

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
November 25, 2015

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

I. PRIORITY AND COUNCIL AGENDA ISSUES

None.

II. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A.** COUNTY WASTE DISCHARGE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT UPDATE
A.J. Holmon updates you on the Waste Disposal Agreement Amendment and its time extension request.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

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



SCOTT C. STILES
City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

To: Scott C. Stiles From: A. J. Holmon III
Dept: City Manager Dept: Public Works
Subject: COUNTY WASTE DISCHARGE Date: November 8, 2015
 AGREEMENT AMENDMENT
 UPDATE

OBJECTIVE

To update the City Manager on the Waste Disposal Agreement Amendment and its time extension request.

BACKGROUND

On April 14, 1997, the Garden Grove City Council adopted Resolution No. 7959-97, which in part, proposed the establishment of the Garden Grove Sanitary District (District) as a subsidiary district of the City of Garden Grove, in-turn setting forth the adoption of Resolution No. 7960-97 establishing the District Advisory Commission.

DISCUSSION

The disposal of solid waste at Orange County landfills is governed by a 2009 Waste Disposal Agreement (WDA) in which cities in the County have agreed to deposit their solid waste at the County's three landfill facilities in return for low, stable disposal rates. The term of the current WDA began on July 1, 2010, and runs through June 30, 2020, with importation of waste from outside the County set to expire on June 30, 2016.

With the success of waste diversion and recycling in recent years combined with slow recovery from the Great Recession, the resulting effect has caused in-County waste generation to dramatically decrease, which has reduced revenue. A committee of City Managers representing Orange County cities participated with the County in preparing a framework to address this revenue reduction, and to ensure rate stabilization for local residents and businesses. The proposed Amendment to the WDA sets forth the continuation of future importation to offset the revenue reduction and establishes a fair-share allocation of net importation revenues to cities.

On May 26, 2015, Public Works Department staff submitted to Garden Grove Sanitary Board a review and recommendation package to: 1) Adopt Resolution authorizing amendment to the 2009 Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of Orange and 2) Authorize and execute amendment to the 2009 Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of Orange. The Board approved both recommendations presented. At the Orange County City Managers Association (OCCMA) October meeting, an update was provided on behalf of the Solid Waste Committee about the status of the WDA Agreement. To date, 33 cities have approved the WDA Amendment.

There is a sensitive timeframe issue that may ultimately impact importation and the WDA Amendment. In the current WDA, importation is set to expire by June 2016 unless otherwise extended. L. A. County Sanitation District is the primary and largest importer to the Orange County Disposal System generating 60% of the imported waste. Given the uncertainty of the WDA Amendment to extend importation beyond 2016, L. A. County Sanitation District has issued a Request For Purchase (RFP) to solicit proposals for other disposal options outside of Orange County. These proposals are due October 30, 2015, at which point, the L. A. County Sanitation District will be considering other disposal options.

Orange County Waste and Recycling (OCWR) is currently requesting a time extension from September 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015 to finalize discussions with City of Irvine. The new time extension will be incorporated into a revised WDA Amendment and will require all cities/districts to obtain council or board approval. Please note that the Solid Waste Committee is proceeding cautiously in the event additional time may be necessary beyond the requested December 31, 2015 deadline as the plan is to only return an amendment to the City Council/Board once.

Provided below is additional information that responds to questions raised at the October meeting. The rate numbers noted below were provided by OCWR in December 2014 and they have indicated no changes to the projected rates.

1. Do all cities have to approve the WDA Amendment?

The Original WDA was approved by all 34 cities. Therefore, all parties have to agree to the amendment(s).

2. What happens if an amendment is not approved?

Rate Increase in landfill tipping fees and the OCWR estimates are provided:

Projected Tipping Fee Rates on July 1, 2016

..... Continue Importation	\$33.66 per ton
Without Importation	\$39.10 per ton
Difference	\$5.44 per ton

3. Will rates to Orange County residents increase?

Depending on language within each specific city franchise agreements, both residential and commercial rates will likely increase.

4. When will the last payment to bankruptcy recovery be made from these funds?

Per the terms of the WDA Amendment, it would be FY 16-17. If the revised WDA Amendment is approved, the final payment in the amount of \$5.9M will be scheduled for FY 16-17.

5. What is the estimated future importation revenues to cities?

See Attachment No. 1 for breakdown of \$30M to cities. An initial disbursement of \$5.4M will be made to cities plus annual allocation of \$25M through 2020. Additional allocation 50/50 of Gross Importation Revenue will be disbursed through 2025.

For your review I have also taken the liberty to attach Orange County's Allocation Projected Importation Revenue dated March 3, 2015. I am available to answer any questions you may have regarding this update.



A. J. HOLMON/III
Streets Division & Environmental
Services Division Manager

Attachment: Allocation Projected Importation Revenue

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NEWSPAPER

ARTICLES

HOTEL BOOM IN RESORT AREA

WITH 11 HOTELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AND ONE BEING EXPANDED, ANAHEIM AND GARDEN GROVE STAND TO GAIN NEARLY 4,000 ROOMS.

By CHRIS HAIRE and ART MARROQUIN
STAFF WRITERS

Just west of the Platinum Triangle in Anaheim, six hotels are under construction, from the 96-room Holiday Inn Express & Suites to the 603-suite Great Wolf Lodge in Garden Grove.

An additional five hotels are in the planning stage, and one is slated for an expansion. The Homewood Suites by Hilton-Anaheim Convention Center at the Disneyland main gate recently opened at 2010 S. Harbor Blvd. with 215 rooms.

All told, that's 3,813 additional rooms in the resort region.

"As Disneyland and the Convention Center continue to grow, there's been a lot of pent-up demand even though no new hotels have been built in a while," said Ajesh Patel, president and CEO of Propera, which is building the JW Marriott Anaheim and two other hotels in the city.

"You see the same set of developers working on multiple projects here," Patel said. "I think we feel the market is strong enough to sustain all of the growth."

The hotel industry in Orange has been booming this year. In October a Chinese construction company bought the Hyatt Regency Orange County in Garden Grove for \$137 million.

SCG America, the U.S. arm of the giant Shanghai Construction Group, acquired the 656-room hotel, built in 1986. The seller, the Xenia Hotels & Resorts real estate trust, paid \$112 million for the hotel in 2008, near the previous real estate peak.

"The market's very hot," said Harry Pflueger, a principal with Maxim Hotel Brokerage, referring to the pace of California hotel deals. "Nobody has a perfect crystal ball, but there's a pretty good three-year landing strip to this cycle."

A record \$4.4 billion was spent to buy 174 California hotels in the first half of the year, according to Atlas Hospitality Group of Irvine.

Two of Orange County's landmark lux-

ury hotels, the 393-room Ritz-Carlton Laguna Niguel and the 250-room Montage Laguna Beach, were sold to Blackstone Group this summer as part of its \$6 billion acquisition of Strategic Hotels & Resorts.

Commercial real estate has drawn big bucks as investors seek alternative bets with interest rates near historic lows. And hotels look relatively cheap, according to Green Street Advisors in Newport Beach. Its lodging industry value index for August was up just 2 percent from its 2007 peak - the smallest gain from pre-

Hotels in Anaheim

Resort District: 88 hotels with 18,674 rooms

Elsewhere in Anaheim: 60 hotels with 1,321 rooms

What's coming: 11 new hotels and one expansion in the Resort District with at least 3,813 rooms

Source: Visit Anaheim and city of Anaheim

recession highs among seven real estate sectors tracked.

Key to the buying boom is the hotel industry's record profits, derived from a strong tourism rebound out of the Great Recession. Powerful fundamentals - rising rooms rates and falling vacancies - are attracting buyers who are using low interest rates and plentiful financing to make deals.

And the tourists are noticing - and hopeful the uptick in hotels will benefit them.

