

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Scott C. Stiles, City Manager
Members

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A.** GARDEN GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCE-BASED WORK STUDY 2016-2017
The GGPD Professional Standards Unit shares its comprehensive work study analysis determining the proper patrol staffing level for GGPD based on guidelines and research analysis established by Jeremy Wilson and Alexander Weiss.

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

- A.** Letter and Official Notice from the California Department of Food and Agriculture regarding an Open House meeting about the treatment plans against Asian Citrus Psyllid for Garden Grove.
- B.** Notice of Public Hearing from the Orange County Sanitation District regarding proposed sewer service fees.
- C.** News Release from the Joint Forces Training Base on upcoming army aviation training exercises including night operations at Los Alamitos Army Airfield.
- D.** Orange County LAFCO Comprehensive Quarterly Report for October – December 2017.
- E.** Memorandum from Mr. Larry Dick and Mr. Wayne S. Osborne of the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) outlining monthly water usage data figures, an estimate of Tier 2 volume for MWDOC, and selected water supply information.
- F.** Pension Update and League Letter on CalPERS Amortization from the League of California Cities

- **OTHER ITEMS**

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



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For years, police departments nationwide have relied on a comparative ratio, compiled by the FBI, of officers per capita to determine adequate staffing levels for police departments. Police Chief Todd Elgin recently attended a conference with City Manager Scott Stiles and learned the per capita ratio never intended to be used as an industry standard since every community has different policing needs based on demographics, crime activity, and community expectations.

Over the past several months the GGPD Professional Standards Unit has been gathering data to perform a comprehensive work study analysis to determine the proper patrol staffing level for the Garden Grove Police Department. The team used guidelines and research analysis that was outlined in a comprehensive report completed by the Michigan State University (MSU) School of Criminal Justice in cooperation with the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice. The report was completed in 2012 and revised in 2014. The title of the report is "A Performance-Based Approach to Police Staffing and Allocation and was written by researchers Jeremy Wilson and Alexander Weiss.

The MSU report provided a step-by-step approach for our team members to assess our patrol staffing needs based upon workload and performance objectives.

Historic Staffing levels at GGPD

For many years, there has been no systematic way of determining the appropriate staffing level for police departments. The Garden Grove Police Department has loosely determined our staffing levels based on our city population and how surrounding Orange County agencies staffed their agencies. The Garden Grove Police Department has always been below the per capita average in the County. The per capita ratio for most agencies in Orange County range from 1.01 to 1.18. In 2016, the Department of Justice reported the nationwide police officer per capita ratio was 2.4 officers for every 1,000 inhabitants. In cities with reported populations from 100,000-249,000 inhabitants, the officer per capita ratio was 1.64. The median per capita ration in Orange County is 1.18.

The disadvantage of this method (per capita) is it only addresses the quantity of police officers needed per population and not how officers spend their time, the quality of their efforts, or community conditions, needs, and expectations. Similarly, the per capita approach cannot guide agencies on how to deploy their officers.

Per capita ratios do not account for the intensity of workload by jurisdiction. Crime levels and types can vary substantially among communities of similar population sizes. Per capita ratios also do not account for changes in population characteristics (such as seasonal fluctuations in tourist communities), or long-term trajectories of population growth and shrinkage (Wilson & Weiss 2014).

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City	Population	Officers	Per Capita Ratio
Garden Grove	174,858	167	0.96
Westminster	89,701	90	1.00
Huntington Beach	200,652	222	1.11
Buena Park	83,156	93	1.12
Cypress	48,906	55	1.12
Fountain Valley	56,529	64	1.13
Santa Ana	334,217	383	1.15
Orange	140,504	167	1.19
Tustin	80,395	96	1.19
Costa Mesa	112,822	136	1.21
Fullerton	140,721	175	1.24
Anaheim	351,043	482	1.37
Seal Beach	24,440	35	1.43
La Palma	15,774	24	1.52
Los Alamitos	11,636	25	2.15

The per capita method does not account for variations in policing style, service delivery, or response to crime (i.e., how police officers spend their time). Some police departments may choose to use non-sworn staff to perform some service functions. Others may choose a more community-oriented (with various forms of implementation) or traditional style of service delivery. Variations in how agencies choose to patrol their jurisdictions also have implications for staffing needs that are not reflected in per capita ratios (Wilson & Weiss 2014).

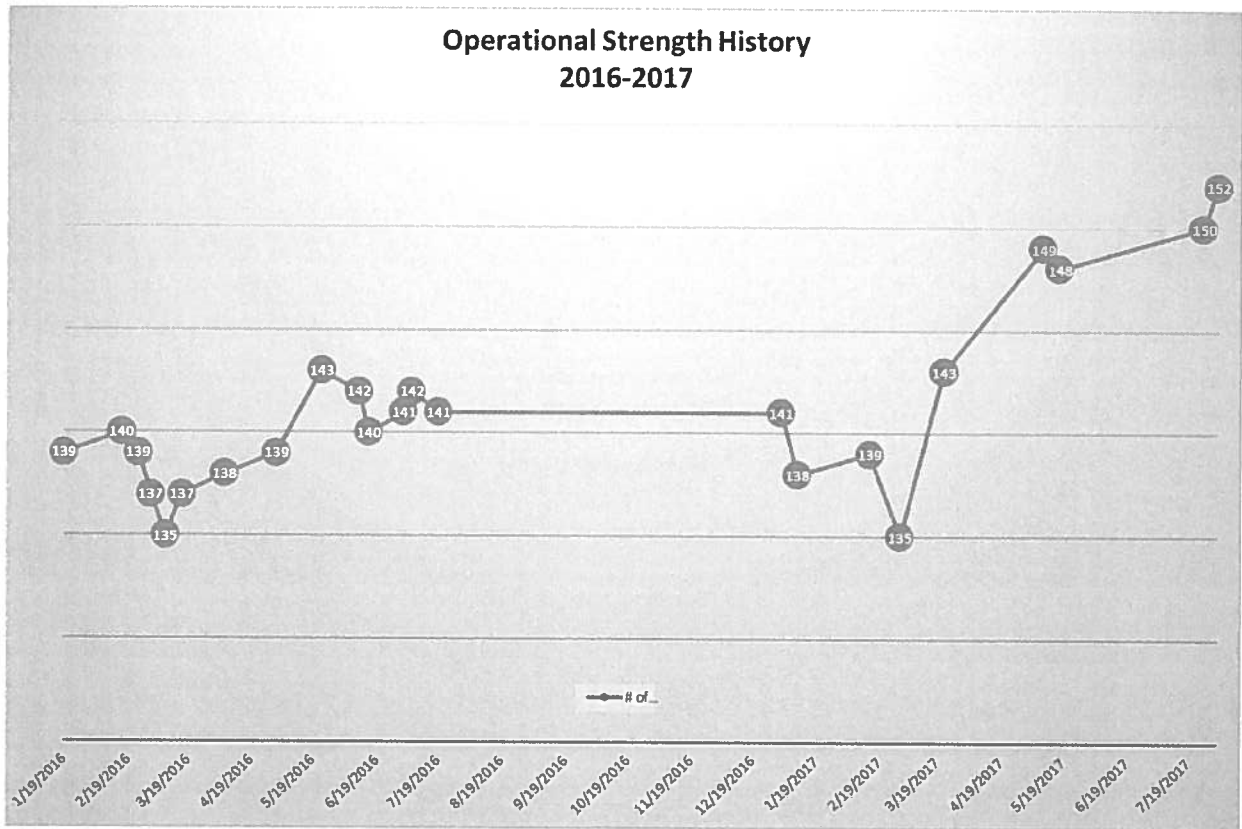
In the past 10 years, the highest per capita ratio our department attained occurred in January 2009. At that time, the current authorized strength was 173 officers and the City's population was approximately 166,332. This was a per capita ratio of 1.04. For several months in 2009, our department was fully staffed at 173 sworn officers and the department was moving forward with a successful strategic plan.

The economic recession of 2008/2009 had a devastating effect on the City and stopped forward progress with the strategic plan. Over the next couple of years, the authorized strength of our sworn officers and civilian staff was reduced through attrition and our sworn staffing level was reduced by 10% to 156 police officers. The number of working police officers declined despite the continued population growth and demand for police services. The members of the Garden Grove Police Department accepted the challenge and absorbed the additional workload. Despite the shortages, our department continued to deliver outstanding police services to the citizens of Garden Grove.

The Police Department's sworn operational strength fluctuates monthly because of employees not working due to work related injuries and other factors. During the past two years the monthly operational strength varied from a low of 135 officers to the most recent maximum of 152 officers. We have not reached our working authorized strength due to injuries, vacancies, and recruits in the academy.

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The following chart shows the department's operational strength for the last two years:



The City has gradually increased the Police Department's authorized strength over the past 8 years. The current authorized strength of the police department is 167 sworn officers. Our current per capita ratio is approximately 0.96 officers per 1,000 residents. Garden Grove has continued to have one of the lowest officer per capita ratios in Orange County and remains one of the busiest police agencies.

Declining Resources and New Legislation. What is the effect?

In 2011 Governor Jerry Brown signed Assembly Bill 109 (AB109) known as the Public Safety Realignment Act. The U.S. Supreme Court in *Brown v. Plata* required California prisons to drastically reduce overcrowding. The prison population in California was reduced from 156,000 to 110,000 inmates. Low level felons were released from state prisons back into society. Garden Grove absorbed some of these released felons.

In 2014, California voters passed Proposition 47, known as the "Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act". This was done to further reduce the prison population in California. Many felony crimes became misdemeanors and it also allowed for previously convicted felons to be resentenced under the new sentencing guidelines, in many cases, lowering their convictions to misdemeanors. After passing, the early release of convicted felons immediately began and an estimated 6,000 to 10,000 prisoners were immediately identified for early release.

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In 2015, crime significantly increased in California and the same phenomena did not correlate in other states. Law enforcement leaders attributed the increase to AB109 and Prop 47. A press release written on May 11, 2016 from the California Police Chiefs Association (CPCA) said, "The significant increase follows a year after Prop 47 resulted in statewide criminal justice reform that weakened sentences without requiring alternative rehabilitation for offenders."

In 2015, Garden Grove started to experience the effects and consequences of the early release of convicted felons back into our city, and the rise in crime has continued. Other cities in California have experienced the same increases. In an article titled, "Are Our Cities Safer with AB109 and Prop 47" the author talked with Ventura Police Chief Ken Corney, President of the CPCA. Chief Corney said, "These numbers are more than statistics. They represent victims who have suffered theft, robbery, assault, or any number of crimes. Clearly, something unique is happening in California and it's important we study this trend to understand exactly what is going on before more people get hurt" (Montgomery 2016).

According to the CPCA, similar increases can be seen in comparisons of cities throughout California. Crime data reported by 311 municipal police departments from across the state showed a "startling rise in crime throughout California last year." The CPCA called the fluctuations, "Far beyond normal". Based on the crime data they collected, the increase in property-related crimes in the California cities that have already been reported reflected "the largest year-over-year increase since at least 1960. The increase in violent crime showed the largest year-over-year increase since 1990" (Montgomery 2016).

Proposition 57 was passed in the General Election, November 2016, and allows for the early release and parole for certain California prison inmates. The implications of this legislation will not be seen until the end of 2017 and early 2018. In a recent court ruling in January 2018, Sacramento County Superior Court Judge Allen Sumner preliminarily ordered prison officials to rewrite part of the regulations for Proposition 57 allowing earlier parole for more than half of the 20,000 sex offenders now serving time. This would be in addition to the other convicted felons being granted early release. This influx of paroled offenders will only add to the other offenders released under AB109 and Prop 47.

The following chart represent reported crime statistics in Garden Grove for the past eight years:

Reported Crimes 2010-2016	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Homicide	3	3	1	5	6	6	4	5
Forcible Rape	22	19	16	17	17	42	41	25
Robbery	184	171	135	137	124	153	185	222
Arson	13	17	21	29	24	25	9	22
Felony Assault	330	257	287	297	260	338	316	357
Auto Theft	462	427	601	539	476	653	680	668
Burglary (Residential/Commercial)	810	717	761	637	646	815	859	834
Theft	2318	2242	2655	2221	1976	3057	2788	2861
Totals	4142	3853	4477	3882	3529	5089	4882	4994

*Note the significant increase after 2014.

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The most dramatic increase in crime happened within the last three years (2015-2017). Garden Grove saw increases in all categories with the exception of homicides and arsons. 2014 reflected the lowest number of overall reported crimes within the last 8 years.

The following chart shows the percentage change for the past three years. Every reported category showed increases except homicide. Overall crime rose 41.51% from 2014 to 2017:

4 Year change- Reported Crimes	2014	2015	2016	2017	Change from 2014-2017
Homicide	6	6	4	5	-16.67%
Forcible Rape	17	42	41	25	47.06%
Robbery	124	153	185	222	79.03%
Arson	24	25	9	22	-8.33%
Felony Assault	260	338	316	357	37.31%
Auto Theft	476	653	680	668	40.34%
Burglary (Residential/ Commercial)	646	815	859	834	29.10%
Theft	1976	3057	2788	2861	44.79%
Totals	3529	5089	4882	4994	41.51%

On January 25, 2018 the Criminal Justice Legal Foundation issued a press release and it stated, “The FBI Preliminary Semiannual Uniform Crime Report for 2017, which tracks crimes committed during the first six months of the past year in U. S. cities with populations over 100,000, indicates that last year violent crime increased again in most of California’s largest cities. Data analysis by the Criminal Justice Legal Foundation found that, of the 73 California cities listed in the report, 56% had an increase in violent crime last year. Cities with the largest violent crime increases (during the first six months of 2017) included Glendale (35%), Victorville (30%), Pomona (26%), Berkeley (22%), Garden Grove (22%), and Huntington Beach (20%).”

“While the numbers for the entire year will not be available until the fall, this preliminary report suggests that 2017 was the third year in a row in which California suffered significant increases in violent crime,” said CJLF President Michael Rushford. “Over the past six years, as the state adopted policies that released thousands of known criminals into communities and drastically reduced the consequences for future crimes, the politicians in Sacramento told us crime would not increase. Shame on those who believed them,” he added.

The final 2017 statistics for the Uniform Crime Report reported to the FBI showed an annual increase in violent crime in Garden Grove of 11.54%. The following chart shows the violent crime statistics reported to the FBI for the last two years:

Violent Crime Comparison 2016-2017	2016	2017	Change
Homicide	4	5	25.00%
Rape	41	25	-39.02%
Robbery	185	222	20.00%
Assault Aggravated	316	357	12.97%
Totals	546	609	11.54%

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Comparing statistics since the low year of 2014, violent crime has risen 49.63% in Garden Grove. Rape, robbery and aggravated felony assaults have risen drastically.

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Totals	407	609	49.63%

In 2016, the Police Department handled 71,634 calls for service. Of those calls, 51,640 calls were citizen generated. The remainder (almost 20,000 calls) were officer generated self-initiated incidents from proactive investigations. In 2017, citizen generated calls for service increased 8.32% and officer generated self-initiated incidents increased 14.19%. There was an overall increase in total calls for service by 9.95%. The high demand for police services and the limited resources available are effecting the ability for the Police Department to reduce the rising crime rate and demand for police services.

Like other Orange County cities, Garden Grove is experiencing an explosion of calls dealing with homelessness related issues. To help with the increase in calls for service, two officers were taken from our patrol ranks and assigned full time to handle calls involving homelessness related issues and crimes. In 2016, Garden Grove officers investigated over 4,000 calls for service that involved homeless related issues or crimes.

In 2017, our department handled 5,351 calls for service related to homeless transients that were disturbing the peace, homelessness issues related to blight, or crimes and calls that involved a homeless person. Crimes ranged from robbery, burglary, assaults, thefts, drunk in public, indecent exposure and trespassing. This was an increase of over 33% for calls related to homelessness.

Our department handled a total of 78,785 individual incidents in 2017. The total of 5,351 CFS for homelessness calls represents 6.8% of our total calls handled in 2017. This was the highest single specific category of all CFS in the city for 2017.

YTD Period Comparison 2016-2017	2016	2017	Change
Citizen Generated CFS	51640	55934	8.32%
Officer Self-Initiated CFS	19994	22831	14.19%
Total Calls for Service	71634	78765	9.95%

Other demands on police services involve our expanding Harbor Blvd. tourism area. The added hotels, the expansion of Disneyland, and the expansion of the Anaheim Convention Center has brought more visitors to Garden Grove every year. Our department will need to plan for the increase of visitors to effectively police this population.

In addition to the tourism expansion, several new housing developments are being constructed over the next couple of years. New single family homes at the eastern side of the city, affordable senior multi-unit housing on Garden Grove Blvd. and the continued development of the Brookhurst Triangle will increase

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our city population. The SteelCraft project and other revitalization projects in the Civic Center area will increase the demands of police services.

The question remains, how many officers does the Garden Grove Police Department need to effectively deliver police services to the residents and visitors of the City?

A Performance-Based Approach to Police Staffing and Allocation

The Professional Standards Unit used the Performance-Based approach outlined in the report to determine the recommended staffing level for the patrol division. The study looked at the actual demand of police services and the number of citizen generated calls for service. According to the study, the final number of officers determined from the data will handle police CFS at the patrol level and does not account for officers assigned to other special details. The study does not determine the extra officers needed for supervisor positions, officers assigned to specialty units, or command staff positions.

The Performance-Based approach analyzes citizen generated calls for service, the length of shifts, the total time off officers take each year, the method of delivering police services to meet performance objectives, the number of calls that require multiple officer responses, and the total time officers spend on each call. After the data was collected and evaluated according to the parameters outlined in the report, a recommended number of officers was attained.

The first part of the study required obtaining the total distribution of citizen generated calls for service. These were calls that were initiated by a citizen calling 911 or calling the police department asking for the police for assistance. Calls for 2016 and 2017 were evaluated.

