

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
June 3, 2021

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

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. LETTER OF SUPPORT

A copy of the letter of support for the Chapman Avenue and Lamplighter Street traffic signal project from Mayor Steve Jones is included for your information.

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

- A.** County of Orange News Release: County of Orange's Super Point-of-Dispensing (POD) Sites Will Administer First Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine Next Week (May 28, 2021).
- B.** Joint Forces Training Base Community Update: JFTB's Public Base Tour Program Returns June 17 (May 28, 2021).
- C.** Care Ambulance compliance report for May 2021.
- D.** Notice of Public Forum (Public Participation Hearing) – Southern California Edison Company's (U 338-E) General Rate Case Phase 2 Application No. A.20-10-012.

• OTHER ITEMS

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



Scott C. Stiles
City Manager



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

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June 1, 2021

Congressman Alan Lowenthal, CA-47
18 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Attention: Shane Trimmer, Legislative Director

Re: Chapman Avenue and Lamplighter Street Traffic Signal

Dear Mr. Trimmer:

The City of Garden Grove would like to offer this letter of support for the construction of a traffic signal at the intersection of Chapman Ave. and Lamplighter St. submitted to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for funding consideration in the Surface Transportation Reauthorization.

The City received a petition from approximately 85 parents requesting a traffic device at the subject intersection to help improve safety for schoolchildren crossing this location. Traffic Engineering staff conducted a study at the intersection and determined that it warranted the installation of a traffic signal. It has been approved by the City's Traffic Commission and placed on the Signal Priority List.

We look forward to partnering with Congressman Lowenthal on this important project. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the City Engineer, Dan Candalaria at (714) 741-5185.

Sincerely,

Steve Jones
Mayor



PRESS RELEASE

County of Orange's Super Point-of-Dispensing (POD) Sites Will Administer First Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine Next Week

Increased demand in COVID-19 vaccines anticipated after State announced their "Vax for the Win" Program.

(Santa Ana, CA) — The County of Orange anticipates an increased demand for first dose COVID-19 vaccinations after Governor Newsom's announcement on May 27, 2021 that the State of California has launched "[Vax for the Win](#)," a COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Program.

The County Super Point-of-Dispensing (POD) sites have been dispensing the second dose of the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines and the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine. To meet the anticipated increase in demand for first dose COVID-19 vaccinations, the County Super PODs will also offer the first dose of the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines through the Anaheim Convention Center, OC Fair & Event Center, Santa Ana College, and Soka University from Tuesday, June 1 through Saturday, June 5, 2021. For information about which vaccines are available at each location, please visit <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-vaccine-resources> starting Tuesday.

As all County Super PODs are [scheduled to close operations](#) on Sunday, June 6th, individuals who receive a first dose at a County Super POD next week will be connected on-site with information about how to schedule their second dose. That information includes:

- The Othena platform will automatically select your second dose date; you will need to log-in to select your preferred location at one of the County's mobile events or call the OC COVID-19 Hotline at [\(714\) 834-2000](tel:7148342000) for assistance.
- Alternatively, you may receive your second dose at a location like a pharmacy or health care provider and can access a list [here](#).

In order to ensure that each location is staffed appropriately, individuals are encouraged to visit www.Othena.com or call the OC COVID-19 Hotline at [\(714\) 834-2000](tel:7148342000) to make an appointment; however, walk-ins will also be accommodated. The Hotline can also assist with arranging transportation to and from each Super POD, if needed.

To learn more about the "Vax for the Win" incentive program, please visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/vax-for-the-win/>.

VAX FOR THE WIN

California's COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Program

OVER \$116 MILLION IN PRIZES

\$15 MILLION

10 GRAND CASH PRIZES OF \$1.5 MILLION

SELECTED JUNE 15

\$50,000 FRIDAYS
CASH PRIZES FOR 30 WINNERS

SELECTED JUNE 4 AND JUNE 11

Vaccinated Californians are automatically entered to win

\$50 INCENTIVE CARDS

Grocery or prepaid cards for 2 million new fully vaccinated people

STARTING MAY 27, WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

Learn more at covid19.ca.gov

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JOINT FORCES TRAINING BASE

Attachment II. B
Mgrs. Memo 6/3/21

COMMUNITY UPDATE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Col. (CA) Richard Lalor: (562) 795-2096 or (626) 733-1170
Staff Sgt. Crystal Housman: (805) 458-3825

May 28, 2021
Update 21-03

JFTB's PUBLIC BASE TOUR PROGRAM RETURNS JUNE 17

LOS ALAMITOS, Calif. – Joint Forces Training Base (JFTB) is pleased to announce the return of its popular public base tour program following a 16-month suspension due to the pandemic.

This year's tour dates include June 17, August 19 and November 18. Tours are scheduled on Thursday afternoons and participants should plan for approximately three hours.

The fully guided bus tour includes an introduction and historical overview of the base – highlighting its current state and federal missions. Featured stops include the 40th Infantry Division Headquarters, Los Alamitos Army Airfield (including an up-close look at a Cal Guard UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter) and JFTB's engagement skills trainer.

Space is limited to 45 pre-registered participants. Admission is free and everyone will receive a group photo as a souvenir of their visit.

To register for a tour, send an e-mail to the JFTB Public Affairs Officer at richard.w.lalor2.nfg@mail.mil. E-mails must include full name, address (including zip code), phone number, e-mail address and California driver's license number for each participant.

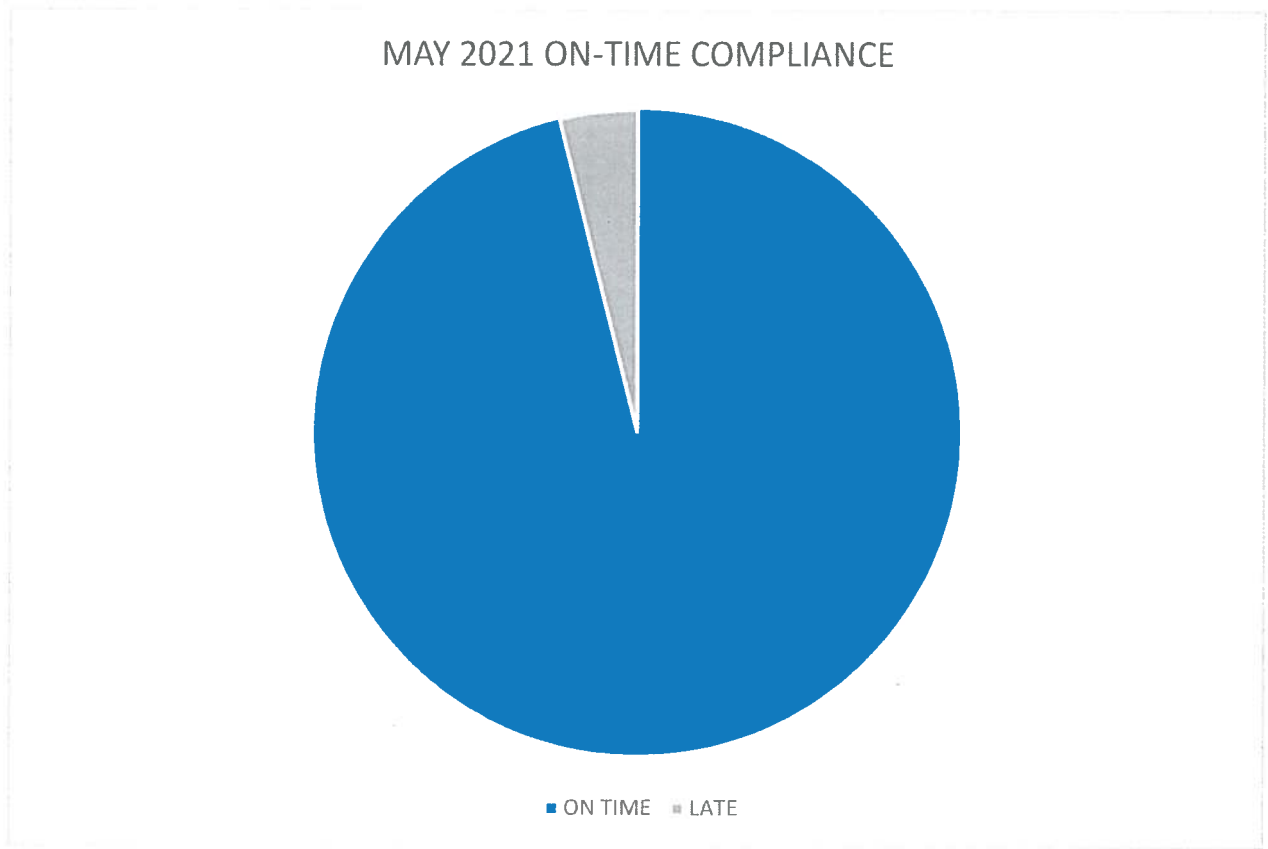
Due to enhanced force protection requirements and COVID-19 protocols, all participants are required to show current government-issued photo identification at the main gate for access to the installation. Masks are required for everyone taking the tour.

