

City of Garden Grove

**WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO**

**June 18, 2015**

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council      FROM: Allan Roeder, City Manager  
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A copy of the news article and photos from the June 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Service honoring the five fallen Garden Grove police officers.

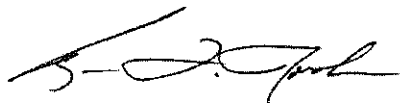
**• OTHER ITEMS**

- NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

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

- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Items of interest are included.



ALLAN L. ROEDER  
City Manager

**City of Garden Grove**  
**INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

To:	Mayor & City Council	From:	Allan Roeder
Dept:		Dept:	City Manager
Subject:	CITY MANAGER FURLOUGH	Date:	June 18, 2015

Beginning this week, I initiated what I term as the "City Manager Furlough" in light of the restrictions on the numbers of hours I am permitted to work as a re-employed retiree by CalPERS. As discussed upon my employment by the City Council, I am limited to working no more than 960 hours per fiscal year. Since my employment with Garden Grove, I have only accounted for those hours "in the office" irrespective of the time required to perform my responsibilities to you and the community. I have never had a problem with doing so and continue to be appreciative of the confidence you have shown in my service to the City. In accepting this appointment, I've always considered it a 24/7 responsibility and I know of no other way to effectively carry out the responsibilities of serving as City Manager irrespective of my Employment Agreement or CalPERS regulations.

As an aside, I am one who very much supports the CalPERS re-employment restrictions. From the standpoint of ethics, I believe it inappropriate to retire from a given occupation under a given retirement system only to return in the same capacity to draw a second income from taxpayers with no restrictions. Beyond the ethical perspective, I believe such a practice without limitations also inhibits the opportunity for younger professionals to develop and seek advancement opportunities. This is simply my own professional opinion and I make no judgment of those who feel it is an unreasonable restriction on the right to work.

However, I likewise am not in a position to risk losing my retirement and becoming what CalPERS terms as being "mandatorily reinstated" (please see attached) and in the foreseeable future, unemployed. Consequently, the most practical solution was make adjustments to my work schedule to ensure my hours "in the office" remain below the 960 hour limit through the end of the fiscal year. I have carefully coordinated this with staff to ensure coverage of all meetings, appointments and other obligations so as to insure there is no drop-off in performance. This change in schedule will have no impact on serving either yourselves or the public and as circumstances dictate, I will adjust accordingly. I am still closely monitoring emails,

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checking telephone calls, staying in touch with staff and taking those other steps necessary to insure the job gets done. However much time I may spend generating reports and reviewing documents on my own time while not "in the office" is strictly of my own volition.

Be sure to let me know if you have any concerns with the preceding or if you should notice any drop-off in performance – either my own or the rest of the organization.



California Public Employees' Retirement System

May 28, 2015

ALLAN ROEDER

Dear ALLAN ROEDER:

As a re-employed retiree, you are only eligible to work 960 hours per fiscal year. Our records indicate that you have worked 812.0 hours, as of 05/22/2015, for the 2014/2015 fiscal year. This is a courtesy notice to inform you that your hours worked are approaching the limit.

The accumulated hours are reported by your employer(s) through payroll reporting. Any concerns about these hours should be discussed with your employer(s). If you exceed the 960 hour limit you could be mandatorily reinstated from retirement to active CalPERS membership.

If you are reinstated your retirement benefits will stop, your active member account will be restored in accordance with current membership provisions, and you will forfeit any Golden Handshake service credit received due to your current retirement.

If you have any questions, please visit our Web site [www.calpers.ca.gov](http://www.calpers.ca.gov), to access the publications, **Employment After Retirement** and **Reinstatement From Retirement**, or you may contact us toll free at **888 CalPERS** (or **888-225-7377**) to request the publications.

Benefit Services Division

cc: City of Garden Grove

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**City of Garden Grove**

**INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

To: Allan L. Roeder  
Dept: Interim City Manager  
Subject: A CELEBRATION OF COMPASSION WITH HIS HOLINESS THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DALAI LAMA TO BE HELD IN GARDEN GROVE ON SUNDAY, JULY 5, AT 2:30 PM AT THE HYATT REGENCY

From: Maria Stipe  
Dept: City Manager  
Date: June 18, 2015

On Thursday, June 10, His Holiness the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama accepted the City's invitation to add an additional event to his schedule during his visit to Orange County in July. This event will be a Celebration of Compassion to be held in Garden Grove on Sunday July 5, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency. Tickets to cover the full cost of the event will be sold for \$45 per person and will include iced tea and light hors d'oeuvres. The event program will center on the theme of compassion and will be hosted by the City of Garden Grove, with the Garden Grove City Council having a prominent role in the event. Staff is presently working with the event coordinators to develop the program and prepare invitations which are anticipated to be mailed by the end of the week.

As part of the event, the Mayor and City Council will have an opportunity to welcome His Holiness to Garden Grove and present him with the proclamation approved by the Council last week, honoring him on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday and declaring Garden Grove a City of Compassion. A special tree planting in Civic Center Park is also planned in celebration of his visit. The planting of a Coast Live Oak tree will take place next Tuesday, June 23, at 5:00 pm. The tree planting will be videotaped by Channel 3 and will be incorporated into the presentation by the Mayor and City Council to His Holiness on July 5.

It is a wonderful honor to have his Holiness the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama visit Garden Grove. Our community is rich in cultural heritage, faith and diversity. City participation in His Holiness' visit and birthday celebration will inspire and advance tolerance between our many cultures and create an atmosphere that furthers our community's ability to express love and compassion for others.

Please contact me if you would like more information or have questions regarding the event.

  
MARIA STIPE  
Deputy City Manager

**City of Garden Grove**

**INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

To: Allan L. Roeder  
From: David R. Barlag  
Dept: Interim City Manager  
Dept: CM Office  
Subject: ACC-OC INFRASTRUCTURE  
SUMMIT  
Date: June 16, 2015

The purpose of this memo is to provide an overview of the 2015 City Infrastructure Summit, presented by the Association of California Cities, Orange County. The summit was held at the Orange County Hilton in Costa Mesa on Friday June 12, 2015.

The format of this event was a series of panels on a variety of subjects relating to City Infrastructure. The panels were facilitated by the Curt Pringle, former Speaker of the California State Assembly and former Mayor of Anaheim.

The panels addressed the following issues:

- Street Cars for Orange County Now
- Desalination: Beyond Water 101
- Policy, Politics and Practice of our New Water World

The first panel, "Street Cars for Orange County Now", was a discussion by Miguel Pulido, Mayor, City of Santa Ana, Steve Jones, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Garden Grove and Natalie Meeks, Public Works Director, City of Anaheim.

The panel highlighted the proposed street car lines in each of their City's and Mayor Pro-Tem Jones highlighted the synergy that would be created when these two streetcars connect together along Harbor Blvd. and through the City of Garden Grove. The Orange County Transit Authority (OCTA) has backed both of these projects with the key oversight that these lines must be on the same platform so they work with each other in the future.

The second panel, "Desalination: Beyond Water 101", was a discussion by Allan Bernstein, City Councilmember, City of Tustin, Scott Maloni, Vice President, Poseidon Resources and Joe Greever, Policy Coordinator, Surfrider Foundation.

This panel appeared a bit more contentious in its nature but I was surprised to learn that the Surfrider Foundation was not fundamentally opposed to the Poseidon Project. The Surfrider's concerns are for the best practices in regards to water intake and brine discharge. Surfrider's also have concerns that the plant utilize the smallest possible footprint for its site location. Councilmember Bernstein illustrated that Desalination is not that answer to the drought but it is another arrow in the quiver that will improve our water resources.

The board also illustrated that Orange County Water District (OCWD) has mandated a number of price and regulatory controls into this proposal moving forward. The current estimate is that a gallon of water from the plant would cost about ½ penny.

The final panel, "Policy, Politics and Practice of our New Water World", was made up of Larry McKenney, Board Member MWD, Bryan Starr, Senior Vice President, Orange County Business Council and Charley Wilson, Board Member Santa Margarita Water District. The key focus of this panel followed the theme of much of the discussion. This discussion was that if not for the innovative efforts of individuals before us, we would not have the water we have today.

One of the individuals created with this vision was, William Mulholland, he was the head of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. He was responsible for building the city water infrastructure and providing a water supply that allowed the city to grow into one of the largest in the world. Mulholland designed and supervised the building of the Los Angeles Aqueduct, construction began in 1905.

Illustrated as a comparison today, Charley Wilson mentioned a project that Santa Margarita Water District has invested in, it is called the Cadiz Valley. The Cadiz Valley Water Conservation, Recovery and Storage Project is designed to actively manage the groundwater basin underlying a portion of the Cadiz and Fenner Valleys in California's Eastern Mojave Desert and conserve renewable native groundwater that would otherwise flow to hyper-saline dry lakes and evaporate.

The event concluded with a keynote address by Mark Kersey a San Diego City Councilmember discussing some of the innovative approaches that San Diego has taken to identify and address some of their infrastructure needs such as sidewalk and street repairs.

David R. Barlag  
Public Safety Administrative Officer

**City of Garden Grove**

**INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

To: Allan Roeder  
Dept.: Interim City Manager  
Subject: INFORMATION REGARDING THE  
WESTVIEW ORANGE COUNTY SPORTS  
FEST AT GARDEN GROVE PARK

From: Kimberly Huy  
Dept.: Community Services  
Date: June 17, 2015

OBJECTIVE

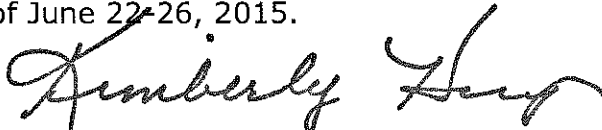
The purpose of this memorandum is to transmit information to the City Council about the Westview Orange County Sports Fest at Garden Grove Park.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Westview Services, Inc. is a non-profit agency that serves hundreds of adults with developmental and other disabilities for more than 28 years in Orange County. Westview Services, Inc. will be holding their 10th Annual Orange County Sports Fest at Garden Grove Park the week of June 22-26, 2015. The Sports Fest offers each client an opportunity to gain recognition for physical and mental accomplishments through competition with their peers. More than 500 clients will be competing in the events. The opening ceremony will be held on June 22 at 10:00 a.m., when public officials will recognize clients for their abilities and achievements. Attached is the event flyer.

SUMMARY

The Westview Orange County Sports Fest will be held at Garden Grove Park the week of June 22-26, 2015.



KIMBERLY HUY  
Director

Attachment: Event Flyer

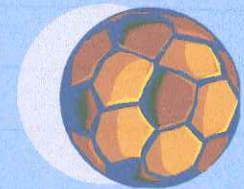
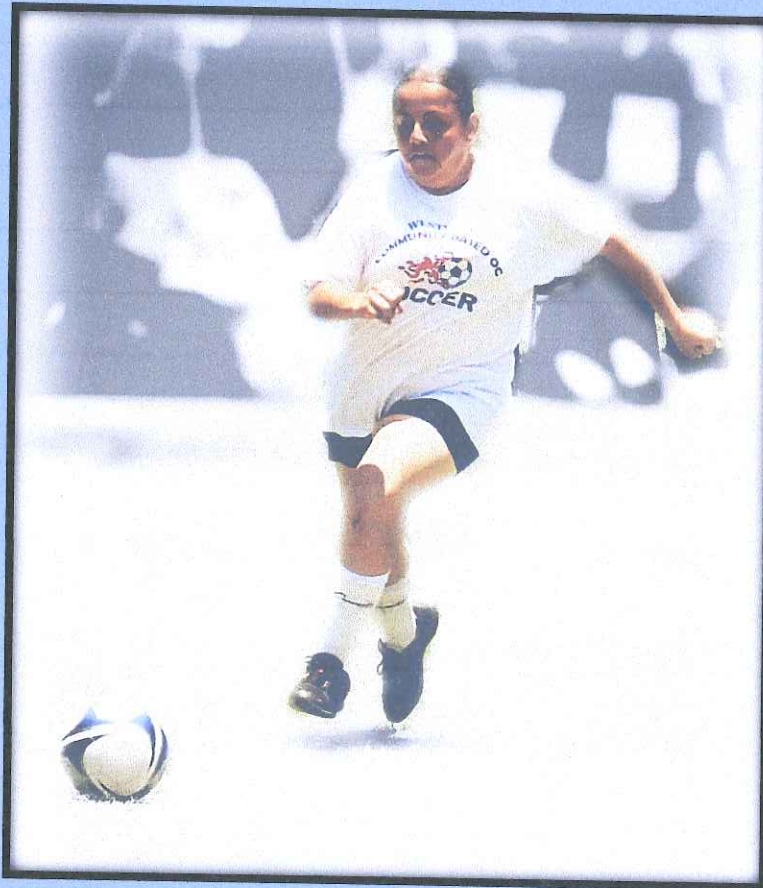


# WESTVIEW SERVICES

ORANGE COUNTY REGION CORDIALLY

INVITES YOU TO ITS

# 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPORTS FEST



## JUNE 22-26, 2015

## GARDEN GROVE PARK

**DAY 1: MONDAY, JUNE 22**

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

OPENING CEREMONY, SOCCER GAMES

**DAY 2-4: JUNE 23, 24 AND 25**

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

DIFFERENT COMPETITIONS AND MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

**DAY 5: JUNE 26**

9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

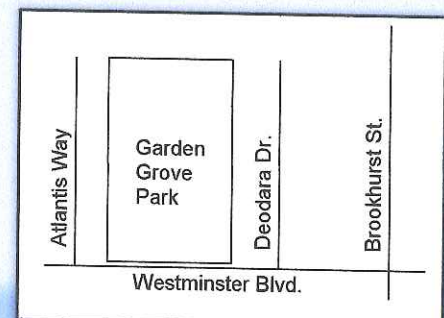
INDIVIDUAL SPRINTS, TEAM RELAYS, MEDAL PRESENTATIONS,  
CLOSING CEREMONY

GARDEN GROVE PARK

9301 WESTMINSTER AVE.

GARDEN GROVE, CA 92844

(IN FRONT OF BOLSA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL)



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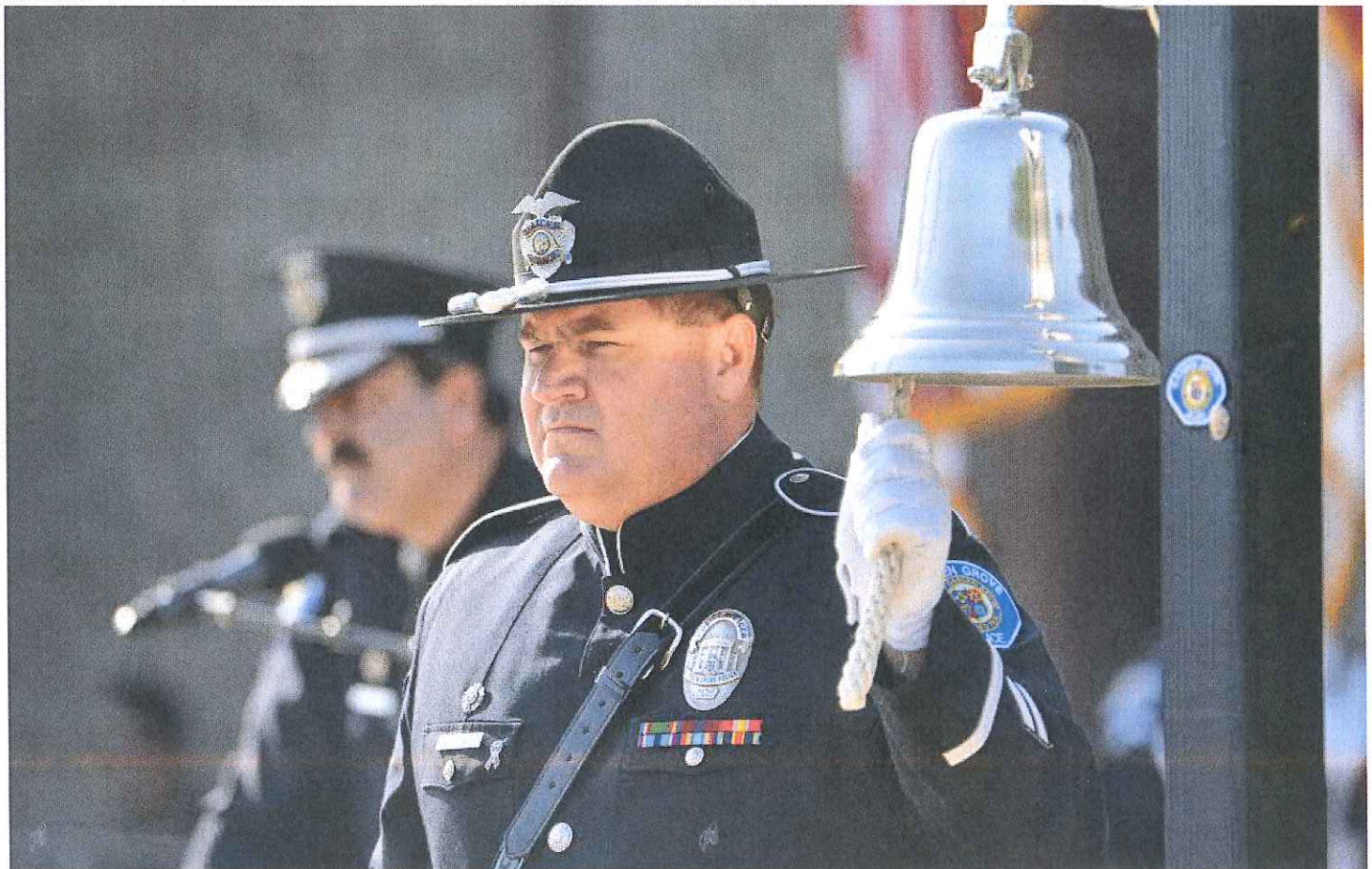
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## Garden Grove Police honor their fallen five at 28th annual 'Call to Duty' memorial service



Officer Charles Danieley rings the bell for each Garden Grove fallen officer as Capt. Ben Stauffer, left, reads their names during the Tolling of the Memorial Bell for the Fallen Officers Honor Guard Presentation, part of the Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service on June 11. Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC

By Greg Hardesty

[June 16th, 2015](#)

The names of the five fallen officers were repeated 12 times by speakers during the hour-long ceremony.

