

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
October 18, 2018

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

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A. ENVISION WILLOWICK!
Information on upcoming workshops to help envision the future of the Willowick Golf Course site is included.

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

- A. Garden Grove Unified School District #GGUSD Pride E-newsletter featuring events and notable accomplishments.

• OTHER ITEMS

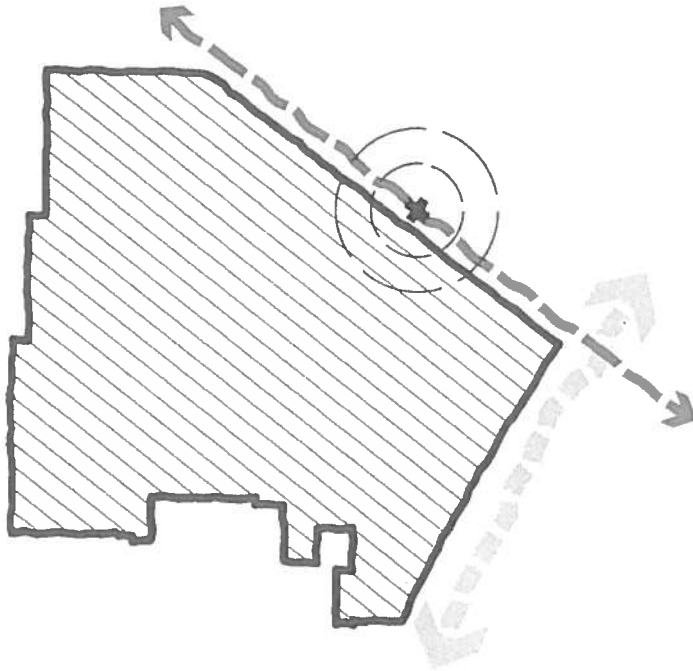
- SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.



SCOTT C. STILES
City Manager

Envision Willowick!

Visioning is a process where a community imagines and identifies the future that it wants.



About the Vision Plan

The Cities of Garden Grove and Santa Ana invite you to help develop a Vision Plan for the redevelopment of the Willowick Golf Course site. This process will explore conceptual land use options that are formed by community and stakeholder collaboration and input. The Vision Plan will be used to guide the solicitation of development plans for Willowick.

This visioning process will explore how Willowick can best serve and enrich the community. The Vision Plan will be a compilation of community-driven needs, goals, ideas, and feedback. The more perspectives shared - the better! Working together with the community is important to us in answering key questions such as:

- *What activities and programs are needed?*
- *How can it celebrate Santa Ana and Garden Grove's rich heritage and environment while keeping pace with changing conditions and trends?*

Help **envision** the future of the Willowick Golf Course site!

Listen

Workshop #1
August 30

Goodwill Industries

410 N. Fairview St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6-8 pm

Explore ideas, needs and goals of the community.

Create

Workshop #2
September 27

Spurgeon Intermediate School

2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6-8 pm

Explore economic and market forces, then brainstorm and map your ideas for the future of Willowick.

Workshop #3
October 2

Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center

12661 Sunswep Ave.
Garden Grove, CA 92843

6-8 pm

Evaluate

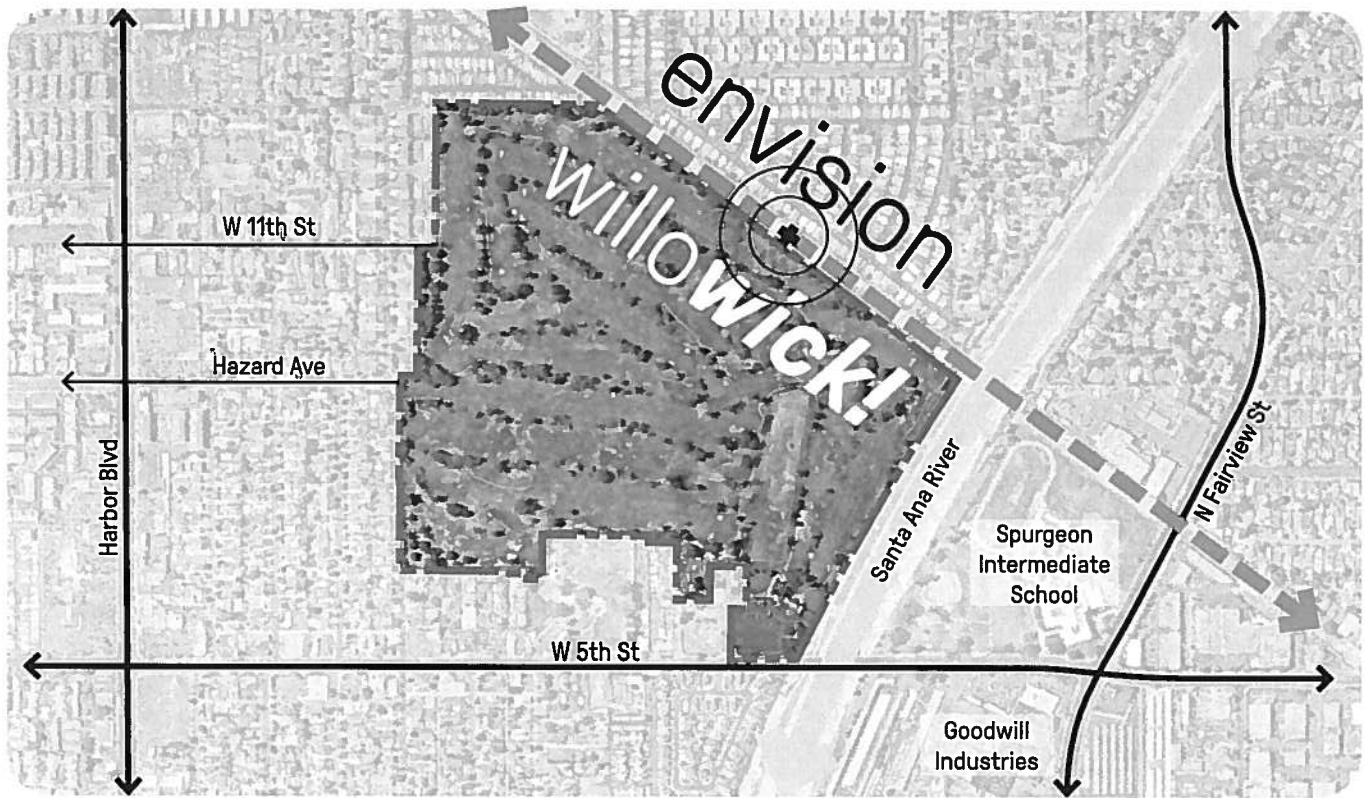
Workshop #4
October 25

Spurgeon Intermediate School

2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6-8 pm

Provide feedback on alternative concepts developed on input from the previous workshops.



The Willowick Golf Course site, located in the City of Santa Ana, is situated on 5th Street, adjacent to the Santa Ana River, at 3017 W 5th Street. Owned by the City of Garden Grove, the property is currently an 18-hole golf course. The site is adjacent to the Santa Ana River on the east, the Pacific Electric (PE) Right-of-Way on the north, and abuts Garden Grove's Buena Clinton neighborhood. To the east across the Santa Ana River, is Spurgeon Intermediate School and Spurgeon Park. To the west of the site is the Santa Anita neighborhood of Santa Ana. Directly to the south, is Cesar Chavez Campesino Park.

Get Involved!

Your involvement and input builds the foundation of the Vision Plan!

You can help us by sharing ideas and providing feedback that will shape design concepts and alternatives. Join us in creating the vision by participating in any or all of the workshops.



Need More Info?

Visit the website:



www.ggcity.org/econdev/envision-willowick

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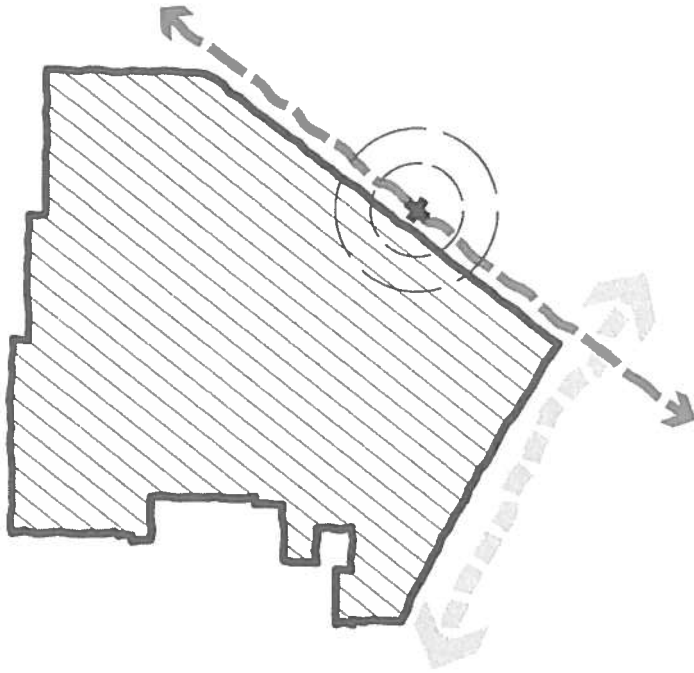
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¡Una Visión Para Willowick!

Creando una visión es un proceso donde una comunidad imagina e identifica un futuro deseado.



Sobre el Plan De Visión

Las Ciudades de Garden Grove y Santa Ana buscan su ayuda para desarrollar un Plan de Visión para el re-desarrollo del sitio del campo de golf Willowick. Este proceso explorara opciones conceptuales para el uso del sitio formados por la comunidad y la colaboración de otros interesados. El Plan de Visión se usara para guiar la solicitud del plan de desarrollo para Willowick.

El proceso de visión explorara como Willowick puede mejor servir y enriquecer la comunidad. El plan será una compilación de las necesidades, objetivos, ideas, y opiniones dirigidos por la comunidad. ¡Entre más perspectivas compartidas—mejor será! Trabajando junto con la comunidad es importante para nosotros para responder a preguntas claves como:

- ¿Que actividades y programas son necesarios?
- ¿Como celebran el rico patrimonio y el ambiente de Santa Ana y Garden Grove mientras estando al par con cambios y las tendencias del último momento?

¡Ayúdenos formar una **vision** para el futuro del sitio Willowick!

Escuchar

Taller #1

30 de Agosto

Goodwill Industries

410 N. Fairview St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6-8 pm

Explore ideas, necesidades y objetivos de la comunidad.

Crear

Taller #2

27 de Septiembre

Escuela Intermedia Spurgeon

2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6-8 pm

Explore fuerzas económicas y del mercado, luego una sesión de ideas usando mapas.

