Major Business Expo, sponsored by Relationship Building Network (RBN), last night!

Members of the Economic Development division provided information on investment and development opportunities available in Garden Grove.



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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Missy in Merced on February 10 at 1:03pm

The #GardenGrove Emblem Club #279 is hosting a President's Charity Luncheon this Sunday, February 12th at the Garden Grove Elks Lodge #1962, at 11:30 a.m.!

All proceeds benefit the Thomas House Family Shelter. Please RSVP to Nancy Clark at (714) 530-8812 or Alice Salinas at (714) 597-1562.

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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by [Missy M Mendez](#) on February 10 at 10:08am

Tomorrow is the West Garden Grove Youth Baseball Opening Day Parade!

Streets will be affected between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Please share this information with anyone who might be affected by the temporary road closures. Thank you!

#GardenGrove

Street Closures in West Garden Grove | City of Garden Grove

On Saturday, February 11, 2017, from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., various streets in west Garden Grove will be closed for the

[CITY OF GARDEN GROVE CALIF](#)

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Garden Grove City Hall shared Garden Grove Fire Department's photo.

Published by [Missy M Mendez](#) on February 10 at 7:00am

SANDBAGS STILL AVAILABLE

Rain is expected to fall later this afternoon. Sand & bags are available to Garden Grove residents at Garden Grove Fire Department stations 2, 3, and 4.

Please make sure all drains in your home are clear, and drive safe by turning on your headlights if you're using your windshield. ... See More

Radar and Weather Maps for Garden Grove, ...



Garden Grove Fire Department

February 10 at 5:57pm

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We can expect rain again this afternoon. Sand & bags are available to #GardenGrove residents at fire stations 2, 3, & 4. Also, look around your home & make sur...

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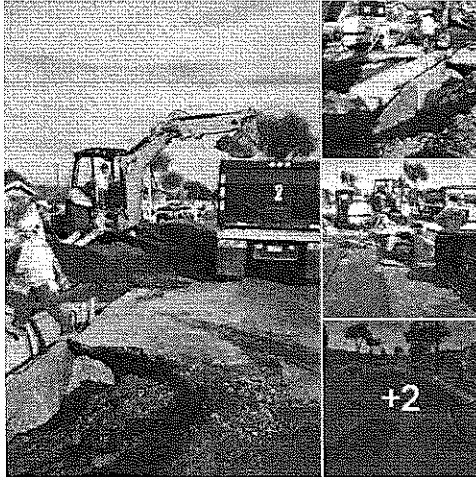
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Garden Grove City Hall (shared Garden Grove Public Works Department's post)

Published by Garden Grove Public Works on February 9 at 1:53pm

This evening, construction crews will be working on Lenore Street, between Springdale and Lamplighter streets (south of Lampson Avenue), to replace a sewer line that caused a sinkhole. Garden Grove Public Works Department will try to leave one lane of traffic open so that the street is not completely blocked. Please be cautious when traveling in that area. Thank you. #GardenGrove



Garden Grove Public Works Department added 5 new photos. February 9 at 4:53pm

WESTSIDE SINKHOLE
We had a sink hole form on Lenore, between Springdale and Lamplighter (south of Lampson). The hole was caused from a failed sewer line. Out.
See More

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7 Reactions, Comments & Shares

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Garden Grove City Hall (shared Garden Grove Police Department's post)

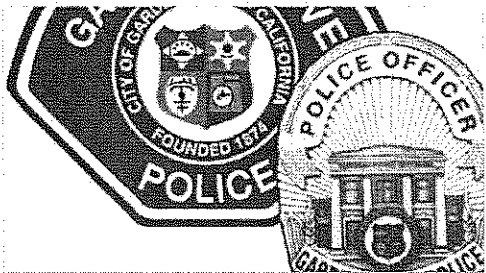
Published by Garden Grove Police on February 9 at 6:13pm



Garden Grove Police Department

February 9 at 6:02pm

If you witnessed the robbery that occurred on Wednesday, February 8, at the block of 13500 Euclid Street, please contact the Garden Grove Police Department at (714) 741-5704.



Seeking Witnesses to Robbery | City of Garden Grove

Garden Grove Police Officers were sent to the 13500 block of Euclid Street for a commercial robbery that just occurred. The sales clerk reported that a black male wearing a dark grey hoodie, dark grey pants and wearing a light blue...

CLARENCE BROCKHAUSE

2,011 People Reached

7 Likes, Comments & Shares

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2,011 people reached

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Garden Grove City Hall shared Orange County Register's post.

Happy #NationalPizzaDay!
Be sure to grab a slice or a whole pie at any #GardenGrove pizza place;

Orange County Register

Did you know? Today is National Pizza Day!
We pulled this list out of archives so you can try one of these great pizza places in honor of this "holiday." (Don't worry, we made sure they're all still open.)

Enjoy your slicer(s)!



20 of the best pizza places in Orange County

The goal: find 20 awesome pizzas.

DOORSTEP BOLD

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1,907 people reached

Recently mentioned this event, and others.