"More hotels means more competition, and hopefully lower prices," Denise Strilchvky, a 40-year-old Canadian, said during a recent visit to Disneyland.

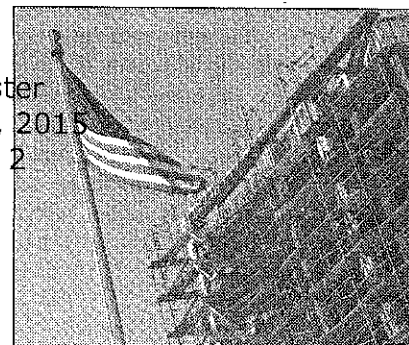
In Garden Grove, across from Great Wolf, the spot of the former Joe's Italian Ice also is slated for hotels - though details aren't certain yet.

"We view the Resort District as one entity, including Garden Grove," said Jay Burrell, CEO of Visit Anaheim. "The larger Convention Center pushes our room needs into Garden Grove. They are a big part of what we do."

Staff writers Jonathan Lansner and Jeff Collins contributed to this report.

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BRIAN WHITEHEAD, STAFF

Marriott Residence Inn is scheduled to open on Katella Avenue in summer with 294 rooms.

Hotels under construction

Hyatt House at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center: 1800 S. Harbor Blvd., set to open in the spring, with 262 rooms.

Marriott Residence Inn: 640 W. Katella Ave., set to open in the summer, with 294 rooms.

Great Wolf Lodge: 12681 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, set to open in February, with 603 rooms.

Staybridge Suites: 1050 W. Ball Road, set to open winter 2016, with 126 rooms.

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Anaheim Resort Area: 1411 S. Manchester Ave., opening later this year, with 96 rooms.

Country Inn & Suites Hotel: 1640 S. Clementine St., set to open next fall, with 174 rooms.

Source: Visit Anaheim and City of Anaheim

Hotels planned for construction

JW Marriott Anaheim: 1775 S. Clementine St. at Anaheim GardenWalk, plans submitted in August, with 466 rooms.

Westgate Anaheim GardenWalk: 500 W. Disney Way, construction starts in early 2016, with 392 rooms.

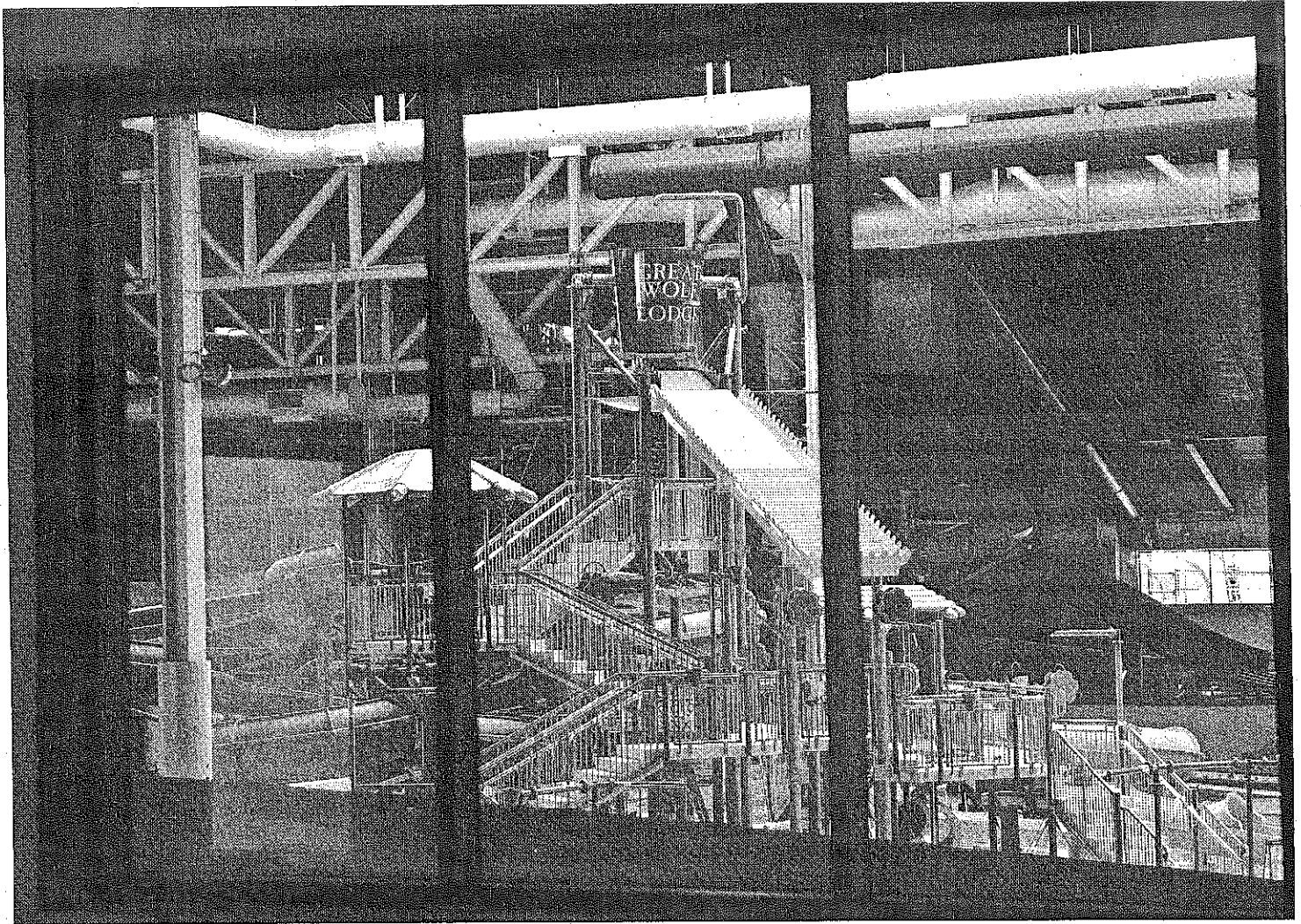
Park Vue Inn: 1570 S. Harbor Blvd., development application submitted, expanding from 86 rooms to 266 rooms.

Luxury Hotel, replacing Anaheim Plaza Hotel & Suites: 1700 S. Harbor Blvd., plan submitted earlier this month, with 580 rooms.

GardenWalk Luxury Hotel No. 2: 300 W. Disney Way, plans expected by June 2019, with 350 rooms or more.

Proposed hotel: 1100 W. Ball Road, conceptual development review submitted, with 75 rooms.

Source: Visit Anaheim and the city of Anaheim



NICK AGRO, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Great Wolf Lodge's indoor water park can be seen from the lobby of the resort, which is under construction in Garden Grove. The hotel is set to open in February with 603 rooms. The water park will be the largest of the company's 14 locations.

Orange County Food Bank desperate for turkey donations

By **THERESA WALKER**
STAFF WRITER

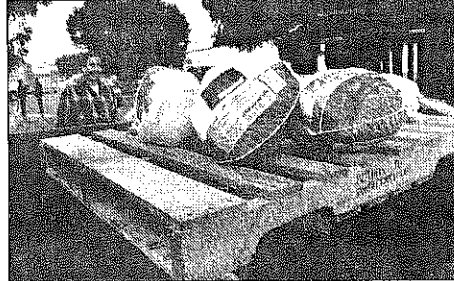
The Orange County Food Bank is short of turkeys to distribute to the needy this Thanksgiving and is seeking last-minute donations.

The food bank is hoping the community will respond with "a sense of urgency" and donate turkeys or money to buy them. As of Friday, it had none, organizers said.

Refrigerated or frozen turkeys can be delivered to the food bank at 11870 Monarch St., Garden Grove, through 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Monetary donations can be made online at ocfoodbank.org/turkeys.