For additional information, please contact Col. (CA) Richard Lalor at (562) 795-2096 or via email at richard.w.lalor2.nfg@mail.mil, or Staff Sgt. Crystal Housman at (805) 458-3825 or via email at crystal.c.housman.mil@mail.mil.

GARDEN GROVE

May 2021 Compliance Report

CODE 2	
RESPONSES	809
ON TIME	778
LATE	31
CODE 3	
RESPONSES	139
ON TIME	133
LATE	6
TOTALS	
RESPONSES	948
ON TIME	911
LATE	37
PERCENTAGE	96.10%



AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME: 9:03

AVERAGE LATE TIME: 2:18

La versión en español se encuentra en el otro lado del aviso.

Southern California Edison Company
 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue
 Rosemead, CA 91770

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM
 (Public Participation Hearing)
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY'S (U 338-E)
 GENERAL RATE CASE PHASE 2 APPLICATION NO. A.20-10-012**

On October 23, 2020, Southern California Edison (SCE) filed its General Rate Case (GRC) Phase 2 Application (A.20-10-012). In Phase 2, SCE proposes to design rates by incorporating rate changes from other SCE proceedings including SCE's Phase 1 GRC and would be phased in over four years. Rates are designed by dividing approved electric costs among each customer class (residential, commercial, etc.). This results in rates increasing for some customer classes and decreasing for other customer classes;¹ **no new costs are being proposed in this Phase 2 Application.** The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is holding a Public Forum, also called a Public Participation Hearing (PPH), about Phase 2.

How can I participate in the Public Forums?

SCE and the CPUC would like to hear from you. You are invited to participate in the Public Forums, where you can make comments and raise concerns to the CPUC's Administrative Law Judge overseeing this application.

Where and when will these Public Forums be held?

In compliance with the Governor's directive and the CPUC's ongoing efforts to protect customers and community members, this meeting will be held via remote participation using web or teleconferencing.

The Public Forums can be viewed online or heard through the phone as shown below. If you wish to make a comment, please participate by phone using the phone number and passcode below.

DATE	TIME	VIRTUAL/REMOTE DETAILS
Tuesday, June 22, 2021	1:30 p.m.	Phone Number: (800) 857-1917 Passcode: 1673482
	6:00 p.m.	To make public comment: Press *1 Webcast: http://adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc

For updates and additional information, please visit <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/pph>. Written public comments may also be provided at any time at cpuc.ca.gov/A2010012comments. Your participation by providing your thoughts on SCE's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

Please note: There will be Spanish interpretation for these public forums. If you need a language interpreter other than Spanish, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office using the contact information at the end of this notice by June 15, 2021.

¹ If SCE's rate request is approved by the CPUC, the average residential non-CARE monthly bill using 500 kWh per month would increase by approximately \$1.18 or 1.1% per month.

How does the rest of the process work?

This application has been assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt SCE’s application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding are currently reviewing SCE's application, including the Public Advocates Office, which is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information about the Public Advocates Office, please call (415) 703-1584, email PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov.

Where can I get more information?

Contact SCE:

- Mail: Southern California Edison Company
Attention: Robert A. Thomas, Director, Pricing Design & Research
A.20-10-012 – SCE’s 2021 GRC Phase 2
P.O. Box 800 Rosemead, CA 91770
- Email: scegrc@sce.com
- View SCE’s application: <https://www.sce.com/regulatory/CPUC-Open-Proceedings>

Contact the CPUC:

You may also get information about this proceeding by contacting the CPUC:

- Visit cpuc.ca.gov/A2010012comments to submit a public comment.
- Contact the CPUC’s Public Advisor’s Office if you have questions about CPUC processes:
- Phone: (866) 849-8390
- Mail: CPUC Public Advisor’s Office
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
- Email: Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Please reference **SCE A.20-10-012 – Phase 2** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

WEEKLY MEMO 6-3-2021

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

May 27, 2021 - June 2, 2021

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

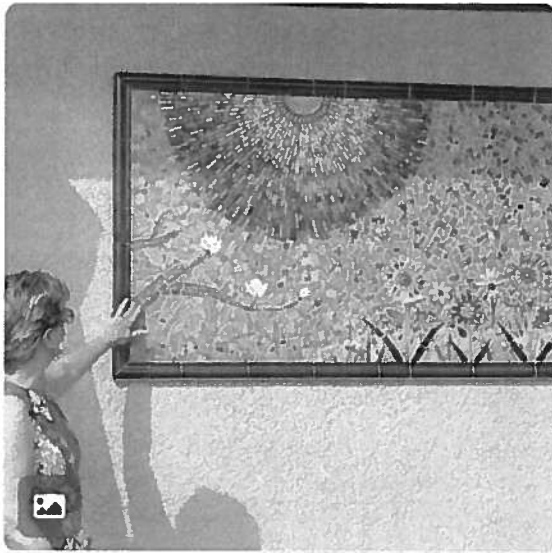
Included in this Report

 @CityGardenGrove

 Garden Grove City Hall

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 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Thu 5/27/2021 10:11 am PDT




Impressions	3,265
Reach	2,835
Engagements	250
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	7.7%

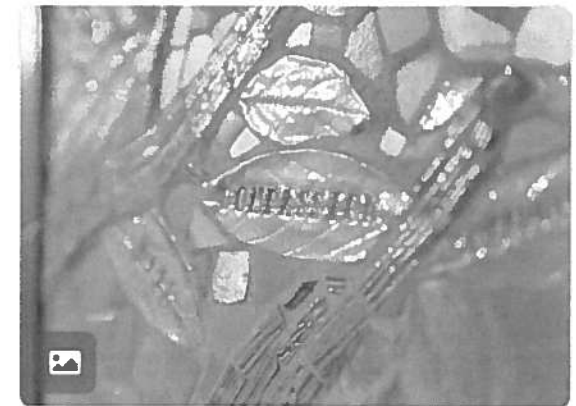
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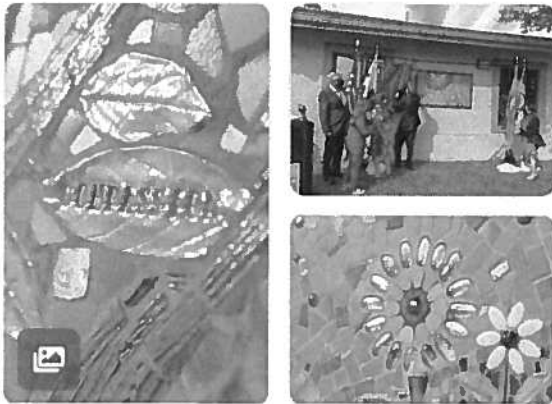
In Garden Grove, we reach milestones together. ★ On Tuesday, May 25, the City of Garden Grove celebrated the Magnoli...