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Total Citizen Generated calls for service 2016

2016 Citizen Generated CFS broken down by shift times and day correlation								
Hour	Mon-Tue	Tue-Wed	Wed-Thur	Thur-Fri	Fri-Sat	Sat-Sun	Sun-Mon	Total
06:00-06:59	184	177	149	166	164	136	100	1076
07:00-07:59	252	314	256	274	255	203	175	1729
08:00-08:59	332	359	353	353	334	290	207	2228
09:00-09:59	353	384	347	349	333	317	286	2369
10:00-10:59	367	341	367	342	360	368	328	2473
11:00-11:59	371	379	359	327	374	364	291	2465
12:00-12:59	397	368	352	388	359	390	333	2587
13:00-13:59	380	395	385	379	378	386	328	2631
14:00-14:59	400	403	353	403	429	371	347	2706
15:00-15:59	408	427	360	396	435	362	342	2730
16:00-16:59	432	419	415	420	466	344	368	2864
17:00-17:59	436	454	457	447	465	379	339	2977
Totals	4312	4420	4153	4244	4352	3910	3444	28835
18:00-18:59	422	419	446	446	444	391	384	2952
19:00-19:59	404	401	417	418	451	417	358	2866
20:00-20:59	418	350	383	398	439	415	423	2826
21:00-21:59	371	375	384	397	393	488	403	2811
22:00-22:59	342	311	305	299	413	553	373	2596
23:00-23:59	247	223	257	284	363	514	289	2177
00:00-00:59	213	178	202	199	307	446	226	1771
01:00-01:59	165	130	192	167	257	305	161	1377
02:00-02:59	97	112	133	163	221	230	119	1075
03:00-03:59	102	116	92	112	173	173	89	857
04:00-04:59	95	93	108	100	114	145	96	751
05:00-05:59	93	106	106	125	114	91	111	746
Totals	2969	2814	3025	3108	3689	4168	3032	22805
Totals by shift	7281	7234	7178	7352	8041	8078	6476	51640

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Total Citizen Generated calls for service 2017

2017 Citizen Generated CFS broken down by shift times and day correlation								
Hour	Mon-Tue	Tue-Wed	Wed-Thur	Thur-Fri	Fri-Sat	Sat-Sun	Sun-Mon	Total
06:00-06:59	159	194	211	182	169	167	98	1180
07:00-07:59	332	304	342	308	283	221	160	1950
08:00-08:59	435	452	435	422	411	290	246	2691
09:00-09:59	390	413	432	441	431	380	337	2824
10:00-10:59	441	434	422	434	435	413	391	2970
11:00-11:59	432	417	458	427	407	393	386	2920
12:00-12:59	432	444	445	410	445	462	400	3038
13:00-13:59	433	488	458	418	416	414	410	3037
14:00-14:59	447	446	436	488	460	423	406	3106
15:00-15:59	476	470	419	419	488	417	409	3098
16:00-16:59	458	423	473	413	429	410	398	3004
17:00-17:59	447	469	466	407	456	428	365	3038
Totals	4882	4954	4997	4769	4830	4418	4006	32856
18:00-18:59	443	480	468	396	477	428	368	3060
19:00-19:59	411	431	407	363	427	408	415	2862
20:00-20:59	375	450	380	385	378	429	355	2752
21:00-21:59	365	384	389	338	388	425	437	2726
22:00-22:59	291	357	293	349	422	546	364	2622
23:00-23:59	270	272	258	278	364	500	319	2261
00:00-00:59	202	227	216	202	329	419	219	1814
01:00-01:59	142	159	152	161	244	316	152	1326
02:00-02:59	153	130	127	144	224	245	141	1164
03:00-03:59	85	108	110	104	191	202	107	907
04:00-04:59	125	111	90	111	140	130	107	814
05:00-05:59	101	103	131	98	102	110	125	770
Totals	2963	3212	3021	2929	3686	4158	3109	23078
Totals by shifts	7845	8166	8018	7698	8516	8576	7115	55934

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Calls for service/ multiple unit calls/ total time spent on CFS

The next step in process was to determine the average amount of time officers spent on calls for service (CFS) and the number calls that required more than a two-unit response. The study said on average, 25% of CFS required more than two officers to respond. The following charts represent the total number of CFS in 2016 and 2017:

Modified Calls for Service 2016			
Shift	CFS	25%*	Total (CFS + 25%)
Days	28,835	7,209	36,044
Graves	22,805	5,701	28,506

Modified Calls for Service 2017			
Shift	CFS	25%*	Total (CFS + 25%)
Days	32,856	8,214	41,070
Graves	23,078	5,770	28,848

The average length of time an officer spent at the scene of a call was 40 minutes. This time did not include travel time and the time the call was held before being dispatched. The research team used only the time the officer spent on scene for the CFS. The study looked at the actual number of minutes/hours spent on all CFS. The following chart represent the total time:

Total Time 2016			
Shift	Minutes /call (Estimated 40)	Total Minutes	Hours
Days	40	1,441,750	24,029
Graves	40	1,140,250	19,004

Total Time 2017			
Shift	Minutes /call (Estimated 40)	Total Minutes	Hours
Days	40	1,642,800	27,380
Graves	40	1,153,900	19,232

Shift Relief Factor-Number of officers required per shift to ensure coverage

The next step in the process was to look at the length of shifts Garden Grove police officers work in a 24-hour period. The GGPD research team looked at the distribution of calls on an hour by hour basis and did not account for officers currently assigned to swing shift (1400-1430). The shifts were broken up by two

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shifts, day shift from 0600-1800 hrs. and night shift from 1800-0600. These shifts covered daily 24-hour periods. Each Garden Grove officer works 12.5 hour shifts and a half hour each day is dedicated to shift briefings. 12.5 hours per shift multiplied by 365 day per year coverage equates to 4,562.5 hours of patrol shift coverage.

The GGPD research team then looked at the average time off police officers take each year. The time off includes regular days off, vacation days, holiday time off, sick time and training days.

Using this data, the researchers were able to calculate a shift-relief factor. The shift-relief factor shows the relationship between the maximum number of days that an officer can work and *actually* works. Knowing the relief factor is necessary to estimating the number of officers that should be assigned to a shift in order to ensure that the appropriate number is working each day (Wilson & Weiss 2014).

Notional time off each year for officers working 12-hours shifts

Category	Time off (hours)	*** Notes ***
Vacation (12/month)	144	Median time for officers assigned to patrol
Holiday (11 annually)	110	
Sick Leave	120	
Training	0	* Block Training twice a year - incorporated into regular days off
Regular Days Off	2490	
Total	2864	

Calculate Shift Relief

<i>Calculation for shift relief factor : 365 x shift length / (365 x shift length - total time off)</i>				
Days in Year	Shift Length	(Days) x (Shift length)	Total Time off	On-Off
365	12.5	4562.5	2864	1698.5
Shift Relief Factor		2.7		

Based on the calculations and the time off each officer can take each year, **2.7** officers must be assigned to a shift to ensure one is working it on a given day.

Establish Performance Objectives

Performance objectives is how an officer's time is spent while they are working. This is the time spent handling CFS and time spent handling other duties. Other duties can included self-initiated patrol, community policing efforts, report writing and follow-up investigations. The GGPD research team determined a 50% performance objective was going to be used for this work study. Garden Grove officers spend 50% of their time handling CFS and the remaining time is spent handling other duties.

Minimum number of officers required to fulfill CFS, Performance Objectives, using shift-relief factor

The next step in the model was to determine the minimum number of officers required to handle the citizen generated CFS. We determined the total time consumed for CFS and divided by the number of hours an officer could work each year assuming 365 12.5-hour shifts (4562.5).

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Minimum officers required per shift to fulfill CFS 2016			
Shift	Hours	(365 x 12.5)	Minimum Officers Required
Days	24,029	4562.5	5.27
Graves	19,004	4562.5	4.17

Minimum officers required per shift to fulfill CFS 2017			
Shift	Hours	(365 x 12.5)	Minimum Officers Required
Days	27,380	4562.5	6.00
Graves	19,232	4562.5	4.22

The data from 2016 shows the minimum officers required to handle citizen generated CFS per shift. 5.27 officers were needed for day shift and 4.17 officers were needed for night shift. With the 10% increase in calls for service in 2017, the required number officers needed increased. Based on the data from 2017, the minimum officers required handle citizen calls for service for day shift was 6 officers per shift and 4.22 officers were needed for night shift. The next step in the model was to calculate the performance objectives to handle other duties. The researchers for the GGPD study decided to use the 50% model described in the performance objectives. The research team then factored in the shift relief factor of 2.7. The following chart reflects the calculations:

Number of officers required to meet performance objectives multiplied by shift relief factor 2016				
Shift	Minimum Officers Required	Officer's time 50% obligated (x2)	Shift Relief Factor 2.7	Total # of Officers needed daily to fulfill obligated CFS
Days	5.27	10.5	28.4	29
Graves	4.17	8.3	22.5	23

Number of officers required to meet performance objectives multiplied by shift relief factor 2017				
Shift	Minimum Officers Required	Officer's time 50% obligated (x2)	Shift Relief Factor 2.7	Total # of Officers needed daily to fulfill obligated CFS
Days	6.00	12.0	32.4	33
Graves	4.22	8.4	22.8	23

Using the methodology outlined in the study and the most recent data for 2017, **33** officers would need to be deployed on day shift and **23** officers would need to be deployed on night shift. A total of **56** officers need to be scheduled daily to handle citizen generated calls for service and the performance objectives.

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Sample Shift example

Using the performance-based approach to deliver police services at the patrol level the following shift example was used. A further analysis of the distribution of calls per hour, day and month as well as distribution of calls within the city should be done to determine proper deployment.

Sample Shifts based on 2017 CFS							
Shift	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1							19
1	19						
1		19					
2			19				
2				19			
2					19		
3	18						
3		18					
3			18				
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6					19		
6						19	
6							19
7						19	
7							19
7	19						
Total	56	56	56	56	56	56	57
Shift 1	Shift 2	Shift 3	Shift 4	Shift 5	Shift 6	Shift 7	Total Needed
19	19	18	18	19	19	19	131

Conclusion

The Professional Standards Unit of the Garden Grove Police Department was tasked to determine an adequate staffing level of sworn Police Officers to effectively deliver police services within the City. The research team used the methodology that was outlined in a report titled, "A Performance-Based Approach to Police Staffing and Allocation". The comprehensive report was created by the Michigan State University (MSU) School of Criminal Justice in cooperation with the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice and was written by researchers Jeremy Wilson and Alexander Weiss (2014).

According to the research, 59 additional police officers need to be hired by the Police Department to effectively deliver police services. There are currently 72 police officers assigned to the patrol division. The 72 officers do not include sergeants and command staff personnel. The Performance-Based Approach analysis recommends 56 officers be deployed daily, 33 officers working day shift (0600-1800), and 23 officers working night shift (1800-0600). After populating a sample shift based on the study analysis, a total of 131 officers are needed at the patrol level. This is an additional 59 police officers over the current number of 72 police officers currently assigned to the patrol division.

Garden Grove Police Department
Performance-Based Work Study- 2016-2017

The results of this study only account for patrol officers who handle citizen generated calls for service and other community needs. When additional officers are added, additional supervisors, command staff, and support staff will need to be supplemented for span of control and support.

The need to hire additional police officers is critical for the City of Garden Grove. Crime trends, recent de-criminalization legislation, increased demand for police services, and diminished police resources have all influenced the need to hire more police officers. Current statistics have shown a continued rise in crime in the City. Overall crime rose 41.51% over a four-year period (2014-2017). In the last year, violent crime in Garden Grove has risen 11.54%. De-criminalization legislation is releasing criminals from prison and putting them back on the streets. Recent court rulings will allow up to 10,000 sexual offenders to be released early from prison. Violent crime that includes homicides, rapes and felony assaults has risen almost 50% since 2014. Homelessness is an epidemic impacting our communities and calls for service handling these issues are increasing. There was a 33% increase of these calls in 2017. The City's increasing population and tourism expansion is also impacting the demand for police services. These demands for police services, without having adequate personnel to handle the increases, can negatively affect our 911 response times to critical incidents and affect our overall police patrols for our community.

The research team is in agreement with the analysis and results derived from the study, "A Performance-Based Approach to Police Staffing and Allocation", and feel additional officers must be hired to effectively deliver police services to the City of Garden Grove.



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

Attachment II. A.
Mgrs. Memo 2/15/18

February 9, 2018

Scott C. Stiles
City Manager
11222 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, 92840

Dear Mr. Stiles:

Infestations of an exotic insect known as Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) and a bacterial disease called huanglongbing (HLB) have been detected in host plants in the city of Garden Grove. Direct injury caused by ACP results from the withdrawal of large amounts of sap from the plant as they feed and produce copious amounts of honeydew. The honeydew coats the leaves of the tree, encouraging sooty mold to grow. However, the most serious damage caused by the ACP is its ability to transmit the bacterium *Candidatus Liberibacter asiaticus*, which causes the disease Huanglongbing (HLB), or citrus greening, in citrus trees. The HLB disease is fatal to citrus trees. Establishment of ACP and HLB in California will negatively impact all of California's citrus industry and all backyard citrus trees through death of the diseased trees.

A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, Butterfield Room B, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue in Garden Grove. The CDFA and cooperating agencies will be present to answer any questions regarding the program for interested citizens in the treatment area.

A diluted formulation of Tempo® SC Ultra (cyfluthrin), a contact insecticide, will be applied to the leaves of citrus trees and plants to counter ACP adults and nymphs. Additionally, a diluted formulation of Merit® 2F, an imidacloprid insecticide, will be applied to soil beneath the drip line of citrus trees and plants to protect against developing nymphs and subsequent adult psyllids. These materials will be applied at least one time at designated residential properties. Residents of affected properties will be notified individually at least 48 hours prior to any application of insecticides.

Information regarding the treatment and meeting is enclosed in this packet. Please contact my office with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

David Pegos
Special Assistant





**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

**OFFICIAL NOTICE
PLEASE READ IMMEDIATELY**

**OPEN HOUSE MEETING ON THE TREATMENT PLANS AGAINST THE
ASIAN CITRUS PSYLLID DETECTED IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

**Meeting – Tuesday, February 20, 2018
5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

**Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
Butterfield Room B
11300 Stanford Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92842**

The Asian citrus psyllid (ACP), a serious insect pest in California, has been detected in your neighborhood. The ACP is a tiny, flying insect that transmits a bacterial disease called huanglongbing (HLB) to citrus trees. Trees infected with the HLB disease produce bitter and misshapen fruit. The HLB disease is fatal to citrus trees. The ACP is a threat to California's backyard and commercially grown citrus. Emergency treatment and quarantine action is needed to protect California from the negative economic and environmental impacts the establishment of this pest throughout California would cause.

The California Department of Food and Agriculture consulted with scientists who are experts in the biology of this pest. These experts have recommended a treatment plan designed to mitigate the infestation.

Limited ground treatments with a formulation of a pyrethroid will be applied to the foliage of citrus trees on your property. At the same time, an imidacloprid insecticide will be applied to the soil beneath the citrus trees for ongoing protection against the ACP. CDFA will follow all pesticide label directions.

Residents of properties scheduled for treatment will be notified at least 48 hours prior to the application. Included in this packet is a map outlining the project area.

To inform you of planned activities, residents of the affected area are invited to attend an open house meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, between 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – in the Butterfield room B at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center in Garden Grove, California. The open house will not feature a formal presentation; rather, it will be staffed by cooperating agency officials familiar with this program who will be able to individually address your concerns and answer any questions. Please feel free to stop by at any time during the scheduled 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. time frame.

Your cooperation with this program is needed to rid California of this harmful invading pest while it is still possible. If you cannot attend this important meeting and require additional information, please contact our toll-free PEST HOTLINE at **(800) 491-1899** for further assistance.



**DEPARTAMENTO DE ALIMENTOS Y AGRICULTURA
OFICINA DEL COMISIONADO MUNICIPAL DE AGRICULTURA**

**NOTICIA OFICIAL
POR FAVOR LEA INMEDIATAMENTE**

**REUNIÓN INFORMATIVA PARA TODAS LAS PERSONAS QUE DESEEN
INFORMARSE ACERCA DE LOS PLANES DE TRATAMIENTO DEL PSÍLIDO ASIÁTICO DE
LOS CÍTRICOS**

**Reunión - Martes, 20 de Febrero, 2018
5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
Butterfield Room B
11300 Stanford Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92842**

El psílido asiático de los cítricos, es una plaga seria para California, y ha sido detectado en su barrio. El psílido es un insecto pequeño que vuela y puede transmitir la bacteria que causa la enfermedad de huanglongbing (HLB) exclusivamente a los cítricos. Los síntomas del HLB incluyen brotes amarillos, hojas amarillentas con moteado asimétrico y erectas. Los frutos son irregulares y de sabor amargo. El HLB puede matar a los cítricos. El psílido es una amenaza para los cítricos en los jardines y a los cítricos comercialmente cultivados. Para proteger a California del impacto negativo que esta enfermedad de los cítricos causaría a su economía y medio ambiente, es necesario llevar acabo tratamientos como medida de emergencia.

El Departamento de Alimentos y Agricultura de California ha consultado con científicos que son expertos en la biología de esta plaga. Estos expertos recomendaron que es necesario un plan de tratamiento para poder ser efectivos en la mitigación de este insecto.

El Departamento de Alimentos y Agricultura de California va a hacer aplicaciones al follaje de los cítricos en su propiedad aplicando una formulación de piretroide. A la misma vez va a haber aplicaciones terrestres bajo de los cítricos con una insecticida de tipo imidacloprid para protegerlos del psílido. El Departamento de Alimentos y Agricultura de California va a seguir todas las instrucciones indicadas en la etiqueta del insecticida.

Los residentes serán notificados 48 horas antes de cada tratamiento. Adjunto a este aviso hay un mapa del área de tratamiento y un panfleto sobre el psílido.

Para informales sobre las acciones que se han programado, los residentes de las áreas afectadas son invitados a atender una reunión informativa el martes, 20 de febrero, 2018, entre las horas de 5:30 p.m. y 7:00 p.m. en la butterfield room b en el Garden Grove Community Meeting Center en Garden Grove, California. La reunión será informal. Cooperadores y representantes de las agencias de gobierno estarán en la reunión para proveer información y contestar preguntas acerca del programa. Usted puede asistir a la reunión a cualquier hora entre las 5:30 p.m. y 7:00 p.m.

Se necesita su cooperación con este programa para librar a California de esta dañina e invasiva enfermedad de los cítricos – mientras sea posible. Si usted no puede atender esta reunión importante y si usted requiere información adicional, por favor contacte nuestra línea de teléfono gratis al número **(800) 491-1899**.



**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

**THÔNG BÁO CHÍNH THỨC
XIN VUI LÒNG ĐỌC NGAY**

**PHIÊN HỌP VÔ CỬA TỰ DO BÀN VỀ KẾ HOẠCH PHUN DIỆT RẦY CHỔNG CÁNH
NHƯ ĐÃ ĐƯỢC PHÁT HIỆN TRONG KHU XÓM CỦA BẠN**

**Phiên Họp – Thứ Ba, Ngày 20 Tháng 2 Năm 2018
5g30 chiều – 7g00 tối
Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
Butterfield Room B
11300 Stanford Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92842**

Rầy Chổng Cánh (Asian citrus psyllid-ACP), một loại côn trùng gây hại nghiêm trọng tại California, đã được phát hiện trong khu xóm của bạn. Con Rầy Chổng Cánh (ACP) là loại côn trùng biết bay có thể lây truyền một căn bệnh do vi khuẩn gây ra được gọi là bệnh hoàng long (HLB) cho các cây họ cam quýt. Cây bị nhiễm bệnh HLB sinh ra trái có vị đắng và có hình dạng quái dị. Bệnh HLB sẽ làm chết cây họ cam quýt. Rầy Chổng Cánh (ACP) là mối đe dọa cho các cây họ cam quýt được trồng ở vườn sau các căn nhà ở và vườn cây công nghiệp tại California. Công trình phun diệt và kiểm dịch khẩn cấp cần được thực hiện để phòng tránh tác hại kinh tế và môi trường do sự sinh sôi nảy nở của loại côn trùng gây hại này gây ra cho khắp bang California.

Bộ Thực Phẩm và Canh Nông California đã tư vấn với các khoa học gia chuyên môn về sinh vật học của loại côn trùng này. Các nhà chuyên gia đã đề nghị một kế hoạch phun diệt nhằm giảm bớt sự tàn phá của loại côn trùng này.

Một công trình phun diệt trong vườn với tầm vóc giới hạn đang sử dụng hợp chất pyrethroid để phun lên cành lá của các cây họ cam quýt trồng trong khu nhà đất của bạn. Đồng thời, loại thuốc trừ sâu imidacloprid sẽ được rải xuống đất dưới gốc cây họ cam quýt để tạo năng lực phòng chống Rầy Chổng Cánh (ACP) lâu dài. Bộ Thực Phẩm và Canh Nông California sẽ tuân thủ tất cả các lời chỉ dẫn in trên nhãn của thuốc trừ sâu.

Những người cư ngụ tại những căn nhà đã được lên lịch phun thuốc diệt sâu sẽ được thông báo tối thiểu 48 giờ trước khi phun thuốc. Tập tài liệu này bao gồm cả một bản đồ đánh dấu rõ khu vực dự án.

Để tiện việc thông báo cho bạn biết về những hoạt động trong kế hoạch, cư dân của khu vực bị lây nhiễm đã được mời đến dự một phiên họp vô cửa tự do vào Thứ Ba ngày 20 tháng 2 năm 2018, từ 5g30 chiều đến 7g00 tối – trong butterfield room b tại Garden Grove Community Meeting Center thành phố Garden Grove, tiểu bang California. Sự kiện vô cửa tự do này sẽ không có mục thuyết trình trình trọng; thay vào đó, viên chức của các cơ quan đối tác quen thuộc với chương trình này sẽ có mặt để giải đáp những mối quan tâm và câu hỏi của bạn. Xin vui lòng cứ đến dự vào bất kỳ lúc nào trong khoảng thời gian từ 5g30 chiều đến 7g00 tối như đã được ấn định trước.

Chúng tôi đang cần bạn vì California mà hợp tác với chương trình này để diệt trừ loại côn trùng gây hại trước khi quá trễ. Nếu bạn không thể đến dự phiên họp quan trọng này và cần biết thêm thông tin, xin vui lòng liên lạc ĐƯỜNG DÂY NÓNG CÔN TRÙNG GÂY HẠI ở số (800) 491-1899 để được giúp đỡ thêm.

