

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
June 16, 2016

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

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. UPDATE FOR 2016 ICSC RECON

Lisa Kim's memo provides a summary of the meetings that took place at the International Council of Shopping Centers RECon (ICSC RECon) Convention in May 2016.

B. ADJUSTMENT IN WATER AND SEWER USER FEES

William Murray's memo outlining the adjustments in water and sewer fees for residential customers.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

– NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Copies of the local newspaper articles are attached for your information.

– MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Items of interest are included.



SCOTT C. STILES
City Manager

At ICSC RECon, City staff conducted the following meetings:

BN Hotel Group - BN Group is currently exploring opportunities for a new hotel in the City of Garden Grove. Staff discussed the terms of a proposed purchase and sale agreement for 13650 Harbor Boulevard.

Burlington Coat Factory – Staff met Chris Kiehler of Burlington and discussed the success of the Harbor Boulevard store.

Chick-fil-A – Staff met with area representatives and highlighted development opportunities.

CCP Real Estate Advisors – CCP Real Estate Advisors discussed opportunities for hotel development in Garden Grove.

City Ventures - City Ventures discussed interest in several sites for infill housing and retail developments.

Festival Companies, owner of SWC Euclid St. and Garden Grove Blvd. - Festival Companies discussed the proposed retail development of their property, as well as other retail development opportunities in the City.

Fountainhead Development- Fountainhead shared new retail opportunities for a site under preliminary negotiations for a ground lease located in the downtown area.

Garden Promenade – Staff met with Bill Hughes owner of the Garden Promenade Shopping Center and discussed his new tenants including: Blaze Pizza, Wingstop, and Chipotle, which are now open for business; Yogurtland and Panda Express are currently underway, replacing the former Pizza Hut that was located on the north side of Chapman Avenue. Aldi's, the German discount grocer, is also joining the center, replacing the former Smart & Final and Anna's Linens, at 9901 Chapman Avenue.

Hopkins Real Estate Group – Staff discussed many development opportunities for infill housing and retail developments.

Hyatt – Hyatt discussed their new brands including Hyatt newest brand which is called Centric brand—a "lifestyle" hotel chain appealing to the modern traveler. Hyatt Centric is a full-service brand designed to appeal to both business and leisure travelers.

Intercontinental Hotel Group (IHG) – IHG officials discussed new hotel brands available for the Grove District.

Lakeview Village Corporation – Staff discussed retail opportunities for their Town and County Shopping Center.

Marriott – Staff gave an update to Christ McAllister of Marriott and discussed new hotel brands available for the Grove District.

Pacific Retail Partners – Staff discussed many development opportunities and sites that have been listed for sale and for redevelopment.

Red Mountain, owner of the vacant Kmart Site – Staff met with the new property owners Avenue and discussed re-tenanting of the vacant property. Red Mountain discussed their prospective new tenants that currently in lease negotiations.

SCG America – SCG America is the U.S. affiliate of Shanghai Construction Group. SCG is the owner of the 656-room Hyatt Orange County and adjacent former Fandango's restaurant. Staff held discussions regarding SCG proposed renovations for the Hyatt Hotel, and discussed future hotel, retail, and restaurant development opportunities adjacent to hotel property.

Sunbelt Investment Holdings, Inc. – Representatives from Sunbelt Investment Holdings discussed the two Target stores retail centers Sunbelt owns in the City of Garden Grove.

The Olson Company – Staff discussed many development opportunities for infill housing throughout the City.

Traders Joe's – Staff made contact with representatives at Trader Joes to share many opportunity sites for a new store in the City of Garden Grove.

SUMMARY

It was another successful and productive ICSC RECon conference for Garden Grove. There was a significant increase of attendees seeking out the City exhibit booth. Staff facilitated over twenty (20) pre-scheduled meetings with investors and developers and commercial real estate brokers. Based on record 2016 attendance, it continues to be a strong real estate market whereby development interest and demand for infill opportunities in Garden Grove are increasing. The positive results of ICSC RECon is contributed to the advanced coordination and proactive approach by staff with business development outreach. In the coming weeks, staff will be re-engaging with commercial brokers and retail contacts, and scheduling follow up meetings.



Lisa L. Kim

Community and Economic Development Director

By: Greg Blodgett
Senior Project Manager

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott C. Stiles
Dept.: City Manager
Subject: ADJUSTMENT IN WATER AND SEWER USER FEES


From: William E. Murray
Dept.: Public Works
Date: June 15, 2016

In February 2012, in compliance with California Government Code section 53756 and Proposition 218, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2809. This provides for automatic annual adjustments for a five-year period for the inflation of construction costs, based on the Engineering News Record Construction Costs Index – Los Angeles Area (ENR), without further action by the City Council.

The City did not apply the ENR adjustment to the water rates in 2015 and will be applying it along with the 2016 ENR adjustment that will be applied to both the water and sewer rates. The applicable ENR for the 2015 inflation adjustment is 2.5%. The applicable ENR for the 2016 inflation adjustment is 1.5%. Therefore, effective July 1, 2016, the Water Minimum Service Charge, Capital Improvement Charge, and Commodity Adjustment Charge will increase by 4% and the Sewer Base Rates, Usage Charge Rate, and Maximum Billing Caps will increase by 1.5%.

Under these adjustments, the average residential customer's water bill will increase by approximately \$3.17 per bi-monthly bill. The increase will be more or less, depending upon how much water is used. In compliance with Ordinance No. 2809, a 30-day notice was mailed to water and sewer customers. The notice contains information concerning the reasons for the rate adjustment and the increase in the water and sewer user fees.

If the Mayor or any of the Council members have questions related to the adjustments in water and sewer user fees, they should call William E. Murray at extension 5379.


WILLIAM E. MURRAY, P.E.
Public Works Director


By: Katie Victoria
Senior Administrative Analyst

Attachments: 30-Day Notice of Annual Inflation Adjustment in Water Charges
30-Day Notice of Annual Inflation Adjustment in Sewer User Fees



GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT

11222 ACACIA PARKWAY, P.O. BOX 339, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA 92842

June 1, 2016

Subject: 30-Day Notice of Annual Inflation Adjustment in Sewer User Fees

Dear Valued Sewer Customer:

The Garden Grove Sanitary District values customer service first and foremost, and strives to keep our ratepayers well-informed. The District is committed to providing its ratepayers with a reliable, high quality and cost-efficient sewer service that protects the health and safety of the public and property of the community.

In 2012, the City adopted an ordinance providing for automatic as needed adjustments to the sewer rate components (1. Sewer User Fee Base Rates; 2. Usage Charge Rate; and 3. Maximum Billing Caps) over a five (5) year period to account for actual inflation in construction costs. Under the ordinance, these sewer rate components will be adjusted for inflation annually on July 1, commencing July 1, 2012 and continuing through July 1, 2016, based on the percentage of the annual increase in construction costs from March 1 of the prior year to February 28 of the current year, as determined by the Engineering News Record Construction Costs Index – Los Angeles Area ("ENR"). Over the last five (5) years, the average annual inflation rate under the ENR has been between zero (0) to four and a half (4.5) percent.

The applicable ENR for the 2016 inflation adjustment, as measured from March 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016, is 1.5%. Without this annual adjustment for inflation, the District may not be able to generate the funds required to operate and maintain the District's sewer system, to make necessary capital improvements, to meet debt obligations, and to comply with regulations imposed by State and Federal agencies.

The owner(s) of each parcel of property connected to the District's sewage collection system is assigned to one or more customer classes, based on property use, and is responsible for the payment of a separate monthly Sewer Service Charge for each portion of the parcel served by a separate metered water service. Each monthly Sewer Service Charge consists of a Base Rate (according to customer class), plus a Usage Charge, but cannot exceed the Maximum Billing Cap designated for each customer class. The amount of the variable Usage Charge is based on the amount of water used per month during the bi-monthly period of lowest consumption (determined annually, based on analysis of 12 months of water billing data). **Effective July 1, 2016, the Base Rates, Usage Charge Rate, and Maximum Billing Caps will increase by 1.5%, as a result of the inflation adjustment. The new rates are attached.**

The District deeply appreciates your understanding and support. If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please call the District at (714) 741-5395.

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1.5% ENR Increase

User Class	Base Rate	Usage Charge Rate (Per HCF of Water Used)	Maximum Billing Cap
Residential – SFR and Duplex	\$4.24	\$0.92	\$13.40
Car Wash	\$62.68	\$0.92	\$197.54
Church	\$15.23	\$0.92	\$48.00
Commercial 1*	\$4.24	\$0.92	\$13.40
Commercial 2*	\$8.51	\$0.92	\$26.82
Commercial 3*	\$17.01	\$0.92	\$62.79
Commercial 4*	\$34.02	\$0.92	\$125.57
Commercial 5*	\$63.80	\$0.92	\$246.91
Commercial 6*	\$85.08	\$0.92	\$268.18
Hotels/Motels	\$85.08	\$0.92	\$268.18
Private School	\$44.03	\$0.92	\$138.79
Hospital	\$238.20	\$0.92	\$750.89
Industrial	\$47.04	\$0.92	\$148.30
Laundromat	\$58.47	\$0.92	\$184.26
Multi-Unit Residential**	\$36.00	\$0.92	\$113.55
Public School	\$56.89	\$0.92	\$179.30

Increase (\$)

Base Rate	Usage Charge Rate (Per HCF of Water Used)	Maximum Billing Cap
\$0.06	\$0.02	\$0.20
\$0.92	\$0.02	\$2.92
\$0.23	\$0.02	\$0.71
\$0.06	\$0.02	\$0.20
\$0.13	\$0.02	\$0.40
\$0.25	\$0.02	\$0.93
\$0.51	\$0.02	\$1.85
\$0.94	\$0.02	\$3.65
\$1.26	\$0.02	\$3.97
\$1.26	\$0.02	\$3.97
\$0.65	\$0.02	\$2.06
\$3.52	\$0.02	\$11.10
\$0.70	\$0.02	\$2.20
\$0.86	\$0.02	\$2.72
\$0.53	\$0.02	\$1.68
\$0.84	\$0.02	\$2.65



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
 11222 Acacia Parkway
 P.O. Box 3070
 Garden Grove, CA 92842

June 1, 2016

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Subject: 30-Day Notice of Annual Inflation Adjustment in Water Charges

Dear Water Customer:

The City of Garden Grove values customer service first and foremost, and keeping our customers well-informed. The City is committed to providing over 33,000 customers with a reliable, high quality and cost-efficient water service that protects public health, provides fire protection and creates opportunities for economic growth within the community.

In 2012, the City adopted an ordinance providing for automatic as needed adjustments to the first three water rate components (1. minimum charge based on meter; 2. capital improvement charge; and 3. commodity delivery charge) over a five (5) year period to account for actual inflation in construction costs. Under the ordinance, these water rate components will be adjusted for inflation annually on July 1, commencing July 1, 2012 and continuing through July 1, 2016, based on the same percentage as the percentage of increase in construction costs during the one year period (March 1 through February 28) immediately preceding March 1 of the then current calendar year, based on the Engineering News Record Construction Costs Index – Los Angeles Area ("ENR"). Over the last five (5) years, the average annual inflation rate under the ENR has been between zero to four and a half (4.5) percent.

The City did not apply the ENR adjustment in 2015 and will be applying it along with the 2016 ENR adjustment. **The applicable ENR for the 2015 inflation adjustment, as measured from March 1, 2014 through February 28, 2015, is 2.5%. The applicable adjustment for the 2016 inflation adjustment, as measured from March 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016, is 1.5%.** Due to State mandates and conservation efforts in response to the current drought conditions, the City experienced a major deficit in revenues. Therefore, the City must implement the full authorized adjustments effective July 1, 2016. Under these adjustments, the average residential customer's bi-monthly water bill will increase by approximately \$3.17. Without the annual adjustment for inflation, the City may not be able to generate the funds required to operate and maintain the City's water system, to make necessary capital improvements, to meet debt obligations, and to comply with regulations imposed by State and Federal agencies.

Fees to be adjusted

City water rates for metered service are broken down into four separate components: (1) a Minimum Service Charge based on the customer's meter size; (2) a Capital Improvement Charge

water used by the customer; and (4) a Commodity Adjustment Charge based on the amount of water used by the customer. Customers are billed bi-monthly (i.e., once every two months) for City water service. The total bi-monthly charge to a customer for water service is calculated by adding together each of the four water rate components. The table below shows the new rates effective July 1, 2016.

New Bi-Monthly Fixed Charges			New Bi-Monthly Variable Tiered Commodity Charges		
Meter Size	(1) Minimum Charge	(2) Capital Improvement Recovery Charge	Units of Water Used (1 Unit = 100 Cubic Feet)	(3) Commodity Delivery Charge per Units of Water Used	(4) Commodity Adjustment Charge per Units of Water Used
5/8" & 3/4"	\$12.74	\$1.47	0-36	\$2.25	\$0.67
1"	\$33.99	\$2.07	37-250	\$2.33	\$0.67
1 1/2"	\$65.82	\$2.64	251-500	\$2.42	\$0.67
2"	\$99.79	\$4.27	>500	\$2.51	\$0.67
3"	\$165.62	\$16.19			
4"	\$229.32	\$20.60			
6"	\$524.45	\$30.90			
8"	\$819.60	\$42.68			
10"	\$1,114.73	\$54.45			

The following table shows an example of what the adjustments to these water rate components and the total bi-monthly bill for a typical residential customer would be:

This Table is for Illustration Purposes Only. Actual Rates Will Vary.
Calculation of Average Total Bi-Monthly Charge for Typical Residential Customer

	Minimum Charge*	+	Capital Improvement Recovery Charge*	+	Commodity Delivery Charge**	+	Commodity Adjustment Charge**	=	Total Bill
Current Rates	\$12.25	+	\$1.41	+	\$64.80	+	\$20.10	=	\$98.56
2.5% and 1.5% Adjustment (Effective July 1)	\$12.74	+	\$1.47	+	\$67.42	+	\$20.10	=	\$101.73

*Based on a 5/8" or 3/4" meter size.

**Based on consumption of 30 units (3,000 cubic feet) of water in a two month period. The typical residential customer uses between 4 HCF¹ (2,992 gallons) and 40 HCF (29,920 gallons) of water every two months.

The City deeply appreciates your understanding and support. If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please call the Public Works Water Division at (714) 741-5395.

¹ HFC (Hundred Cubic Feet)

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A PUBLICATION FOR GARDEN GROVE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES



2016 A YEAR OF ANNIVERSARIES

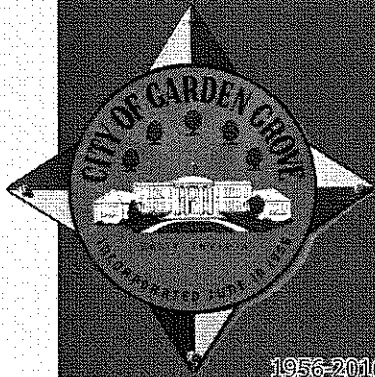
On June 18, 1956, Garden Grove became Orange County's 18th city.

The city soon welcomed scores of newcomers, growing in scope and spirit, and strengthening a foundation built on "Pride and Progress."

Sixty years later, the City of Garden Grove commemorates its Diamond Jubilee alongside other milestone anniversaries in the city.

2016 is a year of anniversaries, and a year of celebration, in Garden Grove!

2016 A YEAR OF ANNIVERSARIES



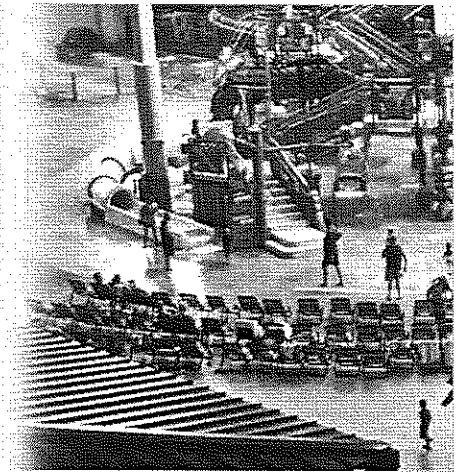
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From the sentimental charm of historic downtown Main Street, to the dynamic center of tourist activity in the Grove District-Anaheim Resort, the last six decades have deepened Garden Grove's rich hometown character and laid a widening course towards a modern and economically thriving city.

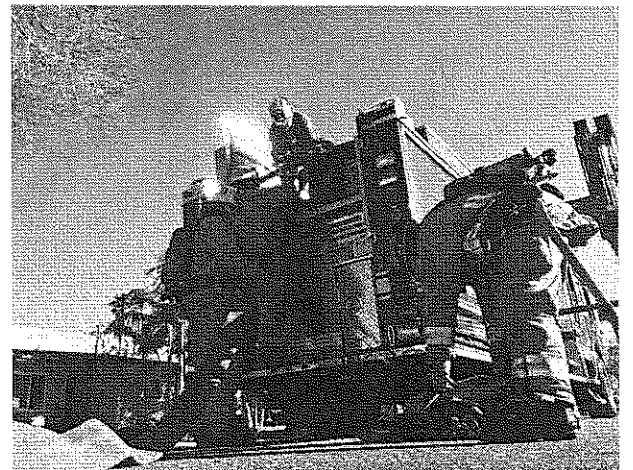


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Following a catastrophic flood and series of fires, came a small group of dedicated volunteers that formed Garden Grove Fire Protection District No.1 in October 1926. That dedication and drive spurred the development of the first paramedic team in 1974; relocation of Garden Grove Fire Department headquarters and Station 1 to the Civic Center; and the operation of seven fire stations throughout the city.

Today, the Garden Grove Fire Department, comprised of more than 90 sworn personnel, responds to nearly 15,000 incidents each year, including several calls for mutual aid.





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Community Meeting Center

During the nation's bicentennial year, the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center opened their doors to become the city's centralized community gathering place.

The Garden Grove Community Meeting Center has welcomed celebrities, political figures, and American war heroes, among others. This March, the center was re-dedicated following a \$1.1 million remodel.

Named after the City's first mayor, the H. Louis Lake Senior Center continues to fill the unique needs of Garden Grove's active senior community, with up to 350 members receiving important services each day.



H. Louis Lake
SENIOR CENTER

Diamond Jubilee Celebration

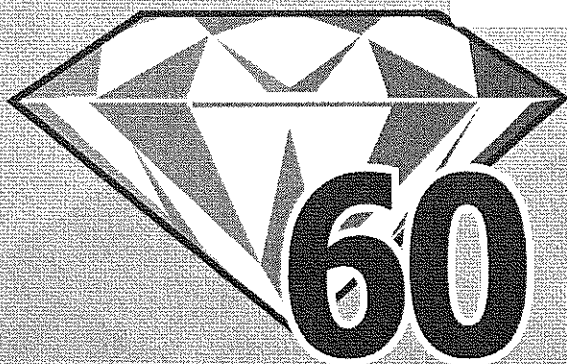
On Saturday, June 18, 2016, Garden Grove marks the 60th Anniversary of its incorporation! Celebrate at Village Green Park in downtown Garden Grove, starting with performances from Garden Grove Unified School District students at 4:00 p.m.

From 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. enjoy a performance by the band SOTO, with high-energy songs from the 1960's to Top 40.

The celebration continues when Historic Main Street lights up and hosts an after party from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

For more information about the 60th Celebration, visit www.garden-grove.org or call (714) 741-5290.

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**SATURDAY
JUNE 18**

**4:00 PM
— to —
8:00 PM**

**VILLAGE
GREEN PARK**

**FREE 7-ELEVEN
SLURPEES**

**FREE CUPCAKES &
RETRO CANDY BAG
(FIRST 1000 GUESTS)**

MINI MUSEUM

FAMILY PHOTO BOOTH

SELFIE STICK STATION

CARNIVAL CORNER

INFORMATION STATION

GREEN ZONE

CLASSIC CAR SHOW

FOOD TRUCKS

GIVEAWAYS

GGCF

MAIN STREET

STREET

After Party

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Featuring:

THE BEST OF
CLASSIC SOUL & MOTOWN

STONE
SOUL

Follow the Glow Stick path from
Village Green Park to Main Street.
Look for the Search Lights!

Hosted by the Garden Grove
Downtown Business Association

www.garden-grove.org

SATURDAY
JUNE 18

8:00 PM
— to —

11:00 PM

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DANCE FLOOR

TASTY EATERIES

BEER GARDEN
(SALES START
AT 5:00 PM)

**STROLLING
PERFORMERS**

SALSA DEMOS

GGCF
Garden Grove Community Foundation

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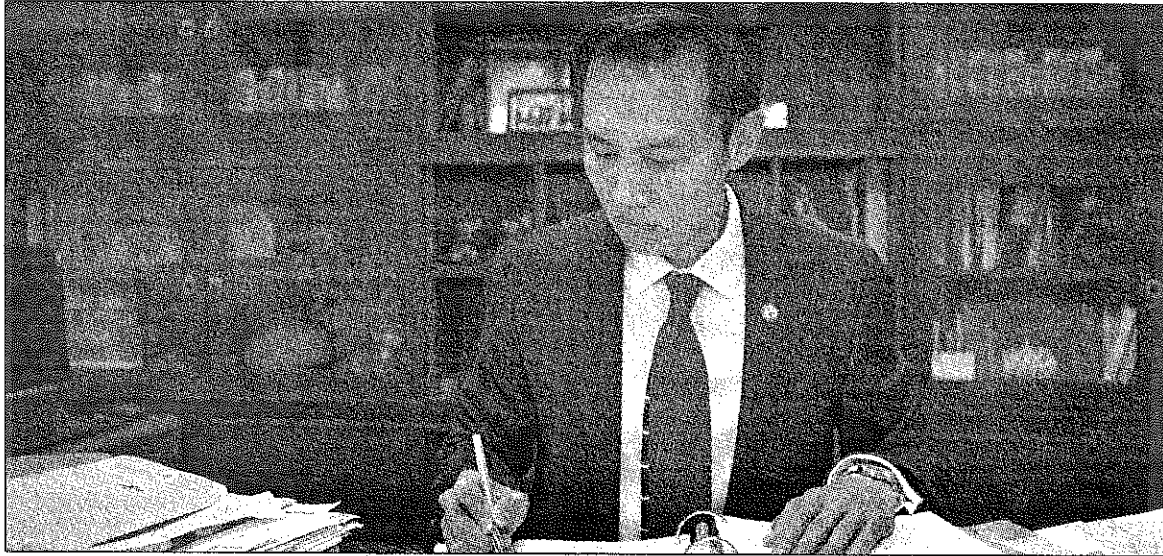
Just as the city's population boomed during post-WWII, so did the number of students, resulting in the need for more schools.

In 1965, the unification of the Garden Grove Elementary School District, Garden Grove High School District, and the Alamitos School District established the Garden Grove Unified School District.

Today, nearly 48,000 students are served by a total of 66 schools located in Garden Grove and six surrounding cities. The GGUSD is the third largest among 28 public school districts in Orange County, and a winner of the prestigious Broad Prize for Urban Education.

Congratulations to the Garden Grove Historical Society, Coastline Community College, the Village Green, and others on their anniversary celebrations!





File photo

Garden Grove Mayor Bao Nguyen

Mayor issues statement after Orlando massacre

Garden Grove Mayor Bao Nguyen issued a statement following the terrorist attack at a nightclub in Orlando, Fla. on Saturday that left at least 50 dead and 53 injured.

Following is the statement.

I am shocked and saddened to learn about the mass shooting at Pulse night club in Orlando, Fla.

As a gay man myself, I am especially disturbed by this horrific act of violence against my LGBT brothers and sisters.

I condemn this barbaric shooting. Don't let anyone tell you that this twisted individual truly represents any faith community. At times like these, it's more important to hold our loved ones

close, have compassion, and show the world that we stand together against hate, not divided against each other.