Impressions	3,291
Reach	2,847
Engagements	252
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	7.7%

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Thu 5/27/2021 10:21 am PDT

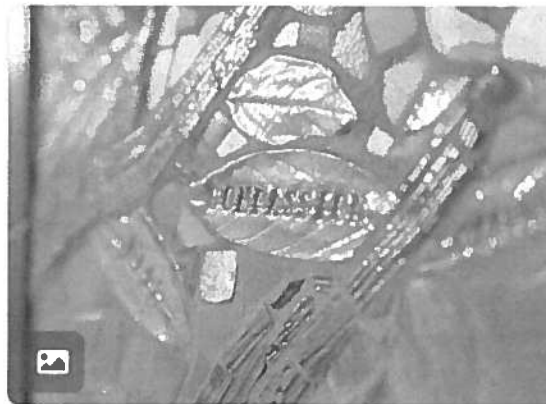
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Impressions	1,189
Reach	939
Engagements	52
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	4.4%

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Thu 5/27/2021 10:40 am PDT

On Tuesday, 5/25, the City of GG celebrated the Magnolia Park Family Resource Center's 21st anniversary with...



Impressions	456
Potential Reach	4,329
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.6%

  **Garden Grove City Hall**
Thu 5/27/2021 4:36 pm PDT

Attention parents! 📖 Garden Grove's local libraries will be providing free summer meals for children and teens 18 years ol...



Impressions	6,659
Reach	6,172
Engagements	171
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.6%

  @CityGardenGrove
Thu 5/27/2021 4:46 pm PDT

GG's libraries are providing free meals for children & teens 18 yrs old & under from 6/15-7/23. Lunches will be distributed on...





GRAB & GO MEALS
JUNE 15-JULY 23
FREE SUMMER MEALS AT YOUR LIBRARY!
Free healthy meals for children and teens 18 and under. No registration is required.
Meals distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Children must be present at time of meal pick up. Grab and go lunches will need to be heated at home.

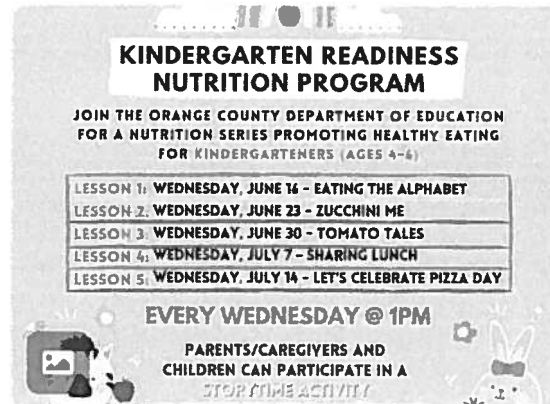
LIBRARY BRANCH LOCATIONS

	GARDEN GROVE MAIN 200 STANFORD AVE. (714) 530-0711	GARDEN GROVE CHAPMAN 9182 CHAPMAN AVE. (714) 539-2115
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Impressions	767
Potential Reach	5,699
Engagements	22
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.9%

  Garden Grove City Hall
Thu 5/27/2021 5:08 pm PDT

Healthy meals and story time? Say no more! 🗨️ Garden Grove's local libraries are offering the Kindergarten Readiness...



KINDERGARTEN READINESS NUTRITION PROGRAM
JOIN THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A NUTRITION SERIES PROMOTING HEALTHY EATING FOR KINDERGARTENERS (AGES 4-6)

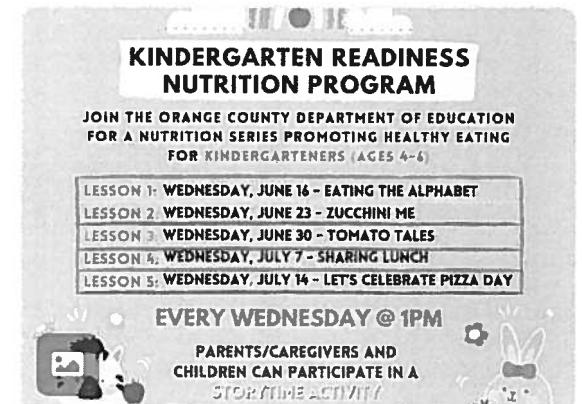
LESSON 1: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16 - EATING THE ALPHABET
LESSON 2: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23 - ZUCCHINI ME
LESSON 3: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30 - TOMATO TALES
LESSON 4: WEDNESDAY, JULY 7 - SHARING LUNCH
LESSON 5: WEDNESDAY, JULY 14 - LET'S CELEBRATE PIZZA DAY

EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 1PM
PARENTS/CAREGIVERS AND CHILDREN CAN PARTICIPATE IN A STORY TIME ACTIVITY

Impressions	1,757
Reach	1,698
Engagements	40
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.3%

  @CityGardenGrove
Thu 5/27/2021 5:13 pm PDT

GG's libraries are offering the Kindergarten Readiness Nutrition Program, promoting healthy eating for kindergartners ages 4...



KINDERGARTEN READINESS NUTRITION PROGRAM
JOIN THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A NUTRITION SERIES PROMOTING HEALTHY EATING FOR KINDERGARTENERS (AGES 4-6)

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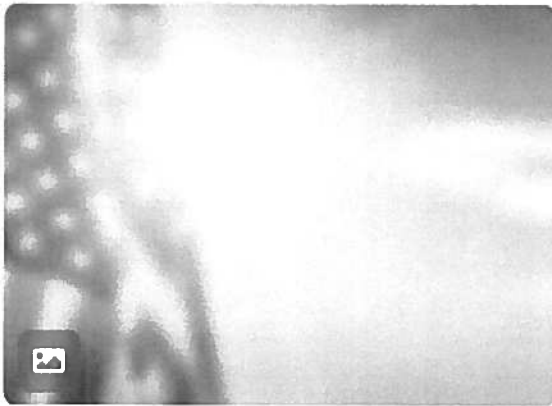
Impressions	478
Potential Reach	4,331
Engagements	15
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	3.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 5/28/2021 10:00 am PDT

REMINDER: In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, Garden Grove City Hall will be closed Monday, May 31, 2021. This...



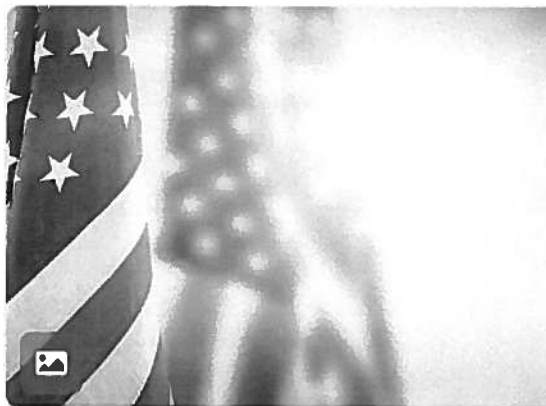
Impressions	659
Reach	638
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.5%



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Fri 5/28/2021 10:04 am PDT

REMINDER: In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, Garden Grove City Hall will be closed Monday, May 31, 2021. This...



Impressions	833
Reach	795
Engagements	20
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.4%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 5/28/2021 3:10 pm PDT

📍 STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL INFORMATION UP AHEAD 📍 This Memorial Day weekend, Garden Grove invites you to watch Gard...



Video Views	352
Impressions	734
Reach	720
Engagements	39
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.3%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 5/28/2021 3:34 pm PDT

The Strawberry Festival Association is happy to announce the winners for the 2021 virtual contests! 🏆👑 For more...



Impressions	2,221
Reach	2,175
Engagements	135
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	6.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Sat 5/29/2021 8:00 am PDT

Is your child ready for preschool? 🎒👶
Next Wednesday, June 2, at 6:00 p.m., the City of Garden Grove will begin taking...



Impressions	1,286
Reach	1,271
Engagements	62
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	4.8%




Garden Grove City Hall

Sat 5/29/2021 1:51 pm PDT

Procession and Celebration of Life for Lieutenant John Reynolds. We invite the #GardenGrove community to join us o...