*Sgt. Myron L. Trapp*

*Reserve Officer Andy Reese*

*Officer Donald Reed*

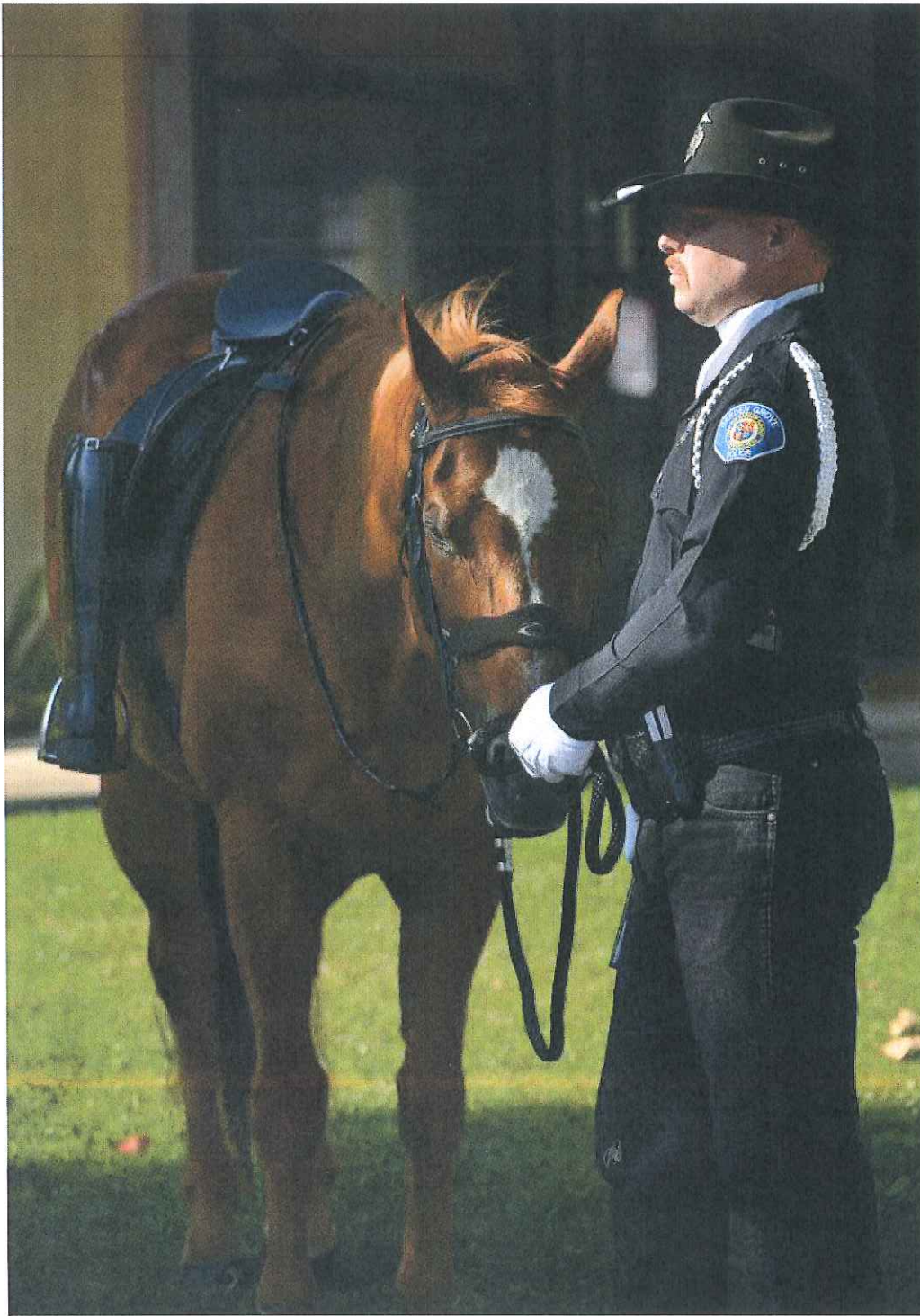
*Officer Michael Rainford*

*Master Officer Howard Dallies, Jr.*

The effect was a kind of prayer — a prayer for the fallen five, and a prayer for police officers everywhere.

“The noble bravery of these officers is equaled only by the profound courage of their families to accept their tragic loss,” Capt. Ben Stauffer told the crowd at the Garden Grove Police Department’s 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Service.

“They are the names, lives and sacrifices that remain a permanent part of our city’s history,” Stauffer said at the June 11 ceremony.



Garden Grove Police Officer Taylor Macy leads Cadillac as part of the Riderless Horse tradition during Garden Grove PD’s 28th Annual “Call to Duty” Memorial Service. The empty boots facing backwards is a tradition signifying “a soldier’s march had ended and that he was able to look back on his troops.”  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC

Garden Grove has the somber distinction of having lost more officers in the line of duty than any other municipal law enforcement agency in Orange County.

Two of the five cops were killed in the same year — 1980.

Trapp was killed Oct. 6, 1959 while responding to a call of an assault with a deadly weapon. A suspect with a rifle fired once through the door of his residence, fatally striking Trapp.

Reese was killed May 30, 1970 by an impatient motorist who was trying to pass slow-moving cars at the Strawberry Festival Parade. Reese had been directing traffic.

Reed was killed June 7, 1980 while serving a felony arrest warrant at a bar. The suspect shot him in the chest with a semi-automatic handgun.

Rainford was killed Nov. 7, 1980 on a freeway onramp during a traffic stop. A drunk driver struck him.



A 21-gun-salute honoring the five Garden Grove fallen officers is fired off on the roof of the police department.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC

Dallies Jr. was killed March 9, 1993 after stopping a man on a motorcycle. As Dallies Jr. approached the motorcycle, the man fired six shots at Dallies Jr., striking him four times.

Every year, usually in May, the GGPD honors the five officers with a ceremony at Memorial Plaza, located in front of police headquarters on Acacia Parkway. Rain last month postponed this year's ceremony.

Families of the fallen officers joined current and retired police officers from several agencies, Garden Grove PD recruits and others at the poignant ceremony.

The ceremony began with the presentation of colors by the Garden Grove PD Honor Guard and Nicholson Pipes and Drums, followed by the Bolsa Grande High School Concert Choir singing the national anthem.

After GGPD Chaplain Cheryl Raine gave an invocation, members of the honor guard took turns ringing a memorial bell in honor of each fallen officer as their names were read out and the stories of how they died were told.

The Bolsa Grande choir then sang "God Bless America," followed by guest speaker Clarke Paris, a U.S. Navy veteran, retired police sergeant (Las Vegas Metropolitan PD) and author on police issues.



Det. Dennis Wardle, left, and Det. Lea Kovacs present flowers to one of the families of fallen officers during Garden Grove PD's "Call to Duty" Memorial Service. Officers presented flowers to each of the attending families of the five fallen Garden Grove officers.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC

Paris talked about the challenges faced by cops.

He called officers "the thread in the blue cloth that separates good from evil" and called policing the most dangerous job, both physically and psychologically.

He urged those in attendance to thank an officer the next time the opportunity presents itself.

The Bolsa Grande choir then sang "Oh How Beautiful This Finely Woven Earth," followed by remarks from Garden Grove Police Chief Todd Elgin, who was sworn in as chief this year.

Elgin talked about how the profession of policing is under attack and said he is "frustrated" by the way cops are being portrayed in the mass media.

"Don't let the misled perceptions of the vocal minority take you out of your game," Elgin told officers and cadets and recruits. "We need to continue to stay engaged and evolve."

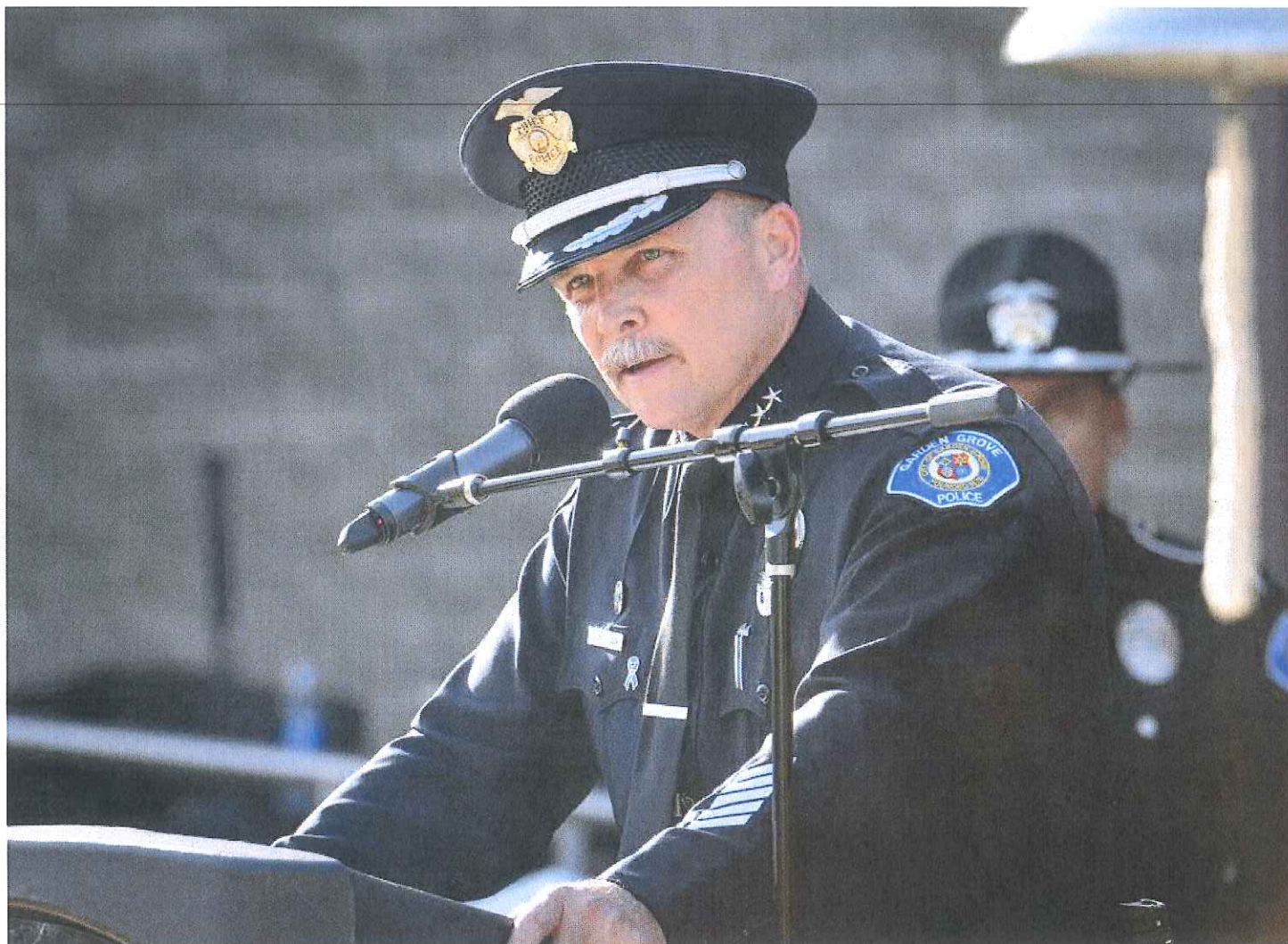
Garden Grove PD Chaplain James Scheller made the closing benediction, which was followed by a 21-gun salute and the playing of "Taps" and the presentation of a riderless horse (GGPD Officer Taylor Macy and Cadillac).

Before the ceremony, Elgin was asked why the Garden Grove PD chooses to honor Trapp, Reese, Reed, Rainford and Dallies Jr. every year.

"Because I think if we don't," said Elgin, "we forget."



A young boy from the family of fallen Garden Grove Police Sgt. Myron L. Trapp tells his little sister to keep quiet for the service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC

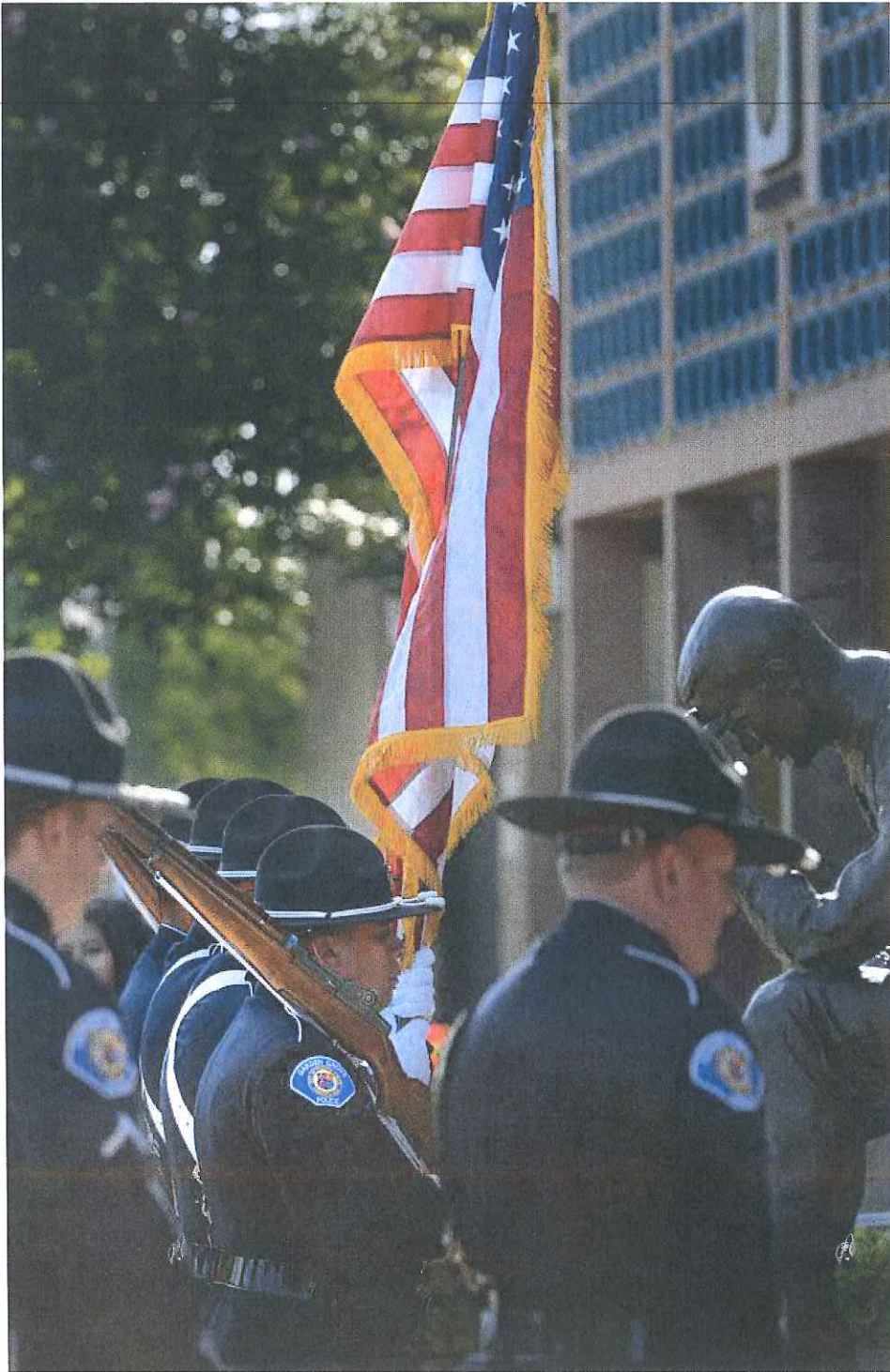


Garden Grove PD Chief Todd Elgin gives the closing remarks at Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service on June 11.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



Officers salute during the playing of "Taps" at the closing of Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC





The Garden Grove Police Department Honor Guard brings in the flags at the start of Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



Officers attend Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



The Nicholson Pipes and Drums lead the color guard at the start of Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