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1,907 People Reached

12 Reactions, Comments & Shares

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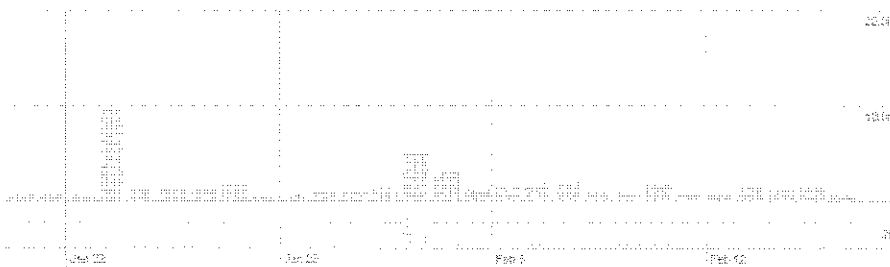
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YOUR TWEETS
During this 28 day period, you earned 1.7K impressions per day.

Tweet	Impressions	Engagements	Engagement rate
City of Garden Grove @CityofGardenGrove · Feb 10 Water Services has a scheduled water shut down 9AM-3PM on the following streets: -Loma -Haga -Dudman Residents were notified. #GG	108	1	0.9%
City of Garden Grove @CityofGardenGrove · Feb 10 Today's weather will reach a high of 77°F & a low of 52°F. #GG	192	1	0.5%
City of Garden Grove @CityofGardenGrove · Feb 10 Scheduled outage this morning, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., on Dudman Drive and Pentagon Street in #GardenGrove. Residents were notified.	191	8	4.2%

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Showing 28 days with daily frequency

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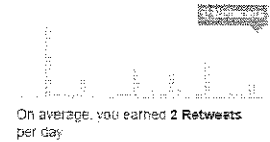
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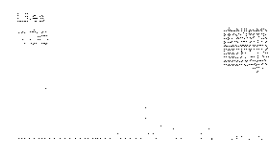
City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove - Feb 14
 3rd Annual Open Streets is 48 days away! Check link for road closures. #GG #GGOpenStreets ow.ly/5K3306QLBU
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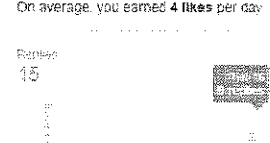
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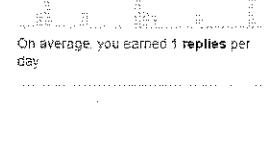
City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove - Feb 13
 #OC Clerk-Recorder is offering extended hrs for Marriage Serv. on V-Day! For more info, to register, please visit ocrecorder.com/#GG twitter.com/OT2VXRJUT8
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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove - Feb 13
 Happy Monday! Today's weather will reach a high of 74°F & a low of 56°F, #GG
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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove - Feb 13
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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove - Feb 11
 Sandbags are still available at @GardenGroveFire stations 2, 3, and 4! #GGRain #GG twitter.com/OCGovCA/status...
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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove - Feb 8
 Construction crews will be working on Lenore Street this evening to replace a sewer line that caused a sinkhole. -- facebook.com/plugins/post.p...
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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

February 9, 2017

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation of the February 23, 2017 Zoning Administrator meeting.
3. Minutes from the February 2, 2017 Planning Commission meeting.
4. Minutes from the September 12, 2016 Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission meeting.
5. League of California Cities, "CA Cities Advocates" dated February 10, 2017.



GARDEN GROVE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 16, 2017 – March 8, 2017

Thursday	February 16		Casual Day
		5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.	Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Orange County Workforce Innovation, 12821 Knott Street Garden Grove, 92841
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC B Room
Friday	February 17		City Hall Closed
Friday- Sunday	February 17- February 19		One More Productions presents "Follies" Gem Theater
Monday	February 20		City Hall Closed
Tuesday	February 21	10:00 a.m.- Noon	H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Movie Day "Deep Water Horizon", CMC A Room
Wednesday	February 22	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
Thursday	February 23	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room
Tuesday	February 28	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday	March 2	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday- Sunday	March 2- March 5		One More Productions presents "Always Patsy Cline", Gem Theater
Friday	March 3		City Hall Closed
Monday	March 6	6:30 p.m.	Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Tuesday	March 7	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Wednesday	March 8	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber



GARDEN GROVE

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2017**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, February 23, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Third Floor Training Room, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled pursuant to the attached Cancellation Notice.

DATED: February 16, 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa L. Kim', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

LISA L. KIM
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

The Regular Meeting of the
Garden Grove Zoning Administrator
scheduled for February 23, 2017
has been cancelled.

JUDITH MOORE
SECRETARY

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
B Room, Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 2, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Vice Chair Kanzler
Commissioner Barker
Commissioner Nuygen
Commissioner Paredes
Commissioner Zamora

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Paredes.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC – None.

January 12, 2017 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Zamora Second: Barker

Ayes: (5) Barker, Kanzler, Nuygen, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING FROM 1/12/17 DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM – SITE PLAN NO. SP-032-2017. FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 10691 WESTMINSTER AVENUE, NORTH SIDE OF WESTMINSTER AVENUE, WEST OF TAFT STREET.