My deepest condolences to the families of those killed. It's long past due for us as a nation to look inward and get serious about addressing the causes of mass violence in this country.

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June 15, 2016

GG city councilmen stay put... for now

Bao Nguyen and Phat Bui will have to put their ambitions on hold



Tony on the Town

By Tony Cheong

Garden Grove Mayor Bao Nguyen and City Councilman Phat Bui will be in their usual seats at the next council meeting, humbled, hopeful and a little bit wiser.

Both had eyes on higher offices.

Both suffered setbacks in the June 7 primary.

Nguyen garnered 13 percent of the vote in his quest to be a congressman representing the 46th District. Lou Correa, another Democrat, led the way with 40

percent of the votes.

Bui got 19 percent in his run of Orange County Supervisor, District 1. Andrew Do won the seat with 35 percent of the vote.

But Nguyen and Bui are young. And promising.

Nguyen is bold and effervescent. Unorthodox. A champion of the LGBT voting bloc and a man who continuously stresses the importance of community and personal kindness.

Bui plays it closer to the vest.

He's more wonkish than Nguyen, but it works for him. He's become a trusted voice, in small part because of his style and in large part because of his knowledge of issues and steady temperament.

I have mixed feelings.

It would have been cool to see the two ascend, but it's nice knowing that, for now, they're still on the council, tending to the business of Garden Grove.

The question of the day remains, what becomes of Loretta Sanchez? The former congresswoman for the 46th District, who kept her headquarters in Garden Grove for years, lost to Kamala Harris in her bid for Barbara Boxer's United

States Senate seat.

Sanchez, a human weather event, has been a mover and shaker around these parts for two decades.

She's still pretty young. Keep an eye on her next move.

Oh, and a warning. Many, many voters have been complaining that they are registered wrongly. Their intent was to register as non-partisan, or non-affiliated with a party. Instead, they mistakenly checked off the box: American Independent Party, which IS a party, a rather extreme one at that.

The rude awakening on election day was that those registered with that party could not vote Democrat or Republican. They had to vote for a candidate with their party.

At any rate, Google "American Independent Party." If you believe in the platform, good on you.

If you truly wish to be independent and not forced to vote for a particular party, re-register as No Party Preference (NPP). And request a crossover ballot when you go to the polls.

Do you have a question, comment or news tip for Tony? Email her at tonyontown@yahoo.com.

Kim, Quirk-Silva in showdown for Assembly seat

District 65 race will prove vital to Stanton

By Brady Rhoades

The rematch is proving interesting.

Challenger Sharon Quirk-Silva garnered 53 percent of the vote and incumbent Assemblywoman Young Kim procured 47 percent for District 65, which includes Stanton, in the primary election on June 7.

District 65 is almost evenly split between registered Democrats and Republicans. Quirk-Silva, who Kim unseated for the Assembly seat in 2014, is a Democrat; Kim is a Republican.

District 65 also includes Fullerton, Anaheim, Buena Park, La Palma, Hawaiian Gardens and Cypress.

The next several months leading up to the general election in November is certain to be intense. Thus far, Kim has raised nearly twice as much money as her opponent. That amounts to about \$1 million to about \$500,000. But both say they are saving most of their money for the November showdown.

Other local results from the Tuesday primary follow:

- Garden Grove Mayor Bao Nguyen did not succeed in his bid for the 46th District congressional seat. Lou Correa (D) garnered

41.6 percent of the vote compared with Nguyen's 13.7 percent;

- Garden Grove City Councilman Phat Bui received 19.1 percent of the vote in his quest to become the Orange County Supervisor for District 1. Andrew Do won the race, getting

35.8 percent of votes;

- Longtime area congresswoman Loretta Sanchez (D), whose headquarters have been in Garden Grove for years, was outpaced by Kamala Harris (D) in the contest for one of California's two United States Senate seats. Harris garnered 40.3 of the votes; Sanchez came in with 18.5 percent.

For more election results, go to www.ocvote.com.



File photos

Young Kim



Sharon Quirk-Silva

District offers free lunches to students

Summer program made
possible by grant from U.S.
Dept. of Agriculture

The Garden Grove Unified School District will offer free lunch to students and children in the community during the summer at more than 20 locations through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's summer food service program.

The grant-funded program is available to children 18 years old and younger and does not require enrollment.

The summer lunch program schedule will be offered from June 27 through Aug. 5 at Bolsa Grande and Santiago high schools from noon to 1 p.m. and July 5 through July 29 from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. at Allen Elementary School and Doig, Jordan, and Ralston intermediate schools.

Summer lunch will be offered from July 5 through August 5 at Bryant (10:30-11:30 a.m.), Crosby (10:30-11:30 a.m.), Gilbert (10:15-11:15 a.m.), Heritage (10:15-11:15 a.m.), Lawrence (10:30-11:30 a.m.), Morningside (10:30-11:30 a.m.), Peters 4-6 (10:30-11:30 a.m.), Rosita (10:30-11:30 a.m.) and Stanford (10:15-11:15 a.m.) elementary schools.

This is the first year that the summer meals program is also being launched at the Garden Grove Chapman Library beginning June 27 through Aug. 4 from noon to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Meals will be provided at The Boys and Girls Main Branch on

Garden Grove Boulevard from June 27 through Aug. 26 from noon to 1 p.m.

Lunches, provided at no charge, are designed to meet a student's nutritional needs. A typical lunch may include a submarine sandwich, pizza, shaker salads or yogurt, served with green salad, assorted fresh or chilled fruit, and milk.

"We are pleased to offer the summer meals program to ensure that students who normally receive nutritious meals at school do not go without during the summer months," said district Board of Education member Linda Reed.

Meals and snacks are also available to persons with disabilities, over age 18, who participate in school programs for people who are mentally or physically disabled. Any person 18 years old and younger is eligible to take advantage of this free program regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. Eligible individuals who believe they were subject to discriminatory practices may write the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, or call 202-720-5964.

Call the district Food Services Department at 714-663-6155 for more information.

Don't forget Dad!

Families, here's a reminder that Sunday is Father's Day.

And to all you Dads, an early Happy Father's Day to you!

Movie nights

The community is invited to an evening under the stars with free activities and a movie on Thursday, June 30, on Historic Main Street.

The featured movie, "Star Wars: The Force Awakens," begins at 8:30 p.m. The inaugural Movies in the Park opens at 7 p.m. with family entertainment, including bounce houses, Star Wars characters, and more. The first 400 children will receive free light sabers.

Historic Main Street will be closed from 2 p.m. until midnight that day. For the safety and enjoyment of all, no canopies, golf carts, or alcohol is permitted on Main Street.

The second movie is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 17, and will feature "Minions."

For more information on the free Movies in the Park, call the Community Services Department at 714-741-5200 or visit www.ggparksandrec.com.

Safe swimming

The Fire Department is warning people that drowning is a real danger when the necessary precautions are not in place.

Last year, the department responded to eight drowning incidents with victims ranging in age from toddler to adults. So far this year, no drowning incident has been reported.

The department, in conjunction with the community relations and parks and recreation departments, is reaching out to the public through public service announcements and media channels urging everyone to be cautious around water.

Safety precaution tips can be viewed on the Fire Department's website at www.gardengrovefire.org.

Holiday closure

In observance of the Independence Day holiday, Garden Grove City Hall and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center will be closed on Monday, July 4.

No street sweeping services will be provided on the holiday. Streets will be swept as scheduled on all other days. Also, trash pick-up will be delayed by one day.

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

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Ongoing

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

Grief support

The Grief Share Support Group is for mothers who have lost children of every age. The group meets Thursday evenings at 12831 Olive St., Garden Grove. For more information, call 714-892-1520 or 714-343-7516.

Learn about Alzheimer's

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

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

Eco-friendly storytime

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

GG Kiwanis to meet

The Kiwanis Club of Garden Grove hosts dinner meetings at 7 p.m. Thursdays at Kiwanisland, 9840 Larson Ave. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. For more information, call 714-892-7267.

Dance Center hosts social

GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND FILING OF A REPORT REGARDING
PLACEMENT OF CHARGES ON PROPERTY TAX STATEMENTS

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Sections 5470 et seq., the Garden Grove Sanitary District has prepared two reports detailing charges proposed to be collected on the property tax rolls for: 1) refuse collection services in the District; and 2) sewer services in the District. The first report details charges proposed to be collected for refuse collection services in the areas of the District's Improvement District No. 1, which contains that area of the District formerly served by the Midway City Sanitary District. The second report details charges proposed to be collected for sewer services in the areas of the District that extend beyond the Garden Grove city limits and do not receive water services from the City of Garden Grove.

A Public Hearing on the adoption of the proposed reports will be conducted at a Regular meeting of the Garden Grove Sanitary District to be held Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

All written and oral protests against the adoption of the report must be received before the close of the Public Hearing. A copy of the report is on file and available for review in the Garden Grove City Clerk's Office, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
Secretary

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Publish: June 8, 2016, and June 15, 2016
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GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT
NOTICE OF HEARING AND FILING OF REPORT
PERTAINING TO DELINQUENT SOLID WASTE
DISPOSAL FEES

Notice is hereby given that rubbish disposal bills remaining delinquent and unpaid for 60 days or more as of July 1, 2016 and that are not paid by July 15, 2016, will be added to the property tax roll for collection. The Garden Grove Sanitary District Board of Directors shall review and approve as a charge against the property the amount delinquent, the amount of the penalty and interest, and if still unpaid, the delinquent bills shall be filed with the County Auditor, and upon recordation by the County Recorder shall be a lien against the property.

A Public Hearing to receive comments concerning a report detailing the delinquent and unpaid charges against each parcel will be conducted at a Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Sanitary District to be held, Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

The report is on file and available for review in the Garden Grove City Clerk's Office, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
Secretary

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER, 11300 STANFORD AVENUE, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, ON TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2016, AT 6:30 P.M., OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS IT MAY BE HEARD, TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE AND REPORTS RELATIVE TO THE MATTER DESCRIBED BELOW:

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. DA-002-2016

A request to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration, and Mitigation Monitoring Program and approve a Development Agreement with Tony Lam and Jennie Do for the development of a four-story, ten unit, work-live mixed use development. The parcels are located at 10641 and 10661 Garden Grove Boulevard and at 10662 Pearl Street with the Pearl Street property contiguous to the north side of Garden Grove Boulevard parcels and fronts the south side of Pearl Street, west of Nelson Street, and the Garden Grove Boulevard parcels are on the north side of Garden Grove Boulevard west of Nelson Street. The properties are zoned AR (Adaptive Reuse).

On May 19, 2016, pursuant to Resolution Nos. 5857-16 and 5858-16, the City of Garden Grove Planning Commission recommended the City Council approve Development Agreement No. DA-002-2016 and adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), and approved a Site Plan, Conditional Use Permit, and Lot Line Adjustment to facilitate the Project, subject to the City Council's adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and approval of the Development Agreement.

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

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
City Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden Grove City Council, The City of Garden Grove as Successor Agency to the Garden Grove Agency for Community Development, the Garden Grove Housing Authority, and the Garden Grove Sanitary District will hold Public Hearings on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to consider the adoption of their respective budgets. These meetings will be held in the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California.

Further information may be obtained at the City of Garden Grove Finance Department, located in City Hall on the second floor at 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, California, 92840, or by calling (714) 741-5060.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

• THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M., JULY 7, 2016

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-066-2016

A request for Conditional Use Permit approval to operate an existing 1,855 square foot after-school tutoring center for 46 students and six (6) instructors. The site is at 12755 Brookhurst Street in the GGMU1 (Garden Grove Mixed Use 1) 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 July 7, 2016. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public 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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Man who fired shots into car over 'bad bag of dope' convicted of murder

By **KELLY PUENTE**
STAFF WRITER

SANTA ANA • A 24-year-old Garden Grove man was convicted of first-degree murder and two counts of attempted murder on Tuesday for shooting three people during a drug deal in Santa Ana.

An Orange County Superior Court jury deliberated for three days before finding Dustin Sean Ross McDonald guilty of killing 23-year-old Aaron Chavez and seriously wounding Chavez's then 21-year-old girlfriend, Ashlee Caldwell, and her friend Ingrid Gonzalez, then 28, in 2014.

McDonald faces a maximum of 114 years to life in prison when he returns to court for sentencing on Aug. 26.



McDonald

Chavez and Caldwell, who were allegedly both drug dealers, after they sold him a "bad bag of dope."

McDonald, a drug addict, became enraged and scheduled another drug deal so he could shoot them as "payback," Burke said.

On their way to meet McDonald, Chavez and Caldwell picked up Gonzalez. McDonald met the victims near 12th and Main streets, where he walked up to the front passenger side of their vehicle, pulled out a handgun and fired 10 shots,

In the trial, Senior Deputy District Attorney Keith Burke said McDonald targeted

Burke said. Chavez, riding in the front passenger seat, was shot once in the face. Caldwell, behind the wheel, was hit four times while Gonzalez, in the back seat, was struck three times.

Police searched McDonald's home and found what they believe was the murder weapon in a lock box between a shed and a fence, Burke said. The prosecutor said ballistics tests linked the gun to bullets and shell casings at the crime scene.

McDonald's attorney, Deputy Public Defender Kira Rubin, said McDonald suffers from mental illness and tried to self-medicate with drugs such as methamphetamine and heroin. She said McDonald believed Chavez was "out to get him."

GARDEN GROVE STARTUP CAN BRING

Who says only children should take naps? A local startup believes anyone can take a nap - in its mobile sleeping pods.

Kevin Pham, a 31-year-old Garden Grove resident, studied nap culture in countries like Japan and Vietnam. He found that a short nap can help workers feel refreshed, more productive, creative and focused.

Pham has a master's in business administration from Cal State Fullerton. In 2014, he came up with the idea for Nappify and launched the concept with \$100,000 crowd-funded from family and friends.

"A lot of companies let employees take power naps to allow them to work harder and be more productive ... companies like Nike," Pham said. "They are providing their employee with a nap pod. Some of those have it in the building."

Pham's mobile model can venture to universities and companies. A nap session costs around \$13, or \$7 for students. After each session, the mattress sheet cover and pillow case are changed.

Nappify looks like a modified trailer with a small lobby and four soundproof sleeping pods stacked in twos.

The trailer plugs into buildings to power its air conditioning system. Eventually, Pham plans to have eight pods per trailer. Each trailer costs \$40,000 to build, he said.

Right now, Nappify has just one trailer, but Pham hopes to expand the company.

He's exploring different ways of growing the business, both internally and with outside investors.

For more information, go to nappify.com.

- Hannah Madans

THE NAP SPACE TO YOU

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COURTESY OF NAPPIFY.

Nappify's mobile, modified trailer can venture to universities and companies. A nap session costs around \$13, or \$7 for students.

GARDEN GROVE

Active streets: The city will present its preliminary plan on how to make it easier to walk or bicycle around Garden Grove at a booth during the Diamond Jubilee Celebration, from 4 to 8 p.m. June 18, a Saturday, in Village Green Park. City officials would like residents to stop by and give input on improving bike lanes and trails.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@ocregister.com

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June 10, 2016

GARDEN GROVE

New system: The Police Department has a new software system meant to improve dispatch, records management, report writing and crime analysis, and improve the public's access to crime information. The system includes a dashboard that gives users a look at the overall crime picture and compares it to past periods. It is available through the city's website.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979

Register
June 15, 2016

Construction: Portions of Knott and Valley View streets are due for renovations, and the City Council on Tuesday will weigh whether to approve a \$2 million deal with R.J. Noble Co. to do the work. The work would be on Knott, from Garden Grove Boulevard to Lampson Avenue, and on Valley View, from the 22 freeway west on-ramp to Tiffany Avenue.

Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
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June 11, 2016

GARDEN GROVE

Construction: Portions of Knott and Valley View streets are due for renovations, and the City Council on Tuesday approved a \$2 million deal with R.J. Noble Co. to do the work. Knott will be rehabbed from Garden Grove Boulevard to Lampson Avenue, and work on Valley View will be from the 22 freeway west on-ramp to Tiffany Avenue.

Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@ocregister.com

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GARDEN GROVE

Blood collection: The city will renew its contract with a blood-collection company pending City Council approval Tuesday. California Forensic Phlebotomy has collected blood samples for the Police Department for 34 years. The contract is for one year with options for four more. Each sample costs \$104, and the department has budgeted \$95,000 for next year.

Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@ocregister.com

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
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Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

CONTACT: Juan Medina (714) 741-5253
H. Louis Lake Senior Center

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

GARDEN GROVE SENIORS CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host free festivities on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. to celebrate Independence Day. The event will take place at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center – Rooms A & B, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue.

Seniors are invited to enjoy a fun day of live entertainment provided by “The Serenaders.” Be sure to wear red, white, and blue.

For more information and reservations, please call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at (714) 741-5253 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

60TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT THIS SATURDAY

The City of Garden Grove's 60th Anniversary community event is this Saturday, June 18, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., in Village Green Park, located at 12732 Main Street. Following the main event, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., the Garden Grove Downtown Business Association will be hosting a "glow-themed" after party on historic Main Street.

The celebration kicks-off at 4:00 p.m. with music, dance, and theatrical performances by students from Parkview Elementary, Jordan Intermediate, and Bolsa Grande, Garden Grove, La Quinta, Los Amigos, Pacifica, Rancho Alamitos, and Santiago high schools.

Be one of the first 1,000 participants to visit the Welcome Center for a free commemorative cup, beach ball, sunglasses or hand fan, and stop by the Sugar Shack for a free bag of retro candy and the chance to play a candy jar guessing game. Snack booths and gourmet food trucks will be on-site. Free Slurpees will be available, while supplies last, courtesy of 7-Eleven.

The Carnival Corner and Imagination Station will offer face painting, balloon animals, hula hoop activities, and an interactive mosaic art workshop. The Teen Zone will feature inflatables, lounge area, selfie stick station, and interactive smartphone games.

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60TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT THIS SATURDAY
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A car show features entries highlighting the last six decades, along with several public safety antique vehicles. The public is invited to vote for a favorite entry for a chance to win a free bicycle.

A mini-museum created by Parks, Recreation and Arts Commissioners, in collaboration with the Garden Grove Historical Society, will showcase Garden Grove history. Garden Grove Journal founding editor, and author of "Garden Grove: A History of the Big Strawberry," Jim Tortolano, will be selling and signing his book.

At 6:00 p.m. Mayor Bao Nguyen and the Garden Grove City Council will lead a 'Happy Birthday' sing-along and cake-cutting, with free cupcakes for the first 1,000 guests. A 90-year-old and 100-year-old Garden Grove residents will also be recognized. Afterwards, the band SOTO will play top 40 hits from a variety of genres.

From 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., the celebration continues on historic Main Street for an after party. Highlights include the band Stone Soul, strolling performers, salsa dancing demonstrations, DJ, and a beer garden.

The City thanks the following for their sponsorships: Garden Grove Community Foundation, California Fuels & Lubricants, 7-Eleven, Kiwanis, Credit Union of Southern California, Garden Grove Neighborhood Association, Garden Grove Unified Council PTA, Tu Camino Magazine, Vons, and DTN Tech.

For more details about the 60th Anniversary event, call (714) 741-5200, or visit the City's website at www.garden-grove.org.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

Contact:
John Montanez, (714) 741-5360
Community Services Manager

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Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Monday, June 13, 2016

DAY CARE OPENINGS STILL AVAILABLE

There is still time to sign up for the City of Garden Grove's Kare Bears program, but spots are filling up. Kare Bears offer a convenient alternative to private daycare for pre-school youngsters, 3- and 4- years-old. The 25-session, pre-K program held at West Haven Park, 12252 West St., begins in September, and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m to 11:30 a.m. The program is open to toddlers who are toilet-trained and 3-years-old by September 1, 2016.

Kare Bears give children an early start to Kindergarten by teaching both learning and socialization skills that promote personal growth and development. Activities combine stories, games, crafts and playtime that help to build a sense of self-worth, confidence and respect through a safe and positive experience.

The cost for the program is \$275, \$11 per session. Each session includes a parent participation excursion to a local place of interest.

Space is limited. Participants can sign up at the City Hall Recreation Counter, 11222 Acacia Parkway, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. A copy of the child's birth certificate and current immunization record is required at registration.

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

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Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Contact: Lt. Bob Bogue (714) 741-5786
Police Department

Monday, June 13, 2016

POLICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES NEW DATA SYSTEM PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS

The Garden Grove Police Department recently purchased a state of the art software system from Spillman Technologies that virtually manages the entire operations of the police department. The fully-integrated software was installed in September 2015 and controls functions such as dispatch, records management, report writing, evidence, mobile communications, and crime analysis. The system will also allow greater public access to crime information in near real-time.

The new public system includes a crime dashboard and a crime map. The dashboard works like the dashboard in a car. It gives viewers a snapshot of the overall crime picture and compares it to previous time periods. The crime map will plot crimes on it, calls for service and is user configurable. Both systems are user friendly and contain timely information.

"We now live in an 'information on demand' society," said Police Captain Travis Whitman, who facilitated the new system. "With the public's help, we'll be able to quickly respond to identified crime and community problems and together, make a bigger impact", he said.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES NEW DATA SYSTEM
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Recently, Garden Grove data shows that certain crime went up more than 40% in 2015, compared to 2014.

"The police department's community policing philosophy depends heavily on community involvement to reduce crime. Partnering with the community is an important strategy to combat crime," says Police Chief Todd Elgin.

The police department will be introducing this technology during neighborhood watch and community meetings.

Please visit the Garden Grove Police Department's webpage at www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/police, to access the public dashboard and crime map. Residents if interested in starting a neighborhood watch in their community can call Cindy Nagamatsu from the Community Liaison Division at (714) 741-5760.

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CONTACT: Kim Huy (714) 741-5200

Thursday, June 9, 2016

FREE SUMMER CONCERTS AT EASTGATE PARK

For the 18th year, the Garden Grove Community Foundation is pleased to host the free Summer Concert Series. The series will kick off the summer with Queen Nation on Thursday, July 7, 2016. Join them, in their Garden Grove debut, as they pay homage to rock group, Queen. A total of six concerts will be held at Eastgate Park, located at 12001 St. Mark Street, every Thursday through August 11, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The first concert also celebrates July as Parks Make Life Better Month. The community is invited to participate in free activities, including carnival games, face painting, and bounce houses, starting at 5:30 p.m.

Among the activities will be a new component to this year's kickoff concert. A Contract Instructor Fair will give residents a chance to meet class instructors listed in the Garden Grove Parks and Recreation Guide, to ask questions before enrolling.

Various vendors will be selling food, beverages, and dessert. Every Thursday, different gourmet food trucks will offer specialty items to concert goers. The first concert will include Sexy Burger, Greasy Wiener, SOHO Taco, and OH MY GAGA food trucks selling burgers, tacos, and sandwiches.

Beginning July 14, a pre-concert activity will have top vocalists from the community competing to be *The Voice of Garden Grove 2016*. Weekly finalists will face off at the last concert of the series. Winners will receive a \$500 cash prize as well as \$500 for his/her Garden Grove Unified School District choral program.

Free Summer Concerts at Eastgate Park
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For the safety and enjoyment of all, no canopies, golf carts, or alcohol is permitted in the park.

The 2016 free Summer Concert Series is sponsored by the Garden Grove Community Foundation, City of Garden Grove, AT&T, and GKN Aerospace. The Garden Grove Community Foundation proudly continues its mission of providing programs and activities that enhance the quality-of-life for the community.

A complete listing of the 2016 free Summer Concert Series follows:

July 7, Queen Nation (Tribute to Queen)
July 14, Flashback Heart Attack (New Wave 80's)
July 21, Knyght Ryder (90's Hits)
July 28, Gold Rush Country (Contemporary Country)
August 4, The Suffragettes (Top 40 Hits)
August 11, The Answer (Classic Rock)

For more information about the free Summer Concert Series, please visit www.ggcf.com or call (714) 741-5200.

