

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
November 9, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Amir El-Farra, Chief of Police
Members

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

Public hearing notices are attached for items to be heard at the November 14, 2023 City Council Meeting.

B. PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

An affidavit of publication is attached for items to be heard at the December 7, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

– SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.

– MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Items of interest are included.



Amir El-Farra
Chief of Police

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the City of Garden Grove City Council on **Tuesday, November 14, 2023**, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center at 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, California, 92840, for the purpose of considering and taking action on an Amendment to the Amended and Restated Operating Covenant Agreement (the "2016 Agreement") relating to changing certain terms of an Economic Development Subsidy, as that term is defined in Government Code Section 53083(g)(1), to AAA Oil, Inc., dba California Fuels and Lubricants, a California corporation, with respect to the continued operation of a petroleum products distribution business in the city of Garden Grove. The City of Garden Grove desires to create and retain jobs and employment within the City. The City and California Fuels and Lubricants are proposing to amend the 2016 Agreement that encourages California Fuels and Lubricants to retain its headquarters and business within Garden Grove. The City is proposing to provide financial assistance in the form of an economic development subsidy to California Fuels and Lubricants as described in the Amendment to the 2016 Agreement.

The information required to be provided by Government Code Section 53083(a) is posted on the City of Garden Grove website at <https://ggcity.org/econdev/ab-562-reports> and is available for inspection or copying at the City Clerk's Office located in City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, California, 92840, during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Fridays, 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (except those Fridays, when City Hall is closed). This information will remain available during the entire term of "the Economic Development Subsidy," if approved by the City Council.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 53083, the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive testimony regarding the proposed Economic Development Subsidy and Amendment to the 2016 Agreement. All interested persons or organizations may attend this Public Hearing at which the City Council will receive oral and written testimony about the Economic Development Subsidy and Amendment to the 2016 Agreement. Any interested person or organization may submit written comments on the proposed Amendment to the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, P.O. Box 3070, Garden Grove, California, 92842, prior to the Public Hearing. If you challenge the action taken on this Public Hearing item, 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 comments delivered to the City Clerk's Office prior to or at 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 prior to the meeting. Information received after that time will be given to the City Council at the time of the meeting.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk's Office at (714) 741-5040. Notification by Noon on Thursday, November 9, 2023, will enable reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. Further information regarding the proposed Agreement may be obtained by contacting Ursula Luna-Reynosa, Director, at (714) 741-5175.

Teresa Pomeroy, CMC
City Clerk

Date: October 25, 2023
Publish: October 27, 2023

**LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT THE COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER, 11300 STANFORD AVENUE, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, ON **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M.**, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS IT MAY BE HEARD, TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE AND REPORTS RELATIVE TO THE MATTER(S) DESCRIBED BELOW.

AMENDMENT NO. A-038-2023

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A City-initiated zoning text amendment to Title 9 (Land Use) of the Garden Grove Municipal Code pertaining to retail sale by delivery of medicinal cannabis and development standards for mechanical equipment, maximum hardscape coverage within front yard setbacks, and substitute landscaping. The proposed code amendment would update portions of Chapters 9.08, 9.12, 9.16, and 9.18 (Single-Family Residential Development Standards, Multifamily Residential Development Standards, Commercial, Office Professional, Industrial, and Open Space Development Standards, and Mixed Use Regulations and Development Standards, respectively) of Title 9 of the City of Garden Grove Municipal Code to specify standards for the screening of mechanical equipment within an exterior equipment enclosure in residential zones; to clarify how the maximum permitted hardscape coverage in the front yard setback in residential, commercial, industrial, and open space zones is calculated; and to update the standards for artificial turf in all zones. In addition, the proposed code amendment would amend existing provisions of Chapter 9.52 (Cannabis Activities) of Title 9 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code in a manner consistent with the recently enacted Medicinal Cannabis Patients' Right of Access Act to permit the retail sale by delivery of medicinal cannabis in the City from licensed facilities located outside of the City, subject to specified regulations. The proposed code amendment is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

PROJECT LOCATION: City of Garden Grove, Citywide

ZONE: N/A

On October 19, 2023, by a 7-0 vote, the City of Garden Grove Planning Commission recommended approval of Amendment No. A-038-2023 to City Council, pursuant to Resolution Nos. 6071-23 [(A-038-2023(A) – Retail Sale by Delivery of Medicinal Cannabis] and 6072-23 [A-038-2023(B) – Focused Zoning Amendment].

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

/s/ TERESA POMEROY, CMC
City Clerk

Date: October 25, 2023
Publish: October 27, 2023

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF ORANGE } SS

I am a citizen of the United States; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above-entitled matter. I am the principle clerk of the printer of ORANGE COUNTY NEWS, a newspaper of general circulation, published ONCE WEEKLY in the city of GARDEN GROVE, County of ORANGE, which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of ORANGE, State of California under the date of March 20, 1964, Case Number A-31502; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy (set in type not smaller than nonpareil), has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

November 08, 2023

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:



Orange County News

Subscribed to and sworn by me this 8th day of November 2023.

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OCN-CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
P.O. BOX 3070
GARDEN GROVE, CA 92842

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

• THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M., DECEMBER 7, 2023

Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Commission, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Commission as part of the meeting record.

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM
GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. GPA-001-2023
AMENDMENT NO. A-036-2023
SITE PLAN NO. SP-127-2023
TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. TT-19273

A request to develop a 30-unit residential townhome project, which includes three (3) affordable residential units for moderate-income households, on an approximately 1.22-acre site. The site is at 13252 Brookhurst Street and 10052 Central Avenue in the C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) zone and R-2 (Limited Multiple Residential) zone. As part of the project, the Planning Commission will consider a recommendation that the City Council approve the following:

- (i) General Plan Amendment to amend the General Plan Land Use Designations of the properties from the Light Commercial (LC) and Low Medium Density Residential (LMR) to Medium Density Residential (MDR) to facilitate the development of the residential project;
- (ii) Amendment to rezone the properties from C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) and R-2 (Limited Multiple Residential) to R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential) to facilitate the development of the residential project;
- (iii) Site Plan approval to construct the 30 three-story townhomes along with associated site improvements; and
- (iv) Tentative Tract Map approval to create a one-lot subdivision for the purpose of selling each townhome as a condominium.

Pursuant to the State's Density Bonus Law, the project is requesting one (1) concession, and five (5) waivers to deviate from the R-3 zone development standards as follows:

- (1) A concession to deviate from the minimum open space amenity requirements;
- (2) A waiver to reduce the minimum distance separation between two buildings from 10 feet to 7.5 feet;
- (3) A waiver to reduce the minimum width of the active recreation area from 30 feet to 15 feet;
- (4) A waiver to allow a 6-foot high block wall to be constructed within the front setback along Brookhurst Street;
- (5) A waiver to reduce the minimum landscape setback along Brookhurst Street from 15 feet to 10 feet; and
- (6) A waiver to allow the private open space to be located within the front setback area.

The Planning Commission will also consider a recommendation that the City Council adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and an associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the project. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration, including the Initial Study and all documents referenced in the Mitigated Negative Declaration, are available for public review at 1) Garden Grove City Hall, Planning

Services counter, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove; and 2), Garden Grove Regional Library, 11200 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

Electronic copies are available online at www.ggcity.org/planning/environmental-documents. The City invites all interested parties to submit written comments on the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration during the public review period beginning on November 9th, 2023 and ending on November 28th, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. Written comments can be mailed, or electronically submitted to: Huong Ly, City of Garden Grove, Planning Services Division, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840. Email: huongl@ggcity.org. Please reference the case numbers with all correspondence.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on December 7, 2023. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Further information on the above may be obtained at the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

DATE: November 6, 2023

PUBLISH: November 8, 2023

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SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

November 2, 2023 - November 8, 2023

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

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 Garden Grove City Hall



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 11/3/2023 11:58 am PDT

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10 !! Boutique crafters interested in selling their handmade items at this year...



Reach

29,244



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 11/6/2023 4:30 pm PST

🌟 It's beginning to look a lot like the holidays! Who's ready for some frosty fun? ❄️ Join us at the 6th annual Winter in the...



Reach

24,160

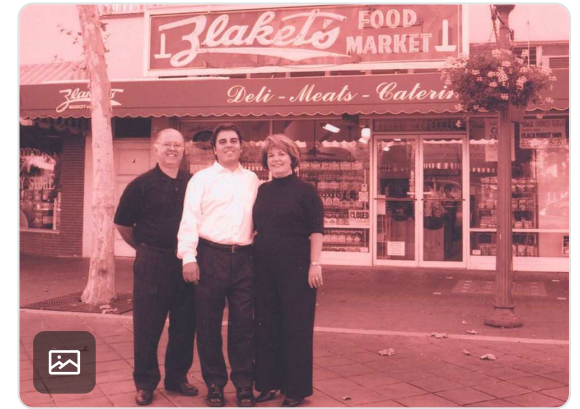


Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 11/2/2023 10:01 am PDT

Plaque Dedication for Zlaket's Market

On Tuesday, November 14, the Garden Grove City Council and Garden Grove...



Reach

6,054



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/8/2023 5:20 pm PST

Let it snow, let it snow, let it Snowtopia! ❄️
Celebrate the holiday season at this year's
🎄 Winter in the Grove, and make sure to...



Reach

2,925



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 11/2/2023 5:44 pm PDT

It's #TBT, and we're celebrating kindness!
🍓 The 63rd Annual Garden Grove
Strawberry Festival featured berry sweet...



Reach

2,460



Garden Grove City Hall


Mon 11/6/2023 8:03 am PST

Join us for the 6th Annual Winter in the
Grove on Saturday, December 2, from 3:00
p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in Village Green Park,...




Reach


2,363


Garden Grove City Hall
 Tue 11/7/2023 2:30 pm PST


☕ Stay cozy and entertained all month long at your local #GardenGrove libraries!
 ↩️ Swipe to check out some of the event...