Applicant: TD/PH & D COMPANY, INC.

Date: February 2, 2017

Request: Site Plan Approval to construct a new approximately 3,000 square foot one-story building, for the operation of a retail meat market, on a vacant 13,259 square foot lot, located at 10691 Westminster Avenue (APN: 099-504-44), along with associated improvements, which include a parking lot and landscaping. The site is in the C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Dien Tran

Action: Resolution No. 5874-17 was approved.

Motion: Zamora Second: Barker

Ayes: (5) Barker, Kanzler, Nuygen, Paredes, Zamora
Noes: (0) None

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-091-2017. FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7274 LAMPSON AVENUE, SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LAMPSON AVENUE AND MONARCH STREET.

Applicant: VERIZON WIRELESS
Date: February 2, 2017

Request: Conditional Use Permit approval to allow for the construction and operation of a 60-foot tall stealth wireless telecommunication facility disguised as a eucalyptus (mono-eucalyptus), along with related ground-mounted equipment. The site is in the MP (Industrial Park) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Miguel Samayoa

Action: Resolution No. 5875-17 was approved.

Motion: Paredes Second: Zamora

Ayes: (5) Barker, Kanzler, Nuygen, Paredes, Zamora
Noes: (0) None

PUBLIC HEARING – SITE PLAN NO. SP-033-2017. FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 13200-13220 HARBOR BOULEVARD, EAST SIDE OF HARBOR BOULEVARD, SOUTH OF GARDEN GROVE BOUELVARD.

Applicant: DOUG BERGMAN
Date: February 2, 2017

Request: Site Plan approval to construct an approximately 4,954 square foot commercial pad building within the parking lot of an existing multi-tenant shopping center, Harbor Place Center. The site is in the HCSP-TZS (Harbor Corridor Specific Plan-Transition Zone South) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Julio Gener, Doug Bergman, James Marshall

Action: Resolution No. 5876-17 was approved.

Motion: Barker Second: Paredes

Ayes: (5) Barker, Kanzler, Nuygen, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

PUBLIC HEARING – SITE PLAN NO. SP-034-2017, TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. TT-17928-2017, DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. DA-005-2017. FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11222 GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD, SOUTH SIDE OF GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD, EAST OF EUCLID STREET.

Applicant: WILL INGRAM (FAR WEST INDUSTRIES)

Date: February 2, 2017

Request: Site Plan approval to construct 16 units consisting of two (2) work-live units and 14 residential units, on a vacant 25,000 square foot lot, in conjunction with a request for Tentative Tract Map approval to create the units as condominiums. A Development Agreement is also proposed. The site is in the CC-3 (Civic Center – 3) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15332 – In-Fill Development Projects.

Action: Motion to continue the case to the February 16, 2017 meeting in order to include a Conditional Use Permit and work out design issues. Public Hearing was opened. Speaker(s): None.

Action: Motion to continue the case with the public hearing to remain open until the next meeting was approved.

Motion: Zamora Second: Barker

Ayes: (5) Barker, Kanzler, Nuygen, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Paredes asked for the status of the removal of existing billboards in regard to previous case Site Plan No. SP-027-2016. Staff relayed that the electronic billboard on Newhope Street and Trask Avenue, adjacent to the 22 Freeway, could not be turned on until the three specific existing billboard structures were pulled down.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff gave a brief description of future agenda items for the February 16, 2017 Planning Commission meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:46 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the B Room of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

Motion: Zamora Second: Paredes

Ayes: (5) Barker, Kanzler, Nuygen, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

Judith Moore
Recording Secretary

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Community Meeting Center, 'B' Room
11300 Stanford Avenue

Monday, September 12, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

CHAIR BRIETIGAM
VICE CHAIR MCINTOSH
COMMISSIONER BLACKMUN
COMMISSIONER CONSTANTINO
COMMISSIONER MUNETON
COMMISSIONER PHAM
COMMISSIONER RAMIREZ

Absent: Blackmun, McIntosh, Constantino

ALSO PRESENT: Omar Sandoval, City Attorney; Allison Mills, Neighborhood Improvement Manager; Nida Watkins, Project Manager; Jimmy Nguyen, Program Specialist; Officer Hatfield, Police Department; Officer Pham, Police Department; Judy Moore, Recording Secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Ramirez.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: None.

MINUTES: It was moved by Chair Brietigam and seconded by Commissioner Pham, to receive and file the Minutes from the June 6, 2016 Meeting. The motion carried by a 2-0 vote, with Commissioners Muneton and Ramirez abstaining, and Blackmun, Constantino, and McIntosh absent, as follows:

Ayes: (2) Brietigam, Pham
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (3) Blackmun, Constantino, McIntosh
Abstain: (2) Muneton, Ramirez

Commissioner Constantino joined the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: At the request of Vice Chair McIntosh, Omar Sandoval, the City Attorney, reviewed the scope of the Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission's (NICC) duties as defined under Municipal Code Section 2.58.080. He stated that the main purpose of the Commission was to review, evaluate, and provide advisory assistance on the documents used for the ongoing housing and Community Development Block Grant programs, which were Federal

grant programs that provide funding for different community improvements given to cities and counties. Many programs require noticing and reports which need to be published, and this Commission serves as an advisory body to the City Council to review the reports and provide comments to staff before the reports are taken to City Council. The City Council adopted responsibilities, which are delineated to the Commission, and the Council may designate additional duties or may ask for items to be reviewed before actions are taken. Also, an advisory body does not have governmental powers or authority, such as to commit the City to spend money or resources. Those powers are reserved for the City Council. The Council also adopts the budget for spending during each fiscal year and new items not budgeted need pre-approval and an allocation from the Council. Typically, if funds are needed for a new program, some other program must be set aside, therefore, advisory bodies must be mindful of requests brought to City Council.