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Article Resulting from City
News Releases in the
Vietnamese Media

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

Liên lạc: Lt. Bob Bogue (714) 741-5786
Thuộc Sở Cảnh Sát

Thứ Hai, 13/6/2016

SỞ CẢNH SÁT GARDEN GROVE LẮP ĐẶT HỆ THÔNG ĐIỆN TOÁN GIÚP CÔNG CHÚNG TRUY CẬP NHIỀU THÔNG TIN HƠN

Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove gần đây đã cài đặt một hệ thống phần mềm từ hãng Spillman Technologies để quản lý toàn bộ hoạt động của Cục Cảnh Sát. Các phần mềm đã được cài đặt vào tháng Chín, năm 2015 và có thể điều khiển các chức năng như công văn, quản lý hồ sơ, báo cáo bằng văn bản, bằng chứng, thông tin liên lạc di động, và phân tích tội phạm. Hệ thống này sẽ cho phép công chúng truy cập nhiều hơn đến thông tin tội phạm trong thời gian sớm nhất và hữu hiệu hơn.

Các hệ thống công cộng mới bao gồm một bảng điều khiển tội phạm và một bản đồ tội phạm. Các bảng điều khiển hoạt động giống như bảng điều khiển trong xe, cung cấp cho người sử dụng một bản chụp mô phỏng và so sánh nó với những khoảng thời gian trước đó. Các bản đồ tội phạm có khả năng phát thảo những vụ phạm tội trên bản đồ. Cả hai hệ thống này đều dễ dàng sử dụng cho những người không chuyên nghiệp và có những thông tin cập nhật. Captain Travis Whitman của Sở cảnh sát cho biết, "Chúng ta đang sống trong một môi trường cập nhật thông tin theo yêu cầu xã hội, với sự giúp đỡ của công chúng, chúng tôi sẽ có thể nhanh chóng đáp ứng với các vấn đề tội phạm và những tệ nạn xảy ra xung quanh cộng đồng."

Trong năm 2015, đã có sự gia tăng đến 40% các loại tội phạm so với năm 2014. "Cảnh sát phụ thuộc nhiều vào sự tham gia của cộng đồng để giảm tội phạm", Sở Trưởng Cảnh Sát Todd Elgin chia sẻ. "Hợp tác với cộng đồng là một chiến lược quan trọng để chống lại tội phạm."

Sở Cảnh sát sẽ giới thiệu hệ thống này đến cộng đồng và các cuộc họp cộng đồng sắp tới, cũng như cài đặt hệ thống này trên trang web của Sở Cảnh Sát.

Vui lòng truy cập trang web của Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove tại www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/police, để truy cập vào bảng điều khiển công cộng và bản đồ tội phạm. Cư dân nếu quan tâm đến việc chương trình "Neighborhood watch" trong cộng đồng mình có thể liên lạc cô Cindy Nagamatsu từ Ban liên lạc cộng đồng tại (714) 741-5760.

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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: John Montanhez, (714) 741-5360
Ban Phục Vụ Cộng Đồng

Thứ Ba, 14/6/2016

THÀNH PHỐ GARDEN GROVE GIỚI THIỆU CHƯƠNG TRÌNH DAY CARE CHO CÁC EM NHỎ TỪ 3-4 TUỔI

Ban Phục Vụ Cộng Đồng Thành phố Garden Grove giới thiệu chương trình Kare Bears Program nhân dịp mùa hè cho các em nhỏ từ 3-4 tuổi, nhằm giúp các em có chuẩn bị tốt hơn trước khi vô học mẫu giáo.

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SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

Tomorrow, Friday, June 17, the local LGBT group VROC-Viet Rainbow of Orange County (VROC) will be hosting a candlelight vigil for the victims of the Orlando shooting. The vigil takes place in Civic Center park (corner of Euclid Street and Acacia Parkway), from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



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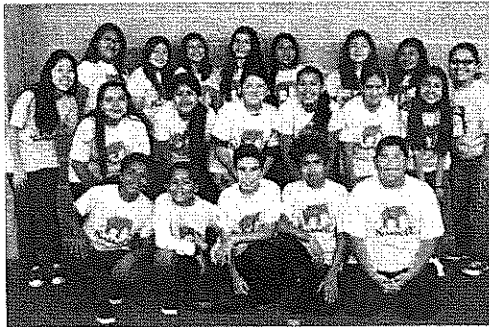
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Garden Grove Unified School District students took home multiple wins at the 2016 Orange County Academic Pentathlon!

Academic Pentathlon teams of sixth through eighth graders compete in five subject areas – mathematics, English language arts, science, social science, and fine arts. They also squared off in a challenging Super Quiz competition. This year's topic was India. Awards are given for individual performance and for overall team by division.

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The City of Garden Grove's 60th Anniversary community event is this Saturday, June 18, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., in Village Green Park, located at 12732 Main Street. Following the main event, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., the Garden Grove Downtown Business Association will be hosting a 'glow-them...

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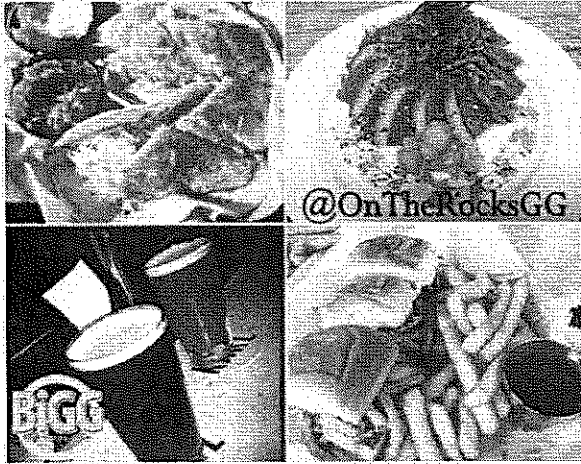
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You may be wondering what to eat tonight... On The Rocks Bar & Grill in #GardenGrove offers a variety of food and drink from their menu, and when you mention the Buy in Garden Grove program, you'll receive 10% off any one entree. Enjoy! #BIGG <http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/BuyInGardenGrove>



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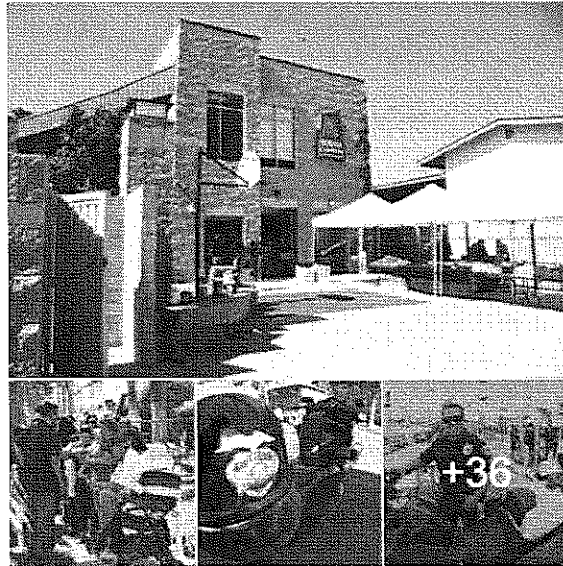
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and free food. The Center recognized residents with community awards for Youth of the Year, Parent of the Year, and Community Partner of the Year.

More than 700 people were in attendance, including 50 community volunteers.

For more information about the Buena Clinton Youth & Family Center, please visit <http://www.buenaclinton.org/>. #GardenGrove



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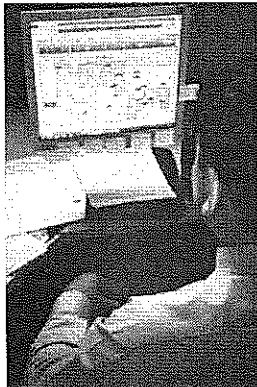
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POLICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES NEW DATA SYSTEM PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS

The Garden Grove Police Department recently purchased a state-of-the-art software system that virtually manages the entire operations of the police department. The fully-integrated software will allow greater public access to crime information in near real-time. -- <http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/...data-system-provides-pub...>



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Nine more days until we celebrate Garden Grove Unified School District's 2018 graduates!

On Wednesday, June 22, 2016 graduation ceremonies will be held at Garden Grove and Bolsa Grande High School's stadiums throughout the day. Be prepared for congested streets near both areas and aware of the pedestrians that day. #GardenGrove

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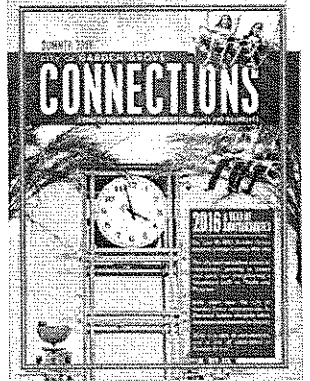
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Look for your special 60th Anniversary edition of Connections in the mail this weekend! <http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/connections> #G6turns60 #GardenGrove



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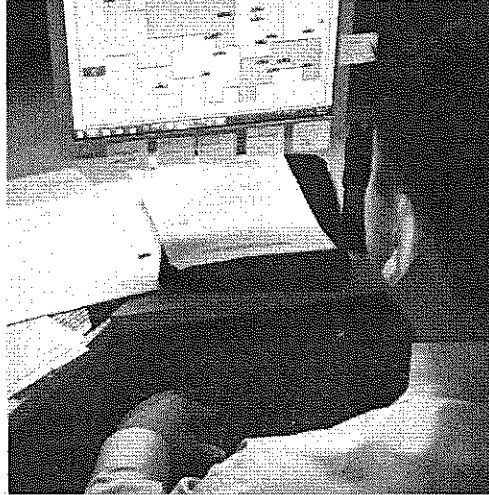


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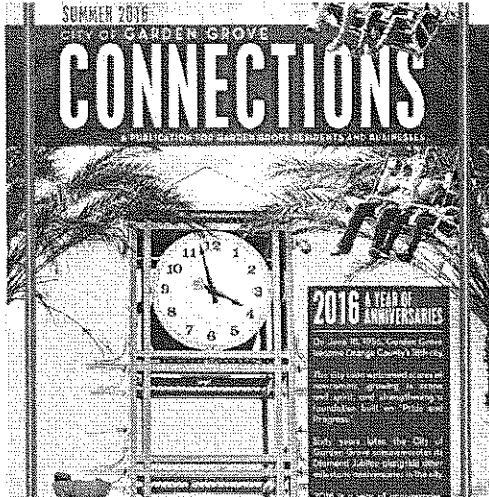


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Surge of Hotel Development More Than 7,000 Rooms Proposed in Four Cities

By MARK MUELLER

The four Orange County cities with the heaviest volume of hotel construction are seeing a divergence in the type of properties being built there and the sorts of guests the hotels will target.

Hotel projects made up the largest source of activity taken up by Orange County's top commercial real estate developers on this week's Business Journal list. Eight of the 20 ranked companies completed hotels in the past year (see page 14).

The developments include a number of limited-service hotels targeting business travelers and budget-conscious tourists, as well as family-

friendly resorts and, most recently, high-end offerings.

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Among the latter is Paséa Hotel & Spa, which opened last month in Huntington Beach. The 250-room property on Pacific Coast Highway has room rates at more than \$400 and was developed by Irvine-based Pacific Hospitality Group and R.D. Olson Development in Newport Beach.

The project, along with developments in Anaheim, Garden Grove and Irvine, combined for more than 90% of the hotel rooms represented on the list that opened in OC in the past year.

The four cities also have a hotel development pipeline encompassing more than 7,000 rooms, according to industry sources.

Hotel Development 6

Anyone's Guess As Young Rides Off Ranch

By MARK MUELLER



Let the guessing game begin as Dan Young gets set to step down from the Irvine Company.

Young, widely seen as the No. 2 executive to Chairman Donald Bren, last week said he'll leave his role as president of Irvine Co.'s community development division at the end of the month.

Young: will continue as adviser to Bren

Young 71

\$100M Raise Points to Cybersecurity Niche

By CHRIS CASACCHIA

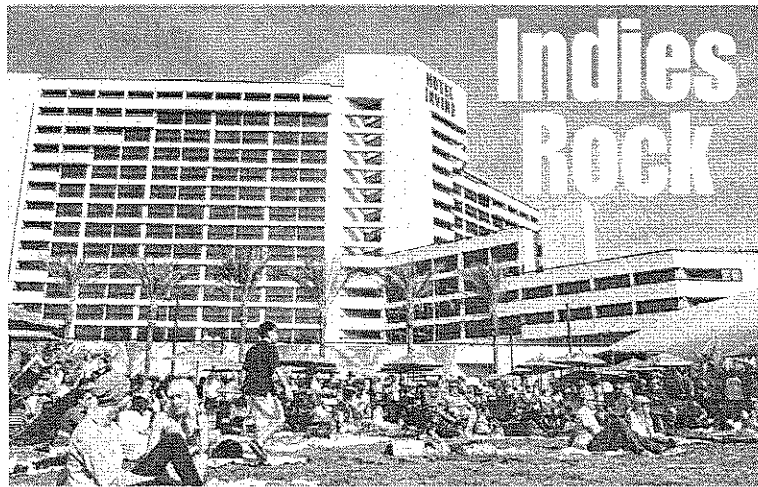


The \$100 million raised by Cylance Inc. last week highlights the booming demand for software security needed to thwart malicious cyberattacks in the public and private sectors—and the growing appetite of venture capitalists to fund Orange County-based businesses that are taking on the challenge.

The Irvine-based company at-

Harkins: came to Cylance after stint as Intel's chief security officer

Cylance 9



Hotel Irvine: summer movies on the lawn; independent positioning includes local focus

Hotel Owners Trade Big Brands for Local Focus

By PAUL HUGHES

A range of Orange County hotels are declaring independence, testing the potential and limits of a hot hotel market and foregoing the regular business a brand can bring.

Monarch Beach Resort in Dana Point—previously St. Regis Monarch Beach—is the most recent to go solo.

It debuted on June 1 following a two-year, \$40 million renovation. An affiliate of owner KSL Capital Partners LLC now runs the 396-room resort, which KSL bought in May 2014 for \$317 million.

The Monarch Beach bow follows by two years the opening of Hotel Irvine, which once flew a Hyatt flag. The Hyatt affiliation ended in 2013.

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Irvine Co.'s Grippio: "we do better now than we've ever done"



Monarch Beach's Pullan: "It's the location"



Legacy's Garr: Indie shift saved \$500,000 annually



Majestic's Smith: "more fun" without flag



Buena Park Hotel's Christensen: "we don't need a brand"



Atlas' Reay: credits Bren for trend

Keirstead Buys Back In on Stem Cells

By VITA REED



Orange County stem cell entrepreneur Hans Keirstead refers to his newly established biotechnology company as a "startup with mature assets."

"It's been a wonderful culmination of a couple of decades of work," said Keirstead, a former professor at the University of California-Irvine whose latest post is

Keirstead: company formed after 10 deals to regain assets sold to Caladrius Inc.

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New Name, Boss For Bank in Little Saigon

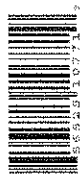
By MICHAEL DE LOS REYES

The former Saigon National Bank in Westminster appears to have made strides toward untangling its operations with a new owner and a new name.

The bank received a \$4.5 million capital infusion from an investor identified as Hien Quang Do, who now owns the institution outright and has assumed the role of chairman. Do could provide another \$4.5 million in capital as early as next year if certain milestones are met, according to the bank.

Do bought all of the shares of Saigon National Bank in Little Saigon.

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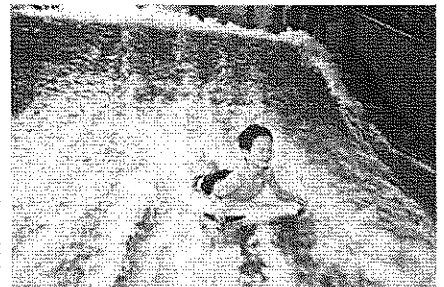
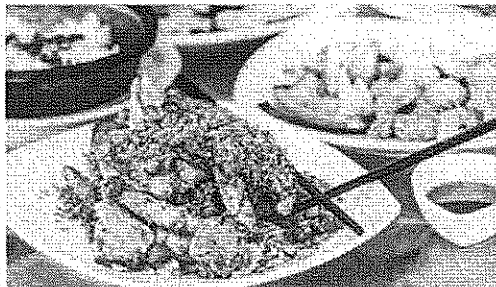
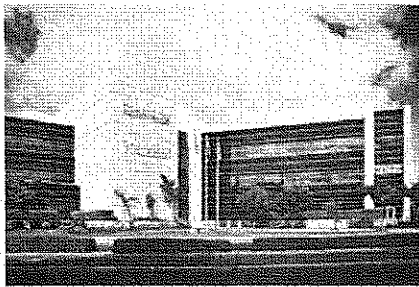
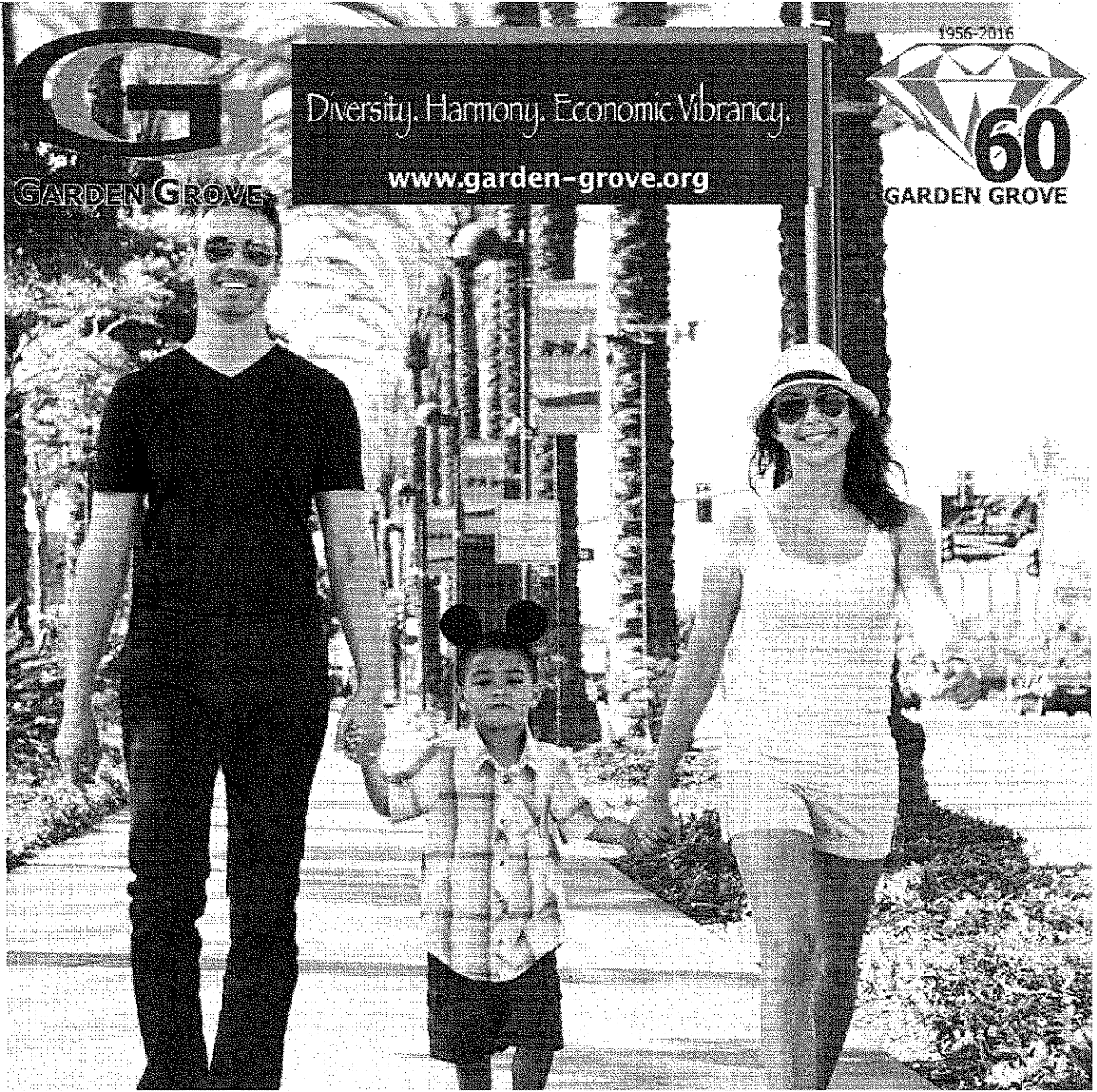


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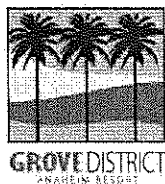


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Garden Grove – Building on 60 Years of Success

Over the past 60 years, the City of Garden Grove has built a community ideally suited to thriving businesses. From geography to demographics to lifestyle, Garden Grove is home to more than 14,000 successful businesses.



Garden Grove's Iconic Tower on the Green

Garden Grove Community

Adjacent to historic downtown Main Street and standing at the entrance to Garden Grove's oldest park, the Village Green, the "Tower on the Green" clock tower symbolizes the proud spirit of Garden Grove's community of nearly 175,000 residents.

According to a 2015 study by WalletHub.com, Garden Grove ranks among the Top 50 California cities for economic class diversity and among the Top 30 for ethno-racial and linguistic diversity. It is among the county's most ethnically-balanced communities, with a nearly equal percentage of Asian, Latino, and Caucasian residents. Garden Grove's cohesive blend of cultures, languages, and ethnicities creates a rich employment pool to drive business innovation and success.

Education quality also contributes to Garden Grove's dynamic workforce. All seven Garden Grove Unified School District comprehensive high schools are listed among the state and nation's elite in rankings released by U.S. News & World Report magazine, and have earned full, 6-year accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. The district has made major investments in technology and school modernization.

Higher education opportunities abound at **Coastline Community College**, which offers A.A. degrees, professional certificates and the ability to transfer to a four-year university; likewise, **California State University, Fullerton Garden Grove Center** offers continuing professional development through the University's Extended Education.

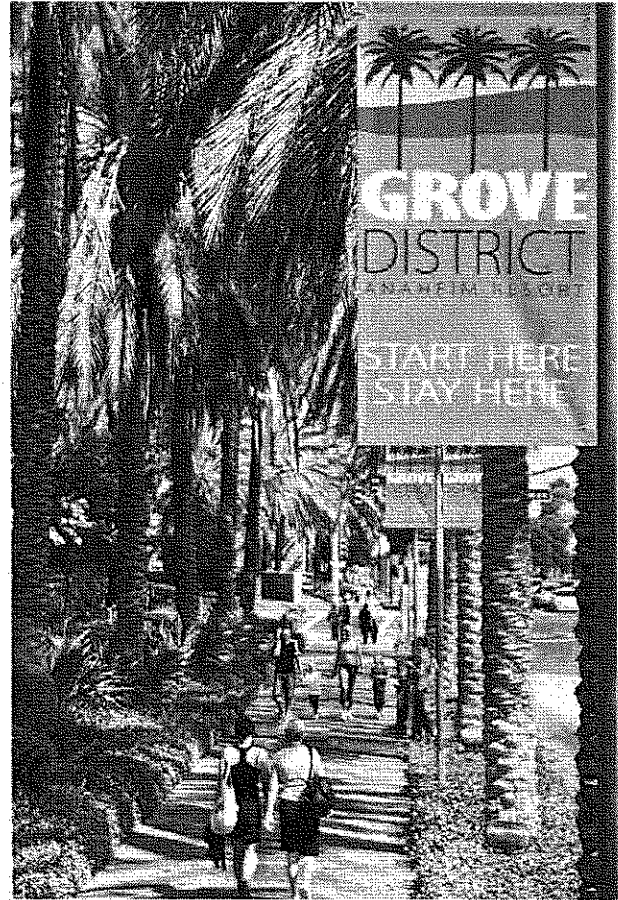
Geography

Strategically located in central Orange County, Garden Grove is within close proximity to major Orange and LA County attractions, beaches, airports, and freeways.