Impressions	1,412
Reach	1,380
Engagements	75
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	5.3%

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Sat 5/29/2021 1:53 pm PDT

Procession and Celebration of Life for Lieutenant John Reynolds. We invite the #GardenGrove community to join us on...



Impressions	1,430
Reach	1,318
Engagements	95
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	6.6%

  **Garden Grove City Hall**
Sun 5/30/2021 8:00 am PDT

! UPCOMING FREEWAY CLOSURES ! • Tuesday (6/1), 9:01 a.m. to 2:01 p.m -- Westbound 22 freeway Euclid offramp fr...



Impressions	4,375
Reach	4,267
Engagements	176
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	4%

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Sun 5/30/2021 8:00 am PDT

UPCOMING FREEWAY CLOSURES • Tuesday (6/1), 9:01 a.m. to 2:01 p.m -- Westbound 22 freeway Euclid offramp from SR-22 F...



Impressions	509
Potential Reach	4,327
Engagements	18
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	3.5%

G **f** **Garden Grove City Hall**
 Mon 5/31/2021 8:00 am PDT

The City of Garden Grove would like to honor and thank the brave men and women who fought and died for our...



Impressions	1,125
Reach	1,091
Engagements	58
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	5.2%

G **g** **gardengrovecityhall**
 Mon 5/31/2021 8:00 am PDT

The City of Garden Grove would like to honor and thank the brave men and women who fought and died for our...




Impressions	931
Reach	873
Engagements	42
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.5%

G **t** **@CityGardenGrove**
 Mon 5/31/2021 8:01 am PDT

The City of Garden Grove would like to honor and thank the brave men and women who fought and died for our...



Impressions	466
Potential Reach	4,325
Engagements	14
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	3%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Tue 6/1/2021 10:30 am PDT

Attention seniors! 📢 The H. Louis Lake Senior Center invites you to join the “Let’s Chat about it Thursdays” from 1:00 P.M. ...



Impressions	719
Reach	719
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Tue 6/1/2021 10:33 am PDT

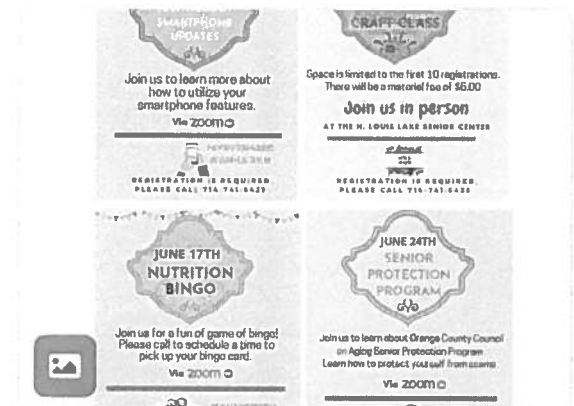
Attention seniors! 📢 The H. Louis Lake Senior Center invites you to join the “Let’s Chat about it Thursdays” from 1:00 P.M. ...




Impressions	370
Potential Reach	4,326
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Tue 6/1/2021 10:35 am PDT

Attention seniors! 📢 The H. Louis Lake Senior Center invites you to join the “Let’s Chat about it Thursdays” from 1:00 P.M. ...



Impressions	887
Reach	841
Engagements	18
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Tue 6/1/2021 1:15 pm PDT

Last Thursday, May 24, Governor Newsom released \$116M in vaccination incentives. The incentives include the following: • F...



Impressions	1,701
Reach	1,691
Engagements	246
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	14.5%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Tue 6/1/2021 1:21 pm PDT

Last Thursday, May 24, Governor Newsom released \$116M in vaccination incentives. To view all incentives and vaccine Super...



Impressions	463
Potential Reach	4,556
Engagements	38
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	8.2%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Tue 6/1/2021 3:26 pm PDT

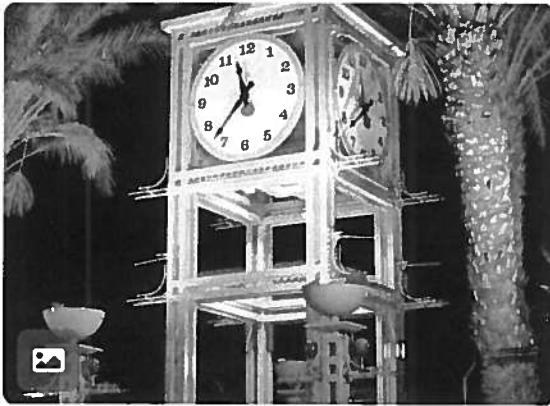
During the month of June, Garden Grove's iconic clock tower in Village Green park (the Tower on the Green) will be lit in...




Impressions	10,143
Reach	10,004
Engagements	3,055
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	30.1%

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Tue 6/1/2021 3:27 pm PDT

During the month of June, Garden Grove's iconic clock tower in Village Green park (the Tower on the Green) will be lit in...





Impressions	665
Potential Reach	4,327
Engagements	47
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	7.1%

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Tue 6/1/2021 3:28 pm PDT

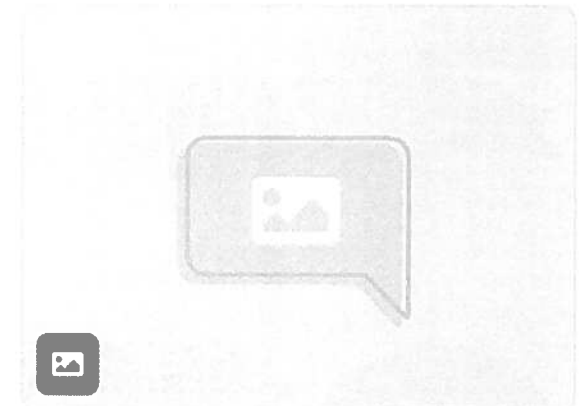
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Impressions	3,909
Reach	3,654
Engagements	399
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	10.2%

  **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 6/2/2021 9:30 am PDT

Together, we can end homelessness. 🍏
The City is hosting its first Garden Grove Coalition to End Homelessness meeting ...

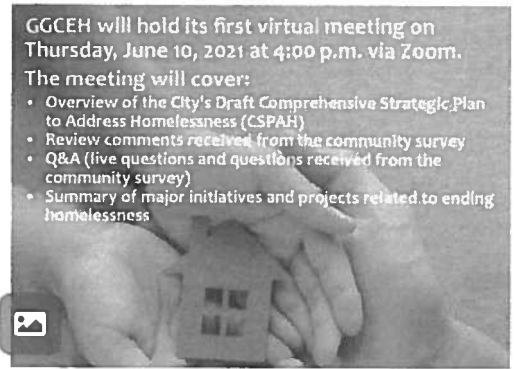


Impressions	-
Reach	-
Engagements	-
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	-

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 6/2/2021 9:42 am PDT

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The City is hosting its first Garden Grove Coalition to End Homelessness meeting ...

assist families and individuals experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.

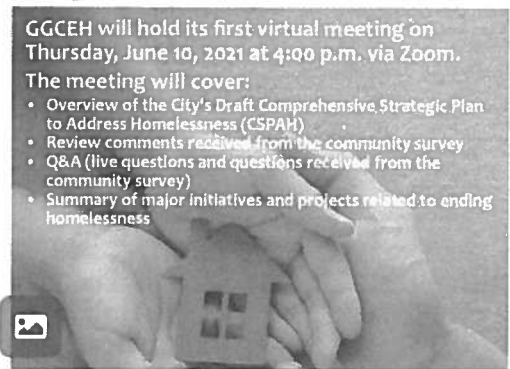


Impressions	361
Reach	359
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 6/2/2021 9:46 am PDT

Together, we can end homelessness. The City is hosting its first Coalition to End Homelessness virtual meeting on 6/10,...

assist families and individuals experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.



Impressions	361
Potential Reach	4,327
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.7%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 6/2/2021 1:59 pm PDT

LOCAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES The Great Wolf Lodge of Southern California and US Postal Service in Orange County are hiring! Go ...