The Commission also has the responsibility to identify and recommend to the City Council, eligible programs and geographic target areas in the City to allocate funds for neighborhood improvement and energy/water conservation for homes, apartments, and neighborhoods. The State asks the cities to fast track energy projects ministerially for single-family home solar installations in order to conserve energy and the environment. Another responsibility is to promote citizen awareness for neighborhood improvement support, not for commercial areas, and to identify community goals to preserve and improve neighborhoods, and energy resources such as the tree canopies, which have their own regulations. There is also a property maintenance ordinance.

Additionally, the Commission can ask City Council to send items to the Commission for review, and if an item in the Municipal Code, under the Commission's jurisdiction, needs the attention of the Council, a member, or the Secretary, should be designated to write a report to the Council, or a member could come before the Council and bring up the item during public comments.

HOMESLESSNESS TASK FORCE PRESENTATION: Police Officer Brian Hatfield gave a presentation on the Homelessness Task Force.

Officer Hatfield explained how his team became organized. In west Garden Grove, his boundaries were from Dale Street/Beach Boulevard to Valley View Street. He stated that a majority of the homeless population living in the flood control channel off Knott Street, both underground and inside the tunnels, were responsible for many of the crimes in the industrial areas. Early on, Hatfield took on the role to arrest the criminals to solve the problem, however, this did not solve the issue. Just as he began to get creative, Officer Hatfield was injured and was temporarily off work, during which time he conceived the idea for a 'special resource team' in regard to homelessness. While off, he volunteered to help the homeless population, which fostered a different perspective, especially since he now knew of organizations to help the homeless. He also realized that the homeless did not have, or claimed not to have, the knowledge base he did, for drug rehabilitation, mental health, or housing programs.

Once back at work, Hatfield networked and helped to get the resource office workers out in the field to see the actual homeless situations. He wanted to create resource events, however, he first needed a tracking system for the types of calls for service relating to homelessness. The Police Department would receive repeated calls for the same person, so with a tracking system, both the street issues and police issues could be treated. The Police team would also be trained in crisis intervention and verbal techniques to limit the use of force and liability.

Hatfield's one-day field event at the Garden Grove flood control channel included representatives, materials, and contact information from 13 different help organizations such as drug rehabilitation, mental health, and homelessness advocacy, and was covered by ABC7 News. The catalyst for the event was that the homeless at the flood channel were trespassing as the channel was not a public right-of-way. In contrast, in the City of Orange, the homeless camps in the riverbed area of the 57 Freeway were not technically trespassing as the area is open to public access. At the Garden Grove flood channel event, the homeless were detained, without enforcement, unless an individual was wanted for a major heinous crime. All of the homeless were to leave, however, if they wanted assistance, the organizations were there to help with information.

With the success of the flood channel event, the Police Department decided to invest more time and resources with their full support and the Special Resource Team (SRT) was created to help the needs of the community. The Training section of the program, headed by Corporal Haller, includes crisis intervention, verbal techniques, meetings with the Orange County Outreach and Engagement Team, enforcement procedures, and current case law. The Administration side, headed by Officers Flanders and Shelgren, deals with tracking numbers and statistics relating to dedicated Police time, implementing Municipal Code enforcement, and creating community partnership agreements. Hatfield added that private property owners need to use their right of citizen's arrest to arrest people on their property. The Field Operators, headed by Officers Hatfield and Orozco, respond to community related concerns and assist individuals. He also mentioned that some of the homeless population was transient from outside Garden Grove and when needed, attempts to contact family members would be part of the support system.

Officer Hatfield then stated that the goals of the SRT are to reduce the calls for service, educate officers, address community concerns, document department actions to limit City liability, and network with resource organizations. He added that law enforcement faces three types of homelessness:

- Cannot – Physical or mental disability that prevents person from living with normal pressure of everyday life.
- Have not – The largest population because of lost job, divorce, major life-altering situation where the bottom fell out, but persons are willing to accept assistance.
- Will not – Choose the homeless lifestyle.

Officer Hatfield then quoted a portion of the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, "I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service." Hatfield stated that as law enforcement officers, it is their duty to address the most pressing issues related to our community and the SRT program is designed to address these issues. He added that forty percent of the calls for service were homeless related and that historically, the transient population was pushed from area to area. If a group was trespassing, a team would be sent out to arrest people, but instead, if representatives could go out and assist in getting a few people to a better place, which would reduce calls for service with less demand on the Police Department.