Reach **1,430**


Garden Grove City Hall
 Tue 11/7/2023 9:44 am PST


🎁 **BLACK FRIDAY CALLS FOR BIG WINNINGS** 📖 The annual [████████████████] [████████████████] [████████████████] [████████████████] giveaway offers Garden Grove...



Reach **1,312**


Garden Grove City Hall
 Sat 11/4/2023 4:45 pm PDT

It's almost time to 'fall back,' #GardenGrove! ⏪ Daylight saving time ends this Sunday, November 5. Take this...



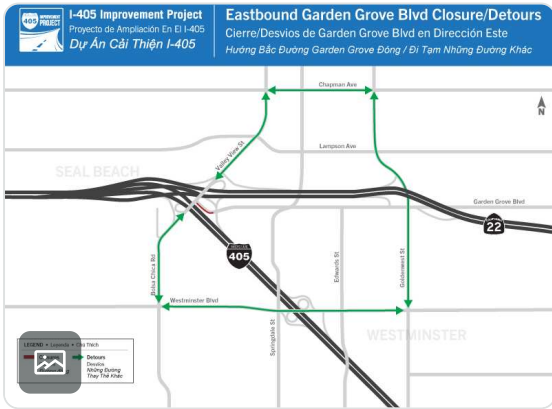
Reach **985**



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/8/2023 2:13 pm PST

⚠️ Commuter Alert From Thursday, November 9 through Thursday, November 16, eastbound Garden Grove Boulevard,...



Reach

794



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 11/2/2023 1:07 pm PDT

OC Waste & Recycling's compost giveaway is on Saturday, November 4, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., while supplies last. 🌱...



Reach

783



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/8/2023 9:10 am PST

📅 ✓ You're invited to participate in an engaging meeting to learn about the ...



Reach

702



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 11/7/2023 5:15 pm PST

Do you feel like there are misconceptions a homelessness, and you want to learn how t a difference? During...



Reach

398



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 11/6/2023 8:05 am PST



Reach

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Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 11/6/2023 8:03 am PST



Reach

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Post Performance

November 2, 2023 - November 8, 2023


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

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 Garden Grove Police Department

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Tue 11/7/2023 9:00 am PST


In Memory of Officer Michael Rainford
 #EOW November 7, 1980. Officer Rainford began his law enforcement career with t...




Impressions	1,408
Reach	1,324
Engagements	237
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	16.8%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Mon 11/6/2023 12:00 pm PST

Please join us this Wednesday, November 8th, from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM, at Chuck E. Cheese (13101 Harbor Blvd) for our...



Impressions	3,007
Reach	2,823
Engagements	122
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.1%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Sat 11/4/2023 6:00 pm PDT

A reminder to #Fall back the clock tonight and enjoy an extra hour of sleep. Since it will get dark early, don't forget your...



Impressions	1,889
Reach	1,828
Engagements	54
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.9%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 11/4/2023 12:00 pm PDT

Outreach & Cleanup Recap: this week, #GardenGrovePD's Special Resource Team (SRT) collaborated with Be Well OC,...



Impressions	3,212
Reach	3,010
Engagements	370
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	11.5%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Thu 11/2/2023 6:00 pm PDT

On October 30, 2023, at 4:36 PM, #GardenGrovePD Officers responded to Magnolia St / SR-22-fw for a multi-vehicl...



Impressions	7,322
Reach	6,431
Engagements	1,134
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	15.5%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Thu 11/2/2023 12:00 pm PDT

#DidYouKnow outside of our regular duties, #GardenGrovePD officers and staff regularly partner with local organizations...



Video Views	414
Impressions	1,115
Reach	969
Engagements	45
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4%

WEEKLY MEMO 11-9-2023

NEWS ARTICLES



Contact: Chris Chung
Senior Planner
(714) 741-5314 / chrisc@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Follow the City of Garden Grove on Social Media

Tuesday, November 7, 2023



COMMUNITY INVITED TO UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE FOR CIVIC CENTER REVITALIZATION PROJECT UPDATE

On Wednesday, December 6, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., the City of Garden Grove will host an open house to update the community on the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project. The meeting will be held at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue. Residents, businesses, and all others are invited to attend.

Over the last year, the City of Garden Grove has hosted community workshops, provided surveys, and participated in local events for public input on the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project. Community feedback included: active park uses for all age groups, more recreational space and park amenities, and safe parking for vehicles and bikes, and more.

The open house is an opportunity to obtain a community feedback update, information on project timing, and learn how to stay engaged. The Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project will commence with improvements to the Garden Grove Police Department public safety facilities, based in part on available Measure O funding.

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COMMUNITY INVITED TO UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE
2-2-2

In 2018, Garden Grove residents passed Measure O, a one-cent transaction and use (sales) tax to support police recruitment, maintain 9-1-1 response times, and to evaluate the need to modernize or replace existing Garden Grove Police Department public safety facilities.

For more information, visit ggcity.org/civic-center or call the Planning Division at (714) 741-5312.

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CONTACT:
Mark Freeman
Community Services Department
(714) 741-5212/markf@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Follow the City of Garden Grove on Social Media



Monday, November 6, 2023

FROSTY FUN AT ANNUAL WINTER IN THE GROVE EVENT

Celebrate the holiday season at Garden Grove's 6th annual Winter in the Grove community event on Saturday, December 2, 2023, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in Village Green Park, located at 12732 Main Street. Entry to the event is free.

New this year are free, unlimited snow slides crafted from 50 tons of snow at the "Snowtopia" attraction.

Other activities at the event include a holiday craft boutique, featuring handmade items from local crafters available for purchase; entertainment from local dance troupes and school choirs; inflatables; craft-making for kids; holiday photo areas; and food for sale from local non-profit organizations. The event culminates with the lighting of a 24-foot, fully decorated tree, along with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Businesses and organizations interested in sponsoring Winter in the Grove can call (714) 741-5212.

For more information, visit ggcity.org/winterinthegrove or call (714) 741-5200.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

CONTACT:
Ana Pulido, Public Information Officer
(714) 741-5280/anap@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

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Tuesday, November 7, 2023

SHOP LOCAL FOR CHANCES TO WIN CASH, GREAT WOLF LODGE STAY

From Black Friday, November 24 through Thursday, December 14, shoppers who spend \$50 or more in Garden Grove have the opportunity to win \$500, \$250, a 1-night stay at the Great Wolf Lodge Southern California, and more, during the City's end-of-year Buy in Garden Grove (BiGG) campaign, Black Friday Goes BiGG.

When Garden Grove shoppers collect \$50 in total register receipts from any Garden Grove establishment, including restaurants, gas stations, and grocery stores, they'll receive one raffle ticket toward a cash or prize drawing.

To receive raffle tickets, receipts dated between Friday, November 24 and Thursday, December 14 must be brought to the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, located at 12866 Main Street, Suite 102, near the corner of Acacia Parkway and Main Street, before 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 14. Raffle tickets will not be available at business establishments.

If purchases were made from a participating BiGG business, Foods of Garden Grove restaurant, or Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce member, shoppers will receive an additional raffle ticket.

Visit ggcity.org/bigq, ggcity.org/foodsofgardengrove or gardengrovechamber.com for lists of participating businesses.

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Shop Local for Chances to Win Cash, Great Wolf Lodge Stay
2-2-2

The first 50 individuals to turn in their receipts will receive a free gift.

On Monday, December 18, the winning names and raffle ticket numbers will be posted on the City's and Chamber's websites and social platforms. One winner will receive \$500; two winners will receive \$250; one winner will receive a 1-night stay at the Great Wolf Lodge Southern California; and one winner will receive a \$50 Garlic and Chives gift card and Foods of Garden Grove T-shirt.

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

For over 10 years, the City has encouraged residents to support local businesses through the BiGG program, which helps keep needed tax dollars in the city for essential resources like public safety, roads, parks, and other quality-of-life needs.

BiGG provides benefits to shoppers through incentives, such as discounts, giveaways, and special deals.

There is no charge to become a BiGG business. Businesses can sign up for free at ggcity.org/bigq.

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

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Students and staff are honored

November 7



Successful students and accomplished employees were recognized by the Garden Grove Unified School District Board of Education when it met on Tuesday night.

The board heard presentations on the Academic Pentathlon program, in which students compete with teams from the area and around the nation. High honors were won by Russell Elementary, Jordan Intermediate and Walton Intermediate.

Celebrated were the district's certificated and classified employees of the month for November. The classified employee was Andrea Liu of Alamitos Intermediate and the certificated winner was Raoul Rodriguez of Peters (4-6) Elementary.

Also on Tuesday night, the board voted – with trustees Lan Quoc Nguyen and Terri Rocco absent – 3-0 to approve the cost of \$16,766,191.23 for a two-story modular building on the campus of Santiago High School, located at 12342 Trask Ave. in Garden Grove.

The next meeting of the board is set for Dec. 12.

Zlaket's, Zlakets feted Nov. 14

November 2



Zlaket's Market and the Zlaket family will be honored with a plaque dedication and unveiling in Tuesday, Nov. 14 by the Garden Grove City Council and Garden Grove Downtown Commission.

The ceremony will take place at 5 p.m., in front of Phin Smith coffee shop, at 12921 Main St., where Zlaket's Market — Garden Grove's oldest family-owned-and-operated business — stood for 87 years.

Opened in 1927 by Leo Zlaket Sr. and his wife, Mary, Zlaket's Market passed through generations of family ownership, with Leo Zlaket Jr. and his wife, Virginia, becoming proprietors in 1988. Known for its top-quality meats, fresh deli, ready-to-eat meals, and hometown atmosphere, Zlaket's Market became a recognized business icon in the community. It survived the 1933 Long Beach earthquake, the Great Depression and all the changes that took place as Garden Grove grew from a small rural town into a suburban metropolis.

The market closed in November 2014 after 87 years in business. Included in the program will be remarks by Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones and Virginia Zlaket, wife of the late Leo Zlaket Jr.