- CULINARY LEAD
- F&B ATTENDANTS
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- ENTERTAINMENT

Impressions	2,726
Reach	2,726
Engagements	344
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12.6%

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 6/2/2021 2:01 pm PDT

LOCAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES The Great Wolf Lodge of Southern California & US Postal Service are hiring! Go for the job by applying online at:  jobs.greatwolf.com  about.usps.com/careers/ **#GG1956 #GardenGrove #jobsearch #jobopportunity #nowhiring**  **GreatWolfLodge @USPS**

Post Link Clicks	15
Impressions	509
Potential Reach	5,845
Engagements	29
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	5.7%

  **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 6/2/2021 5:00 pm PDT

Every police academy class has a “group run” which is part of their rigorous training. The Orange County Sheriff's Department...



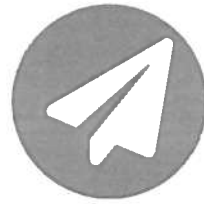
Impressions	640
Reach	615
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.9%

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 6/2/2021 5:00 pm PDT

Every police academy class has a “group run” which is part of their rigorous training. The @ocsheriff's academy class 244 and...



Impressions	781
Reach	750
Engagements	37
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.7%



Post Performance

May 27, 2021 - June 2, 2021

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department  ggpdk9unit



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Wed 6/2/2021 3:31 pm PDT

Every police academy class has "class runs" as part of their training. Orange County Sheriff's Department, CA Acade...



Impressions	3,101
Reach	3,050
Engagements	257
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	8.3%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 6/1/2021 6:00 pm PDT

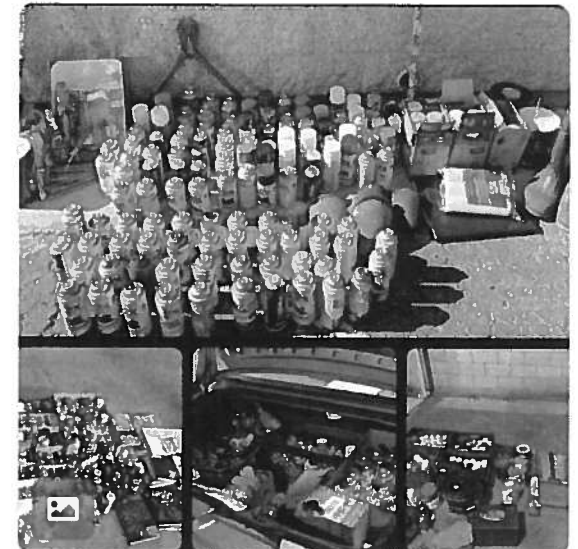


Impressions	-
Reach	-
Engagements	-
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	-



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 6/1/2021 6:00 pm PDT

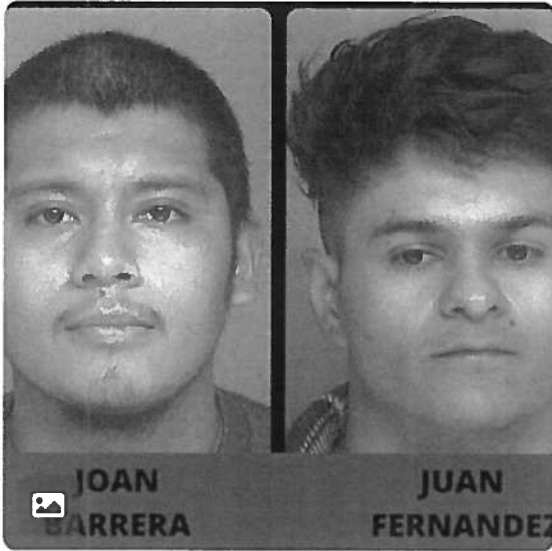


Impressions	-
Reach	-
Engagements	-
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	-



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Tue 6/1/2021 6:00 pm PDT



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- Engagements -
- Engagement Rate (per Impression) -



f Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 6/1/2021 6:00 pm PDT



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- Engagement Rate (per Impression) -



f Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 6/1/2021 6:00 pm PDT



- Impressions -
- Reach -
- Engagements -
- Engagement Rate (per Impression) -



f Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 6/1/2021 6:00 pm PDT

Over the past few months, the Community Impact Unit (CIU) has been investigating several monikers used to graffiti properti...



Impressions	26,582
Reach	25,223
Engagements	9,995
Engagement Rate (per Impres...	37.6%



f Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 5/31/2021 8:06 am PDT

All gave some, but this weekend, we honor those who gave all. Never forget the reason for the holiday. Our Front Desk a...



Impressions	3,837
Reach	3,770
Engagements	185
Engagement Rate (per Impres...	4.8%



f Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 5/31/2021 8:05 am PDT

All gave some, but this weekend, we honor those who gave all. Never forget the reason for the holiday. Our Front Desk and Administrative Offices will be closed today, in observance of **#MemorialDay**. **#GGPD32 #heroes #RememberTheFallen #ArlingtonNationalCemetery ThankYouForYourService**

Impressions	-
Reach	-
Engagements	-
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	-



ggpdk9unit

Mon 5/31/2021 8:00 am PDT

All gave some, but this weekend, we honor those who gave all. Never forget the reason for the holiday. Our Front Desk a...



Impressions	424
Reach	393
Engagements	64
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	15.1%



ggpdk9unit

Sun 5/30/2021 9:15 pm PDT

Procession and Celebration of Life for Lieutenant John Reynolds. We invite the #GardenGrove community to join us on...



Impressions	614
Reach	572
Engagements	108
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	17.6%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sun 5/30/2021 9:10 am PDT

In Memory of Reseve Officer Andy Reese #EOW May 30, 1970. Reserve Officer Reese was one of the first reserve office...



Impressions	8,116
Reach	8,069
Engagements	190
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.3%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
Sat 5/29/2021 12:00 pm PDT

Procession and Celebration of Life for Lieutenant John Reynolds. We invite the **#GardenGrove** community to join us o...



Impressions	9,187
Reach	8,839
Engagements	1,037
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	11.3%

 **ggpdk9unit**
Fri 5/28/2021 6:10 pm PDT

Pssst, we have some exciting news to share...#K9Vader and Corporal Valencia will be participating on A&E's new seaso...



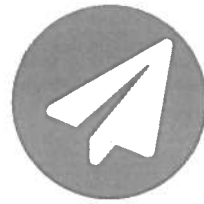
Video Views	467
Impressions	1,007
Reach	967
Engagements	162
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	16.1%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
Fri 5/28/2021 6:05 pm PDT

Pssst, we have some exciting news to share...#**K9Vader** and Corporal Valencia will be participating on A&E's new seaso...



Video Views	1,680
Impressions	3,043
Reach	2,823
Engagements	312
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	10.3%



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Garden Grove TV 3

Fri 5/28/2021 3:21 pm PDT

💎 STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL INFORMATION
UP AHEAD 💎 This Memorial Day weekend,
Garden Grove invites you to watch our...



Video Views	46
Impressions	60
Reach	56
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	10%

WEEKLY MEMO 6-3-2021

NEWS ARTICLES

Garden Grove man killed in Anaheim shooting, suspect sought

By ERIC LICAS | elicas@scng.com | Orange County Register

PUBLISHED: June 1, 2021 at 8:20 p.m. | UPDATED: June 2, 2021 at 6:09 p.m.

Gunfire rang out following an altercation in Anaheim, leaving one person dead on Tuesday, June 1.

Authorities were summoned to reports of shots fired near Euclid Street and Catalpa Drive at about 7:40 p.m., Anaheim Sgt. Shane Carringer said. Responding officers found the wounded man in a vehicle parked near Euclid and Pampas Lane.

He was taken to UC Irvine Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead. He was later identified as Abel Saldana, 25, of Garden Grove, by relatives and Orange County Coroner officials.

Police were searching for a man who may have witnessed the shooting Wednesday evening. He was described as in his mid-30s with short, brown hair wearing a gray, hooded sweatshirt and jeans.