Last year, the food bank used money from two do-



BRUCE CHAMBERS, FILE PHOTO

nors totaling \$87,500 to buy 7,000 turkeys that were distributed to agencies that feed the poor, OC Food Bank director Mark Lowry said.

A loss of financing from those donors has left the food bank scrambling for a way to provide turkeys this year, Lowry said.

"In the best of times, we've never been able to meet all those needs," Low-

ry said. "But we've never been in a position where we're starting from zero."

The food bank is operated by the nonprofit Community Action Partnership of Orange County.

Contributions can be dropped off year-round from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

For more information, call 714-897-6670 or go to ocfoodbank.org.

The Orange County Food Bank is seeking last-minute donations of turkeys or money to buy turkeys.

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Good grief: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange County is hosting "Good Grief! Here Comes Christmas": from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Dec. 3 at Christ Cathedral, 13280 Chapman Ave. "Good Grief" is a free event for those who are sad because a loved one died during the Christmas season. RSVP by Dec. 1: 714-282-6001.
Chris Haire, 714-704-3707
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Nov. 24, 2015

GARDEN GROVE

Rusty Skeleton: The City Council tonight will once again discuss the Lotus Plaza project, also known among the community as the Rusty Skeleton - the long-unfinished building on Garden Grove Boulevard. The city has a demolition order but hasn't enforced it because it hoped the current developer, property owner and the bank lending the developer money could work out a deal.
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Nov. 21, 2015

GARDEN GROVE

Modernization: Garden Grove Unified School District is about halfway through its modernization project, a \$500 million upgrade of all of its schools. Voters approved a bond measure in 2010.
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Nov. 25, 2015

GARDEN GROVE

Demographics: David Ely of Compass Demographics, which is drawing the city's map for district elections, will hold individual informational meetings from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. from Monday to Dec. 4 at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway. To reserve a meeting, call 714-741-5035 or email districtelections@gardengrove.org three business days in advance.
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Nov. 23, 2015

GARDEN GROVE

Pushcart Derby: Cub Scout Pack 271 is asking the City Council to help with its 14th annual Pushcart Derby, scheduled for April 23. The race will require Springdale Street, south of Lampson Avenue, to be shut down from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day. The council is scheduled to vote Tuesday on whether to allow the closure.
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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
NEWS

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Bill Murray (714) 741-5375
Public Works Director

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

MEDIA ALERT

**CITY RESPONDS TO COMMUNITY CONCERNS REGARDING
BROOKHURST STREET CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

Media is invited to attend a press conference regarding actions taken by the City of Garden Grove in response to concerns from businesses surrounding a capital construction project currently taking place along Brookhurst Street. The City will discuss the proposed project completion schedule, as well as steps being taken to assist the businesses.

The conference takes place tomorrow, Wednesday, November 25, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., in the 3rd floor conference room at Garden Grove City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway.

Garden Grove City Council Member Phat Bui, Garden Grove City Manager Scott Stiles, and Public Works Director Bill Murray will facilitate the conference.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

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Friday, November 20, 2015

COMMUNITY MEETING DATES AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON VOTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

The City of Garden Grove invites members of the community to participate in upcoming community meetings to provide input on the formation of new district voting maps for the city. The meetings, running from the end of November 2015 through March 2016, will be facilitated by David Ely from Compass Demographics, the firm overseeing the formation of five voting districts for the 2016 elections.

The "by-district" City Council elections system process provides several monthly informational meetings for the public to participate in, prior to the preliminary and final district map proposals being presented to the Garden Grove City Council. Both the preliminary and final district proposals will include public hearings as part of the process.

The first round of "Individual Informational Meetings" take place from Monday, November 30 through Friday, December 4. One-hour meetings with Mr. Ely can be scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on a first-come, first-serve basis. The meetings will take place in Garden Grove City Hall, located at 11222 Acacia Parkway. The goal of these meetings is to educate voters on the process and obtain feedback on an individual or small-group basis.

Reservations for the individual meetings must be made at least three business days in advance by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (714) 741-5035 or by email at districtelections@garden-grove.org.

Community Meeting Dates For Voting District Boundaries
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Following the first round of individual informational meetings will be three "Public Informational Meetings" scheduled for December 9, 12, and 16, held in various sites in the city, soon to be determined. The public meetings will be conducted in a workshop setting with larger groups providing input via interactive opportunities. Times and locations will be announced on the City's website, www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us, as well as the City's Facebook and Twitter.

Dates, times, and locations for the January, February, and March 2016 individual and public community meetings will be announced by mid-December.

On Tuesday, November 24, 2015, Mr. Ely will hold a study session on the process for establishing the "by-district" election system as part of the regular Garden Grove City Council meeting, held at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street. The anticipated date for the final report to be presented to the Garden Grove City Council is March 22, 2016.

A district election mapping webpage is now available on the City's website under the Open Government menu item that will provide information and access to all items related to the district-based elections mapping process. These items include: notices of all public meetings, public notices, press releases, agenda reports, maps, and other supporting documents.

The establishment of by-district elections was the result of a settlement between the City of Garden Grove and Rickk Montoya, this past September, involving a lawsuit brought against the City asserting that the City's current "at-large" method of electing City Council members violated the California Voting Rights Act.

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District Election Mapping

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INTRODUCTION

In September 2015, the Garden Grove City Council settled a lawsuit brought against the City, asserting that the City's current "at-large" method of electing City Council members violated the California Voting Rights Act. Pursuant to the settlement, a stipulated judgment was entered, requiring the City to replace the current at-large election process with a by-district election process for all five city council seats, commencing in 2016.

Five, non-overlapping, geographically-defined electoral districts will be drawn, and the City Council will consist of one member who resides within, and is nominated and elected by voters within, each of those five districts. The Electoral District Map will be designed in accordance with the California Government and Election Codes.

The City has retained Compass Demographics to assist in developing the district maps.

This page will provide access to all items related to the district-based elections mapping process including, but not limited to, notices of all public meetings, public notices, press releases, agenda reports, maps, and supporting documents. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Bailor, City Clerk, at (714) 741-5035 or email districtelections@garden-grove.org.

Below is a list of current and future links to items related to the district-based elections:

- [Sample Maps & Data](#)
- [Participation Kit](#)
- [Demographics](#)
- [Agendas](#)
- [Meeting Materials](#)
- [Notices](#)
- [Press Releases](#)

Dates, times and locations for upcoming Community Meetings are as follows:

City of GG Web site
Open Government menu
District Election Mapping



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Phục Vụ Cộng Đồng

Thứ Hai, 23/11/2015

CITY HALL GARDEN GROVE ĐÓNG CỬA,

KHÔNG QUÉT ĐƯỜNG VÀO NGÀY LỄ TẠ ƠN (THANKSGIVING)

Thành Phố Garden Grove sẽ đóng cửa vào hai ngày, Thứ Năm và Thứ Sáu, 26-27 tháng 11, 2015 nhằm vào dịp Lễ Tạ Ơn, vì vậy phục vụ quét đường cũng sẽ tạm nghỉ vào ngày Thứ Năm, sau đó sẽ được tiếp tục phục vụ lại như thường lệ.

Trung tâm H. Louis Lake Senior Center cũng sẽ đóng cửa trong hai ngày này.

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

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Phó Quản Lý Thành phố

Thứ Ba, 24/11/2015

GARDEN GROVE MỜI HỌP CỘNG ĐỒNG

ĐÓNG GÓP Ý KIẾN VIỆC BẦU CHỌN PHÂN CHIA RANH GIỚI QUẬN

Thành phố Garden Grove mời các thành viên và cư dân trong cộng đồng tham gia vào cuộc họp cộng đồng sắp tới để cung cấp dữ liệu về việc thành lập bản đồ bầu cử mới theo quận của Thành phố. Các cuộc họp, lần lượt thực hiện từ cuối tháng 11 năm 2015 đến cuối tháng 3 năm 2016, sẽ được hỗ trợ bởi ông David Ely từ Công ty Compass Demographics, cơ quan giám sát về việc thành lập năm khu bầu cử trong cuộc bầu cử năm 2016.