For more information, visit ggcity.org/news/zlaket-plaque.

WEEKLY MEMO 11-2-2023

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

October 26, 2023 - November 1, 2023

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

Included in this Report

 @CityGardenGrove

 Garden Grove City Hall

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Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/1/2023 4:22 pm PDT

Help OCTA expand and enhance public transportation services in Orange County. The Orange County Transportation...



Impressions	203
Reach	203
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.5%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 11/1/2023 3:42 pm PDT

Help brighten the holidays for local children/seniors in need by donating toys, board games, sports equipment & other...



Impressions	—
Potential Reach	4,687
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/1/2023 2:39 pm PDT

🎁🎅 Help brighten the holidays for local children and seniors in need by donating new and unwrapped toys, board games,...



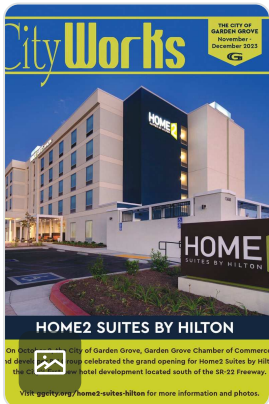
Impressions	707
Reach	702
Engagements	55
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.8%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 11/1/2023 7:40 am PDT

🍁❄️ From the recent Home2 Suites by Hilton grand opening to the Garden Grove Police Department's recruitment, and...



Impressions	—
Potential Reach	4,687
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/1/2023 7:39 am PDT

🍁❄️ From the recent Home2 Suites by Hilton grand opening to the Garden Grove Police Department's recruitment, and...



Impressions	405
Reach	400
Engagements	24
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.9%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/1/2023 7:19 am PDT



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



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/1/2023 7:15 am PDT



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



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 11/1/2023 7:15 am PDT

🛒 'Tis the season to shop local and win! 🇺🇸
 This holiday, shop local to have the opportunity to win \$500, \$250, a 1-night...



Impressions	377
Reach	377
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.8%



gardengrovecityhall

Tue 10/31/2023 4:45 pm PDT

Happy Halloween, #GardenGrove! As you and your loved ones prepare for a wicked fun time, please remember the following...



Impressions	392
Reach	369
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.6%



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 10/31/2023 4:45 pm PDT

Happy Halloween, #GardenGrove! As you and your loved ones prepare for a wicked fun time, please remember the following...



Impressions	460
Reach	460
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.4%



gardengrovecityhall

Tue 10/31/2023 2:43 pm PDT



Impressions	573
Reach	571
Comments	1
Story Taps Back	7



gardengrovecityhall

Tue 10/31/2023 12:01 pm PDT

This year's Jack O'Lantern Jamboree was fang-tastic! 🎃 From pumpkin decorating to carnival games and more, the communit...



Impressions	1,408
Reach	1,134
Engagements	44
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 10/31/2023 12:00 pm PDT

This year's Jack O'Lantern Jamboree was fang-tastic! 🎃 From pumpkin decorating to carnival games and more, the communit...



Video Views	809
Impressions	809
Reach	832
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.6%



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 10/31/2023 8:05 am PDT

REMINDER: Organics Recycling meeting tomorrow ! The **Organics Recycling** program is coming to all multi-unit...



Impressions	257
Reach	257
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.6%



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Mon 10/30/2023 4:33 pm PDT

! #DYK new and exciting developments are coming to Woodbury Park! 🌳 Neighborhood residents and park users a...



Impressions	3,006
Reach	2,681
Engagements	207
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.9%



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 10/30/2023 3:53 pm PDT

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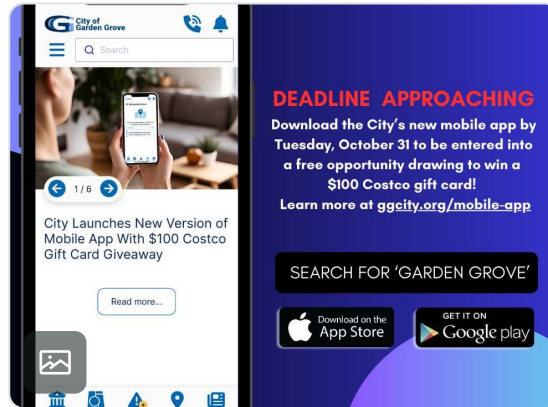
Video Views	639
Impressions	627
Reach	621
Engagements	64
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	10.2%



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Mon 10/30/2023 10:51 am PDT

Last day to participate in the new mobile app giveaway !! Download the new mobile app by tomorrow, Tuesday, October 31 t...



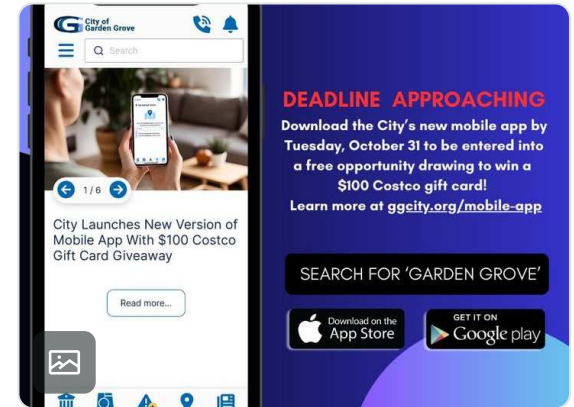
Impressions	467
Reach	441
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 10/30/2023 10:49 am PDT

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Impressions	795
Reach	778
Engagements	15
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.9%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 10/27/2023 4:01 pm PDT

The **Parks and Recreation Guide** is a treasure trove of activities and events for you and your family! Discover your next...



Impressions	6,863
Reach	4,365
Engagements	440
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.4%



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Fri 10/27/2023 3:51 pm PDT

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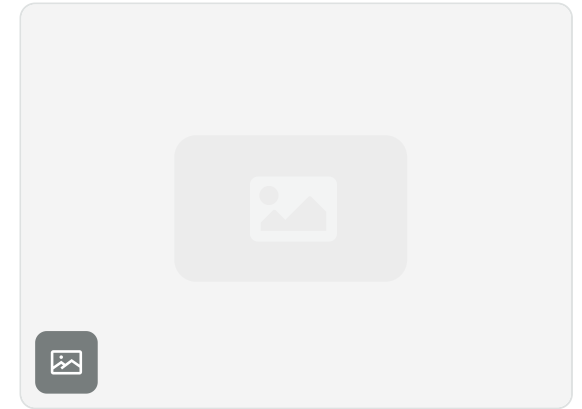
Impressions	675
Reach	540
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.6%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 10/27/2023 3:40 pm PDT

The **Parks and Recreation Guide** is a treasure trove of activities and events for you and your family! Discover your next...



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



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 10/27/2023 12:44 pm PDT

Have you cleaned out your medicine cabinet yet? The #NationalTakeBackDay is tomorrow, Saturday, October 28. Bring...



Impressions	236
Reach	227
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.4%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/26/2023 4:27 pm PDT

☀️ Meet the Flush Master! 🗑️ The Orange County Sanitation District is here to teach you the art of flushing. No more flushing...



Impressions	1,298
Reach	1,267
Engagements	31
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.4%



gardengrovecityhall

Thu 10/26/2023 12:08 pm PDT

🍷 Organic waste is a resource, not trash. Give back to nature by becoming an organics recycler! 🌱 Multi-family resident...



Impressions	956
Reach	945
Engagements	17
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.8%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/26/2023 11:56 am PDT

🍓 Organic waste is a resource, not trash. Give back to nature by becoming an organics recycler! 🌍 Multi-family resident...



Impressions	360
Reach	347
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.7%



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Thu 10/26/2023 7:34 am PDT

🚲 *Multi-Street Construction Project Underway for New Bike Lanes* As part of our commitment to improve active...



Impressions	3,355
Reach	3,023
Engagements	180
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.4%




Post Performance


October 26, 2023 - November 1, 2023

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


Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department

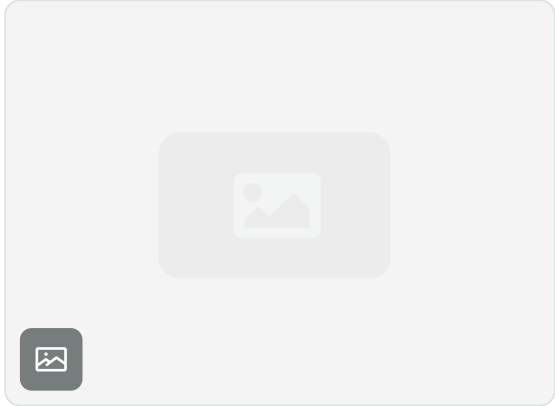
 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Wed 11/1/2023 12:47 am PDT



Impressions	1,750
Reach	1,750
Engagements	199
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	11.4%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Tue 10/31/2023 3:00 pm PDT

All Hallows' Eve is upon us. Here are some tips for a happy and safe holiday: • #BeSafeBeSeen - fasten reflective tapes ...



Impressions	2,299
Reach	2,170
Engagements	185
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Sun 10/29/2023 3:00 pm PDT

Last week, #GardenGrovePD Officers and staff members joined #GGUSD students for story time. This year's...



Video Views	805
Impressions	2,110
Reach	1,995
Engagements	78
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.7%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 10/28/2023 3:00 pm PDT

Outreach & Cleanup Recap: this week, #GardenGrovePD's Special Resource Team (SRT) collaborated with Be Well OC and...



Impressions	1,752
Reach	1,639
Engagements	139
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.9%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Fri 10/27/2023 12:30 pm PDT

Have you cleaned out your medicine cabinet yet? The #NationalTakeBackDay is tomorrow, Saturday, October 28. Bring...