Authorities asked anyone with information about the shooting to call Anaheim police at 714-321-3669, or Orange County Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS/855-847-6227.

State schools superintendent visits Garden Grove students back in the classroom



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State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, center, speaks to fifth grade students about the school garden the class planted during a visit to Eisenhower Elementary School in Garden Grove on Thursday, May 27, 2021. (Photo by Leonard Ortiz, Orange County Register/SCNG)

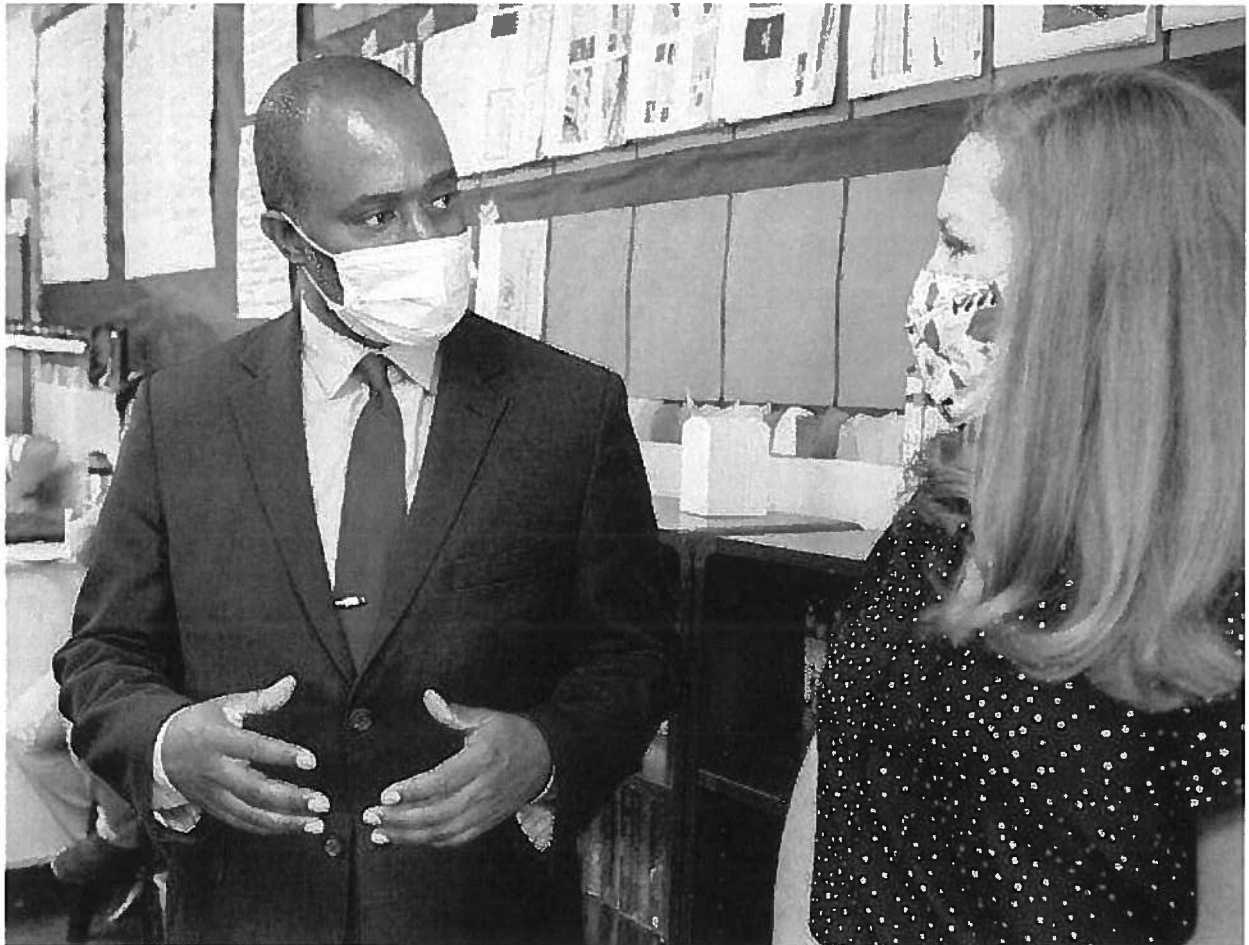
By LOU PONSI |

PUBLISHED: May 27, 2021 at 6:42 p.m. | UPDATED: May 27, 2021 at 10:08 p.m.

With all of Eisenhower Elementary School's 550 students back on campus full-time, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond decided to pay the school a visit on Thursday, May 27.

Eisenhower is the first campus in the Garden Grove Unified School District to transition 100% of its student body back into classrooms five days a week. The district has been phasing its 67 campuses back to in-person learning since Orange County got out of the purple tier and has announced all campuses will be full-time in person next school year.

"As all California schools design their own plans for learning recovery and acceleration in preparation for this summer and fall, I encourage them to explore strategies like those modeled here at Eisenhower," Thurman said.



Sixth grade teacher Jennifer Zarkades, left, listens as State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, center, asks students in her class questions during a visit to Eisenhower Elementary School in Garden Grove on Thursday, May 27, 2021. (Photo by Leonard Ortiz, Orange County Register/SCNG)

“Students do better when they are connected with teachers and their staff and their peers,” he said. “We know that many of our students have experienced mental health challenges because they were disconnected and had learning gaps.”

During his visit, Thurman met with students working in an outdoor vegetable garden and then visited a sixth-grade classroom where teacher Jennifer Zarkades was guiding her students through a collaborative writing lesson.

Thurman also looked in on a group of second-graders learning literacy skills with instructor Roben Alarcón.

Every student was masked, and except for the outdoor garden, was sitting at desks encased on three sides by Plexiglas.

The superintendent will continue to visit schools throughout the state to encourage safety measures such as masking, social distancing and screening, officials said.

Thurman will also encourage students who are old enough to get vaccinated.

“We want to provide awareness that with vaccines, it’s a game changer and it makes it possible to be back at school and back at work,” he said.

After in-person instruction was halted in March 2020, the district started reopening campuses in October for in-person instruction until Orange County’s return to the purple tier halted the phased transition.

When the coronavirus surged again in December, many districts throughout the county closed campuses again. Beginning in February, Eisenhower and other schools in the district reopened to some in-person instruction.

In March, when the California Department of Public Health adopted the CDC’s recommendation of reducing social distancing guidelines from six feet to three feet, Eisenhower administrators invited the entire student body to return five days a week.

“When they relaxed the guidelines from six feet to three, that is when we knew we could do it because we could fit everyone in the classroom,” Eisenhower Principal Beth Cusimano said, adding if the school with its diverse demographic could be successful, “any schools can open.”

The school reached out to parents about the reopening plans and offered campus tours and made home visits, officials said.

“I’m proud of where things are here at Eisenhower,” Thurman said. “We want to spotlight our students and families all across the state, that now is the time for us to be working toward in person instruction and it can be done safely if we follow the same protocols that you see here today.”

Garden Grove, once a thriving gay hub, will fly LGBTQ ‘pride flag’

Decades ago, Garden Grove was a center for gay and lesbian life in Orange County.



The clock tower on Euclid and Main streets is one of Garden Grove’s most iconic structures. (File photo.)

By **ROXANA KOPETMAN** | rkopetman@scng.com | Orange County Register

PUBLISHED: May 26, 2021 at 7:27 p.m. | UPDATED: May 26, 2021 at 11:16 p.m.

Garden Grove, a city once home to a thriving gay scene that’s all but disappeared, will raise a rainbow flag next month in honor of LGBTQ Pride.

“Garden Grove had, back in the day, more gay bars than West Hollywood,” said Councilwoman Kim Nguyen, who has been asking the city to fly the pride flag since 2019.

“But we’ve had a tumultuous relationship with the community... This is a great first step in mending that relationship.”

The council voted 6-0 on Tuesday, May 25, to raise the pride flag at the clock tower in downtown’s Village Green park. Though the vote was unanimous, it came only after some heated words about procedure, transparency and whether such issues were being cited as a way to camouflage dissent.