Taller #3

2 de Octubre

Centro Para Jovenes y Familias de Buena Clinton

12661 Sunswept Ave.
Garden Grove, CA 92843

6-8 pm

Evaluar

Taller #4

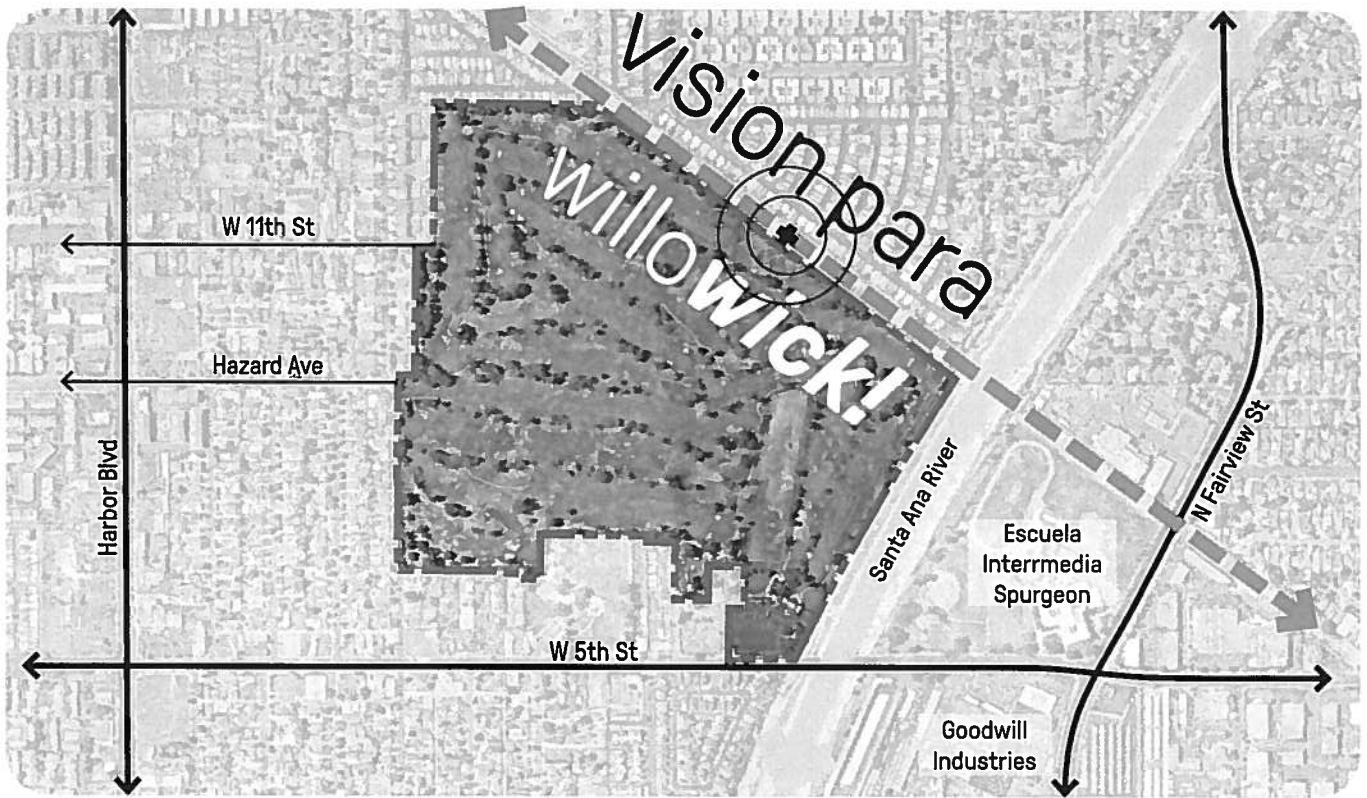
25 de Octubre

Escuela Intermedia Spurgeon

2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6-8 pm

Opiniones sobre conceptos alternativos desarrollados por ideas de talleres anteriores.



El sitio de campo de golf Willowick está ubicado en la ciudad de Santa Ana, en la 5a Calle, adyacente al río Santa Ana, en 3017 W 5th Street. Perteneciendo a la Ciudad de Garden Grove, la propiedad es actualmente un campo de golf de 18 hoyos. El sitio está junto al río Santa Ana en el este, el paso del Pacific Electric (PE) en el norte, y colinda con el vecindario Buena Clinton en Garden Grove. Hacia el este a través del río de Santa Ana, está la escuela intermedia Spurgeon y el parque Spurgeon. Al oeste del sitio está el vecindario Santa Anita en Santa Ana. Directamente al sur está el parque Campesino Cesar Chávez.

¡Participa!

Su participación e ideas construyen la base del plan de visión.

Ayúdenos compartiendo sus ideas y opiniones que darán forma a conceptos de diseño y alternativas. Acompáñenos en creando la visión participando en todos o cualquier de los talleres.



¿Necesita Mas Información?

Visite el sitio web:



www.ggcity.org/econdev/envision-willowick

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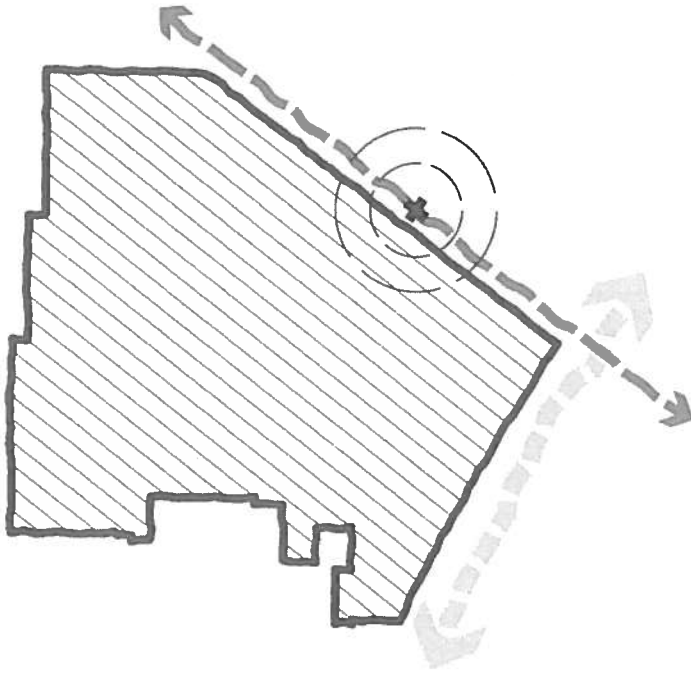
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월로윅의 미래를 그리다!

주민이 원하는 미래를 상상하고 확인함으로써 비전을 수립합니다.



비전 플랜 소개

가든그로브와 샌타애나 시는 월로윅 골프장 재개발을 위한 비전 계획 구상에 도움을 얻고자 여러분을 초대합니다. 주민과 이해관계자의 협업과 의견으로 도출된 개념적 토지 사용 옵션을 검토할 예정입니다. 비전 플랜은 월로윅에 대한 개발 계획의 입찰공고에 사용될 것입니다.

비전 수립 과정에서는 월로윅이 주민에게 최선의 봉사 and 풍요를 제공할 수 있는 방법에 대해 검토합니다. 비전 플랜은 주민이 주도하는 요구, 목표, 아이디어 및 피드백을 취합하여 구상됩니다. 더 많은 의견이 공유될수록 결과는 더 좋아집니다! 주민과의 협동은 다음과 같은 핵심 질문에 대한 해답을 구하는 데 있어서 중요한 역할을 합니다.

- 어떤 활동과 프로그램이 필요한가?
- 변화하는 상황과 추세에 보조를 맞추면서도 샌타애나와 가든그로브의 풍부한 유산과 환경을 기념할 수 있을 것인가?

월로윅 골프장 미래를 위한 비전 제시

듣기

워크샵 #1

8월 30일

Goodwill Industries
410 N. Fairview St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

오후 6시~8시

주민의 아이디어와
요구, 목표를
탐구합니다.

구상하기

워크샵 #2

9월 27일

Spurgeon
Intermediate School
2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

오후 6시~8시

경제적 및 시장 영향력을 탐구하고, 월로윅의
미래에 대한 여러분의 의견을 바탕으로 계획을
구상합니다.

워크샵 #3

10월 2일

Buena Clinton Youth
and Family Center
12661 Sunswep Ave.
Garden Grove, CA 92843

오후 6시~8시

평가하기

워크샵 #4

10월 25일

Spurgeon
Intermediate School
2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

오후 6시~8시

이전 워크샵에서
제시된 정보에 따라
발전된 대안적 개념에
대해 피드백을
제공합니다.



윌로윅 골프장은 샌타애나 시의 5번가에 위치하고 있으며, 샌타애나 강 근처의 5번가 3017 W에 자리잡고 있습니다. 가든그로브 시의 소유로서, 이곳에는 18홀 골프장이 있습니다. 골프장은 동쪽으로 샌타애나 강, 북쪽으로 퍼시픽 일렉트릭 (PE) 통행로와 인접해 있으며, 가든그로브의 부에나클린턴 마을과 맞닿아 있습니다. 샌타애나 강을 건너 동쪽으로 스퍼전 중학교와 스퍼전 공원이 있습니다. 골프장의 서쪽으로 샌타애나의 산타 아니타 마을이 있습니다. 정남쪽으로는 세자르 차베스 캄페시노 공원이 있습니다.

참여하세요!

여러분의 참여와 의견이 비전 플랜의 토대가 됩니다!

아이디어를 공유하고 피드백을 제공함으로써 디자인 개념과 대안을 만들어 나가는 데 기여할 수 있습니다. 워크샵에 참석해 비전을 만들어 나가는 데 동참해주시기 바랍니다.



추가 정보가 필요하십니까?

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www.ggcity.org/econdev/envision-willowick

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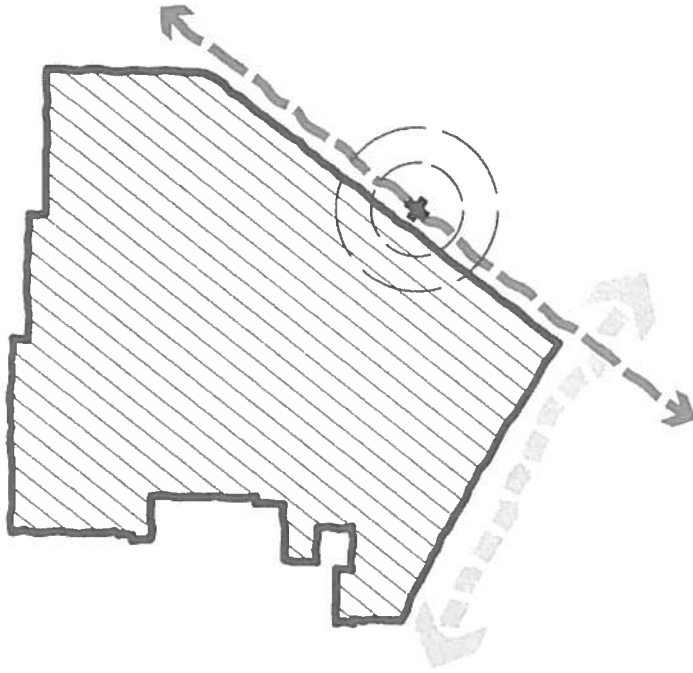
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Hình Dung Willowick!

Tầm nhìn là quá trình mà cộng đồng tưởng tượng và xác định tương lai muốn có.



Giới thiệu về Kế Hoạch Tầm Nhìn

Thành Phố Garden Grove và Santa Ana cùng mời cộng đồng tham gia giúp phát triển một Kế Hoạch (Vision Plan) để tái phát triển khu vực sân golf Willowick. Quá trình bao gồm việc tham khảo các lựa chọn cách sử dụng khu đất được hình thành bởi cộng đồng và các bên liên quan. Kế hoạch sẽ được sử dụng để hướng dẫn việc phát triển cho khu Willowick.

Quá trình quan sát này sẽ khám phá cách Willowick có thể phục vụ và làm phong phú cho cộng đồng tốt nhất. Kế Hoạch Tầm Nhìn (Vision Plan) sẽ là một kế hoạch của cộng đồng- nhằm thúc đẩy nhu cầu, mục tiêu, ý tưởng và ý kiến phản hồi. Càng có nhiều quan điểm được chia sẻ thì càng tốt! Làm việc cùng cộng đồng là điều quan trọng đối với chúng tôi khi trả lời các câu hỏi chính như:

- Những hoạt động và chương trình nào là cần thiết?
- Làm thế nào để có thể tôn vinh di sản và môi trường giàu có của Thành phố Santa Ana và Garden Grove trong khi vẫn theo kịp với những thay đổi về điều kiện và xu hướng?

Hãy Hình Dung Tương Lai
Của Sân Golf Willowick!

Lắng nghe

Hội thảo #1

30/8/2018

Goodwill Industries
410 N. Fairview St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Khám phá ý tưởng, nhu cầu và mục tiêu của cộng đồng.

Sáng Tạo

Hội thảo #2

27/9/2018

Spurgeon Intermediate School
2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Khám phá tiềm năng kinh tế và thị trường, sau đó lên ý tưởng và phát thảo ý tưởng của bạn cho tương lai của Willowick.