Impressions	1,140
Reach	1,056
Engagements	23
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2%

WEEKLY MEMO 11-2-2023

NEWS ARTICLES



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Wednesday, November 1, 2023

CITY TO HOLD PLAQUE DEDICATION FOR ZLAKET’S MARKET

On Tuesday, November 14, 2023, the Garden Grove City Council and Garden Grove Downtown Commission will honor Zlaket’s Market and the Zlaket family with a plaque dedication and unveiling. The ceremony will take place at 5:00 p.m., in front of Phin Smith coffee shop, at 12921 Main Street, where Zlaket’s Market—Garden Grove’s oldest family-owned-and-operated business—stood for 87 years.

Opened in 1927 by Leo Zlaket Sr. and his wife, Mary, Zlaket’s Market passed through generations of family ownership, with Leo Zlaket Jr. and his wife, Virginia, becoming proprietors in 1988. Known for its top-quality meats, fresh deli, ready-to-eat meals, and hometown atmosphere, Zlaket’s Market became a recognized business icon in the community. It survived the 1933 Long Beach earthquake and the Great Depression. The market closed in November 2014 after 87 years in business.

Included in the program will be remarks by Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones and Virginia Zlaket, wife of the late Leo Zlaket Jr.

For more information, visit ggcity.org/news/zlaket-plaque.

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Tuesday, October 31, 2023

**SUPPORT LOCAL YOUTH AND SENIORS BY DONATING TO THE
25TH ANNUAL GARDEN GROVE HOLIDAY DRIVE**

From Wednesday, November 1 through Friday, December 8, 2023, the community can assist local youth and seniors in need during the holidays by donating new and unwrapped toys, board games, sports equipment, gift cards, and other essential supplies to the City of Garden Grove's 25th Annual Holiday Drive.

Donations can be dropped off at:

- Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center, at 12661 Sunswept Avenue
- Magnolia Park Family Resource Center, at 11402 Magnolia Street
- H. Louis Lake Senior Center, at 11300 Stanford Avenue
- Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway

Gifts can also be purchased online through the Amazon holiday registry, at <https://amzn.to/3Seipar>, and shipped directly to Garden Grove City Hall.

Monetary donations are also accepted. Checks should be made payable to the Garden Grove Community Foundation and mailed to Holiday Drive, c/o GGCF, P.O. Box 3070, Garden Grove, CA 92842. Tax receipts are available upon request.

In addition, from November 1 through December 8, 2023, tickets can be purchased for the Holiday Drive Raffle to win a \$200 Disney gift card. Tickets are \$3 each, 2 for \$5, or 25 for \$20, and are available at the Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center, Magnolia Park Family Resource Center, and Garden Grove City Hall.

Support Local Youth and Seniors by Donating to the Garden Grove Holiday Drive 2-2-2

One winner will be selected and announced at ggcity.org/holiday-drive on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. All proceeds benefit the 25th Annual Holiday Drive.

For 25 years, the City's family resource centers, comprised of the Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center and Magnolia Park Family Resource Center, have worked to bring holiday cheer to local disadvantaged youth. This year, to commemorate the 25th anniversary, local seniors from the H. Louis Lake Senior Center will also benefit from the holiday drive.

Part of the City's Community Services Department, the family resource centers and H. Louis Lake Senior Center support local underserved families and individuals with low to no-cost programs, resources, and services.

For more information, visit ggcity.org/holiday-drive, call (714) 741-5776, or email ggholidaydrive@ggcity.org.

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Garden Grove mời dân dự hội thảo về tái chế rác thứ Ba 1/11 và 14/11, được tặng xô rác nhỏ free

Công ty vệ sinh Garden Grove, phối hợp với Republic Services, mời cư dân sống trong các khu nhà dành cho nhiều gia đình, như condo, townhome, và chung cư, tham dự buổi thuyết trình về Tái Chế Rác Hữu Cơ (Organics Recycling), một nỗ lực trên toàn tiểu bang nhằm giảm lượng chất thải hữu cơ tại các bãi chôn lấp, và giảm lượng khí thải gây ô nhiễm môi trường. Hai cuộc hội thảo được tổ chức vào tháng 11:

- Thứ Tư, ngày 1 tháng 11, lúc 6:00 giờ chiều, tại Trung Tâm Hội Nghị Cộng Đồng Garden Grove, tọa lạc tại 11300 Stanford Avenue (tiếng Anh, tiếng Tây Ban Nha, tiếng Việt và tiếng Hàn).
- Thứ Ba, ngày 14 tháng 11, lúc 10 giờ sáng, tại Trung Tâm Buena Clinton, 12661 Sunswept (chỉ có tiếng Việt).

Các chủ đề sẽ được thảo luận bao gồm luật tái chế chất thải hữu cơ của tiểu bang, SB 1383, và tầm quan trọng của việc tái chế chất hữu cơ; thay đổi dịch vụ thu gom rác thải cho cư dân khu; phân loại chất thải hữu cơ thích hợp; và các bước để giảm thiểu sâu bệnh và mùi hôi không mong muốn.

Những người tham dự sẽ nhận được xô đựng rác nhỏ để trên bếp miễn phí dùng để thu gom thức ăn thừa trước khi đổ vào thùng tái chế. Giới hạn một cái cho mỗi hộ gia đình, ai đến trước được tặng trước.

Bắt đầu vào năm 2022, chương trình Tái Chế Rác Hữu Cơ của Thành Phố được thành lập nhằm đáp ứng Luật SB 1383 của Tiểu Bang California, yêu cầu giảm chất thải hữu cơ tại các bãi chôn lấp nhằm giảm lượng khí thải gây ô nhiễm môi trường có hại, cho phép người dân và doanh nghiệp tái chế tất cả rác thải thực phẩm và thức ăn dính bản giấy trong thùng hữu cơ. SB 1383 yêu cầu các cư dân tuân thủ, nếu không sẽ bị phạt bắt đầu từ năm 2024.

Để biết thêm thông tin, vui lòng xem tại website **ggcity.org/organics-recycling**.

TP Garden Grove thông báo sửa đường, giao thông sẽ bị chậm trễ trong vài tuần

Dự án Cải thiện Đường Dành Cho Xe Đạp (BCIP) là một chương trình nhận được ngân sách \$20 triệu giúp việc đi xe đạp và đi bộ trở nên dễ dàng và an toàn hơn ở Quận Cam. BCIP là chương trình liên bang cung cấp kinh phí xây các tuyến đường, vẽ thêm các làn đường giúp nâng cao việc đi xe đạp và đi bộ ở Quận Cam. Dự án này bắt nguồn từ ý tưởng 'Re:Imagine Garden Grove' của Thành phố cùng với đường mòn Huân Chương Danh Dự dành cho người đi bộ để cải thiện giao thông và thực hiện các mục tiêu được cộng đồng xác định trong Kế hoạch Tổng thể dành cho người đi bộ và xe đạp tại Garden Grove. Các tuyến đường đang được xây dựng và ngày dự kiến hoàn tất như

- West Street, từ Garden Grove Blvd đến Orangewood Avenue, từ nay đến Thứ Sáu, ngày 27 tháng 10;
- Brookhurst Street, từ Trask Avenue đến Katella Avenue, kéo dài đến Thứ Tư, ngày 1 tháng 11;
- Gilbert Street, từ Deodora Drive/Westminster đến Katella, kéo dài đến Thứ Năm, ngày 9 tháng 11;
- Lampson Avenue, từ Dale Street đến Haster Street, từ Thứ Sáu, ngày 27 tháng 10 đến Thứ Ba, ngày 21 tháng 11; và
- Chapman Avenue, từ Valley View Street đến Beach Blvd, vừa mới hoàn thành.

Giờ làm việc từ 7:30 sáng đến 4:00 giờ chiều, từ Thứ Hai đến Thứ Sáu, đường West và Gilbert. Phía đường Chapman, Brookhurst Street và Lampson Avenue, giờ làm việc là 9:00 giờ tối đến 5:00 giờ sáng, từ Thứ Hai đến Thứ Sáu.

Người dân và chủ doanh nghiệp dọc khu vực xây dựng đã được thông báo trước thông qua tờ rơi phát tận nhà. Người dân được yêu cầu tuân theo các biển báo "Cấm đỗ xe" tạm thời, và giao thông sẽ chậm lại, cũng như sẽ nghe tiếng ồn do ảnh hưởng công trình xây dựng. Giao thông cũng sẽ được ra vào ở các khu dân cư, doanh nghiệp và trường học.

Công trình bao gồm việc tạo ra các làn đường mới dành cho xe đạp bằng cách tái cân bằng mặt đường, trải nhựa đường cách nhiệt, lắp đặt hệ thống camera, lắp đặt chỗ khóa xe đạp ở các trạm, và bổ sung các biển báo chỉ đường.

Để biết thêm thông tin, xin coi tại ggcity.org/bike, hoặc gọi (714) 955-4694, hoặc gửi email về bicyclecorridor@ggcity.org.

TP Garden Grove mời cư dân tham dự buổi hội thảo về tái chế rác hữu cơ

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
October 27 – November 9, 2023

1. Calendar of Events
2. Agenda for the November 16, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting
3. Agenda for the November 9, 2023 Zoning Administrator Meeting.
4. League of California Cities from October 27, 2023 to November 9, 2023
5. Garden Grove Historical Society Newsletter, November 2023
6. Orange County Business Council (OCBC) Newsletter, October 2023
7. SCAG Regional Council Newsletter



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 9, 2023 – December 12, 2023

Thursday	November 9	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	November 14	5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Zlaket's Market Plaque Dedication, 12921 Main St. Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	November 16	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC \$2 Casual Dress Day
Friday	November 17		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	November 23		City Hall Closed – Thanksgiving Day
Friday	November 24		City Hall Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday
	November 24- December 17		One More Productions presents "The Holiday Gem" The Gem Theater, 12852 Main St.
Tuesday	November 28	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
		5:30 p.m.	Civic Center Bridge dedication in memory of Corporal Han Cho
Thursday	November 30	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	December 1		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Saturday	December 2	3:00 p.m.	Winter in the Grove Village Green Park, 12732 Main St.
Thursday	December 7	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC Holiday Drive \$2 Casual Dress Day
Tuesday	December 12	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC



A G E N D A

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION

November 16, 2023 - 7:00 PM

COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
11300 STANFORD AVENUE

Meeting Assistance: Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services, due to a disability, to address the Planning Commission, should contact the Department of Community & Economic Development at (714) 741-5312 or email planning@ggcity.org 72 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for special accommodations. (Government Code §5494.3.2).