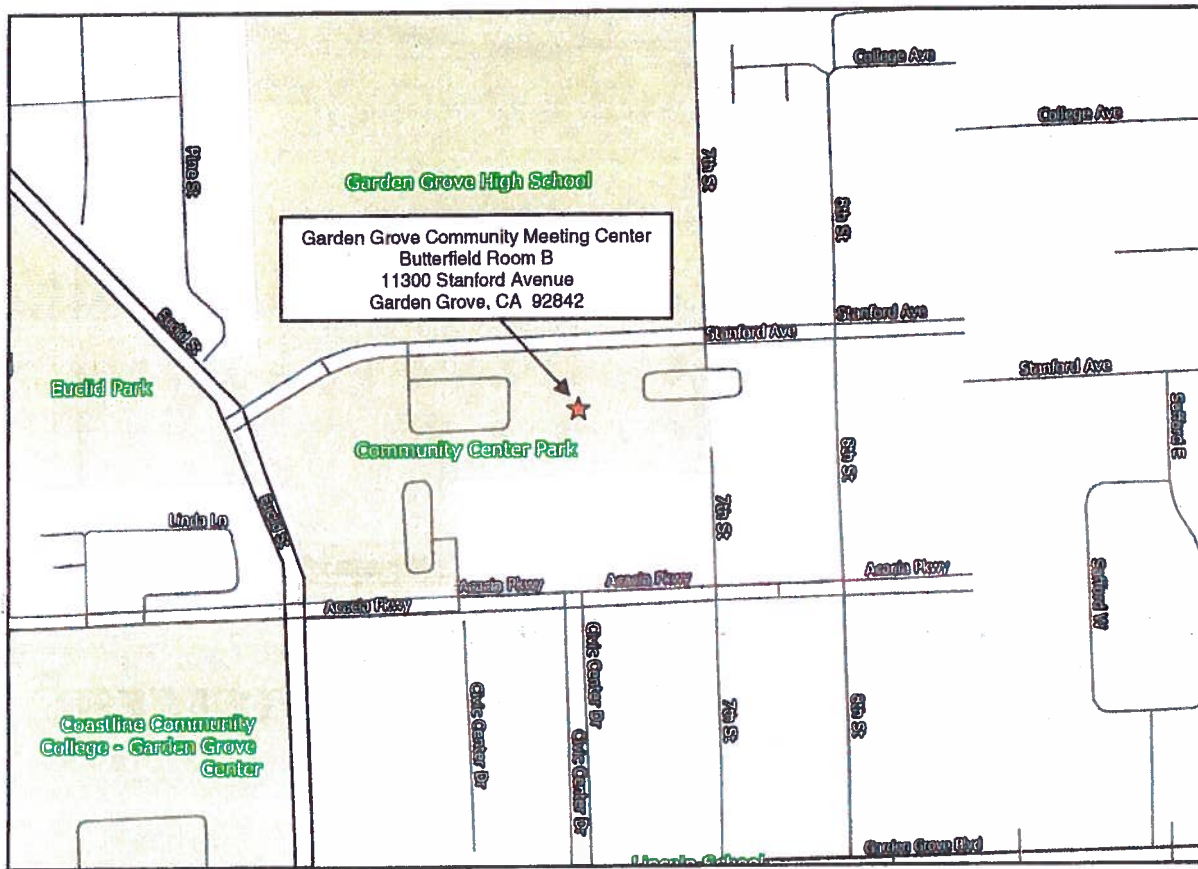
**ASIAN CITRUS PSYLLID
OPEN HOUSE MEETING
TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 20, 2018
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM**



**GARDEN GROVE COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
BUTTERFIELD ROOM B
11300 STANFORD AVENUE
GARDEN GROVE, CA 92842**

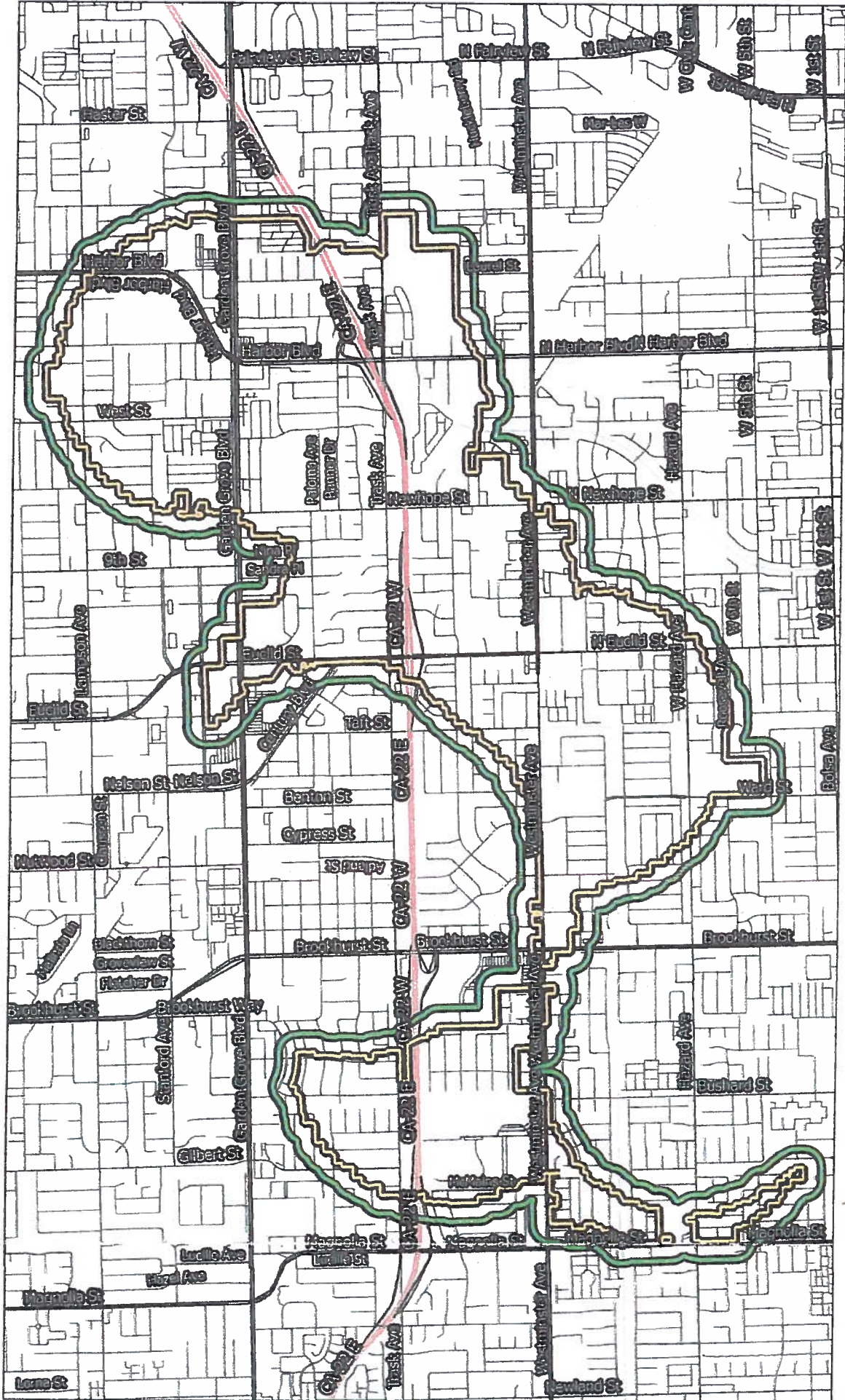
**EL PSÍLIDO ASIÁTICO DE LOS CÍTRICOS
REUNIÓN INFORMATIVA
MARTES – 20 DE FEBRERO, 2018
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM**

**CON RÀY CHÔNG CẢNH
PHIÊN HỌP VÔ CỬA TỰ DO
THỨ BA – NGÀY 20 THÁNG 2 NĂM 2018
5g30 CHIỀU – 7g:00 TỐI**



**GARDEN GROVE COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
BUTTERFIELD ROOM B
11300 STANFORD AVENUE
GARDEN GROVE, CA 92842**

Asian Citrus Psyllid
Garden Grove, Orange County
2018



-  800 Meter Treatment Area
-  Notification Boundary





10844 Ellis Avenue
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

RETURN SERVICE
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Attachment II. B.
Mgrs. Memo 2/15/18

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City of Garden Grove
Attn P O Box 3070
11222 Acacia Pkwy
Garden Grove, CA 92840-5208



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 • 6 p.m.

10844 Ellis Avenue, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

We protect public health and the environment by:

- Helping to ensure our beaches are safe.
- Supplying 100 million gallons per day of treated water for recycling.
- Recycling 800 tons per day of solids from wastewater and creating soil amendment and compost.
- Producing over 60 percent of electricity to power our treatment facilities.
- Maintaining our infrastructure — guaranteeing reliability of our pipelines and treatment systems — preventing sewer spills and beach closures.



All while being fiscally responsible and keeping your rates below the industry average.

To learn more about OCSD visit: www.ocsd.com

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

How do I Protest the Proposed Fees?

A public hearing will be held at 6 p.m. in the OCSD Board Room, 10844 Ellis Avenue, Fountain Valley, California. Any property owner within the sewer service area may protest the proposed fee at the public hearing or may file a written protest by sending a letter to OCSD, 10844 Ellis Avenue, Fountain Valley, CA 92708 or an email to rates@ocsd.com. A valid protest letter or email must include your name, the parcel number at which you receive sewer service from OCSD and a statement of protest. The letter or email must be received prior to or during the public hearing on March 28, 2018.

I already pay a sewer fee on another bill. Is this a duplicate sewer charge?

A separate sewer fee may be collected for the operation and maintenance of your local sewer system, which may be owned by your city, water district or sanitary district. That system collects the sewage from your parcel, conveys it through the sewers in your local streets, and ultimately transfers it to the large regional trunk sewers and treatment plants that make up the OCSD Regional system. OCSD does not receive any monies collected by these other local sewer agencies.

Am I eligible for a rebate/refund?

Non-residential users that have substantially lower than average water use are eligible for a reduced charge. If you think you qualify, please visit our website, www.ocsd.com, to obtain claim forms for a rebate or refund. As the single-family residential rate is a flat rate and is the lowest rate that any user can pay for our services, residential users are not eligible for a rebate.

What if I am not connected to the sewer system?

The OCSD sewer service fee ordinance applies to parcels that are connected to the sewer system. Parcels that are on a septic system are exempt from the OCSD sewer service fee. While we have attempted to identify all parcels that utilize a septic system, it is possible that we may have missed some. If this is your situation, please visit our website, www.ocsd.com, to obtain a septic tank form for a refund.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

MARCH 28, 2018 AT 6 P.M.

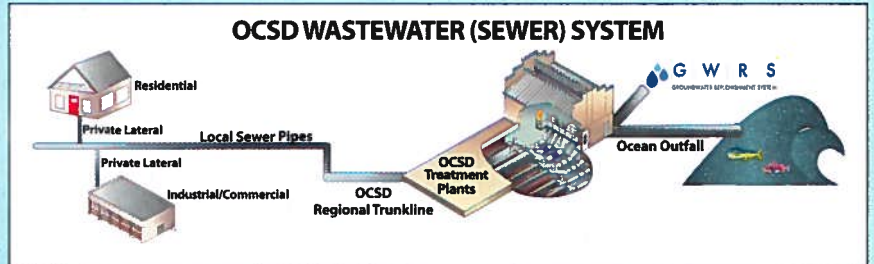
**ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT
10844 ELLIS AVENUE, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA
REGARDING PROPOSED SEWER SERVICE
FEES TO THE OWNER OF RECORD OF**

APN 21733220

You have received this notice because the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) provides sewer service to your property. OCSD collects and treats wastewater from 20 cities, four special districts and a portion of the unincorporated County of Orange.

OCSD is proposing a rate increase in order to pay projected costs of inspection, repair, operation, maintenance, debt service and reserves needed for OCSD's regional collection and treatment system. As a property owner within OCSD's service area, your regional sewer service fees along with property tax revenues and other sources of income, will pay for these services.

Due to our efficient operations and size, OCSD sewer service fees remain among the lowest in California and in the United States for wastewater treatment facilities. At the end of the proposed rate program in 2023, OCSD's rates are expected to remain below the projected statewide average.



You are currently paying your share of the current costs of operating the sewerage system through your annual service fee of \$0 per year.

The cost of the regional sewerage system is apportioned to each property owner based on the amount and strength of the average wastewater discharged from that type of parcel use. Parcels are categorized by use on the Orange County Assessor's database. Although the OCSD sewer service fee is not a tax, it is collected as a separate line item on the property tax bill. Using the services of the County Tax Collector-Treasurer significantly reduces the OCSD's administrative and collection costs. These savings are reflected in your rate.

The proposed sewer service fees are based on financial and engineering studies and reports. The proposed rates may not be exceeded in any year without another notice. These sewer service fees do not fund the capital costs of constructing new or expanded facilities to serve new development; those costs are paid by the developers connecting to the local sewer system in the form of a separate capital facilities capacity charge.

Annual Single Family Residential (SFR) User Rate

Current	Proposed Rate Structure beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023				
2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
\$331	\$335	\$339	\$343	\$347	\$351

The multi-family residential (MFR) use per apartment unit has been established by flow monitoring and census data to be 70% of the SFR use. Thus, the MFR rate will increase proportionally per unit per year. Non-residential users pay a rate per 1,000 square feet of building area, based upon the average quantity and strength of wastewater discharged as determined by studies of actual flows discharged into the system by each particular category of users.

You are receiving this notice because this change in rates will increase the annual rate per 1,000 square feet of building for users in your category from \$0 to \$0 for the first year of sewerage service. Subsequent annual increases will be proportional to the SFR rate increases described above. Your total service charge will be the product of this rate and the number of 1,000 square feet in your building(s).

Who is the Orange County Sanitation District?

The Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) is an independent district responsible for safely collecting, treating, disposing, and recycling of wastewater (sewage) and industrial waste. It is a public agency, separate from the County of Orange or any city government, established under the State Health and Safety Code to provide clean water service to a specific regional geographic area. OCSD is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of elected officials from each of the local sewer agencies or cities within our 479-square-mile service area.

How Our Rates Are Set

We calculated the proposed wastewater rates based on the following studies:

- 2017 Wastewater Rate Study
- 2017 Facilities Master Plan
- 2017 Biosolids Master Plan
- 2017 Odor Control Master Plan

All of which can be found at www.ocsd.com

TAKE A TOUR, FIND OUT MORE 

OCSD plant tours are scheduled Monday through Friday. Find out more by visiting ocsd.com or emailing forinformation@ocsd.com.



JOINT FORCES TRAINING BASE

NEWS Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Col. (CA) Richard Lalor: (562) 795-2096 or (626) 733-1170

February 14, 2018

Release 18-02

UPCOMING ARMY AVIATION TRAINING EXERCISES TO INCLUDE NIGHT OPERATIONS AT LOS ALAMITOS ARMY AIRFIELD

LOS ALAMITOS, Calif. – a visiting U.S. Army aviation unit will conduct training exercises and night flight operations at Los Alamitos Army Airfield (LAAAF) from Feb.19 thru March 1.

The exercises are designed to maintain overall operational readiness and proficiency of the aviators and support personnel and will include periods of increased air traffic.

Residents living near Joint Forces Training Base may hear aircraft arriving and departing outside of normal airfield operating hours and increased aircraft noise during the hours of darkness throughout the training period.

Efforts will be taken to minimize inconvenience to our neighbors during evening hours.

For additional information, contact Col. (CA) Richard Lalor at (562)795-2096 (office) or (626) 733-1170 (mobile) or via email at richard.w.lalor2.vol@mail.mil.

Orange County LAFCO Comprehensive Quarterly Report



2nd Quarter / FY 2017-18
(October– December 2017)

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INTRODUCTION

This Comprehensive Quarterly Report provides an update on projects and activities, a summary of the outreach efforts and an overview of the agency's current budget and investment portfolio performance for the months of October, November and December 2017.

MANDATED PROJECTS

In the second quarter, OC LAFCO participated in meetings and discussions regarding projects identified in the agency's work plan. This section provides an update on a few key mandated project-related activities that occurred in the second quarter. Staff also participated in several other meetings with proponents on potential changes of organization and reorganization. A summary of those projects will be provided in future CQ reports as they move forward.

Stakeholder Outreach Process for Fourth Round of Municipal Service Reviews

During the second quarter, staff, together with the independent consultant, Management Partners, conducted a series of stakeholder meetings to solicit input for the upcoming round of Municipal Service Reviews (MSRs), which runs from 2018 to 2022. These stakeholder meetings were held by region, with the County divided into six areas: North, West, Coastal, Central, Southwest and Southeast. The meetings were held in community centers within the regions, with the exception of the Central Region which was held at the OC LAFCO office. This initial series of regional meetings began in October and ran through January. A total of 50 agencies, of the 58 invited, participated in this process.



Central Region Stakeholders Meeting



Group Discussions at the Southeast Region Stakeholders Meeting



Group Discussion during the West Region Stakeholders Meeting

During the meetings, a brief overview of the purpose and background of MSRs was provided followed by small group discussions where stakeholders shared their perspectives on issues and opportunities on service provision. In these very interactive sessions, the Stakeholders also provided input on regional issues and priorities. After the regional meetings, electronic surveys were deployed to solicit additional input from the agencies.

In January and February, staff will meet with representatives of the County's regional agencies, including Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District, Orange County Sanitation District, Orange County Cemetery District, Orange County Water District, Municipal Water District of Orange County, Orange County Fire Authority, and Orange County Sheriff to solicit their input and invite them to participate in the electronic survey. Additionally, there will be outreach to the representatives of the unincorporated communities in South County. Further, an electronic survey soliciting input from the public is being conducted in January. Management Partners will compile all the data gathered from the meetings and the surveys and prepare a report for discussion during the Commission's Strategic Planning session in April.



Group Discussion at the Southwest Region Stakeholders Meeting



Participants at the North Region Stakeholder's Meeting



Participants at the Coastal Region Stakeholder's Meeting

Election of Special District Representative to Redevelopment Oversight Board

As a result of recent legislation that affected all LAFCO's, OC LAFCO was given the responsibility to conduct the election for the special district representative to the new county-wide Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Oversight Board. Prior to the establishment of this new county-wide board, there were 25 individual RDA oversight boards in Orange County. This new board will be responsible for monitoring the remaining activities of the former redevelopment agencies.

During the second quarter, staff conducted the election process with the nomination period open from October 10 through November 10. Through this process, only one candidate, Brian Probolsky, a Board Director with Moulton Niguel Water District, was nominated. Since there was only one candidate, Mr. Probolsky was deemed selected, in accordance with State law and the Bylaws of the Orange County Special District Selection Committee. Mr. Probolsky's term will begin in July 2018. The coordination and support to the Orange County RDA Oversight Board will be provided by the County Auditor-Controller.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

Election of OC LAFCO Chair

Each year, the Commission elects officers of the Board. At the January meeting, the Commission re-elected Derek J. McGregor as LAFCO Chair. In his third year as Chair, Mr. McGregor serves as the Commission's Regular Public Member. The Commission will conduct the election for the Vice-Chair at its February meeting.



Chair McGregor

OC LAFCO's Audited Financial Statement

Annually, an independent auditor prepares OC LAFCO's audited financial statements. During the first and second quarters, staff and the agency's independent accountant prepared internal administrative and accounting documents for the audit preparation and participated in meetings and discussions with the auditing firm representatives. At the January meeting, the auditing firm, Davis Farr LLP, presented OC LAFCO's FY 2016-17 audited financial statements to the Commission and noted that there were no material issues relating to OC LAFCO's accounting procedures and policies, internal financial controls, or office procedures. The Commission's audited financial statements are publicly available on the OC LAFCO website.

CALAFCO Legislative Committee

OC LAFCO continues its proactive participation in the CALAFCO Legislative Committee by leading and participating in discussions that shape legislation of LAFCO interest for the 2018 session. The CALAFCO Board and Legislative Committee have been working together to develop a focused legislative program.



This legislative program includes:

- working collaboratively with the League of California Cities to introduce legislation supporting financial incentives for future city incorporations and annexations;
- developing language and identifying a bill sponsor for one-time grant funding for LAFCOs as recommended in the Little Hoover Commission report; and
- determining the non-substantive and technical revisions to propose for inclusion in the annual Omnibus Bill amending the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.

Building on the success of the passage of SB 130, which restored the vehicle license revenue for four Riverside County cities that incorporated between 2004 and 2012, the League of California Cities has focused its efforts on supporting legislation that provides fiscal incentives for new city incorporations and for annexations. The League has secured two authors, one for the incorporations bill and another for the annexation bill. In response to a request from the League, the CALAFCO Legislative Committee has formed a sub-committee to assist in developing the language for this proposed legislation.

CALAFCO's Board approved the sponsorship of a bill that will request a one-time grant funding to pay for specified LAFCO activities as defined by the Little Hoover Commission's recommendation;

"The Legislature should provide one-time grant funding to pay for specified LAFCO activities, to incentivize LAFCOs or smaller special districts to develop and implement dissolution or consolidation plans with timelines for expected outcomes. Funding should be tied to process completion and results, including enforcement authority for corrective action and consolidation."