Hội thảo #3

2/10/2018

Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center
12661 Sunswept Ave.
Garden Grove, CA 92843

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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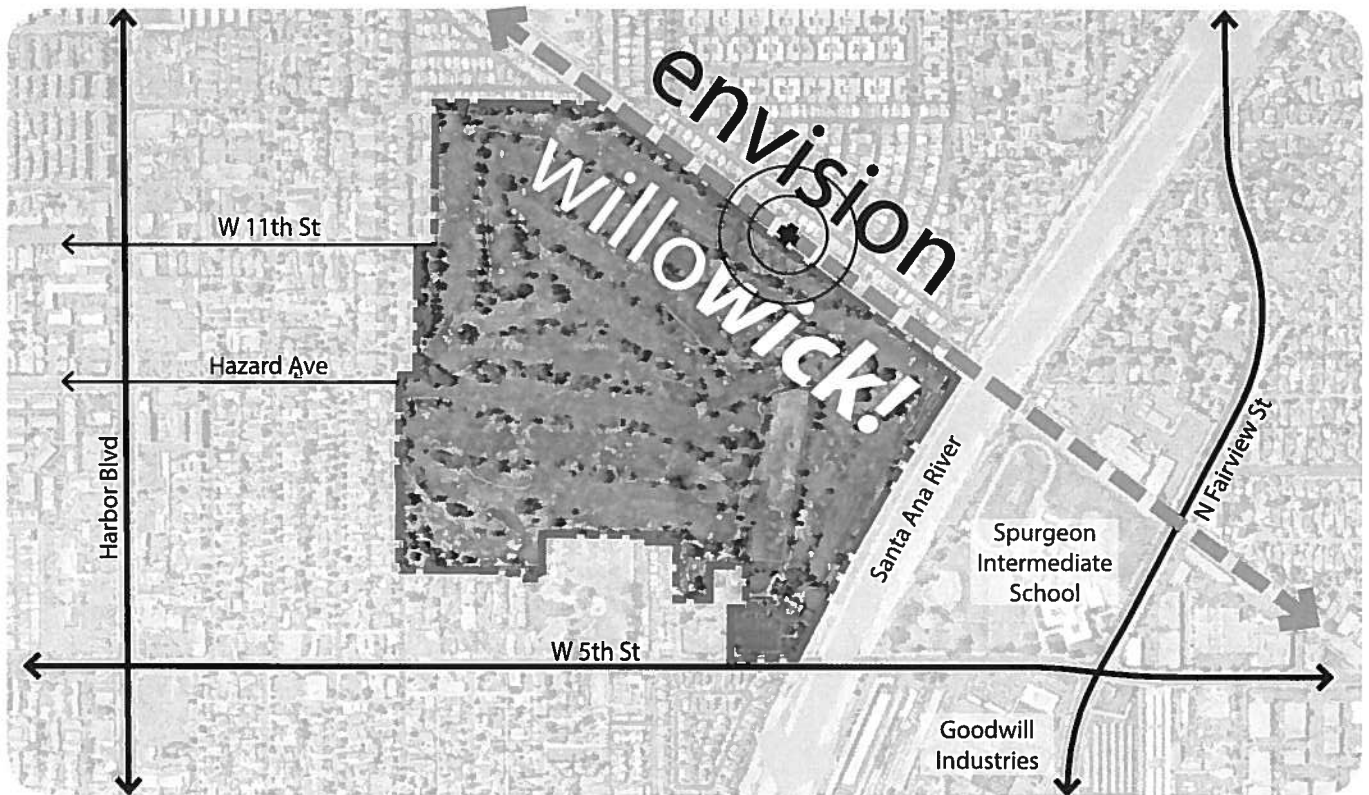
Hội thảo #4

25/10/2018

Spurgeon Intermediate School
2701 W. 5th St.
Santa Ana, CA 92703

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Thu nhận ý kiến phản hồi về các khái niệm được phát triển dựa trên thông tin từ các buổi hội thảo trước.



Sân Golf Willowick tọa lạc ở Thành phố Santa Ana, nằm trên Đường 5th Street, ngay cạnh Sông Santa Ana, tại địa chỉ 3017 W. 5th Street. Nơi này hiện đang là sân golf 18 lỗ thuộc sở hữu của Thành phố Garden Grove. Khu vực này nằm tiếp giáp với sông Santa Ana ở phía đông, phía bắc là Pacific Electric (PE) Right-of-Way, và ở tiếp giáp trung tâm Buena Clinton của Garden Grove. Về phía đông bên kia sông Santa Ana là trường tiểu học Spurgeon và công viên Spurgeon. Bên phía tây của khu vực là khu phố Santa Anita của Santa Ana. Trực tiếp về phía nam là Công viên Cesar Chavez Campesino.

Cùng Tham Gia!

SỰ THAM GIA VÀ GÓP Ý CỦA BẠN XÂY DỰNG NỀN TẢNG CHO KẾ HOẠCH!

Bạn có thể giúp chúng tôi bằng cách chia sẻ ý tưởng và đóng góp ý kiến để giúp định hình các khái niệm thiết kế và phương án khác. Cùng tham gia với chúng tôi trong việc tạo tầm nhìn bằng cách tham gia vào bất kỳ hoặc tất cả các buổi hội thảo.



Cần thêm thông tin:

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Zimbra

GGUSD Pride: Air Conditioning, Anti-Bullying Initiatives, Employees of the Month, Athletic Spotlight, and More

From : Garden Grove Unified School District <amilone@ggusd.us>

Wed, Oct 17, 2018 05:08 PM

Subject: GGUSD Pride: Air Conditioning, Anti-Bullying Initiatives,
Employees of the Month, Athletic Spotlight, and More

To : meenay@ci.garden-grove.ca.us

Reply To: amilone@ggusd.us

October 17, 2018



#GGUSDPRIDE E-newsletter

The #GGUSDPRIDE E-newsletter features many of the great things happening in GGUSD. Send your photos to pio_department@ggusd.us to highlight your school or students in the e-newsletter.

Congratulations to GGUSD's October 2018 Employees of the Month



Last night, the Board of Education recognized our October Employees of the Month. Congrats to Eloisa Magdaluyo, one of our amazing Speech and Language Pathologist Assistants and Anabel Martinez, the fabulous choir director and Life After High School teacher from Los Amigos High School.

[Click Here to Read about our October 2018 Employees of the Month!](#)

Parents as Partners!

Last night, the Board of Education thanked GGUSD Council of PTA President Andrea Perez and the council's board as well as DELAC (District English Learner Advisory Committee) President Sung Woo Chang and the DELAC board for their outstanding leadership and many contributions towards the success of our schools and for the time invested to support the district's mission of equipping all students with the academic and personal skills for lifelong success. Because of these dedicated volunteers, we have a strong network of parent leaders who support programs at our schools and increase opportunities for our students! Love the GGUSD family! #GGUSDPRIDE

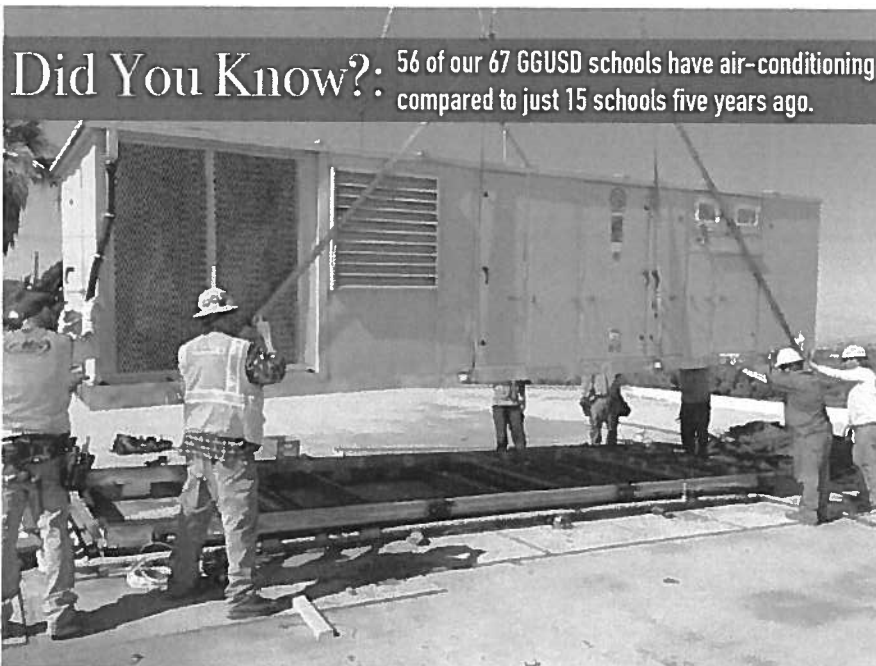


GGUSD Announces Air-Conditioning Schedule Set for 2020 Completion

Garden Grove Unified School District's Board of Education recently announced the district's schedule to complete air conditioning (a/c) in all schools by 2020. Currently 56 campuses have school-wide air conditioning with the remaining 12 schools set to receive a/c during the summer of 2019 and 2020.

The schedule of completion includes Crosby, Evans, Excelsior, Morningside, Murdy, Peters K-3, and Riverdale elementary schools which are set to receive a/c during the summer of 2019, and Brookhurst, Cook, Lawrence, Marshall, and Mitchell elementary schools to receive a/c during the summer of 2020.

Just five years ago, only 15 of the district's schools had a/c. Most GGUSD schools were built prior to a/c becoming a standard element of school design and construction. In 2010, GGUSD voters approved Measure A, the district's first bond measure which paved the way for a/c by upgrading infrastructure and electrical systems. The Board of Education made a commitment to bring a/c to all schools beginning with an allocation of district facility funds to get started. The successful passage of the district's second bond measure, Measure P, in 2016, will provide for the completion of district-wide air conditioning.



Leauge Champions

Congratulations to the La Quinta Girls Volleyball team who won the Garden Grove League Championship last week. They finished the season off strong, winning their final five matches, and ended with an 8-2 league record. They face a very familiar foe in the first round of the CIF-SS Division 7 Playoffs this Thursday – Garden Grove, who finished third in the Golden West League.



Standing Up Against Bullying

Students at Gilbert Elementary School are taking a stand against bullying! Recently, the school's Peer Assistance Leadership students (PALS) hosted an anti-bullying assembly where they showed a video they produced about the powerful impact of bullying and the importance of inclusion, respect, and kindness.



Simmons Students Participate in National Walk to School Day



Simmons Elementary School students, parents, and teachers walked to school together on October 10 in celebration of National Walk to School Day. This event was organized by the Simmons' Parents In Action program and focused on community and student safety when walking to school. Garden Grove Police Department officers joined in to show their support, direct traffic, and build relationships with students and parents.

Administrator Appreciation

October 8-14 marked the Week of the School Administrator in California and GGUSD has the most dedicated administrators around. Their servant leadership and commitment to students has led to GGUSD's many accomplishments, including being the first and only Exemplary District in Orange County. Most importantly, their work translates to opportunities for students to thrive! We are grateful for our awesome administrators!





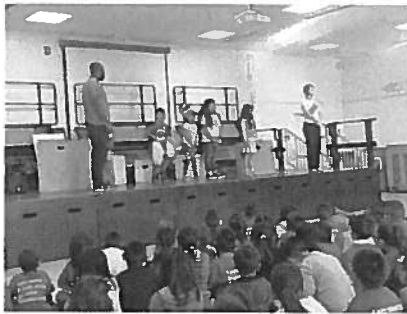
Family Science Night at Excelsior

Recently Excelsior Elementary School had a great turnout for Family Science Night! Families came for a night of fun science through hands-on STEAM experiments and activities for the whole family! Students learned about electricity, non-Newtonian fluids (oobleck), chromatography, and so much more! Most of all, students and families had a fun time learning and working together! We know that engaged parents leads to greater student success!



Mitchell Elementary Promotes a Bully-Free School

To help keep Mitchell Elementary School a bully-free zone, all students in first through sixth grades participated in the "Power of One" assembly. In this interactive assembly, students learned how to handle bullying by being an "upstander". At the end, they all took an oath committing to not be a bully nor a bystander to bullying. Students will sign an oath card that will be prominently displayed at school as a reminder for everyone that we all take a part in keeping bullying behavior out of our school. The assembly was a great education piece that aligned well with the PBIS (positive behavioral interventions and supports) practices already in place.