Grove District Anaheim Resort

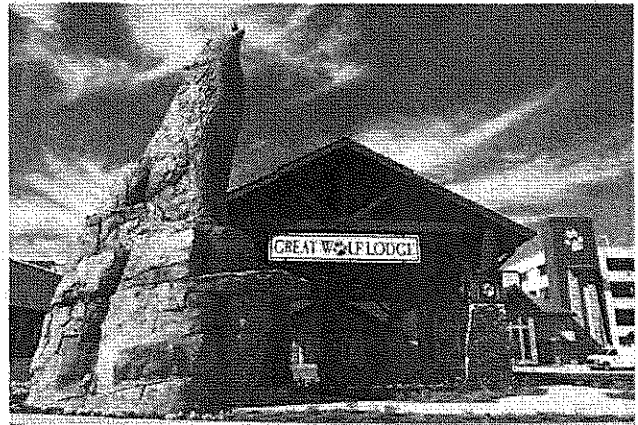
Located within a walkable one-mile distance of the Disneyland Resort, the Grove District Anaheim Resort provides top-notch amenities to 45 million tourists who visit the area each year.

Through successful private/public partnerships, the City of Garden Grove has continued attracting new hotel developments to the area. The Grove District is home to 10 modern hotels, nationally recognized restaurants, and nearby world-class shopping and fine dining. With more than 3,600 hotel rooms, 105,000 square-feet of event space, and internationally-acclaimed hotel brands such as Hyatt, Marriott, Hilton and Wyndham, the Grove District Anaheim Resort offers an array of services and overnight options for travelers exploring the best of Southern California. Hotel shuttle services provide door-to-door service to major nearby attractions.



Grove District Anaheim Resort

In early 2016, Garden Grove celebrated the grand opening of the Grove District's 10th hotel: the Great Wolf Lodge Southern California, a stunning 603 all-suite resort and indoor water park, packed with exciting slides, pools, restaurants, and activities.



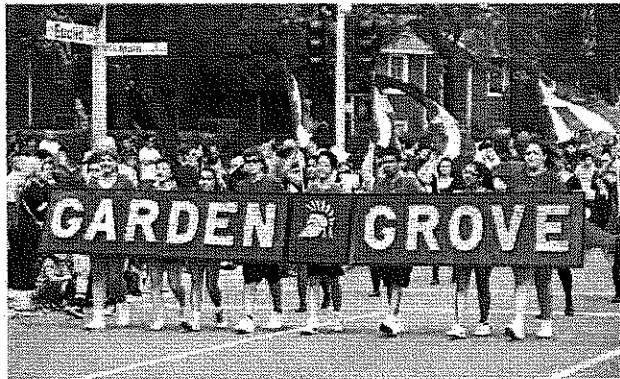
Great Wolf Lodge Southern California

Further private/public development plans for the Grove District Anaheim Resort include more than 1,500 new hotel rooms, several themed restaurants and new entertainment venues. The City is working with developer Kam Sang Co. to soon become home to one of the first hotels in the United States associated with television giant Nickelodeon. The Nickelodeon Resort Hotel would be a 600-room, four-diamond resort on 2 acres with an expanded pool area. Potential tax revenue from the project is estimated to be \$6 million to \$8 million annually to the City.

Things to Do

One of the City's biggest claims to fame is the annual Strawberry Festival, which debuted in 1958, and takes place over the 4-day Memorial Day weekend. The Strawberry Festival is the second largest community-sponsored event in the western U.S., second only to the Rose Parade. The festival features a star-studded parade and the world's largest strawberry shortcake.

From free outdoor summer concerts and Friday night car shows, to live, outdoor Shakespeare performances and Ciclvia-type open street events, there's always something to do in Garden Grove!



Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Parade

Flavors of Garden Grove

In addition to offering businesses a rich workforce, Garden Grove's diverse demographics have resulted in a tapestry of ethnic neighborhoods where residents and visitors alike are immersed in authentic cultural sights, sounds and flavors.

Little Saigon, which straddles neighboring Westminster, is home to the largest population of Vietnamese, outside of Vietnam. Its roughly three square-miles are home to more than 4,000 Vietnamese-American businesses, including hundreds of shops and restaurants.



7 Leaves Café

Favorite food stops include:

- **Garlic & Chives** – one of the star attractions at the Mall of Fortune, this hot spot has been featured in Jonathan Gold's L.A. Times reviews, and features gourmet Asian fusion cuisine with an expansive menu. *Garlic & Chives, 9892 Westminster Ave., (714) 591-5196*
- **Brodard Restaurant** – Revered as one of the most popular Vietnamese restaurants in Orange County, this is the place to go for famous spring rolls, as well as delectable pastries like the celebratory Moon Cakes eaten during festivals. *Brodard Restaurant, 9892 Westminster Ave., (714) 530-1744*

- **7 Leaves Café** – A favorite on Yelp, this cheerful spot serves up coffee, tea and treats like Mung Bean Milk Tea and Sea Cream Jasmine Green Tea. *7 Leaves Café, 9786 Westminster Ave., (714) 590-2790; and 13481 Euclid St. (714) 534-7999*
- **Dong Loi** – Seafood lovers will delight in this market, where ambitious cooks can find all manner of creatures from seas east and west. Offerings include giant freshwater head-on shrimp; live mussels in buckets; beautiful whole tilapia and striped bass; and live Dungeness crab and lobsters in tanks. *Dong Loi Seafood, 13900 Brookhurst St., (714) 534-1410*

Along the city's namesake Garden Grove Boulevard is the Korean Business District, a Korean community known by some estimations as the second largest Korean business district on the West Coast and the fourth largest Korean business district in the nation. This area is home to more than 1,000 businesses serving Koreans and the local community, including insurance giant **Chun-Ha Insurance Services, Inc.**

The Korean Business District is likewise a major draw for hungry visitors and residents. From bibimbap (warm rice bowl) to Korean BBQ to naengmyun (buckwheat noodles), area restaurants serve up the many flavors of Korea. Here are some local favorites:

- **Mo Ran Gak** – a casual spot for Korean barbecue, this place ranks among the "must try" eateries for its flavorful meats, delicious noodles and friendly service. *Mo Ran Gak, 9651 Garden Grove Blvd., (714) 678-1177*
- **Kaju Tofu Restaurant** – a haven for vegetarians, this is also a popular late-night spot serving up soul-pleasing soups and an array of ban-chan (complimentary side dishes). *Kaju Tofu Restaurant, 8895 Garden Grove Blvd., (714) 636-2849*
- **H-Mart** – Cooks delight in the array of Korean food products on sale at this bustling super market. From traditional side dishes and meats to hard-to-find product to sweets and snacks, this place has it all. *H-Mart, 8911 Garden Grove Blvd., (714) 534-4113*



Mo Ran Gak Restaurant

Garden Grove Industrial Area

Garden Grove is strategically located in Orange County enabling companies to serve both Orange and Los Angeles counties with ease. With convenient access to the Garden Grove (22) Freeway from most of the industrial base, the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles are approximately 20 miles away. The city is also approximately 12 miles from Long Beach Airport and 15 miles from John Wayne Airport.

"With over 20 years of experience with Garden Grove, I have found the city to be very pro-business, as they have always embraced their manufacturing and distribution companies that are located in the city, not only with attracting new businesses, but making accommodations where they can to keep existing companies within the city," says Michael J. Bouma, SIOR, Senior Vice President Voit Real Estate Services.

"Based on its close proximity to the ports, airports, retail support facilities, skilled labor base, executive and affordable housing, and pro-business city government, Garden Grove will continue to be an area of strong industrial tenant demand." The current vacancy rate in Garden Grove is 1.32 percent, which is an all-time low, and currently the lowest vacancy in the west Orange County industrial market. The peak was in the third quarter of 2006 at 8.1 percent.

Another recognized landmark in Garden Grove is the glorious Christ Cathedral (formerly the Crystal Cathedral). The main structure stands as the world's largest glass building and home to one of the world's largest musical instruments, the Hazel Wright Memorial Organ. The building is currently undergoing a major renovation, and is expected to reopen in 2017 as the official seat of the Diocese of Orange.



Christ Cathedral

What's Next for Garden Grove

Garden Grove is abuzz with new developments and opportunities for prospective businesses. One of the most talked-about projects is Brookhurst Place – Garden Grove's largest proposed commercial and residential development. This 14-acre, master-planned community will include 600 residential units, a one-acre public park, urban trail, and 50,000 square-feet of commercial and retail space with a potential for 200,000 square-feet. Upon completion, the mixed-use project will offer easy access to downtown areas and urban live-work-play environments. The development is located in the Brookhurst Triangle, near the Korean Business District, at Garden Grove Boulevard and Brookhurst Street.

"This milestone development for Garden Grove will anchor a popular commercial hub, with nearby schools and convenient freeway access," says City Manager Scott Stiles. "It will be a beautiful place for people to live, work, and visit."



Brookhurst Place

Garden Grove Business Spotlight

"The City of Garden Grove has been a great partner for both of our dealerships helping make Garden Grove Kia and Garden Grove Hyundai national top ranking dealerships."

-- Jared Hardin, owner Garden Grove Kia and Garden Grove Hyundai

"I have worked with City of Garden Grove staff on large- and small-scale projects, who have helped keep my projects on time, on budget, and cutting through the red tape. Our tenant, Paris Baguette, sold over 1,000 cakes on Mother's Day—a record for all of their locations."

-- Charles Lee, owner Garden Grove Plaza H-Mart Center

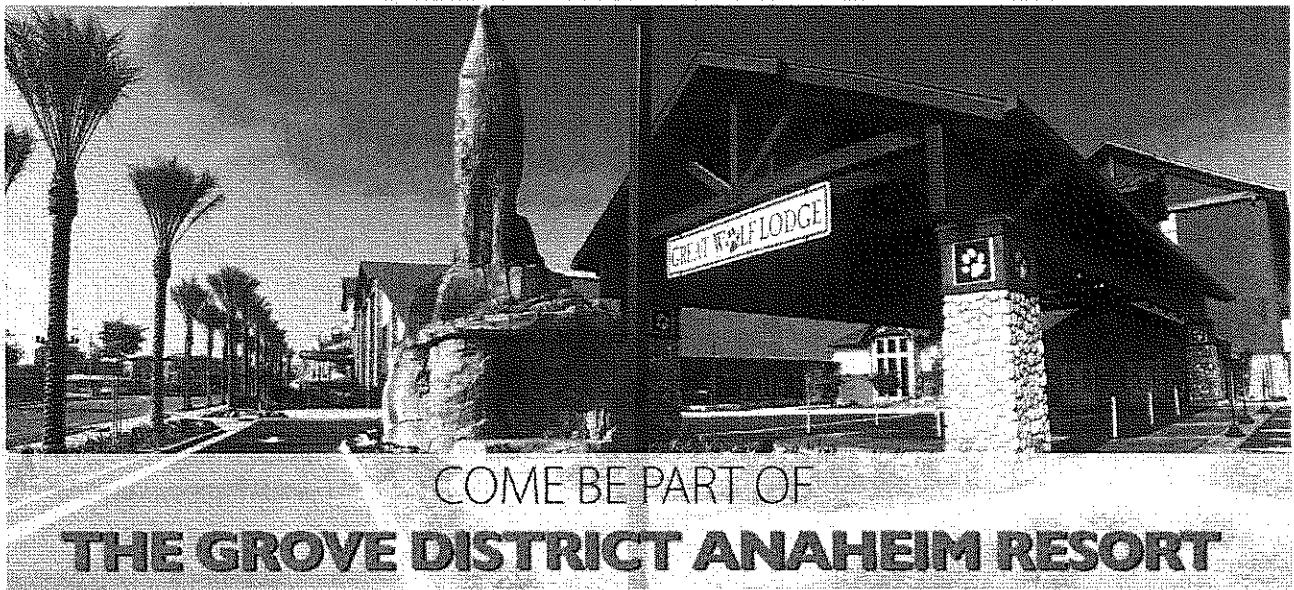
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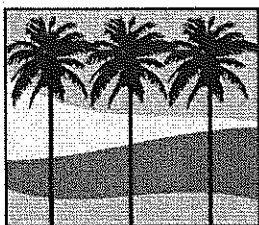
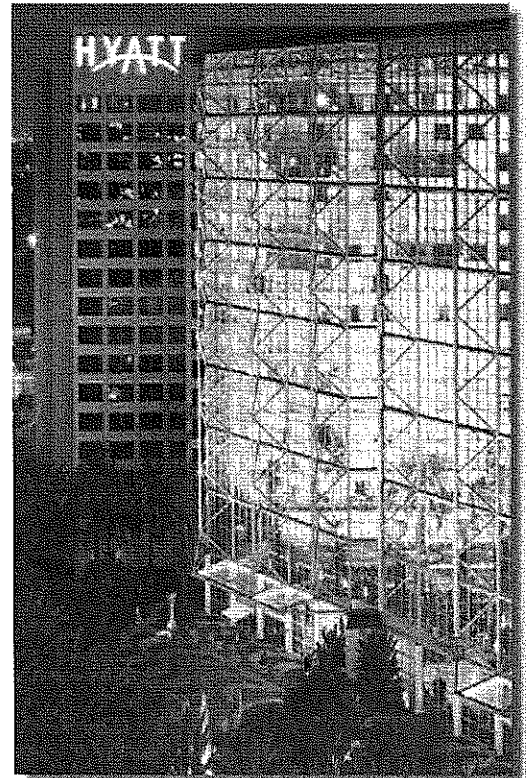


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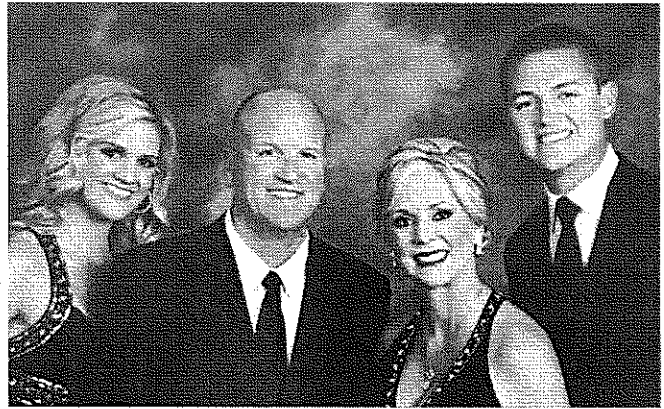
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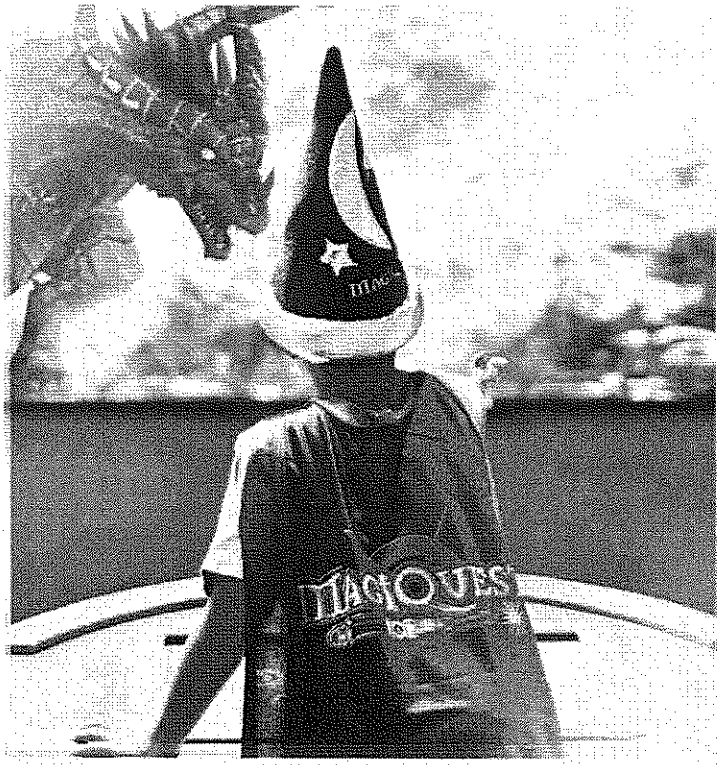
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The Local Church with a Global Mission: Reaching the World from Garden Grove

For 60 years, Garden Grove, Calif. has served as home to one of the most iconic and influential religious ministries in the world. It was 1955 when Rev. Robert H. Schuller climbed atop the snack bar of the Orange Drive-In Theater in Garden Grove to lead his first drive-in church service. There were approximately 50 people in attendance, his wife played the organ, the choir was borrowed from a nearby church and the pulpit, altar and adorning cross all were handmade by Rev. Schuller himself. Growth of the small gathering was exponential and soon became Garden Grove Community Church, which boasted thousands of local congregants, and, in 1970, became the first nationally televised church service as the *Hour of Power*.

As the size of the congregation grew, so did the need for a new sanctuary. Ten years after the first episode of *Hour of Power* aired, Dr. Schuller, along with his family and friends, welcomed nearly 3,000 people to the dedication of the Crystal Cathedral. Since then, the building – an architectural masterpiece designed by F.A.I.A Gold Medalist Philip Johnson – has served as a Garden Grove landmark, an iconic symbol of hope to millions of people around the world and the birthplace of a thriving international ministry.

This ministry and its legacy have always been much more than a building, though. Through teachings on “possibility thinking” and the redemptive power of God’s love, Dr. Schuller was known internationally as a beacon of positivity, innovation, hope and love. Though Dr. Schuller passed away in 2015, this legacy now continues through a local church with a global mission.

“Our church has always had a posture of focusing outward toward hurting people, which began with my grandpa,” said Bobby Schuller, Dr. Schuller’s grandson and current leader of the ministry. “He was an innovator and ministry pioneer, and under his leadership, our church helped launch the megachurch movement and television evangelism. He knew the power television would have in bringing the Gospel message from a church in Garden Grove to people around the world.”

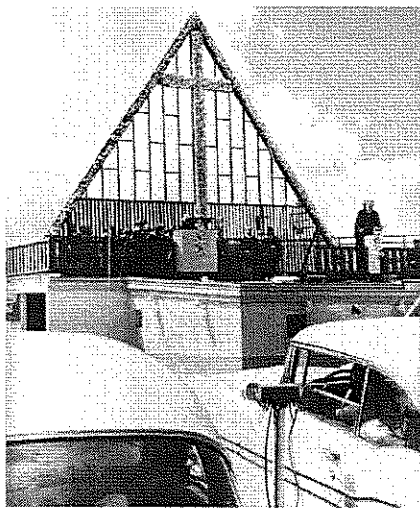
For more than 35 years, millions of people have received God’s love and hope by watching *Hour of Power* on television. Though the ministry has gone through several changes during this time – including naming Schuller as leader and renaming the church Shepherd’s Grove – the mission of the ministry has remained unchanged for six decades: to bring God’s love to the world.

“There are hurting hearts around the world that need healing, lost minds that need direction and thirsty souls that need satisfying,” said Schuller. “Shepherd’s Grove is uniquely designed to meet these needs; we are a local church of missionaries who desire to bring dignity and discipleship to those outside the church.”

Just as in its early days, the Garden Grove-based church continues to grow on a local level and will add a third worship service this summer.

“We’re so excited to see the continued growth of the local church and can’t wait to see how God uses our third service,” said Chad Blake, executive pastor of

Hour of Power with BOBBY SCHULLER



Garden Grove, Calif., 1955. Robert H. Schuller preaches from the roof of a snack bar at the Orange Drive-In.

SHEPHERD'S GROVE

Shepherd’s Grove. “We hope God continues to use this church as a place for our community to gather to receive a refreshing encounter with God and people. It’s our goal to be a welcoming, loving and nurturing place for everyone, and we aim to create happy students of Jesus who treat others with love and dignity.”

As “happy students of Jesus,” the Shepherd’s Grove community is committed to bringing God’s love and dignity to the world. Just as his grandfather did years ago, Schuller brings this message and mission beyond the walls of the church by televising services on two programs: the 60-minute *Hour of Power with Bobby Schuller* and 30-minute *Bobby Schuller*.

The programs, which together boast more than 1 million viewers domestically and more than 2 million internationally, broadcast on national networks, including Freeform and Trinity Broadcasting Network, as well as local station affiliates, like KCAL 9, in several states across the U.S. Shepherd’s Grove worship services also are now available every day on the recently launched Hillsong Channel – a first in the ministry’s history.

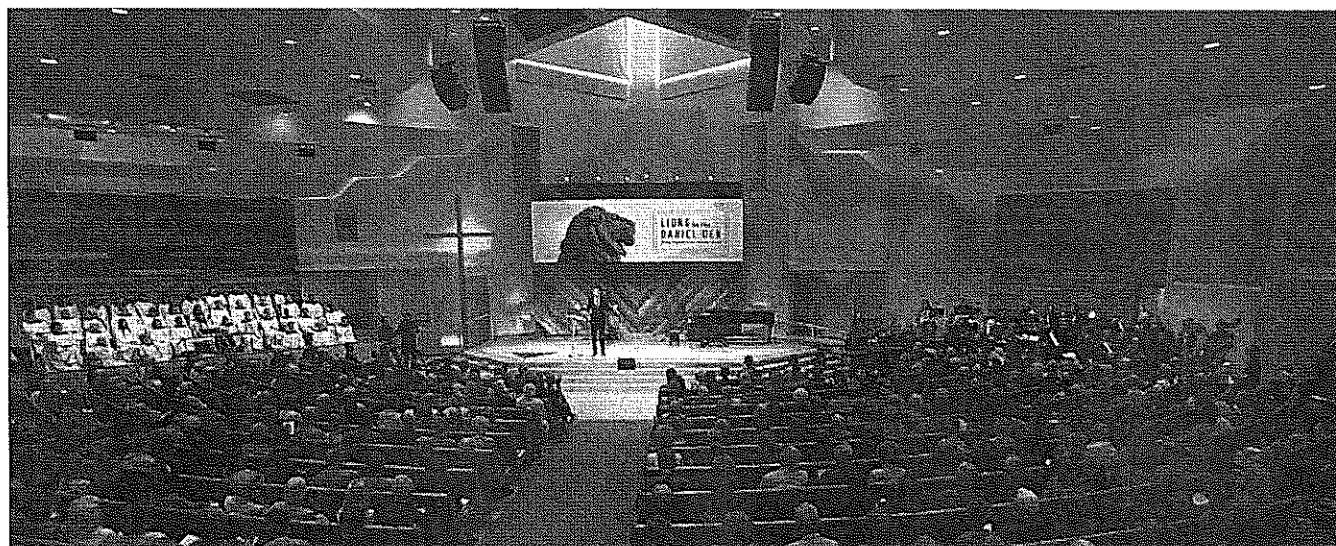
“Our recent expansion on Hillsong Channel is a tremendous opportunity to share the Gospel with even more people around the world,” said Russ Jacobson, executive pastor and chief operating officer for the ministry. “Serving our brothers and sisters in other nations is incredibly important to us. This is why we are so proud of the work our international offices are doing in the name of Jesus.”

International ministry offices are located in seven countries – Australia, Canada, Germany, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, New Zealand and Switzerland – and support and foster the local church’s global reach by making *Hour of Power with Bobby Schuller* available to viewers in those countries.

Though the ministry already has a broad local and global reach, it seems it is just getting started.

“It’s always our goal to reach more people with the message that we love them, God loves them and that they are valued just as they are,” said Schuller. “We are committed to bringing this message to the world and will continue seeking more resources – both locally and globally – to do so. As an organization, we have, and always will, foster a culture of ingenuity, innovation and collaboration. We are constantly looking for new and unique ways to reach people wherever they are – whether here in Garden Grove or across the globe.”