Officer Hatfield offered his contact information: Brian Hatfield, West Patrol Division, (714) 240-1562, brian@ggpd.org, and opened the floor for discussion.

Ms. Liz Raganold thanked Officer Hatfield and asked for clarification regarding resource volunteers. Hatfield responded that he networked with agencies such as Volunteers of America for Veteran-related services and Step House for drug and alcohol addiction recovery, and to find others, he searched the internet for local resources.

Ms. Raganold then asked about the dividing line for residents who make the calls for service regarding the homeless in neighborhoods who may just need help. Hatfield shared that his jurisdiction was Brookhurst Street to the west, and that Cindy Orozco had Brookhurst Street to the east. For community concerns with someone sleeping inside their vehicle, or a continuous presence, citizens should email or call the Police Department's non-emergency line with information and include the car license plate as the person may move the vehicle. Citizens could also call the OC Outreach and Engagement Team. For crimes in progress, citizens should call 911.

Mr. Roberto Herrera asked for a comparison of Garden Grove homelessness procedures versus Santa Ana, who moved the Civic Center encampment to the bus station. Hatfield responded that cities have different interactions, some communities with alcohol and drug issues congregate in certain areas, some have more violent acts of thefts that require police attention, and some homeless areas were quiet.

Mr. Angel Van Stark thanked Officer Hatfield and agreed that arrests were not a good approach as they fill up the jails and were not cost effective; that homelessness was a national problem especially in California; that housing was temporary because a two-week voucher was not enough time; that a large portion of homeless were single mothers who could not work if a child was sick; that the 2013-14 death rate of homeless increased 54 percent; that more restrooms were needed to prevent disease; and that he would like to help with the foster care system and addiction at the City Council level.

Mr. Nel Ramirez mentioned the encampments by Angel Stadium, and that when they get too large, they get pushed out of their secure area; that resources were

temporary and they need homes; that homeless do not feel part of the community; that some families were broken up; and that he suggested foreclosed homes to house the homeless. Hatfield responded that he was not aware of any area with enough housing and that foreclosures were not the answer as they were based on a property owner's willingness to secure the location for housing, and that HUD housing had extended wait lists. Also, at the 57 Freeway, it was illegal to camp or set up the community they have in the flood control channel, and the reported crime statistics show that the environment is not safe due to a select few who run the camps. Also, no enforcement is taken in that area due to civil liability issues.

Mr. Mark Paredes asked if there was a crime increase due to homelessness and stated that Garden Grove resources were limited and homelessness should be a community shared issue, not just a Police Department issue. Hatfield stated he would like a proactive approach to prevent homelessness by having preventative training programs in high school senior classes before students get out into the real world, and added that it is not a crime to be homeless, however, activities create the issues.

Mr. Demian Garcia Monroy thanked Officer Hatfield and stated that the County, State and Federal government were approving funds for more resources and Garden Grove would be ahead of the game.

Mr. Rick Montoya asked if the crime rate had gone up due to the homeless. Hatfield responded that multiple issues were at fault; that Los Angeles County transplants come into the City because Orange County has more money and the resources are better; that outreach has to be coordinated because some food has to be thrown out due to too much in certain areas; and, that AB109 early release from the jail system program raises the crime rate.

Chair Brietigam closed the floor to public comment.

Commissioner Muneton thanked Officer Hatfield and the audience and liked the different approach.

Commissioner Pham thanked Officer Hatfield and asked if his team was trained for culturally sensitive and LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) clients. Hatfield responded yes, that emotional and financial support was addressed.

Commissioner Ramirez thanked Officer Hatfield and asked what the recourse was for people panhandling with signs at major chain businesses and on street medians in the context of preserving neighborhoods and businesses. Hatfield stated that panhandling was a location specific issue; that the first amendment right allows people to hold whatever sign they want as long as they were on the sidewalk; that standing on the median is breaking the law as the median is part of the road; that the issue cannot be enforced on private property without the permission of the business owner; and, that a call for service could help resolve the issue.

Commissioner Ramirez commented that several approaches to reduce homelessness include state bills that require cities to evaluate land uses related to

affordable housing, sober living homes, transitional care facilities, support care facilities, and emergency shelters that mandate the local jurisdictions and that this overrides the local jurisdiction's ability to regulate the homes; that hopefully, the police outreach would create a relationship between the homeless and permanent neighborhood communities, who try to protect, preserve, and conserve their neighborhoods; that due to a lack of perspective, permanent communities do not want these types of homes; and, that after ten o'clock at night, the corner of Gilbert Street and Chapman Avenue was not safe.

Chair Brietigam asked for the response time for a call for service to the west side relating to transients and why had the homeless population in west Garden Grove increased. Hatfield stated that typically, the next available officer would be dispatched for a call and that the west end had more resources. He added that most homeless have funds, food, and phones available, and that for the homeless transients from Los Angeles County, there were more financial benefits.