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HIGHLIGHTS**

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 <p>Garden Grove City Hall UPDATED: October 13, 2018 at 1:18 p.m. Today's event has been cancelled due to weather.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>https://ggcity.org/news-and-events/community-invited-free-showing-coco-dia-de-los-muertos-event</p> <p>#gg1956 #gardengrove #outdoormovieseries #freeevent #communityevent #coco #dayofthedead Garden Grove Elks Lodge #1952</p>  <p>(Post) October 12, 2018 12:09 pm</p>	2.2k	42	6	5%	91
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<p>Here are some best management practices to eliminate mosquito breeding in garden center and plant nurseries from the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District:</p>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Prevent or eliminate unnecessary standing water that may remain for more than four days o Maintain irrigation systems to avoid excess water use o Promptly repair leaks or damaged irrigation 						
<p>For more, please visit https://bit.ly/2RlflFp.</p>						
<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove Fire Department Garden Grove Public Works Department</p>						
						
<p>(Post) October 11, 2018 8:54 am</p>						


	Garden Grove City Hall	920	8	1	3%	19
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(Post) October 17, 2018 9:26 am							

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<p>As we experience #SantaAnaWinds today through Tuesday, be mindful of possible power lines falling down. If you see one please keep yourself away and call 911.</p> <p>#GG1956 #GGPD32 #GG #GardenGroveFire #GardenGrove Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove Fire Department Garden Grove Public Works Department</p> <p>Weather Alerts</p>							
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 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department We're expecting #SantaAnaWind today through Tuesday. These conditions are notorious for taking down power lines. If you see one down, keep yourself and others, including pets, away and call 911.</p> <p>#gardengrovefire Garden Grove Fire Fighters Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Police Department Southern California Edison (SCE)</p>  <p>(Post) October 15, 2018 8:45 am</p>	2.3k	89	8	9%	167

 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT</p> <p>Fire fighters responded to the 12000 block of Le Ann Drive shortly after 7:00 a.m. this morning for a residential structure fire. The first-arriving engine company reported fire showing from a single story house, and initiated an attack of the fire and a search for residents. It was later determined that no one was home at the time of the fire. It took 20 fire fighters to get the fire under control 23 minutes later.</p> <p>Two Garden Grove police officers were first on scene, and attempted to make entry to search for residents. They sustained smoke inhalation in their effort. The officers were treated by fire fighter paramedics, and transported to a local hospital for further evaluation. Both were in stable condition. There were no other injuries reported. Fire investigators are on scene, and investigating the cause at this time. Damage to the structure is estimated at \$100,000 and \$25,000 to contents. Assistance was provided by Anaheim Fire And Rescue.</p> <p>###</p>  <p>(Post) October 16, 2018 9:22 am</p>	2.1k	78	10	19%	474
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 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department It was a pleasure to have Giovanni from KTLA 5 News come out yesterday. We can't wait to see the story!</p> <p>#gardengrovefire Garden Grove Fire Fighters #ktla #PIO #media #partnership #informing</p>  <p>(Post) October 11, 2018 8:26 am</p>	1.6k	62	2	18%	388

 <p>Garden Grove Fire Department 405 CLOSURES</p> <p>#GardenGrove, please keep in mind the southbound lanes of I-405 between Seal Beach Boulevard, the SB I-405 / Eastbound SR-22 Connector, and the HOV lane on NB I-405 will be closed tonight, 10/17, and tomorrow night, 10/18, from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.</p> <p>For more information or to view the interactive map, visit bitly.com/405interactivemap</p> <p>405 Improvement Project Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove Fire Department Garden Grove Public Works Department Caltrans HQ City of Westminster</p> <p>#405Improvement #Closure #GG1956 #GardenGrove</p> <p>i405improvements.kleinfelder.com</p> <p>(Post) October 17, 2018 1:12 pm</p>	1.4k	15	-	5%	72
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Garden Grove Fire Department

California is one of the best states in the country. Ever! Yes, we said it. 🇺🇸

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Unfortunately, living here does present with a constant threat of earthquake. Do you know what to do in the event we have one that is more than the casual tumbler that we've become accustomed to? It's not too late to plan for it or train to your plan. Join us and fellow Californians tomorrow for The Great California Shakeout at 10:18 a.m.

Here's how to get involved 📄

The Great California ShakeOut

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Garden Grove Police Department

Can you juggle multiple tasks with ease, have exceptional customer service skills and love the intrigue of data entry? Our Records Division is looking for someone like you! Go to <http://bit.ly/JoinGGPD> and submit your application by 5:00 pm, November 2nd.

#GGPD32 #GardenGrove #Records #publicsafety #thinblueline #policerecords #JoinGGPD Garden Grove City Hall



(Post) October 11, 2018 6:00 pm

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Garden Grove Police Department

*****High Wind Warning*****

Trees and signs are falling; flags are getting shredded. The **#SantaAnaWind** is here and expected today through Tuesday. These conditions are also notorious for taking down power lines. If you see one down, please keep away and call 9-1-1.

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Garden Grove Police Department
#FlashbackFriday. That time when a drunk driver thought the Police Department's front doors were drive-thru windows. (M. Feher, c. 1985)
#GGPD32 #DUI #policehistory #SafeStreetsGG #dontdrinkanddrive #AccidentReductionTeam #GardenGrove
Garden Grove City Hall NHTSA California Office of Traffic Safety

2.4k 50 1 5% 84



(Post) October 12, 2018 12:32 pm



Garden Grove Police Department
 Please be advised, our Front Desk will be temporarily closed this morning from 8 AM to 9 AM as our staff takes department photos.
#GGPD32

2.3k 49 4 6% 144



(Post) October 11, 2018 7:30 am



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Garden Grove Police Department

It's that time of the year again to clean out your medicine cabinets. **#GardenGrovePD** in conjunction with the **Drug Enforcement Administration - DEA** will be accepting expired/unwanted medication (except sharps) next Saturday, October 27th, from 10 am - 2 pm, for **#safedisposal**. **#GGPD32 #GG1956 #prescriptiondrugs #expiredmeds #nationaltakebackday #opioidepidemic #drugaddiction**
Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Fire Department

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(Post) October 16, 2018 3:55 pm



Garden Grove Police Department

(Post) October 16, 2018 4:20 pm

1.5k 16 - 4% 52



Garden Grove Police Department

*****TRAFFIC ALERT - 405 CLOSURES*****

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For more information or to view the interactive map of the **405 Improvement Project**

<http://bitly.com/405interactivemap>
#GGPD32 #405Improvement #GG1956 #GardenGrove #KnowBeforeYouGo
Garden Grove City Hall



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Garden Grove Police Department

We're looking for the next generation of **#heroes**. If you think you've got what it takes, go to <http://bit.ly/JoinGGPD> and submit your application by 5:00 pm, October 24th.
#GGPD32 #GardenGrove #JoinGGPD #police #recruit #academy #thinblueline #reserve #cadet #lateral #officer #records #dispatch
Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove PA
Music credits: Far Out- Starwars-The Force Theme (Far Out Remix)



(Post) October 15, 2018 5:36 pm

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High Wind Warning

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Emergency water outage

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Water Services has an emergency outage today from 10:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Frances Avenue, between Westlake and Taft. Crews went door to door to notify residents.

We apologize for any inconveniences this may have caused. #GG1956 #GG

(Tweet) October 17, 2018 10:30 am



CityGardenGrove

Santa Ana College's School of Continuing Education offers free ESL classes every Monday and Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Buena Clinton Youth & Family Center!

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Free ESL Classes

Monday & Tuesday 5:30pm – 8:30pm

Improve your skills in:

Speaking, listening, pronunciation, grammar, and writing

Learn more about:

Civics & citizenship, computers and much more

Registration is open and continuous.



Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center
 12661 Sunnyside Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92643
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NEWS ARTICLES

Shakespeare Orange County gets bumped from Garden Grove Amphitheater for reggae, rock concerts

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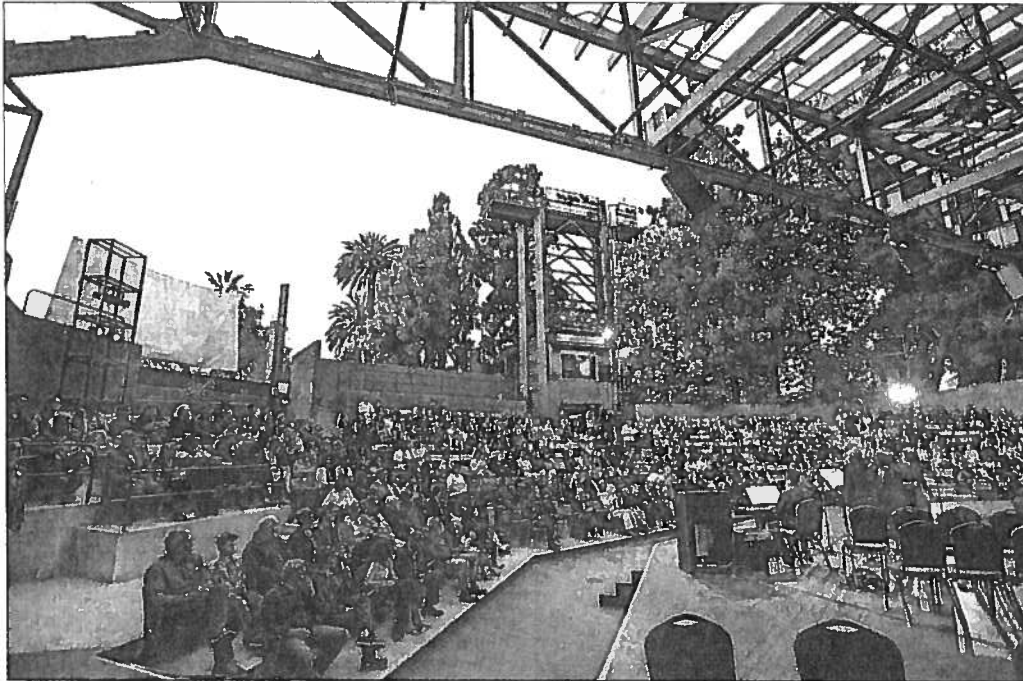
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PHOTOS COURTESY OF SHAKESPEARE ORANGE COUNTY

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BRAINIAC

New green waste bins for Westminster; Garden Grove will vote on sales tax

Brainiac might be weird, but we are so looking forward to our new garbage can. We probably are weird, aren't we?

Here's the deal, though. The Midway City Sanitation District, which serves Westminster, is finally ready to roll out its new green organics waste bins, which are not, you may be surprised to learn, just for organic peas, zucchini, lettuce and string beans.

Oh, no; the green we're talking about here has to do with organic materials that easily can be broken down into reusable byproducts. So the new can is where you'll put your yard waste — grass clippings, weeds, pruning and other lawn and garden materials — as well as kitchen castoffs, fruits and vegetables, meat and dairy, even fats, oils and grease.

There's no change in the cost you'll pay for garbage collection, but the green cans will help the district meet a recent state law that requires California governmental agencies to divert 50 percent of their solid waste from landfills by 2020, with



Peter Larsen
Brainiac

green waste one of the most achievable means of doing so.

And your trash today might power your neighborhood garbage or recycling truck tomorrow. The contents of the green waste bins will end up at the CR&R Anaerobic Digestion Facility in Perris, where it will be converted into renewable natural gas.

Sales tax increase

The city of Garden Grove is asking residents to approve a 1-cent increase in the local sales tax when they vote in November.

Measure O, which the City Council voted to place on the ballot in July, is presented as a way to provide more money with local oversight for Garden Grove public safety and quality-of-life programs.

State mandates and diversions have taken some portion of Garden Grove tax dollars away from the city, it says in a news release on the city website. That in turn has hurt the city's ability to fund public

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STAFF FILE PHOTO

Westminster residents will receive new green waste bins this fall from Midway City Sanitation District. Seen here are similar cans distributed by workers from CR&R Environmental Services in Costa Mesa several years ago.