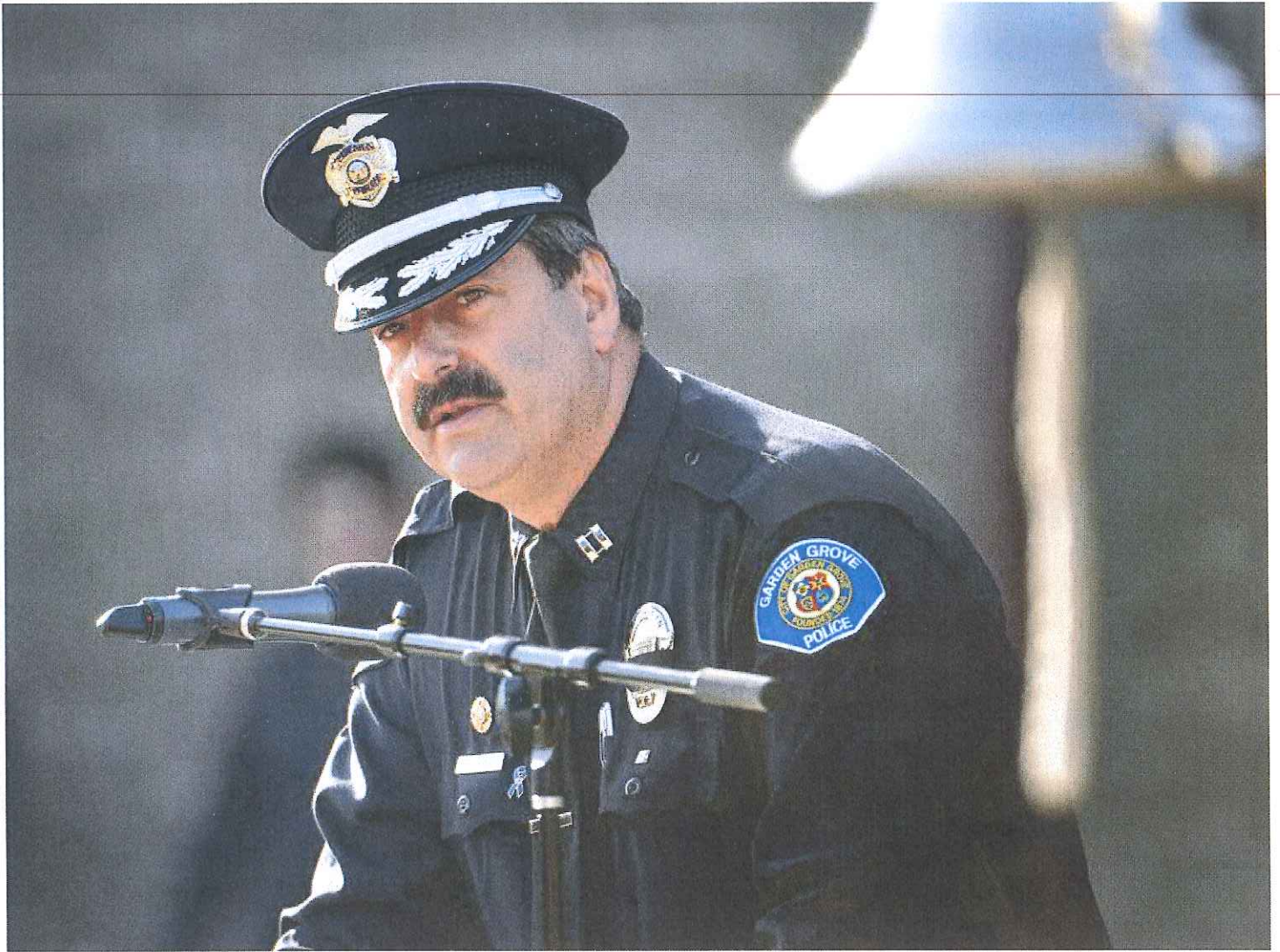
The Bolsa Grande High School Concert Choir sings the national anthem.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



A flag is draped from the ladders of two Garden Grove Fire trucks during Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



Officers attend the Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



Capt. Ben Stauffer served as emcee of the Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service.  
Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC



The Bolsa Grande High School Concert Choir sings "God Bless America" during the Garden Grove PD's 28th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial Service. Photo by Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC





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**Weekly Memo 6/18/15**

**NEWSPAPER  
ARTICLES**



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

Scott Stiles will replace Allan Roeder on Aug. 3.

## Garden Grove's new top executive is from Cincinnati

BY CHRIS HAIRE  
STAFF WRITER

Garden Grove has its man.

Scott Stiles, the assistant city manager for Cincinnati, will be its next top executive, beginning Aug. 3. The City Council approved his appointment last Thursday evening.

He will make \$256,000 a year until his contract expires in 2018. He is eligible for \$12,000 in relocation costs.

In a statement, Stiles called the chance to lead Garden Grove an "incredible opportunity."

"My family and I are thrilled to join such a diverse and progressive community," Stiles said of the city with 175,000 people that is approximately one-third each Vietnamese, Hispanic and white.

Stiles will replace interim city manager Allan Roeder, hired to temporarily take charge after former executive Matt Fertal retired on Jan. 1.

Stiles climbed the ranks of Cincinnati City Hall over the past 26 years; he served as its interim manager from December 2013 to September 2014.

"Scott's professional experience, passion for public service, and ethics make him a good fit for Garden Grove," said Mayor Bao Nguyen.

# New biography tells a hero's story



Tibor Rubin of Garden Grove, a Medal of Honor recipient, is the focus of "Single Handed" by Daniel M. Cohen.

BY CHRIS HAIRE  
STAFF WRITER

Many in Garden Grove already know the story: Holocaust survivor, war hero, prisoner of war, Medal of Honor recipient.

But now, the life of Garden Grove resident Tibor Rubin - from his experience as a preteen Hungarian Jew fleeing to Switzer-

land to escape the Nazis to a prisoner of war held by Chinese forces - has been written down for mass distribution.

"Single Handed: The Inspiring True Story of Tibor 'Teddy' Rubin - Holocaust Survivor, Korean War Hero and Medal of Honor Recipient" by Daniel M. Cohen was released last month.

The story recounts in 488 pages the life of the 86-year-old retired corporal, who survived a Nazi concentration camp and gave medical assistance to his fellow Korean War soldiers while imprisoned by the Chinese for two years.

"When I first met him in 2011, I thought his story was extraordinary," said Cohen, a Santa Monica writer who met Rubin through a rabbi. "I didn't know why no one had written it yet."

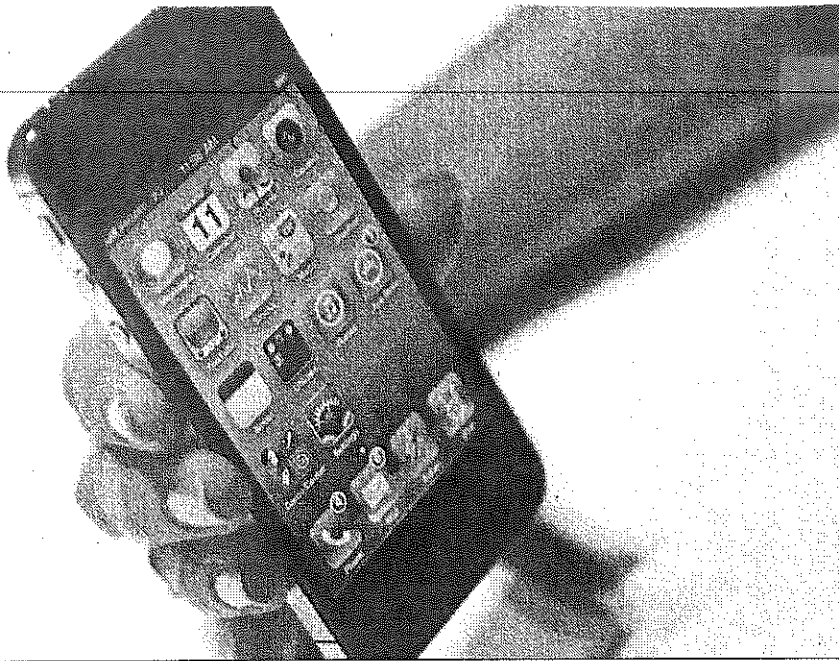
Tibor Rubin of Garden Grove lived through the Holocaust and detention at a prisoner of war camp.

Rubin spent much of his post-war life in anonymity, though his comrades from Korea and the prisoner of war camp petitioned the government for years that he deserved the country's highest military honor. Since receiving the Medal of Honor in 2005, he has received much official praise: a United States stamp with his likeness, a Garden Grove library named after him and a short Medal of Honor documentary by PBS.

Still, to Rubin's family, this book is an equally appreciated honor.

"I can't wait to read it," Rubin's daughter, Rosie, said. A teacher, she has been swamped as the school year ends; she also cares for her mother and father.

"I want to be able to sit down and actually 'read it' read it," she said. "But I'm excited to learn more about his experiences."



RAMIN TALAIE BLOOMBERG

The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce now offers an app for its members.

## The 'My Chamber' app

In business circles, "apps" are usually restaurant jargon for "appetizers."

But the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce has brought an app to its members and it has nothing to do with fried calamari or

onion rings.

The chamber now offers a smartphone application for iPhones and Androids called the "My Chamber App."

For \$10, members can download the app on iTunes or Google Play, and

use it to promote their business, attract local customers, connect with the chamber and get phone numbers and directions to businesses.

Information: 714-638-7950.

- Chris Haire

### → THINGS TO KNOW

## City proclaims happy birthday to Dalai Lama

Happy birthday, Dalai Lama; signed, Garden Grove.

The City Council recently honored Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama, with a special proclamation ahead of the spiritual leader's 80th birthday in

July, which coincides with his three-day Global Compassion Summit in Orange County.



TED S. WARREN AP

The Dalai Lama photographed in 2005.

The Dalai Lama's visit, the proclamation said, is an opportunity for the city to "humbly

join the international community's recognition of the Dalai Lama's enduring humanitarianism, and life mission to abolish suffering, reduce hatred, nurture kindness and reinforce the principles of equity and fairness."

- Chris Haire

## City to look at demographics to create voting districts

Garden Grove's city staff members are working on proposals to soon be presented to the City Council for hiring a demographics firm to study whether there is racially polarized voting in the city.

City Attorney Tom Nixon

said that in a closed-session meeting last week, the council told staff they wanted to begin the process of hiring demographers.

Doing a demographic study of the city - which has a majority Vietnamese-American

council, but hasn't had a Latino elected since at least 1975 - is the first step in potentially moving Garden Grove to district elections.

It is also an attempt to stave off a lawsuit.

The Mexican American Le-

gal Defense and Education Fund, a Latino-rights group, said that if Garden Grove does not move toward district elections, it would sue the city for violating the California Voting Rights Act.

- Chris Haire

# DRIVING TO A DREAM

Garden Grove golfer Gregory Kozlowski, 50, is on his way to next month's Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles.

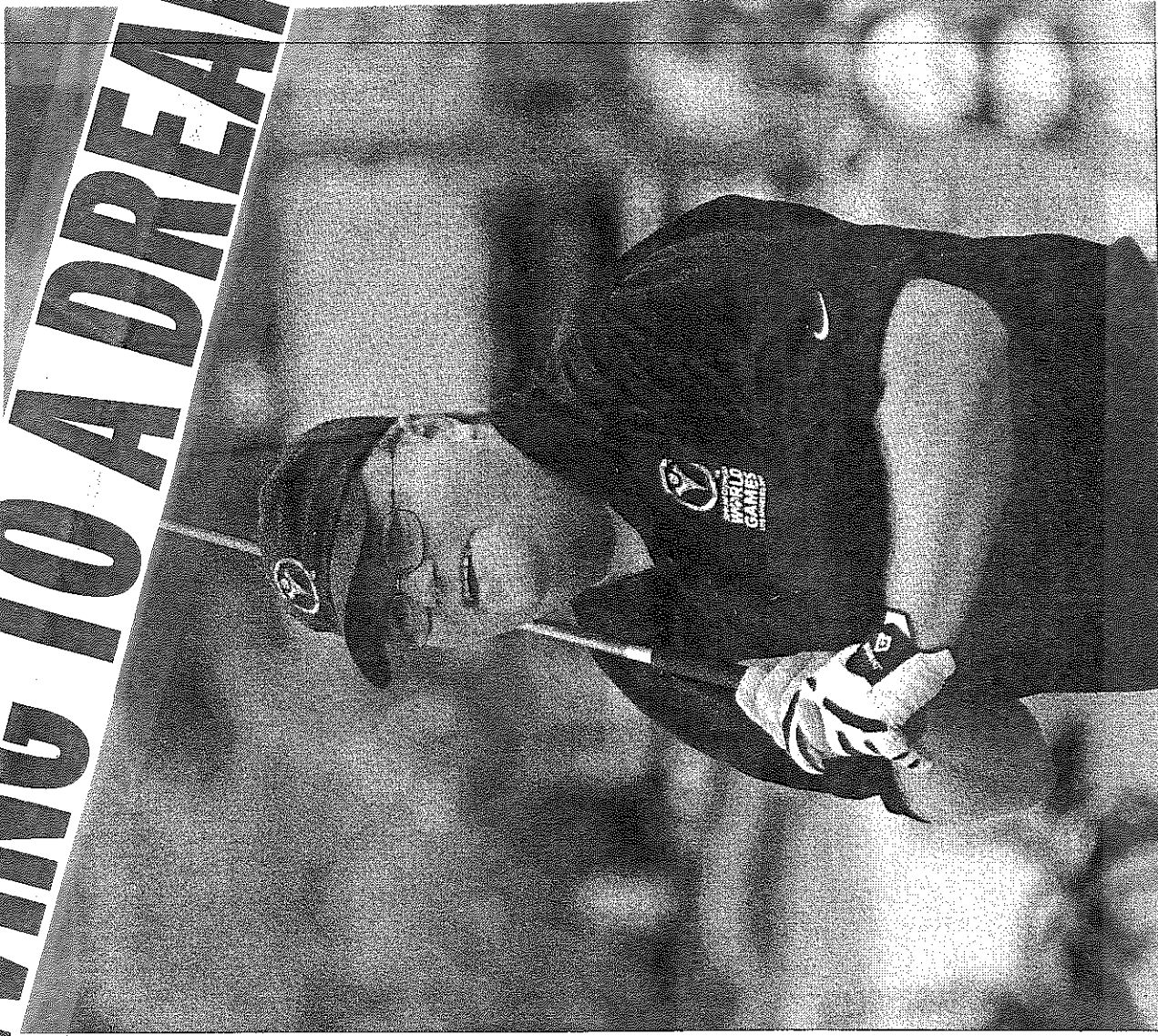
BY ELAINE LEE  
STAFF WRITER

**G**regory Kozlowski turned a onetime hobby into his ticket to Olympic competitions – the 50-year-old athlete will be golfing in the Special Olympics World Games this summer.

A gold medal finish in last year's qualifiers secured Kozlowski's place in the singles 9-hole division at the 2015 games that will take place in Los Angeles starting July 25. The golf competition will take place at Griffith Park.

In the Special Olympics Summer Games during the weekend in Long Beach, Kozlowski, a Garden Grove resident, placed fourth.

Kozlowski first learned golf from his two grandfathers before he started training with a coach to be competitive.



Kozlowski reacts to a good drive as he practices for the Special Olympics. Kozlowski secured his place in the World Games next month in Los Angeles by taking gold in the qualifiers last year.

# GOLFER

He was introduced to the Special Olympics by his stepmother, who works with the organization.

"It gave me a new circle of friends and teammates that like to do what I do and help each other," he said.

"I do best when I can help people and tasks are more physical in nature rather than a lot of reading and writing," said Kozlowski, who has a learning disability. "As an example, I help my golf teammate who doesn't walk well by carrying things and opening doors ahead of him, and he helps me add up our golf scores quickly."

Finding that balance and passion has been the key to Kozlowski's success, said his coach of 10 years, Marty LaRoche.

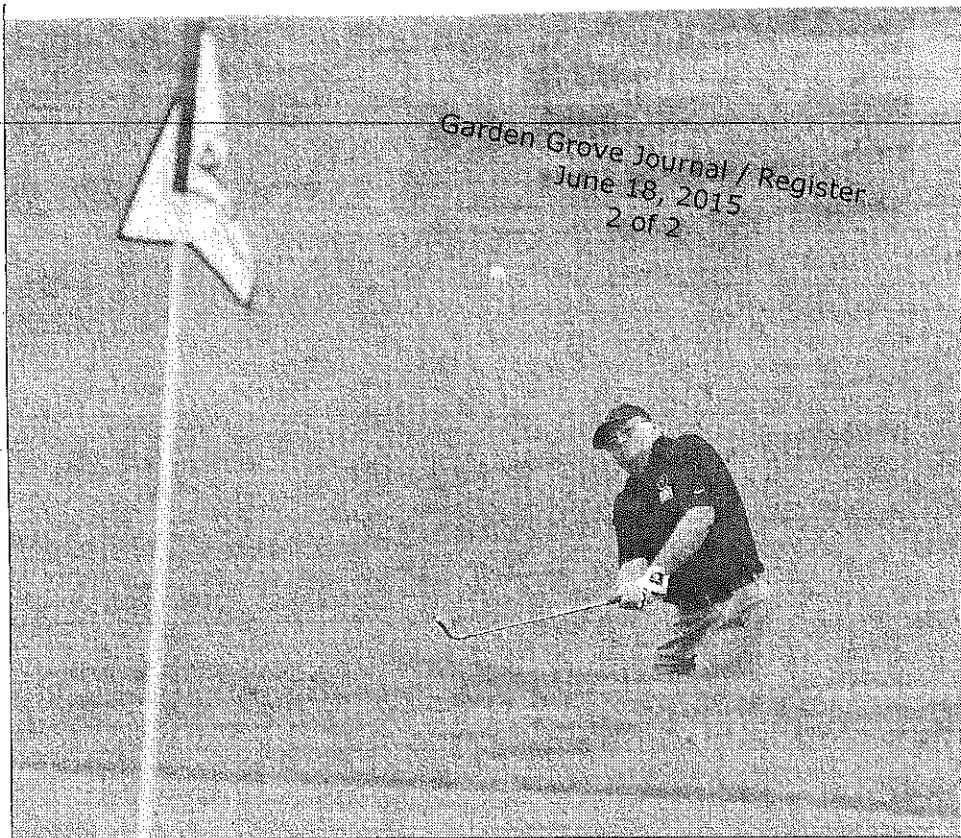
"Greg's love for the game overcomes everything, and his balance has improved a lot since working with him," LaRoche said. "Greg's very passionate for the game, so bad shots are sometimes difficult to digest, so I calm him down by having him swing to balance and hold it for five seconds."

Kozlowski said his training is a team effort.

"Everyone can always do better, and at every practice my coaches, Larry Wahl and Marty LaRoche, help me see where I need to work on different parts of my game to do better," Kozlowski said. "As an example, I have used too many strokes in my putting, and I wanted to make the ball go farther with different clubs, so I needed to learn to hold and swing my arms differently, stand with my clubs in different positions, as well as better understand what each club does uniquely best for me."

LaRoche said he sees Kozlowski as a role model to many of his athletes.