Agenda Item Descriptions: Are intended to give a brief, general description of the item. The Planning Commission may take legislative action deemed appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

Documents/Writings: Any revised or additional documents/writings related to an item on the agenda distributed to all or a majority of the Planning Commission within 72 hours of a meeting, are made available for public inspection at the same time (1) in the Planning Services Division Office at 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840, during normal business hours; and (1) at the Community Meeting Center at the time of the meeting.

Public Comments: Members of the public who attend the meeting in-person and would like to address the Planning Commission are requested to complete a yellow speaker card indicating their name and address, and identifying the subject matter they wish to address. This card should be given to the Recording Secretary before the meeting begins. General comments are made during "Oral Communications" and are limited to three (3) minutes and to matters the Planning Commission has jurisdiction over. Persons wishing to address the Planning Commission regarding a Public Hearing matter will be called to the podium at the time the matter is being considered. Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Commission, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Commission as part of the meeting record.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

ROLL CALL: CHAIR LINDSAY, VICE CHAIR CUNNINGHAM
COMMISSIONERS ARBGAST, CUEVA, LARICCHIA, PAREDES,
RAMIREZ

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

- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – [October 19, 2023](#)
- C. PUBLIC HEARING(S) (Authorization for the Chair to execute Resolution shall be included in the motion.)

C.1. SITE PLAN NO. SP-129-2023

APPLICANT: THE JAGER CO., LTD

LOCATION: NORTH OF BIXBY AVENUE, BETWEEN CARTHAY CIRCLE
AND PEACOCK COURT AT 9691 BIXBY AVENUE

REQUEST: A request for Site Plan approval to construct a three-story, 27-unit residential apartment complex and associated site improvements on a 0.83-acre lot. The proposal includes three (3) affordable housing units for "very-low income" households. Inclusion of the three (3) very low-income units qualifies the project for a density bonus, concessions, waivers, and reduced parking pursuant to the State Density Bonus Law, and the project has been designed to incorporate certain concessions and waivers of development standards pursuant to the State Density Bonus Law. All existing on-site improvements will be demolished to accommodate the proposed development. The site is in the R-2 (Limited Multiple Residential) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15332 – In-Fill Development Projects – of the state CEQA guidelines.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Site Plan No. SP-129-2023, pursuant to the recommended Conditions of Approval.

D. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

E. MATTERS FROM STAFF

F. ADJOURNMENT



AGENDA

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING

Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue

Thursday, November 9, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Zoning Administrator, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Zoning Administrator as part of the meeting record.

Members of the public desiring to speak on any item of public interest, including any item on the agenda except public hearings, must do so during Comments by the Public. Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing.

Meeting Assistance: Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services, due to a disability, should contact the Department of Community & Economic Development at (714) 741-5312 or email planning@ggcity.org 72 hours prior to the meeting 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 the Zoning Administrator within 72 hours of a meeting, shall be available for public inspection (1) at the Planning Services Division during normal business hours; and (2) at the Community Meeting Center at the time of the meeting.

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

1. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):

a. [CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-249-2023](#)

APPLICANT: G&M Oil Co., LLC
LOCATION: 8032 Garden Grove Boulevard

REQUEST: A request for Conditional Use Permit approval to upgrade an existing State Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "20" (Off-Sale, Beer & Wine) License to a new State ABC

Type "21" (Off-Sale, General) License for an existing 2,813 square foot convenience store, ExtraMile, on a site currently improved with a Chevron gas service station. The site is in the GGMU-1 (Garden Grove Boulevard Mixed Use 1) zone. Upon approval and exercising of the subject request, the Conditional Use Permit previously governing the tenant space, CUP-433-99, which allowed the convenience store, to operate with an ABC Type "20" (Off-Sale, Beer & Wine) License, shall be revoked and become null and void. In conjunction with the request, the zoning administrator will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California environmental quality act (CEQA), Pursuant to section 15301- Existing Facilities- of the state CEQA guidelines.

2. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC
3. ADJOURNMENT



Water and wastewater arrearage payments for cities available

Nov 1, 2023

The 2023 budget deal allocated \$600 million in funding to the noncompetitive program

The state is extending a payment program for [water and wastewater arrearages](#) that occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic. The State Water Resources Control Board expects to disburse the funding to eligible applicants, including cities, in February 2024. The pandemic made it difficult for many Californians to pay their bills due to job loss and other hardships. This in turn created significant financial impacts for cities and local water agencies. Securing funding for budget shortfalls has been a top priority for the League of California Cities.

As part of the 2023 budget deal, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a budget trailer bill expanding the arrearages payment program. This expansion extends the relief period from June 15, 2021, to December 31, 2022. The state Legislature allocated \$600 million in federal funding for the program.

The extended arrearage program will include both water and wastewater debt from residential and commercial customers.

This funding is not competitive. However, if the total amount requested exceeds the amount available, the state will reimburse applicants proportionately. The state may also prioritize the timing of the payments to applicants serving rural and disadvantaged communities.

The application period runs through Dec 31, 2023.

The State Water Board created the California Water and Wastewater Arrearages Payment Program to provide relief to community water and wastewater systems for unpaid bills caused by the pandemic. Customers cannot apply for relief through the Extended Arrearage Program. However, relief may be available through the [Low Income Household Water Assistance Program](#).



House Republicans elect a new speaker as budget deadline looms

Nov 1, 2023

A government shutdown could impact many programs that cities rely on

After three weeks of unprecedented chaos, the U.S. House of Representatives has a new speaker: Rep. Mike Johnson from Louisiana. Johnson succeeds California Representative Kevin McCarthy, who was ousted from the position by a narrow vote.

Since the speaker pro tempore had limited powers, business ground to a halt in Washington. Now that the House is back in session, lawmakers have a long to-do list. Top of the list? Passing a budget deal.

If legislators fail to reach an agreement, spending authority for most federal agencies will expire. All but the most essential services, such as air traffic control and customs, would shut down. This could significantly impact many programs that cities rely on, including social safety net programs, long-term disaster recovery, infrastructure projects, and environmental reviews.

Even state agencies and nonprofits could see service shutdowns if they have positions or services funded by federal dollars. During the 2019 federal shutdown, cities either had to [halt federally funded services or fund the services themselves](#).

[Johnson eyes stop-gap bill as Democrats and Republicans remain split on key issues](#)

In September, Congress passed a short-term funding bill that is set to expire on Nov. 17. Johnson has indicated that he plans to pass a stop-gap bill that will last through April while House Republicans work out a longer-term solution. It remains unclear what funding level he will choose.

Johnson wants to "build conference consensus regarding 2025 budget levels and pass a budget resolution." When McCarthy built consensus on a top-line budget number, it was below the amount agreed to by the White House. If House Republicans adopt this strategy of letting the conference develop spending levels, it could lead to a fiscal standoff — with the House on one side and the Senate and the White House on the other.

On Tuesday, House Republicans announced an aid package for Israel that slashes funding for the IRS. The move puts them at odds with President Biden, who requested a joint aid package for Israel, Ukraine, and border security. Congress agreed to additional

IRS funding as part of the Inflation Reduction Act, but some lawmakers have tried to claw it back.

The [White House](#) and [Senate Democrats](#) called the standalone bill a non-starter. House Republicans meanwhile called for “[accountability](#)” on money sent to Ukraine.

House Republicans are also trying to [block funding](#) for California’s high-speed rail project. Biden is a big advocate for passenger rail. Federal support for passenger rail was a key part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Act.

It’s widely believed that current [House Republican spending measures](#) have no chance of succeeding in the long term.

According to the latest [Goldman Sachs analysis](#), a government shutdown in the short term is “much less likely” than it was previously. However, there is “some risk” in early 2024, especially if Congress continues to rely on short-term extensions.



Guide to Local Recovery Update: Nov. 1

Nov 1, 2023

Cities must “obligate” their State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds before the end of 2024. Those that don’t will need to return the funding to the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Deadlines for key housing/infrastructure, water workforce development, and diesel engine replacement grant programs are also approaching.

Key ARPA deadline approaching

The long runway to allocate funds under the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program comes to an end next year. If a city does not “obligate” funds by the end of 2024, it must return the funding to the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

Budgeting the funding is not enough per the Treasury Department’s rules. Cities need to place an order for property or services that require payment. In the case of payroll, grantees must follow state and local established practices.

Cities with a starting date of Jan. 1 for their fiscal year realistically have little over a month to obligate their funds. Although funding must be obligated before Dec. 31, 2024, cities can spend the money well into 2026. [More information and helpful tips](#) are available in a recent NLC article.

HUD program helps accelerate housing and infrastructure projects

Federal officials outlined how the [Thriving Communities Technical Assistance](#) program can help under-resourced cities accelerate housing and infrastructure projects in a recent [blog post](#). The program helps cities ensure housing needs are considered as part of their larger infrastructure plans. Cities can receive assistance in the following areas: land utilization, regulatory reform, affordable housing preservation, and coordination. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is accepting applications for the program on a rolling basis. Priority will be given to jurisdictions with populations under 250,000.

Funding available for water workforce development and diesel engine replacement

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking applications for a [water workforce development program](#). Somewhere between 30 and 50% of the nation’s water workforce is expected to [retire by 2027](#). Water and wastewater treatment utility workers are central to community public health, environmental, and economic well-being, making this growing shortage even more concerning. Funded by the Inflation Reduction Act, the program supports a wide range of local initiatives. This includes targeted internship programs, regional workforce development

partnerships, leadership development, training programs, and education programs. Applications are due Nov. 17.