Shepherd’s Grove hosts two worship services every Sunday – a traditional service at 9:25 am featuring classical hymns, an orchestra and choir, and a contemporary service at 11:15 am with modern music led by a worship band. For church service times, television listings for *Hour of Power with Bobby Schuller*, or for more information about Shepherd’s Grove, visit shepherdsgrive.org, call 714.971.4001 or email info@shepherdsgrive.org. Additional media inquiries may be sent directly to melanie.vogel@hourofpower.org.



Garden Grove, Calif., 2016. Bobby Schuller preaches during a weekly worship service at Shepherd’s Grove church.

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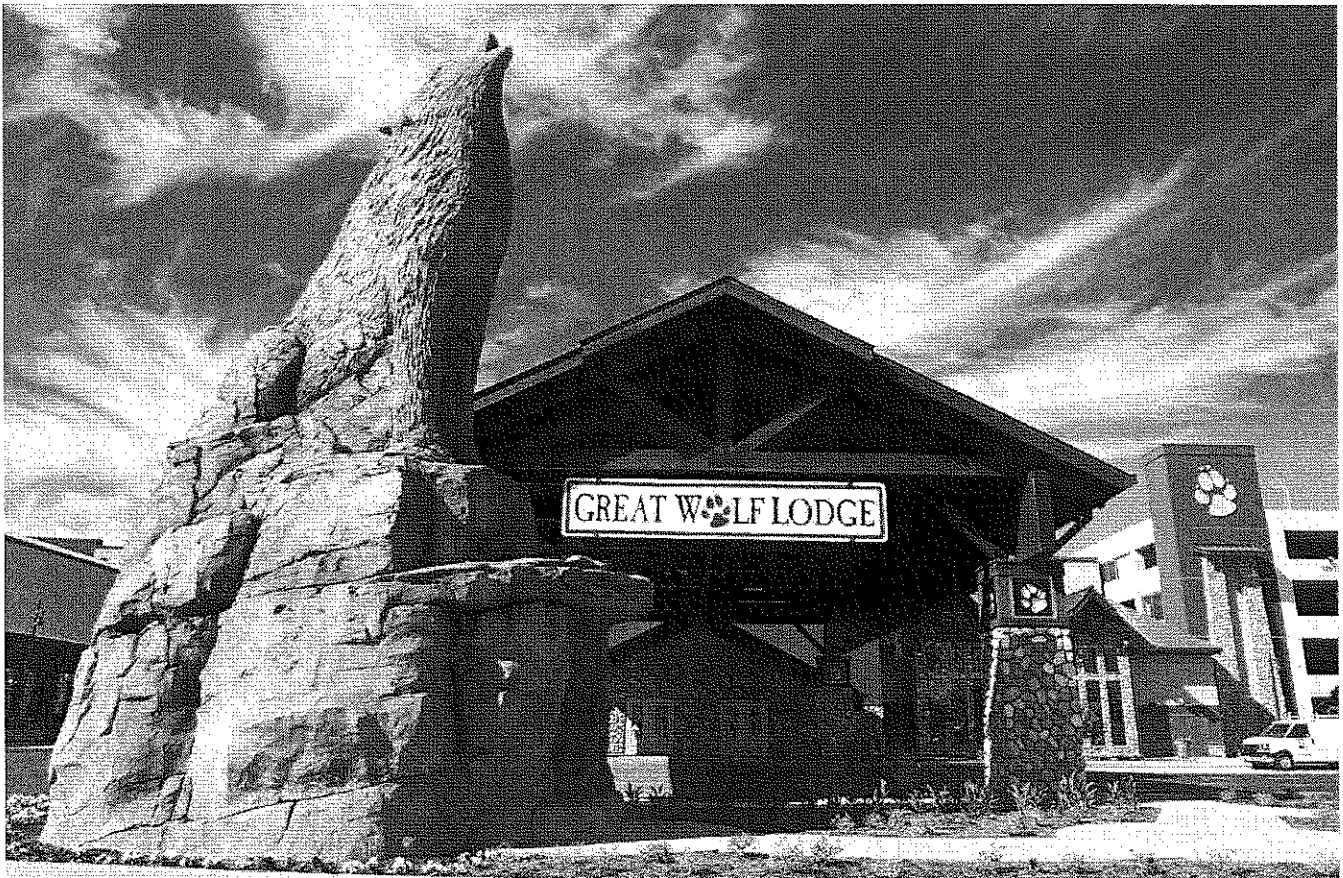
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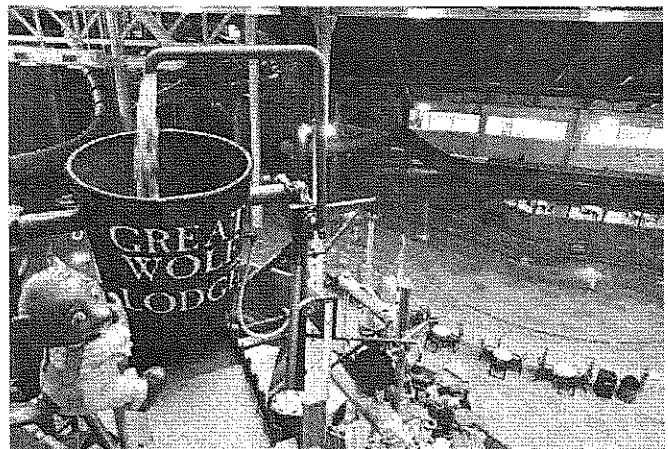
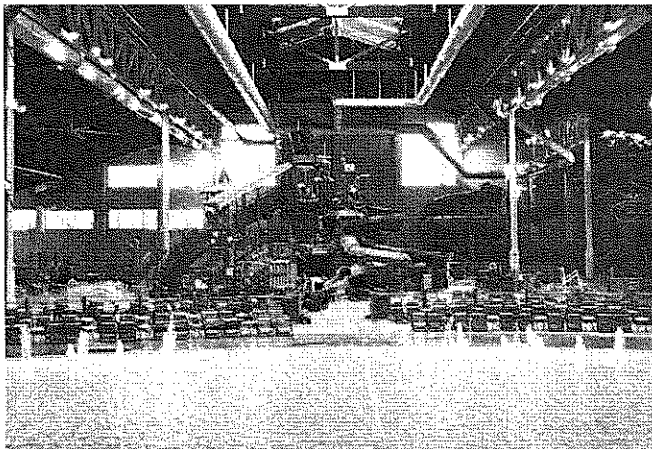
McWhinney, Great Wolf Resorts and the city of Garden Grove unveiled Southern California's splashiest and newest hospitality destination in February 2016. Located on Harbor Blvd., just two miles south of Disneyland and the Anaheim Convention Center, it is the perfect location for families traveling to Southern California. While the project broke ground in 2014, the vision to develop a new indoor waterpark resort to help revitalize Garden Grove, began more than decade ago when public and private sectors came together to discuss the city's current offerings, development opportunities, and potential plans for future growth and increased tourism to ultimately help generate new revenue for the city.

In 2009, a joint public/private venture was formed with Garden Grove and industry leaders, McWhinney and Great Wolf Resorts. Together, the project partners planned to successfully open Southern California's only indoor waterpark resort, a 600,000-square-foot destination, on time and under budget. During the two-year construction period, more than 2,800 construction jobs were created. To date, the waterpark resort employs 790 pack members to operate the full-service resort.

The all-suite resort in Southern California features 603 spacious rooms, designed with the resort's youngest guests in mind. The 105,000-square-foot indoor waterpark experience is kept at a comfortable 84 degrees year round and caters to all ages. Resort guests seeking thrill rides and a fun-packed day can pick from more than 15 unique water attractions, including slides, rides, a wave pool, and featured splash zone kid areas all staffed by on-site lifeguards.

Guest favorite, the "Howlin' Tornado" – a prominent red and yellow funnel structure noticeable from Harbor Boulevard – is a six-story massive slide that sends riders sliding up the attraction's steep walls before an exciting splash landing in the catch pool below. "Great Wolf Lodge Southern California is a complete resort destination experience. The resort has strong appeal for local families looking for a staycation getaway, as well as to those traveling to Southern California to experience the many famous attractions in the area," commented Phil Cunningham, General Manager, Great Wolf Lodge Southern California.

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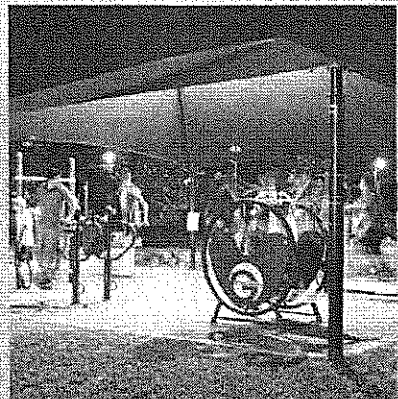
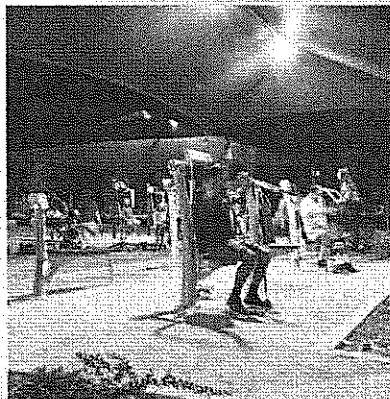
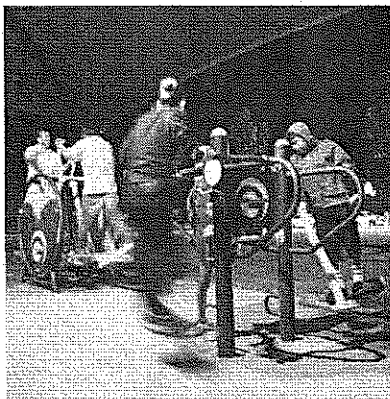
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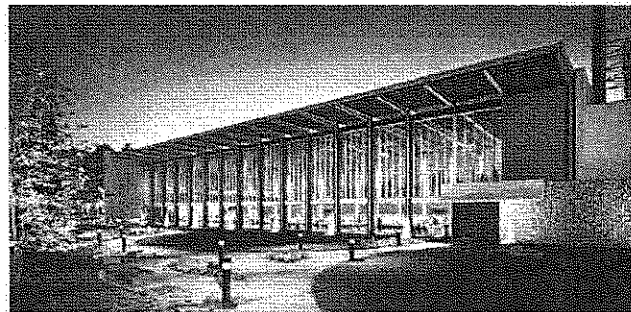
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The Diocese of Orange has grown from 44 parishes and 300,000 Catholics in 1976 to 62 parishes and centers and more than 1.3 million faithful today. It is the 10th largest Diocese in the United States and the 2nd largest west of the Mississippi. As our Diocese has grown, so too have our needs.

The acquisition of Crystal Cathedral was a providential response to the needs of our Church of Orange. Thanks to the generosity of more than 24,000 donors, Christ Cathedral campus has quickly become a beautiful, updated, and vibrant center for our Diocese.

Christ Cathedral's 34 acre campus is a beacon of Christ's light that shines on more than 11,000 attendees of weekend Mass, the poor and homeless who are fed and clothed by our outreach ministries, the oppressed and the depressed who call our suicide hotline through New Hope Ministries, the hundreds of students of Christ Cathedral Academy, and the thousands of pilgrims who are drawn to the world renowned icon that was once called Crystal Cathedral.

Beyond caring for the temporal needs of the poor, the Christ Cathedral campus uplifts the spirit of all who spend time here and allows them to connect to the divine through art - whether architecture, music, drama or the liturgy.

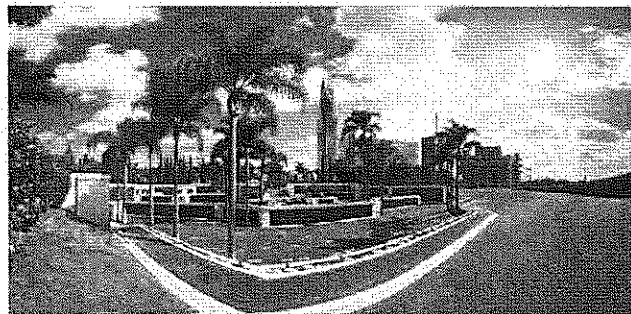


The beautifully renovated Arboretum has won numerous architectural awards and has become a spiritual home on the campus. Ten weekend Masses for Christ Cathedral parish, celebrated in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese, bring together a vibrant congregation of more than 11,000 parishioners.

The Tower of Hope, once the tallest building in Orange County, has become a major intersection of faith and culture by virtue of its tenants. In addition to Christ Cathedral Parish offices, the Tower houses New Hope Ministries, the first ever 24-hour suicide prevention

hotline operated under the auspices of Catholic Charities of Orange County. Immaculate Heart Radio has a presence, as well as EWTN Global Catholic Network that has its West Coast television news and broadcast studio here. A unique opportunity was established for worldwide Catholic ministries to have executive offices on the same floor of the Tower. These include Dynamic Catholic, the Augustine Institute, and the Magis Institute. The top floor features the 130-seat ecumenical Robert H. Schuller Chapel in the Sky, with a breathtaking panoramic view of Orange County.

The Diocese of Orange Pastoral Center and Christ Cathedral Academy are located in one remarkable 4-story building. Christ Cathedral Academy, a Catholic preschool to grade 8, state of the art educational facility is housed on the first and second floors. The third and fourth floor houses the offices of the Most Reverend Bishop Kevin Vann, the ministries of the diocese, and the Orange Catholic Foundation.



Memorial Gardens is a magnificent, ecumenical, inspirational, garden-like cemetery. This picturesque cemetery offers traditional lawn burial and wall crypts in its mausoleum.

The Christ Cathedral Sanctuary level is presently under renovation. The initial phase includes the restoration of 10,600 window frames. Construction on the interior of the Sanctuary is scheduled to begin in early 2017 and will conclude by the end of 2018.

Christ Cathedral campus tours originate from the Cathedral Cultural Center and begin with the exhibit, "Becoming Christ Cathedral: Faith and Transformation." The Cathedral Cultural Center is a welcoming facility that includes a 300 seat theater and magnificent reception area named The Atrium.

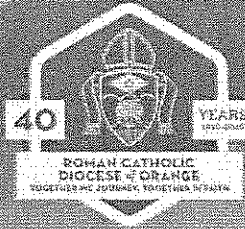


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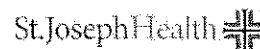
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Key to This Agency's Success? Old School Meets New Technology

There is a saying: "The more things change, the more they stay the same." For Joe Jimenez, CEO of CSIS Insurance, this saying couldn't ring more true. Joe, who is a bit of a rogue in the insurance industry (and he wouldn't have it any other way), has seen his fair share of change since he entered the insurance business in 1985. He's done battle in the insurance arena long before the era of faxes, email, cell phones and even the Internet. But what brands him as the rogue is his steadfast fight to make sure one thing NEVER changes in the face of all this technology. More on that later.

You see, just like so many other industries in the past several years, technology, in particular online e-commerce, has transformed the face of how the insurance business is run with a steady progression of changes and innovations. "The insurance industry is no different," explains Joe. "Going paperless, online quotes, claims handled over the Internet by specialized teams and other technologies have had sweeping changes on our industry. In addition, there is a controversial flirtation with moving away from independent agents as technology marches and pushes the industry toward the completely online agency and selling insurance direct."

What has made Joe as successful as he has been — he has grown his business from a family-owned single office to seven offices across Southern California — is his ability to stay on the cutting-edge of many of these new innovations and technologies as they are introduced. "We were one of the first offices to go paperless," explains Joe. "I can't tell you how many paper shredders we've gone through in our quest to go paperless. We also were quick to harness the incredible benefits of 'real time' processing of information from the carriers, too. I can remember before faxes, before pagers and before emails. I can't believe how we did business without them, but we did!"

But where Joe takes on the rogue identity is his steadfast bucking of an industry trend of separating the sales process from the service process. "I see the trends," Joe says, "The move is toward having sales people focus on sales and a separate entity take calls, process claims and answer questions, sometimes at a facility thousands of miles away from the point of sale."

Joe understands the premise of how relieving sales people from customer service allows them to focus more time on sales. He just doesn't agree with it. And he steadfastly refuses to incorporate that into his offices. "I'm tenaciously old school in that regard," exclaims Joe. "I don't want to modernize that element of the process. I strongly believe that the person who sells that policy needs to be there when their "client" calls with a question, concern, issue or claim."

In fact, Joe credits this stubborn, old school position as one of the keys to his agency's growth. "The efficiency experts can explain all they want about the

effectiveness of separating duties," Joe adds, "but I talk to my clients all the time and that's the one thing they tell me why they stay on with us."

What makes CSIS special is how they have turned technology and innovations into service enhancers, instead of letting innovations and technology breakthroughs become the facilitators of the demise of one-to-one personal service. "We empower our team so they can be more efficient at both the sales end and the service end," explains Joe. "We treat every client like family, and they remain loyal and refer their friends and keep all the members of the family's insurance needs under our roof because of that."

Perhaps the reason customers feel like family is that CSIS is, for the large part, a family-run business, employing his brothers, sisters, cousins and even his own children. Jimenez started in the business at the bottom as a sales rep when he was invited to work at his future wife's parents' agency. Joe was hungry and rose up the ranks, eventually buying the agency from his in-laws. Under his watch, the agency has grown to seven locations, with the main office in Garden Grove.

Despite the inclusion of all the latest technologies, Joe instills in his team to interact with the clients and prospects as if they were a mom and pop business down the street. He explains, "we're really still operating in the old-fashioned mode of dealing with one client at a time, but doing it in a new-fashioned way, thanks to technology. Insurance marketing is still all about relationships and good service. We can never forget that. The key is communication. Technology just allows us to communicate more efficiently."

What started out as an affordable agency with a niche focus of providing affordable insurance to college students has blossomed into a full-service agency handling every insurance need from auto to health to home to even business insurance under Joe's watch. "Many of our clients had graduated and started families of their own," Joe points out. "We've continued to handle their insurance needs and are now handling the needs of second- and even third-generation clients. While it may be the affordable coverage that brings them to our agency, it's the service that keeps families coming back," he adds proudly. "It even applies to our business insurance book of business. Everyone appreciates that one-to-one attention and having a familiar face and voice when an insurance need arises."

Joe Jimenez is a man on a mission. His goal? First, permanently set up camp on the cutting-edge when it comes to new technology that affect the insurance industry. Second, don't let that modernization undermine his rather "old school" service philosophy. In fact, his goal is to harness that technology to provide even more human, one-to-one service and attention.

For more information, contact Joe Jimenez at joe@csisinsurance.com.

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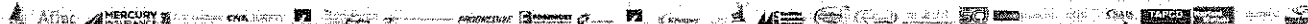
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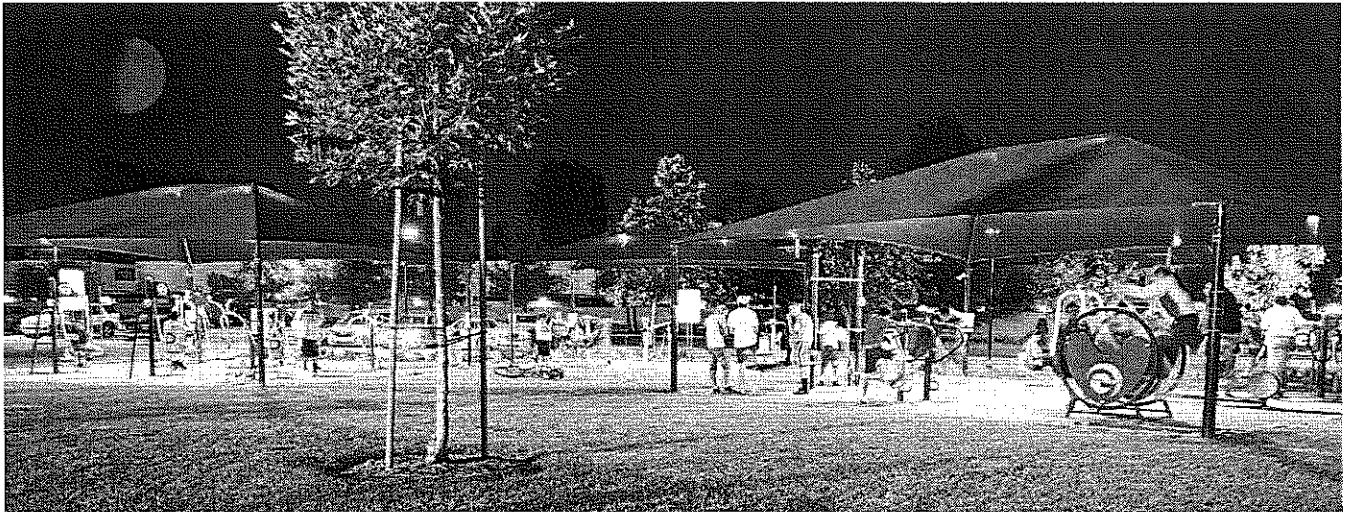
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Greenfields Outdoor Fitness Promotes Wellness in Diverse OC Communities

A park. A gym. Two completely separate cultures and demographics come to mind – but an Orange County company is starting to change that.

Greenfields Outdoor Fitness, designer, manufacturer and distributor of outdoor fitness equipment, knows that the best place to get fit is in the great outdoors. To date, the company has installed dozens of outdoor gyms in Orange County, with more in the works.

Garden Grove, one of the earliest to see the potential in the idea, recently was awarded a Go Greenfields Grant to install its latest outdoor gym, this one in Garden Grove Park.

John Montanez, community services manager for the city of Garden Grove, has seen the positive impact that a fitness zone can have on a neighborhood. "The community feedback has been that the equipment is very durable, and they really enjoy the low-impact pieces," he said.

The city's biggest installation yet, the upcoming Garden Grove Park installation will boast 15 fitness units, including a leg press, butterfly press and accessible chest press.

A champion of bringing fitness to as many individuals as possible – regardless of age, disability or fitness level – Greenfields first debuted wheelchair-accessible equipment in 2012, and has since installed these unique apparatuses in outdoor gyms all over North America and beyond. The Signature Accessible line is endorsed by U.S. Paralympian Jen French, who uses the equipment near her home in Florida.

"The Signature Accessible units allow wheelchairs users to exercise alongside their able-bodied friends, family, and colleagues, and enjoy fitness

just like anyone else would," says French.