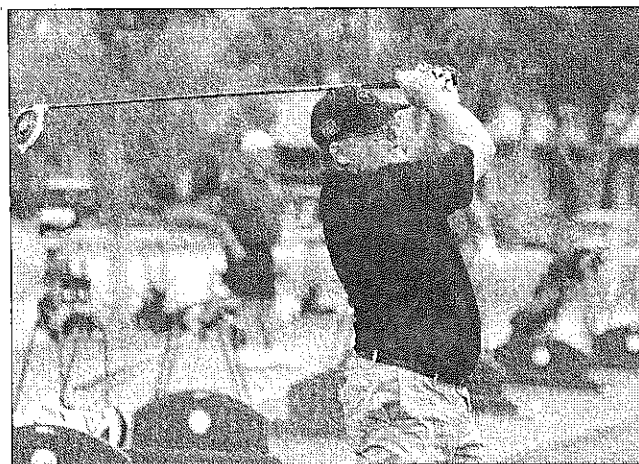
"As an athlete, Greg is



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**"It gave me a new circle of friends and teammates that like to do what I do and help each other," Greg Kozlowski says of taking up golf competitively.**



**Kozlowski practices his tee shots June 4 at the Tijeras Creek Golf Club in Rancho Santa Margarita.**

definitely a leader. He is active and loves the game so much. I wish all my students had his passion," LaRoche said.

Along with helping him get to practices and events, Kozlowski said he relies on his friends and families when he needs encouragement to perform his best on the course.

"They are my personal fan club and cheerleaders," he said. "They also take pictures of me and my team-

mates over the years for our memories."

With that support, Kozlowski is able to focus on improving and zeroing in on what he is good at.

"I believe everyone can benefit from asking for help and working as a team," Kozlowski said. "In my life, I have held a few jobs and always do better when I have a manager or friends who understand my disabilities but let me do tasks that focus on my abilities."

"It's been very exciting and busy getting ready for the World Games, so I will take a little break, but then look forward to my annual golf program again in the spring and summer," he said. "Special Olympics is really a big part of my life all year because I've made friends I talk with and I help the staff go thank our donors and volunteers."

By actively participating in the sports community, Kozlowski said he has mastered new skills that help him speak with confidence, and he has even been asked to help promote the Special Olympics.

"I have learned to speak in front of people and not be afraid because I was trained as a sports ambassador several years ago," Kozlowski said. "Now they have a program called Global Messenger, and they asked if I wanted to try that also, but I didn't this year because I am focusing on the World Games."

## PUBLIC NOTICES

City of Garden Grove

Notice Inviting Sealed Bids (IFB)

IFB No. S-1169

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent for the City of Garden Grove, Room 220, Second Floor, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840 to Provide One New and Unused Standard Cab Utility Bed Service Truck. A copy of the bid document may be obtained from the City of Garden Grove's website. Direct any questions regarding this bid process to Sandra Segawa via email at sandras@garden-grove.org. Bids are due and will be opened in the office of the Purchasing Agent at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, July 20, 2015. Bids received after that exact time will not be considered.

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Dated: June 17, 2015

Sandra Segawa, C.P.M., CPPB  
Purchasing Agent  
City of Garden Grove  
11222 Acacia Parkway  
Garden Grove, CA 92840

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City of Garden Grove

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IFB No. S-1167-A

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# Community alendar

## Ongoing

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tee meets the second Friday of  
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Grove. For more information, call  
the chamber at 714-638-7950.

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The group meets Thursday eve-  
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For more information, call 714-  
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group to provide an opportunity  
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families, share experiences and  
exchange ideas. These meetings  
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ers and family members of indi-  
viduals with dementia. All groups  
listed are in compliance with  
chapter and national standards.  
This is a faith-based meeting and  
may include prayer or pastoral  
speaker, and will take place at 1  
p.m. Saturdays at Christ Cathed-  
ral, 12141 Lewis St. in Garden  
Grove. For more information, call  
Peggy Woelke at 714-634-2161.

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summer will highlight books  
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The Rotary Club of Garden  
Grove meets at 12:10 p.m.  
Wednesdays at The Marriott  
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### GG Kiwanis to meet

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

### School Board to meet

The Garden Grove Unified  
School District holds its regular  
meetings at 7 p.m. the first and  
third Tuesday of each month at



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the district offices, 10331 Stanford Ave. in Garden Grove.

**Ready, young Rembrandts?**  
Elementary and preschool students are eager to learn and a joy to teach. Your young artist will learn to draw using our step-by-step process in this class, held on Tuesdays at the Westminster Civic Center craft room, 8200 Westminster Blvd. in Westminster. Give your child a head start in being handwriting-ready by developing his/her fine motor skills. There will be new lessons each week at the preschool and elementary level. Students ages 3-5 meet at 3:15 p.m. and ages 6-12 meet at 4 p.m. For more information, visit [www.westminster-ca.gov](http://www.westminster-ca.gov).

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

**Commission set to meet**  
The City of Westminster Planning Commission holds its regular meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the City Council Chambers, 8200 Westminster Blvd. in Westminster.

**Chamber set to meet**  
The Westminster Chamber of Commerce holds legislation meetings at 8 a.m. the first Wednesday of each month in its offices, at 14491 Beach Blvd. in Westminster.

**Board meetings on Fridays**  
The Chamber of Commerce holds a regular board of directors meeting at 8 a.m. the fourth Friday of every month at the chamber's location, 14491 Beach Blvd. in Westminster. For more information, call the chamber at 714-898-9648.

**Join preschool storytime hour**  
Join the Westminster Public Library for stories, songs, and crafts at 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday with your preschool-aged child. The Westminster Library is at 8180 13th St. in Westminster. Contact the children's librarian, Anna, with questions at 714-893-5057.

# Profits differ for competing Tet festivals

Garden Grove organizers in the red, while new event prospers.

BY CHRIS HAIRE  
STAFF WRITER

**GARDEN GROVE** • Financial information from the competing Lunar New Year festivals in Costa Mesa and Garden Grove in February tell a tale of two Tets - with one earning a profit and the other failing to break even.

The Costa Mesa festival, hosted by the Union of Vietnamese Students Associations, made approximately \$186,000 in profit in its second year since moving to the OC Fair & Event Center, said Nicole Nguyen, a mem-

ber of the group's board of directors.

The more-traditional festival, hosted by the Vietnamese Community of Southern California in Garden Grove Park, could end up owing about \$11,000 unless it can persuade the city of Garden Grove to lower its bill.

The Vietnamese Community - which in 2014 kept a festival in the heart of Little Saigon after the student group departed following failed negotiations with the city - had \$147,000 in revenues this year, said Hoa Nguyen, chairman of the festival's organizing committee.

But it also had \$158,000 in expenses, including \$77,000 to the city to cover bills, and another \$81,000 in

operational costs, Hoa Nguyen said.

Hoa Nguyen said he was surprised that the city's bill was \$3,000 more than last year: "And this year we closed the festival in the early afternoon (Sunday) because of the rain. It should be less."

Kim Huy, director of Garden Grove's Community Services, said it is natural for costs to increase year to year.

Meanwhile, the Costa Mesa festival saw better results, financially.

Nicole Nguyen said half of the group's profits, \$93,000, will go to local nonprofits. The other half will be retained by the volunteer organization to cover various costs.

"We profited in our se-

cond year," she said. "We're getting better. With a new venue comes new challenges."

This year also provided a new wrinkle for both groups: Their festivals were on the same weekend, raising a question about whether they would diminish each other's profits.

"I would have liked them to be on different weekends, but it wasn't possible," said Hoa Nguyen, of the Garden Grove festival. "The turnout was good, but having two festivals hurt us."

Tet festivals are held on weekends close to the Lunar New Year.

Said Nicole Nguyen of the student group, "It's nice to have competition. If you think you can be better than us, then go ahead."

# OUR TOWNS

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## GARDEN GROVE

**Demographics:** City staff members will work on proposals for hiring a demographics firm to study whether there is racially polarized voting in the city, City Attorney Tom Nixon announced after a closed-session meeting on Tuesday. This is the first step in potentially moving toward district elections.

Chris Haire, 714-704-3707  
chaire@ocregister.com

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## GARDEN GROVE

**Reunion:** The Rancho Alamitos Alumni Association's All-Class Alumni Picnic will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Ave. Booster groups will sell food. All proceeds support Rancho and various scholarships. Information: webmaster@ra3vaqueros.com. Chris Haire, 714-704-3707  
chaire@ocregister.com

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## GARDEN GROVE

**Police work:** Police Department detectives are gathering financial paperwork for an audit as they investigate an allegation that two board members of the Union of Vietnamese Student Associations took \$118,000, said Lt. Robert Bogue, the department's spokesman. These types of investigations usually take several months to a year, he said. Chris Haire, 714-704-3707  
chaire@ocregister.com

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## GARDEN GROVE

**New exec:** Scott Stiles, the assistant city manager for Cincinnati, is Garden Grove's new city manager, effective Aug. 3. He will make \$256,000 a year in salary, according to his three-year contract. He is also eligible for \$12,000 in relocation costs. The City Council appointed him Thursday. Stiles replaces interim executive Allan Roeder. Chris Haire, 714-704-3707  
chaire@ocregister.com

## GARDEN GROVE

**Center closed:** The Community Meeting Center, at 11300 Stanford Ave., is the city's main building for public and private events; it is closed for interior renovations. It is scheduled to re-open in early 2016. The City Council and commission meetings will continue to be held in the center until renovations reach the council chambers part of the center.

Chris Haire, 714-704-3707  
chaire@ocregister.com

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## GARDEN GROVE

**Muscular dystrophy:** City firefighters will canvass the intersection of Harbor Boulevard and Chapman Avenue from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 27 for its Fill the Boot fundraiser to help find a cure for the muscle disease. The Fire Department will give the proceeds to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Chris Haire, 714-704-3707  
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# 'Best Home & Garden' in GG chosen

Home belongs to the Sullivan family, who took eight years to remodel it

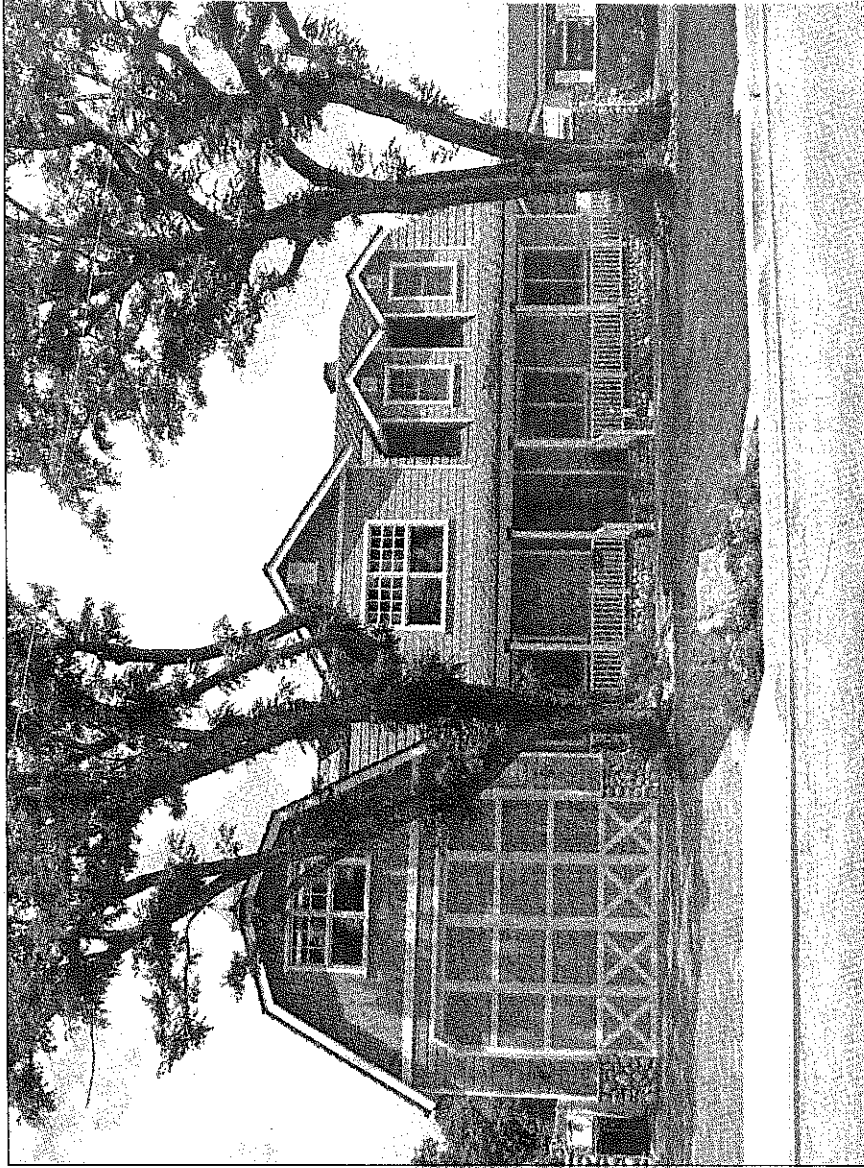
At the conclusion of the 42nd annual Garden Grove Pride Awards Ceremony on Monday, June 1, the winning home in the "Best Home & Garden" contest was revealed.

A home belonging to Patrick and Valerie Sullivan on Dunklee Lane took the top honor. The week prior to the ceremony, the community was invited to participate in an online voting contest to pick the best-looking home in Garden Grove.

The Sullivan's home was chosen from a large field.

There were 17 other Home of the Year winners, and the Best Water-Wise Home. Photos of each were posted on the city's website for the contest. The Home of the Year winners are chosen by volunteer judges who review approximately 3,000 homes in each of the city's 17 zones. The Sullivan's reside in zone 16.

Their sage-colored, award-winning home is a farmhouse style, and took Patrick and Valerie eight years to remodel. They've lived in the home since 1986. The Sullivan name is no stranger to the Garden Grove Pride Awards. Patrick's parents, the B.J. Sullivan Family, are in the program's Hall of Fame. This distinction is awarded when



Courtesy photo

This home on Dunklee Lane was chosen "Best Home & Garden." Winners of the top homes in Garden Grove were announced on June 1 at the Garden Grove Pride Awards Ceremony.

a home is named Home of the "Best Home & Garden" winner or the Garden Grove Pride Awards, photos of the event, visit the city's website at 714-741-5280. To view photos of the event, visit the city's website at 714-741-5280.

For more information about the call the Office of Community Relations at 714-741-5280. Facebook or Instagram.

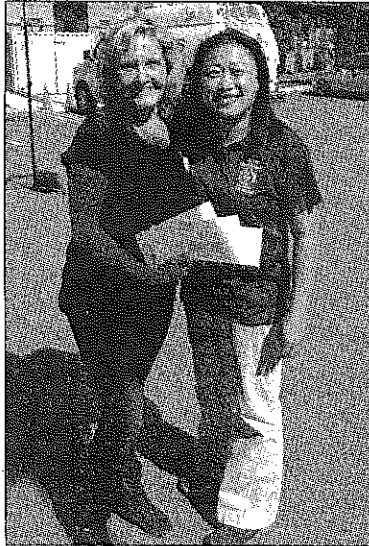
# Senator, merchants help House of Hope

Following the theft of 1,500 pounds of food from the Santa Ana based non-profit Grandma's House of Hope, State Sen. Janet Nguyen and local businesses have come together to donate \$2,000 to replace the stolen items.

The food was part of the Grandma's House-Nana's Kidz program, which provides food during the weekends and in the summer to children who live in motels and rely on school lunches and free lunch programs for meals.

"When I learned of this crime, I was truly heartbroken. To steal food from needy children who rely on these meals for their nourishment is unfathomable. As a mother of two young boys, I could not imagine seeing my children go without food, so I immediately sought to find a way to help," said Nguyen.

According to reports, the food was being stored in sheds at St.



Courtesy photo  
**State Sen. Janet Nguyen, right, pitched in after 1,500 pounds of food were stolen from the non-profit Grandma's House of Hope.**

Anselm of Canterbury Episcopal

Church in Garden Grove until yesterday morning, when church staff found the shed locks broken and the food missing. As a result of this theft, Grandma's House now has one day to collect one-month's worth of food for a food-packing event scheduled for this week.

In an effort to help, Sen. Nguyen called on local businesses including: ABC Supermarket, A Dong Supermarket, Dong Phuong Tofu, and Saigon City Supermarket who all donated funds that will be used to restore the stolen food.

"I appreciate that these businesses have found it in their hearts to help me ensure that these children are not affected by this crime," said Senator Janet Nguyen.

Anyone who believes they have any information related to this crime should contact the Garden Grove Police Department.

## Human rights bill

The Garden Grove City Council has thrown its support behind a congressional bill that would limit the nonhumanitarian assistance the United States gives to Vietnam unless the Southeast Asian country improves its human rights record.

The council approved sending a letter of support to Rep. Christopher Smith, R-N.J., who authored the Vietnam Human Rights act of 2015.

If enacted, the law would cap financial assistance to Vietnam at fiscal 2014 levels, would require that easing the prohibition on selling military equipment to Vietnam happen only if steps are taken to improve human rights and would mandate that the U.S. try to overcome the jamming of Radio Free Asia.

## Summer programs

Summer is right around the corner, and with it comes the opportunity for kids to sign up for free or low-cost programs to keep them busy.

That's why the Garden Grove Unified School District hosted its annual Summer in the City Resource Fair Monday at Garden Grove High School.

The fair, which was free to attend, allowed parents and students to connect with representatives from more than 30 local organizations with summer programs.

For more information, call 714-663-6084.

## Film Fest

The ninth annual Indie Fest USA International Film & Music Festival is scheduled for Oct. 15-18 in the Village Green Community Center and surrounding Main Street area.

The festival will screen 150 independent films from the United States and 16 other nations.

The City Council recently approved waiving permit fees to allow the festival to host its awards reception and opening night filmmaker and VIP reception at the community center.

It's the festival's fifth year in Garden Grove.