The EPA is also accepting applications for two clean air programs. The [Clean School Bus Rebates](#) program helps replace existing school buses with clean and zero-emission buses. The application process is different from previous rebate programs; potential applicants are encouraged to read the requirements and Program Guide closely. The application period ends Jan. 31.

Applications for a program that helps transit agencies [upgrade, retrofit, or replace legacy diesel fleets](#) are due Dec. 1. Although diesel engine emissions standards have tightened, nearly eight million legacy engines are still in use. Broadly speaking, the EPA defines legacy diesel engines are those with a model year 2009 or earlier.

[Other recovery resources](#)

The National League of Cities (NLC) is winding down its American Rescue Plan Act office hours series. Held every Tuesday and Thursday, the program helps cities [navigate State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds requirements](#). The program ends on Dec. 14.

NLC also released a list of [tips for securing federal transportation grants](#). The list includes several helpful tips, including information on local match sources and required project deadlines.

The Local Infrastructure Hub is holding a [Nov. 28 webinar](#) on the Inflation Reduction Act's direct pay provisions. The rule allows tax-exempt and local governments to take advantage of [tax credits](#) for building clean energy projects for the first time.

City officials looking for additional information about the American Rescue Plan Act, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Inflation Reduction Act, or additional recovery tools can visit the [Cal Cities Guide to Local Recovery portal](#).



Rivas expects retail theft committee to ‘act with focus and urgency’

Nov 1, 2023

Last week Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas announced the formation of a new Select Committee on Retail Theft, chaired by Asm. Rick Zbur.

Addressing retail theft was one of the League of California Cities’ top legislative priorities in 2023. Cal Cities co-sponsored a bill that would have [increased accountability for serial theft](#) and created a diversion program for repeat offenders. The Assembly Public Safety Committee ultimately held the bill, along with other key public safety bills. The select committee is a step in the right direction.

“Californians have had enough of these smash-and-grab crimes and shameless shoplifting incidents,” [Rivas said in a statement](#). “They’re appalling and affect everyone. The Assembly understands we must do more to address root causes, protect businesses owners, and fight criminal activity. It’s my expectation that the retail theft select committee will act with focus and urgency.”

A National Retail Foundation survey found that stores in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, and Sacramento were the top targets in the nation for [organized retail theft](#).

An analysis by the Public Policy Institute of California found similar trends, with [commercial burglaries](#) in particular rising above their pre-pandemic levels.

The select committee hopes to hold hearings this fall and into next year, which will bring all stakeholders to the table. Members of the select committee include:

- Chair, Asm. Rick Zbur (Los Angeles)
- Asm. Juan Alanis (Modesto)
- Asm. David Alvarez (San Diego)
- Asm. Mia Bonta (Oakland)
- Asm. Vince Fong (Bakersfield)
- Asm. Haney (San Francisco)
- Asm. Kevin McCarty (Sacramento)
- Asm. Liz Ortega (San Leandro)
- Asm. Blanca Pacheco (Downey)
- Asm. Cottie Petrie-Norris (Irvine)
- Asm. Pilar Shiavo (San Fernando Valley)

The move came as lawmakers began announcing new legislation for 2024, including a measure by Sen. Scott Wiener that would make it easier to prosecute car break-ins.



San Diego joins Cal Cities in opposing ballot measure

Nov 8, 2023

The city of San Diego on Monday passed a [unanimous resolution](#) opposing the so-called “Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act.” Several [organizations](#) joined the city in announcing the resolution, including the League of California Cities.

“This dangerous measure — that deceptively seeks to ‘protect’ taxpayers — would do the opposite by leading to service reductions for streets and roads, water, public safety, homeless shelters, and other critical services,” said Carolyn Coleman, executive director and CEO of Cal Cities. “Meanwhile, wealthy corporations who are funding this measure will benefit from loopholes in the measure that enable them to sidestep paying their share.”

The November 2024 ballot initiative is sponsored by the California Business Roundtable, a group of the state’s wealthiest corporations. In a presentation to the city council, [a city analyst](#) noted that the measure would limit the ability of local voters and their elected representatives to pass new revenue measures to provide vital services. Cal Cities estimates the measure could reduce state and local government funding for core public services by billions annually and that the measure’s unclear language could result in lawsuits putting an additional financial burden on cities and taxpayers.

“This ballot measure is an anti-democratic power grab by greedy corporations and puts a radical minority in charge of the democratic process,” [said San Diego Council President Sean Elo-Rivera](#). “It also jeopardizes a range of critical city services and infrastructure that our residents have come to rely on and expect. We need more accountability for wealthy corporations, not less.”

A broad group of organizations oppose the CBRT initiative, including labor unions, local government associations, lawmakers, and Gov. Gavin Newsom. In September, the Legislature and the Governor filed an emergency petition with the California Supreme Court to [remove the initiative](#) from the November 2024 ballot.

The case has received considerable scrutiny and analysts expect the court to decide quickly. The deadline to print the 2024 ballot is in June.

Legislators this year also passed [ACA 13 \(Ward\)](#), which would require future ballot measures that increase voter approval requirements to also pass by the same threshold. If the voters approve ACA 13, then the CBRT measure must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote. Both ballot measures will be on the November 2024 ballot, when voter turnout is traditionally higher.



Get insight and practical solutions at the Planning Commissioners Academy

Nov 8, 2023

Planning commissioners must navigate some of the state's most ambitious — and controversial — housing and environmental laws while balancing the needs of their community. Navigating this shifting landscape can be challenging for planning commissioners of all tenures. Whether you're a first-time commissioner or just need a refresher, the Planning Commissioners Academy has you covered.

Taking place March 6-8 in Long Beach, the Academy provides city officials with information about the basic legal and practical framework planning commissioners work in, as well as emerging issues. All planning commissioners will bring back practical, applicable knowledge to their cities.

This year's Academy will cover a range of topics, such as managing public meetings, new housing laws, and objective design standards. The academy will also include introductory and advanced California Environmental Quality Act sessions. Additional information is available in the "schedule at a glance" section of the [Academy webpage](#).

Registration and hotel information

Registration for the full academy starts at \$675 for city officials from any League of California Cities member city. Conference registration includes admission to all educational sessions, the Wednesday reception, Thursday breakfast and lunch, Friday breakfast, and access to all program materials. The deadline to register is Feb. 28. Afterward, officials must register on-site if space is available.

The 2023 Planning Commissioners Academy will be at the Hilton Long Beach, located at 701 W. Ocean Blvd. in Long Beach. The Hilton is seven miles from Long Beach Airport and offers discounted self-parking for guests staying at the hotel.

A limited number of hotel rooms are available at a reduced rate for conference attendees. The discounted hotel rate cut-off is Feb. 3, 2024. Hotels often sell out prior to the deadline, so reserve early!

For more information, visit the [Planning Commissioners Academy](#) webpage. Please direct all registration questions or comments to Conference Registrar [Megan Dunn](#). Please direct any other questions to Associate Manager, Event Program, [Kayla Boutros](#).

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Garden Grove Historical Society

Calendar of Activities

November

November 5 – Public tour, 1:30 PM

November 19 – Public tour, 1:30 PM

November 23 – Thanksgiving. Enjoy Turkey Day!

November 28 – Board meeting, 9:30 AM

December

December 3 – Public tour, 1:30 PM. The Ware-Stanley House will be decorated for the season.

December 5 – General meeting, 7 PM. The Bolsa Grande Concert Choir will be featured, performing holiday songs. The Board of Directors will also be voted in at the meeting.

December 17 – Public tour, 1:30 PM.

December 19 – Board meeting, 9:30 AM

A few items of trivia:

- Gold is the only metal that doesn't rust, even if it's buried in the ground for thousands of years.
- For every extra kilogram carried on a space flight, 530 kg of excess fuel are needed at liftoff.
- Airports at higher altitudes require a longer airstrip due to lower air density.

Early Telephone Days

This article was inspired by one appearing in the *Fairview Register*, the newsletter of the Costa Mesa Historical Society, in March/April 2023. Author: Mari Page

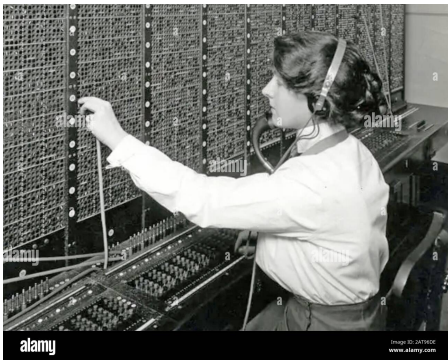
Looking through some of the old telephone directories we have stored in the archive made me think about how telephone numbers were constructed in the days before 7-digit (not counting the area code) numbers became common. Orange County prefixes included Kimberly (Santa Ana), JAsper (Brea), OXford (La Habra), and LEXington (Huntington Beach).

If you were born after the 1960s, you might not recognize these exchange names or central office names (Garden Grove and Anaheim used the latter). The purpose of the exchange and central office names was to identify the area the call came from. Each number had to be unique, and as more subscribers joined, new ideas for numbers had to be developed. One idea was to take two letters from the central office or exchange name, and add numbers to it; originally there were four numbers with a 2-letter prefix, and later five numbers.

Early direct dial telephones (remember dials?) had both the letters and numbers in the center of the dial. When a phone call was to be made the dialer would use the first two letters in the name (usually capitalized in the listing) and the numbers that followed.

When telephones were first invented in 1876, they were viewed with excitement and skepticism. How could a voice be carried over a wire by using a machine? Skepticism gave way to practicality, and soon telephone exchanges were in every major

American city. In these early small networks, the customer who subscribed would contact the switchboard operator to connect their call; the operator would manually connect the call. During this early period the telephone was a transmitter placed in a wooden box, and you listened and talked via the same opening. Party lines were introduced in 1878 to cut the high cost of phone service; in the 1950s, a single party line was \$4.75 a month, whereas a two-party line was \$4 and a four-party line was \$3.50. A side benefit was the ability to listen in on private conversations on other lines, an activity frowned upon in most households.