Tiến trình hệ thống bầu cử 'theo quận' (by district) của Hội đồng Thành phố cung cấp mở ra một số cuộc họp định kỳ hàng tháng để công chúng được tham gia, trước khi đệ trình các đề xuất sơ bộ và cuối cùng về bản đồ quận lên hội đồng Thành phố Garden Grove. Cả hai đề xuất sơ bộ và cuối cùng sẽ được đưa vào các buổi đối thoại công cộng như là một phần của tiến trình. Vòng đầu tiên của "Cuộc họp thông tin cá nhân" diễn ra từ Thứ Hai, ngày 30 tháng 11 đến Thứ sáu ngày 4 tháng 12. Chương trình họp riêng một tiếng đồng hồ với ông Ely được sắp xếp từ 10:00 giờ sáng đến 9:00 giờ tối dựa theo thứ tự ai đến trước được ưu tiên trước. Các cuộc họp sẽ diễn ra trong Garden Grove City Hall, nằm ở 11222 Acacia Parkway. Mục tiêu của các cuộc họp này là để hướng dẫn cử tri về quy trình và phúc đáp trên cơ sở cá nhân hoặc nhóm nhỏ.

Việc giữ chỗ cho các cuộc họp cá nhân phải được hẹn trước ít nhất ba ngày bằng cách liên lạc văn phòng Thư ký Thành phố tại (714) 741-5035 hoặc bằng email qua địa chỉ districtelections@garden-grove.org.

Sau vòng đầu tiên của cuộc họp thông tin cá nhân sẽ có ba "Cuộc họp phổ biến thông tin công cộng" dự kiến diễn ra vào ngày 9, 12 và 16 tháng 12, được sắp xếp tại nhiều địa điểm khác nhau trong Thành phố, các địa điểm sẽ sớm được thông báo. Các cuộc họp công cộng sẽ được tiến hành trong hội thảo kết hợp với các nhóm lớn hơn đóng góp ý kiến qua cơ hội tiếp xúc tương tác.

Thời gian và địa điểm sẽ được công bố trên trang web của thành phố, www.ci.gardengrove.ca.us, cũng như trên Facebook và Twitter.

Ngày Thứ Ba, 24 tháng 11, 2015, ông Ely sẽ tổ chức một buổi học về tiến trình thiết lập hệ thống bầu cử "theo quận" như là một phần của buổi họp thường kỳ của Hội đồng Thành phố Garden Grove, được tổ chức lúc 6:00 chiều ở Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street. Ngày dự định cho báo cáo cuối cùng được trình bày với hội đồng thành phố Garden Grove là 22 tháng 3, 2016.

Trang web bản đồ bầu cử theo quận hiện nay có sẵn trên trang web của Thành phố dưới hạng mục 'Open Government' sẽ cung cấp thông tin và quyền truy cập vào tất cả các mục liên quan đến tiến trình bầu cử phân bố theo quận. Các mục này bao gồm: thông báo về tất cả các cuộc họp công cộng, thông báo chung, thông cáo báo chí, chương trình nghị sự báo cáo, bản đồ, và các tài liệu hỗ trợ khác.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, liên lạc về văn phòng Quản lý Thành phố tại số điện thoại (714) 741-5100.

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Bill Murray (714) 741-5375
Public Works Director

Thứ Tư, 25/11/2015

MEDIA ALERT

GARDEN GROVE MỞ CUỘC HỌP BÁO LIÊN QUAN VỀ CÔNG TRÌNH SỬA ĐƯỜNG TRÊN ĐƯỜNG BROOKHURST

Sáng nay, Thứ Tư, ngày 25 tháng 11, 2015, một buổi họp báo đã diễn ra lúc 11:00 giờ tại lầu 3, trong City Hall của Thành phố Garden Grove để mời các truyền thông, báo chí địa phương tham dự.

Buổi họp báo có sự tham gia của Nghị viên Garden Grove Phát Bùi, Quản lý Thành phố (City Manager) là ông Scott Stiles, Public Works Director là ông Bill Murray chủ trì buổi họp. Buổi họp báo liên quan tới công trình sửa đường trên đường Brookhurst, từ hướng Garden Grove chạy dài đến đường Hazard. Công trình này đã hoàn tất sớm hơn dự định và 6 lanes 2 bên đường đã mở ra để xe cộ dễ dàng lưu thông trong tuần lễ Thanksgiving này

Trong nhiều tháng qua, dự án 2.5 triệu để sửa sang, trám nhựa bề mặt đường đã làm tắc nghẽn giao thông trên khu vực này, làm ảnh hưởng nghiêm trọng đến hoạt động kinh doanh của nhiều doanh nghiệp dọc hai bên đường. Có nhiều doanh nghiệp Việt đã chia sẻ cùng nghị viên Phát Bùi về sự thiệt hại trong lúc công trình được tiến hành. Thành phố đã cố gắng thúc đẩy tiến trình công việc để có thể hoàn tất công trình sớm trong tuần lễ Thanksgiving.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, liên lạc về Ban Public Works tại số điện thoại (714) 741-5375.

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Garden Grove Khổng Quét Phố Lễ Tạ Ôn


24/11/2015 00:00:00



Thành Phố Garden Grove sẽ đóng cửa vào hai ngày, Thứ Năm và Thứ Sáu, 26-27 tháng 11, 2015 nhằm vào dịp Lễ Tạ Ôn, vì vậy phục vụ quét đường cũng sẽ tạm nghỉ vào ngày Thứ Năm, sau đó sẽ được tiếp tục phục vụ lại như thường lệ.

Trung tâm H. Louis Lake Senior Center cũng sẽ đóng cửa trong hai ngày này.

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Garden Grove Mời Hợp Cộng Đồng Đóng Góp Ý Kiến Việc Bầu Chọn Phân Chia Ranh Giới Quận

25/11/2015 01:00:00



Thành phố Garden Grove mời các thành viên và cư dân trong cộng đồng tham gia vào cuộc họp cộng đồng sắp tới để cung cấp dữ liệu về việc thành lập bản đồ bầu cử mới theo quận của Thành phố. Các cuộc họp, lần lượt thực hiện từ cuối tháng 11 năm 2015 đến cuối tháng 3 năm 2016, sẽ được hỗ trợ bởi ông David Ely từ Công ty Compass Demographics, cơ quan giám sát về việc thành lập năm khu bầu cử trong cuộc bầu cử năm 2016.

Tiến trình hệ thống bầu cử 'theo quận' (by district) của Hội đồng Thành phố cung cấp mở ra một số cuộc họp định kỳ hàng tháng để công chúng được tham gia, trước khi đệ trình các đề xuất sơ bộ và cuối cùng về bản đồ quận lên hội đồng Thành phố Garden Grove. Cả hai đề xuất sơ bộ và cuối cùng sẽ được đưa vào các buổi đối thoại cộng đồng như là một phần của tiến trình. Vòng đầu tiên của "Cuộc họp thông tin cá nhân" diễn ra từ Thứ Hai, ngày 30 tháng 11 đến Thứ sáu ngày 4 tháng 12. Chương trình họp riêng một tiếng đồng hồ với ông Ely được sắp xếp từ 10:00 giờ sáng đến 9:00 giờ tối dựa theo thứ tự ai đến trước được ưu tiên trước. Các cuộc họp sẽ diễn ra trong Garden Grove City Hall, nằm ở 11222 Acacia Parkway. Mục tiêu của các cuộc họp này là để hướng dẫn cử tri về quy trình và phúc đáp trên cơ sở cá nhân hoặc nhóm nhỏ.