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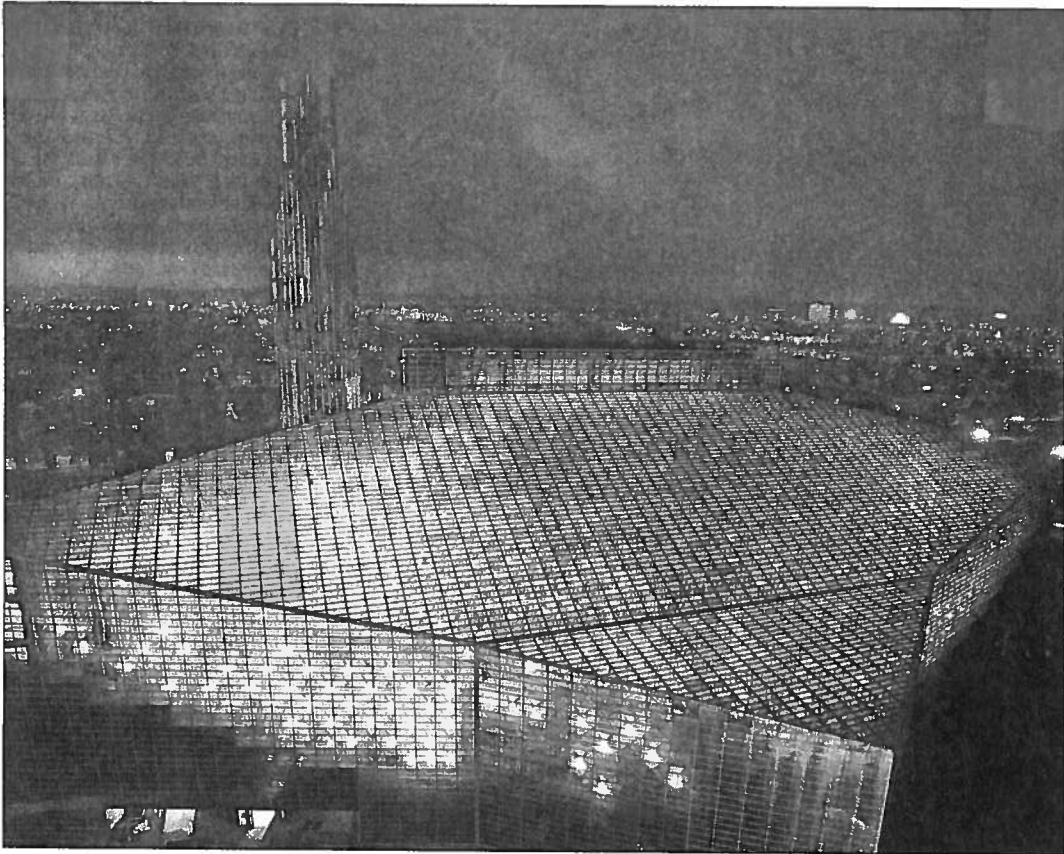
safety and deal with other problems caused by state decisions to release more and more prisoners back into the communities from which they came, city officials say.

If Measure O passes, the money will be earmarked for programs such as 911, improving emergency response times and neigh-

borhood police patrols. It also will help avoid cuts to police, fire and paramedic staffing.

Other targets for spending potential Measure O funds include programs to protect local drinking water, fight gangs and drugs in the city, and work to help the homeless.

If it's approved, the city says, an oversight committee and annual audits will make reports to the community so residents know where their taxes are being spent.



PHOTOS BY BILL ALKOFER

Christ Cathedral sparkles with light during the blessing of the quatrefoils Saturday. Quatrefoils are a unique interior lighting design element. The cathedral has thousands of these steel, powder-coated reflectors.

THESE LIGHTS ARE A BLESSING

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Christ Cathedral debuts its heat-deflecting quatrefoils

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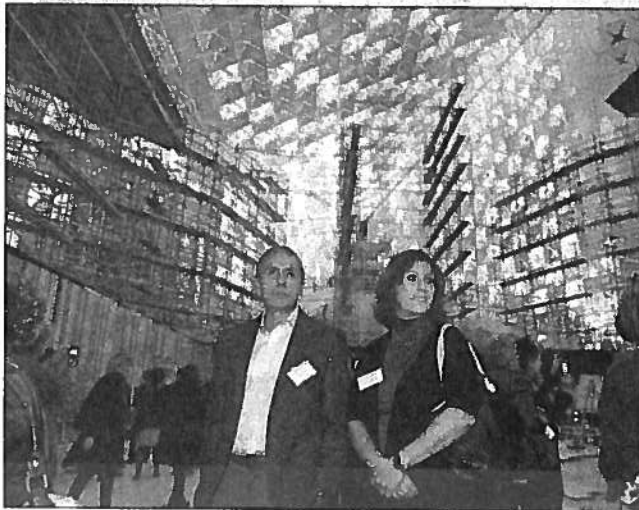
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Guests check out the interior of Christ Cathedral, aglow with quatrefoils.

Cathedral

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thedral, is now covered with a quatrefoil. And each quatrefoil is composed of four triangles, permanently situated at varying angles.

It's been an enormous undertaking that has required 1 million pounds of scaffolding, said Tony Jennison, vice president of philanthropy for Orange Catholic Foundation, which raises money for the building's renovation.

The entire \$72.3 million remodel is scheduled for completion in time for the cathedral's dedication on July 17, 2019.

Saturday night's program began outdoors with the flip of a switch, illuminating the 12-story-tall tower "like a box of stars," Jennison said.

The lights had been tested previously, he said, just not all at once.

Bishop Kevin Vann left the

blessing. Then attendees took a guided tour of the construction site inside.

Now that the \$6 million worth of quatrefoils are in place, attention can be focused on other updates — such as the marble flooring and oak pews.

Interior lighting looks pretty much as it did before. But at sundown, drivers-by may notice that the exterior building seems to twinkle. That's because the quatrefoils let out varying amounts of light.

The triangular pieces hovering over each pane open at different degrees, from zero to 45, based on a study to determine where the sun beams in.

"You could see people fanning themselves and even wearing sunglasses on 'Hour of Power,'" Jennison said, referring to the Rev. Robert H. Schuller's television show filmed inside his Crystal Cathedral. "The quatrefoils minimize heat and glare."

They serve other functions, as well — among them,

superior acoustics for the 16,000-piece pipe organ acquired from the Crystal Cathedral.

Also, the screens offer better visuals, Jennison said: "Before, you could see the parking lot from your seat."

The Diocese of Orange purchased the building for \$57.5 million in 2012, two years after Crystal Cathedral Ministries filed for bankruptcy. It began its renovation project in the summer of 2017 with seismic retrofitting, installation of air conditioning, fountain repairs and other improvements.

Jennison said the diocese does not know of any other building in the country designed with individually angled quatrefoils — an elaborate system conceived by architectural firm Johnson Fain.

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RELIGION



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So, what are these things anyway?

In this usage, quatrefoils are window shades made of plastic and fabric. Each and every one of the 12,000 glass panes, which create what was once called the Crystal Cathedral, is now

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covered with a quatrefoil. And each quatrefoil is composed of four triangles, permanently situated at varying angles.

It's been an enormous undertaking that has required 1 million pounds of scaffolding, said Tony Jennison, vice president of philanthropy for Orange Catholic Foundation, which raises money for the building's renovation.

The entire \$72.3 million remodel is scheduled for completion in time for the cathedral's dedication on July 17, 2019.

Saturday night's program began outdoors with the flip of a switch, illuminating the 12-story-tall tower "like a box of stars," Jennison said.

The lights had been tested previously, he said, just not all at once.

Bishop Kevin Vann led the blessing. Then the 500 attendees took a guided tour of the construction site inside.

Now that the \$6 million worth of quatrefoils are in place, attention can be focused on other updates —



PHOTO BY BILL ALKOOPER

Christ Cathedral sparkles with light during "The Blessing of the Quatrefoils" on Saturday night. Quatrefoils are a unique interior lighting design element. The cathedral has installed thousands of the steel powder-coated reflectors.

such as the marble flooring and oak pews.

Interior lighting looks pretty much as it did before. But at sundown, drivers-by may notice that the

exterior building seems to wink. That's because the quatrefoils let out varying amounts of light.

The triangular pieces hovering over each pane

open at different degrees, from zero to 45, based on a study to determine where the sun beams in.

"You could see people fanning themselves and

even wearing sunglasses on 'Hour of Power,'" Jennison said, referring to the Rev. Robert H. Schuller's television show filmed inside his Crystal Cathedral.

"The quatrefoils minimize heat and glare."

They serve other functions, as well — among them, superior acoustics for the 16,000-piece pipe organ acquired from the Crystal Cathedral.

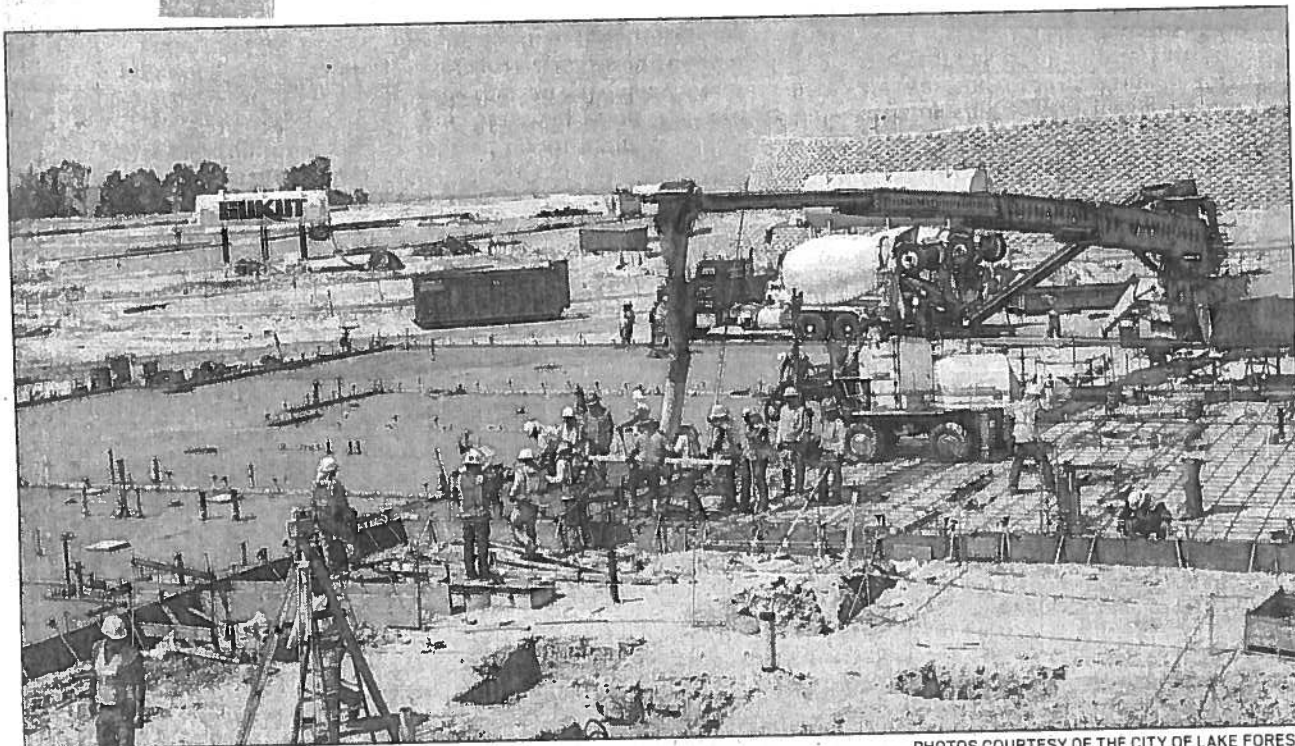
Also, the screens offer better visuals, Jennison said: "Before, you could see the parking lot from your seat."

The Diocese of Orange purchased the famous building for \$57.5 million in 2012, two years after Crystal Cathedral Ministries filed for bankruptcy. It began its renovation project in the summer of 2017 with seismic retrofitting, installation of air conditioning, fountain repairs and other improvements.

Jennison said the diocese does not know of any other building in the country designed with individually angled quatrefoils — an elaborate system conceived by architectural firm Johnson Fain.

The Crystal Cathedral debuted as a unique landmark in 1980. Thirty-eight years later, Christ Cathedral boasts its own innovation — curiosities called quatrefoils.

GOVERNMENT



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST

Lake Forest's new multibuilding civic center complex is under construction and will be paid for with development fees.