The change from switchboard to dialing calls was initially resisted by the Bell Telephone System, who felt it would be hard for callers to have to dial a number, many phones did not have a dial in the early days, and operators would lose their jobs. The changeover slowed during World War II because of shortages of materials. The last manual telephone service in Southern California was in Avalon, Catalina Island, in 1978.

Other milestones include touch-tone dialing (1963), cordless telephones and video phones (the 1980s), and the use of cell phones and cellular towers, which began in 1993. By 2002, most of the world's phones were cell (or mobile) phones.



Remember this???

An Aviator's Jacket Carries a Precious Patch

From an article by Cory Graff from *The National World War II Museum* newsletter. Thanks to Lynn Blankenship for providing the article

Marine Fighting Squadron 422 (VMF-422) was a Marine Corps unit that flew missions in World War II as well as the Korean conflict. One of the pilots, First Lieutenant Robert Conrad "Curly" Lehnert, became lost in a storm on January 25, 1944, and was forced to land in the sea; he spent three days in a life raft. Six other aviators in the squad who were flying the same mission never returned.

Lehnert's son, John, donated memorabilia his father had accumulated in his career, including a leather flight jacket with a fascinating and unique patch sewn above the left pocket.



Here's the story: In his book, *U.S. Marine Corps Aviation Unit Insignia*, author Jeff Millstein wrote, "Just prior to shipping out in late 1943, squadron members realized that they didn't have an insignia to take with them into combat. One of the pilots, Lt. Mark Syrkin, called his cousin, Mark Hellinger. Hellinger was a famous Hollywood producer and knew Walt Disney personally. Hellinger placed a call to Disney's home and explained the situation and the lack of time to go through 'channels.' Disney told him to have his cousin show up at the studios the next morning. When Syrkin arrived, there was a

package containing 50 hand-painted jacket patches which had been painted overnight by the entire Disney Studio staff.”

The image on each patch the men received featured Disney’s Peg Leg Pete, a hefty, anthropomorphic cat who was the arch nemesis of Mickey Mouse. Dressed in pirate garb, Pete is riding on the back of a Corsair fighter aircraft with a dagger in his teeth and clutching a corsair sword in his big, gloved hands.

The insignia is one of roughly 1,200 unique designs created by Disney staffers for American and Allied military units during World War II. Walt Disney and his troupe of talented artists pledged their support for the US war effort without hesitation, and without profit. The Disney Studios devoted over 90 percent of its wartime output to producing training, propaganda, entertainment and public-service films, publicity and print campaigns, and creating these unit insignia.

A large selection of this artwork is displayed in the exhibit *The Walt Disney Studios and World War II*, which is on display at The Walt Disney Family Museum of San Francisco.

Barn Sale Scenes October 2023



Shoppers inspecting the merchandise



Lollie Beauchamp, Donna Winchester and Megan Galway at the cash table



Karl Knickrehm selling book(s) to a customer



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GARDEN GROVE
HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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WHERE: 12174 Euclid St, Garden Grove

**WHEN: Friday & Saturday,
December 1 & 2**

8:00 am to 4:00 pm both days

**WHAT: Wide selection of gently used
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SPOTLIGHT NEWS

CSUF economists shed light on complex economy at 29th annual OCBC/CSUF Economic Forecast Conference

Nationally acclaimed [CSUF](#) economists Dr. Anil Puri and Dr. Mira Farka described the economy as resilient, yet complex, at the [29th Annual Economic Forecast Conference](#) on October 19 in Anaheim. Over 425 guests had a front row seat examining the factors contributing to mixed signals in the economy. While the economists said that the recession is postponed, it's not completely canceled. Puri is the director of the Woods Center for Economic Analysis and Forecasting at Cal State Fullerton, and Farka, a professor of Economics, serves as the co-director. Read the full [Economic Forecast 2024: Mission Impossible? Searching for Growth in an Inflationary Economy](#). Thank you to title sponsor Farmers & Merchants Bank for making the event possible.



Photo courtesy of OCBC

Amanda Walsh named OCBC VP of Government Affairs

OCBC welcomes new Vice President of Government Affairs [Amanda Walsh](#) to the team. In her role, she will oversee all aspects of the Business Council's government and public affairs programs together with Government Affairs Manager George Boutros, pictured left, and Government Affairs Specialist Josh Finlayson, right. Prior to joining OCBC, Amanda served as Community Relations Manager at UCI where her responsibilities included overseeing partnerships between the university, its departments and the community. Amanda earned her Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations with a minor in Political Science from California State University, Fullerton. To view OCBC's advocacy resources or learn about the Government Affairs committee, visit ocbc.org.



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OC Forum to rollout 2023-24 Community Indicators Report: November 7

Since 2010, the annual Orange County Community Indicators Report in collaboration with partners Cal Optima Health, First5 Orange County, Orange County Community Foundation, Orange County United Way and Orange County Business Council (OCBC), has served as a tool for assessing the nation's sixth most populous county in terms of workforce, education, health, housing, infrastructure and more. Join [OC Forum](#) and OCBC on Tuesday, Nov. 7 in Irvine to be among the first to hear what this year's report and special feature section on housing barriers will reveal. Hosted by OC Forum, the luncheon event will feature a panel of community leaders. [Registration](#) is now open.



Image courtesy of OC Forum

INVESTOR NEWS

Chapman University receives \$10 million gift: elevates Argyros School to College

The [George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics](#) at [Chapman University](#) expanded into the George L. Argyros College of Business and Economics thanks to the Argyros family's recent gift of \$10 million. The shift from school to college provides an umbrella for schools dedicated to various areas of research and teaching and supports Argyros' climb as one of the nation's top business schools. In May, the school ranked 60th in the Best Business Schools rankings by [U.S. News & World Report](#). The gift was announced at the launch of Argyros' Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series, where Earvin "Magic" Johnson was the inaugural speaker.



Photo courtesy of Chapman University

Edison retrofits grid for earthquakes

To ensure the uninterrupted flow of energy during a major earthquake, [SCE](#) has completed [earthquake improvement work](#) on 50 of its largest bulk power transmission substations. Known as the "backbone" of SCE's electric grid, the substations, located near the San Andreas Fault, provide electricity to nearly 15 million people. The work, which began in 2018, included analyzing Southern California earthquakes that occurred in 1933, 1971, 1986 and 1994.



Concordia University Irvine opens Spectrum Campus

[Concordia University Irvine](#) hosted the grand opening of its new [Spectrum Campus](#) which will be home to the university's growing Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) program, graduate programs in the School of Health and Human Sciences, and other healthcare-related programs. Located in a biotech and healthcare hub in the city of Irvine, the Spectrum Campus features nursing teaching space, classrooms, offices and workstations for students beginning this fall. The building enables the private Christian university to maximize the use of its original 72-acre Turtle Rock campus to meet the workforce development needs of the region.



Photo courtesy of OCBC

Orange County Power Authority awards grants to nonprofits

The [Orange County Power Authority](#) (OCPA) awarded a total of \$70,000 through its first [Bright Futures Grants](#) program.



Each grant provides funding to local nonprofits, schools, and educators in their efforts to inform communities on the benefits of renewable energy and Community Choice Aggregation. Programs focused on multi-lingual campaigns, as well as initiatives that brought together multiple partners to collaborate on renewable energy education were honored. This year's recipients are Climate Action Campaign, Cool Irvine, OC Goes Solar, and Pretend City.

Image courtesy of Orange County Power Authority

Irvine Valley College hosts Tustin & Irvine Unified on Manufacturing Day

[Irvine Valley College](#) (IVC) hosted partners from Tustin and Irvine Unified School Districts to mark Manufacturing Day on October 6. More than 150 high school students were on hand at the [Advanced Technology Education Park](#) (ATEP) in Tustin to learn about the aspects of manufacturing and to broaden their perspectives on the pathways that can lead to a career in manufacturing. IVC faculty hosted hands-on demonstrations in Design Model Making & Rapid Prototyping, Drafting Technology, Electrical/Electronic Technology and Engineering programs. An industry resource expo allowed students to connect with manufacturing companies Edwards Lifesciences, Applied Medical, University Robot, Roland DGA, Advanced Technologies Consultants, BBraun USA and Transworld Business Advisors.



Photo courtesy of IVC

COMMITTEE MEETINGS UPDATE

OCBC Infrastructure Committee meeting recap

OCBC's recent [Infrastructure Committee](#) meeting featured guest speakers from the [Orange County Sanitation District](#) (OC San) and [OC Public Works](#). Presentations included an overview of ambitious infrastructure improvement projects scheduled for the next decade. [OC San's](#) \$3 billion investment will help the enhancement of critical infrastructure, facility replacements, and the integration of new technologies such as Super Critical Water Oxidation. Committing more than \$1 billion over the next seven years, OC Public Works' investment is designed to bolster road, bridge, flood, and bikeway projects. For project details, including locations and funding amounts, click [here](#). To learn more about OCBC's Infrastructure Committee, or attend the next meeting on December 12, contact Emily Jackson at ejackson@ocbc.org.

UPCOMING ORANGE COUNTY BUSINESS COUNCIL EVENTS

13th Annual Turning Red Tape into Red Carpet Awards & Holiday Reception

December 6, 2023 | 5 - 8:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION

The 2023 Turning Red Tape into Red Carpet [nominees](#) have been announced! Who's cutting red tape in your community? Join OCBC at the [13th Annual Turning Red Tape into Red Carpet Awards](#) recognizing public agencies and leaders for implementing policies and programs that cut red tape, eliminate barriers to economic growth and open the door to private sector jobs creation. Winners will be announced live at the Awards Ceremony on December 6, 2023, in Irvine followed by a Holiday Reception to celebrate the holiday season. [Registration](#) for the Awards and Holiday Reception is now open. Thank you to silver sponsors Spectrum and Verizon and supporter sponsors Kaiser Permanente and SoCalGas. For sponsor opportunities, contact [Lauren Martin](#), OCBC director of events.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee meetings are an exclusive benefit offered only to OCBC investors.
Click the committee meeting link to learn about upcoming topics and guest speakers.