Chair Brietigam asked if the Police Department had sufficient resources to handle the issues. As a full-time patrol officer, Hatfield stated he would like two full-time officers as his work was done in his spare time.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2015-16 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT REVIEW (CAPER):

Chair Brietigam opened the public hearing to receive comment. Seeing none, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Staff presented the 2015-16 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report Review (CAPER), which will be submitted to Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The report is a HUD requirement and substantiates funds received to be able to continue to receive such funds in the future, which help serve those in need in the community. The report covers the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Before submittal to HUD, the CAPER is available for public comment for at least fifteen days. City Council will hold a public hearing on the CAPER at its September 27, 2016 meeting.

The CAPER is part of an ongoing citizen participation process, which happens in three stages.

- Consolidated Plan - The City created a 5-year Consolidated Plan (2015-20) for Housing and Community Development, which identifies the community's priority housing, homeless, and social service needs. This CAPER covers the first year.
- Action Plan - Each year, staff recommends an Action Plan of specific projects and budget allocations to address needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. This Commission participates in reviewing the Action Plan before Council adoption. With an approved Action Plan, contracts are executed, projects are implemented, and funds are expended in accordance with the Plan.

- CAPER – This report measures the City’s performance regarding the number of people served, the number of housing units rehabilitated, and the amount of money spent. The progress of each project is evaluated in the Action Plan, and progress or challenges encountered in meeting the 5-year goals in the Consolidated Plan are reported.

Unlike the Consolidated Plan or Action Plan, the City is not required to adopt the CAPER, rather, the report is submitted directly to HUD. This Commission is asked to hold a public hearing to hear any comments from the audience or Commissioners, to be considered at a future Council meeting.

Several first year accomplishments include:

- Assisted 3,400 individuals and households with Fair Housing services.
- Abated 351 units in low- and moderate- income neighborhoods for unsafe, indecent, or unsanitary living conditions.
- Assisted 561 persons to avoid or recover from homelessness with homeless prevention and intervention.
- Provided services and/or meals to 1,227 seniors.
- Assisted 49 low-income households with rental assistance with tenant-based rental assistance vouchers.

After staff’s summary, there were several comments and suggestions from the Commissioners:

1. Commissioner Ramirez acknowledged the plan’s first year accomplishments and encouraged those present, who expressed passion about homelessness and those with special needs, to get a copy of the CAPER report to familiarize themselves with Garden Grove’s resources and to also attend the City Council meeting on September 27th.
2. Commissioner Pham noted the CAPER Notice was in Vietnamese and asked if it was published in other languages. Staff responded that notices were also in English and Spanish, and that the notice could be found on the City’s website, at the Public Library, the Community Meeting Center, and City Hall.
3. Commissioner Constantino asked for clarification on the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) Subrecipients, located on Page 28 of the report, Item 3a, which lists vendors from Fullerton (Women’s Transitional Living Center), Seal Beach (Interval House), and Santa Ana (Mercy House Transitional Living Centers). Staff responded that these vendors fall under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program to provide services to the City.
4. Chair Brietigam acknowledged the detailed report and asked for clarification on the recommendation. Staff explained that the ‘action’ was to hold a public hearing for public comment and that the Commission

could recommend that staff transmit the CAPER report to the City Council for their public hearing, however, the recommendation was not required.

5. Commissioner Ramirez recommended that Officer Hatfield's homelessness intervention and assistance were included in the accomplishments section of the CAPER report. Staff responded that the efforts of the Special Resource Team were mentioned in the Outreach portion of the report.

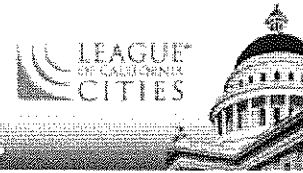
MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Pham liked the Special Resource Team presentation at the request of Vice Chair McIntosh, and encouraged more presentations for a larger audience and civic engagement. He thanked Planning Commissioner Mark Paredes, and Parks and Recreation Commissioner Rick Montoya, for attending. Also, he asked if ESG would play a larger role in county for shelter in the winter months. Staff responded that the Mercy House armory shelter was only open during the cold weather months and funding was provided to service the Garden Grove population. Commissioner Pham then asked if more money was allocated this year for the increase in homelessness. Staff stated that funds were finite and that if one fund were increased, another would be decreased.

Commissioner Pham also would like more presentations.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Brietigam adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission to be held on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center B Room, 11300 Stanford Avenue.

Judith Moore
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Cities Urged to Send Support Letters to Senate Transportation and Housing Committee Prior to Hearing

Less than a week after Gov. Jerry Brown, Senate President pro Tem Kevin de Leon (D-Los Angeles) and Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood) announced an April 6 deadline to pass a transportation funding package, the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee on Tuesday, Feb. 14 will hold the first policy committee hearing on League-supported SB 1. *For more, see Page 2.*



League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$37.48 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Affordable Housing in Los Angeles

Some of the most significant benefits of League membership for cities since 1988 have flowed from the League's co-sponsorship of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA). *For more, see Page 2.*



Call for 2017 Helen Putnam Entries
Submit Entries by April 13

Each year the League of California Cities® honors outstanding work in member cities across the state through the League Partner-sponsored Helen Putnam Awards for Excellence. *For more, see Page 2.*

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Members of the Fix Our Roads Coalition, of which the League is a founding member, will be testifying in support of Sen. Jim Beall's (D-San Jose) bill that generates an additional \$6 billion annually for California's local and state transportation network. Californians cannot afford to wait any longer for the passage of a meaningful transportation funding package. The system that California residents, businesses and visitors rely on is crumbling. It comes down to pave now or pay more later.