LAKE FOREST TO WIPE OUT ALL DEBT

Factors contributing to the city's rare position include newer infrastructure, abundant development fees and only one bond issue

By Alicia Robinson
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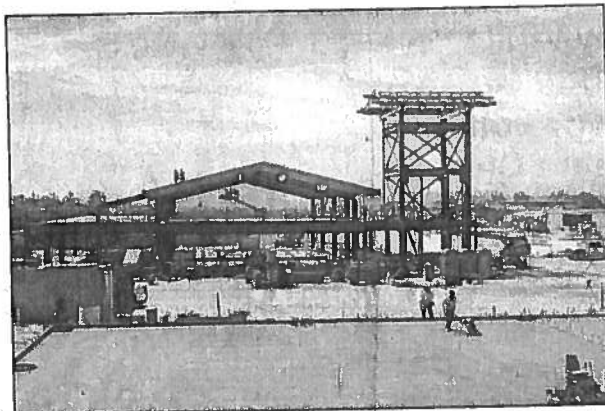
Anyone with student loans, a mortgage or credit card debt daydreams of making that final payment and being debt-free.

For the city of Lake Forest, the dream is about to come true.

Once the city writes a \$6.7 million check in December to wipe out its bond debt (the money is already in the budget, pulled from reserves) and it pays less than \$1,600 in out-

standing pension obligations — no zeros missing there — officials can say Lake Forest is beholden to no one.

Of the 482 cities in California, just 43 of them reported no debts in the 2015-16 fiscal year, which is the most recent data available from State Controller Betty Yee's office. But among those still debt-free, CalPERS shows only one also has no unfunded pension liability: Rancho Mirage, a wealthy enclave near Palm Springs, where the median age is 65.



The new civic center complex will include a city hall and senior center. As a newer city, Lake Forest didn't have to build much of its infrastructure,

Debt

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Lake Forest is about to join that very small club, and Mayor Jim Gardner is thrilled about it.

“Every day you read about cities going bankrupt or having to cut services,” Gardner said. “Being debt-free says to everybody: ‘Don’t worry, we can still carry on all the functions that a city needs.’”

So how did the city get into such a fortunate position, and could others replicate Lake Forest’s success?

It took careful planning, City Manager Debra Rose said. But she acknowledged Lake Forest also has some contributing factors few cities can claim, making it unlikely that cutting up the municipal credit cards will become a trend.

“The council’s always been fiscally conservative, ever since the city was incorporated” in 1991, Rose said. And, it has only issued bonds once — to build an extension bridging a gap in Alton Parkway.

As a newer city with about 84,000 residents, Lake Forest didn’t have to build much of its infrastructure, and it contracts out most services, city spokesman Jonathan Volzke said.

The city opened a sprawling new sports park in 2014, and construction is underway on a multibuilding civic center, all paid for in cash, thanks to abundant development fees.

Older cities typically rack up debt to build and maintain public facilities, and full-service cities

Cities in debt

Here is indebtedness of various cities in Southern California, from 2015-16 financial reports.

Debt statewide	\$71.5 billion
Los Angeles	\$24.5 billion*
Long Beach	\$2 billion*
Riverside	\$1.6 billion*
Anaheim	\$1.2 billion*
Lake Elsinore	\$202.6 million
Tustin	\$156.6 million
Ontario	\$146 million
Corona	\$139.7 million*
Huntington Beach	\$93.3 million
Monrovia	\$81.6 million
San Bernardino	\$74.7 million
Torrance	\$56 million
Redlands	\$52 million
Alliso Viejo	\$31.6 million
Temecula	\$23.1 million

*Cities that own utilities SCNG

carry the salary and benefit costs of police officers, planners and park maintenance workers.

Sometimes borrowing is unavoidable, but “it’s something hanging over your head, and you’re paying an interest rate that is going to somebody else when it could be going to your city services,” said Riverside Councilman Mike Soubirous, whose city owed \$1.6 billion in 2015-16.

The state controller’s data showed Los Angeles owed the most of any city in the state, with \$24.5 billion in debt in 2015-16. Riverside’s comparatively modest total still was enough to rank it the seventh most indebted in the state, ahead of Anaheim (\$1.2 billion), Irvine (\$953.6 million) and Glendale (\$270.8 million). (Some cities have their own utilities, and that debt is included.)

Hoping to shrink Riverside’s number, when the

BY THE NUMBERS

While most California cities owe millions for bonds and other borrowing, Lake Forest soon will be debt-free with all employee pensions fully paid. Numbers shown are based on 2015-16 financial reports and do not include pension obligations.

Total debt: The state’s 482 cities owed \$71.5 billion.

Most in debt: Los Angeles and San Francisco together owed more than half the total; Long Beach ranked third with \$2 billion in debt.

Least indebted: 43 cities reported no debt, including Eastvale, Laguna Woods and Stanton.

Smallest amount owed: Calipatria reported \$39,000 in debt.

Paid up: Rancho Mirage owed no debt and has paid 100 percent of employee pensions.

council asked for a sales tax increase in 2016, Soubirous got it to make a “responsible spending” pledge that includes paying off debt and saving more.

Debt has found its way into the November election too, with candidates in council races around the region talking about how to trim budgets, pay off debt and find new revenue. More than a dozen Southern California cities are asking voters to increase local sales taxes to help pay for services.

Riverside got into a fiscal hole in part because prior administrations didn’t always plan for future needs, Soubirous said, and “a lot of things came due at the same time.” The 2006 “Riverside Renaissance” initiative sought to cram 30

years’ worth of neglected upgrades to city facilities into five years, and it came with a big price tag.

Hoping to avoid that pitfall, Lake Forest officials want to save for when development slows and amenities such as the civic center and sports park are no longer new, Rose said, rather than spending or borrowing now that they are caught up.

As to Lake Forest’s soon-to-be-debt-free status, Soubirous said, “That’s really something to shoot for, and that would be the envy, I think, of every council person in every city.”

More California cities at least may be aiming to reduce their pension debt, CalPERS spokeswoman Amy Morgan said. Unfunded liability is the gap between the available dollars in a pension fund and the cost of benefits promised to workers and retirees.

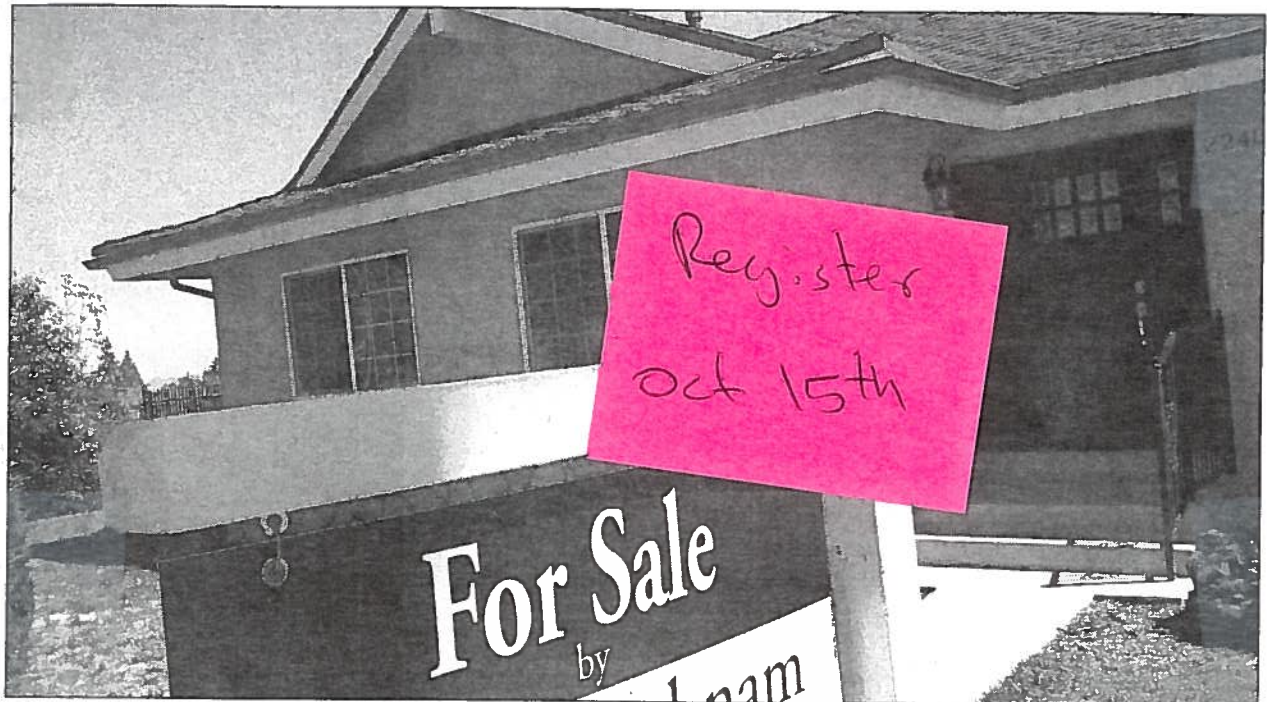
The number of cities with fully funded pensions jumped from three in 2016 to eight last year. The statewide average funding level is 68 percent for police and fire and 71 percent for all other public employees.

“We are seeing an increasing number of cities that are looking forward” and paying in advance, Morgan said.

In Lake Forest, city officials may celebrate when they write that final check, but people are already talking about it.

“I brag to all potential buyers who don’t know anything about Lake Forest,” said real estate agent Tracy Bryant, who also lives in the city. “It says that someone didn’t overspend.”

Orange County listings up



DEAN MUSGROVE — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Homes are taking longer to sell across the region as prices and inventory rise, data show.

34% in a year

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By Jonathan Lansner
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Orange County's existing homes are taking an estimated 38 more days to sell this year as 34 percent more homes are listed for sale.

ReportsOnHousing tracks homebuying patterns found in real estate broker networks: supply (active listings), year-to-date increase in supply, demand (new escrows in past 30 days), and "market time" (days it takes a typical listing to enter escrow).

Here is data as of Oct. 4 from the ReportsOnHousing analysis for Orange County ...

Supply: 7,201 listings, up 1,819 residences for sale in a year or 34 percent; and up 18 percent vs. six-year average.

Supply, year-to-date: Up 3,641 listings vs. a rise of 1,148 a year earlier and an average increase of 2,162 in 2013-2017.

Demand: 2,050 new escrows, down 376 sales contracts in 12 months or 15 percent; and down 20 percent vs. previous six years.

Market time: 105 days vs. 67 a year earlier and an average 80 days in 2012-2017.

Elsewhere in Southern California, during the past 12 months ...

Los Angeles County: 31 more days to sell, to 96 days, as supply rose 25 percent.

Riverside County: 28 more days to sell, to 117 days, as supply rose 19 percent.

San Bernardino County: 29 more days to sell, to 101 days, as supply rose 17 percent. ■

CALIFORNIA

Canine blood bank disputes abuse claims

By Amy Taxin
The Associated Press

GARDEN GROVE » The animal rights group PETA alleges that dogs at one of the nation's largest canine blood banks are mistreated, but the nonprofit that runs the Southern California facility says the retired racing greyhounds are well-cared for and save other dogs' lives.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals sent complaints this week to California and local authorities alleging the 200 greyhounds kept at Hemopet don't receive proper care and are cooped up nearly all day in pens too small for their size. The group contends confining dogs in a facility to draw their blood is wrong and says they should be placed in homes and only donate blood if their owners opt to bring them in.

Hemopet, which has operated for decades, said the dogs are well-cared for and get regular walks and outdoor play time at its 1.5 acre Orange County campus. The organization said the greyhounds participate in a state-regulated canine blood donor program for about 10 months before they are placed in well-screened adoptive homes.

Veterinary experts said there is a demand for canine blood to treat ill pets and those in need of emergency surgery. How to meet this need, however, is subject to debate.

"Community" blood banks rely on walk-in pet donors, while "closed" banks such as Hemopet require dogs to live on-site while giving blood. The controlled setting ensures blood is free of diseases.

California requires the closed model be used for commercial canine blood banks, said Hemopet's president, Dr. Jean Dodds. She said she believes pets living in people's homes would need to be retested for disease before each donation to provide a comparable level of safety, and even then it might not be possible to safeguard the supply.

Hemopet supplies about 40 percent of the commercial blood bank products sold in the United States and is one of two such authorized facilities in California, Dodds said.

Dodds said the greyhounds would be killed if they weren't rescued from the racing industry. Hemopet provides medical care and spays and neuters the dogs and screens them to assess whether they are suitable donors. Greyhounds often have a "universal" blood type, she said, which can be used for any canine transfusion.

In a letter to California's Department of Food and Agriculture, PETA alleged that dogs' tails, paws and nails are injured in small cages where they're kept 23 hours a day, and blood is drawn at times from animals suspected of illness.