Meanwhile, other cities in Orange County flying pride flags now include Huntington Beach, Irvine, Anaheim, Aliso Viejo, Costa Mesa and Laguna Beach. Santa Ana was the first local city to make that move, in 2015, and Fullerton, which first raised the symbolic flag in 2019, almost went without a pride flag this year because city staff said they couldn't find it. (When social media shared news last week about Fullerton's problem, at least half a dozen residents ordered pride flags for the city.)

Not at City Hall

In other local cities, the pride flag typically is flown at City Hall. But Garden Grove is choosing a different location and turned down Nguyen when she asked for a flag at City Hall in 2019.

Some council members said at the time that they feared approving one flag could open the gate for other groups, such as those representing Communist governments, to fly other banners.

As a compromise two years ago, Nguyen asked that the nearby clock tower be lit up in rainbow colors. The council agreed, but the colors aren't easy to see. That's what prompted Nguyen to raise the issue again, on May 11, when she ask for a flag to be flown by the city beginning June 1, which marks pride month for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people.

At that meeting, city staff said that if there were no objections they could raise a flag at the clock tower. And there were no objections.

Fast forward to this week, when Nguyen posted on Twitter that city staff told her they could not proceed with the flag raising because two council members raised objections after the May 11 meeting.

At Tuesday night's meeting, Councilman George Brietigam said he objected to the way the issue was previously raised, calling it "shady" and complaining that it was done with little transparency, toward the end of the meeting, without any real discussion.

"The issue here isn't about the flag," he said. "We need to do things under the cover of daylight, not in the backrooms like things used to be done in this city."

Councilwoman Stephanie Klopfenstein said she too was taken by surprise at the May 11 meeting and "would have appreciated some conversation ahead of time." Moving forward, she said, issues should be put on the agenda for discussion.

Nguyen noted that the flag question was brought up, openly, during a council meeting. She also noted that the objections came after the fact, away from the public, and only to city staff.

“So, who wasn’t being transparent? It wasn’t me.”

Nguyen added that discussion about process was an excuse to mask being against the banner.

Brietigam also remarked: “I totally question the legal theory that silence equals consent. If that were true, there would be a lot fewer rapists in the prisons today. It does not equal consent.”

His comment led Nguyen – who has been public about being a rape survivor – to issue this Twitter post on Wednesday, May 26:

“I will never forget nor forgive the obscene comparison to rape and consent directed at me, especially as a survivor but I am proud that council voted 6-0 in support of a Pride flag.”

Councilman Phat Bui, who in 2019 objected to the city raising the gay pride flag, was absent for Tuesday’s meeting.

Garden Grove’s ‘secret’ history

Garden Grove once was home to many businesses catering to the gay and lesbian community, with as many as 15 open during the 1970s and ‘80s, according to LGBTQ advocates.

“It was definitely a thriving gay scene, bars everywhere,” said Randy Pesqueira, 65, a Garden Grove resident who said he was the first paid employee of the Gay Community Services Center of Orange County, which was located in Garden Grove before it moved to Santa Ana. (This year, the LGBTQ Center of Orange County celebrated its 50th anniversary.)

But the center was vandalized frequently while in its original Garden Grove location, before moving to a second spot in the city. Soon after that move, the original location was fire bombed.

“It’s a hidden history for a reason,” Nguyen said. “Garden Grove likes this image of a perfect diverse welcoming community, (but) it’s not.”

During that period the city sought to close its gay bars, many of which were along Garden Grove Boulevard, according to advocates who said police sting operations at the time targeted bar patrons.

Chuck Jones, 40, who has worked on a documentary that will look at the history of Garden Grove’s gay scene, grew up in the city. He rattled off the names of some of the bars: Rumour Hazzit, The Mug, D.J.’s ,

“The city actively worked to close bars.”

Jones, who said his work on the documentary currently is on pause, said gay advocates pushed back in 1974. That year, he said, some 500 people said “enough” and marched in protest from one of the more popular bars, DOK West, then located at the corner of Garden Grove Boulevard and Haster Street, to City Hall.

Today, Garden Grove has one gay bar, the Frat House. It’s been open for 37 years.

“We’re the last holdout,” said Frat House General Manager Cris McKnight. “People come to hang out and meet other people. It’s an old school fun bar.”

Finding acceptance and a sense of inclusion is crucial to the LGBTQ community, a reality that was echoed by several speakers during Garden Grove’s May 25 council meeting. Some cited a 2021 national survey by a West Hollywood based non-profit, Trevor Project, that found that 42% of LGBTQ youth surveyed had seriously considered attempting suicide in the past year.

A rainbow flag, they said, is a small but important step.

“Seeing a pride flag, whenever I see one, I know I’m safe. I know I’m supported,” Jones, who was not at the meeting, said in an interview.

Following the council’s unanimous vote, the flag is expected to go up June 1 and stay up through the month. And every June thereafter.



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

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Thursday, June 3, 2021



LAST WEEK TO PROVIDE INPUT ON CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Friday, June 11, 2021 is the last day to participate in the City of Garden Grove's online survey to provide input on environmental justice. The public's input will help adopt a new Environmental Justice Element to the Garden Grove General Plan, develop policies to reduce pollution in the disadvantaged communities, and establish goals to provide residents with access to healthy food, physical activity, and safe and sanitary housing. The interactive online survey is available in multiple languages at ggcity.org/housing-element.

Garden Grove residents who complete the survey and sign-up to receive email updates will have a chance to win gift cards.

According to the California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen 3.0), Garden Grove has nine census tracts identified as disadvantaged communities. These communities are disproportionately affected by environmental pollution and other hazards.

To view the CalEnviroScreen 3.0 map of disadvantaged communities in Garden Grove, visit oehha.ca.gov/calenviroscreen.

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LAST WEEK TO PROVIDE INPUT ON CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
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The Environmental Justice Element is mandated by the state to be adopted by jurisdictions with disadvantaged communities to address the following goals, objectives, and policies:

- Reduction of pollution exposure and improving air quality
- Promoting access to public facilities
- Promoting access to healthy foods
- Promoting safe and sanitary homes
- Promoting physical activity
- Promoting civic engagement

The City is also updating the Housing Element, Safety Element, and Land Use Element to establish policies mandated by the state. The Housing Element will identify housing needs and goals for the 2021-2029 planning period; the Safety Element will establish policies that support laws and regulations related to safety hazards; and the Land Use Element, and Zoning Code and Map will identify available land for open space, businesses, housing, and other categories.

For more information, please visit ggcity.org/housing-element or contact the Planning Division at (714) 741-5312 or email at planning@ggcity.org.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

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Community and Economic Development

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

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COMMUNITY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND CITY'S FIRST COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS MEETING

The City of Garden Grove is hosting its first Garden Grove Coalition to End Homelessness (GGCEH) meeting on Thursday, June 10, 2021, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., via Zoom or by phone, to review the City's Draft Comprehensive Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness (CSPAH), take comments and questions, and share ideas on how to end homelessness in Garden Grove. The community is encouraged to join GGCEH and register for the virtual meeting by visiting ggcity.org/endhomelessness.

GGCEH is a comprehensive approach to help stabilize, navigate, support, and assist families and individuals experiencing homelessness or at-risk of becoming homeless. GGCEH will be comprised of City representatives, residents, religious leaders, nonprofits, community leaders, and businesses.

The City also created a Draft CSPAH to plan for the short- and long-term impacts of the coronavirus pandemic and explore different programs and solutions for homelessness.

To learn more about CSPAH and GGCEH, visit ggcity.org/endhomelessness.

For more information, contact Nate Robbins, Community and Economic Development Department at (714) 741-5206 or email at nater@ggcity.org.

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Friday, May 28, 2021

CITY OPENS LOTTERY REGISTRATION FOR PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Next Wednesday, June 2, at 6:00 p.m., the City of Garden Grove will begin taking registrations for the Fall 2021 Tiny Tots and Kare Bears preschool program. Registration will be facilitated by an in-person lottery system, located at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, at 11300 Stanford Avenue. To be eligible, children must be toilet trained, and 3 and 4 years old respectively by September 1, 2021.