Việc giữ chỗ cho các cuộc họp cá nhân phải được hẹn trước ít

nhất ba ngày bằng cách liên lạc văn phòng Thư ký Thành phố tại (714) 741-5035 hoặc bằng email qua địa chỉ districtelections@garden-grove.org.

Sau vòng đầu tiên của cuộc họp thông tin cá nhân sẽ có ba "Cuộc họp phổ biến thông tin công cộng" dự kiến diễn ra vào ngày 9, 12 và 16 tháng 12, được sắp xếp tại nhiều địa điểm khác nhau trong Thành phố, các địa điểm sẽ sớm được thông báo. Các cuộc họp công cộng sẽ được tiến hành trong hội thảo kết hợp với các nhóm lớn hơn đóng góp ý kiến qua cơ hội tiếp xúc tương tác.

Thời gian và địa điểm sẽ được công bố trên trang web của thành phố, www.ci.gardengrove.ca.us, cũng như trên Facebook và Twitter.

Ngày Thứ Ba, 24 tháng 11, 2015, ông Ely sẽ tổ chức một buổi học về tiến trình thiết lập hệ thống bầu cử "theo quận" như là một phần của buổi họp thường kỳ của Hội đồng Thành phố Garden Grove, được tổ chức lúc 6:00 chiều ở Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street. Ngày dự định cho báo cáo cuối cùng được trình bày với hội đồng thành phố Garden Grove là 22 tháng 3, 2016.

Trang web bản đồ bầu cử theo quận hiện nay có sẵn trên trang web của Thành phố dưới hạng mục Open Government sẽ cung cấp thông tin và quyền truy cập vào tất cả các mục liên quan đến tiến trình bầu cử phân bố theo quận. Các mục này bao gồm: thông báo về tất cả các cuộc họp cộng đồng, thông báo chung, thông cáo báo chí, chương trình nghị sự báo cáo, bản đồ, và các tài liệu hỗ trợ khác.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, liên lạc về văn phòng Quản lý Thành phố tại số điện thoại (714) 741-5100.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

November 25, 2015

1. Calendar of Events
2. Copy of the email from the California Department of Transportation announcing the success of Garden Grove's applications for funding from the Caltrans HSIP Cycle 7 project selection listing.
3. Copy of the flyer for City Council Members to attend the Public Policy Making Academy at University of California, Irvine in early 2016.

4. Minutes from the November 12, 2015 Zoning Administrator meeting.
5. Planning Commission meeting agenda for the December 3 meeting along with minutes from the meeting on November 5, 2015.
6. League of California Cities, "CA Cities Advocates" dated November 20 and 23, 2015.



GARDEN GROVE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 25, 2015 – December 7, 2015

	November 25– December 24		Spark of Love Toy Drive Drop off Locations: Garden Grove Fire Stations And City Hall
Wednesday	November 25	10:00 a.m.- Noon	Senior Center Thanksgiving Luncheon sponsored by PHCSI, Senior Center Dining Room
Wednesday	November 25	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Courtyard Center CANCELLED
Thursday	November 26		City Hall Closed – Thanksgiving Day
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room CANCELLED
Friday	November 27		City Hall Closed
Friday- Sunday	November 27- November 29		One More Productions presents “The Holiday Gem” Gem Theater
Tuesday	December 1		Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration Village Green Park
		5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	<i>Food Sale Starts</i> <i>Program Starts</i>
Thursday	December 3		Casual Day
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Courtyard Center
Friday- Sunday	December 4- December 6		One More Productions presents “The Holiday Gem” Gem Theater
Saturday	December 5	8:00 a.m.- Noon	Project “GO” Graffiti Off, Municipal Service Center
		4:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	Family Winterfest, Atlantis Play Center
Monday	December 7	6:30 p.m.	Neighborhood Improvement & Conservation Commission Meeting, Courtyard Center

Caltrans HSIP Cycle 7 project selection results

From : Melanie Valdes <melaniev@ci.garden-grove.ca.us> Fri, Nov 20, 2015 11:02 AM
Subject : Caltrans HSIP Cycle 7 project selection results
To : Melanie Valdes <melaniev@ci.garden-grove.ca.us>

From: "Jim@DOT Kaufman" <jim.kaufman@dot.ca.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 9:45:44 AM
Subject: Caltrans HSIP Cycle 7 project selection results

I am pleased to announce the release earlier this month of the Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Program project list for the new Cycle 7. Statewide, 182 projects were selected out of 213 applications submitted for a total of \$161 million federal HSIP funds. In District 12 six agencies were awarded 12 projects for a total of \$6.42 million.

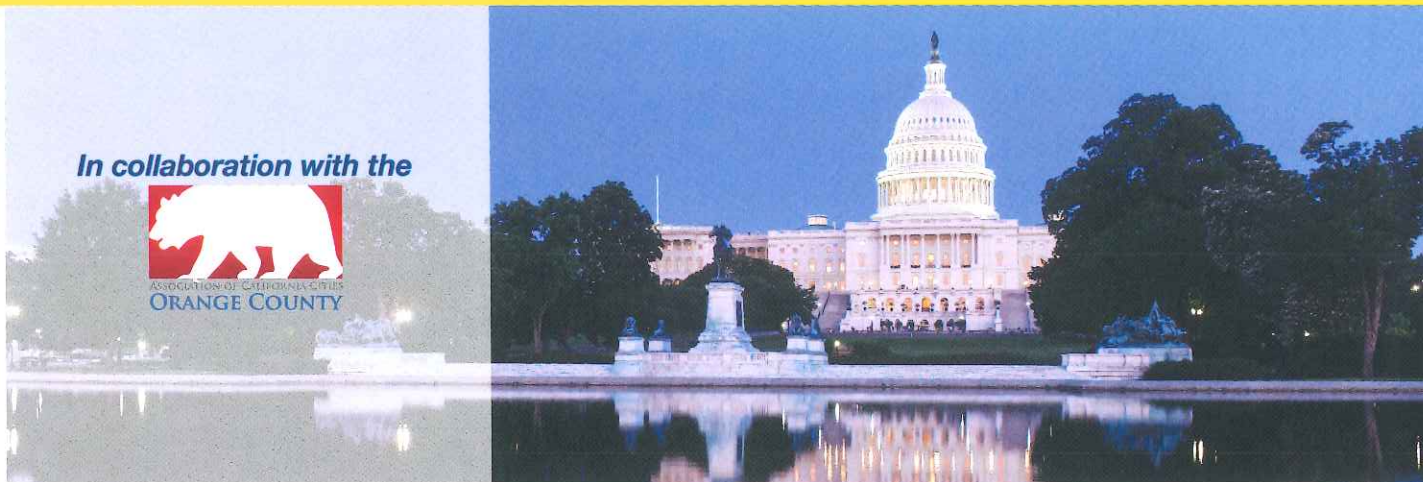
Your agencies'™ applications were all successful. Congratulations! Once SCAG amends the FTIP to include the new project listing you may submit PE requests for authorization to my office for the new projects. We look forward to working with you to deliver these important safety projects for your communities.