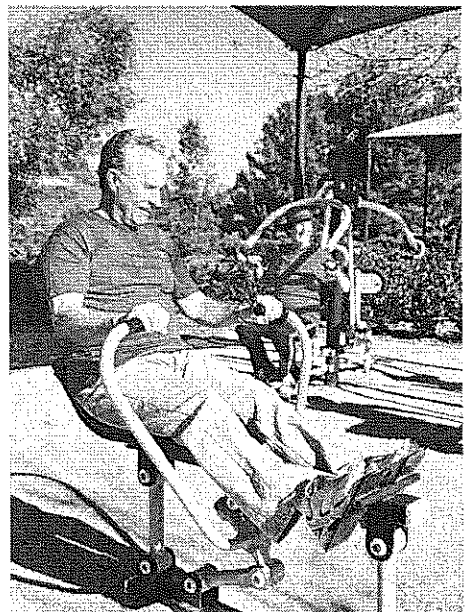
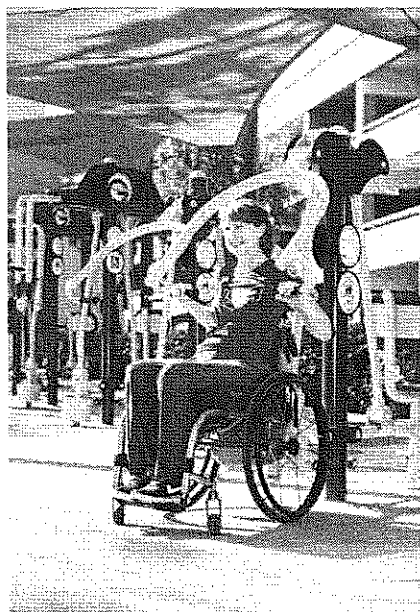
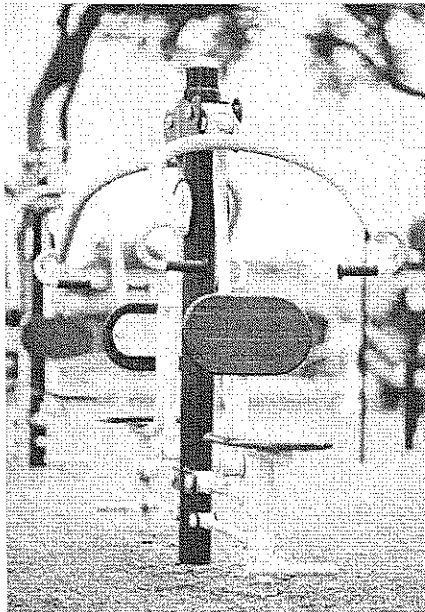
In addition to the unique accessible component, the fitness zones are also noted for their strong social aspect. According to Greenfields, the goal is to minimize excuses used to avoid exercising, achieved by making fitness unthreatening and enjoyable for someone who might not feel comfortable at a private indoor gym.

Across Orange County, Garden Grove and many other cities have seen parents, grandparents, teens, siblings, and friends enjoying the benefits of fitness together in a relaxing and invigorating outdoor setting. The low-impact nature of the equipment makes it appealing to seniors; challenging static units, such as dip bars and pull-up stations, appeal to athletes and fitness enthusiasts; and the Professional Series, which incorporates adjustable resistance, enjoy a universal appeal.

Anaheim-based Greenfields says it has seen a wide variety of public and private spaces utilized and repurposed for its gyms. Tennis courts, shuffleboard courts, parking lots, outdated playgrounds and more have provided canvases that planners have repurposed in exciting new ways. A shuffleboard court at the Westminster Senior Center was transformed into an outdoor gym in 2009 and continues to enjoy heavy use by those in the area.

With hundreds of installations across North America and beyond, Greenfields Outdoor Fitness has forged a reputation for durable equipment, personalized service, and a commitment to excellence. As Greenfields approaches its 10th anniversary milestone in January 2017, the goal remains a simple one: to continue pursuing its mission of "Promoting Wellness and Fighting Obesity One Community at a Time."

For more information, contact Greenfields Outdoor Fitness at 888.315.9037 or info@greenfieldsfitness.com. Visit greenfieldsfitness.com.



Turner Construction Company Is Breaking New Ground in Hospitality Construction

With its booming convention and tourism business, Southern California has become a key economic engine for the state and West Coast as a whole. Already home to some of the largest convention centers on the West Coast, theme parks, and famous beaches, cities throughout Southern California are taking a proactive approach in an increasingly competitive market by moving to expand and refurbish the hospitality industry.

Tourism is not seasonal in Southern California; vacationers visit our cities year-round, meaning cities need to constantly invest in hospitality to remain competitive. At Turner, we have witnessed firsthand the increased demand for more conference and exhibit space, and have provided a wide range of services for numerous hospitality projects throughout the Southland, including Garden Grove's own Great Wolf Lodge and Resort.



Turner is breaking new ground in hospitality construction. Currently, Turner is building the Wilshire Grand Center, soon to be the tallest building west of the Mississippi, which will serve as a model for hospitality in Southern California and bolster the economy by infusing more than \$1 billion into the Los Angeles economy. Additionally, the recently completed Great Wolf Lodge is Southern California's first indoor water park. Attractions like Great Wolf Lodge and the Wilshire Grand will continue to attract visitors for generations and grow tourism throughout Southern California.

Turner is pleased to help lead the way, not only in hospitality development, but in our shared work cementing the cities we have worked in as

destinations for visitors from across the country and around the world. As home to some of the most famous vacation locations in the West, we must remain competitive and invest in the trade and exhibition industry, which has contributed directly to our local economy and bolstered our hospitality sector.

Each city in our region has an opportunity to jump on the boom in tourism and create revenue and jobs for their residents. Southern California cities have the luxury of being a freeway ride away from the next big attraction and working in tandem to create a multitude of tourism options benefits everyone. An investment in the industry is an investment in the region's promising future and will solidify Southern California as a leader in tourism and hospitality.

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School's Out, Jobs In How to help your teen land a summer job

School's out for summer. Alice Cooper laid down those lyrics more than four decades ago, but the routine for teens everywhere is very much the same. Finish your finals. Celebrate. Look for a summer job.

If your teen has yet to find employment, this is about the time of year that you — and they — start to get a little nervous. No need. According to job board website SnagaJob, the market is better than it's been in years. Nearly 4.5 million teens were employed this March, the most since 2009. And that number is only expected to increase as summer rolls around.

Whether your teens are on the hunt because they need to make a quick buck, build their resume or both, they still need a strategy. Kim Costa, job search coach at Snagajob, and James K. Pedderson, director of public relations at Challenger Grey & Christmas, an executive search firm, offer this advice.

► **Cast a wide net:** According to Costa, jobs this summer are supposed to increase across all industries — hot spots include retail shopping and food service, in addition to the traditional seasonal jobs. These types of jobs place a premium on customer service, which is a skill that looks great on a resume no matter where your teen decides to take his or her career after graduation.

► **Make an impression:** Today, so much of the hiring process takes place online that it's easy to forget the value of connecting face-to-face. Instead of browsing online classifieds, they should visit stores and restaurants that are hiring. Even when applications are made online, Costa recommends following up in person 3 to 5 days later.

► **Don't sweat the experience:** Finally, it pays to tell your kids that you understand getting that first job can be intimidating. The good news: Costa says that employers are more interested in a positive attitude than they are in previous experience. A friendly smile and can-do attitude go a long way.

For more information, contact the Credit Union of Southern California at 866.287.6225 or visit CUSoCal.org.

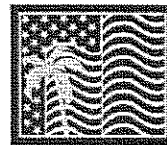
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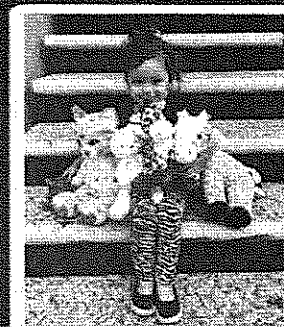
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Date: Saturday, October 8th, 2016
Location: 7° [seven-degrees] Laguna Beach

Thomas House Autumn Reflections Gala includes an inspiring evening program accompanied by a three course dinner, live and silent auctions and the opportunity to fund the vital services provided for homeless families with children in Orange County.

For more information about sponsorship, in-kind donations, or if you are interested in attending this event, please contact Hattie Jelen, Executive Director at 714-324-1137 or hjelen@thomashousefamilyshelter.org.



McWHINNEY

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The resort is committed to sourcing local fresh food options. Throughout the day, guests can choose from a variety of themed eateries from wood-fired pizza to salad, seafood and smoked ribs, all served throughout the resort's seven on-site dining outlets. Guests can choose from buffet-style, quick-serve and full-service restaurant experiences, all under the resort's one roof.

The fun at Great Wolf Lodge extends beyond the waterpark and offers many "dry" attractions and activities throughout the resort halls. The Main Street includes a wide variety of entertainment options and experiences complete with the Ten Paw Alley miniature bowling alley; a create-your-own character plush animal shop; Scoops Kid Spa; a 24-hour Northern Lights Arcade; Howl at the Moon glow-in-the-dark miniature golf; Howlywood XD Theater; Laser Frenzy; and the popular MagiQuest, Great Wolf Lodge's exclusive live action interactive game which uses magic wands throughout the resort as players seek to become a Master Magi. A 24-hour fitness center is also available.

Additional on-site activities include a full array of complimentary activities for children. The morning "Wake Up with Wiley and Friends" program includes the ever-popular Yoga Tails class, and the Wolf Walk around the lobby. Children's crafts, dance parties, games and more take place throughout each day to keep everyone engaged and entertained.

After a fun-filled day at the waterpark, guests unwind and gather in front of the lobby's fireplace for evening Story Time, a brand favorite, before returning to cozy cabin-themed suites to enjoy a good night's rest before starting a new adventure the next day. A destination designed for multigenerational families, the resort has several suite accommodations to pick from and can sleep up to eight guests, with a second bedroom and bathroom. All suites come equipped with a complimentary microwave, refrigerator and coffee maker, as well. Great Wolf Lodge caters to families traveling with small children by offering a Diaper Den program, which includes a complimentary package of swim diapers and in room Pack 'n Plays® and Diaper Genies® to parents with young children.

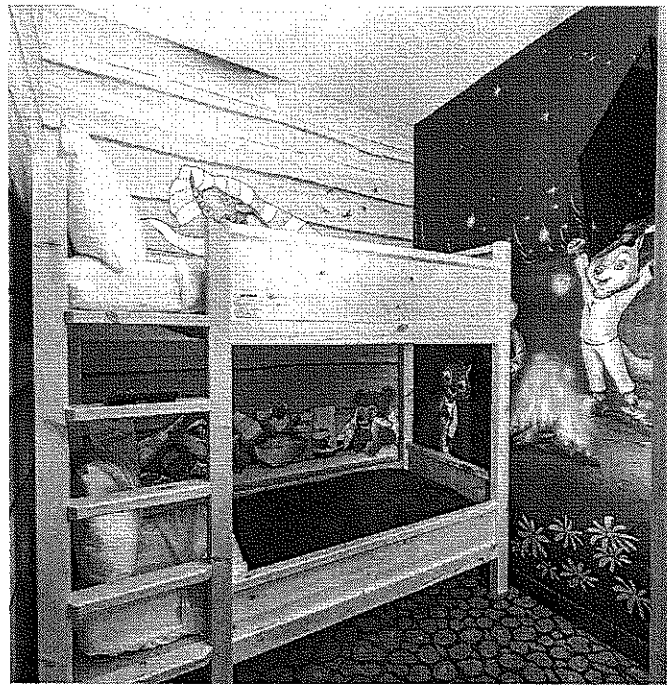
In addition to the on-site accommodations and entertainment offerings, corporate clients find Great Wolf Lodge Southern California as the perfect place to host groups and meetings. The full-service conference center features 20,000 square feet of flexible meeting space, 12 separate and configurable rooms, a dedicated group entrance, built-in audio/video technology and custom catering options.

Providing a full destination experience, Great Wolf Lodge Southern California is more than just an indoor waterpark. Chad McWhinney, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder at McWhinney shares, "Great Wolf Lodge has the best of everything, all under one roof. Resort guests do not want to leave. Together, we have built a true one-stop destination in Garden Grove unlike anything else in the region."

HOW TO CONNECT

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McWhinney and Great Wolf Lodge Southern California are proud partners of Garden Grove and extend their wishes as the city celebrates 25 years of success in creating a great place to live, stay, play and work.

On behalf of the entities that came together to make this project possible, McWhinney and Great Wolf Lodge would like to thank and acknowledge the following groups for their contributions:

CITY

Garden Grove's Entire City Staff, especially the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, City Manager, Council Members, City Staff and Planning Commission

PRIMARY DESIGN TEAM

Ware Malcomb, Englekirk, ADCI Inc., FDG Consulting Engineers Inc., OMB Engineers, Aon Fire Protection, Ridge Landscape Architects, Tait & Associates Inc. and SG&H

WATER DESIGN BUILD TEAM

Neuman Pools Inc., Water Technology Inc., Condor Inc., Control Air Conditioning Co., Ben F. Smith Co., Helix Electric, Proslide Technologies and Concrete Coating Specialists

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CONSTRUCTION

Turner, General Contractor and subcontractors So Cal Grading, DTS, Largo Concrete, Lonsdale, Pan Pacific Plumbing, Helix Electric, Coutts Heating and Cooling, XL Fire Protection, Trimark, Martin Brothers, Raymond, ARB, Bomel, Winegardner, Washington Iron, ISEC, Premiere Tile, Evans, RPG, Heinaman, McKendry, Tangram, Neopod, GTB and Kone

OWNERS REP

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FUN FACTS

- PROJECT** – 942,810 total square feet (Waterpark, Hotel and Parking)
- SIZE** – 13 Acres
- WATERSLIDES** –
15 unique water park attractions
4,000 feet (length of 13 football fields)
- TEMPERATURE** – 84 degrees
- JOBS** – 790 Pack Members
- WATER** – 565,000 Gallons of constantly recirculated water
- MINUTES FOR THE BUCKET TO FILL** – 3 minutes before the giant splash
- RESORT** – #13 for Great Wolf Lodge
- HOSPITALITY PROJECTS** – #11 for McWhinney

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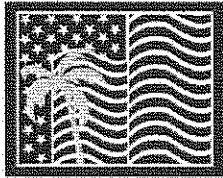
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Paradise Construction is proud to be a part of the Garden Grove community – celebrating our 15th year in the city and as a long-standing member of the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce.

We have long-term relationships in our industry and are committed to meeting and exceeding our clients' expectations. With that, we would like to thank our employees, clients and vendors – without them we would not be the long-standing company we are today.

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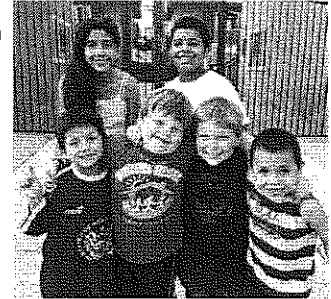
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In 1986, Mary and Bernie Selz saw a need in our community. Their compassion and dedication led to the creation of Thomas House Family Shelter, which has provided housing and supportive services for more than 1,350 families, including approximately 5,000 children over its 30-year history. More importantly, they created a community where families in need can find shelter, support and encouragement to move forward and create a better life for their children.



Thomas House has continued its excellent standard of service as it strives to provide a safe, supportive environment and the resources necessary for homeless families with children to remain together while empowering them to become independent and self-sufficient. Through the years, more than 90% of Thomas House families have found full-time employment and permanent housing.

There are many more homeless families in Orange County who need support. As long as the need exists, the board, staff and volunteers of Thomas House are committed to making a difference. We need your help to ensure that the families and children we serve have the opportunity to thrive. Consider making a donation or giving of your time and resources to support our mission.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

June 16, 2016

1. Calendar of Events
2. Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission Minutes for the Monday, March 7, 2016 meeting.
3. Zoning Administrator Meeting Agenda for Thursday, June 23, 2016.
4. Article from abc7.com profiling The Great Wolf Lodge, as featured on the Eye on LA program.
5. Letter from Mr. Herb Nakasone of the Santa Ana River Flood Protection Agency (SARFPA) announcing the first Full Agency meeting and agenda, along with the minutes of the May 26, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting, 2016-17 Budget Proposal, Recommendations of the 2016-17 Executive Committee Nominations and Proxy Ballot.
6. Association of California Cities Orange County's (ACCOC) announcement of California Legislature approval of the 2016-2017 State Budget.
7. League of California Cities, "CA Cities Advocates" dated June 9, 10 and 15, 2016.



GARDEN GROVE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 16, 2016 – June 29, 2016

Thursday	June 16	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday-Sunday	June 16-19		One More Productions presents "Bye Bye Birdie", Gem Theater
Saturday	June 18	8:00 a.m.- Noon	Project "GO" Graffiti Off, Municipal Service Center
		4:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	City of Garden Grove's 60 th Anniversary Celebration, Village Green Park
		8:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m.	60 th Anniversary Celebration After Party Historic Main Street
Wednesday	June 22		Garden Grove School District – Last Day of School
		2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
Thursday	June 23		Casual Day – Garden Grove Spirit Day and 60 th Anniversary Pins
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room
Thursday-Saturday	June 23-25	8:00 p.m.	Shakespeare Orange County presents "Hamlet", Festival Amphitheater
Thursday-Sunday	June 23-26		One More Productions presents "Bye Bye Birdie" Gem Theater
Friday	June 24		City Hall Closed
Tuesday	June 28	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Wednesday	June 29	10:00 a.m.	H. Louis Lake Senior Center Independence Day Celebration, Community Meeting Center AB Room

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Courtyard Center
12732 Main Street

Monday, March 7, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Ramirez

ALSO PRESENT: Allison Mills, Neighborhood Improvement Manager; Alana Cheng, Senior Administrative Analyst; Timothy Throne, Intern, Judy Moore, Recording Secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner McIntosh.

SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2016 TERM: Chair Brietigam nominated himself for Chair, seconded by Vice Chair Constantino. The motion carried with a 6-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (6) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton,
Pham
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Ramirez

Commissioner Muneton nominated Commissioner McIntosh for Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Blackmun. The motion carried with a 6-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (6) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton,
Pham
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Ramirez

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: Mr. Ray Gibb discussed the plight of homeless veterans and described a plan to prevent homelessness if both the City and the private sector gave their support. He also noted that the number of PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) veterans exceeded the predicted number; that there

were not enough vouchers for veterans who attended orientations; that the Veteran's Administration had no way of taking care of people; that his goal was to have no homeless veterans; that Garden Grove had approximately 4,000 homeless, of which 1,000 were veterans; that what the homeless had to offer would benefit the City; that City support would gain more Federal funds to pay for additional services; that he envisions a one-stop center with satellite offices such as for social security, the VA (Veteran's Administration), and Orange County mental health; that the center would assist with jobs and homes; that the homeless do not have transportation to drive to all the service centers throughout the county; that if the homeless problem was addressed, the City would be more pleasing; that health and weather were concerns of the homeless; that he would like to work with the City on solving the problem; and that the homeless were citizens.

Ms. Cindee Albertson, of Grandma's House of Hope, thanked the City for the ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) funds and added that they house homeless women, with the Healing Home offering a hospice for women with cancer or other terminal illnesses.

MINUTES: It was moved by Chair Brietigam and seconded by Vice Chair McIntosh, to receive and file the Minutes from the December 7, 2015 Meeting. The motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (6) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton,
Pham
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Ramirez

ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION - REVIEW OF THE CODE OF ETHICS: Commissioners reviewed and acknowledged the Code of Ethics governing the Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission.

MATTERS FROM STAFF

PUBLIC HEARING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 ACTION PLAN: The staff report dated March 7, 2016 was introduced.

Chair Brietigam asked if changes were made. Staff replied that the report was similar to last year's.

Commissioner Blackmun asked staff to explain the 1.4 million carry-over of HOME funds. Staff explained that the funds were used for the home investment partnership funds specific to the preservation and creation of affordable housing; that as an example, the Jamboree project was paid for by the prior year's funds; that if preliminary discussions with affordable housing developers move forward, the Action Plan would be modified; that funds were committed to a project for a certain amount of time and were to be expended in a certain amount of time; and that the funds could be lost if not committed by July 2017.

Vice Chair McIntosh asked staff to explain the excess match funds from previous years. Staff responded that the funds were not cash on hand; that HUD (Housing and Urban Development) requires that the City match every HOME dollar with another non-federal funding source.

Vice Chair McIntosh asked for more information on the FSS (Family Self Sufficiency) program. Staff responded that the FSS was a part of the Housing Authority, administered by staff and funded by HUD, outside of the Action Plan; that the funds were limited to Housing Authority clients with vouchers; and that a presentation could be given at the next meeting.

Vice Chair McIntosh commented that he understood the economic development for the Harbor Boulevard hotel district and fire station, however, he preferred that funds go to programs such as for the homeless, and at risk teens; that the private enterprise hotels should carry their own weight and not use City funds; and that the fire department funding should be from elsewhere.

Commissioner Blackmun asked if money allocated for the fire station would drain community funds. Staff explained that CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funds had been expended to buy a potential fire station site, however, there was trouble trying to assemble the site; that the Action Plan line item, with a placeholder of \$1,000, was in place until the project was completed or cancelled, as required by HUD rules.

Commissioner Muneton understood the need for 'gang suppression' funding, however, he believed those funds could come from other sources and CDBG funding be directed toward community programs. He also agreed that in lieu of hotel services, the funds should be focused on the community, not necessarily special interest groups.

Chair Brietigam asked for the amount of funds allocated for marketing the programs, as there was no account of how the programs were being offered to people who could benefit. Staff responded that for City-funded programs such as the Senior Center, they use the allocation given to them; that program promotion comes out of the \$326,000 program administration fund; that the ESG programs sub-recipient market their own programs to their own client-base; that the Fair Housing program uses their allocation and markets themselves; that there was no marketing formula, however, to receive the funds there must be the capacity to administer the programs otherwise they wouldn't be high-performing enough to be recommended for funding.

Chair Brietigam recommended future Action Plans to have a line item showing the amount of money directed toward program marketing and the outreach process as residents should be aware of the programs. He also recommended that the City create a one-sheet list of the programs that includes where the money is directed, along with a brief summary of the program, and how much money is allocated for the program.

Commissioner Pham asked if the Action Plan was available to the public. Staff replied that the Plan was on the City's website, copies were at the Family Resource Centers, the Library, and the third floor Community Development Department of City Hall.

Vice Chair McIntosh suggested that a future Action Plan include a Veteran's program to support the Veteran's. Staff responded that the City released an RFP (Request for Proposal) for ESG funding, which went to members of the Continuum of Care, and that if Veteran's groups were a part of the Continuum of Care, they received it.

Commissioner Blackmun agreed that a one-sheet listing was a great idea, especially to inform residents who might wonder what the City does with the funds.

Vice Chair McIntosh mentioned that he would like to see more ROP (Regional Occupational Program) trade classes for the average person to take away a skill.

Commissioner Constantino also liked the one-page idea and would like to see a PDF version to post online to community groups. Staff responded that each year, with the new agreements, especially with the ESG providers, links become available on the City's Neighborhood Improvement web page that include contact information and a brief summary of services.

Chair Brietigam mentioned that the information would be buried, but the addition of a convenient one-page sheet, such as 'What is the City of Garden Grove doing to eradicate homelessness?' should be available to hand out to residents. Staff added that the current format of the Action Plan is a HUD requirement.

Commissioner Muneton asked if any CDBG programs, such as HOME or ESG, allocated funds to the Family Resource Centers, such as Buena Clinton or Magnolia Park. Staff responded that any services come under the public service cap, which was limited to 15 percent of the allocation; that the City had asked for the maximum allocation, which did include gang suppression, the Senior Center, and Community Senior Serv or Meals on Wheels. Commissioner Muneton then suggested that the gang suppression funds be directed toward the Family Centers or for use in expanding existing services.

Commissioner Pham asked staff for the current location for program resources such as a webpage. Staff replied that the ESG information was on the City's website, and that a Homeless resource brochure, with service providers listed, was handed out by Fire Fighters, Police, and resource centers, who had copies for people in need.

Chair Brietigam opened the public hearing.

Ms. Sharon Wie, of Interval House, a domestic violence and housing program, described the partnership with the City of Garden Grove, which included housing victims of domestic violence, or any homeless individual or household from the City of Garden Grove, including seniors and veterans; that HUD had a priority to

eradicate veteran homelessness and used County funding; that they were linked to OC211/211 for community resources; that they worked with the school district and the Police Department; and that they do a lot of outreach.

Chair Brietigam closed the public hearing.

Vice Chair McIntosh mentioned that he and Commissioner Blackmun have social media pages to which they could add and share Ms. Wie's and Mr. Gibb's information.

Commissioner Muneton extended gratitude to Grandma's House of Hope and Interval House.