State and local roads have a maintenance backlog of \$130 billion and California motorists are spending more than \$700 annually on car repairs due to pothole-filled roads. This backlog is divided between \$59 billion for state highways and \$73 billion for local streets, roads, and bridges. Without additional funding, this shortfall is projected to grow by \$20 billion in the next decade.

The Special Session on Transportation Funding ended on Nov. 30, 2016 without an approved package, however, the Governor, Senate President pro Tem and Assembly Speaker committed to getting work done on transportation early in the session. On Feb. 8 they announced an April 6 deadline to get this done.

The coalition had a press conference in mid-January with hundreds of city officials who were in Sacramento for the League's New Mayors and Council Members Academy. Sen. Beall also recently held an informational hearing on roadway funding needs and the Fix Our Roads Coalition held a briefing for legislators and staff in the Capitol. Next Tuesday's hearing though is the first debate this year on legislation. Assembly Member Jim Frazier's (D-Oakley) AB 1, which is similar to SB 1, has not been set for hearing yet.

City-by-city estimates show what each California city receives under SB 1 and AB 1. In brief, AB 1 and SB 1 raises revenue through a variety of sources:

- A 12 cent increase to the gas tax (SB 1 would phase this increase in over three years);
- Ending the Board of Equalization's "true up" process on the unreliable price based excise tax on gas;
- A \$38 increase to the vehicle registration fee;
- A \$100 vehicle registration fee on zero emission vehicles;
- A 20 cent increase to the diesel excise tax;
- \$300 million from existing Cap-and-Trade funds; and
- \$500 million in vehicle weight fees phased in over five years.

Take Action to Support SB 1

Many cities have formally supported SB 1 and AB 1, but legislators need to hear from more cities about the importance of passing a sustainable transportation funding package.

The League has prepared a sample letter cities can use and tailor with examples from their own. Letters should be sent to Sen. Beall, chair of the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee along with each city's senator and Assembly member.

The sample letter, along with the League's letter and bill language can be found at www.cacities.org/BillSearch by plugging SB 1 into the search function.

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This program provides a variety of public agencies and developers access to low-cost, tax-exempt financing and economic development tools. CSCDA recently issued a total of \$37,480,000 in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for the Watts Arms I Apartments and Columbia Apartments in Los Angeles.

About Watts Arms I Apartments

Watts Arms I Apartments (Watts Arms) is an acquisition and rehabilitation of 104 multi-family affordable housing apartments by Watts Arms I Renewal, LP. The project sponsor is the National Foundation for Affordable Housing Solutions (the Foundation). Watts Arms will continue to be 100 percent affordable and provide apartments to low-income residents in Los Angeles.

CSCDA and the Foundation partnered with Stifel to underwrite the \$19.48 million in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for Watts Arms. The project will undergo an extensive interior and exterior renovation ensuring that residents have an updated, safe, and affordable community to call home for years to come. The financing of Watts Arms will maintain the affordability of units for low-income tenants for 55 years.

About Columbia Apartments

Columbia Apartments is an acquisition and rehabilitation of 122 multi-family affordable housing apartments by Columbia Associates II, LP. The project sponsor is Intercontinental Affordable Housing (IAHI). Columbia Apartments will continue to be 100 percent affordable and provide apartments to low-income residents in Los Angeles.

CSCDA and IAHI partnered with Jones, Lang LaSalle Multifamily to provide tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for Columbia Apartments. The project will undergo an extensive interior and exterior renovation ensuring that residents have an updated, safe, and affordable community to call home for years to come. The financing of Columbia Apartments will maintain the affordability of units for low-income tenants for 55 years.

Background

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities® and the California State Association of Counties. It was created by cities and counties for cities and counties. More than 500 cities, counties and special districts are program participants in CSCDA, which serves as their conduit issuer and provides access to efficiently finance locally-approved projects. CSCDA has issued more than \$50 billion in tax exempt bonds for projects that provide a public benefit by creating jobs, affordable housing, healthcare, infrastructure, schools and other fundamental services. Visit [CSCDA's website](#) for additional information on the ways in which CSCDA can help your city.

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If your city has done remarkable, innovative work in any of the 12 categories listed below now is the time to get your deserved recognition. It is an opportunity to thank your employees and collaborators, gain the appreciation of your residents and feel proud of outstanding contributions made to better your city.

The award recognizes the successes of California cities as demonstrated by beneficial innovations, resourceful efficiencies, improved public service, and overall enhanced public trust and support. The award also provides a great opportunity to have a community celebration of the good work you are doing.

Does your city have an outstanding program that delivers efficiency, quality service and innovation? Enter your program at www.helenputnam.org to compete for the recognition it deserves.