# Community Calendar

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## Ongoing

**Overachievers, check this out**  
Achievers Club 9331 is hosting communication and leadership meetings featuring professional speakers at the Crystal Cathedral Tower of Hope, 12141 Lewis St. Meetings will be held every Thursday except during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's holiday weeks. For more information, call Barbara Barrientas at 714-971-4123, e-mail [bbarrientas@crystalcathedral.org](mailto:bbarrientas@crystalcathedral.org) or visit [www.orgsites.com/ca/achievers9331](http://www.orgsites.com/ca/achievers9331).

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## GG Kiwanis to meet

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## City Council to meet

Anaheim City Council meetings are

held in City Hall Council Chambers, 200 S. Anaheim Blvd., first floor. Public session commences at 5 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. The meetings are broadcasted on local cable Channel 3 and can also be viewed live online at [www.anaheim.net](http://www.anaheim.net).

## School Board to meet

The Garden Grove Unified School District holds its regular meetings at 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month at the district offices, 10331 Stanford Ave. in Garden Grove.

## A crafty day at library

Kids are invited for a special craft program at 3:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Westminster Public Library, 8180 13th St. in Westminster. Come after school for a fun creative afternoon. For more information, call Anna at 714-893-5057.

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

## CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS PROJECT NO. 7271

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for providing labor, material, tools, equipment and transportation, and to perform all the work required for "BROOKHURST STREET REHABILITATION, PROJECT NO. 7271, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. STPL - 5328 (074) AND HAWK SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT HARBOR BOULEVARD AND TWIN TREE LANE INTERSECTION, STATE PROJECT NO. ATPL - 5328 (075)" will be received at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, City of Garden Grove, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840.

The proposed project consists of roadway rehabilitation by full depth reclamation and cement treatment; Asphalt paving; Cold milling; Replacement of PCC sidewalk, curb, curb & gutter, drive approach, cross gutter, and hand-cap ramps; Repairing sidewalk culvert and catch basin; Adjustment of utility covers to finish grade; Installation of video detection system; Installation of traffic striping, raised pavement markers, and signage; Reestablishment of centerline ties and monuments; Installation of HAWK pedestrian signal located at Harbor Boulevard and Twin-tree Lane.

The plans, specifications and Contract documents may be obtained on the first floor, Building Permit Counter, 11222 Acacia Parkway, upon payment of a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each set of plans and specifications. This fee is not refundable. If requested by mail, add twenty five dollars (\$25) for mailing and handling charges, request shall be to the attention of Department of Public Works/Engineering or call (714) 741-5192.

Bids are due in the City Clerk's Office by 11:00 A.M. on Monday, July 6, 2015, and will be opened in Conference Room 1 - South, first floor, in City Hall.

Direct ANY and ALL questions to Mr. Navin B. Maru, Project Engineer, (714) 741-5180.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC  
City Clerk

Date: June 9, 2015  
Publish: June 12, 2015 and June 19, 2015  
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## CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden Grove City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the meeting on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California, to consider the adoption of a Resolution establishing and amending fees charged for various City services. The proposed action includes the addition and/or deletion of fees related to Community Services, Public Works, and general City services. The proposed fee changes and the data indicating the amount of cost or estimated cost required to provide the service for which the fee is levied and the revenue sources anticipated to provide the service will be made available to the public for review ten (10) days prior to the Public Hearing during normal business hours in the City Clerk's Office, on the second floor of City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, California.

If you challenge the decision of the City Council in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this Notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council during, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

Written comments can be mailed to the City of Garden Grove, Attn: City Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 3070, Garden Grove, CA 92842-3070, or faxed to (714) 741-5205, or personally delivered to the City Clerk's Office at the address noted above. If you have any questions regarding this Notice or the proposed action, or would like more detailed information, please call Ann Eifert in the City of Garden Grove Finance Department at (714) 741-5058.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC  
City Clerk

Date: June 8, 2015  
Publish: June 10, 2015 and June 12, 2015  
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15-50398  
Publish June 10, 12, 2015

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**PUBLIC HEARING**  
THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE  
Notice is hereby given that the Garden Grove City Council will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove to receive and consider all evidence and reports relative to the applications described below.  
The Garden Grove City Council will receive public comment on the amendment and update of the City's current water conservation program to revise and add additional water conservation measures required by the State of California.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to comment at the City Council Public Hearing, or by writing a letter, and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the Public Hearing. Written correspondence received before 3:00 p.m. on the Wednesday before the Public Hearing will be given to the City Council. Information received after that time will be given to the City Council prior to the meeting. Further information on the above may be obtained by calling William Murray at the Public Works Department, 13802 Newhope Street, Garden Grove, at 714-741-5349.

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC  
City Clerk

Date: June 10, 2015  
Publish: June 12, 2015  
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ORDINANCE NO. 2857

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. A 013 2015, A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 18 (MIXED USE REGULATIONS) AND CHAPTER 4 (DEFINITIONS) OF TITLE 9 OF THE GARDEN GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH NEW PERMITTED USES IN THE CIVIC CENTER MIXED USE 1 (CC-1) ZONE, NEW DEVELOPMENT, OPERATIONAL, AND COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS FOR CERTAIN USES IN THE CC-1 ZONE, AND STANDARDS FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES IN THE CC-1 ZONE

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June 12, 2015

City Attorney Summary

This Ordinance approves a zoning text amendment to portions of Chapters 4 (Definitions) and 18 (Mixed Use Regulations) of Title 9 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code pertaining to certain uses in the Civic Center Mixed Use 1 (CC-1) zone. This Ordinance would allow a number of additional permitted or conditionally permitted uses in the CC-1 zone, including, but not limited to, live-work structures, medical, dental and related health service support facilities, art gallery/tattoo shops, indoor and outdoor event spaces, department stores, furniture stores, food halls, garden shops / small scale nurseries, indoor multi-tenant shopping centers, non-vehicular vending kiosks, pets and pet supply stores, sporting goods stores, variety/dry goods stores, convenience stores, grocery stores, carry-out food establishments, vehicular vending kiosks, bars, brew pubs, coffee houses, eating establishments, wineries, incidental instruction services, and short-term studio space. This Ordinance would also establish standards for the conversion of single-family homes to commercial uses in the CC 1 zone, development and operational standards for outside eating areas, non-vehicular and vehicular vending, and event space uses in the CC-1 zone, and additional compatibility standards for all uses located in the CC 1 zone.

The foregoing Ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

ATTEST:  
MAYOR

CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF ORANGE ) SS:  
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE )

I, KATHLEEN BAILOR, City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading and passed to second reading on June 9, 2015, with a vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ( 5 )  
BEARD, BUI, JONES, PHAN, NGUYEN  
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ( 0 )  
NONE  
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ( 0 )  
NONE

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# Hit and run

On May 27, at approximately 2 p.m., the Santa Ana Police Department was investigating a hit-and-run that occurred in that city.

A Santa Ana police officer saw the suspect vehicle in the area of Hazard Street and Westminster Avenue in Garden Grove when the vehicle began to flee from the officer. A

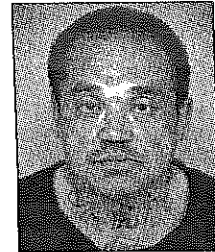
pursuit was initiated which led officers through Garden Grove and Westminster.

The suspect ran numerous red lights, drove through shopping complexes, and drove against traffic. The suspect vehicle collided into a law office at the corner of

Westminster Avenue and All American Way in Westminster.

The suspect was taken into custody.

The suspect, Tuan Tron Truong,



Courtesy photo  
Tuan Tron  
Truong

was arrested for auto theft, felony hit-and-run, DUI-drugs, driving on a suspended license and driving on probation for DUI.

The suspect admitted

to being under the influence of crack cocaine and methamphetamine.

Truong said he intentionally rammed into the building believing his drug dealers were inside. Truong was not injured and no one in the building was injured.

Nodrug dealers were located inside the business. It is believed Truong had two additional hit-and-runs in Westminster and one additional one in Garden Grove.



# Religious services directory

Following are some faith-based organizations that you can call with questions about services:

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| <b>Stanton</b><br>Asamblea de Dios Centro Evangelistico Rios de Agua Viva<br>10901 Beach Blvd.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-995-3619 | Lighthouse Community Church of The Nazarene<br>10871 Western Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-828-3899                  | Evangelical Formosan Church of Orange County<br>10750 Lampson Ave.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92840<br>714-839-2320 |
| Calvary Assembly Church of God<br>7272 Cerritos Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-503-6824   | Santa Ana Samoan Sda<br>10591 Flower Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-485-9014  | Evangelical Free Church of Garden Grove<br>13735 Yockey St.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92844<br>714-636-1624        |
| Lighthouse Community Church of The Nazarene<br>10871 Western Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-828-3899                              | St Polycarp Catholic Church<br>8100 Chapman Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-892-3158                                   | First Baptist Church of Garden Grove<br>12761 Euclid St.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92840<br>714-894-4177           |
| Santa Ana Samoan Sda<br>10591 Flower Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-485-9014  | <b>Garden Grove</b><br>Bupwahng Sa Korean Buddhist Temple<br>12921 Adelle St.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92841<br>714-530-2052 | First Christian Church of GG<br>11231 Chapman Ave.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92840<br>714-534-1742                 |
| St Polycarp Catholic Church<br>8100 Chapman Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-892-3158   | Chapman Avenue Baptist Church<br>10241 Chapman Ave. # 668<br>Garden Grove, CA 92840<br>714-636-9483                     | Cross Country Christian Church<br>9822 Russell Ave.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92844<br>714-537-4900                |
| Asamblea de Dios Centro Evangelistico Rios de Agua Viva<br>10901 Beach Blvd.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-995-3619                   | Garden Grove United Methodist Church<br>12741 Main Street<br>Garden Grove, CA 92840-5204<br>714-534-1070                | First Presbyterian Church of Garden Grove<br>11832 Euclid St.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92840<br>714-534-2269      |
| Calvary Assembly Church of God<br>7272 Cerritos Ave.<br>Stanton, CA 90680<br>714-503-6824   | Eastern Kumran Church<br>9382 Russell Ave<br>Garden Grove, CA 92843<br>714-638-0091                                     | Formosan Presbyterian Church Orange County<br>13072 Fairview St.<br>Garden Grove, CA 92843<br>714-750-5715   |

## Affordable housing

Families are now living in the 12-unit Locust Street Affordable Housing Project, for which Westminster staged a ribbon cutting last month.

The apartments, at 14262 Locust St. underwent a year-long renovation through the coordinated efforts of the city and property operator American Family Housing.



# THÔNG TIN

## Từ Thành Phố Garden Grove

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

Liên lạc: Allen Roeder (714) 741-5100  
Quản Lý Thành phố

Thứ Hai, 15/6/2015

### **GARDEN GROVE CHỌN ĐƯỢC QUẢN LÝ THÀNH PHỐ MỚI**

Tại cuộc họp đặc biệt tối nay của Hội đồng Thành phố Garden Grove, Hội đồng Thành phố đã nhất trí bổ nhiệm ông Scott C. Stiles là người quản lý Thành phố (City Manager) mới sau một năm tìm kiếm trên toàn quốc. Ông Stiles, một cựu trợ lý quản lý Thành phố cho Thành phố Cincinnati, Ohio, chính thức bắt đầu vị trí City Manager của mình "Tôi muốn cảm ơn Thị trưởng và các thành viên của Hội đồng Thành phố đã cho tôi cơ hội này để phục vụ cũng như quản lý thành phố Garden Grove. Cá nhân tôi cùng gia đình rất vui mừng khi gia nhập một cộng đồng đa văn hóa và phát triển như vậy," ông Stiles nói.

Là người sống ở Thành phố Cincinnati, ông Stiles đã có 26 năm kinh nghiệm làm việc với Thành phố, công việc mới đây nhất của ông là trợ lý quản lý Thành phố trong 8 năm qua. Trước đó, ông đã đảm nhận vai trò quản lý Thành phố tạm thời, phụ tá Quản lý Thành phố, Quản lý bất động sản và trợ lý pháp lý của Thành phố.

Thị trưởng Bảo Nguyễn đề cao tánh chuyên nghiệp, nguyên tắc và mục tiêu là những lý do cho quyết định của mình. Ông chia sẻ, "Chúng tôi rất tự tin vào lựa chọn của chúng tôi về việc bổ nhiệm ông Scott Stiles là quản lý Thành phố mới. Kinh nghiệm chuyên môn của Scott, niềm đam mê phục vụ cộng đồng và đạo đức đã làm cho anh ta là một ứng cử viên thích hợp cho Garden Grove. Ngoài ra, sự nhiệt tình, chân thành và háo hức để phục vụ tốt hơn cộng đồng sẽ giúp Thành phố tiến xa hơn trong tương lai."

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Văn phòng thông tin liên lạc: (714) 741-5280

Contact: Cpt. Thanh Nguyen (714) 741-5628  
Sở Cứu Hỏa

Thứ Năm, 18/6/2015

### **ĐỀ PHÒNG HỎA HOẠN KHI ĐỐT PHÁO TRONG DỊP LỄ ĐỘC LẬP**

Năm nay, ngoài việc cảnh giác chống lại việc sử dụng pháo bông bất hợp pháp, Sở Cảnh Sát và Sở Cứu Hỏa Garden Grove kêu gọi cư dân ý thức về điều kiện khô hạn dễ gây hỏa hoạn khi đốt pháo trong dịp Lễ Độc Lập Hoa Kỳ.

Cỏ khô và bụi cây khô do tiết kiệm nước, tạo điều kiện nguy hiểm để sinh hỏa hoạn, cần được mọi người quan tâm.

"Nên lưu ý khi thời tiết nóng và có cỏ khô, phải sử dụng pháo bông 'an toàn' (safe and sane) và có người lớn giám sát. Báo cho nhân viên công lực ngay mỗi khi thấy người đốt loại pháo bông bất hợp pháp. Sở cứu hỏa cam kết bảo vệ sự an toàn cho toàn thể gia đình," ông Tom Schultz, chỉ huy trưởng Sở cứu hỏa chia sẻ.

Trong các ngày cuối tuần sắp tới của dịp Lễ Độc Lập, Sở cảnh sát và Sở cứu hỏa sẽ tăng cường tuần tra để phát hiện những ai vi phạm luật Thành phố về đốt pháo bông, sử dụng hoặc sở hữu pháo bông bất hợp pháp sẽ bị phạt \$1,000.

Năm ngoái, Sở cảnh sát phạt 51 vụ với tiền phạt \$1,000, ít hơn bốn vụ so với năm 2013. Số người bị phạt \$1,000 cao nhất là 126 trong năm 2007, năm đầu tiên áp dụng số tiền phạt \$1,000.

**ĐỀ PHÒNG HỎA HOẠN KHI ĐỐT PHÁO TRONG DỊP LỄ ĐỘC LẬP**  
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Cảnh sát tuần tra sẽ tập trung vào các khu vực có hành động đốt pháo bông bất hợp pháp, gồm Katella Street, giữa Euclid và Brookhurst; Dino Circle; Garden Grove Park; và khu phố Buena-Clinton.

Tất cả công viên Thành phố sẽ đóng cửa vào lúc 5:00 giờ chiều ngày 4 Tháng Bảy. Sân quần vợt, sân bóng rổ, sân softball trong công viên sẽ đóng cửa lúc 5:00 giờ chiều, và hệ thống tưới cỏ tự động sẽ bắt đầu lúc 6:00 giờ chiều.

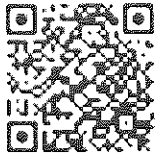
Các gian hàng bán pháo bông trong thành phố sẽ diễn ra từ ngày 1 đến ngày 4 Tháng Bảy. Thời gian là từ 10 AM - 11 PM, từ ngày 1 đến hết ngày 3 Tháng Bảy; và 10 AM - 10 PM trong ngày 4 Tháng Bảy.

Luật thành phố về pháo bông, chỉ cho phép đốt pháo bông "an toàn" trong phạm vi sở hữu sân nhà. Để biết thêm chi tiết, xin gọi số điện thoại đường dây nóng về pháo bông tại (714) 741-5270, hoặc trang Facebook của Thành Phố hay của Sở Cứu Hỏa Garden Grove. Trang web của Garden Grove là [www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us](http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us).

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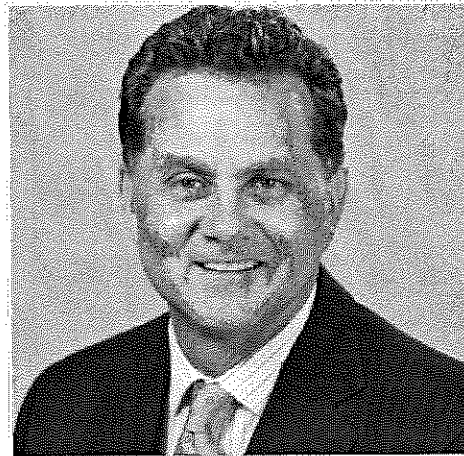
## Garden Grove Chọn Được Quản Lý Thành Phố Mới

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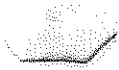
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Tân quản lý Scott C. Stiles.

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Phố Garden Grove thông qua việc bổ nhiệm ông Scott C. Stiles là tân tổng quản trị thành phố (City Manager), hiệu lực kể từ ngày 3 Tháng Tám, 2015, và được tuyển chọn trong tổng số 47 ứng viên trên toàn quốc, theo một thông cáo báo chí.



Ông Scott C. Stiles, tân tổng quản trị thành phố Garden Grove. (Hình: Garden Grove City cung cấp)

Thị trưởng Bảo Nguyễn đề cao tánh chuyên nghiệp, nguyên tắc và mục tiêu là những lý do cho quyết định của mình, và ông Stiles là kết quả, sau khi Hội Đồng Thành Phố họp kín để phỏng vấn bốn ứng viên chung kết vào ngày 26 Tháng Năm vừa qua.

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Nhân dịp chính thức được chọn vào vai trò mới, ông được trích lời: "Tôi muốn cảm ơn thị trưởng và các thành viên của Hội Đồng Thành Phố đã cho tôi cơ hội này để phục vụ cũng như quản lý thành phố Garden Grove. Cá nhân tôi cùng gia đình rất vui mừng khi gia nhập một cộng đồng đa văn hóa và phát triển như vậy."