The CALAFCO Board has secured an author and will be working closely with the Legislative Committee to prepare the language of the bill. The OC LAFCO Legislative Quarterly Report, which will provide an update on these items together with the details of other LAFCO-related proposed legislation, is scheduled to be presented to the Commission at its meeting in March.

OC LAFCO MEETINGS AND OUTREACH EFFORTS

During the second quarter, staff proactively supported projects identified in the current work plan by participating in a number of meetings and special events.

Q2 FY 17-18 MEETINGS & OUTREACH EFFORTS
October Meetings
Orange County City Manager's Association Meeting
MSR North Region Stakeholder Input Meeting
EL Toro Water District Presentation on MSR process
CALAFCO Program Conference Committee
CALAFCO Annual Conference
ACC-OC Municipal Law Seminar
Serrano Water District on MSR Process
City of Lake Forest LAFCO Introduction and MSR process
City of San Juan Capistrano Focused MSR RFP Process
OCERs Financial Update Meeting
November Meetings
MSR Central Region Stakeholder Meeting
MSR West Region Stakeholder Meeting
MSR Coastal Region Stakeholder Meeting
Executive Committee Quarterly Meeting
CALAFCO Legislative Committee
City of La Habra Council Meeting – La Habra Unincorporated Islands
City of Santa Ana LAFCO Intro and island annexation
City of Laguna Woods, potential boundary clean-up and MSR process
OCCOG Board Meeting
Consultant Interviews, San Juan Capistrano Focused MSR
CDR Management Oversight Committee
Orange County Financial Managers' Meeting
December Meetings
Local Governance in California Seminar, conducted by CSAC
CALAFCO Legislative Committee
Executive Committee Meeting
City of Newport Beach and Costa Mesa Sanitary District, Pre-filing meeting
County Board of Supervisors meeting, hearing of the La Habra island annexations property tax and other agreements
CALAFCO Staff Meeting
OCERs Financial Update Meeting

FY 2017-18 BUDGET OVERVIEW

This CQ report provides the second quarterly budget update for fiscal year 2017-18. The following budget review provides the Commission with the second quarter bank account balances and a comprehensive overview of OC LAFCO revenues and expenditures from July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 (see page 11).¹ The total budget approved by the Commission for 2017-18 is \$1,138,040.

Revenues

By the end of November, the agency had received all of the apportionments from the funding agencies for a total of \$1,019,772. In addition to the apportionments, OC LAFCO also earns interest from its investment portfolio. In the second quarter, OC LAFCO earned \$4,382 in interest.

Another source of OC LAFCO revenue is the application filing fees. These filing fees are not used for budgeting purposes, and are shown in the quarterly overview as revenue within the Special Fund column. During the second quarter, the City of San Juan Capistrano provided a deposit to cover the costs of the consultant contracts, together with the anticipated staff costs, to perform the analysis necessary for the focused Municipal Services Review on its utility systems. The deposit of \$168,350 is accounted for in the Special Revenue Funds and reflected in the chart on page 11.

Additionally, during the current fiscal year, CALAFCO provides a stipend to cover a portion of the costs associated with the Executive Officer serving as a Deputy Director for the association. The Special Fund column in the chart on page 11 includes a year-to-date accounting of application and CALAFCO stipend-related revenues and expenses incurred during the second quarter.

Expenditures

The total General Fund expenditures at the end of the second quarter are approximately 40 percent or \$454,396 of the total budget of \$1,138,040. The following table provides the comparison of the percentage of actual funds used and the target levels for the current fiscal year.

¹ All financial statements contained in the CQ report are on an accrual accounting basis.

Total Funds Used by Quarter				
	1 st Qtr.	2 nd Qtr.	3 rd Qtr.	4 th Qtr.
Target	25%	50%	75%	100%
Actual	19%	40%	--	--

There are two projects, the Organizational Assessment and the development of the Municipal Service Review Stakeholders Input Process that were approved and budgeted in the 2016-17 fiscal year; however, the work was not completed during that fiscal year and the projects carried over into FY 2017-18. The combined outstanding balance for these contracts at the end of the 2016-17 fiscal year was \$40,350. As these funds were appropriated but not expended during FY 2016-17, the \$40,350 approved and budgeted for these projects is now reflected in the unreserved equity account for the current fiscal year. The following table has provided the detail of the expenditures on these two projects. Including this information in this report allows the Commission and staff to monitor the impact of the expenditures associated with these two continuing projects in order to determine if a budget adjustment will be necessary during the year.

Type of Service	Contracts Carried	Over from	FY 2016-17		Balance
	Total 17/18 Carry-over	1 st Quarter Expenditure	2 nd Quarter Expenditure		
Org. Assessment	\$13,800	\$3,450	\$3,450		\$6,900
MSR Stakeholder Input	\$26,550	\$3,000	\$8,850		\$14,700
Total	\$40,350	\$6,450	\$12,300		\$21,600

Balances and Investment Report

The following table illustrates the balance of OC LAFCO's bank accounts at the conclusion of the second quarter:

As of 12/31/16	Balance
770-Payroll Account	\$301,405
Wells Fargo Checking	299,566
Wells Fargo Savings	<u>210,571</u>
Total	\$811,542

To maximize funds, apportionment fees are deposited in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and OC Fund accounts. Throughout the fiscal year, the accountant and designated staff members withdraw from the accounts to cover the agency's operational expenses.

The following table illustrates the balance of OC LAFCO's investment portfolio at the end of the second quarter:

As of 12/31/16	Balance
LAIF	\$599,862
OC Fund	\$472,329
Total	\$1,072,191

To date, OC LAFCO has earned approximately \$8,218 in interest which is approximately 97% of the projected interest earnings for fiscal year 2017-18.

Balance Sheet²

The CQ report includes the second quarter balance sheet to provide a better understanding of OC LAFCO's financial status. This financial document summarizes the agency's assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2017,

² Unaudited – Subject to Change

Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission
Quarterly Overview
July 1 - December 31, 2017

	1st Qtr. General Fund	2nd Qtr. General Fund	YTD General Fund	YTD Special Revenue Funds	TOTAL FY 17/18 Budget	General Fund %
Revenue						
Addition/(Use) of Unreserved Equity	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,140	0.0%
LAFCO Apportionment	1,019,484	50,916	1,070,400	-	1,070,400	100.0%
Filing Fees	-	-	-	168,350	-	0.0%
Misc Revenue	724	108	832	-	-	0.0%
Interest & Dividends	3,836	4,382	8,218	-	8,500	96.7%
Total Revenue	\$ 1,024,045	\$ 55,406	\$ 1,079,451	\$ 168,350	\$ 1,138,040	94.9%
Expenditures						
Salaries	\$ 103,330	\$ 86,348	\$ 189,678	8,290	\$ 415,800	45.6%
Hourly Employees	-	-	-	-	10,000	0.0%
Benefits & Insurance						
Optional Benefit Plan	-	-	-	-	18,500	0.0%
Deferred Compensation	1,188	852	2,040	-	6,800	30.0%
Retirement Benefits	37,860	30,901	68,761	-	124,500	55.2%
Health Insurance	14,254	12,218	26,471	-	55,000	48.1%
Retiree Health Benefits	4,494	3,710	8,204	-	16,100	51.0%
Dental Insurance	1,618	1,387	3,006	-	5,400	55.7%
Life Insurance Workers Compensation	151	129	280	-	550	51.0%
Medicare	-	1,469	1,469	-	2,950	49.8%
Medicare	1,563	1,288	2,852	-	5,900	48.3%
Salary Continuance	373	320	693	-	1,400	49.5%
Accidental Death Insurance	31	26	57	-	110	51.5%
Executive Car Allowance	2,400	1,200	3,600	-	7,200	50.0%
Total - Benefits & Insurance	63,931	53,501	117,432	-	244,410	48.0%
Information Technology	1,752	2,441	4,193	-	10,000	41.9%
Telephone & Internet	3,443	3,491	6,934	-	14,200	48.8%
County of Orange General	-	551	551	-	4,000	13.8%
Liability Insurance	4,945	2,922	7,867	-	16,510	47.7%
Memberships	7,014	8,681	15,695	-	31,600	49.7%
Office Equipment/Supplies	1,755	1,964	3,719	-	18,000	20.7%
Professional Services						
Legal	14,143	8,601	22,744	591	60,000	37.9%
Accounting/Audit	10,585	6,778	17,363	-	42,900	40.5%
Human Resources	1,260	-	1,260	-	8,000	15.8%
Mapping/Archiving	884	884	1,768	-	6,400	27.6%
Other Professional Services	-	-	-	1,913	100,000	0.0%
Total - Professional Services	26,872	16,263	43,135	2,504	217,300	19.9%
Investment Admin Fees	127	126	253	-	600	42.1%
Banking Fees	8	-	8	-	220	3.7%
Public Noticing Postage	-	-	-	686	10,400	0.0%
Rents/Maintenance	104	23	126	38	1,000	12.6%
Equipment Leases	17,473	17,599	35,072	-	70,900	49.5%
Comm. & Staff Expense	774	997	1,772	-	4,500	39.4%
Comm. Stipends & Taxes/Fees	1,819	2,077	3,895	73	8,400	46.4%
Professional Development	1,879	3,392	5,271	-	16,200	32.5%
Transportation/Travel	8,244	298	8,542	-	15,000	56.9%
Commission Meeting Expense	6,549	2,836	9,385	628	22,700	41.3%
Refund of Deposits	340	528	868	-	6,300	13.8%
Total Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total Net Income (Loss)	250,359	204,037	454,396	12,219	1,138,040	99.9%
	\$ 773,685	\$ (148,631)	\$ 625,055	\$ 156,131	\$ -	

OC Local Agency Formation Commission
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2017

Dec 31, 17

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1000 · County Acct-Payroll	301,404.58
1025 · Wells Fargo Checking	299,566.09
1030 · Wells Fargo Savings	210,570.80
1040 · OC Fund	472,329.49
1050 · Investment Acct - LAIF	559,861.73
1059 · Fair Market Value Adjustments	-1,086.80

Total Checking/Savings 1,842,645.89

Other Current Assets

1299 · Miscellaneous Receivable	288.00
1300 · Interest Receivable - Other	2,441.90
1375 · Prepaid Expenses - Other	26,288.51
1376 · Retirement Prepaid Expense	67,980.44
1550 · Due from Other Governments	1,459.13

Total Other Current Assets 98,457.98

Total Current Assets 1,941,103.87

Fixed Assets 77,001.00

Other Assets

1575 · Pension Deposit	96,366.96
1580 · Deferred Amounts From Pension	475,220.00
1600 · Security Deposit	6,081.66

Total Other Assets 577,668.62

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TOTAL ASSETS 2,595,773.49

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Accounts Payable 14,191.61

Other Current Liabilities

Current Liabilities

2001 · Accrued Liability	7,425.00
2050 · Salaries Payable - OC (9050)	13,939.91

Total Current Liabilities 21,364.91

Other Current Liability 25,970.95

Total Other Current Liabilities 47,335.86

Total Current Liabilities 61,527.47

Long Term Liabilities 1,798,612.00

Total Liabilities 1,860,139.47

Equity

3050 · Restricted Net Assets 212,900.00

Net Income 755,536.02

Total Equity 735,634.02

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 2,595,773.49



Memorandum

DATE: February 13, 2018
TO: Member Agencies – MWDOC Divisions Two & Three
FROM: Larry Dick, Director – Division Two
Wayne S. Osborne, Director – Division Three
SUBJECT: Monthly Water Usage Data, Tier 2 Projection & Water Supply Information

The attached figures show the recent trend of water consumption in Orange County (OC), an estimate of Tier 2 volume for MWDOC, and selected water supply information.

- Fig. 1 OC Water Usage, Monthly by Supply MWD imported water was the main supply in December, imported usage has increased due to the In Lieu program.
- Fig. 2 OC Water Usage, Monthly, Comparison to Previous Years Water usage in December 2017 was above average compared to the last 5 years. Higher usage was due to no precipitation and above normal temperatures for the month of December. We are seeing an increase in overall water usage compared to the previous Fiscal Year. In June 2016, all water conservation became voluntary for MWDOC agencies and the Great California Drought was declared over by the Governor in April 2017.
- Fig. 3 Historical OC Water Consumption OC water consumption is projected to be 540,000 AF in FY 2017-18 (*this includes ~15 TAF of agricultural usage and non-retail water agency usage*). This is about 21,000 AF more than FY 2016-17 and is about 49,000 AF more than FY 2015-16 (During the SWRCB mandatory water restrictions). Water usage per person is projected to be slightly higher than in FY 2017-18 for Orange County at 151 gallons per day (This includes recycled water). Although OC population has increased 20% over the past two decades, water usage has not increased, on average. A long-term decrease in per-capita water usage is attributed mostly to Water Use Efficiency (water conservation) efforts.

MWDOC "Firm" Water Purchases, 2018 "Firm" water above the Tier 1 limit will be charged at the higher Tier 2 rate. Tier 2 purchases are projected to be zero in 2018.

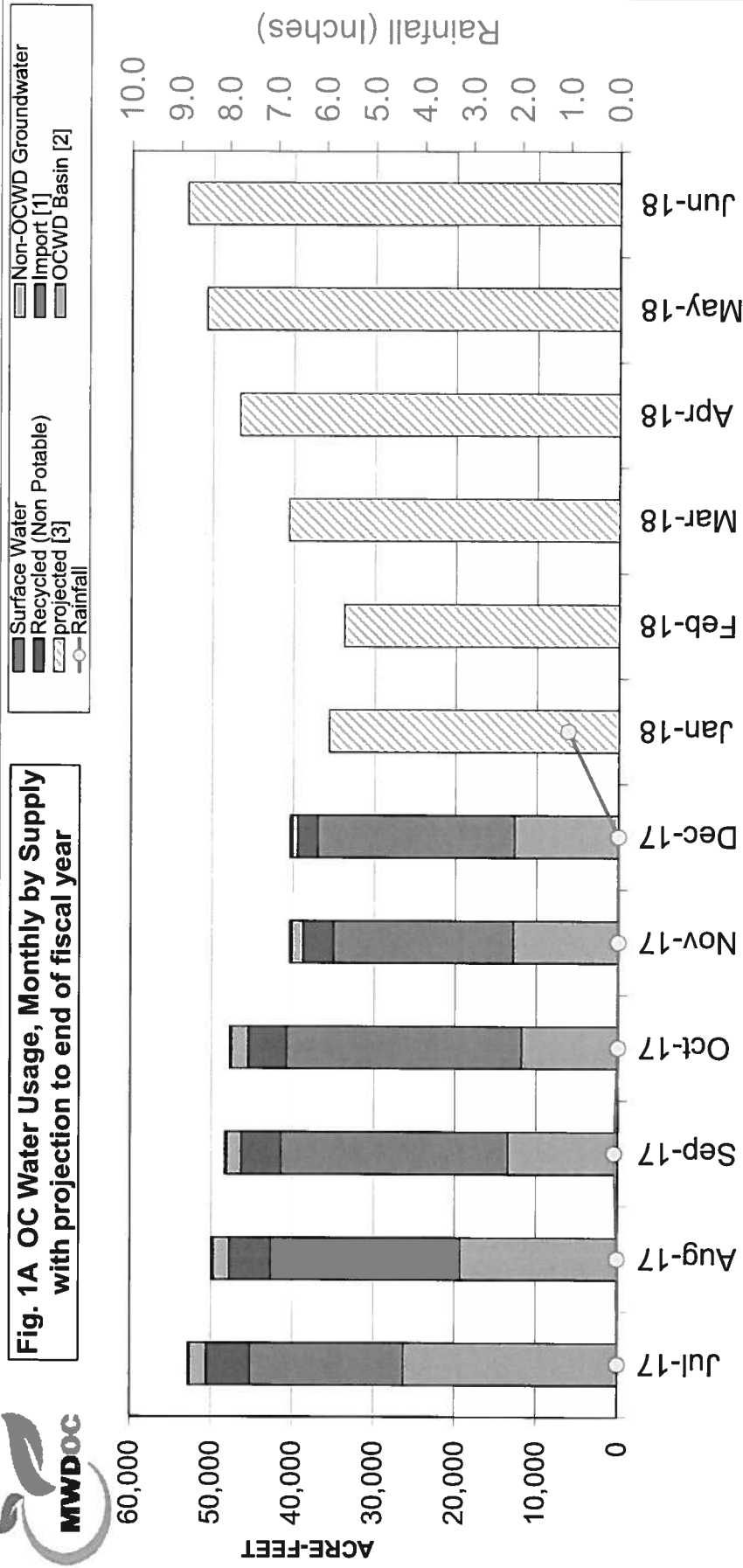
Water Supply Information Includes data on Rainfall in OC; the OCWD Basin overdraft; Northern California and Colorado River Basin hydrologic data; the State Water Project (SWP) Allocation, and regional storage volumes. The data have implications for the

magnitude of supplies from the three watersheds that are the principal sources of water for OC. Note that a hydrologic year is Oct. 1st through Sept. 30th.

- Orange County's accumulated rainfall through late January was well below average for this period. Water year to date rainfall in Orange County is 1.16 inches which is 17% of normal.
- Northern California accumulated precipitation through late January was around 75% of normal for this period. Water Year 2017 was the wettest water year on record. The Northern California snowpack was 28% of normal as of January 30th. The State of California was in a declared Drought Emergency that started January 2014 and just recently ended in April of 2017. As of late January, only 12.7% of California is experiencing moderate drought conditions while 54% of the state is experiencing abnormally dry conditions. The State Water Project Contractors Table A Allocation was adjusted to 20% as of late January.
- Colorado River Basin accumulated precipitation through late January was 61% average for this period. The Upper Colorado Basin snowpack was 65% of normal as of January 30th. The Colorado River Basin saw above average conditions in WY 2017 but the region has been still trying to rebound from the previous long term drought. Lake Mead and Lake Powell combined have about 69% of their average storage volume for this time of year. If Lake Mead's level falls below a "trigger" limit 1,075 ft. at the end of a calendar year, then a shortage will be declared by the US Bureau of Reclamation (USBR), impacting Colorado River water deliveries to the Lower Basin states. As of late January, Lake Mead levels were 7.5' above the "trigger" limit. The USBR predicts that the end of 2017 or the end of 2018 will not hit the "trigger" level.



Fig. 1A OC Water Usage, Monthly by Supply with projection to end of fiscal year



[1] Imported water for consumptive use. Includes "In-Lieu" deliveries and CUP water extraction. Excludes "Direct Replenishment" deliveries of spreading water, "Barrier Replenishment" deliveries, and deliveries into Irvine Lake.

[2] GW for consumptive use only. Excludes In-Lieu water deliveries and CUP water extraction that are counted with Import. BPP in FY '16-17 is 75%.

[3] MWD OC's estimate of monthly demand is based on the projected FY 15-16 "Retail" water demand and historical monthly demand patterns.

[4] Total water usage includes IRWD groundwater agricultural use and usage by non-retail water agencies.