Attendees must wear a face covering and practice safe social distancing. Only one parent or legal guardian per family may attend. No children permitted.

The lottery registration is only open to Garden Grove residents who must bring the child's birth certificate and two of the following documents to provide proof of their residency: current utility bill; valid driver license or state issued identification; current mortgage or lease agreement; or property tax statement.

Cost for Kare Bears (age 3) for the first 17-week semester, running Tuesday, August 24 through Tuesday, December 14, is \$330. Cost for Tiny Tots (age 4) for the first 17-week semester, running Monday, August 23 through Wednesday, December 15, is \$495. Payment for both programs is required at the time of registration.

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City Opens Lottery Registration for Preschool Program
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Kare Bears sessions are held every Tuesday and Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and sessions for Tiny Tots are held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Both programs are held at Edgar Park, located at 12781 Topaz Street.

Kare Bears and Tiny Tots teaches pre-K youth learning and socialization skills, promoting personal growth and development. Educational activities and playtime help build a sense of self-worth, confidence, and respect through safe and positive experiences.

For more information, call Jennifer Goddard with the Community Services Department at (714) 741-5290.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

June 3, 2021

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation of the June 7, 2021 Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission meeting.
3. League of California Cities, "CalCities," from May 28, 2021 to June 3, 2021.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 3, 2021 – July 13, 2021

Thursday	June 3	6:30 p.m.	Special Budget Study Session Meeting, CMC
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
Friday	June 4		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Monday	June 7	6:30 p.m.	Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
Tuesday	June 8	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	June 10	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, City Hall- 3 rd Floor Training Room CANCELLED
Thursday	June 17	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC Free Outdoor Movie Series Presents: Jumanji, Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Blvd.
Friday	June 18		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	June 22	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	June 24	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, City Hall – 3 rd Floor Training Room Free Summer Concert Series: The Answer, Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.
Thursday	July 1	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	July 13	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC



GARDEN GROVE

AGENDA

Adjourned Regular Meeting

GARDEN GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

The Regular Meeting of the
Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission
scheduled for June 7, 2021,
has been cancelled due to lack of business.

The Meeting is adjourned to its Regular Meeting
of September 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

New Cal Cities Speaker Series debuts June 2 with Secretary Wade Crowfoot of the California Natural Resources Agency

June 1, 2021

The League of California Cities is launching a new virtual speaker series in June, featuring government leaders and policy experts who will share insights on big picture issues and trends that matter most to cities.

Our speakers, like our cities, have diverse perspectives and Cal Cities is excited to bring to our members meaningful dialogue that engages, enlightens, and inspires.

The first speaker in the Cal Cities Speaker Series line up will be Secretary Wade Crowfoot from the California Natural Resources Agency. As a member of Gov. Gavin Newsom's cabinet, he advises the Governor on natural resources and environmental issues.

As the state enters a drought compounded with continued impacts of wildfires, we are proud to feature Secretary Crowfoot with a timely presentation discussing these threats to our cities and what communities can do to prepare.

Register now to secure a spot to hear Secretary Crowfoot on Wednesday, June 2, 10-11 a.m.

Secretary Crowfoot oversees an agency of 19,000 employees who protect and manage California's natural resources. This includes the state's forests and natural lands, rivers and waterways, coast and ocean, fish and wildlife, and energy development.

Secretary Crowfoot believes good natural resources management helps natural places thrive and allows communities and our economy to prosper. His key priorities include:

- Building California's resilience to climate change-driven threats, including wildfire, drought, flooding, and sea-level rise.
- Expanding access to parks, natural places, and outdoor recreation for all Californians.
- Preserving California's world-renowned biodiversity of plants and animals.

The Cal Cities Speakers Series will feature high-profile individuals monthly and provide city officials an opportunity to engage in interactive conversations with key leaders and decision-makers on our top advocacy priorities. While registration is required, the series is free to members and League Partners. Non-Cal Cities members will be charged \$150. Registration must be completed by June 1 at 3 p.m. and is limited to 1,000 people.

Stay tuned for more information about our exciting line up of future speakers. For questions about webinar registration, please contact Megan Dunn. For all other questions, please contact Christina George.

Governor grants Cal Cities' request for continued Brown Act flexibility

June 2, 2021

In an effort to provide local governments adequate time to prepare for in-person public meetings while remaining in compliance with the Brown Act, Gov. Gavin Newsom announced that Executive Order N-29-20 will remain in effect after the June 15 reopening plan.

The announcement came in response to a request by a local government coalition, which included the League of California Cities.

In a [May 18, 2021 letter to the Governor](#), the coalition requested guidance on how local government agencies should proceed with Executive Order N-29-20 following the Blueprint's conclusion. The Executive Order provides local government agencies with the necessary flexibility to conduct business meetings in a virtual format.

Today, in [response to the local government coalition request](#), the Governor announced that the Executive Order will not terminate on June 15, and all local government agencies can continue to conduct virtual public meetings as needed. The additional time will allow local governments to modify or keep any pandemic-era changes and provide sufficient notice to the public, honoring city obligations to prioritize access and transparency, along with the safety of the public.

The Administration also noted that they would work with Cal Cities and the other local government stakeholders to provide appropriate notice about the Executive Order's eventual discontinuation, which would allow cities to adequately prepare and meet the Brown Act requirements. This guidance is welcome news, as it will allow cities to continue their existing business meeting practices until there is additional guidance on the unwinding process of the Executive Order.

For any questions, please email Cal Cities at covid-19@cacities.org.

Secretary Crowfoot talks drought, wildfires, advancing equity, and leadership in Cal Cities' first Speaker Series webinar

June 2, 2021

City leaders from throughout the state joined the League of California Cities for the first installment of the new Cal Cities Speaker Series, which featured an informative drought and wildfire update from California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) Secretary Wade Crowfoot.

Cal Cities President and El Centro Mayor Cheryl Viegas Walker kicked off the webinar with a welcome to attendees and introduction of the new Speaker Series, which she described as “another value-added benefit of being a member of the League of California Cities.”

Secretary Crowfoot kicked off an engaging, timely drought and wildfire briefing, by covering early drought impacts and lessons learned from California's last drought, as well as the state's comprehensive response and resilience approach to the upcoming wildfire season.

The Secretary explained that California has the least dependable and most varied yearly precipitation levels in the country. Due to a very dry 2020 and an unseasonably warm spring, the state has 0% of its snowpack left, a below average reservoir storage, and faces a particularly challenging wildfire season.

During a dynamic question and answer period led by Cal Cities Executive Director Carolyn Coleman, Secretary Crowfoot recognized that the environmental challenges of drought and wildfire differ across the state and that regionally tailored solutions are key to successful preparedness and resilience. “If we are going to build resilience, it has to be by empowering regional and local leaders to understand the threats that they face and help prioritize where we invest,” said Secretary Crowfoot.

Executive Director Coleman also asked Secretary Crowfoot about his blog post from June 2020, [Moving Forward Toward Justice and Equity](#), where he acknowledged that his agency has a role to play to help advance equity, and that CNRA is creating more opportunities for Californians to benefit from the natural, cultural, and historic richness of our state. Secretary Crowfoot recognized that the agency has a lot of distance to travel towards equity and is doing so by listening and learning from disproportionately impacted communities, clearly committing to eradicating racism and inequity, and taking action.

Finally, Executive Director Coleman and Secretary Crowfoot discussed effective leadership and

the importance of maintaining a work-life balance. The Secretary highlighted the importance of recognizing how difficult the past year has been, both personally and professionally, for many people, and voicing that with his team. "As leaders, where we can identify our own vulnerabilities and challenges, we give space for other folks to acknowledge their own. Government's most important resources is its people... and we need to maintain these folks."

The Cal Cities Speakers Series will continue to feature high-profile individuals with timely and relevant content for city officials. Stay tuned for more information about our exciting lineup of future speakers.