Là người sống ở Thành Phố Cincinnati, Ohio, ông Stiles có 26 năm kinh nghiệm làm việc với thành phố, và trong tám năm qua, ông giữ vai trò phó tổng quản trị thành phố. Trước đó, ông đảm nhận vai trò xử lý thương vụ tổng quản trị thành phố, phó tổng quản trị thành phố, quản lý bất động sản và phụ tá các vấn đề pháp lý của thành phố. Ông bắt đầu sự nghiệp với vai trò đại diện giao tế cộng đồng cho Ủy Ban Giao Tế Nhân Sự Cincinnati.

Ông Stiles tốt nghiệp Đại Học Cincinnati với bằng Cao Học về Kế Hoạch Cộng Đồng, và bằng Cử Nhân Đại Học South Dakota về Khoa Báo Chí và Địa Lý. Ông lập gia đình và có hai người con gái. (L.N.)

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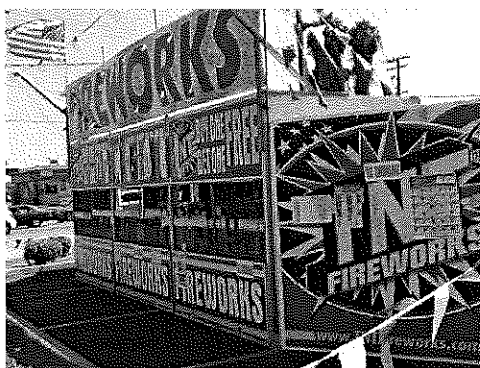
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Một quầy bán pháo bông ở Garden Grove trong dịp Lễ Độc Lập Hoa Kỳ. (Hình minh họa: Linh Nguyễn/Người Việt)

Cô khô và bụi cây khô do tiết kiệm nước, tạo điều kiện nguy hiểm dễ sinh hỏa hoạn, cần được mọi người quan tâm.

"Nên lưu ý khi thời tiết nóng và có cô khô, phải sử dụng pháo bông "an toàn" (safe and sane) và có người lớn giám sát. Bảo cho nhân viên công lực ngay, mỗi khi thấy người đốt loại pháo bông bất hợp pháp. Sở cứu hỏa cam kết báo về sự an toàn cho toàn thể gia đình," ông Tom Schultz, chỉ huy trưởng sở cứu hỏa, nói.

Trong các ngày cuối tuần sắp tới của dịp lễ độc lập, sở cảnh sát và sở cứu hỏa, một lần nữa, sẽ tăng cường tuần tra để phát hiện những ai vi phạm luật thành phố về đốt pháo bông, sử dụng hoặc sở hữu pháo bông bất hợp pháp, sẽ bị phạt \$1,000.

Năm ngoái, sở cảnh sát phạt 51 vụ, với tiền phạt \$1,000, ít hơn bốn vụ, so với năm 2013. Số người bị phạt \$1,000 cao nhất là 126 trong năm 2007, năm đầu tiên áp dụng số tiền phạt \$1,000.

Cảnh sát tuần tra sẽ tập trung vào các khu vực có hành động đốt pháo bông bất hợp pháp, gồm Katella Street, giữa Euclid và Brookhurst; Dino Circle; Garden Grove Park; và khu phố Buena-Clinton.

Tất cả công viên thành phố sẽ đóng cửa vào 5 giờ chiều ngày 4 Tháng Bảy. Sân quần vợt, sân bóng rổ, sân softball trong công viên sẽ đóng cửa lúc 5 giờ chiều, và hệ thống tưới cỏ tự động sẽ bắt đầu lúc 6 giờ chiều.

Các gian hàng bán pháo bông trong thành phố sẽ diễn ra từ ngày 1 đến ngày 4 Tháng Bảy. Thời gian là từ 10 AM - 11 PM, từ ngày 1 đến hết ngày 3 Tháng Bảy; và 10 AM - 10 PM trong ngày 4 Tháng Bảy.

Luật thành phố về pháo bông, chỉ cho phép đốt pháo bông "an toàn" trong phạm vi sở hữu sân nhà.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, xin gọi số điện thoại đường dây nóng về pháo bông tại (714) 741-5270, hoặc

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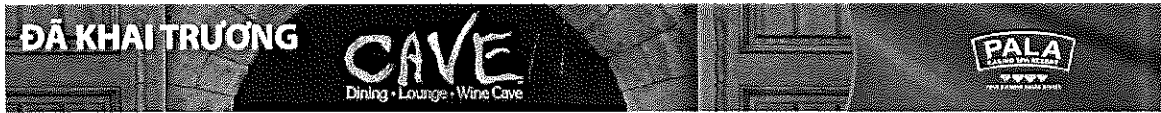


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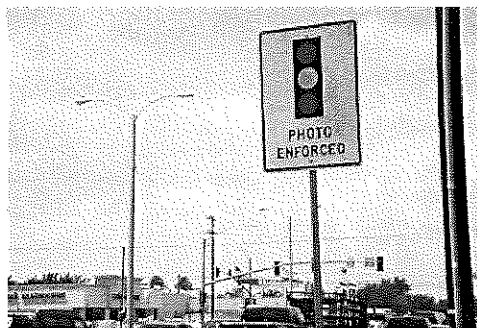
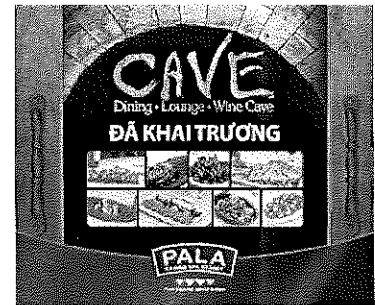
## Garden Grove xét lại hợp đồng máy chụp hình đèn đỏ

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GARDEN GROVE, California (NV) – Trong phiên họp thường lệ tối Thứ Ba, Hội Đồng Thành Phố Garden Grove bỏ phiếu đa số tuyệt đối mục 11a, xét lại trước khi tái gia hạn hợp đồng máy chụp hình đèn đỏ (red light camera) với công ty Reflex Traffic Systems, Inc., theo ý kiến của Thị Trường Bảo Nguyễn.



Bảng báo hiệu khu vực có máy chụp hình. (Hình: Linh Nguyễn/Người Việt)

Đề nghị này được đề cập trong phần cuối của nghị trình.

"Tôi đề nghị hội đồng họp về vấn đề này để nghe nhân viên trình bày chương trình máy chụp hình đèn đỏ có thật sự gia tăng an toàn công cộng với tốn phí hợp lý, trước khi thành phố gia hạn hợp đồng," ông Bảo nói trước buổi họp.

Trước đó, trong phần phát biểu ý kiến của cư dân, ông James Dean, luật sư, sinh hoạt với hội Knights of Columbus, Garden Grove, than phiền máy chụp hình đèn đỏ và nhấn mạnh chương trình này "gây khó khăn về tài chính cho cư dân mỗi ngày."

"Máy chụp hình đèn đỏ chỉ chú tâm chụp hình những người quẹo phải tại ngã tư có đèn giao thông. Những xe này chỉ chạy với tốc độ ba dặm một giờ trước khi quẹo phải đèn đỏ. Thống kê cho thấy chỉ có 1.2% tai nạn loại này xảy ra trên toàn nước Mỹ," ông Dean giải thích.

Ông Dean nói các vụ quẹo phải tại bảng Stop (không có đèn giao thông) gây tai nạn 20%, cao hơn nhiều so với trường hợp quẹo phải chỗ có máy chụp hình đèn đỏ. Thế nhưng, tiền phạt cho vi phạm tại bảng Stop là \$238, trong khi quẹo phải đèn đỏ là \$490, cộng với các lệ phí khác, lên đến \$600.

"Thật là kỳ cục. Công ty gắn máy chụp hình cũng không giúp gì cho đời sống cư dân. Họ thu lợi nhuận rất nhiều tiền mà không đem lại lợi ích gì tích cực," ông khẳng định.

Nghị Viên Phát Bùi chia sẻ cảm xúc khi lái xe qua ngã tư Trask và Brookhurst Ave.: "Mỗi lần lái xe qua ngã tư này là tôi cảm thấy hồi hộp hơn. Vợ tôi ngồi bên cạnh nhắc nhở đến máy chụp hình đèn đỏ. Thế là tôi chỉ lo đến đèn flash tóe lên, hơn là chuyện lái xe."

"Chúng tôi phải xem lợi hại cho thành phố ra sao trước đã," Nghị Viên Chris Phan nói.

Trong một lần phỏng vấn trước đây, ông Tony Aquino, kỹ sư lưu thông của Garden Grove, cho biết: "Các ngã tư có gắn máy chụp hình đèn đỏ giúp giảm thiểu các tai nạn đụng xe trầm trọng gây tử vong, tuy nhiên lại có thể gây tai nạn bị đụng từ phía sau, vì người đi trước cố thắng gấp để khỏi bị chụp hình."



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trí hệ thống máy chụp hình. Thí dụ tại ngã tư Brookhurst và Westminster Blvd., chiều xe chạy hướng Bắc là \$2,900/tháng; và hướng Nam là \$2,900/tháng.

Garden Grove hiện có 8 ngã tư có gắn máy chụp hình. Đó là các ngã tư Brookhurst/Westminster, Valley View/Lampson, Brookhurst/Trask, Brookhurst/Chapman, Trask/Magnolia, Harbor/Trask, Valley View/Chapman, và Brookhurst/Chapman.

Five Steak Buffets

Round-Trip Boat Ride to Catalina

Sushi and Teppanyaki



Máy chụp hình đèn đỏ của công ty Redflex Traffic Systems, tại ngã tư Brookhurst St. và Westminster Ave., Garden Grove. (Hình: Linh Nguyễn/Người Việt)

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Theo nghị trình ngày 9 Tháng Sáu, ông Allan Roeder, tổng quản trị thành phố Garden Grove, cho biết hợp đồng hiện có với công ty Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc., gồm mục đích chụp hình các vi phạm vượt đèn đỏ, tới 25 chiều xe chạy, bắt đầu từ Tháng Bảy năm 1999. Sau đó hợp đồng được tu chính hai lần nữa vào năm 2007 và 2012.

Theo thỏa thuận hiện tại, hợp đồng hàng năm sẽ tự động được gia hạn hai lần, trừ phi một trong hai bên cung cấp bằng văn bản, ý định không muốn triển hạn. Thành phố có quyền ra thông báo trước 30 ngày để chấm dứt hợp đồng với Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. Vấn đề tự động gia hạn không gây trở ngại việc chấm dứt hợp đồng nếu thành phố có thông báo hợp lý bằng văn bản.

Vi hợp đồng sẽ tự động gia hạn trong Tháng Sáu, Hội Đồng Thành Phố cần được chuẩn bị các giấy tờ chỉ thu, các hậu quả về pháp lý, phí tổn trả nhân viên dân chính và cảnh sát; cũng như sự hiệu quả về gia tăng sự an toàn, cần cứ vào các dữ kiện được kiểm chứng từ những tai nạn, hay lựa chọn khác cho việc giao thông.

Thị trưởng Garden Grove cũng muốn biết những khách hàng hiện tại của công ty Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc., số thành phố mới tham gia chương trình từ năm 2012, kể cả những thành phố đã rời khỏi chương trình.

Về phía người dân, được hỏi nghĩ sao về việc thành phố sử dụng máy chụp hình đèn đỏ, đa số tỏ ý không thích.

"Không tốt. Tôi đi đến ngã tư Trask và Brookhurst, xem nữa bị tai nạn, sợ bị chụp hình nên tôi chạy chậm lại. May mà không bị xe sau nhào tới đụng. Em tôi cũng bị ở chỗ ngã tư đường First và Euclid," ông Quân Bạch, 58 tuổi, cư dân Garden Grove, nói.

Bà Phương Lê cũng ở Garden Grove, tâm sự: "Có lần con gái tôi, khi tới ngã tư, thỉnh linh đèn flash tóa sáng, lúc ấy cháu nó không còn nhìn biết đèn xanh hay đỏ. Cứ thế cháu tiếp tục băng qua ngã tư. Sau mới biết là xe khác bị chụp hình."

"Tôi nghĩ có máy chụp hình đèn đỏ, nguy hiểm nhiều hơn là an toàn. Tôi coi trên Internet, dân ở LA County bị phạt, họ nghèo không trả rồi cũng qua. Nghe đâu trên Los Angeles họ dẹp cái vụ máy chụp hình này rồi," ông Steve Young, 49 tuổi, cư dân Westminster, chia sẻ.

Ông Tuấn Nguyễn, 42 tuổi, cư dân Huntington Beach, than phiền: "Vụ này thật kỳ. Đi làm đóng thuế rồi mà thành phố còn muốn moi tiền thêm. Tôi nghĩ thành phố chỉ muốn có thêm tiền thôi. Lái xe tải xuyên bang đã 10 năm nay, tôi thấy có tiểu bang, xa lộ cũng có gắn máy chụp hình, nhưng bây giờ họ dẹp hết rồi."

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## Garden Grove: Tai nạn lật xe, 4 người bị thương

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GARDEN GROVE, California (NV) – Một xe bị lật trong tai nạn liên quan hai xe, xảy ra lúc 6 giờ 18 phút, chiều Thứ Tư, 17 Tháng Sáu, gần ngã tư Euclid St. và Trask Ave., ở Garden Grove, bốn người bị thương.



Chiếc xe Lexus SUV bị lật, sau khi được đỡ lên xe kéo. (Hình: Linh Nguyễn/Người Việt)

Theo cảnh sát viên Roger Flanders thuộc Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove, có mặt tại hiện trường, "vị trí xảy ra tai nạn còn có nhiều nghi vấn, vì cả hai xe Lexus SUV màu trắng và chiếc xe Jeep màu xanh lá cây đâm đều chạy về hướng Nam, trên đường Euclid."

"Tai nạn xảy ra còn cách ngã tư với đường Trask Avenue một quãng xa. Cho đến nay chưa rõ nguyên nhân tại sao chiếc Lexus lại bị lật. Cảnh sát viên điều tra đang làm nhiệm vụ. Chỉ biết là bốn hay năm người trên cả hai xe đều được đưa vào bệnh viện UCI. Vết thương có vẻ nguy hiểm đến tính mạng, có lẽ nhờ túi hơi của xe Lexus bung ra."

Anh Jose G., nhân viên tiệm điện thoại T-Mobile ở góc đường, cho biết: "Tôi nghe tiếng rầm. Khi ấy tôi còn ở phía cây xăng 7-11, đối diện với tiệm T-Mobile, nơi tôi làm việc. Tôi giúp kéo người phụ nữ tài xế chiếc xe Lexus bị lật, ra khỏi xe."

"Tôi thấy người ta phải cắt dây beo an toàn để đưa một bé gái ra khỏi chiếc xe này," anh nói thêm.

Chiếc xe Lexus bị lật, nằm trong làn xe thứ hai, cách con lươn giữa đường, đầu xe quay về hướng Bắc, trên đường Euclid, kiếng trước bể, chiếc túi hơi bị bung ra. Kiếng trước phía tài xế bị bể, phía trái mũi xe bị trầy, kính chiếu hậu phía trái nằm tòn ten, còn dính sợi dây điện.

Bên kia đường là cây xăng 7-11, địa chỉ 13472 Euclid St., Garden Grove, CA 92843.

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H. Louis Lake Senior Center

Thursday, June 18, 2015

**GARDEN GROVE SENIORS CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY**

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host free festivities on Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. to celebrate Independence Day. The event will take place at the H. Louis Lake Dining Room, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue.

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

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

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Wednesday, June 17, 2015

## **DRY CONDITIONS INCREASE JULY 4 FIRE DANGERS**

This year, in addition to warnings against the use of illegal fireworks, both Garden Grove Police and Fire Departments are cautioning fireworks users to be especially aware of an increased fire danger due to dry surroundings.

Browning turf and dried trees, shrubbery, and landscapes—the result of tightened water restrictions—have created hazardous fire conditions. Flames, sparks, and even heat coming from extinguished fireworks are strong reasons for concern.

“As the weather heats up and the grass and brush get drier, it's important that we all do our part to prevent fires. Use safe and sane fireworks only with adult supervision and report illegal fireworks to the authorities. Your fire department is committed to yours and your family's safety,” says Fire Chief Tom Schultz.

During the upcoming July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend, the police and fire departments will, again, increase their patrols to identify violators of the City's municipal code on fireworks. Using or possessing illegal fireworks, including misusing or tampering with legal ones, carry a \$1,000 administrative fine.

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Last year, the police department issued 51, \$1,000 administrative citations, down four from 2013. The highest number of \$1,000 citations, 126, were written in 2007, the first year that the \$1,000 administrative citation was put into place.

Police patrols will again focus on high-activity illegal fireworks areas including Katella Street, between Euclid and Brookhurst; Dino Circle; Garden Grove Park; and the Buena-Clinton neighborhood.

All city parks will close by 5:00 p.m. on July 4. Park tennis courts, basketball courts, and softball fields will also be locked by 5:00 p.m. Park sprinkler systems will be activated at 6:00 p.m.

Garden Grove firework sales take place from July 1 through July 4. Hours are: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., July 1 through 3; and 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on July 4.

In accordance with Garden Grove Municipal Code firework regulations, discharge of safe and sane fireworks is permissible on private property only.

For more information, please call the Garden Grove Fireworks Hotline at (714) 741-5270, or visit the City of Garden Grove or Garden Grove Fire Department Facebook page. For July 4 safety tips, visit the City's website at [www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us](http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us).

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Monday, June 15, 2015

## **TUNE IN TO GARDEN GROVE AT THE FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

Start the summer with a funky-fresh 70's beat at the free Summer Concert Series kick-off on Thursday, July 9, featuring The Funky Hippeez. A total of six concerts will be held at Eastgate Park every Thursday through August 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Eastgate Park is located at 12001 St. Mark Street.