The new project listing can be found here:

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/prev_cycle_results.htm

Sincerely,

Jim Kaufman
District Local Assistance Engineer
California Department of Transportation, District 12
3347 Michelson Dr., Suite 100
Irvine, CA 92612
(949) 756-7805



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Fridays: February 19, 26 and March 4, 11, 2016
8:00am-5:00pm • UCI Student Center
Course fee: \$510

TOPICS:

- The laws and best practices involved in the public governance of cities and states
- The processes and regulations governing city finance and the financial aspects of working with labor unions
- How municipal services are delivered through land use plans and community services
- How local governments provide public safety services and interface with regional agencies to provide essential services to their communities

Public Policy Making Academy II

Fridays: April 8, 15, 22, 29, and May 6, 2016
8:00am-5:00pm • UCI Student Center
Course fee: \$510

TOPICS:

- State and local taxes, bonds and other types of governmental financing
- The Economics of land use and housing and the mechanisms of home building and financing from governmental agencies and private developers
- How local governments interface with public utilities to provide essential services to their constituents
- The inner workings of how transportation, including public transportation and mass transit, is operated and funded
- The use of economic development, locally, regionally as well as internationally (international trade) for local communities and the importance of global markets on local economies

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Francine Berg, program representative • (949) 824-4661 • fberg@uci.edu

GARDEN GROVE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING
City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840
Third Floor Training Room

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 12, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 9:05 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-051-2015

Applicant: Keith Montoya
Location: 10680 Katella Avenue
Date: November 12, 2015

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

Action: Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): Keith Montoya. One letter of opposition dated 10/22/15.

Action: Zoning Administrator adopted Decision No. 1727-15.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-052-2015

Applicant: New Cingular Wireless
Location: 11891 Valley View Street
Date: November 12, 2015

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

Action: Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): Alexander Lew. One letter of opposition from Shirley Hay of Greene, Fidler & Chaplan, LLP. Staff noted that the Telecommunications Act of 1996 states that any local jurisdiction cannot regulate, control or deny, a proposed facility based on environmental or health concerns.

Action: Zoning Administrator adopted Decision No. 1729-15.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The Zoning Administrator adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator on Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m., in the City Hall Third Floor Training Room, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove.

Alana Cheng, Recording Secretary



A G E N D A

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 3, 2015

COURTYARD CENTER
12732 MAIN STREET

REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 P.M. COURTYARD CENTER

ROLL CALL: CHAIR O'NEILL, VICE CHAIR KANZLER
COMMISSIONERS MAI, MARGOLIN, PAREDES, ZAMORA

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 Oral Communications at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker shall fill out a card stating name and address, to be presented to the Recording Secretary, and shall be limited to five (5) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing.

Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services due to a disability should contact the City Clerk's office at (714) 741-5035 to arrange for special accommodations. (Government Code §5494.3.2).

All revised or additional documents and writings related to any items on the agenda, which are distributed to all or a majority of the Planning Commissioners 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 Courtyard Center 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 Planning Commission may take legislative action it deems appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 5, 2015
- C. PUBLIC HEARING(S) (Authorization for the Chair to execute Resolution shall be included in the motion.)
 - C.1. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-053-2015
FRONT YARD DETERMINATION NO. FYD-002-2015

APPLICANT: ANH TRAM TRAN
LOCATION: NORTHWEST CORNER OF BROOKHURST STREET
AND ORANGEWOOD AVENUE AT 11471
BROOKHURST STREET

REQUEST: Conditional Use Permit approval to operate a new pre-school, Angels Day Care, at 11471 Brookhurst Street, which will offer licensed child care services to children ages 2 to 6. The total licensed capacity will be limited to 35 children. Also, a Front Yard Determination to determine the Orangewood Street side of the corner lot as the front yard, and to designate Brookhurst Street as the street side yard. The site is in the C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities and 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-053-2015 and Front Yard Determination No. FYD-002-2015, subject to the recommended conditions of approval.

C.2. AMENDMENT NO. A-015-2015

APPLICANT: CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
LOCATION: CITYWIDE

REQUEST: A City-initiated zoning text amendment to Title 9 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code pertaining to marijuana dispensaries and other commercial cannabis activity. The proposed code amendment would update existing provisions in Title 9 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code in a manner consistent with the recently enacted Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act to clarify that the establishment, maintenance, or operation of marijuana dispensaries and related commercial cannabis activities, including the distribution, manufacture, cultivation and delivery of cannabis and/or cannabis products, continues to be prohibited throughout the City. In addition, the proposed code amendment would add one or more provisions to Title 9 declaratory of existing law that any use not specifically identified as a permitted use, conditionally permitted use, or incidental use in any zone or planned unit development area is a prohibited use in that zone or planned unit development area. The proposed code amendment is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. The Planning Commission will be considering a recommendation to the City Council regarding the proposed code amendment.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Recommend that the Planning Commission adopt the proposed Resolution recommending approval of Amendment No. A-015-2015 to City Council.

- D. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS
- E. MATTERS FROM STAFF
- F. ADJOURNMENT

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 5, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

Staff announced that Commissioner Joe Pak resigned from the Commission.

ROLL CALL:

Chair O'Neill
Vice Chair Kanzler
Commissioner Mai
Commissioner Margolin
Commissioner Paredes
Commissioner Zamora

Absent: None. One vacancy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Mai.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: None.

October 1, 2015 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Margolin Second: Kanzler

Ayes: (6) Kanzler, Mai, Margolin, O'Neill, Paredes, Zamora
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (0) None

PUBLIC HEARING – MINOR MODIFICATION TO SITE PLAN NO. SP-230-99, MINOR MODIFICATION TO CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-442-99. FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8034 GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD, EAST SIDE OF BEACH BOULEVARD, SOUTH OF GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD.

Applicant: Aquazoom Car Washes, Inc.
Date: November 5, 2015

Request: Minor Modification approval to Site Plan No. SP-230-99 and Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-442-99 to allow the installation of a 2,180 square foot fabric canopy on a new vacuum system and teller pay area for an existing automatic car wash. The site is in the GGMU1 (Garden Grove Mixed Use 1) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section

15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Ron Jones

Action: Resolution No. 5851-15 approved.

Motion: Kanzler Second: Zamora

Ayes: (6) Kanzler, Mai, Margolin, O'Neill, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

STUDY SESSION – REVIEW OF CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA (CAL POLY) 606 MOBILITY STUDY.

Lee-Anne Milburn presented an overview of the 606 Mobility Study. The Public and Staff then discussed and received input on the subject. A Re:Imagine booklet titled "Garden Grove, a Community in Motion" was handed out and included information on a Non-Motorized Mobility Network, an Open Space Network Enhancement, a 2060 Downtown Concept Plan, and a "Gardens and Groves" Theme.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Zamora mentioned that trees near Target, north of Westminster Avenue were gone and replaced with bushes and rocks, and that a large Pine tree at the southwest corner of Westminster Avenue and Euclid Street was removed. Staff explained that if a tree was behind a sidewalk, it would be beyond the City's jurisdiction and that if a tree's roots lifted the sidewalk, they would address the roots, however, if there was the risk of the tree falling over, the tree would be removed. Staff added that trees could be replaced, and if Target was removing trees, Code Enforcement would investigate as there was a ratio of trees to parking spaces. Currently, some centers were using minimal landscaping due to the drought. Staff then mentioned that the City did an alternative landscaping outreach program a few years ago at the Gem Theater.

Commissioner Margolin asked staff for a breakdown of the City's graffiti removal process. Staff explained that Public Works would remove graffiti with paint, sand blasting, or a high-powered washer on right-of-ways in 72 hours or less, however, graffiti on buildings required staff to contact the property owner to remove the graffiti.

Commissioner Paredes asked staff to explain the joint agreements with schools for use of park land, and asked that for organizations such as AYSO and Pop Warner, who would need to be contacted to encourage partnerships. He also mentioned that parks with sports amenities seemed to be more popular than parks with pathways. Staff explained that joint-use facilities have been in place for many years, however, not all schools have them and that in regard to liability, the City would be responsible and would need to provide insurance.

Chair O'Neill thanked Commissioner Pak for his service and wished him well in taking care of his family.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff announced that the next Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2015 would be cancelled and that the next regular meeting would be December 3rd. Also, a new Commissioner would be proposed at the next Council Meeting.