Fig. 1B O.C. Historical Water Usage

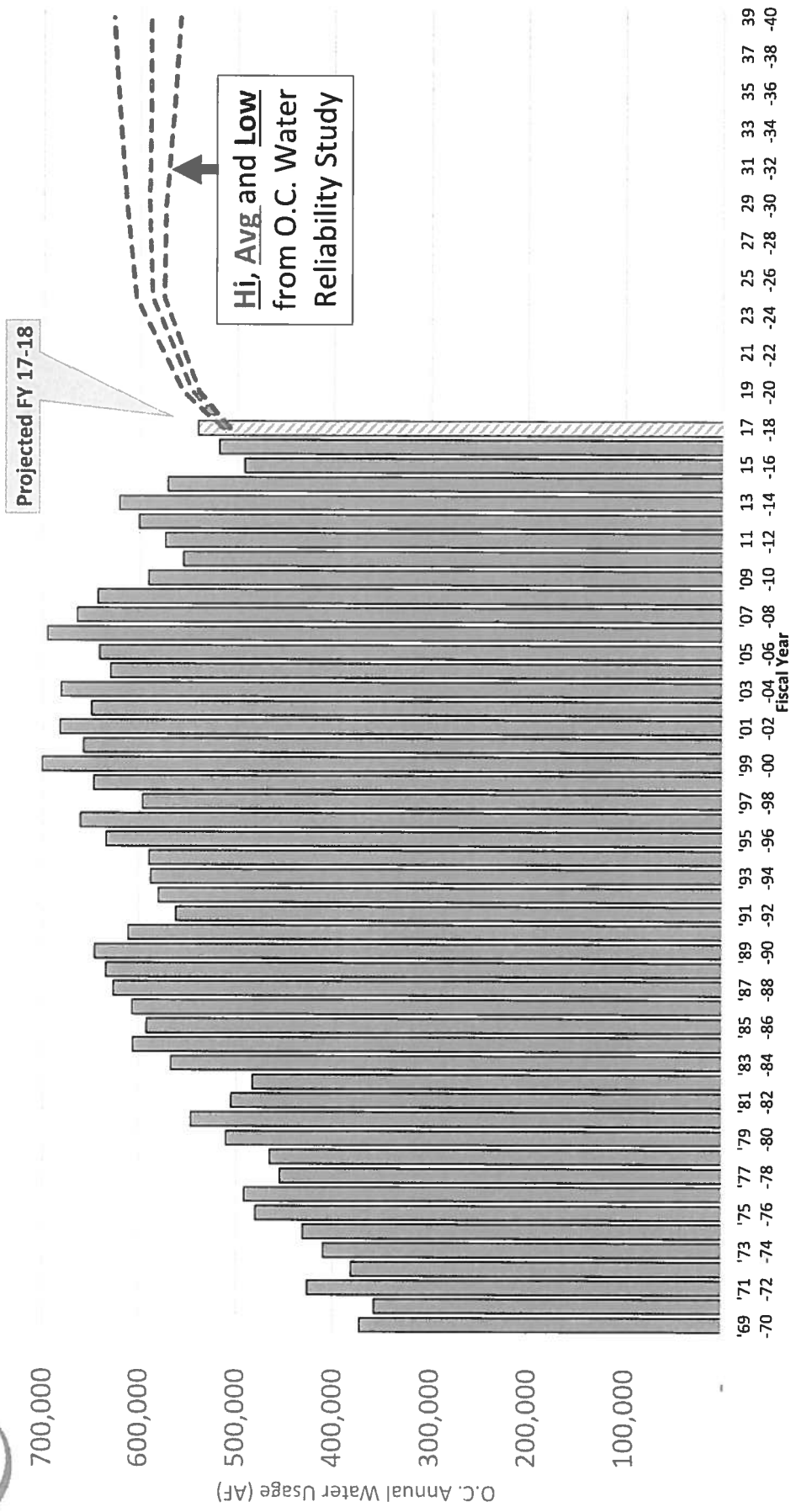
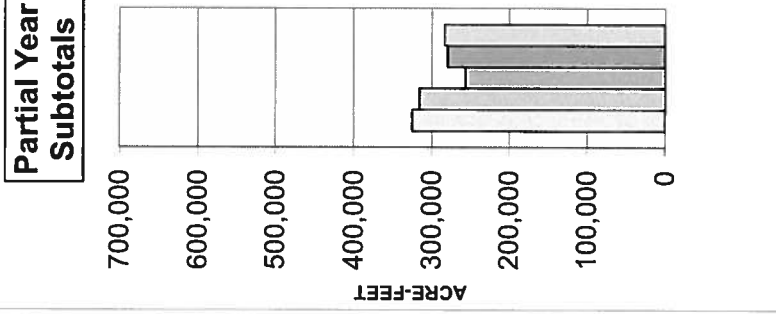
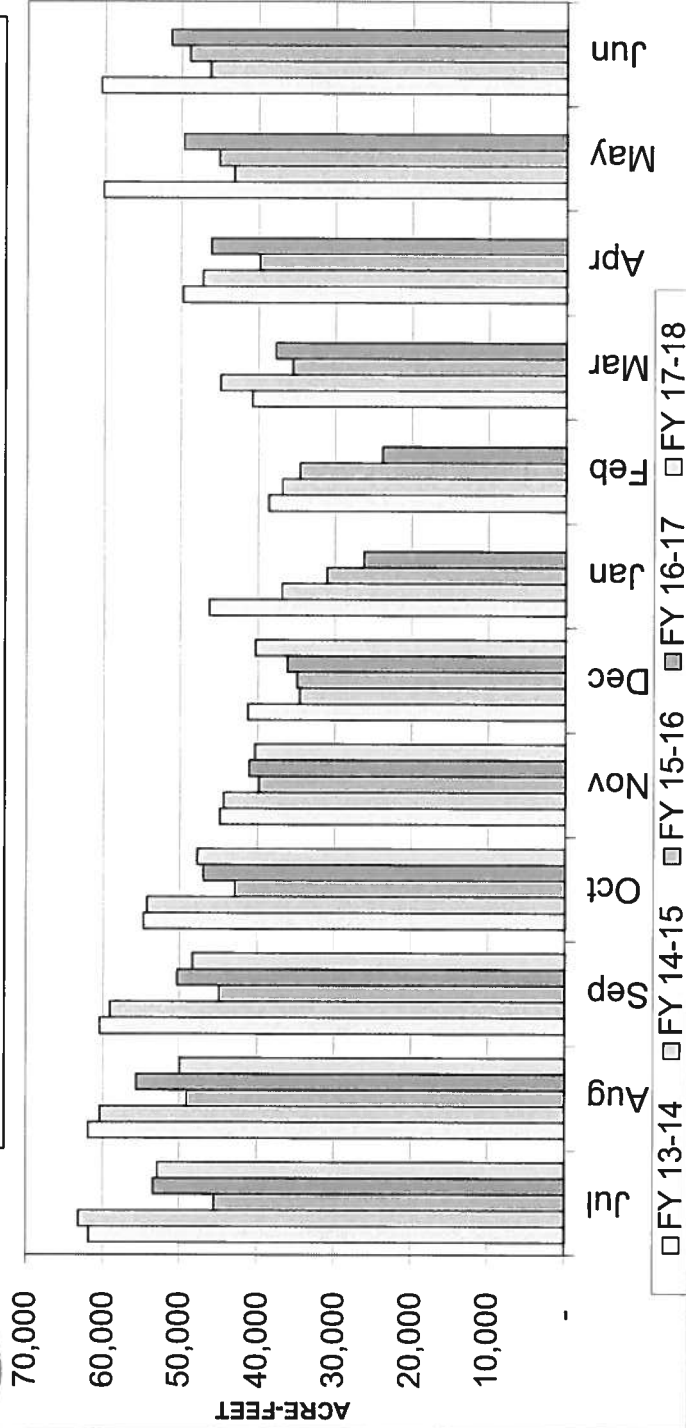


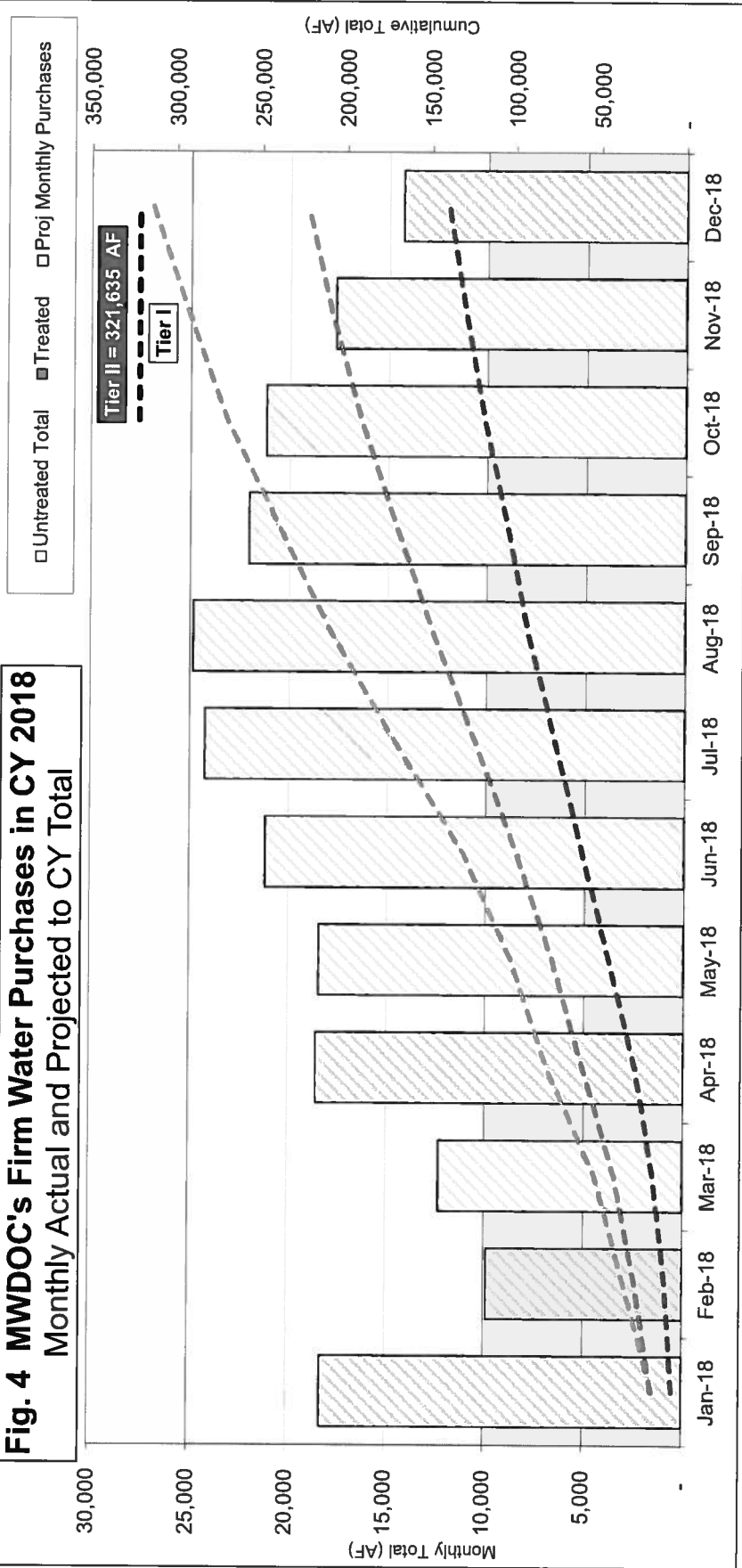


Fig. 2A OC Monthly Water Usage [1]: Comparison to Last 4 Fiscal Years



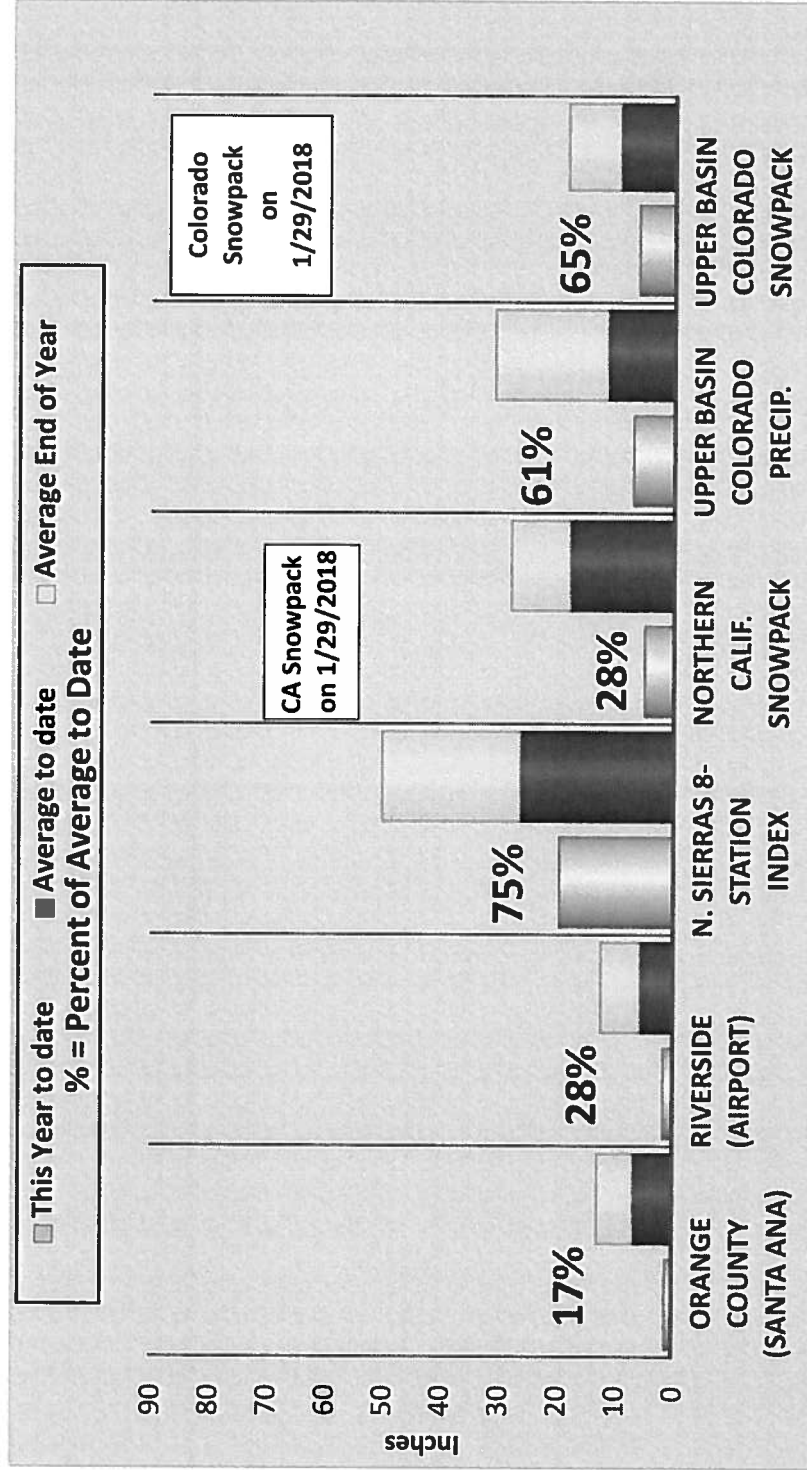
[1] Sum of Imported water for consumptive use (includes "in-Lieu" deliveries; excludes "Direct Replenishment" and "Barrier Replenishment") and Local water for consumptive use (includes recycled and non-potable water; excludes GWRs production, groundwater pumped to waste, and waste brine from water treatment projects.) Recent months numbers include some estimation.

Fig. 4 MWDOC's Firm Water Purchases in CY 2018
 Monthly Actual and Projected to CY Total



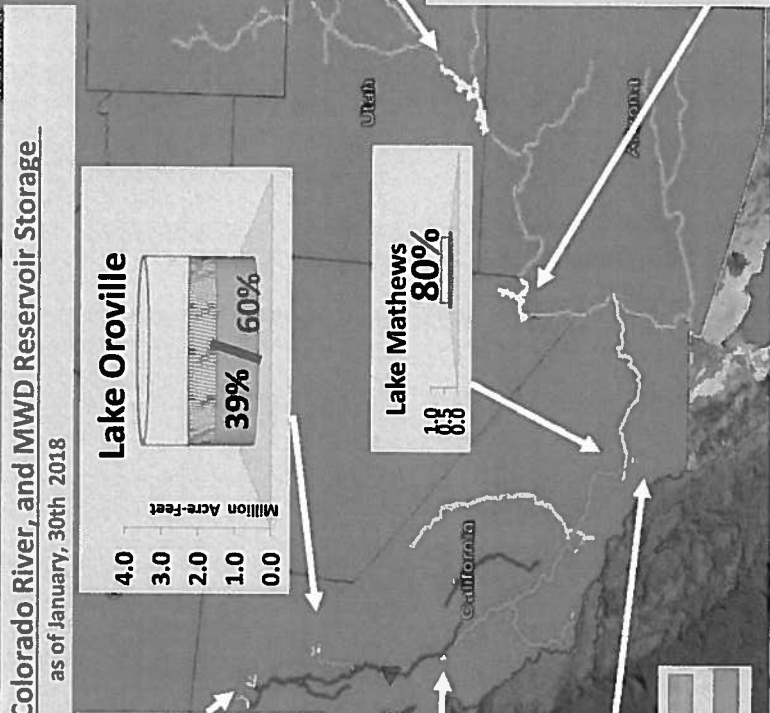
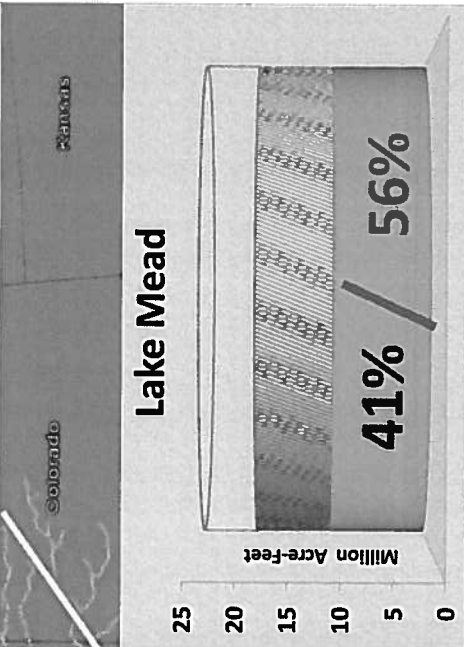
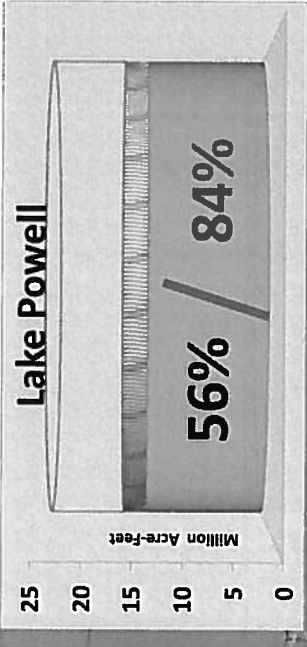
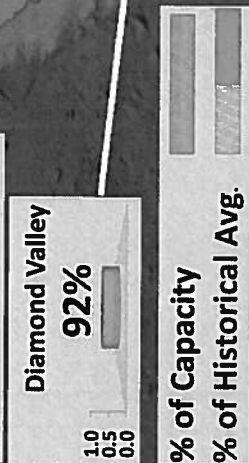
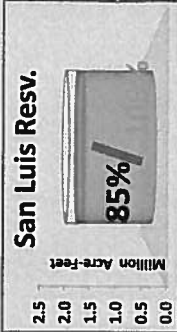
Accumulated Precipitation

for the Oct.-Sep. water year, through late January 2018



* The date of maximum snowpack accumulation (April 1st in Northern Calif., April 15th in the Upper Colorado Basin) is used for year to year comparison.