The first concert also celebrates July as Parks and Recreation Month. The community is invited to come out an hour prior to the concert and celebrate with free activities, including carnival games, face painting, and bounce houses. Various vendors will be selling food, beverages, and dessert.

Hungry for more? Also available at the summer concerts are popular Orange County food trucks. Each Thursday, different gourmet food trucks will offer specialty items to hungry concert goers from the start of the event until the end. The first concert will include Macho-Nacho, Sexy Burger, Greasy Wiener, Piaggio on Wheels, and Dos Chinos food trucks.

For the safety and enjoyment of all, no canopies, golf carts, or alcohol is permitted in the park.

The 2015 free Summer Concert Series is brought to you by the Garden Grove Community Foundation and sponsored by the City of Garden Grove, AT&T Services, GKN Aerospace, and Republic Services.

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A complete listing of the 2015 free Summer Concert Series follows:

July 9, The Funky Hippeez (70's Funk)  
July 16, Brad Johnson and The Killin' Time Band (Today's Country)  
July 23, DSB (Journey Tribute Band)  
July 30, Grilled Cheese Soundwich (90's to Today)  
August 6, Flashback Heart Attack (New Wave 80's)  
August 13, Stone Soul (Motown)

For more information on the free Summer Concert Series, please call  
(714) 741-5280 or visit [www.ggcf.com](http://www.ggcf.com). Follow the free Summer Concert Series at  
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Thursday, June 11, 2015

## **CITY CHOOSES NEW CITY MANAGER FROM CINCINNATI**

At tonight's special meeting of the Garden Grove City Council, the City Council concluded a five-month nationwide search by unanimously appointing Scott C. Stiles as the new city manager. Stiles, a former assistant city manager for the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, officially begins his city manager position with the City of Garden Grove on Monday, August 3, 2015.

"I want to thank the Mayor and members of the City Council for offering me this incredible opportunity to serve as Garden Grove's city manager. My family and I are thrilled to join such a diverse and progressive community," says Stiles.

A Cincinnati native, Stiles has 26 years of municipal management experience with the City of Cincinnati, serving as assistant city manager for the last eight years. Prior to assistant city manager, Stiles served as interim city manager, assistant to the city manager, real estate manager, and assistant legal administrator. He began his early career as a community relations representative for the Cincinnati Human Relations Commission.

Mayor Bao Nguyen points to Stiles' professionalism, principles, and goals as reasons for his decision.

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City Chooses New City Manager From Cincinnati  
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"We are confident in our selection of Scott Stiles as our new city manager. Scott's professional experience, passion for public service, and ethics makes him a good fit for Garden Grove. His sincere enthusiasm and eagerness to better serve our community will help us take our city forward," says Mayor Nguyen.

The permanent city manager recruitment began in January 2015, closing in March with a total of 47 applicants. The City hired the recruitment firm of CPS HR to conduct the recruitment. The recruitment firm narrowed the field down to 20, then eight, then four final candidates. The finalists were interviewed by the full City Council during closed session of the May 26, 2015 regular City Council meeting.

Included in Stiles' extensive list of accomplishments is leading the City of Cincinnati through an involved political transition period following the election of a new Mayor and newly-elected City Council.

The new city manager reflects on what are the most important qualities he brings to Garden Grove.

"I have never forgotten that citizens are why we exist in local government. I have always focused on effectively delivering the basics for our community, encouraging innovation in order to achieve excellence, and building a mentality that we must be 'in this together' in order to collaborate internally and compete externally."

Stiles holds a Master's degree in Community Planning from the University of Cincinnati, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism and Geography from South Dakota University. He is married and has two daughters.

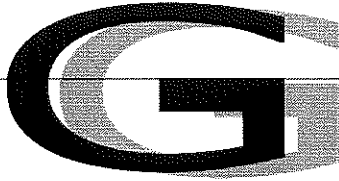
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## **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

**June 18, 2015**

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation for the June 25<sup>th</sup> Zoning Administrator meeting and the minutes from the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.
3. Minutes from the March 2, 2015 Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission.
4. Agenda for the June 18, 2015 Planning Commission meeting.
5. Cities Advocates dated June 12, 15 and 16, 2015.

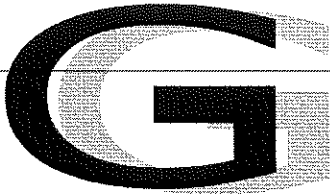


**GARDEN GROVE**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 18, 2015 – July 3, 2015

Thursday	June 18		Casual Day – Patriotic Theme (Red, White & Blue)
		8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	Pala Casino Trip coordinated by the H. Louis Lake Senior Center, 11300 Stanford Ave.
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday-Sunday	June 18-21		One More Productions presents "Next to Normal" Gem Theater
Tuesday	June 23	5:00 p.m.	Tree Planting Ceremony in Celebration of the Dalai Lama's visit to Garden Grove Civic Center Park
		5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Wednesday	June 24	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber <b>CANCELLED</b>
Thursday	June 25	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room <b>CANCELLED</b>
Thursday-Sunday	June 25-28		One More Productions presents "Next to Normal" Gem Theater
Friday	June 26		City Hall Closed
Thursday	July 2	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
		7:45 p.m.	Summer Movies in the Park "McFarland USA", starring Kevin Costner Village Green Park
Thursday-Sunday	July 2-5		One More Productions presents "Next to Normal" Gem Theater
Friday	July 3		City Hall Closed




**GARDEN GROVE**

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**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION  
OF THE  
GARDEN GROVE  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 25, 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, June 25, 2015, 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: June 18, 2015

  
SUSAN EMERY  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

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

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, June 11, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 9:08 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-033-2015

Applicant: Khanh H. Nguyen  
Location: 10742 Westminster Avenue  
Date: June 11, 2015

Request: Conditional Use Permit approval to operate a new restaurant, Kobe House Sushi & Steak, at the former Shakey's Pizza Restaurant building, with an original Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "41" (On-Sale, Beer and Wine) License. The site is in the C-2 (Community Commercial) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

Action: Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): Martin Nguyen, Khanh Nguyen, Phong Le, Cecilia Le

Action: Zoning Administrator adopted Decision No. 1714-15.

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, June 25, 2015 at 9:00 a.m., in the City Hall Third Floor Training Room, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove.

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Judith Moore, Recording Secretary

GARDEN GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (NICC)  
Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, March 2, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 6:40 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Blackmun  
Commissioner Brietigam  
Commissioner Constantino  
Commissioner McIntosh  
Commissioner Muneton  
Commissioner Pham  
Commissioner Ramirez

Absent: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Allison Mills, Neighborhood Improvement Manager; James Eggart, Assistant City Attorney; Monica Covarrubias and Paul Guerrero, Senior Program Specialists; Nida Watkins, Code Enforcement Supervisor; Karl Hill, Planning Services Manager; Alana Cheng, Senior Administrative Analyst; Kathy Bailor, City Clerk; Judith Moore, Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by staff.

SWEARING IN OF COMMISSIONERS:

Oath of Office administered to Commissioners. Commissioners then gave a brief description of their backgrounds.

SELECTION OF CHAIR:

Action: Commissioner Brietigam nominated as Chair by Commissioner Blackmun. No further nominations received.

Action: Commissioner Brietigam selected as Chair.

Motion: Blackmun Second: Constantino

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

SELECTION OF VICE CHAIR:

Action: Commissioner Constantino nominated as Vice Chair by Commissioner Brietigam. No further nominations received.

Action: Commissioner Constantino selected as Vice Chair.

Motion: Brietigam Second: Ramirez

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC: Mr. Craig Durfey recommended that the City provide housing for the homeless. Mr. John O'Neill welcomed and congratulated the new Commissioners. Ms. Mary Luna, of the International Crusade of the Penny, expressed the need to support the needy and for a City-based radio station dedicated to spreading the word.

DECEMBER 1, 2014 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.

Motion: Brietigam Second: Blackmun

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM STAFF:

5.a. Acknowledgement of 2015 Meeting Dates

Acknowledged. Staff also mentioned that the next meeting on June 1st would occur at the Courtyard Center.

5.b. Brown Act

Staff presented an outline of the Brown Act to the Commission.

5.c. Housing Element Update

The staff report dated March 2, 2015 was introduced. Staff responded to Commissioner's comments and questions.

5.d. Public Hearing for the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2015-16 Action Plan

The staff report dated March 2, 2015 was introduced. Genevieve Sharrow presented an outline of the Plans to the Commission. Comments were received from the Commission and public. Mr. Craig Durfey suggested that the City provide a stronger base for grant acquisitions and improve housing mobility issues.

Action: Public Hearing held. Speaker(s): Mr. Craig Durfey

Action: Recommend transmission of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2015-16 Action Plan to the City Council.

Motion: Brietigam Second: Ramirez

Ayes: (7) Blackmun, Brietigam, Constantino, McIntosh, Muneton, Pham, Ramirez

Noes: (0) None

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Muneton stated that residents of the Buena Clinton area were hesitant to seek assistance for Code Enforcement and substandard housing issues. Staff responded that the next meeting would include an overview of Code Enforcement; that Code Enforcement responds to land use issues, while the Building Division inspects substandard housing conditions; that 'conservation' included conserving neighborhoods by keeping them up to code through code enforcement and building abatement; and that removing donation bins was an ongoing process.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:20 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission on Monday, June 1, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Courtyard Center, 12732 Main Street, Garden Grove, CA.

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Judith Moore, Recording Secretary





A G E N D A

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 18, 2015

COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER  
11300 STANFORD AVENUE

REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER

ROLL CALL: CHAIR O'NEILL, VICE CHAIR KANZLER  
COMMISSIONERS MAI, MARGOLIN, PAK, 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 City Council Chamber 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: June 4, 2015
- C. PUBLIC HEARING(S) (Authorization for the Chair to execute Resolution shall be included in the motion.)
  - C.1. VARIANCE NO. V-011-2015

APPLICANT: DAVID WEBBER  
LOCATION: SOUTH SIDE OF GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD,  
WEST OF EUCLID STREET AT 11100 AND 11102  
GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD

REQUEST: Variance approval to deviate from the required number of parking spaces, Municipal Code Section 9.18.140.030 (Parking Spaces Required), to allow the operation of a new 14,300 square foot restaurant/eating establishment, East Seafood Buffet, at 11102 Garden Grove Boulevard. The site is in the CC-3 (Civic Center Core) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 - Existing Facilities and Section 15332 - In-Fill Development Projects.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve Variance No. V-011-2015, subject to the recommended conditions of approval.

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

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

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, June 4, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Chair O'Neill  
Vice Chair Kanzler  
Commissioner Mai  
Commissioner Margolin  
Commissioner Pak  
Commissioner Paredes  
Commissioner Zamora

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Chair O'Neill.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: Mr. Josh McIntosh stated that he would like two items agendized in the future. The first, to form a subcommittee for responsible building projects with water conservation and green space, and the second, to form a multi-commission group to discuss zoning and Conditional Use Permits on Main Street as the City moves into revitalizing downtown.

MAY 21, 2015 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.  
Motion: Margolin Second: Pak  
Ayes: (5) Margolin, O'Neill, Pak, Paredes,  
Zamora  
Noes: (0) None  
Abstain: (2) Kanzler, Mai

STUDY SESSION – REVIEW OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS. Staff discussed and received input on Conditional Use Permits and Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Licensed establishments.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Margolin mentioned that more trash bags were seen at the old auto-sale alley. Staff stated they would look into the matter again.

Vice Chair Kanzler commended staff for their hard work and asked when the next General Plan Update would occur. Staff replied in the next five to ten years. Vice Chair Kanzler then mentioned that there was a push from the building industry for city water conservation ordinances.

Commissioner Zamora asked if the future General Plan update would include more park space. Staff responded that the plan has an Open Space Element; that the Community Services Department could give her an update; that parks were usually combined with the school district; that the Brookhurst Triangle would have a perimeter trail; that discussions were being held regarding the future plans of the Willowick Golf Course; and that YouTube had a City Council Re:Imagine update.

Commissioner Paredes asked what were the barriers preventing Main Street from becoming a hub. Staff suggested that Commissioner Paredes speak with Peter Katz and Scott Weimer regarding the vision of Main Street.

Commissioner Pak mentioned that the City was in Stage 2 of the water conservation effort. Staff added that watering hours were restricted and letters would be sent for those not following the guidelines. After three letters, the City would install a water-reducing device.

Commissioner Pak also noted that he would like Code Enforcement to look into the noisy beer bar at 9860 Garden Grove Boulevard. He also asked staff for a list of City-owned properties in the Civic Center area. Staff responded that the City's Real Property division was working on the list.

Commissioner Mai asked who oversees the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) licensing. Staff responded that the ABC and Police Department both investigate compliance regarding minors, rules, and alcohol, and participate in random checks.

Chair O'Neill asked about the lead times for the Harbor Boulevard monument sign installations. Staff responded that there was no abatement deadline.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff invited the Planning Commission to attend the Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission meeting at 6:30 p.m. as the agenda included an overview of Code Enforcement. Staff then gave a brief description of the June 18<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission agenda items and mentioned that the July 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting would be cancelled. Staff then noted that the August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting would be a study session at 6:00 p.m. covering the General Plan, Zoning, Mixed Use, and the Housing Element.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:50 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday, June 18, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Garden Grove Council Chamber, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

Motion:	Margolin	Second:	Zamora
Ayes:	(7)	Kanzler, Mai, Margolin, O'Neill, Pak, Paredes, Zamora	
Noes:	(0)	None	
Absent:	(0)	None	

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Judith Moore, Recording Secretary



June 12, 2015  
Issue #57

**IN THIS ISSUE:**

Page 4: California City Solutions: Chula Vista's Youth Leadership Academy Opens Eyes of High School Students to City Government

## **Update on Medical Cannabis Legislation: Two Major Bills Merge into One**

Last week the League-sponsored medical cannabis bill AB 266 (Cooley) merged with AB 34 (Bonta and Jones-Sawyer). The merger occurred as a result of conversations between Assembly Members Ken Cooley (D-Rancho Cordova), Rob Bonta (D-Alameda) and Reggie Jones-Sawyer (D-Los Angeles). The negotiations began at the urging of the Assembly Democratic leadership, which had signaled that only one bill would reach the Assembly Floor. On June 4, the full Assembly approved the measure on a bipartisan vote of 62-8, sending AB 266 (Bonta, Cooley, Jones-Sawyer) to the Senate. *For more, see Page 2.*



### **Bills in Committee: June 15-19**

All eyes will be on the FY 2015-16 state budget early next week when the Legislature sends its funding proposal by midnight on June 15 to Gov. Jerry Brown for the fiscal year that begins on July 1. In addition, with last week's house of origin deadline, legislative policy committees are already hearing bills that have crossed houses. Policy committees will continue to meet until the Legislature adjourns for its summer recess on July 17. *For more, see Page 3.*



### **DOF Issues Executive Order to Repay Balance of Unfunded Mandates** *Reimbursements Expected June 22*

The Department of Finance (DOF) issued an executive order on May 27 to the State Controller's Office (SCO) for the reimbursement of costs incurred in complying with state unfunded mandates prior to 2004. The Controller's office anticipates that payment for the principle owed will be made by June 22 and payment for the interest owed is expected by September 2015, after the Controller's office recalculates and verifies amounts estimated by DOF. *For more, see Page 3.*

During the merger negotiations, Assembly Member Cooley held firm on protecting local control. The new version of AB 266 retains the key local control protections initially contained in the original. While there are still improvements to be made to the bill, both the League and the California Police Chiefs Association now support AB 266.

The bill would create a new entity, the Office of Medical Marijuana Regulation within Gov. Jerry Brown's office, with overall executive authority over cannabis regulation. Neither the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control nor the Department of Consumer Affairs will have regulatory responsibilities, although both will be consulted in crafting the state portion of the enforcement framework. Local governments will have primary enforcement responsibilities, with the Department of Justice identified as the state entity specifically tasked with broad enforcement responsibilities, on an as needed basis.

Among the local control protections that remain intact in the new version of the bill are the following:

- Both a state license and a local permit will be required to legally operate a cannabis business in California.
- Revocation of either the state license, or a local license, shall by operation of law terminate the ability of a cannabis business to operate in California.
- Evidence of compliance with applicable local ordinances will be a requirement of state licensure.
- The state license must be revoked if locals advise a state agency that a licensee is in violation of local requirements.
- Delivery services may only operate if they are specifically authorized by local ordinance.
- Primarily local enforcement, with a provision for the state to step in only if necessary.

The League will continue to work closely with the California Police Chiefs Association and Assembly Members Cooley, Bonta and Jones-Sawyer to ensure that local control and public safety concerns continue to be addressed as the bill moves forward.

### **Other Medical Cannabis Legislation Moving Through Legislature**

Two other bills dealing with medical cannabis have also crossed houses. The League has a WATCH position on both, but that may change as it continues to track their progress.

#### SB 643 (McGuire) Medical Marijuana

The full Senate approved this measure on June 4 and it is now in the Assembly. SB 643 is heavily based on an earlier version of AB 266 and the League has been working with Sen. Mike McGuire (D-Healdsburg) to get the bill into the shape that will justify League support. June 3 amendments added some but not all local control protections requested by the League. These amendments also would designate a new lead agency, the Office of Medical Marijuana Regulation within the Business, Consumer Affairs, and Housing Agency.

#### AB 243 (Wood) Medical Marijuana Cultivation

This measure seeks to facilitate seed-to-sale tracking of all marijuana legally cultivated in California, and to make diversion and black-market traffic of this product more difficult than it is currently. It requires local governments or a designated state agency to establish a program for the identification of individual permitted medical marijuana plants at cultivation sites. It also authorizes local governments to designate local law enforcement as the entity to issue a unique identifier for each plant, including but not limited to a zip tie. The League has been in contact with the author to ensure that local control is not adversely affected as this measure for cultivation regulation progresses.

'Bills in Cmte' Continued from Page 1...