Maikee Pronda is named Miss Garden Grove 2019

By Brady Rhoades

Meet your new Miss Garden Grove 2019: Maikee Pronda.

Pronda was named royalty at a ceremony at Bell Intermediate School in Garden Grove on Sept. 29. She succeeds current Miss Garden Grove 2018 Sara Bui.

After winning, Pronda posted photos of herself sleeping with her pageant awards on Facebook.

"Posting sleeping pictures during the day because I never want

"I hope you're ready for a busy and exciting year.

**Because after a venti vanilla iced coffee, I sure am!" — Miss Garden Grove
Maikee Pronda**

to wake up from this dream," she wrote. "I am so excited to represent the City of Garden Grove and join a sisterhood of amazing women. There's a reason why we're dubbed the city of youth and ambition — I hope you're ready for a busy and exciting year. (Because after a venti vanilla iced coffee, I sure am!)"

Pronda, who pronounces her first name Muh-EYE-Key, graduated from University of California,



Meet the queen: Maikee Pronda.

Irvine in 2017 with a degree in biomedical engineering. She was on the Engineering Student Council, interned at Beckman Laser Institute, and was an undergraduate researcher at Hui Lab.

One of Pronda's school projects was creating a handheld burn

wound assessment device that analyzes optical properties to determine the severity of burns.

Pronda is an energetic volunteer. She has raised funds for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals, organized collections for local

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A CROWNING glory



Photos courtesy Miss Garden Grove Scholarship Pageant

Miss Garden Grove 2019 Maalkee Pronda, fifth from left, stands with other queens. Pronda was named Miss Garden Grove on Sept. 29.

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homeless shelters and advocated for empowering young women through STEM.

She loves to sing. Pronda grew up singing at family Karaoke parties, she said. The passion stuck. The talent was always there.

Pronda loves food. But not just any food. It must, must be "potatoes, in any way, shape, or form." Her favorites are carne asada tots, fries, tikka masala fries, and garlic parmesan truffle fries.

She also enjoys shopping.

"But only if it won't make my wallet hurt!" she said. "Most of my favorite outfits and dresses are under \$20."

She said she's excited about representing Garden Grove.

Pronda will spend the next several weeks introducing herself to the Garden Grove and Orange County communities.

"I'm so excited to spend the next few weeks introducing myself to you," she said. "Who I am, my story, and what my social impact initiative is."

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Ex-Mets' star, GG local faces charges

**Lenny Dykstra accused of drug
possession, making threats**

By Brady Rhoades

One of the biggest sports stars to emerge from Garden Grove is in trouble with the law again.

Lenny Dykstra, who starred in baseball at Garden Grove High and went on to fame with the New York Mets and Philadelphia Phillies, has been indicted by a New Jersey grand jury on charges of possession of cocaine, possession of meth and making



Courtesy photo
**Lenny Dykstra,
in his playing
days.**

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terroristic threats during a heated exchange with an Uber driver earlier this year.

If convicted, Dykstra, 55, faces three to five years in prison on each of the three charges.

Dykstra was arrested in May

after allegedly threatening his Uber driver, who stopped the car in front of a police station.

Police found evidence of cocaine and meth and took Dykstra into custody.

The Uber driver said Dykstra put a gun to his head. Dykstra said that's false. Police did not find any weapons at the scene. Dykstra subsequently said the Uber driver

kidnapped him and he feared for his life.

Dykstra could not be reached for comment, but he continues to be active on Twitter, posting about baseball, his Bible readings and real estate.

On Oct. 8, he tweeted: "Is it politically incorrect to notice that the #Braves might get eliminated from the postseason on #Columbus-

Day/ #IndigenousPeoplesDay?"

On Oct. 6, he tweeted: "I didn't get to Cain and Abel, which was also in this last week's reading. But, in terms of violence between brothers, you all already know the story about the hours-long fight we had at one point in our yard in Garden Grove, CA?"

Dykstra, known as "Nails" for his rough-and-tumble style of

play, was a world champion with the Mets in 1986 and a three-time all star as a centerfielder with the Phillies.

Since retirement from baseball, Dykstra forged a business career and has had troubles with the law, including serving time in prison after a no contest plea in 2011 to charges of bankruptcy fraud and money laundering.

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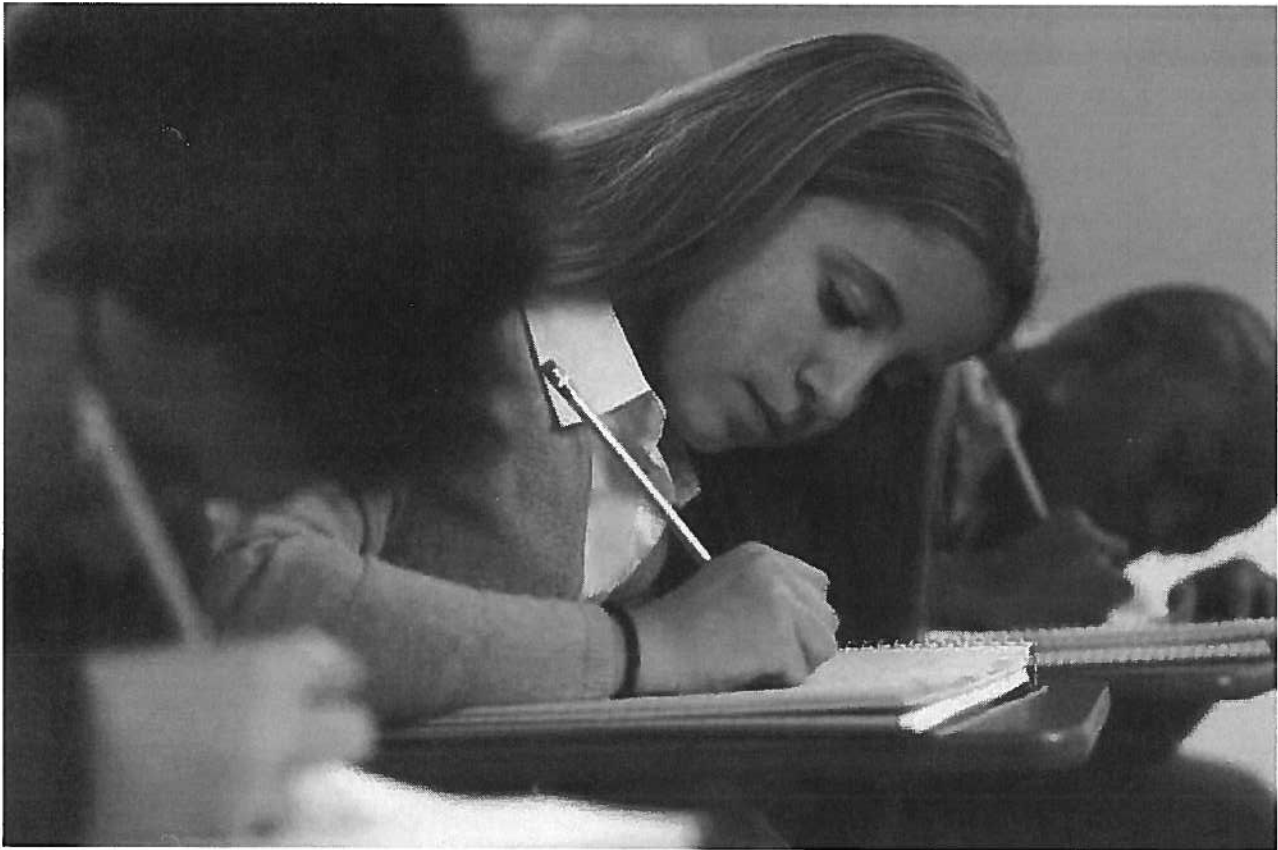
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A/C for all GGUSD schools by 2020

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON OCTOBER 17, 2018 • (LEAVE A COMMENT)



ALL THE campuses in the Garden Grove Unified School District will have air conditioning by 2020, the GGUSD has announced.

A schedule for the completion of air conditioning for all schools has been announced by the Garden Grove Unified School District. Currently 56 campuses have school-wide air conditioning with the remaining 12 schools set to receive a/c during the summer of 2019 and 2020.

The schedule of completion includes Crosby, Evans, Excelsior, Morningside, Murdy, Peters K-3 and Riverdale elementary schools which are set to receive a/c during the summer of 2019 and Brookhurst, Cook, Lawrence, Marshall

and Mitchell elementary schools to receive a/c during the summer of 2020.

(<https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2016/08/ggusdlogo.png>)As recently as five years ago, only 15 of the district's schools had a/c. Most GGUSD schools were built prior to a/c becoming a standard element of school design and construction. In 2010, GGUSD voters approved Measure A, the district's first bond measure which paved the way for a/c by upgrading infrastructure and electrical systems.

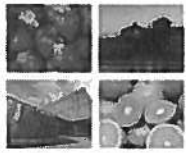
The Board of Education made a commitment to bring a/c to all schools beginning with an allocation of district facility funds to get started. The successful passage of the district's second bond measure, Measure P, in 2016, will provide for the completion of district-wide air conditioning.

The first issuance of Measure P bond funds came in April 2017 and district leaders have worked hard to reduce the air conditioning implementation schedule down from 10 years to four years.



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New eateries, bigger cinema for WGG?

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON OCTOBER 11, 2018 • (5 COMMENTS)



JACK IN THE BOX eatery planned for revamped center on Valley View in West Garden Grove.

(<https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2018/10/west-side-jack.jpg>) The long-awaited revamping of a commercial center on Valley View Street will come before the Garden Grove Planning Commission when it meets on Thursday, Oct. 18.

Proposed for the 2.71-acre site now occupied by a movie theater and a closed buffet restaurant is a project that would include an expanded movie complex, a new Jack In the Box fast food restaurant (with drive-through lanes), a sit-down restaurant and an automatic car wash.

(https://orangecountytribune.files.wordpress.com/2016/07/gg-logo_1g.jpg) The developer is Cinemas Management, Inc. and according to the city staff report, the existing Four Star theater – with four auditoriums – would become a Starlight Cinema increased in size with a 2,846 expansion and reconfiguration to result in six auditoriums.

Total seating for the cinema will be reduced from 627 seats to 326 seats to allow for stadium-style seating with recliner seats. The existing vacant eatery would be demolished to make room for the development.

The new sit-down restaurant has not been identified, and the closed bowling alley at the south of the site is not part of the project, located at 12101 and 12111 Valley View St., south of Chapman Avenue.

The commission meets at 7 p.m. in the council chambers inside the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave.



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Thursday, October 18, 2018



NEW FIRE STATION OPENING TUESDAY

After 47 years, Garden Grove has a new fire station. Members of the community are invited to celebrate the opening of Garden Grove Fire Station No. 6, located in West Haven Park, at 12232 West Street. A reception and ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place on Tuesday, October 23, at 4:30 p.m.

"The opening of this new fire station is as exciting and meaningful to the community as it surely was in the 1970's because of the deep hometown pride and spirit that it evokes, which is timeless," says Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones.

The new Fire Station No. 6 replaces the aging and nearly obsolete Fire Station No. 6 on Chapman Avenue, built in 1971. The new station is a full-function, 7,680 square-foot facility that includes an apparatus bay, front office, visitor lobby, laundry facility, kitchen and dining room, and bunk rooms. It will house Grove Engine 6, a 3-person paramedic assessment unit, with the capacity to accommodate up to eight daily personnel.

In addition to Fire Station No. 6, the City will also inaugurate a new, 1,815 square-foot multi-purpose community room, and a children's fire station-themed playground, located in West Haven Park, behind Fire Station No. 6.

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New Fire Station Opening Tuesday
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Mayor Jones, along with members of the Garden Grove City Council, other elected officials, and former and current fire personnel will be in attendance. At the event, the City will unveil a replica of a 2.4-foot dedication plaque, to be installed at new the fire station at a later date.

Plans for the new station and park improvements began in 2015 with the authorization of a \$5.5 million Certificate of Participation (lease revenue) bond by the Garden Grove City Council, not utilizing the General Fund. In 2016, the City conducted a series of community meetings to determine a new site for Fire Station No. 6. The project broke ground on May 23, 2017.