State Water Project, Colorado River, and MWD Reservoir Storage
as of January, 30th 2018



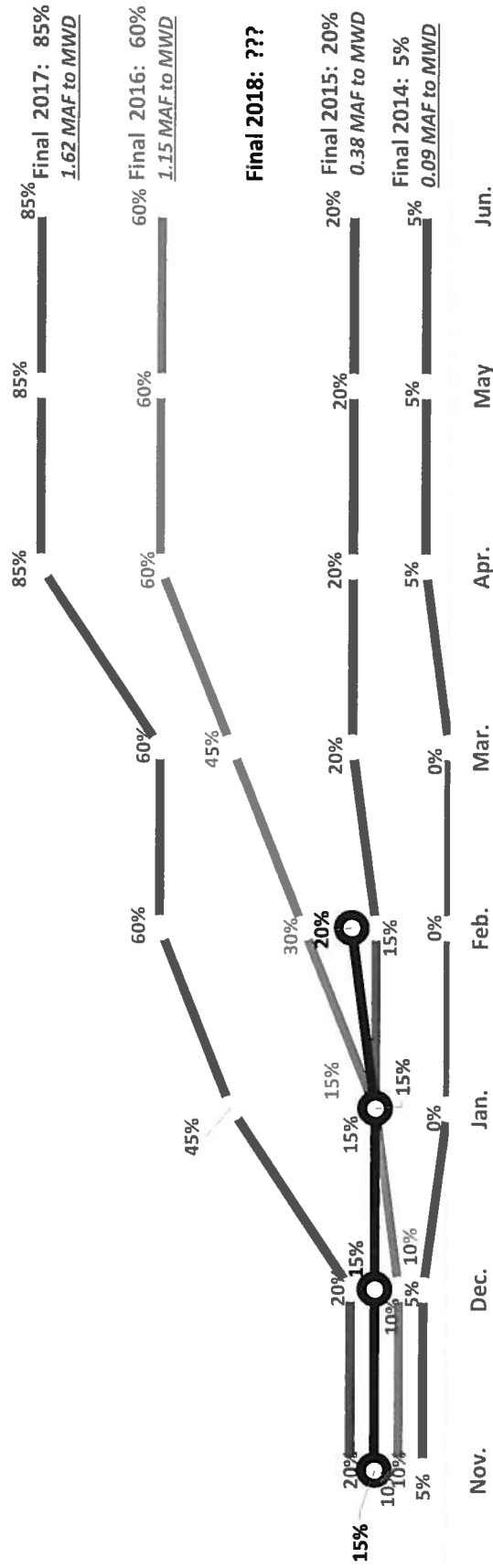
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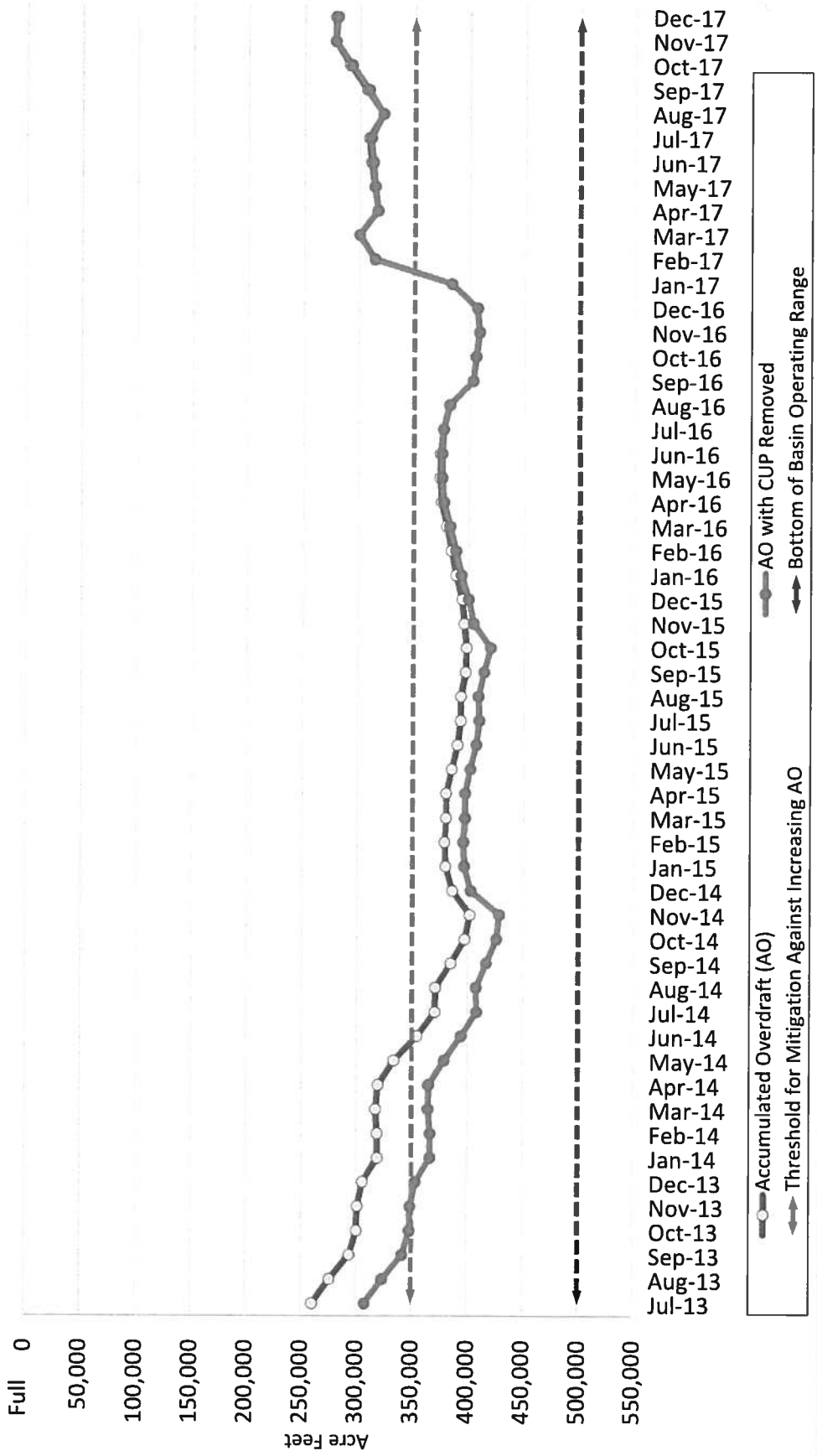
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FOR STATE WATER PROJECT CONTRACTORS

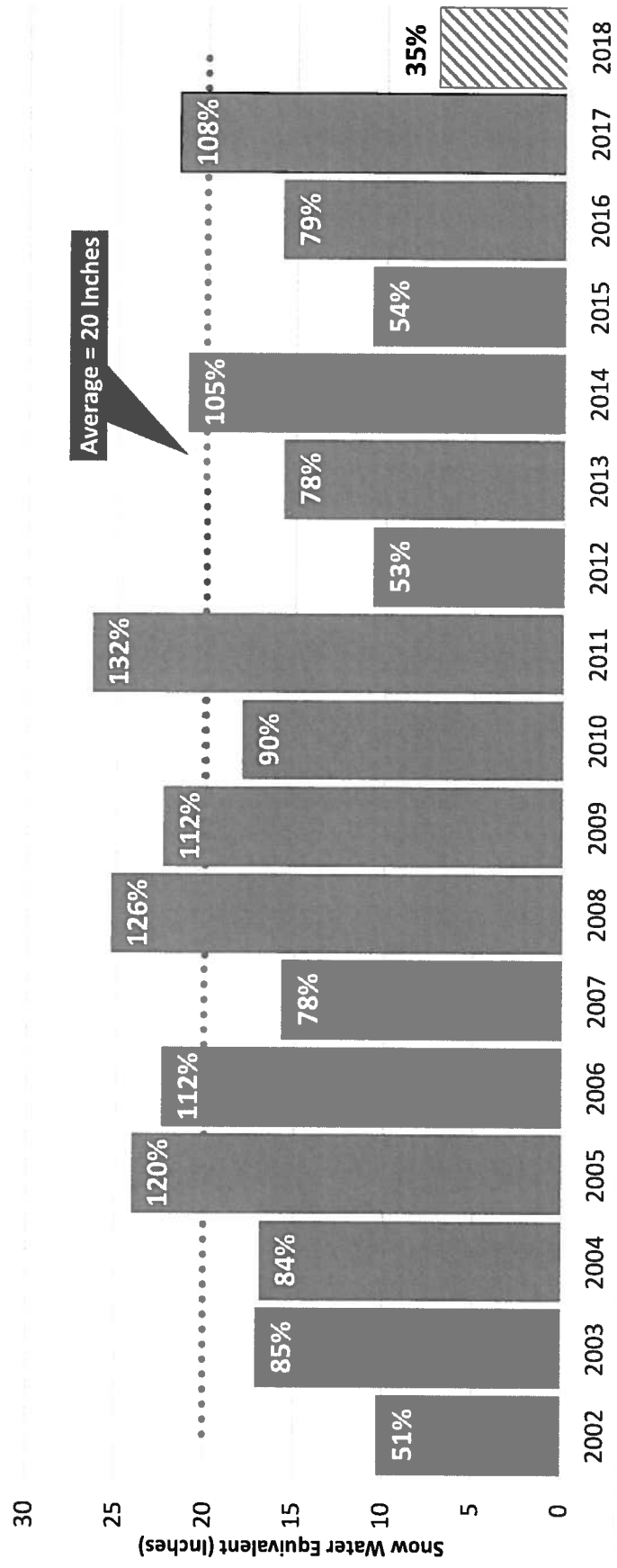


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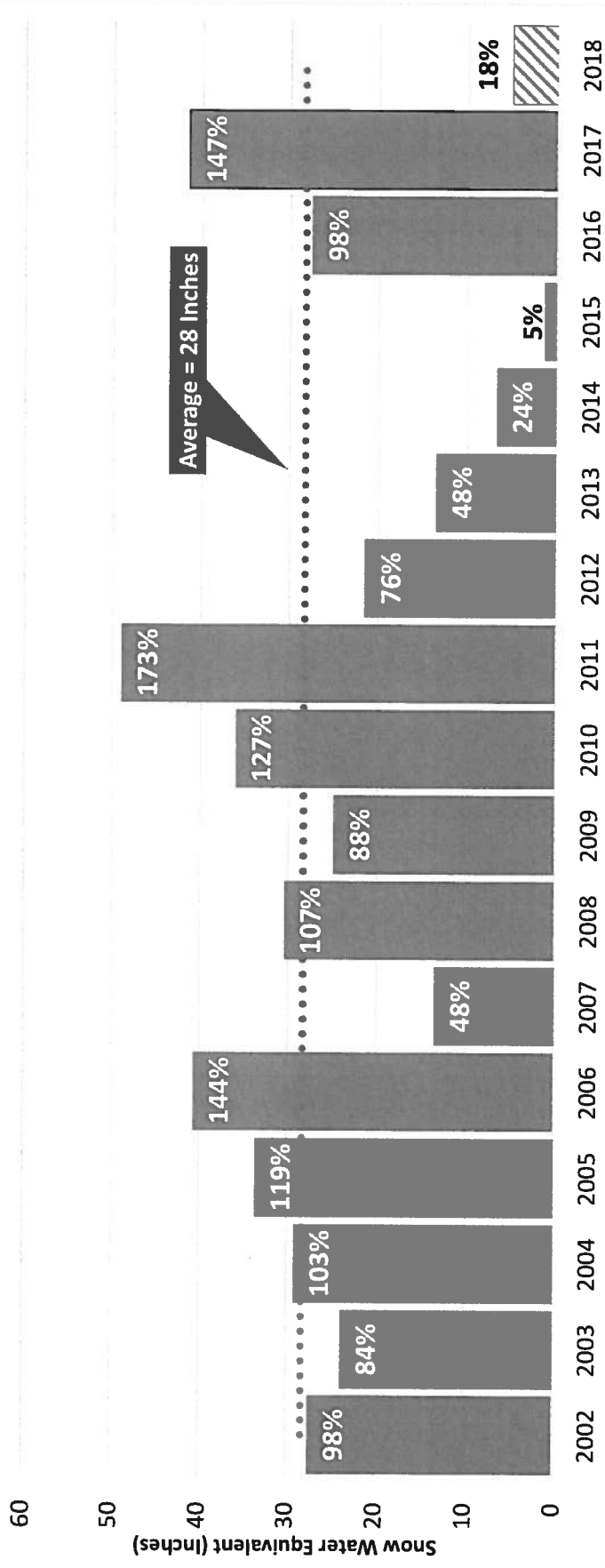
Accumulated Overdraft of the OCWD Groundwater Basin as of December 2017



Historical Colorado Basin April 15th Peak Snow Water Equivalent

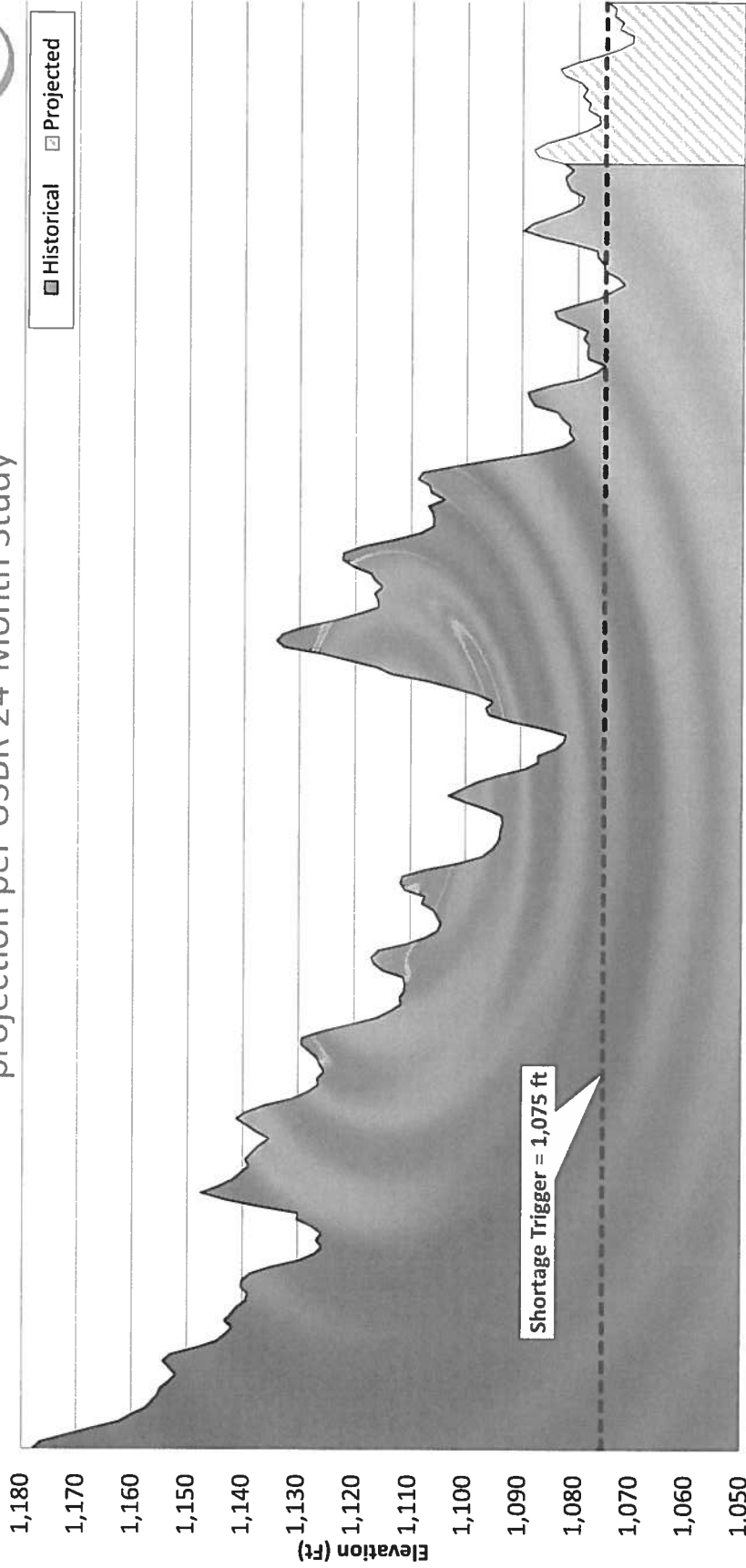


Historical Northern California April 1st Peak Snow Water Equivalent





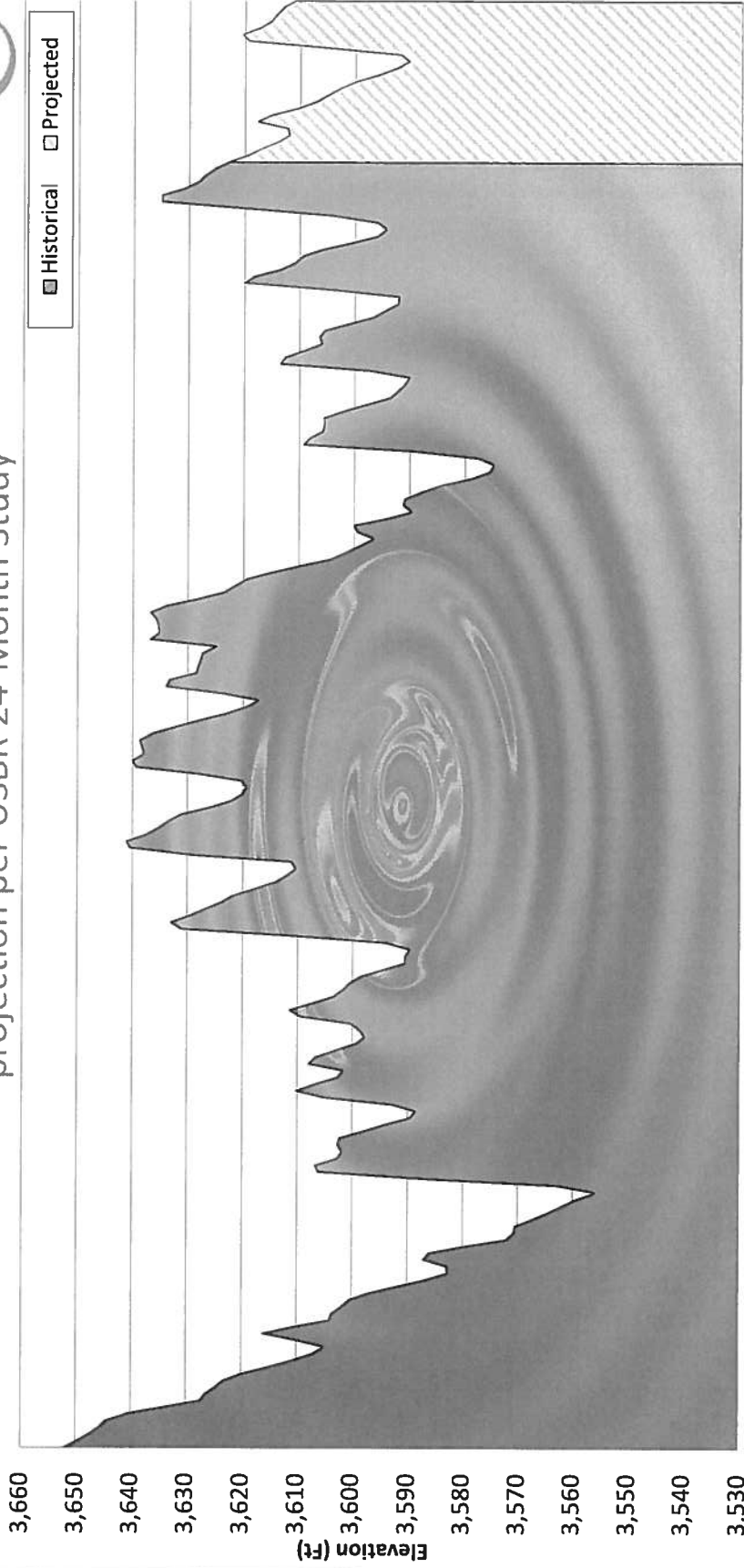
Lake Mead Levels: Historical and Projected projection per USBR 24-Month Study



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Lake Powell Levels: Historical and Projected projection per USBR 24-Month Study



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Pension UPDATE - CalPERS Board Reduces Amortization Policy

From : Tony Cardenas <tcardenas@cacities.org> Thu, Feb 15, 2018 11:41 AM
Subject : Pension UPDATE - CalPERS Board Reduces Amortization Policy 4 attachments
To : Tony Cardenas <tcardenas@cacities.org>



Pension Update – CalPERS Board Reduces Amortization Policy

Yesterday, the CalPERS Board of Administration adopted their staff's recommendation to reduce the agency's amortization policy from 30 years to 20 years for all investment gains and losses.

The League did not take a position on the proposed policy change because there are different implications for cities throughout California. Cities citing extreme financial hardship raised concern that reducing the amortization schedule will increase their employer contribution rates even beyond what they can afford.

Some cities support this change because they believe it is prudent to shore up the fund and pay down the unfunded accrued liability (UAL) faster instead of pushing the financial burden to future employees, employers and taxpayers.

Details on Amortization Policy

The amortization modification is only for prospective accumulation of amortization. This means that meaning that current accrued unfunded liabilities will not change from where they are currently. The five-year phase in for the recent discount rate reduction was not modified.

CalPERS retained the "ramp up" policy for investment gains and losses. However, it eliminated the "ramp down" provisions, which creates a more stable payment for cities. Under the previous policy, gains and losses phased in over five years. This resulted in significantly higher payments for 20 years then ramped down (lower payments) for the last five years.

Under the policy CalPERS adopted yesterday, ramp up for gains and losses remains however the ramp down is eliminated. The new structure is the initial phase in over five years (still), then moderately higher payments for 25 years.

The amortization policy changes will be reflected in cities June, 2019 valuation reports, however, city budgets will not be impacted by the newly adopted policy until FY 2021–22. Cities that want to adopt the amortization sooner to capture the recent above market returns can work directly with CalPERS staff.

CalPERS has a current “hardship” criterion for agencies who are unable to meet a reduced amortization schedule. This criteria is complex and would be difficult to navigate. CalPERS has confirmed that this criteria will be revisited to address those cities that are unable to make their payments and/or would have to significantly reduce services to make their payments.

The revisions would allow such cities to opt to use a 30 years amortization schedule.

Proposed Options for Cities

The League proposed two options to CalPERS to address the challenges some cities may face under the new schedule. As of February 14, these options were not adopted. However, the CalPERS Board as well as the CEO have committed to working with the League to revisit their current hardship policy prior to the implementation of the amortization schedule to enable more local flexibility.