To access the bill, the League's position letter and sample letters, please go to [www.cacities.org/billsearch](http://www.cacities.org/billsearch) and plug the bill number into the search box.

The League's full 2015 Hot and Priority Bill list is available online.

A full listing of Senate and Assembly hearings is available online. Hearing times are subject to change. Bill language and any available position letters on legislation can be found through the bill search function on the League's website.

## Tuesday, June 16

Assembly Public Safety, 9:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 126

- **HOT SB 175 (Huff) Peace officers: body-worn cameras.** *League position: Support.*

Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications, 9:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 3191

- **AB 57 (Quirk) Telecommunications: wireless telecommunication facilities.** *League position: Oppose.*
- **AB 1262 (Wood) Telecommunications: universal service: California Advanced Services Fund.** *League position: Support.*

Senate Transportation and Housing, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)

- **AB 451 (Bonilla) Private parking facilities.** *League position: Support.*
- **AB 1403 (Maienschein) Housing: joint powers agreement.** *League position: Support.*

## Wednesday, June 17

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

- **AB 323 (Olsen) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: roadway improvements.** *League position: Support.*

Senate Governance and Finance, 9:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 112

- **AB 1236 (Chiu) Local ordinance: electric vehicle charging stations.** *League position: Oppose unless amended.*

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'Mandates' Continued from Page 1...

Under Prop. 1A (2004), sponsored by the League of California Cities<sup>®</sup> and other local government organizations, the state has until FY 2020-21 to repay mandate reimbursements owed to cities, counties and special districts prior to 2004. The 2014 State Budget Act included \$100 million repayment on the amounts owed. Those payments were made in August 2014. The 2014-15 state budget also provided for additional repayments if revenues in the Governor's 2015 May Budget Revise exceed estimates. The May Revision determined that sufficient additional revenues were received to repay the entire remaining balance of reimbursements owed, approximately \$765 million including interest.

Of the \$765 million, approximately 77 percent would be directed to counties, 22 percent (\$168 million) to cities and 1 percent to special districts.

The executive order contains the amount to be paid to each agency.

The repayment of this debt is consistent with the Governor's focus on improving the state's fiscal condition to ensure it is better prepared for future economic downturns. The League also appreciates the repayment of these funds to local agencies where they can be used for local purposes.

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## California City Solutions: Chula Vista's Youth Leadership Academy Opens Eyes of High School Students to City Government

*This story is part of an ongoing series featuring Helen Putnam Award entries. The 2014 entries are available on the League's website as a resource for cities in a searchable database called [California City Solutions](#). Chula Vista's Citizens Youth Leadership Academy was submitted in 2014 for the Ruth Vreeland Award for Engaging Youth in City Government award category.*

The city of Chula Vista is home a school district that serves more than 40,000 students. Students often report having a difficult time finding opportunities to fulfill the district's community service requirement for high school graduation. The city in response developed its Citizens' Youth Leadership Academy (CYLA) to help engage youth, inspire community service and explore future career paths.

Started by former Mayor Cheryl Cox, CYLA advanced youth understanding of city government and functions in an effort to encourage informed civic engagement. The program, which ran only during the end of the 2013-14 school year, exposed high school students to a variety of public service careers, emphasizing the importance of high school graduation. It also exposed participants to the types of professions available as students engage in continuing education, college and prepare for a career.

As a former educator and school administrator, then Mayor Cheryl Cox drew on her experience and worked with staff to identify the elements needed to produce a youth-focused civic engagement program. Five key categories were identified: audience, program curriculum, funding, recruitment and incentives and desired outcome.

When designing the program curriculum, the city decided to target active high school students in their junior year on the verge of preparing for graduation, college and/or a career path. The program focused on topics and interactive activities that would best target the audience's interest and further promote conversation among their peers and family members during and after the program.

Recruitment proved to be one of the biggest challenges. City staff wanted student participation from every high school in the city, including public, private and charter schools. The fact that different school systems operate on varying annual schedules with many students participating in extracurricular activities compounded the challenge by reducing when the program could be offered to a narrow timeframe.

The city stressed the importance of optimal attendance allowing only one absence, which helped increase exposure to city government operations and the variety of professions available to students, helping to emphasize the importance of high school graduation.

CYLA consisted of a replicable six-week leadership academy, hosted by the mayor, designed to empower high school juniors through interaction with the city's elected officials, executives and staff and their respective responsibilities within the city.

Sessions were held on consecutive Wednesday evenings at the Chula Vista City Hall. A typical session began with an optional one-hour study hall for students arriving early, followed by a meal for students to interact with the mayor and featured presenters, along with other students. Presenters included one executive and/or council member and a department staff member. Evening sessions ran two hours, including presentations, activities and tours of city departments.

The program wrapped up with a Saturday city-wide bus tour, given by the mayor, highlighting the city's most promising projects, the city professions involved in turning projects from concept to completion, and the challenges with maintaining the city's existing neighborhoods and infrastructure. Following was a graduation program for students and their families.

Walmart funded the program, being particularly interested in the concept of CYLA, and supports local education programs. Walmart's investment of \$5,000 paid for supplies, catering, the bus tour and established funds for future CYLA events, while using existing city assets to conduct the program.



Outreach to local school principals and teachers began in November 2013 in preparation for the program's February 2014 start date. Participants received 20 community service hours for the mandated school requirement, interaction with city leadership, and a completion certificate for use as a resume builder, potential for meaningful internships and meals at the beginning of each session.

The program was designed to cover every major city department, while relating portions of each session to education and career planning. For example, the Chula Vista Police Department tour included a segment on the city's Crime Scene Investigations unit. This experience highlighted how math and science are used in the department's work. The tour additionally outlined the educational path needed for a career in the profession.

Forty-one students from eight high schools in Chula Vista participated in the six-week program. Students that evaluated the program reported more interest in the interactive sessions than the lecture format. Students ranked public safety sessions the highest, followed by the bus tour, planning and development, public works, municipal finance and the role of the city attorney. As expected with high school students, the evening meal was a consistent favorite. All respondents said they would recommend CYLA to other students.

Another motivating factor from the program was opportunities for possible internships, with one awarded onsite during the session with the public works department. Other students interested in certain departments gathered contact information from department heads to organize summer internships. Students also appreciated when presenters described the road map used to achieve the role of fire chief, city manager and city attorney for examples.

Given the positive feedback from students and parents, the city concluded that merging an education program about city government with information about the educational requirements and experience needed to plan for careers provided a meaningful understanding of public service and encouragement to an age group that is preparing for their future.

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June 15, 2015  
Issue #58

**Legislature Adopts Partial Budget Package, Negotiations Continue**  
*Trailer Bills on Cap-and-Trade, RDA Dissolution, Drought Response  
Still Under Discussion*

The Legislature today adopted a partial FY 2015-16 budget package by passing the main budget bill (AB 93) and four trailer bills. The remainder of the budget continues to be negotiated between the legislative leadership and Gov. Jerry Brown. Approving small clean-up bills after the budget deadline has become standard practice for the Legislature since 2010, when voters approved Proposition 25. It allows lawmakers to pass a budget on a majority vote. This year marks the first since the ballot measure's passage that legislators have made their deadline while punting on most major issues. *For more, see Page 2.*



**California Supreme Court Upholds San Jose's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance  
against Constitutional Challenge**

Today the California Supreme Court issued its decision in California Building Industry Association v. City of San Jose, in which the Court held that San Jose's inclusionary housing ordinance was not a taking of private property for public use under the California or federal constitutions. *For more, see Page 3.*



**DWR Holding Public Meetings on Draft Model Landscape Ordinance  
on June 16 and 19**

*Projected to Cut Water Use by 30 Percent or More on New Landscapes  
for Homes and Businesses*

New California yards and commercial landscaping would use far less water under the rules of a model landscape ordinance updated by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) at the direction of Gov. Jerry Brown. The updated draft rules would prohibit installation of turf unless it is used for a specific function such as sports fields or gathering areas, require the installation of efficient sprinkler nozzles, ban turf in street medians and parkways with few exceptions and require use of compost to improve the water-holding capacity of soil. *For more, see Page 4.*



The negotiations, however, may not last long. The Governor has until July 1 to act on the budget passed today, and there seems to be momentum in the Legislature to pass the remaining trailer bills before that date.

The budget adopted today would increase discretionary spending over the Governor's proposal by \$749 million. During budget committee hearings, the Department of Finance (DOF) repeatedly raised concerns and expressed that that Governor Brown could not support this level of funding. In addition, DOF argued that the legislative proposal would increase spending even more in future years.

AB 93 also contains a legislative alternative to frontline public safety grants. The Governor's FY 2015-16 budget proposed to continue the \$40 million local law enforcement grants that cities have received for the last three fiscal years. The Legislature, however, has argued that the agreement to fund those grants expired in FY 2014-15. Instead, the Legislature has proposed to allocate \$20 million to a variety of specific programs, including training, anti-terrorism grants, and three infrastructure projects. While the \$20 million legislative alternative has been sent to Governor Brown, the League understands it is still being negotiated.

The main budget bill was adopted along mostly partisan lines. Democrats stressed that the budget invested in people, especially those who had suffered the most during the recession. Republicans argued that the priority should have been infrastructure, especially water infrastructure.

Many major issues for cities remain open for negotiation, including:

- **Redevelopment (RDA) Dissolution and Related Proposals:** The Governor's budget proposal outlined major changes to the RDA dissolution process, and linked several non-RDA proposals to the RDA package. The League has an opposed this measure for the many negative impacts on cities related to the attempt to overturn several court decisions. While there are some beneficial elements, many legislators have voiced concerns with aspects of this proposal.
- **Cap-and-Trade-Related Allocations:** The FY 2014-15 budget provided a continuous appropriation for 60 percent of the Cap-and-Trade auction revenues, which will continue uninterrupted. However, the remaining 40 percent will be negotiated annually. AB 93 includes language to fund the staff positions to keep the programs funded in FY 2014-15 running, but all other decisions remain open for negotiation.
- **Transportation:** While not officially part of any budget proposal, transportation revenues continue to be a priority for the League and many legislators. The League does not expect transportation revenues to be adopted as part of the budget package, but it is important to remind legislators that the need continues.
- **Drought Response:** AB 93 includes various appropriations in response to the drought, mostly from Prop.1 (2014). However, the Governor's budget proposed using Cap-and-Trade auction revenues for some drought response measures, including technology programs, appliance rebate programs, and water and energy efficiency projects.

### Budget Trailer Bills

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

#### AB 93 (Weber) – Main Budget Bill

This bill is the main budget bill and includes FY 2015-16 appropriations. Numerous provisions in AB 93 remain open for negotiations. The League will provide a more complete summary of this bill when the final budget package is released.

#### AB 95 (Committee on Budget) – Transportation

- Provides a one-year extension of an exemption to continue to provide more flexibility in the use of State Transit Assistance Funding for transit operators whose cost increases have exceeded the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

- Requires Caltrans to report to the Legislature on potential benefits to safety, greenhouse gas reduction, service levels, and operating costs by improving grade separations at key intersections along the state's intercity rail system.
- Increases the cap on the number of low-emission and energy efficient vehicles allowed to use high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

**AB 114 (Committee on Budget) – Public Works**

Makes various changes regarding the financing of capital projects approved by the State Public Works Board. Most changes do not impact local projects, except for some changes to the amount of revenue bonds, notes, or bond anticipation notes that can be issued to finance local jail facilities.

**AB 116 (Committee on Budget) – Budget Act of 2014: Supplemental Appropriations**

Makes several allocations to cover shortfalls in various programs in FY 2014-15.

**AB 119 (Committee on Budget) – Skilled Nursing Facilities**

Extends various skilled nursing facility fees payments, and exemptions. Sets new performance measures for skilled nursing facilities to receive funding.

**Next Steps**

The Constitution requires the Governor to sign the budget by July 1. Given that what the Legislature passed today is not a finished product, it is unclear what Gov. Jerry Brown will do. His options include signing the legislation, reducing the level of appropriations through the use of his "blue pencil," vetoing the measure or delaying action until the Legislature sends him a revised package that reflects a broader agreement.

The League will keep its members updated on any developments in the coming days.

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In January 2010, the city adopted an ordinance imposing a citywide inclusionary housing program. The program applied to all residential for-sale developments and required that 15 percent of the units be made available at an affordable housing cost to households earning no more than 120 percent of the area median income for Santa Clara County adjusted for household size. As an alternative to providing the required number of affordable units, a developer had the options of constructing off-site affordable for-sale units, paying an in-lieu fee, dedicating land equal in value to the in-lieu fee, or acquiring and rehabilitating a comparable number of affordable units. As incentives for providing the affordable units, the developer could apply for a density bonus, a reduction in the number of parking spaces, a reduction in the minimum set-back requirements, and financial subsidies and assistance from the city.

In upholding the ordinance, the Court noted that the ordinance does not require a developer to give up a property interest for which the city would have been required to pay compensation under the state and federal takings clause. Nor does the ordinance require a developer to dedicate any portion of its property to the public or to pay any money to the public. Rather, the Court concluded, the ordinance simply places a restriction on the way the developer may use its property, like many other land use regulations. Thus, the ordinance falls within the City's broad discretion to regulate the use of real property to serve the legitimate interests of the general public and the community at large.

The Court's opinion recognizes that cities have broad authority over land use regulation and may place conditions on development under the police power to protect the public health safety and welfare. Although this case only addressed inclusionary housing, it will provide helpful support in other areas of land use regulation.

The League wishes to thank Tom Brown of Burke Williams & Sorensen for drafting the League's friend-of-the-court brief in this case.

DWR's draft revisions to the landscape ordinance are expected to reduce the water use of a new home by 16,000 gallons a year, or 30 percent. Water use on new commercial landscapes would be cut by approximately 40 percent under the draft rules proposed by DWR.

California is expected to add 472,000 single- and multi-family housing units with an associated 20,000 acres of new landscape over the next three years. The state's population is expected to grow by more than 11 million, reaching nearly 50 million people by 2050. New landscape standards are critical to ensure that new plantings are as efficient as possible.

In an April 1 executive order, the Governor directed DWR to update its State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance in order to help California cope with a fourth year of extreme drought and build resiliency for future droughts.

State law requires all land-use agencies, such as cities and counties, to adopt a water-efficient landscape ordinance that is at least as efficient as the model ordinance prepared by DWR. DWR's model ordinance takes effect in those cities and counties that fail to adopt their own.

The draft revisions to the model ordinance reduce the size threshold for landscapes subject to the ordinance to 500 square feet for both commercial and residential property. Land-use agencies also would be required to report on ordinance adoption and enforcement each year.

#### **Public Comment**

DWR is hosting two public meetings to solicit public comment on the draft revisions to the model ordinance. Comments are due by June 26 and can be either made in person or emailed to [julie.saare-edmonds@water.ca.gov](mailto:julie.saare-edmonds@water.ca.gov). Meeting details are below.

#### **June 16, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California  
700 North Alameda Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

[Click here to join the meeting.](#)

Call-in toll-free number: 1-877-952-3588. Attendee access code: 590 225 6.

#### **June 19, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

Resources Building Auditorium  
1416 9th Street, 1st Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

[Click here to join the meeting.](#)

Call-in toll-free number: 1-877-952-3588. Attendee access code: 590 225 6.

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## Governor Calls Special Session on Transportation during Budget Agreement News Conference

Less than 24 hours after the Legislature passed a partial FY 2015-16 budget package that contained \$749 million in spending above Gov. Jerry Brown's proposal, the two sides finally reached a deal. Taking to the podium at 1:30 p.m. today, Governor Brown outlined the agreed upon \$115.4 billion General Fund spending plan for the fiscal year that begins on July 1. The Governor also called two special sessions on targeted fees and taxes related to transportation and health care. This action allows lawmakers additional time to focus on these crucial issues outside of the constitutional budget deadlines.

The budget agreed upon today is based on revenue projections from the Department of Finance, and spends just \$61 million more than the Governor's May Revise. It accounts for \$1.9 billion to the state's Rainy Day Fund, which will bring its balance to \$3.5 billion.

"This is a sound, well thought-out budget," said Governor Brown. "Yet, the work never ends and in the coming months we'll have to manage our resources with the utmost prudence and find more adequate funding for our roads and health care programs."

Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins (D-San Diego) and Senate President Pro Tempore Kevin De León (D-Los Angeles) joined the Governor this afternoon to announce the agreement. All three discussed the importance of prudent spending. Speaker Atkins called the agreement "the best budget we've seen in years." The Senate leader remarked that all sides worked together responsibly.

When asked if the Governor threatened to veto the budget passed yesterday, he responded, "I don't issue threats. I engage in frank and honest conversations."

The details of the agreement will be known in the coming days as trailer bills are amended and released. A vote on the remainder of the budget is tentatively scheduled for Friday.

### Transportation Special Session

Governor Brown has rarely called a special session during his tenure leading California. By doing so today it places the issues, transportation funding and health care, on an elevated pedestal of priorities to be addressed this year.

California's local streets and road system is in crisis and the League has been actively lobbying for more funding to ensure that the system does not completely fall apart. As Speaker Atkins noted, the deterioration of California roads costs drivers in lost time spent in traffic and in additional wear and tear on vehicles.

In the proposed FY 2015-16 budget released in January, the Governor mentioned that transportation must be a priority. Similar to January, the Governor today declined to give specifics about how the special session would deal with transportation. Instead he said that everything will be on the table. "Highways, that's been bedeviling the state for the last three Governors," remarked Governor Brown.

When asked if California needed federal action on transportation funding, Brown quickly responded, "Congress should act. The roads are running down."

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President Pro Tempore De León said that the special session will deal with California's crumbling infrastructure because transportation is the backbone of the state.

### **Next Steps**

The trailer bills will be amended by Thursday when the Senate Budget Committee has scheduled a hearing. A vote on the final budget package has tentatively been scheduled for Friday. The League will release a summary on areas of importance to cities as soon as the information is available.

In addition, the League will be engaged throughout the transportation special session and will keep members updated with developments.