For more information about the project, contact Garden Grove Fire Department Division Chief Paul Whittaker at (714) 741-5600. For photos of the event, visit the City's Facebook or Instagram at Garden Grove City Hall.

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Tuesday, October 16, 2018



BLACK FRIDAY GOES "BiGG!" WITH CHANCES TO WIN \$500, GREAT WOLF LODGE STAY

Garden Grove shoppers have a chance to win "BiGG" money starting on the biggest shopping day of the year, Black Friday, November 23 through Friday, December 14, 2018. For every \$50 spent in Garden Grove, patrons will have the opportunity to win \$500 cash or a 1-night stay at the Great Wolf Lodge Southern California. The end-of-year Black Friday Goes BiGG! campaign is part of the City's Buy in Garden Grove (BiGG) shop local program.

When customers collect \$50 in total register receipts from any Garden Grove business, including restaurants, gas stations, and grocery stores, they'll receive one raffle ticket towards a \$500 cash or prize drawing. Receipts must be brought to the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, located at 12866 Main Street, Suite 102 by 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 14, 2018.

Raffle tickets will not be available at business establishments. There is no limit on the number of raffle tickets received. The first 100 customers to turn in their receipts will receive a free gift.

If purchases were made from a participating Buy in Garden Grove business, or a Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce business member, shoppers will receive an additional raffle ticket. To find out which businesses are participating, visit ggcity.org/biggs or gardengrovechamber.com.

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Black Friday Goes BiGG! with Chances to Win \$500, Great Wolf Lodge Stay
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Three raffle tickets will be chosen and the winning names and raffle ticket numbers will be posted on the City's and Chamber's websites and social media sites on Monday, December 17, 2018. One winner will receive \$500 cash, and two winners will receive a 1-night stay at Great Wolf Lodge Southern California.

Winners will have 30 days to claim their prize from the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce. Participants must be at least 18 years of age to win. Only one prize per winner.

For the last 10 years, the City has encouraged customers to support the local business economy through the Buy in Garden Grove program. Through special discounts and promotions, the City's shop local campaign has helped keep tax dollars in the community, which is a crucial resource for providing public safety, roads, parks, and other quality-of-life needs.

There is no charge to become a participating BiGG member. Businesses can sign up at ggcity.org/biggg.

For more information, contact the Office of Community Relations at (714) 741-5280, or the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce at (714) 638-7950.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

October 18, 2018

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation for the October 25, 2018 Zoning Administrator meeting.
3. League of California Cities League Newspaper Briefing – Statewide, and Wireless Small Cell Legislation – Federal Update, dated October 15, 2018.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 18, 2018 – October 27, 2018

Thursday	October 18		Casual Day
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday-Sunday	October 18-October 21		One More Productions presents "The Producers," Gem Theater
Friday	October 19	6:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.	H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Monster Mash Dinner Dance, CMC A Room
Tuesday	October 23	4:30 p.m.	Fire Station 6 Ribbon Cutting, West Haven Park
		6:30 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
Thursday	October 25		Casual Day
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room CANCELLED
		4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.	Dia de los Muertos Event, Buena Clinton Youth & Family Center
		5:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.	Tip-A-Cop Fundraiser for Special Olympics Red Robin Gourmet Burgers 12007 Harbor Blvd.
		6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	Community Workshop (4 of 4 – Evaluate) Vision Plan for Willowick Site, Spurgeon Intermediate School, 2701 W. 5 th St., Santa Ana 92703
Friday	October 26		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Saturday	October 27	10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.	16 th National (Drug) Take Back Event Garden Grove Police Department 11301 Acacia Parkway
		1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.	2018 Jack O'Lantern Jamboree, Atlantis Play Center



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**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 2018**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, October 25, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Third Floor Training Room, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled pursuant to the attached Cancellation Notice.

DATED: October 18, 2018

ALLISON WILSON
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

The Regular Meeting of the
Garden Grove Zoning Administrator
scheduled for October 25, 2018
has been cancelled.

**JUDITH MOORE
SECRETARY**

League Newspaper Briefing - Statewide (Oct. 15)

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Statewide Newspaper Briefing
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CAPITOL POLITICS

Proposition 13 is “On the Table.” What Does That Mean? -- In the gubernatorial debate when asked if Proposition 13 was “on the table,” Gavin Newsom responded, “Everything is on the table.” So Newsom’s going after Proposition 13? Maybe, but I think he plans to take on the state’s tax structure a bit differently. [Fox & Hounds](#)

Time to hit the pause button on high-speed rail, some California leaders say -- Jerry Brown did not invent the idea of a high-speed rail system to connect Northern and Southern California. It was voted on by the state Legislature and ratified by voters years before he returned to the governor’s office in 2011. [Sacramento Bee](#)

Brown’s legacy will include a DMV debacle -- During his nearly 16 years as governor, Jerry Brown has displayed many attributes – some positive, some negative and some self-contradictory. [Calmatters](#)

Will this election ride on whose voters are the angriest of them all? -- The original “angry mob” in these parts parked itself on Thibodo Road in Vista once a week for more than a year. The Tuesday protests outside Rep. Darrell Issa’s district office began in late 2016 and ended in April of this year, some three months after the longtime Republican incumbent decided to bow out of his re-election race. [San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Unwilling to Wait for Voters, Los Angeles County Jumps Gun on Temporary Rent Control -- Los Angeles County couldn’t wait for voters to decide this fall if local governments can enact rent-control laws. The Board of Supervisors recently enacted a “temporary” restriction on rent increases. If they think that will relieve the housing crisis, they are mistaken. [Fox & Hounds](#)

L.A. voters will decide whether to eliminate a barrier to a public bank -- Los Angeles voters will decide next month whether to nudge along the budding movement to create a public bank owned by the

city. The choice is a seemingly modest one: whether to alter the City Charter to allow L.A. to create a “purely commercial” enterprise. [Los Angeles Times](#)

AFFORDABLE HOUSING/HOMELESSNESS

Berkeley’s homeless may have to scale back under plan to curb accumulation -- Think about it: If you were suddenly forced to live on the streets for an extended period of time, what would you take with you to make homelessness bearable and less extreme? [San Francisco Chronicle](#)

Meant to help with mental illness, money from tax on millionaires piles up -- While the hepatitis A virus ran unchecked through the streets and homeless camps of San Diego last year, claiming 20 lives and sickening hundreds of others before it was corralled, \$170 million in special funding for mentally ill people sat in a county bank account. So much Mental Health Services Act revenue piled up, San Diego County collected more than \$12 million in interest from the unspent cash. [San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

Gubernatorial Candidates Clash Over Housing -- California households know it too well. State lawmakers – at least when asked – say it is. Academicians and pundits write about it all the time. Now, both Republican John Cox and Democrat Gavin Newsom – finalists in the race for the state’s top job, which voters will decide in November – agreed in a recent forum that the pervasive lack of affordable housing is California’s number-one issue. [Fox & Hounds](#)

PENSION REFORM

LA Works pension cuts reduced, ex-CEO charged -- A record CalPERS pension cut caused by the failure of an employer to pay pension debt was reduced last month, increasing the October checks of 74 retirees of a disbanded job-training agency, LA Works, by amounts ranging from under \$25 to more than \$400. [Calpensions.com](#)

UTILITIES

60,000 without power as PG&E shuts down lines over wildfire fears -- Tens of thousands of people in 12 counties braced for power failures in the Bay Area and Sierra foothills Sunday night after Pacific Gas and Electric Co. preemptively shut down electricity in anticipation of gusty winds, bone-dry weather and dangerous fire conditions across Northern California. [San Francisco Chronicle](#)

One year after California's most devastating wildfire, Santa Rosa is a patchwork of loss and renewal -- It was just one year ago when Tricia Woods lost her home in a single, impossible instant. [Los Angeles Times](#)

CANNABIS

As Bordeaux is to wine, California’s cannabis seeks its own identity -- Only France can claim Champagne. Only Italy can raise Parma pigs. Only Brits can make Stilton cheese. And soon Santa Cruz, Mendocino, Humboldt and California’s other weed-welcoming regions will be granted their own protected symbols of horticultural identity, as California drafts its version of Europe’s prestigious “Appellation d’Origine Controlee” – establishing rules that guarantee cannabis carrying that region’s name was grown in a specific place, using specific methods. [San Jose Mercury](#)

Marijuana is emerging among California’s vineyards, offering promise and concern -- It is the fall harvest here in this fertile stretch of oaks and hills that produces some of the country’s best wine. This season, though, workers also are plucking the sticky, fragrant flowers of a new crop. [Washington Post](#)

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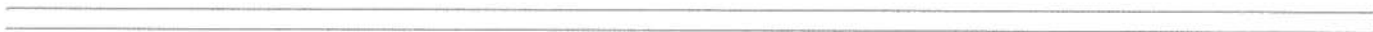
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Federal Communications Commission Sides with Wireless Industry on Policy that Erodes Local Control, Lowers Standards for Deployment of Wireless Small Cell Equipment

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) voted 4-0 on Sept. 26 to limit the authority and standards that states and local governments can require for the installation and/or deployment of small cell wireless facilities. In 2017, Gov. Jerry Brown vetoed SB 649, similar legislation, after the League and a large coalition of cities voiced serious concerns that the bill would harm local communities. The FCC approved its declaratory ruling and report order, which will go into effect in 90 days and will:

- Significantly shorten the period and likely overwhelm cities with thousands of complex small cell applications to process within 60 or 90 days;
- Prohibit the ability for cities to impose fees for basic cost recovery for reviewing complex small cell applications to \$100 per site;
- Prohibit cities from imposing fair market rates for the private use of taxpayer funded public property at \$270 for the installation of small cell wireless facilities; and
- Lower standards for aesthetic review and undergrounding, historic, and environmental requirements to those that are “reasonable, comparable” requirements for other rights-of-way users, and published in advance.

SB 649

The wireless industry last year pursued similar failed legislation (SB 649) in California that sought to achieve many of the elements present in this order.

The industry’s effort was met with overwhelming opposition from over 325 California cities concerned about shifting authority away from residents, businesses, and communities over to a for-profit industry whose shareholder returns potentially outweigh their considerations for the health, safety, aesthetic, and public benefits of communities.

Opposition to FCC Order

The League opposed the FCC order along with many national organizations. In a joint letter, the National League of Cities (NLC), the National Association of Counties, the United State Conference of

Mayors, the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors, and the National Association of Regional Councils all urged the FCC to reject the order.

The letter stated that the order “undermines local governments ability to ensure fair and reasonable deployments, and fails to ensure any public benefits.” The National Conference of State Legislatures and the National Governor’s Association also opposed the order given the impacts to state governments and erosion of local control.

Cities throughout California and the nation share in the goal of ensuring that residents have access to affordable, reliable high-speed broadband and eagerly welcome installation of wireless infrastructure in collaboration with local governments.

However, this order will not help in achieving these goals. Instead, this order will interfere with local governments’ management of their own property and their ability to receive fair compensation for its use. Local governments actively manage the rights of way to protect their residents’ safety, preserve the character of their communities, and maintain the availability of the rights of way for current and future uses.

FCC Commissioner Action

There is additional reason to be concerned with this action. Commissioner Michael O’Rielly, in his prepared remarks, expressed his preference for further deregulation of the wireless industry and did not think this order went far enough. Mr. O’Rielly blamed local governments for imposing “exorbitant fees, ridiculous practices, and prolonged delays” and preferred to eliminate all environmental review.

In addition, he stated that he believes that the FCC should also look at loosening standards for larger Macro-Towers.

Commissioner Brendan Carr, who led the FCC’s efforts, was also critical of local government’s role in the deployment of small cell wireless technology and claimed that the order would speed the deployment of 5G. In his prepared remarks, he claimed that this order would cut red tape by \$2 billion nationally, allowing the industry to make additional investments.

No such requirements, however, are placed on the wireless industry to reinvest those savings into rural or suburban community deployment of this infrastructure. Instead, the \$2 billion in “savings” for the wireless industry simply prevents local communities from recovering the public’s cost for reviewing and permitting such infrastructure and from placing fair market value for private use of taxpayer assets.

Next Steps

For more information about the FCC’s actions, the NLC has highlighted the five key takeaways and next steps for cities, now that the Order is adopted. The League and its local government partners will continue to explore administrative, legal, and legislative steps to stop the Commission’s clear overreach.

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