[Advocacy and Government Affairs](#)

November 3, 9:30 - 11 a.m. | Email [George Boutros](#) for registration details.

[Housing](#)

November 16, 8 - 9 a.m. | Email [Emily Jackson](#) for registration details.

[Workforce](#)

December 5, 8 - 9 a.m. | Email [Emily Jackson](#) for registration details.

[Economic Development](#)

December 6, 8 - 9 a.m. | Email [Emily Jackson](#) for registration details.

[Infrastructure](#)

December 12, 8 - 9 a.m. | Email [Emily Jackson](#) for registration details.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS CALENDAR

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

- Ensure sporting, cultural, and business events keep choosing California as a destination by supporting the creation of a [dedicated events fund](#) in CA. Join the California Travel Association and the California Sports Coalition to create this fund, which will allow cities throughout California to utilize dedicated resources for attracting sporting, cultural, business, and other events in communities across the state.
- Mark your calendars for the second annual [Orange County Public Relations Society of America "Eye on DE&I" Summit](#) breakfast this Thursday, **November 2** at Hangar 244 at the Great Park in Irvine. Join speakers as they place an eye on the state of diversity, equity and inclusion in OC, and the intersection with education, public affairs, business, marketing and communications.
- Share [feedback](#) with the Orange County Transportation Authority as they develop the [2024 OC Transit Vision Master Plan](#), a 30-year plan for enhancing and expanding transportation services in OC. Join the [community webinar](#) on **November 2** and respond to the [survey](#) by **November 17** to share your input.
- Military and veteran job seekers interested in breaking into the construction and building trades can hear from statewide industry leaders and connect with local liaisons for their trade(s) of interest. [Register](#) to attend [Construction Career Paths Workshop](#) on **November 9**, hosted virtually by CalVet, Helmets to Hardhats, and the Office of Senator Newman.
- Connect with industry, educators, and young adults at [\(Re\)Imagining Apprenticeships](#), Today's Tools for Tomorrow's Workforce on [November 17](#) to discover ways industry professionals with apprenticeship programs can connect with young adults and current college students.

- Enjoy [activities](#) like nature journaling, bird walks, hiking and more at Orange County Parks in November. [Featured Events](#).

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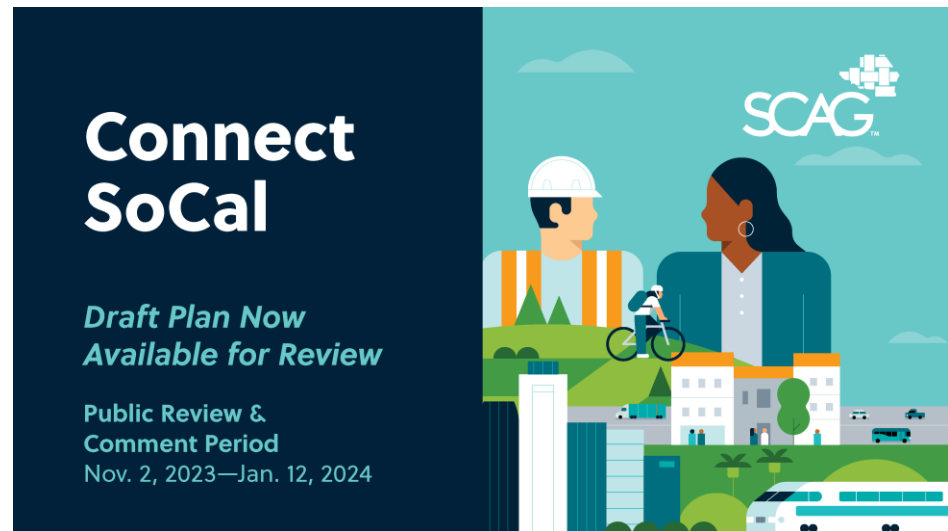
The Regional Council is the governing board of the Southern California Association of Governments and consists of 86 elected officials representing 191 cities, six counties, county transportation commissions, transportation corridor agencies, tribal governments and air districts in Southern California.

AGENDA

[Click here](#) for current and archived Regional Council meeting agendas.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MEETING

ACTION **DRAFT CONNECT SOCAL 2024 AND DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT APPROVED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**



The SCAG Regional Council voted on Nov. 2, 2023, to release both the draft Connect SoCal 2024, the region's 2024-2050 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), and the accompanying Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for public review and comment through Jan. 12, 2024. The comment period for the draft Connect SoCal 2024 plan begins on Nov. 2, while the comment period for the draft PEIR begins on Nov. 9.

Updated every four years, [Connect SoCal 2024](#) outlines a vision for the region, with integrated strategies across the areas of mobility, community, environment and economy to achieve that vision. The Plan meets federal transportation conformity

requirements and state requirements for greenhouse gas emission reduction, enabling the region to continue to receive funding for much-needed transportation projects.

Connect SoCal 2024 is informed by local jurisdictions plans more so than in past cycles, facilitated by SCAG staff meeting with 164 jurisdictions during the development stage. Plan development also included input from hundreds of stakeholders and thousands of Southern Californians, and leadership from 149 policy committee and Regional Council members. The transportation investments include projects submitted by six county transportation commissions and supplemented by a set of regional strategic investments.

During the draft Connect SoCal 2024 public comment period, SCAG staff will host three public hearings on Dec. 4, 5 and 8, in addition to briefings for elected official in each county in the SCAG area. For more details, please visit ConnectSoCal.org, or email ConnectSoCal@scag.ca.gov with any questions.

As the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) lead agency, SCAG's Connect SoCal 2024 Draft PEIR includes a region-wide, programmatic-level environmental assessment, and considers and discusses feasible mitigation measures and a range of reasonable alternatives to the Plan. The separate but parallel CEQA 65-day public comment period for the draft PEIR begins Nov. 9 and ends on Jan. 12, 2024, the same day as the comment period for the draft Connect SoCal 2024 plan. The draft PEIR will be available on Nov. 9. To view and submit comments please visit scag.ca.gov/peir or email ConnectSoCalPEIR@scag.ca.gov.

ACTION

SCAG REGIONAL COUNCIL APPROVES \$45 MILLION FOR THE LASTING AFFORDABILITY PROGRAM

On Nov. 2, the Regional Council also approved funding recommendations for the Notice of Funds Available (NOFA) for the Lasting Affordability Program, a \$45 million competitive call supporting program-level investments in housing trust funds, community land trusts, catalyst funds and nonprofit organizations that secure lasting affordability.

The NOFA is funded by the Programs to Accelerate Transformative Housing (PATH) Program under the Regional Early Action Planning Grants of 2021 (REAP 2.0). With the NOFA, SCAG will fund [14 transformative planning and implementation projects](#) in the region to carry out REAP 2.0 goals of accelerating infill development, affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing vehicle miles traveled.

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FOR THE 14TH ANNUAL
ECONOMIC SUMMIT ENDS ON NOV. 3**



[Register before it's too late](#) to take advantage of early bird pricing for the [14th Annual Southern California Economic Summit](#), on Dec. 7 in Downtown Los Angeles.

As the 16th largest economy in the world, Southern California is full of opportunities and challenges. Every year, SCAG hosts business leaders, elected officials, economists and more to assess the state of the regional economy and plan for its long-term prosperity.

Nov. 3 is the last day to get \$75 off the general admission price!

**SCAG TOURS IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION
PROJECTS**



On Oct. 26 and 27, a SCAG delegation, including Regional Council President Art Brown, Immediate Past President Jan Harnik and Executive Director Kome Ajise, visited Imperial County to tour important regional facilities.

The group was recognized as “guests of honor” at the California League of Cities-Imperial County Division Annual Dinner in Brawley before visiting the Calexico East Port of Entry California Highway Patrol Heavy Truck Vehicle Inspection Facility. The group also visited several ongoing projects in downtown Calexico designed to support transit and pedestrian access, including the Calexico West Port of Entry, which received \$191 million in federal funding for an upgrade, including major investments for pedestrian access. The tour concluded with a stop at the “Lotus Living Tiny Homes” project in El Centro, completed in 2021 in partnership with Imperial Valley College.

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR THE REGIONAL UTILITIES SUPPORTING HOUSING PROGRAM

SCAG recently opened a Call for Applications for the Regional Utilities Supporting Housing (RUSH) Pilot Program. This competitive call, open through Nov. 6, will

award an estimated \$35 million to projects in any of the following categories meeting the definition of infill:

- **Planning Projects:** Plans, programs and green infrastructure plans to support increased utility capacity to support residential development identified in housing elements.
- **Capital Projects:** Projects that address current and future utility restrictions for housing development and enable continued infill housing development by upgrading infrastructure for sewer, water, stormwater and dry utilities systems.

Recordings of an Oct. 4 information session will be available soon, and [office hours with SCAG staff](#) are available to support applicants. More information on the call for applications and technical assistance opportunities are also available on [SCAG's RUSH website](#).

FINAL SOCAL GREENPRINT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The third and final SoCal Greenprint Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting was held on Oct. 30. The meeting included discussion of updated SoCal Greenprint draft data standards and potential data layers, tool functionality and user testing to continue the TAC's work in advising staff on development of the SoCal Greenprint tool and to ensure the tool's alignment with the approved Regional Advanced Mitigation Planning policy framework. Staff will integrate the guidance and feedback from all three meetings into recommendations presented to the Energy and Environment Committee in January 2024 and the Regional Council in February 2024.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

NOVEMBER

7th Aviation Technical Advisory Committee
7th District Evaluation Committee
14th Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee
16th Technical Working Group
16th Equity Working Group
29th Regional Transit Technical Advisory Committee

DECEMBER

4th Connect SoCal 2024 Public Hearing
5th Transportation Conformity Working Group
5th Connect SoCal 2024 Public Hearing
6th Executive Administration Committee
7th Southern California Economic Summit
8th Connect SoCal 2024 Public Hearing



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