It was moved by Chair Brietigam and seconded by Vice Chair McIntosh, to accept staff's recommendation to transmit the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Action Plan and citizen comments to City Council. The motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (6) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton,
Pham
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Ramirez

HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE: The staff report dated March 7, 2016 was introduced. There were no questions or comments. It was moved by Chair Brietigam and seconded by Commissioner Constantino, to accept staff's recommendation to transmit the Housing Element Update to the Planning Commission. The motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote as follows:

Ayes: (6) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton,
Pham
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (1) Ramirez

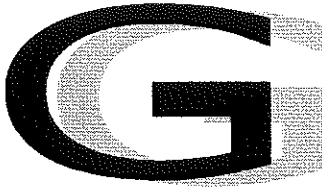
MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Blackmun supported the one-sheet service listing for residents and users of the services.

Commissioner Muneton mentioned that other cities had student representation on Commissions such as Neighborhood Improvement and Parks and Recreation, and asked staff to research the process for getting the topic agendized for a future NICC meeting. He suggested having a student from the Garden Grove Unified School District serve on the Neighborhood Improvement Commission or one of the other Commissions, as the participation and civic engagement was crucial in making the City great. Staff responded that they would look into the matter.

Commissioner Pham thanked the Commission and staff for allowing him to participate in the ESG Application Review Committee as it was an interesting process full of growth.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission will be held Monday, June 6, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center, Council Chamber, 11300 Stanford Avenue.



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AGENDA

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING

City Hall
11222 Acacia Parkway

Thursday, June 23, 2016
Third Floor – Training Room

9:00 a.m.

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

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All revised or additional documents and writings related to any items on the agenda, which are distributed to the Zoning Administrator within 72 hours of a meeting, shall be available for public inspection (1) at the Planning Services Division during normal business hours; and (2) at the City Hall Third Floor Training Room at the time of the meeting.

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

1. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):

a. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-078-2016

APPLICANT: Thi Mai Lam Pham
LOCATION: 12317 Westminster Avenue

REQUEST: To operate an existing 1,020 square foot convenience store, Young's Market, with an original Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "20" (Off-Sale, Beer and Wine) License. The site is in the C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

2. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

3. ADJOURNMENT

EYE ON L.A. GETS A PEEK AT THE GREAT WOLF LODGE



Eye on L.A.'s Tina Malave gets a peek at the Great Wolf Lodge in Southern California.

EMBED

By Tina Malave

Sunday, June 12, 2016 04:07PM

LOS ANGELES (KABC) -- Here's a great staycation idea where can let the kids run and play all day in the water without getting a sunburn! Check out the newest attraction to come to SoCal that's a full resort all under one roof: the Great Wolf Lodge! And if you book 60 days in advance, you can save up to 50 percent.

GREAT WOLF LODGE

Since 1998, families have enjoyed an entire theme park that is completely sun-proofed. There's something for everyone to get excited about on this staycation! <https://www.greatwolf.com/>

THE HOTEL

The hotel provides spacious rooms that'll have little ones looking forward to bed time with themes like the Wolf Den Suite. They also embrace new technology with wristbands that work like keys to your room. <https://www.greatwolf.com/southern-california/suites?montage>

DINING

Great Wolf Lodge has seven different food options to fill even the pickiest of tummies. You can also indulge your sweet tooth at the dessert shop, Bear Paw Sweets and Eats. <https://www.greatwolf.com/southern-california/dining-shopping>

ATTRACTIONS

Not into swimming? No problem. There are multiple venues for diversions at the Great Wolf Lodge

including an arcade, laser tag, an interactive game theater, and a kids spa.<https://www.greatwolf.com/southern-california/waterpark-attractions/attractions?montage>

WATER PARK

Great Wolf Lodge brings the very first indoor water park to Southern California. There are rides and slides for all ages and swimmers of all levels. From super-fast thrill rides and super tall drops to bodyboarding wave pools to kiddie pools, they've got fun for all!<https://www.greatwolf.com/southern-california/waterpark-attractions/swim-splash-slide?montage>

DISNEYLAND SHUTTLE

Great Wolf Lodge is just three miles from Disneyland and Disney's California Adventure. So make time for some Disney magic because shuttles run from Great Wolf to the Disneyland Resort every 30 minutes. And you can get special bundles for your staycation that include your suite (and water park passes) and Disneyland tickets.<https://www.greatwolf.com/southern-california/magic-deals>

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Executive Director
Herbert I. Nakasone

June 14, 2016

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To: SARFPA Members

From: Herb Nakasone, Executive Director

Subject: June 23, 2016 Full Agency Meeting

The first of two annual SARFPA Full Agency meeting is scheduled for 4:00 PM Thursday, June 23, 2016 at the Orange County Water District at 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA. Enclosed for the meeting are the following material:

1. Agenda
2. Minutes of May 26, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting
3. Propose 2016-17 SARFPA Budget
4. Recommended 2016-17 Executive Committee Nominations
5. Proxy Ballot

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Please note item 3 above is the proposed 2016-17 SARFPA Budget which requires two-thirds of the members for approval. If you are not able to attend the June 23, 2016 meeting, please mail in your signed Proxy Ballot to:

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Attention: Gloria Zamora

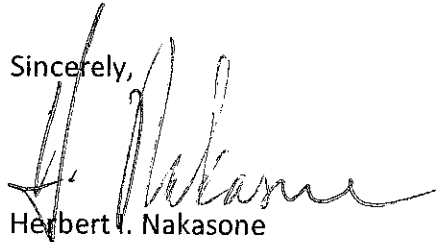
Your Executive Committee is recommending approval of the proposed Budget which includes an increase in the annual dues from \$1,100 to \$1,300 per member. This \$200 increase is needed to cover the cost of yearly financial audits as requested recently by the Orange County Grand Jury. The cost of the audit performed for the 2014-15 fiscal year was \$7,500. Your Executive Director will be working with the County of Orange Auditor to seek means of reducing the cost of these annual audits. Since SARFPA's sole source of revenue is the annual dues, this proposed increase is need to cover the cost of future audits

Proxy Ballot may also be emailed to Gloria.Zamora@ocpw.ocgov.com, as an attachment.

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Please call me at 949-922-1852 should you have any questions regarding the schedule meeting or any of the material enclosed, including the proposed Budget.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Nakasone". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H" and a long, sweeping underline.

Herbert I. Nakasone

Executive Director

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Herbert I. Nakasone

SARFPA Full Agency Meeting Agenda

Members

City of Anaheim
City of Buena Park
City of Cypress
City of Fountain Valley
City of Fullerton
City of Garden Grove
City of Huntington Beach
City of Irvine
City of Newport Beach

Date/Time: Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
Location: Orange County Water District
18700 Ward Street
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

City of Orange
City of Placentia
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City of Seal Beach
City of Stanton
City of Tustin
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1. Call to Order – Chairman Cathy Green
2. Pledge of Allegiance – As directed by Chairman Cathy Green
3. Approve May 26, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – Chairman Cathy Green
4. Discussion and approval of 2016-17 SARFPA Budget – Executive Director Herb Nakasone
5. Selection of Executive Committee for 2016-17 – Executive Director Herb Nakasone
6. Selection of SARFPA Chairman and Vice-Chairman by Executive Committee– Executive Director Herb Nakasone
7. Report from Washington DC advocate Jim McConnell
8. Report on Santa Ana River Mainstem and Westminster Watershed Study – Lance Natsuhara
9. Public and Director comments
10. Adjournment

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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Executive Director

Herbert I. Nakasone

May 26, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
Orange County Water District
18700 Ward Street
Fountain Valley, CA

Members

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Attendees:

John Collins, Vice-Chairman, Councilman, City of Fountain Valley
Barbara Delgleize, Councilwoman, City of Huntington Beach
Rudy Emami, City of Anaheim
Jim Ferryman, Director, Orange County Sanitation District
Cathy Green, Chairman, Orange County Water District
Lance Natsuhara, Orange County Public Works
Kevin Onuma, Orange County Flood Control District
Art Perry, Director, Costa Mesa Sanitary District
Herb Nakasone, SARFPA Executive Director

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1. Call to Order

Meeting Call To Order by Chairman Cathy Green at 4:05

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance lead by City of Huntington Beach Councilwoman Barbara Delgleize

3. Minutes of March 24, 2016 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of March 24, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting approved on Motion by Orange County Sanitation District Director Jim Ferryman and Second by City of Fountain Valley Councilman John Collins

4. REVIEW PROPOSED 2016-17 SARFPA BUDGET

Executive Director Herb Nakasone presented a proposed 2016-17 Budget of \$31,550.00 that is the same amount as the current 2015-16 fiscal year. While the Budget for 2016-17 is the same as the current fiscal year, the current year had an unexpected Audit expense of \$7,500.00 that reduced SARFPA's General Reserves by \$6,142.00 to a total of \$26,115.00. To make up the reduction in SARFPA's General Reserves, the Executive Director recommended a \$200.00 increase in the annual SARFPA dues. The proposed increase would change the current \$1,100.00 annual dues to \$1,300.00.

After a lengthy discussion on the Professional and Special Services Budget item and discussing alternatives for reducing the budgeted amount, which included seeking new members, and means of reducing the required Audit frequency and expense, the proposed \$31,550.00 Budget and \$200 increase in membership dues was unanimously approved for presentation to the entire membership on

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Motion by Jim Ferryman and Second by Barbara Delglieze.

A proposal was made to include an explanation for the \$200 increase in the annual dues with the mailing of the invoice.

The proposed 2016-17 SARFPA Budget is attached.

5. NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2016-17 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Executive Director Herb Nakasone presided over the Executive Committee nomination process by explaining that nominees for the Executive Committee would be voted on at the General membership meeting on June 23, 2016. Herb reported he had a discussion with Tom Lindsey regarding his participation on the Executive Committee and support of SARFPA, Herb indicated, Tom Lindsey stated he fully supports SARFPA and its activities but due to his activities as Mayor and his civilian work schedule, he is unable to participate on every schedule meeting but keeps up to date on SARFPA activities by reading its Minutes. The suggestion was made to include City of Cypress Councilwoman Stacy Berry on the Executive Committee due to her regular participation until such time as Tom Lindsey could again attend meetings. On Motion by John Collins and Second by Art Perry the current Executive Committee nominated the current Executive Committee members to serve in FY 2016-17 with the exception of replacing Tom Lindsey with Stacy Berry, subject to her concurrence. The 2016-17 Executive Committee nominees are listed below:

Stacy Berry, Councilwoman, City of Cypress
John Collins, Councilman, City of Fountain Valley
Barbara Delglieze, Councilwoman, City of Huntington Beach
Jim Ferryman, Director, Orange County Sanitation District
Rebecca Gomez, Councilwoman, City of Tustin
Cathy Green, Director, Orange County Water District
Kevin Onuma, Operations Manager, OC Public Works
Art Perry, Costa Mesa Sanitary District

6. REPORT FROM LANCE NATSUHARA ON SANTA ANA RIVER MAINSTREAM AND WESTMINSTER WATERSHED STUDY

Lance Natsuhara indicated progress on the Santa Ana River Mainstream continues and has not change significantly since his last report on March 24, 2016, except the bank protection project on the Santa Ana River in the vicinity of the City of Yorba Linda has received interest due to the sheet piling concept used on this project which can be noisy at times due to the pile driving operation.

Lance focused his remaining report on the progress of the Westminster Watershed Study. Lance indicated he has met with the staffs of the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers at the LA District and the Division in San Francisco regarding the preliminary findings of the Westminster Watershed Study. Lance reported that the Corps estimate of the concrete improvements proposed on the East Garden Grove, Wintersberg, Slater, Bolsa Chica, and Westminster Channels is

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estimated to cost \$1.3 billion.

The County staff is reviewing the preliminary cost estimates and its benefit-cost ratio and is having further discussions with the Corps on dividing the Study proposal into two separate projects. One being the East Garden Grove Wintersberg/Slater project and the other which would include the Bolsa Chica and Westminster channels. Dividing the Study into two projects would allow a more favorable benefit/cost ratio for the East Garden Grove Wintersberg/Slater project since the Project provides flood protection to a larger number of residents and business. The project would remove the largest floodplain in Orange County and save resident millions of dollars in flood insurance premiums.

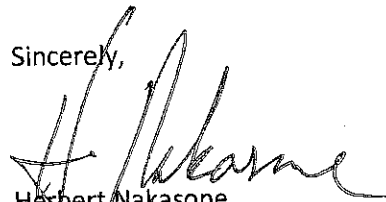
Lance indicated he hoped the Corps and County would be able to arrive at a joint project the County and Corps could support by July of this year. Lance further reported that a Project ultimately agreed upon would need to be included in the Civil Works Review Report and the Chiefs Report and thereafter lobbied for inclusion in the next Water Resources Development Act approved by Congress. Lance also indicated his staff is initiating discussions with the State Department of Water Resources on the process for securing approval to qualify the Westminster Watershed projects for State Subvention funding.

7. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL AUDIT**

Executive Director Herb Nakasone reported that the Financial Audit performed on SARFPA's finances by the firm of Macias Ginn and O'Connell LLP on behalf of the County of Orange Auditors Office has been satisfactorily complete. A copy of the Report was distributed to the Executive Committee.

Discussions ensued on ways for reducing future audit cost. Suggestions included, multi-year audits, and requesting the Executive Director to initiate discussions with County staff.

Sincerely,



Herbert Nakasone,
Executive Director

Enclosures:

1. Proposed 2016-17 SARFPA Budget
2. 2016-17 Executive Committee Nominations

SANTA ANA RIVER FLOOD PROTECTION AGENCY - FUND 787

ACCOUNT

FY 2015-16 Budget FY 2015-16 Actuals as of May 6, 2016 FY 2015-16 Year End Projections FY 2016-17 Budget

ACCOUNT	FY 2015-16 Budget	FY 2015-16 Actuals as of May 6, 2016	FY 2015-16 Year End Projections	FY 2016-17 Budget
EXPENDITURES				
0700 Communications	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
1800 Office Expense	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
1900 Prof & Spec Svcs	-	0.00	7,500.00	0.00
Executive Director	20,000	22,500.00	18,000.00	20,000.00
Washington DC Advocate/Other	6,000	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
1911 CWCAP	500	304.45	304.45	500.00
1912 Treasurers Investment Charges	50	29.08	37.90	50.00
2700 Transp & Travel - Mtgs	5,000	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Total Svcs & Supplies	31,550	22,833.53	31,842.35	31,550.00
Increase To Reserve	1,548	1,548.00	1,548.00	0.00
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	33,098	24,381.53	33,390.35	31,550.00
REVENUES				
Fund Balance Available	10,943	10,943.00	10,943.00	1,008.00
6610 Interest	155	263.58	288.62	200.00
7130 Contrib From Other Agencies	22,000	23,100.00	23,100.00	28,600.00
7670 Misc Revenue (Bankruptcy Settlement)	-	67.58	67.58	0.00
Decrease To Reserve	-	0.00	0.00	1,742.00
TOTAL FINANCING	33,098	34,374.16	34,399.20	31,550.00
Ending Fund Balance Available	-	9,992.63	1,008.85	0.00
General Reserve Balance (9850)	32,257	32,257	32,257.00	30,515.00
Revenue Assumption	20	21	22	22
Members	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,300
Annual Membership Dues	22,000	23,100	24,200	28,600
Income for the year for Memberships				

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Executive Director

Herbert I. Nakasone

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Date: June 23, 2016

To: SARFPA Members

From: Herb Nakasone, Executive Director

Subject: 2016-17 Executive Committee Nominations

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Stacy Berry – Councilwoman, City of Cypress

John Collins – Councilman, City of Fountain Valley(Incumbent)

Barbara Delgleize – Councilwoman, City of Huntington Beach(Incumbent)

Jim Ferryman – Director, Orange County Sanitation District(Incumbent)

Rebecca Gomez – Councilwoman, City of Tustin(Incumbent)

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PROXY BALLOT

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Annual Budget – Fiscal Year 2016-17

Vote For _____

Vote Against _____

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Agency: _____

Printed Name: _____

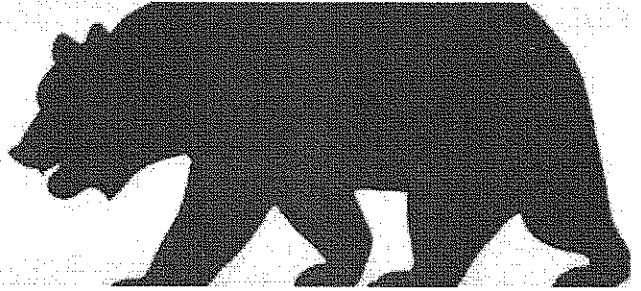
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Date: _____

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Note: Votes are to be cast by the Representative for each agency. Alternates may vote only in the absence of the representative.

ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA CITIES
ORANGE COUNTY



JUST IN:
CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE APPROVES 2016 - 2017 STATE BUDGET

Today, the Legislature passed the 2016-2017 State Budget. The budget now heads to the Governor's office for consideration, and it is widely believed that it will be signed into law. Legislative Leadership in the Senate and Assembly had been working with the Governor's office since the May Revision, striking a budget deal last week.

The budget has several items of note for Orange County cities, including:

1. Housing:

a. By-Right Housing Proposal: The 2016-2017 Budget has included part of the Governor's "By-Right" Streamlined Affordable Housing proposal. This is a plan that would deem certain housing developments "approved" without going through normal city review processes. The precise method to streamline affordable housing will be agreed upon at a later time. The ACC-OC will monitor closely and provide updates. Overall, the budget reflects a \$400 million augmentation to fund the eventual affordable housing plan.

i. The Governor's original proposal would promote housing (an idea strongly supported by the ACC-OC), there would be an incremental shift of land use decision-making from cities to the state. The ACC-OC cannot support any erosion of local control. However, as staunch supporters of workforce housing, we would support necessary reforms to CEQA that would strengthen local control, while promoting workforce housing. A summary of specific points on this proposal can be found [here](#).

2. Homelessness: The budget provides the following for homelessness support that can benefit local communities:

a. "No Place Like Home", (partially funded by Prop 63 funds) will create housing for those suffering from mental illness and homelessness with a one-time \$45 million funding augmentation

b. Homeless Assistance Program, will contribute \$2.4 million from General Fund dollars in 2016-2017 with a January 1, 2017 implementation date, and continue to allocate \$2.7 million in on-going funds

3. Public Safety:

a. Local public safety departments will be eligible to receive a portion of \$20 million in City Law Enforcement Grants

b. A one-time Proposition 47 \$10 million distribution will be allocated to cities

c. A \$2.5 million one-time distribution for Substance Use Disorder Treatment will be

allocated to public safety

4. Water:

(Included from the Governor's May Revision Budget)

- a. Groundwater Sustainability Agency Facilitation will receive an increase of \$1 million from the General Fund for the Department of Water Resources to support local public agencies with facilitation services as they implement the Groundwater Act
- b. A \$334.5 million will be allocated for emergency drought response, based on current drought conditions, including initiatives like local water shortage contingency plans, enhanced groundwater management and infrastructure investments

5. Transportation:

- a. Effective April 1, 2017, a \$10 per year increase in the vehicle registration fee that funds the Department of Motor Vehicles and California Highway Patrol

6. Higher Education:

- a. An \$18.5 million dollar incentive program to support in-state Cal State and UC students was supported by the ACC-OC and approved

7. Reserves:

- a. The Budget proposes \$2 billion to be allocated to the "Rainy Day Fund"

Additionally, the newly proposed budget includes the spending of \$122 billion from California's General Fund, prioritizing affordable housing, childcare and welfare programs. This budget has eliminated the "maximum family grant" rule, which will have a county-wide effect on services provided to residents in these programs.

The Governor has until the end of the month to sign California's Budget into law, before California's new fiscal year begins on July 1st. As the budget is implemented, ACC-OC will update its members on its effects to local government. For any questions or for more information on the 2016-2017 Budget, contact Diana Coronado at (714) 953-1300 or at dcoronado@accoc.org.

The final 2016-2017 State Budget will be available [here](#), view Budget Conference Committee documents [here](#), and 2016-2017 Budget Bill language [here](#).

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Showcase Your City's Sustainability Efforts and Apply for ILG's Beacon Program Recognition
A Push for Civic Education

California's Local Tax and Bond Measure Results June 2016

Along with one statewide measure (Proposition 50), the Presidential Primary election in California on June 7 included over 150 local measures. Among these were 89 ballot questions proposing new revised or extended local bonds or taxes. Local schools requested a total of \$6.1817 billion in school construction bond authorizations in 46 individual measures. Three cities sought a total of \$442 million in bonds including a \$350 million seismic safety bond in San Francisco, a library bond in Santa Cruz County and a roadway and storm drain repair measure in Orinda.
For more, see Page 2.



Federal Court of Appeals Holds Cash-in-Lieu Payments Must be Included in Regular Rate of Pay When Calculating Overtime *Cities Should Review Payroll Practices*

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals issued a decision on Thursday, June 2, 2016, in *Flores v. City of San Gabriel* — a case in which former and current police officers challenged the city's practice of excluding cash payments made in lieu of health benefits from the officers' regular rate of pay when calculating overtime under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). *For more, see Page 2.*



California City Solutions: Irvine Finds Winning Combination to Improve Mail Center Operations

This story is part of an ongoing series featuring Helen Putnam Award entries. The 2015 entries are available on the League's website as a resource for cities in a searchable database called California city Solutions. Irvine's Mail Center project was submitted in 2015 for the Internal Administration award category. For more, see Page 2.

'Measures' Continued from Page 1...

Based on election night counts with 100 percent of all precincts reporting, 70 of the 89 tax and bond measures have passed. Several others are too close to call. All majority vote city tax proposals passed except perhaps one: a one percent sales tax measure in Compton that currently is too close to call at 49.5 percent yes. All seven school parcel tax measures passed and 41 out of 46 school bonds were approved.

The [full report](#) is available from [CaliforniaCityFinance.com](#).

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The FLSA requires covered employers to compensate employees at one and one-half times their “regular rate” of pay for all overtime hours. The regular rate is defined by FLSA regulations as the hourly rate of remuneration paid to employees for the normal, nonovertime workweek, except for certain categories of pay that are specifically excluded.

The city argued that its cash-in-lieu payments fell within excluded categories but the Ninth Circuit Court disagreed. The court found the cash-in-lieu payments to be different from other payments which are not made as compensation for hours of employment — such as vacation or holiday payments, or payments for travel or other expense reimbursements — and held that it is not necessary for the payments to be tied to the actual hours worked or the amount of service provided to be considered compensation for purposes of calculating the regular rate of pay. The court further concluded the payments do not fit within the exclusion for “contributions irrevocably made by an employer to a trustee or third person pursuant to a bona fide plan for providing ... health insurance or similar benefits for employee.”

After finding the cash-in-lieu payments were improperly excluded from the regular rate of pay, the court went on to find that the exclusion was “willful,” therefore entitling the officers to three years of back overtime pay, instead of two, plus liquidated damages. The court based its willfulness finding on the fact that the city did not take any affirmative action to determine whether its exclusion of cash-in-lieu benefits complied with the FLSA.

Although this ruling may be appealed, cities that provide cash payments to their employees in lieu of health benefits should consider asking their city attorney to review their payroll practices in light of the court’s ruling in this case.

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For over a decade, the city of Irvine has outsourced internal mail service delivery with Project Independence, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting independence for the developmentally disabled. Project Independence provides an example of an internal administrative success story. Through continued assessment and management, this unique program highlights the ability of local government to provide economic and efficient service delivery through compassion, promoting an internal culture of acceptance and understanding. Project Independence reflects the city of Irvine’s efforts to be a disability friendly community including access to jobs, education, housing and the entire range of cultural and recreational activities.