The League will continue to advocate for the options detailed below:

Option 1: Amortization Opt Out for Distressed Agencies

The current amortization policy allows for an opt-in provision for agencies that choose to adopt a 20-year amortization schedule. CalPERS has stated that agencies seldom use this option.

An alternative would be an opt-out provision whereby all agencies are converted to a 20-year amortization schedule that include a clear and definable opt out provision for agencies who are unable to make the anticipated increased payments resulting from a shorter amortizations period.

This concept differs from the current “Fresh Start” option agencies have. Fresh Start allows agencies to aggregate their assumptions to the lower amortization denominator. This opt out provision would allow a financially distressed agency to continue the same course of a 30-year amortization schedule for all gains and losses.

As an option, such criteria would need to be carefully crafted to include appropriate stakeholder outreach to ensure that agencies are not forced to reduce public services past acceptable levels for residents.

Option 2: Tiered Systems for Agencies Depending on Fiscal Health

CalPERS staff did not recommend a 25-year schedule. However, such timing still falls within acceptable industry standards. The League suggested that the CalPERS Board may consider a tiered system whereby agencies that are deemed capable of affording a 20-year schedule would be placed in that amortization tier.

Agencies that are struggling can be placed in a 25-year amortization period and agencies who are deemed to be in significant hardship can opt out to remain on a 30 year amortization period. This criteria could only be crafted with appropriate stakeholder input.

The League’s letter to the CalPERS Board is attached and [available online](#). Also, please be sure to read the attached League Pension Reform Report.

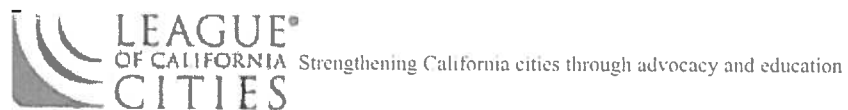
Ensuring sustainability of pension and retirement health benefits is one of the [League’s Strategic Goals for 2018](#). Therefore, more information will be provided as the League continues to lobby on the pension reform front. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Ms. Priya Mathur
President, CalPERS Board of Administration
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RE: **CalPERS Board of Administration Pending Action on Amortization Modification (Finance and Administration Committee Item 7 A).**

Dear President Mathur,

On behalf of the League of California Cities (League), I would like to express my appreciation for you and the CalPERS Board of Administration's (Board) willingness to work with the local employer community as we navigate through uncertain times and rising fiscal challenges.

As outlined in the League's Retirement System Sustainability Study, unfunded pension liabilities are approaching unsustainable levels for some of our cities. These increases alone will undoubtedly result in significant fiscal challenges ranging from service reductions, workforce reductions, or in some instances insolvency or even bankruptcy. Given the wide range of impacts this potential change may have on our cities the **League has not taken a formal position on the current proposal to shorten the amortization schedule from 30 years to 20 years.**

As noted in the 2017 Asset Liability Management Workshop presentation (attachment 1, page 5 of 55), CalPERS staff expects 10-year market returns to average approximately 6.1 percent—significantly below the 7.00 percent discount rate. It is likely that a modified amortization change would result in a short-term spike in employer and in some cases employee contributions. Such policy changes for some agencies could place significant fiscal strains on already tightening city budgets in the event investment returns fall below estimates.

Outlined below are additional options that the Board may wish to consider when trying to balance the desire to bring the CalPERS fund in line with industry best practices as well as taking into account the distressed agencies who may require more flexibility in managing their pension obligations.

Amortization Opt Out for Distressed Agencies: The current amortization policy allows for an *opt-in* provision for agencies that choose to adopt a 20-year amortization schedule. However as stated by CalPERS staff this option is seldom used by agencies. Conversely, it may be beneficial to explore an opt-out provision whereby all agencies are converted to a 20-year amortization schedule that would include **a clear and definable opt out provision for agencies who are unable to make the anticipated increased payments resulting from a shorter amortizations period.** To be clear, this concept differs from the current "Fresh Start" option agencies have. Fresh Start allows agencies to aggregate their assumptions to the lower amortization denominator. In theory, the "opt out" provision would allow a financially distressed agency to continue the same course of a 30-year amortization schedule for all gains and losses. Such criteria should not be created in a vacuum—but rather be carefully crafted to include appropriate stakeholder outreach to ensure that agencies are not forced to reduce public services past acceptable levels for residents. The League would welcome the opportunity to sit down with CalPERS actuarial staff to explore finically distressed criteria specifics.

Tiered Systems for Agencies Depending on Fiscal Health

As noted in Attachment 1 of item 7A, page 5 25 years (for amortization gains and losses) is not recommended by staff. However, such timing still falls within acceptable industry standards. The Board may wish to look into a tiered system whereby agencies who are deemed capable of affording a 20-year schedule would be placed in that amortization tier. Furthermore, agencies who are struggling can be placed in a 25 year amortization period and agencies who are deemed to be in significant hardship can opt out to remain on a 30 year amortization period. Again, such criteria should be carefully crafted with appropriate stakeholder input.

Eliminating the “Ramp Down” Polices for UAL Payments

League members have not expressed concerns with the proposal to eliminate the current 5-year “Ramp Down” policy in place. In fact, eliminating the ramp down would likely result in more manageable payments over the next 25 years as opposed to higher payments for 20 years after the initial “Ramp Up” period has expired.

Establishing an Employer Discretionary Pre-fund Trust:

Although not directly associated with the pending agenda item, the League would support CalPERS establishing an employer discretionary prefunding trust, similar to what CalPERS offers for healthcare liabilities. Local agencies have the authority to provide Sec 115 trust accounts through private companies. However, private companies inherently have to build in a profit variable where CalPERS would not. Additionally, such a prefunded trust would allow agencies to use one-time moneys to pre-pay unfunded liabilities thus cutting down the total amount being amortized long term.

Working with All Stakeholders in Finding Common Ground on Alternative Approaches to UAL Reduction

We understand that the recommendation by staff is rooted in three very laudable goals; benefit security, intergenerational equity, and contribution stability. Cities undeniably support these aims; however, it is important to bear in mind the range of impacts such a change will have on local agencies vis-à-vis their individual contributions amount as a percentage of payroll and general fund budget.

The League appreciates the collaborative spirit in which this policy has been discussed. We remain ready and willing to be a partner with the Board and CalPERS staff with this and all items which affect local agencies ability to remain fiscally solvent and provide critical services to the public.

Should you have any questions regarding the Leagues position, please feel free to contact me directly at 916-658-8210 or at dhutchings@cacities.org

Sincerely,



Dane Hutchings
Legislative Representative

cc: Members, CalPERS Board of Administration
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SteelCraft Garden Grove reveals eight food and beverage tenants

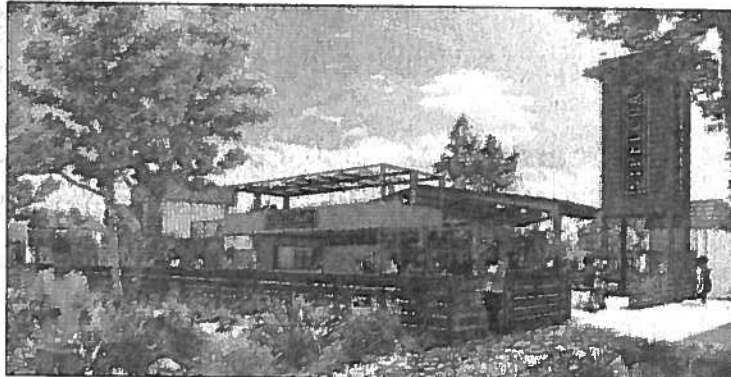
Beachwood, Urban Pie and more are coming to the development

By Nancy Luna
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Orange County's first shipping container food hall has revealed eight of its food tenants, including another Southern California outpost for Long Beach-based Beachwood Brewing Co.

The award-winning brewery will have a satellite taproom at the project, which is being developed behind Garden Grove City Hall.

SteelCraft Garden Grove is the second shipping container development for partners Howard CDM and SteelCraft. The two Long Beach companies developed and opened SteelCraft Long



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SteelCraft Garden Grove will include retailers and restaurants operating out of cargo containers as long as 40 feet on a 1.8-acre lot behind City Hall.

Beach in early 2017.

Garden Grove's version will include Dark Horse Coffee Roasters, Renegade Taco, The Chick 'N Shack (Southeast Asian chicken), The Nest (breakfast), Urban Pie (pizza), Honey & Butter (dessert) and Cauldron Ice Cream.

Each of the roughly 10 counter-service restaurants will be housed in cargo containers — some as long as 40 feet. The developers are still looking for a wine bar and burger concept.

The rest of the project will con-

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sist of containers for restrooms, storage and upper-level seating.

Since opening last year in Long Beach, SteelCraft has been wildly successful — answering a demand for experiential restaurant developments that

cater to millennials. The smaller Long Beach food hall, at 3768 Long Beach Blvd., includes Smog City Brewing, Pig Pen Delicacy, Waffle Love, Desano Pizza and Steelhead Coffee.

SteelCraft is leasing the Garden Grove lot from the city, a deal that will generate \$85,000 in revenue annually. A groundbreaking is slated for March 5.

Boutique hotel operator Kimpton will add rooms in Anaheim resort

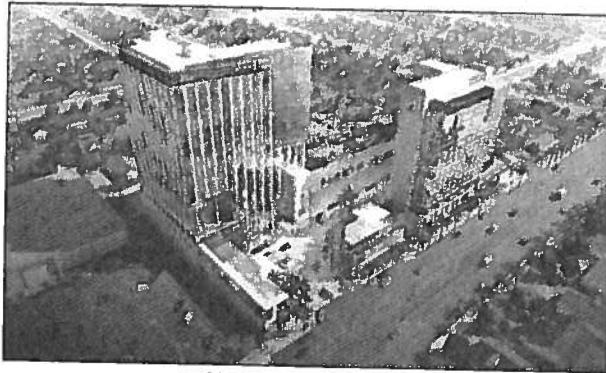
By Alicia Robinson
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A 200-room, upscale boutique hotel will be coming in 2021 to Harbor Boulevard in the resort district shared by Anaheim and Garden Grove.

The project by Kimpton Hotels and Restaurants, part of a 5-acre development of shops and restaurants in Garden Grove, will include 10,000 square feet of meeting space, two restaurants and a rooftop pool and bar, said Ed Virtue, Kimpton's director of operations for Southern California.

Kimpton hotels offer guests bicycles to use, morning coffee and an evening wine reception and other such amenities, Virtue said, but it's hard to say what the Anaheim-area facility will look like because the company designs each hotel to reflect its neighborhood.

"Even though it's right by Disneyland and it's so close to those other venues (such as Angel Stadium and the Honda Center), it's going to have its own personality," he said.



COURTESY OF KIMPTON HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

Kimpton Hotels and Restaurants has announced plans for a 200-room, upscale boutique hotel on Harbor Boulevard in the Anaheim resort district.

Kimpton officials declined to give the cost of the new hotel, but Virtue estimated room rates could be in the range of \$200 to \$400 a night.

The new Kimpton property is part of an ongoing boom in hotel construction in California, said Alan Reay, an industry analyst and president of Irvine-based Atlas Hospitality Group.

A recent survey by Atlas found 2017 was a record-breaking year for the industry, with 66 new hotels

opening and 145 hotels under construction around the state.

Nine hotels are under construction or are planned in Anaheim, according to city officials, including two of the city's first four-diamond hotels outside of the Disneyland Resort: a 613-room, seven-story Westin hotel is expected to open near the Anaheim Convention Center in 2020, and construction began in the fall on a luxury JW Marriott hotel near the Garden Walk.

BRAINIAC

Mayor has word on new businesses and the 'Rusty Skeleton'

By Peter Larsen
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Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones had a lot of news to deliver in his recent State of the City speech, from new hotels coming to Harbor Boulevard to the tenants of a trendy food hall built in shipping containers to what's finally — finally — going to happen to the half-finished building everybody knows as the "Rusty Skeleton."

The city's longstanding plans to build up the hotel corridor along Harbor Boulevard was the subject of one of Jones' biggest announcements, revealing the names of the first two of three hotels that will eventually be built on 4.3 acres on Harbor Boulevard next to the Target store and across from the Hyatt Regency Orange County.

It will be, Jones said, "the

largest development project the city has ever seen, with an investment of approximately \$400 million."

He described it as a "high-lifestyle resort project" and said construction will begin this year. The project will have three hotel towers with 769 rooms, almost 40,000 square feet of meeting space, and 36,000 square feet of retail and commercial.

"At this time, I am elated to unveil the names of the first two hotel flags that have been secured as part of this amazing new project," Jones said. "The first tower will be a Le Meridien Hotel by Marriott. The new Grove District hotel will offer approximately 400 rooms, a rooftop bar, two restaurants and 30,000 square feet of conference space.

"The second tower will be

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a Kimpton Hotel," he continued. "The San Francisco-based brand that introduced the boutique hotel concept in America ... will offer 200 rooms, a rooftop bar, a restaurant and 10,000 square feet of conference space."

The much-anticipated Steelcraft Garden Grove, an outdoor food hall with retailers operating out of renovated shipping containers, also made news during the mayor's speech.

Groundbreaking for the project on Euclid Street next to City Hall will take place March 5, and the names of the businesses were also unveiled during his speech.

They include the Long Beach's Beachwood Brewing; Dark Horse Coffee Roasters; the all-day breakfast spot The Nest; The Chick 'N Shack, serving Southeast Asian chicken-and-rice dishes; craft tacos at Renegade Taco; Urban Pie, a wood-burning pizza and Italian food place; Cauldron Ice Cream; and Honey & Butter, a cookie-maker.

Finally, the eyesore of a half-finished multistory building that's been standing in the middle of town for years was addressed.

"The most common question I get asked on a regular basis is, 'Hey, what's going on with that big rusty skeleton near Brookhurst and Garden Grove Boulevard?'" Jones said. "Finally, after many years and countless legal battles, I am thrilled to make a formal announcement that a new project is about to move forward."

That project, which had been hinted about over the past year, will include about 400 affordable apartments for seniors with about 12,000 square feet of retail and commercial space on the ground floor.

To read Jones' speech or watch video of it, go to ci.garden-grove.ca.us/state-of-the-city-2018.

Mile Square Park gets ready for return of Tet celebration

'It would be ludicrous not to have a Tet Festival,' says Supervisor Andrew Do

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The Lunar New Year returns to Mile Square Park, and Supervisor Andrew Do expects a lively rebirth and a kind of homecoming.

After the large festival in Garden Grove fell apart amid organizers' failure to pay costs, embezzlement and poor bookkeeping, and a staging in Mile Square Park in 2016 also suffered from deficits, Do decided to step forward. His office and the county will pony up about \$200,000, and a new organization, CEAVA, has been retained to bring in the talent.

"This is first and foremost a county event. This is my event," Do said. "The nonprofit is responsible for the cultural entertainment, that's all they're doing."

The Tet Festival in Mile Square Park takes place Friday-Sunday, the same time as the longer-tenured, student-run festival in Costa Mesa at the OC Fairgrounds, and will include vendors, contests and live entertainment.

The multiday festival was scrapped last
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Xuan Mach, left, shares a laugh with her mother, Mhan Tran, as they prepare food during the 2016 OC Tet Festival in Fountain Valley.

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LUNAR NEW YEAR



FILE PHOTOS

People gather during the 2016 OC Tet Festival in Fountain Valley.



People gather during the 2016 OC Tet Festival in Fountain Valley.

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Festival

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year in favor of a single-night event.

Despite the student-run program in Costa Mesa, Do said it is vital to have an event closer to the area's Vietnamese core in Garden Grove and

Westminster's Little Saigon. Not to mention that, unlike the event in Costa Mesa, the Fountain Valley celebration is free.

"This is the center of Vietnamese American by any definition or metric," Do said. "It would be ludicrous not to have a Tet Festival. This district needs, wants and deserves a Tet Festival."

Do said he expects at least 15,000 to attend the event.

He also took issue and called "culturally insensitive" the notion that Orange County couldn't support two Tet festivals.

Nghia Nguyen of CEAVA did not respond to several calls for comment.

But, according to the Tet Festival website, tet-

festivalsmilesquarepark.com, and Orange County documents, the weekend's celebration will include a couple of hundred vendors, food booths, carnival rides and live entertainment — such as folk dances, comedy skits and a firecracker show — to ring in the Year of the Dog.

CEAVA, which was

formed last year, hosted the inaugural Summer Festival and talent contest in Mile Square Park, which Do said was targeted at youths and was a big success. In the wake of that, the group received the contract to organize this year's Tet event.

"They have not received a dime from the county," Do said.



Photo by Loreen Berlin

Joe and Celeste Paul of Garden Grove stand in front of a photo taken on their wedding day 27 years ago. The valentines will be sharing sweetheart time together on this special day. After all, they say they've never stopped dating.

Happy Valentine's Day, Joe and Celeste!

By Loreen Berlin

Garden Grove residents Joe and Celeste Paul have been married for 27 years, but they've never stopped dating.

"When we first got married, we received advice to continue dating each other even though we were married," Joe said. "While our family was smaller and younger,

date nights were easy and we went out pretty much every Friday night because my sister volunteered to babysit for us."

"We definitely notice the difference when we take time out each week for just us, and when we don't take time out for us," Celeste said. "If we could give anyone a gem that they could use to keep

the love in their marriage, it's that we recommend a date night once a week, even if it's just going out for ice cream or reading humorous greeting cards at Target."

Another key to a successful marriage is communicating.

"We're definitely not the perfect couple," Celeste said. "We have

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times where we disagree and have differing opinions on how to handle something, so resolving conflict is a work-in-progress for us but the important thing is that couples need to keep trying to work together and to communicate. Communication is paramount in any relationship, particularly in marriage."

Joe and Celeste met in an elevator while doing work for their church.

Joe was wearing a name tag that read, "Joe Paul."

"I thought to myself, Joe Paul what?" said Celeste. "We made small talk about where we were going and parted when we each reached our different floors.

A week later, there was a dance at their church.

They were both reticent because they'd recently had their hearts broken.

But when Joe looked across the room and saw Celeste, he told a friend, "I'm going to ask her" to dance.

"I still remember what she was wearing, which was an olive-green dress with white polka-dots," Joe said.

They danced a couple of dances, and that was that.

The next day, Celeste found a rose with a note on her car without a name and thought it was from another young man until Joe called later and told her it was from him. By the end of the telephone call, he had asked her out on their first date, which was to Souplantation in Garden Grove.

"We went for a lunch date and stayed until after dinner," she said. "A couple of times, the manager came to ask if we needed anything and he also gave us cookies. We felt so comfortable talking with each other that we spent time getting to

know each other and during that date, I had the thought, "This is the man I'm going to marry."

They met in August and dated through November of that year. Joe surprised Celeste by proposing to her before Thanksgiving. They were married the following March.

What attracted Joe to Celeste?

"As soon as I saw Celeste at the dance, I knew I had to dance with her and during our first date, I felt very comfortable talking with her," he said. "It felt natural and each time we spoke, the things I was looking for in a future spouse where checked off of my list."

What attracted Celeste to Joe?

"First of all, that Joe was tall, standing 6-feet-8. He was handsome and soft spoken and he was what I was looking for," she said. "Joe reminded me of a gentle giant and I couldn't believe he was interested in me. He took time to listen and as we talked, I found out we had a lot in common and we shared similar goals about things we wanted in life."

Oh, and they both love language.

Joe is an English teacher at Cypress High School. He's the head coach for the girls' and boys' tennis teams. He continues to enjoy their children participate in swim, water polo, football, wrestling, track and field, karate, piano, soccer, choir, ASB, dance, tennis, and baseball.

Celeste is an English teacher at Louis Lake Intermediate School in Garden Grove.

What will they be doing to celebrate Valentine's?

Will Joe pull out all the stops?

That's between them.

Besides, when you're in love, you don't have to pull out all the stops all the time. You can enjoy a simple ice cream run, or laughing over greeting cards at Target.

"I just love this guy," Celeste says.