In response to Commissioner Mai's request at the last meeting, staff explained how to obtain street light for a neighborhood street and gave staff member Ana Neal as the contact. First, a formal application would be required, then a survey would be sent to the community, and if approved, the cost at \$1,500 per light, would be distributed evenly to residents on the block or street, in addition, a maintenance fee would be charged to each home on the street at approximately \$70 per month.

Commissioner Mai encouraged that everyone thank a veteran for Veteran's Day to let them know they are appreciated.

Chair O'Neill mentioned that there would be an event at the Orange County Fairgrounds on Veteran's Day at 10:00 a.m.

Staff wished everyone a nice Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:08 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday, December 3, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove.

Motion: O'Neill Second: Zamora

Ayes: (6) Kanzler, Mai, Margolin, O'Neill, Paredes, Zamora

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Judith Moore
Recording Secretary

Nov. 11, 2015
Issue #99

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Page 4: Save the date: 2016 CAPIO Annual Conference

Local Governments with Tax Revenue from Aircraft Fuel May Need to Submit Spending Plan to FAA by Dec. 8

A recently adopted amendment to a federal regulation by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) clarifies the rule that the proceeds of state and local taxes on aviation fuel at an airport must be used for airport-related purposes, including capital and operations, state aviation programs and airport noise mitigation. The FAA is allowing a three-year period through Dec. 8, 2017, during which FAA will withhold enforcement actions and state and local agencies must develop compliance plans. *For more, see Page 2.*

Enrollment Open for Covered California Insurance *Deadline to enroll is Jan. 31*

Covered California wants to make sure that every California resident is aware that now is the time to sign up for health insurance. Open enrollment began Sunday, Nov. 1 and ends Jan. 31. Covered California is the marketplace where consumers can get financial help to purchase health insurance. *For more, see Page 2.*

Grant Application Period Open for Sustainable Groundwater Planning

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released the final versions of the Sustainable Groundwater Planning grant program [guidelines](#) and proposal solicitation package for counties with stressed basins. *For more, see Page 2.*

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In California, motor vehicle fuel — other than jet fuel — is exempt from sales and use tax. However, proceeds of some taxes on aircraft jet fuel are affected by the FAA rule. The rule does not apply to taxes in effect on Dec. 31, 1987 including the local Bradley Burns 1.25 percent rate or the 4.75 percent state general fund rate in effect at the time. However, several other state rates may be affected, as well as most local transactions and use tax rates.

Local governments with tax revenue from aircraft (jet) fuel may need to provide a spending plan to the FAA by Dec. 8.

Additional information is available from CaliforniaCityFinance.com.

'Covered CA' Continued from Page 1...

This is the third open enrollment period and the group is excited about its successes to date. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), California's uninsured rate has dropped from 17 percent in 2013 to 8.6 percent today. These newly insured are Californians who now receive free annual wellness exams and preventive services, make doctor's appointments instead of going to the emergency room, effectively manage their chronic conditions and now have the peace of mind of knowing that they are covered.

Covered California is the only place where residents can access both quality health insurance and the federal financial assistance to help pay for it. Many Californians receive health insurance from their employers or qualify for other programs like Medi-Cal or Medicare. However, Covered California has become a safety net for everyone else who needs private health insurance but could not afford it in the past. Currently, 90 percent of the enrollees receive premium financial assistance which is determined on a sliding scale — the less the consumer makes the more assistance it receives to pay for that coverage.

Individuals can determine what level of financial assistance they qualify for or whether they are eligible for Medi-Cal by using the "Shop and Compare" tool on the Covered California website. By simply entering household income, zip code, age and the number of people that want to purchase insurance, consumers can get a close estimate of the financial assistance they will receive and the cost of each plan.

Open enrollment is the only time when Californians can enroll or change their insurance plan through Covered California, unless they have a qualifying life event. There are many ways to access Covered California's insurance options. Consumers can enroll on their own at www.coveredca.com, or speak with a Service Center Representative by calling 1 (800) 300-1506. They can also receive free, confidential, in-person assistance from a Certified Enrollment Counselor or Certified Insurance Agent.

As Covered California works to spread the word about the availability of affordable, quality health insurance, it hopes that local voices speak louder and reach more of California's underserved populations. Sample materials and messages are available for local jurisdictions to use to write an op-ed for your local newspaper or share through any social media platform.

If you are interested in authoring a piece or want to learn more about how to spread the word, please contact externalaffairs@covered.ca.gov.

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DWR has \$10 million in Proposition 1 funds immediately available to update or develop local ordinances and groundwater plans to facilitate basin-wide sustainable groundwater management. Eligibility is restricted to stressed, unadjudicated basins. A basin is stressed when it is in critical overdraft, or it exhibits a reduction in groundwater storage, sea water intrusion, degradation of groundwater quality, land subsidence or surface water depletion.

Applications for this grant opportunity are due by 5 p.m. on Dec. 8 and awards will be made in February 2016.

California City Solutions: Cerritos Library Carves out High-Tech Space for Teen Students

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. The city of Cerritos' Library Teen Studio was submitted in 2015 for the Community Services and Economic Development award category.

Due to a strong demand for library services, the city of Cerritos faced the challenge of how to provide teenage students with access to computers and study areas in the Cerritos Library. The solution was to remodel an area within the library into a Teen Studio where teens can access high-tech equipment and participate in activities that encourage educational, creative and personal development. Completed in 2013, local teens contributed design suggestions and the project was made possible through the support of the business community, Friends of the Cerritos Library and teen volunteers. The Teen Studio provides teens with access to computers and study areas.

The Cerritos Library opened in October 1973. The original library was an 18,000-square-foot building with a collection of 45,000 books. The facility also provided the latest technology, including 16-mm films and projectors, record players with headphones and coin-operated electric typewriters.

As the city's population of families with school-age children grew, library use increased significantly. To meet the community's growing demand for library materials, space and resources, the city expanded the Cerritos Library in 1987. The remodeled library featured two microcomputer rooms which were devoted to the computer literacy concept at the time.

With the library open seven days a week and serving students from throughout the seven-city ABC Unified School District, the demand for library services continued to grow. City leaders recognized a need to further expand. The third phase of the Cerritos Library was completed in March 2002. The larger 88,000 square foot space houses 300,000 books, museum-quality exhibits and artwork, and 200 computers for the public's use.

At that time, the computers were located in the Children's Library in an area themed 21st Century, and offered high-speed Internet access, the Microsoft Office suite of programs, and online subscription research databases. Rooms were also available for students to work on group projects.

As more students used the library's services, the computer stations and study areas became increasingly crowded. City leaders decided that the library needed to create a special niche for teens with access to the latest technology, individual and group study areas and college preparation programs.

Library staff cleared a 2,500-square-foot space. The Cerritos City Council asked staff to invite local teens to participate in meetings to help design and develop the new space. The teens provided valuable insights on preferred furnishings, the floorplan, study areas and technological equipment. The Cerritos Library Teen Studio opened in September 2013.

The Teen Studio is a multi-purpose space with seating for up to 66 people, where teens can participate in activities that encourage their educational, creative and personal development. It offers access to state-of-the-art technology, group and individual study areas and the library's young adult collection of approximately 7,000 items. A staff member is always available.

High-tech equipment includes 18 Apple computers, one 40-inch computer surface table, three 65-inch interactive wall-mounted smart displays, two 32-inch e-posters, Wi-Fi access and a multi-function printing device. Internet connectivity is also available for personal laptop and notebook connections through data ports offered at tables throughout the Teen Studio. The computer

surface table makes it possible for teens to share and collaborate together using a large, thin display that recognizes fingers, hands and other objects placed on the screen. The innovative displays combine the touch capabilities of an interactive whiteboard with the crisp visuals of flat-panel display technology to elevate collaborative computing and learning. The e-posters feature artwork created by teens and highlight information about upcoming programs.