The city’s mail center is a key service function that operates within the city clerk’s division, a section of the city manager’s department. On an annual basis, the city’s mail delivery team is responsible for the delivery of approximately 120,000 pieces of incoming mail, 20,000 pieces of interoffice mail, and 2,000 packages and parcels. With the advance of technology, traditional U.S. Postal Service mail service usage has declined. However, the city’s volume of mail remains high because of the 39 percent increase in the city’s population over the past ten years, and the growing volume of larger parcels with the expanded use of online services and greater logistics provided by shippers such as FedEx, UPS and the U.S. Postal Service.

Irvine had previously outsourced mail center services, which resulted in high consultant turnover, increasing complaints, inconsistent job performance and a need for direct supervision. Critical

mail and packages often include time sensitive materials, checks, escrow documents and agreements. Misplacing and/or mishandling critical mail can severely impact city operations. The turnover of consultant staff was increasingly problematic, requiring recruitments and subsequent trainings on a continual basis. More than 45 consultants were hired during a five-year period, resulting in inconsistent performance and poor service deliverables. Once it was determined that a change in operations needed to occur, the city performed a focused research and evaluation process, and determined that the best solution for mail services would be a hybrid option, combining city oversight with outsourced services.

Irvine requires departments to run both efficiently and economically, with an emphasis on customer service. Through the analysis of mail center operations, a hybrid solution was developed that not only addressed efficient and economical management processes but also provided outstanding customer service and efficiency in service delivery that were unprecedented in this segment of city operations.

Project Independence is an Orange County based nonprofit with a mission to "to promote civil rights for people with developmental disabilities through services which expand independence and choice." The organization carries out its mission through its creation of employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities by providing support and training to employees and employers. Through the partnership between the city and Project Independence, teams of mail clerks were organized to perform mail delivery tasks for the city. This turned out to be highly successful, both by efficiently performing essential tasks and by providing a variety of benefits for program participants and the city as a whole.

Through this collaborative program, all city mail is delivered and picked up by a team of mail clerks comprised of adults with developmental disabilities. This team is supported by city staff members and skilled Project Independence job coaches. While the mail team includes adults with developmental disabilities such as autism, cerebral palsy and Down syndrome, the focus is on the abilities the team currently owns. In its daily service of 23 mail stops at city hall and 22 satellite facilities, the mail team displays the ability to provide accurate service while multitasking to ensure that daily goals are met. Job coaches drive the teams to the satellite facilities in vans that are provided and maintained by Project Independence. In 2014, mail delivery staff logged over 13,000 miles delivering mail for the city.

Irvine's mail delivery team consists of two groups of four part-time mail clerks, one working in the morning and the other in the afternoon. The morning team is comprised of the Project Independence Community Day Service Program, which offers employees a higher level of support from job coaches. The afternoon team consists of employees from the Project Independence Supported Employment Program. This program is for employees who are able to work independently with occasional support from job coaches. Although different, both groups of employees have showed great ability to successfully fulfill the city's mail delivery needs, with very few employee performance issues.

Continual communication and collaboration between city staff overseeing mail operations and Project Independence staff has virtually eliminated turnover in the city's mail delivery operations saving time and money that is normally dedicated to training new staff. The city's lead mail coordinator works with Project Independence job coaches and supervisors in a biannual performance appraisal of each mail clerk, allowing the city's feedback on employee performance and individual goal setting.

Project Independence has proved to be an invaluable collaborator resulting in outstanding operational outcomes. The combination of efficient business practices and an immeasurable and intangible human value is indicative of the positive influence local government can provide in its daily operations. Through this program, the mail teams are encouraged and ultimately develop high self-esteem, independence, and an enhanced quality of life. This collaboration has become a model of inclusiveness, enriching both the mail teams and their customers (city employees) whose demonstrated acceptance and encouragement provides a winning combination for mail center operations.

Through the value and empowerment of employment and encouragement of independent living, Project Independence focuses on what their employees can do, rather than what they cannot do.

On a daily basis, the mail teams assigned to the city of Irvine learn the value of pride in one's work, the value of dedication and loyalty and the value of comradeship and acceptance. Often, those with intellectual disabilities feel isolated and different. Through collaborative programs such as Project Independence, those who face daily challenges can find fulfillment and purpose. City employees have been accepting of this program and admire the courage and dedication of its mail teams, finding inspiration in their determination to lead fulfilling lives under difficult circumstances.

The city's partnership with Project Independence for mail delivery services has resulted in many supplementary benefits. In addition to providing an essential service, city employees have the opportunity to work in a diverse and inclusive work place, and to interact with a unique group of people that they might not have otherwise encountered. This level of integrative management has fostered a great source of pride for this unique program, one that will hopefully be modeled and shared with other municipalities.

League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$15.6 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Affordable Housing Project in San Jose

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).

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 \$15,600,000 in tax-exempt multifamily housing bonds for the Courtyard Plaza Apartments in San Jose.

About Courtyard Plaza Apartments

Courtyard Plaza Apartments (Courtyard Plaza) is an acquisition and rehabilitation of 81 multifamily affordable housing apartments by Courtyard Community Partners, LP. The project sponsor is WNC & Associates, Inc. (WNC). Courtyard Plaza will continue to be 100 percent affordable and provide one and two-bedroom apartments to low-income residents in San Jose.

CSCDA and WNC partnered with California Bank & Trust to provide tax-exempt multifamily affordable housing bonds for Courtyard Plaza. The rehabilitation will include full exterior stucco replacement with accent siding, window, door and roof replacement. Unit interiors will include new kitchen and bathroom cabinetry and counters, new tub/shower fixtures, and new flooring and appliances. Common areas will be improved with solar to offset energy load, the office and community room will be remodeled, and the two pool areas will be expanded to provide more lounging space. The financing of Courtyard Plaza 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.

Register Now for the City Clerk's Workshop Being Offered During the League's Annual Conference

The League of California Cities® has opened registration for its 2016 Annual Conference & Expo, being held on Oct. 5–7 in Long Beach. City Clerks can also register for a workshop that specifically covers the California Public Records Act (CPRA). The workshop is being held Wednesday, Oct. 5 from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

View this year's conference [schedule](#) to read the great line-up of sessions and networking opportunities available for attendees. For more information, check out the annual conference [announcement with session information](#).

City Clerks Workshop: The California Public Records Act

The California Public Records Act (CPRA), established in 1968, requires public inspection and disclosure of government records upon request unless otherwise exempted by law. Almost half a century later, the traditional view of the CPRA is being challenged. Instant access to information is seen not only as the right of an individual but a broader expectation of modern day society. In a world where human interactions are electronically recorded and instantly available in real-time, reevaluation of CPRA views is prudent and necessary to ensure government maintains pace with the community it serves. Explore the historical, legal and social applications of the CPRA, and to identify challenges and opportunities.

This workshop requires additional registration of \$150 per member city or \$300 per non-member city. The workshop begins with a business meeting from 10-10:30 a.m. followed by the four- hour workshop, and includes lunch.

CMC/MMC Advanced Education Point accreditation will be available.

Lodging Information

There are several fantastic properties for lodging this year around the Long Beach Convention Center. Reduced hotel room rates are available for registered attendees and can only be reserved online using the links provided in your conference registration confirmation email. Phone reservations will not be available.

Register early, as space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact [Dayna Casper](#).

Showcase Your City's Sustainability Efforts and Apply for ILG's Beacon Program Recognition

The deadline is looming to submit an [application](#) for the Institute for Local Government's (ILG) 2016 Beacon Program Award recognition. Cities and counties have until July 1 to submit information on energy savings, greenhouse gas reductions and sustainability best practices for a chance to win an award. Only cities participating in the program can qualify for awards. Awards will be presented at the League of California Cities' 2016 Annual Conference and Expo being held Oct. 5-7 in Long Beach. Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting [ILG's website](#).

For questions about the award program, please contact [Karalee Browne](#) at (916) 658-8274.

A Push for Civic Education

The Annenberg Foundation recently found that only a third of all adult respondents to a national survey could name all three branches of the federal government. Of the college graduates surveyed, 10 percent thought Judge Judy is a member of the United States Supreme Court. Research studies and media editorials bemoan the decreasing lack of even fundamental civic awareness of our citizenry and how this weakens our democratic institutions.

This trend is particularly unfortunate for our communities because an increasing body of research also shows that citizen interconnectness and community cohesion is the single biggest contributor to resiliency of our communities from natural and man-made disasters. Civic connectedness and a feeling of “belonging” brought about through civic engagement can lessen the likelihood of civil unrest that city officials may occasionally have to deal. As our people’s mistrust of government, income inequities and social alienation from our communities and institutions grows this situation require a civic renewal in our country. Such civic renewal can only be achieved by a focus on civic education that must reach beyond the brief few hours of academic time now allotted to studying government in California classrooms. New generations of Americans will have to be taught in new ways the civic lessons necessary for productive citizenship.

“A Push for Civic Education,” in the June issue of the International City/County Management Association’s PM magazine, provides a pragmatic prescription for improving the civic health of our communities through restoring our focus on civic education. Practices that increase civic awareness are plentiful and diverse in American communities and should be an area of increasing significance to managers and elected officials alike. Advocating the use of both a number of traditional and newer digital civic education solutions available to local government leaders the authors believe we can reverse this trend of growing civic illiteracy. These practices range from traditional student in government days to modern digital games simulating election campaigns to platforms that increase the access to civic information and public officials. Providing an overview of digital civic platforms available and examples of where practices are employed in California and around the country the article is appropriate for distribution to elected officials, civic groups and organizations to create a coalition of civic, educational and governmental partners.

California cities and counties are entering a new era of technology assisted civic engagement and education. However our success will depend on the historic role for managers and elected officials to exercise their influence and personally get involved to mend the civic fabric of our communities. With the exception of classroom teachers few professionals are better positioned to facilitate civic education than those of us in local government leadership.

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Conceptual State Budget Agreement Outlined Thursday

Discussions to Continue over "By Right" Development Proposal; Governor Offers \$400 Million in Exchange

On Thursday, June 9, the Budget Conference Committee met for a final hearing to close out the remaining items for the 2016-17 State Budget. The hearing followed several days of closed-door meetings between Gov. Jerry Brown, Senate President pro Tem Kevin de León (D-Los Angeles), and Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood). While the agreement includes priorities of the Governor and Legislature, it also delays action on some big items. *For more, see Page 2.*



Cities for Workforce Health Wellness Talk Series Continues on June 16

City officials are invited to participate in the second of four wellness talks offered by Cities for Workforce Health, a League Partner-sponsored program designed to provide practical resources for cities on how to enhance their employees' health and wellbeing. The second Wellness Talk is scheduled for June 16 and will address best practices for using data to plan a program that supports the health and well-being of city employees. *For more, see Page 3.*

The tone overall was positive. The Governor achieved his objectives in planning for the next economic downturn with a \$2 billion boost for the state's rainy day reserve and other agreements limiting new and ongoing spending. Speaker Rendon secured an additional \$100 million for childcare and preschool programs; Senate pro Tem de León's succeeded in his priority to build housing for the homeless (a proposal strongly supported by the League) by allowing some Proposition 63 mental health funds to be used to secure a \$2 billion revenue bond; and the Legislative Women's Caucus won a repeal of the monetary limit on welfare payments for people who have more children while collecting welfare.

Overall, the budget agreement holds good news for cities. However, several of the items on which the Legislature delayed action will require continued vigilance.

Housing

The Governor's "by right" housing proposal, which would limit public engagement, design and environmental review over affordable housing projects, was not approved. The Governor has offered \$400 million in one-time funds for affordable housing in exchange for the Legislature approving the "by right" proposal. The Budget Conference Committee approved placeholder language that sets aside the \$400 million while discussions continue.

Sacrificing public input, environmental analysis and local control on important development projects statewide is bad policy, but trading it for a one-time \$400 million appropriation would be ridiculous.

Several years ago the state eliminated redevelopment agencies, and with that over \$1 billion annually for affordable housing. That money is gone. Also gone are the proceeds of the last state housing bond which passed ten years ago. The federal government has been backing out of funding affordable housing since the 1980s. This massive withdraw of resources has contributed to our current challenges, yet no significant source of ongoing affordable housing funding is on the horizon. Also, while the state budget has flourished in recent years due to infusions of income tax, local agencies have not experienced similar revenue growth. Many local general plans are out of date because communities simply do not have the funds to complete such reviews.

Eliminating opportunities for public review of these major development projects goes against the principles of local democracy and public engagement. A public hearing allows interested members of the community to inform the decision-makers of their support or opposition to the project and guarantees that property rights will not be impacted without due process. Good design enables a new structure to match a community's character. While it may be frustrating for some developers to address neighborhood concerns about traffic, parking and other development impacts, those directly affected by such projects have a right to be heard. Public engagement can also lead to better projects. Not having such outlets will increase public distrust in government and more ballot measures.

Furthermore, the Administration's proposal to undermine state environmental policies and laws in such an aggressive manner is both surprising and ill considered. While the Coastal Act, California Environmental Quality Act and other laws have their critics, most would acknowledge that they have also made positive contributions to California's prized quality of life that has attracted nearly 39 million people. If there are issues with such laws then they should be addressed in a straightforward fashion as opposed to structuring proposals that pretend they do not exist.

Many laws related to housing planning and approvals are also on the books. Local governments are already required to approve housing if the project is consistent with the general plan and zoning ordinance. Exceptions to this rule are very limited, but what we can't skip are public transparency and environmental laws.

A much better approach to expediting development would be to offer incentives that can actually help local communities struggling to accommodate higher densities and new development, such as:

- Establishing a state revolving fund that can be used to update specific plans and complete up-front environmental reviews on targeted housing sites adjacent to transit, etc. Such a process would allow for community engagement and environmental analysis. Following that, development on those parcels would be expedited via laws already on the books;
- Rewarding local agencies that approve higher density housing in designated areas by helping it “pencil out” against service costs by shifting 10 percent of the increased property tax accruing from the approved development to the approving city or county;
- Developing a state-local matching funding program for infill development-related infrastructure that more adequately fills the gaps in urban renewal tools left by the loss of redevelopment; and
- Establishing a real, substantial and ongoing source of affordable housing funding.

Locking-out community residents from city hall because of concerns of what they may have to say about development in their communities is antithetical to local democracy. While \$400 million may sound to some like significant funding, it would only result in the equivalent of approximately 2,000 housing units statewide. Moreover, many jurisdictions would not even benefit from the allocation, even though they would be required to implement the “by right” proposal.

Concerned city officials should contact their legislators, and make sure their residents are aware as well.

Law Enforcement Grants

The budget will also include \$20 million for local law enforcement grants. This funding was previously thought to be in peril, as legislators raised concerns and apprehension about providing a fifth year of funding for what was supposed to be a three-year appropriation. Last year, raising similar concerns, the Legislature tied the funding to specific uses. Until language is available, it unclear if those same restrictions will be in place for the 2016-17 Fiscal Year.

Cap and Trade

The Legislature raised concerns about the uncertainty of future Cap and Trade funding, as there is a pending court case challenging the funds and the most recent auction resulted in much lower-than-expected revenues. As a result, the budget deal does not include any additional Cap and Trade revenue allocations beyond the already continuously appropriated programs and funding to cover administrative positions. The continuously appropriated programs include:

- 20 percent to the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities;
- 10 percent to Transit & InterCity Rail Capital;
- 5 percent to Low Carbon Transit Operations; and
- 25 percent to High Speed Rail.

Next Steps

The Legislature has until next Wednesday, June 15, to pass the budget. Final language is expected to be released on Monday and Tuesday in preparation for the final vote. League staff will review the language and release a more detailed update of the budget package next week. Cap and Trade, “by right” and other deferred proposals are expected to be discussed in the coming months. In the meantime, city officials should be on the watch for last minute action alerts from their Regional Public Affairs Manager.

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We Have Some Wellness Program Data – Now How Do We Use It?

This one-hour interactive online wellness talk will be held on June 16 from 10-11 a.m. [Online registration](#) is now open.

The discussion will focus on best practices for using data to plan a program that supports the health and well-being of city employees. Wellness Talk attendees are invited to share their experiences, challenges, and successes to address such questions as:

- How do we turn data into a strategic program?
- How can we develop a plan that works?
- What type of resources can I leverage to support my program?

2016 Events

Cities for Workforce Health programming will continue from June through November. These include:

- **June 16, 10-11 a.m.:** Wellness Talk entitled, We Have Some Wellness Program Data — Now How Do We Use It?
- **July 19, 10-11 a.m.:** Wellness Talk entitled, Creating Wellness Program Goals and Measurable Objectives
- **Aug. 11, 10-11 a.m.:** Webinar entitled, Establishing and Implementing Healthy Workplace Policies
- **September, 14, 9-10 a.m.:** Wellness Talk entitled, Making the Most of the City Wellness Committee
- **October, date and time TBD:** League Annual Conference Presentation entitled, Sitting is the New Smoking: How to Get Employees Moving
- **Nov. 10, 10-11 a.m.:** Webinar entitled, Is Your Program in Compliance? An Update on Current Wellness Program Regulations

Background

In partnership with Kaiser Permanente, the Healthy Eating Active Living Cities Campaign (HEAL), and Keenan & Associates, the League of California Cities' Partners Program launched Cities for Workforce Health initiative to support League cities in improving employee wellness.

The Cities for Workforce Health program provides access to online resources and toolkits as well as a yearlong series of educational webinars and interactive wellness talks with workforce health experts. Each year the League Partners Program offers five participating cities a \$5,000 grant to use towards workforce health program implementation. Along with this grant comes a year of consultation from employee wellness experts that will help cities further develop their employee wellness initiatives.

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Legislature Adopts First Installment of FY 2016-17 Budget Package

More Trailer Bills To Be Taken Up Tomorrow; By Right Discussion on August Timeline

Similar to last year, the Legislature today adopted a partial FY 2016-17 budget package by passing the main budget bill (SB 826) and just five of 17 trailer bills. The remainder of the trailer bills will be taken up in the coming days, but the “by right” proposal is not expected to be one of them. Today’s action allows the Legislature to technically meet the Constitutional budget deadline of June 15 while maintaining their informal policy to have all budget language available to the public for a minimum of 72 hours before a vote. Gov. Jerry Brown has until July 1 to act on the budget and trailer bills.

At \$122.5 billion, the budget adopted today is the largest in California’s 166-year history. While Republicans opposed the budget bill in chief, arguing that it is too big and that the state is not prepared for the next downturn, the debate was good-natured and trailer bills were passed with bipartisan support.

The budget includes many of the Democrats’ priorities: additional funding for childcare and preschool programs; investments to build housing for the homeless (a proposal strongly supported by the League); a repeal of the monetary limit on welfare payments for people who have more children while collecting welfare; and investment in clean drinking water.

The Senate took the opportunity during its debate to recognize Sen. Mark Leno (D-San Francisco), the long-time chair of the Senate Budget Committee, who will term-out of office in November. Sen. Leno was praised for being professional, courteous, and someone everyone can aspire to be. He has become known for his open door policy and ability to guide very difficult discussions in a way that gives everyone an equal voice.

While the Legislature and Governor came to a budget agreement with little conflict this year, they left open several major issues that cities have been following:

- **Cap and Trade Allocations:** The FY 2014-15 budget provided a continuous appropriation for 60 percent of the Cap-and-Trade auction revenues, which will continue uninterrupted. However, the remaining 40 percent must be negotiated annually. With several legal questions pending regarding the program and minimal revenues received at the latest auction, action on the 40 percent was delayed. This budget marks the second in a row that the Legislature has been unable to come to an agreement on how to allocate that 40 percent. Until an agreement is reached, revenues from FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 will be reserved in an account. The one exception is funding for staff positions to keep the programs going.
- **Affordable Housing/By Right Proposal:** After the Governor rejected an earlier proposal by Assembly Democrats for \$1.3 billion for affordable housing, he countered in the May Revise with his proposal to approve certain affordable housing projects “by right.” Since then the Governor has offered \$400 million one-time for affordable housing in exchange for approval of the by right proposal. Labor, environmental groups and cities have opposed the loss of public engagement and environmental review. While discussions continue, the budget sets aside \$400 million in a reserve account that will only be appropriated upon the adoption of future legislation to streamline the approval of projects.

- **Transportation:** As reported last month, the Legislature took action in budget subcommittees to move the transportation funding negotiations to the Extraordinary Session rather than adopting the Governor's budget proposal. While there has been no public movement on the issue since that action, discussions continue behind the scenes. In addition, Senate President Pro tem Kevin de León (D-Los Angeles) said today, during press availability, that with the budget behind them, it is time to focus on transportation funding.

The Legislature has not announced a timeline for acting on any of these major issues, but with the legislative summer break beginning July 1, discussions on these items could be delayed until August.

Budget Trailer Bills

Summaries below include points that may be the most interesting to cities from the bills adopted today. For more details, bill language can be found at www.cacities.org/billsearch.

SB 826 (Leno) — Budget Act of 2016 (Main Budget Bill): New Local Siting Grant Program for Corrections Re-Entry Facilities: \$25 million for this program. See AB 1609/SB 837 below for additional information.

Local Law Enforcement Grants: \$20 million for local government law enforcement grants for cities to increase positive outcomes between municipal law enforcement and high-risk populations. These grants must supplement, not supplant, existing funding. Sixty percent will go to departments employing 100 or fewer officers. The allocation schedule must give consideration to jurisdictions with high homeless populations and mental illness rates, departments lacking existing resources for these efforts, jurisdictions who wish to use the funding for co-deployment teams, which consist of peace officers with crisis intervention training and either a county mental health professional or social worker, and jurisdictions funding evidence-based programs that have been proven effective in improving interactions between law enforcement and high-risk populations.

- Funds can be used for: homeless outreach teams; crisis intervention training for officers; gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT); resources for drug endangered children; outreach to high-risk youth; youth diversion programs; and, gang and violence prevention programs.

Armed Prohibited Persons System: \$5 million to contract with local law enforcement agencies to reduce the backlog of individuals who are in the Armed Prohibited Persons System (APPS) and who illegally possess firearms. The program will focus on persons with mental illness and with domestic violence restraining orders.

SB 827 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) — Budget Act of 2015: Supplemental Augmentations. Makes allocations to cover shortfalls in various programs in FY 2015-16.

SB 828 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) — School Finance: Education Omnibus Trailer Bill: Makes various changes and appropriations to child care, early education, and K-14 education. Includes \$9.5 million from the General Fund to establish a new grant program to improve access to, and the quality of, drinking water on K-12 school properties. The program will be administered by the State Water Resources Control Board in consultation with the State Department of Education. Priority will be given to schools in small disadvantaged communities, defined as "a municipality with a population of 20,000 persons or less, or a reasonably isolated and divisible segment of a larger municipality encompassing 20,000 persons or less, with an annual median household income that is less than 80 percent of the statewide annual median household income."

SB 833 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) — Health: Makes various changes to health programs including:

- Requires a report on the impact on Medi-Cal from the termination of a \$4 penalty on vehicle violations to fund the Emergency Medical Air Transportation Act, which will expire on Jan. 1, 2018;

- Establishes a one-time grant program to expand mental health crisis services for children and youth; and
- Requires the Department of Public Health to award funding to local health departments, local government agencies, or on a competitive basis to community-based organizations and regional opioid prevention coalitions, to provide Naloxone to first responders and at-risk opioid users.

SB 844 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) — Correctional Facilities: Construction: Financing:

Authorizes \$270 million in lease-revenue bond financing for county jail construction projects designed to improve housing with an emphasis on expanding program and treatment space to manage the adult offender population. Napa County will receive \$20 million of this funding to address repairs needed due to of the 2014 Napa earthquake.

SB 848 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) — State Employment: Provides legislative ratification for the memoranda of understanding (MOU) agreed to by the state and bargaining unit (BU) 12 represented exclusively by International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) and includes other changes stating employee health benefits, compensation, special salary adjustments, and prefunding of Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB).

Next Steps

The Legislature will reconvene tomorrow (Thursday) to take up additional trailer bills.