Award categories include:

- CCS Partnership Intergovernmental Collaboration Award
- Community Services and Economic Development
- Economic Development through the Arts
- Enhancing Public Trust, Ethics, and Community Involvement
- Health and Wellness Programs
- Housing Programs and Innovations
- Internal Administration
- League Partners Award for Excellence in City-Business Relations

- Planning and Environmental Quality
- Public Safety
- Public Works, Infrastructure, Transportation
- Ruth Vreeland Award for Engaging Youth in City Government

Additionally, your city can receive the President's Advocacy Award. This prestigious award honors a distinguished program or individual that best advocates for the League's annual strategic priorities. One outstanding winner may be chosen from the 12 categories.

Your city must be a member of the League of California Cities to apply. To qualify, simply demonstrate that your city offered a program or service that has proven measurable and successful within a minimum of one year of actual implementation. Particular attention and credit is given to applications specifically advancing the League's strategic priorities at www.cacities.org/priorities, which are determined each year by the board of directors.

Online entry deadline is Thursday, April 13. Submit your application online at www.helenputnam.org.

Please contact [Melissa Lienau](mailto:Melissa.Lienau@cacities.org) with any questions at (916) 658-8216.

Upcoming Legislative Hearings of Interest to Cities Feb. 14-28

The Legislature continues to hold a number of oversight and informational hearings on a variety of policy areas of interest to cities. With just a week until the Feb. 17 bill introduction deadline, expect the number of legislative hearings to ramp up by early March.

Some hearings, if not all, will be televised. The [Senate](#) and [Assembly](#) publish weekly television schedules, but audio is always available online. In addition, many hearings are also webcast via the [California Channel](#).

Here are a number of upcoming hearings of interest to cities:

Feb. 14

Senate Transportation and Housing Committee, 1:30 p.m. State Capitol, Room 4203

- **SB 1 (Beall)** Transportation funding. *League position: Support.*

Senate Governance and Finance Committee, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 2040

- Oversight Hearing: Cannabis Tax Collection

Senate Natural Resources and Water, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 113

- Informational Hearing: California Water Fix: Status of the Project

Feb. 15

Senate Environmental Quality Committee, 9:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 3191

- Oversight Hearing: Overview of California's Beverage Container Recycling Program

Feb. 16

Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Hearing, 10 a.m., State Capitol, Room 4203

- Oversight Hearing: Marijuana in California: Revenue, Budget, and Community Impact

Feb. 22

Assembly Local Government Committee, 2 p.m., State Capitol, Room 447

- Informational Hearing: "How Local Governments are Implementing Proposition 64 — the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA)"

Feb. 28

Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 4 on State Administration, 1:30 p.m. State Capitol, Room 447

- Informational Hearing: What are the Financial Barriers to Housing Production in California?

Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee, 9 a.m., State Capitol, Room 112

- Informational Hearing: California Water Fix: Perspectives on the Plan

Join ILG for a Public Engagement Strategy Workshop in Sacramento on March 8

Looking for assistance with organizing and sustaining productive public engagement? Struggling to decide how to use online engagement tools? This workshop will provide you with the tools and resources you need to authentically engage stakeholders in thoughtful, democratic processes. The Institute for Local Government's Public Engagement Program is partnering with Public Agenda to bring this workshop to Sacramento on March 8.

The one-day event will cover a variety of issues including:

- Strengths and limitations of public engagement;
- Practical skills for planning stronger engagement infrastructure; and
- How to assess the strengths and weaknesses of public engagement in your community.

[Register online.](#)

Please contact [Sarah Rubin](#) with questions.

Grant Money for Community Based Transitional Housing Webinar Scheduled for March 2

The League of Cities and Department of Finance will host a webinar to inform cities of a grant opportunity for siting Community Based Transitional Housing. Registration is now open for this free, one-hour webinar scheduled for Thursday, March 2.

Cities and counties are eligible for grants under the new Community-Based Transitional-Housing Program. Established by [SB 837](#) in June 2016, the program provides \$25 million in grants for cities or counties that agree to site transitional housing connected with support services for recently released offenders. Individual grants can be up to \$2 million, depending on the size of the facility, and priorities will be provided for applications with local matching contributions.

To ensure that cities are fully aware of this program and have a chance to consider taking advantage of it, we are hosting a webinar to enable the Department of Finance (DOF) to explain the program in greater detail, and be available to answer your questions.

DOF's [FAQ's for the Community Based Transitional Housing grant program](#) has additional information.

Applications will be accepted on a first come basis over a two-year period that begins Oct. 1, 2016. DOF will stop accepting applications when the \$25 million appropriation is fully awarded even if that occurs prior to Oct. 1, 2018. The [application](#) is available on DOF's website.

Webinar Details

Thursday, March 2, 1–2 p.m.

[Register online](#) by Monday, Feb. 27, 5 p.m. Webinar log-in information will be sent that day.

Typically, League webinars only allow one connection per city but due to capacity, each member city can have two connections to make it easier to participate. The webinar is free for members and League partners. Non-member cities will be charged \$100.

Please direct registration questions to [Megan Dunn](#). Please direct other questions to [Sarah Nowshiravan](#).