By using existing space within the library, the city was able to successfully complete the project while carefully covering its costs. The city's total investment in the construction of the studio was \$290,141. Funding for the majority of the construction cost was allocated from a reimbursement of maintenance and servicing funds the city received from Los Angeles County as part of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996.

The Teen Studio's dedication event was a collaborative effort between the city and Cerritos Library teen volunteers, known as Volunteens. The Volunteens distributed information and dedication buttons and helped visitors use the new high-tech equipment. They also participated in the Teen Studio ribbon cutting and plaque unveiling event with the Cerritos City Council.

Within one year of the dedication, an estimated 25,882 teens had visited the new teen space on a drop-in basis. The Teen Studio successfully met the challenges of providing teens with adequate access to computers to complete their homework and the necessary space to study individually or in groups.

Save the Date: 2016 CAPIO Annual Conference
Scheduled for April 11-14 in Squaw Valley

Get ready to go for the gold at the California Association of Public Information Officials (CAPIO) Annual Conference! CAPIO 2016 is headed for PIO-Olympics in the gorgeous Squaw Valley. The conference will undoubtedly train you well enough to be the best PIO-Olympian for your agency.

CAPIO is a membership organization serving more than 400 professionals throughout the public sector who engage communities through honest and transparent communication. CAPIO provides California-focused education and networking that helps its members and their agencies develop and advance, because good government requires good communicators.

But CAPIO is not just for city public information officials. In addition to a core group of municipal and state communications professionals, CAPIO members include the staff of school districts, counties, special districts, water and air pollution control districts, parks and open space districts, private public relations firms, municipal television channels, police and fire departments, and more.

For more information about CAPIO and its annual conference, visit www.CAPIO.org.

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League Sets Strategic Path for 2016

Approximately 100 leaders of the League's divisions, departments, policy committees, diversity groups and board of directors meet in Sacramento on Nov. 18-20 and participated in an interactive workshop to develop and set the League's 2016 strategic goals. The workshop involved city officials from throughout California and built on the success of prior years while developing a guide for 2016 as well. *For more, see Page 2.*



California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) Schedules Teleconference Meeting to Review Draft Sunset Report to the Legislature

When the 2014 Legislature enacted AB 1147, it directed the California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) to submit a report to the Legislature on or before June 1, 2016 that reports on the activities of the council in a number of specific areas and to assess the feasibility of licensure for the massage profession. A draft of the report is due Dec. 8 to the Business and Professions Committees of the Senate and the Assembly, and the CAMTC Board of Directors will review the draft report at a special teleconference meeting on Thursday, Dec. 3 beginning at 9:30 a.m. *For more, see Page 2.*



League-Sponsored Bond Agency Finances Tax-Exempt Bonds for Medical Center in Chico

The California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA) announced today that it issued \$173,730,000 in tax-exempt bonds for Enloe Medical Center located in Chico. *For more, see Page 3.*

The adopted goals are as follows:

2016 Strategic Goals

1. **Increase Funding for Critical Transportation and Water infrastructure.** Provide additional state and federal financial assistance and new local financing tools to help meet the critical transportation (streets, bridges, active transportation and transit) and water (supply, sewer, storm water, flood control, etc.) infrastructure maintenance and construction needs throughout California's cities.
2. **Improve Housing Affordability.** Increase state and federal financial support, reduce regulatory barriers, and provide additional incentives and local financial tools to address chronic homelessness and improve housing affordability and availability in cities throughout the state.
3. **Update the Local Government Tax Structure to Respond to the New Economy and Stimulate Economic Growth.** Consistent with existing constitutional protections for property, sales and local taxes, develop and enact reforms to the local government tax structure to respond to the growth in e-commerce, the shift from the consumption of goods to the consumption of services, changing patterns of commerce and innovations in technology.

Previous years' goals are available on the [League website](#).

In addition to the feasibility report on licensing, the sunset report is supposed to contain information on its compensation guidelines and salary levels; status in revising its school approval process; and performance metrics on certificate suspensions, school inspections and disapprovals, processing of complaints, etc. (see **B & P Code Sec. 4620** for more details).

The California Massage Therapy Act (**B & P Code Secs. 4600 – 4621**) sunsets (or expires) on Jan. 1, 2017 unless extended by the Legislature.

Here is the agenda for the teleconference meeting of the CAMTC Board of Directors and how you can connect if interested:

Notice/Agenda of Public Meeting

**Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday December 3, 2015**

9:30 a.m.

Via Teleconference Call

Number: 1-877-366-0711 Passcode: 77085177#

1. Call to order/ Roll call/ Establish Quorum
2. Sunset Review Report 2015
3. Closed session with CAMTC legal counsel pursuant to California Government Code Section 11126(e) *[No specific reason is given for this session]*.
4. Public comments regarding issues not on this agenda/suggested agenda items for future meetings
5. Adjourn

Teleconference locations:

One Capitol Mall, Suite 800, Sacramento, CA 95814 (location specified in notice)
4341 Birch Street, #106, Newport Beach, CA 92660
2511 14th Street, Unit C, Santa Monica, CA 90405
4101B1 Soquel Drive, Soquel, CA 95073
1347 Redwood Way, Petaluma, CA 94954
16548 Soledad Canyon, Santa Clarita, CA 91387
400 County Center, Redwood City, CA
17400 Irvine Blvd., Tustin, CA 92780
650 Merchant Street, Vacaville, CA 95688
14410 Big Basin Way, Saratoga, CA
190 Sunset Alley, Eugene, OR
901 E. 14th Street, San Leandro, CA 94577
700 H Street, Suite 1710, Sacramento, CA 95814

As is the case of the Brown Act, the agenda of the meeting must be posted in all of these locations. The notice and the agenda are available on the CAMTC [website](#).

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About Enloe Medical Center

Enloe Medical Center, a 501c3 nonprofit organization, is a 298-bed non-profit hospital with the mission of improving the quality of life through patient-centered care. It is one of two Level II trauma centers north of Sacramento, houses the region's only Level II neonatal intensive care unit and operates the FlightCare air ambulance service. Enloe's comprehensive medical services include cardiac surgery and heart care, neurosurgery, orthopedics, total joint replacement, cancer care, maternity care, women's services and bariatrics.

About the Financing

CSCDA partnered with Bank of America Merrill Lynch to underwrite the \$173,730,000 in tax-exempt bonds for Enloe. The AA- rated bonds will be used to refinance CSCDA's previously issued 2008 Bonds, allowing Enloe to significantly reduce its bond debt service.

Background

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities. 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 \$52 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 the [CSCDA website](#) for more information.

City Managers Department Call for Award Nominations is Now Open for Three Distinct Awards

Deadline to Submit Applications is Wednesday, Dec. 9

The League of California Cities® City Managers' Department is now accepting nominations for the three prestigious awards presented annually to distinguished members of the department. Please submit your nominations no later than Dec. 9. Additional information about the awards is below:

The John H. Nail Memorial Award is presented to an outstanding municipal assistant who has contributed significantly to his or her city government and to the advancement of the community as a whole. The department created the award in memory of a highly regarded city manager known for his great personal integrity.

The Award for the Advancement of Diverse Communities recognizes a city manager or assistant successful in promoting the advancement of diversity within the community and workplace by developing and implementing effective programs, policies and/or practices.

The Wes McClure Award of Distinction honors a leader making a difference for the profession. It honors one city manager's outstanding career service, leadership, ethics, expertise and innovation.

Nomination forms can be found at: www.cacities.org/managers. Please send completed forms to Meghan McKelvey with the subject line "award nomination" or submit nominations by mail to:

Meghan McKelvey
League of California Cities
1400 K St.
Sacramento, CA 95814

A confirmation will be emailed to you upon receipt of your completed nomination form. For questions about the awards please contact Meghan McKelvey at (916) 658-8253.