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THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M., MARCH 1, 2018

SITE PLAN NO. SP-033-2017TE1 (TIME EXTENSION)

A request for a one-year time extension for approved entitlement under Site Plan No. SP-033-2017 for construction of an approximately 4,954 square foot commercial pad building within the parking lot of an existing multi-tenant shopping center, Harbor Place Center. The site is at 13200-13220 Harbor Boulevard in the HCSP-TS (Harbor Corridor Specific Plan-Transition Zone South) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on March 1, 2018. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Further information on the above may be obtained at the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

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THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M., MARCH 15, 2018

SITE PLAN NO. SP-045-2018
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-121-2018
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-122-2018
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-123-2018

A request by Cottage Industries, LLC for approval of a Site Plan and three (3) Conditional Use Permits for the Cottage Industries project. The proposed Site Plan would allow the conversion of four (4) existing residential structures and two (2) existing accessory structures into commercial restaurant and retail use; the construction of two (2) new commercial buildings with a combined square footage of approximately 2,284 square feet to accommodate a communal lounge area, a restaurant, restrooms, and facility storage for the project; construction of accessory trellis and patio shade structures with a combined square footage of approximately 4,900 square feet; and the conversion of two parcels into a surface parking lot to serve the development. One of the proposed Conditional Use Permits would allow for the outdoor consumption/sales of alcohol within the communal area of the development and outdoor entertainment. The other two proposed Conditional Use Permits would allow for the operation of a new restaurant, located at 12932 8th Street, with an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "47" (On-Sale, General) License, and a new restaurant, located 12941 9th Street, with Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "47" (On-Sale, General) License and entertainment. Each proposed Conditional Use Permit includes a request pursuant to Garden Grove Municipal Code Section 9.18.090.040.f.9 for waiver of distance and location provisions to allow the proposed uses within 200 feet of properties containing residential uses. The Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the Cottage Industries project is categorically exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to the CEQA guidelines, including, but not limited to, Section 15332 thereof. The site addresses are at 12951 7th Street; 12932 and 12942 8th Street; 12931 and 12941 9th Street; 11421, 11461, and 11301 Garden Grove Boulevard in the CC-1 (Civic Center East) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15332 – In-Fill Development Project.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on March 15, 2018. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Further information on the above may be obtained at the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

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City manager gets kudos for diversity work

Scott Stiles makes it a point to foster climate of inclusion

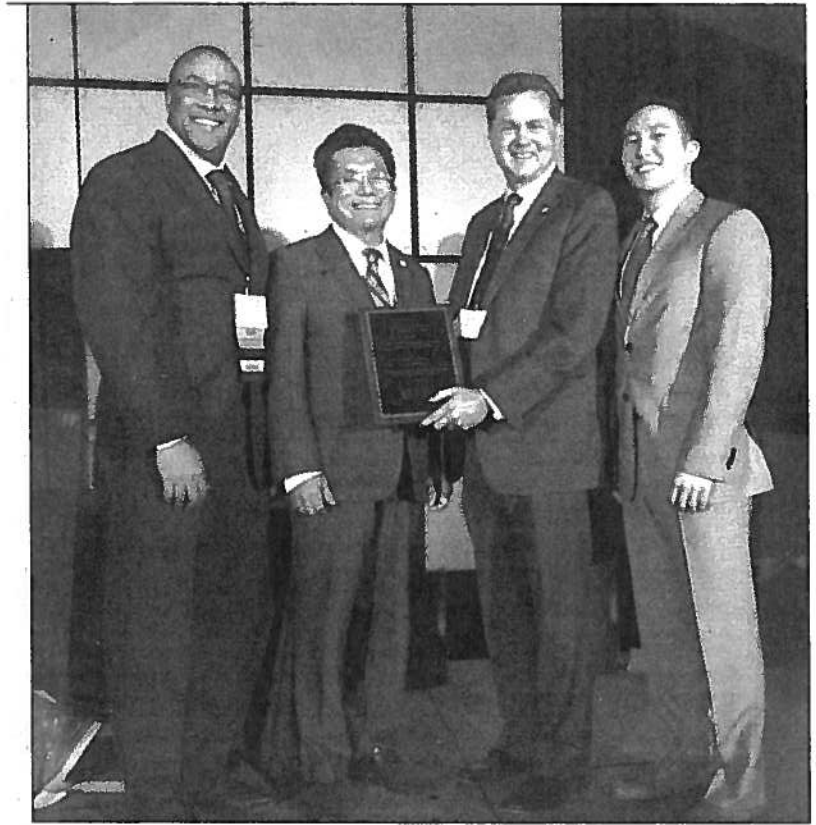
The City of Garden Grove was recently recognized with the Advancement of Diverse Communities award, presented during the League of California Cities Awards Luncheon in Newport Beach.

The award was presented to City Manager Scott C. Stiles for promoting the advancement of diversity within the community and the workplace through the development and implementation of effective programs, policies, and practices.

The selection process evaluated the degree of personal involvement and commitment by city managers, and the resources and tools used to help diverse California communities become more open, accessible, and inclusive.

Programs included in the award nomination were the city's image campaign, Garden Grove is Your Market, highlighting Garden Grove's most unique, diverse, and valued qualities, as well as the city's multi-language services, and international trade and expansion.

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Courtesy photo

Garden Grove City Manager Scott Stiles, second from right, was recently recognized with the Advancement of Diverse Communities award, presented during the League of California Cities Awards Luncheon in Newport Beach.

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A Cincinnati native, Stiles brought 26 years of municipal management experience with the City of Cincinnati where he served as assistant city manager for eight years. Since his appoint-

ment in 2015, Stiles has actively promoted Garden Grove's diversity in the community and the workplace.

"It's an incredible honor to have the city's efforts towards serving and enriching our diversity be recognized," said Stiles.

For more information, visit www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us.

Senior romance...

Senior sweethearts are invited to a Valentine's Day celebration that includes lunch, music, and dancing.

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host the festivities today (Feb. 14) from 10 a.m. to noon at the Community Meeting Center, A Room, 11300 Stanford Ave.

Lunch will also be available for \$3.50 per person.

The event is sponsored by SCAN health plan group.

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

Prayer Breakfast

The ninth annual Stanton Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for 7:30 to 9 a.m. on April 12 at the Knott's Berry Farm Hotel, 7675 Crescent Ave.

The guest speaker will be two-time Olympic high jumper Jamie Nieto.

For more information, call 714-890-4270.

Fatal accident

A pedestrian died last Friday morning, Feb. 9, after apparently trying to run across the 22 Freeway in Garden Grove and getting hit by a pickup truck.

At around 5:40 a.m., the California Highway Patrol received a report of a man running across the westbound lanes of the 22 at Beach Boulevard in Garden Grove and then getting struck.

Investigators were trying to determine why the man ran across the freeway. The driver, a man from Corona, stayed at the scene and cooperated with investigators, police said.

All westbound lanes were closed during part of the CHP's investigation; by 8 p.m., they had all re-opened.

Grove slams home league title



Photo by Dave Smithson

A Garden Grove High player slams one home in a 54-31 victory last week over Rancho Alamitos High. Grove, ranked No. 1 in CIF, followed that performance with a 85-33 win over Bolsa Grande High. Grove finished 10-0 in Garden Grove League play and 26-1 overall as postseason play approaches. For more prep hoops coverage, see pages 6-7.

Man, Woman of Year to be feted

The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce will hold its 112 annual Gala Dinner from 6:30 to 9 p.m. March 24 at the Wyndham Anaheim in Garden Grove.

The 2018 Man and Woman of the Year will be recognized.

Man of the Year is Scott Weimer, of Weimer and Associates. Woman of the Year is Gayle Knight, with H.O.P.E.

Weimer is on the board of the Strawberry Festival Organization. Knight is the founder of the non-profit H.O.P.E., which stands for Helping Others Prepare for Eternity.

Business of the Year honorees will also be spotlighted.

Orangefield Child Develop-

ment Center and Concorde Career College will be recognized in the collaboration category, OC Food Bank, a program of Community Action Partnership of Orange County, will be recognized for its service and DeBello Agency will be honored for its efforts in social media and marketing.

The event will include dinner and the program, plus dancing after the program. Formal attire is required.

For information, call Chamber President Cindy Spindle at 714-638-7950, or email her at ceo@gardengrove-chamber.com.

You can register online by going to the EVENTS CALENDAR tab at www.gardengrove-chamber.com.



Courtesy photos
Scott Weimer



Gayle Knight

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GG locals head to Tet Parade



File photo

The Tet Parade, celebrating the Lunar New Year, takes place at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 on Bolsa Avenue in neighboring Westminster's Little Saigon. Thousands of Garden Grove residents will attend the annual event. This year is the Year of the Dog in Vietnamese culture. Here, drummers do their thing in last year's Tet Parade.

Community Calendar

Ongoing

Overachievers, check this out
Chamber holds Friday meetings
The Garden Grove Chamber's
Governmental Affairs Commit-
tee meets the second Friday of
the month from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at
the Orange County Emergency
Pet Clinic, 12750 Garden Grove
Blvd. in Garden Grove. For more
information, call the chamber at
714-638-7950.

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

Dance Center hosts social
Join the staff of the Cedarbrook
Dance Center for nights of
square dancing, line dancing,
round dancing (pre-choreo-
graphed social dancing) and
salsa. The Dance Center is at
12812 Garden Grove Blvd. For

more information on classes, call
Eileen Silvia at 949-637-4169.

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

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

Rotary Club to meet
The Rotary Club of Garden
Grove meets at 12:10 p.m.
Wednesdays at The Marriott
Hotel, at Chapman Avenue and
Harbor Boulevard in Garden
Grove.

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

days in the Westminster Civic
Center craft room, 8200 West-
minster Blvd. in Westminster.

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

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

Wednesday of each month in its
offices, at 14491 Beach Blvd. in
Westminster.

Board meetings on Fridays
The Chamber of Commerce
holds a regular board of direc-
tors meeting at 8 a.m. the fourth
Friday of every month at the
chamber's location, 14491

Beach Blvd. in Westminster. For
more information, call the cham-
ber at 714-898-9648.

School Board to meet
The Garden Grove Unified
School District holds its regular
meetings at 7 p.m. the first and
third Tuesday of each month at
see CALENDAR, next page

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Garden Grove

The City Council on Tuesday will consider joining the Beach Boulevard Coalition, a nonbinding partnership among cities to economically revitalize State Route 39. Garden Grove would join the other cities along Beach Boulevard. The include La Habra, Buena Park, Anaheim, Stanton, Westminster and Huntington Beach.

Chris Haire
chaire@scng.com

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INVESTIGATION

Burned body found in car in Garden Grove

By Scott Schwebke
sschwebke@scng.com
@thechalkoutline on Twitter

GARDEN GROVE » A body burned beyond recognition was discovered Tuesday morning inside a car at a shopping center, authorities said.

Shortly before 3:30 a.m., a transient phoned emergency dispatchers to report a 2005 Prius was on fire in the 9800 block of Garden Grove Boulevard, said Lt. Jeff Nightengale of the Garden Grove Police Department.

Firefighters knocked the blaze down in about

10 minutes and then discovered a body inside, said Capt. Brad Spell of the Garden Grove Fire Department.

Arson investigators determined the blaze had been set on purpose. Police were attempting to identify the body and figure out if it was male or female.

Detectives scoured the shopping center for clues Tuesday morning, including surveillance video from businesses.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact Garden Grove police at 714-741-5800.

By Brady Rhoades

City leaders are floating the idea of a sales tax increase from 7.75 percent to 8.75 percent to raise \$19 million annually for public safety.

A survey of Garden Grove residents conducted by the firm Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz and Associates shows that more than 60 percent support a sales tax increase.

Sixty seven percent of Democrats said they support a tax hike, 60 percent of Republicans support it and 67 percent of Independents support it, according to survey results.

City Councilman John O'Neill said he and other council members are trying to deal with unfunded pension liabilities, which O'Neill said are "progressively in the millions and compounding," causing a budget deficit.

Bottom line: city leaders will have to cut about 5 percent from all city departments to remedy the deficit.

O'Neill said a tax increase is a last resort, if that. Better to take a hard look at spending, he said.

"I'm very committed to going line-by-line on the budget and cutting out wasteful spending."

The telephone survey, which cost \$37,000 and was presented as a Power Point and in packet form, has raised eyebrows among some local residents.

Four hundred of the city's approximately 175,000 residents were polled.

And there's confusion about how questions were posed.

Garden Grove resident Tony Flores said he has asked for the poll questions, with no luck.

"Why are we not able to see the questions that were asked?" Flores asked.

In a 13-page summary packet put together by the Fairbank firm, the idea of a sales tax increase appears on page 9, which reads as follows:

Conceptual Local Funding Option Tested

Garden Grove Public Safety/911 and Vital City Services Measure

To retain police officers/fire-

fighters/paramedics; maintain 911 emergency response times, fire stations/emergency communications/life-saving equipment, gang/drug prevention/police patrols, senior services, youth/afterschool programs/parks; earthquake retrofit buildings; protect drinking water supplies; repair streets/potholes; and other general services; shall the City of Garden Grove establish a 1 cent sales tax providing \$19,000,000 annually until ended by voters; requiring annual independent financial audits/oversight, with all funds used locally?

Skeptics of the tax hike idea say the wording is misleading.

"It's not 1 cent," Flores said. "It's 1 percent."

Or put another way, a \$19 million-a-year hit to taxpayers.

Garden Grove is one of many cities dealing with budget problems associated with CalPERS, the state's multi-billion program that manages pensions and health benefits for millions of government employees, retirees and their families. Most city workers collect their pensions through CalPERS.

O'Neill said he has no problem with workers collecting their pensions. He does have a problem with the state and with CalPERS.

"When you promise more than you give out, you've got a

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City floats 1 percent sales-tax-hike

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Money needed for public safety services; city running deficit budget

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problem," he said. "We can't just continue to pay these unfunded liabilities."

Most importantly, O'Neill said, "We don't want to reduce city services."

So what's the next step?

It's early in the process. The survey — including the tax increase — will be discussed by City Council members at an annual retreat in March.

The survey polled residents on other issues. According to the results, 89 percent of residents believe the Fire Department is doing an excellent or good job, 78 percent said the

Police Department is doing an excellent or good job and 81 percent stated that trash collection services is doing an excellent or good job.

No less than 56 percent said city government is doing an excellent or good job, and 45 percent believe the City Council is doing an excellent or good job.

Sixty five percent said the City of Garden Grove is on the right track, and 76 percent said their neighborhoods are heading in the right direction.

The survey shows that residents are concerned about an increase in homelessness and a lack of affordable housing.

To view the survey, go to <https://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us>.

Prayer Breakfast

The ninth annual Stanton Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for 7:30 to 9 a.m. on April 12 at the Knott's Berry Farm Hotel, 7675 Crescent Ave.

The guest speaker will be two-time Olympic high jumper Jamie Nieto.

For more information, call 714-890-4270.

Man, Woman of Year

The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce has announced that Scott Weimer and Gayle Knight are the 2018 man and woman of the year.

Weimer is on the board of the Strawberry Festival Organization.

Knight is the founder of the non-profit Helping Others Prepare for Eternity -- also known as H.O.P.E.

The two will be recognized at a later date, with details to come.

Valentine's fun

Senior sweethearts are invited to a Valentine's Day celebration that includes lunch, music, and dancing.

The H. Louis Lake Senior Center will host the festivities on Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Community Meeting Center, A Room, at 11300 Stanford Ave.

Lunch will also be available for \$3.50 per person.

The event is sponsored by SCAN health plan group.

For more information and reservations, call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at 714-741-525 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Festival fundraising

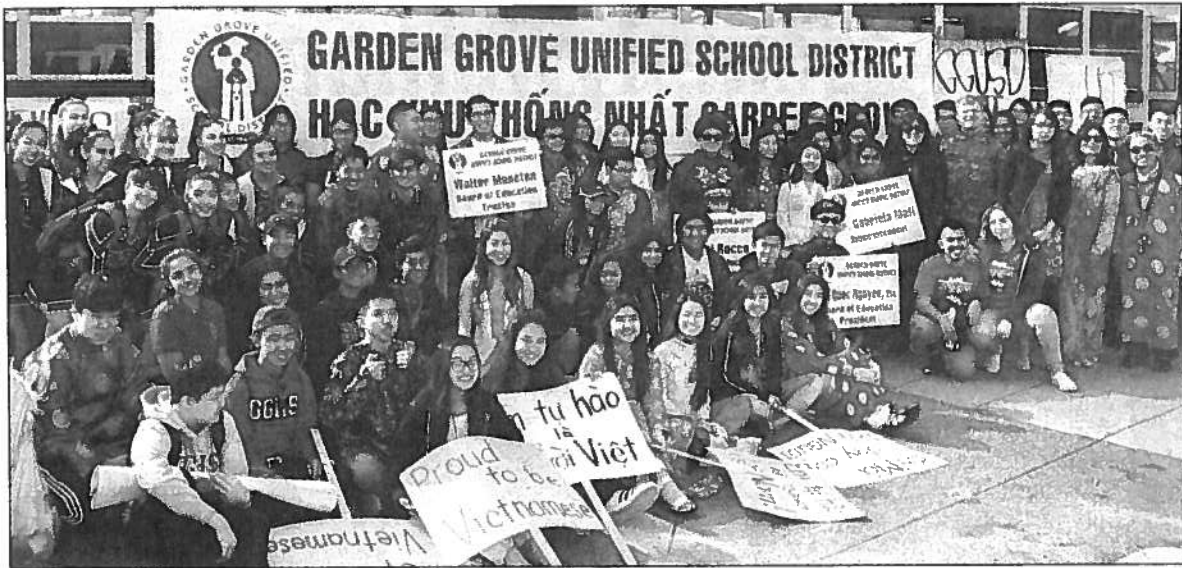
Last year's Strawberry Festival raised \$394,000, of which \$150,000 was donated to 13 nonprofits, organizers said.

Another \$150,000 was raised by nonprofit groups selling food during the festival.

Organizers also awarded \$1,000 scholarships to eight students, and paid the travel costs of high school bands that performed in the parade.

This year's festival is from May 25 to May 28.

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Courtesy photo

Last year, Garden Grove Unified School District Board of Education's superintendent, staff, and students participated in the Little Saigon Tet Parade in Westminster. This year, the district will again participate in the parade and also hold school-wide celebrations.

Students to celebrate Lunar New Year

'GGUSD is proud of its diversity,' says Board member Ian Nguyen

The Garden Grove Unified School District will celebrate the Lunar New Year with school-wide celebrations at many campuses in the coming weeks.

"GGUSD is proud of its diversity and the many ways in which we honor the cultures that make up our student population," said Ian Nguyen, Board of Education vice president. "Students, parents, and staff enjoy experiencing the traditions and festivities of other cultures."

School events to celebrate the Lunar New Year include dragon dancers, student performances, fashion shows featuring traditional cultural wear, and much more.

District students represent a wide range of ethnicities and countries that celebrate the Lunar New Year, including Vietnam, Korea, China, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia, and Malaysia.

The district will participate in the 2018 Little Saigon Tet Parade on Feb. 17, with nearly 100 district high school students, Board of Education trustees, Superintendent Gabriela Mafi, Executive Director of K-12 Educational Services Lorena Sanchez, Public Information Officer Abby Milone, and members of the district's Parent and Community Outreach team.

The district's diverse student

population is 50 percent Latino and more than 30 percent Asian. The district has a long tradition of providing academic instruction and extra-curricular opportunities to honor and celebrate different cultures.

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Grove slams home GG League title!



Photo by Dave Smithson

A Garden Grove High player slams one home in a 54-31 victory earlier this week over Rancho Alamitos High. Grove, ranked No. 1 in CIF, is 9-0 in Garden Grove League play — the team has already secured the league title — and 25-1 overall. The Argos host Bolsa Grande High at 7 p.m. tonight (Friday, Feb. 9).

Bell named a school to watch

State's top education honor goes to 3 OC schools

Bell Intermediate School has been named to the 2017-2018 "Schools to Watch - Taking Center Stage" program, the California Department of Education's top honor for high-performing middle schools.

Garden Grove Unified School District's Bell Intermediate School was one of only three middle schools from across Orange County and 22 in California to receive this prestigious recognition

On Feb 28, at 10 a.m., school staff, students, parents, district administrators, Board of Education members, and community leaders will come together in the school's quad to celebrate Bell Intermediate School's selection as one of "California's 2018 Schools

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to Watch - Taking Center Stage" model middle schools. The celebration will feature an address to the student body as well as a banner presentation.

"Bell Intermediate School staff, students, and parents should be commended for this wonderful accolade that recognizes their success helping students achieve high academic standards," said Board of Education Trustee Teri Rocco. "Receiving this spotlight, as a state and national leader among middle schools, reaffirms the hard work taking place at this school each and every day."

Bell Intermediate School has adopted a school-wide focus on closing the achievement gap and offers an extensive mentoring and after-school tutoring program for math and literacy skills. Additionally, staff and students have demonstrated great success in creating a culture of kindness and acceptance. Bell Intermediate School will be honored, along with the other Schools to Watch, at a ceremony in Sacramento in March and will be recognized as a National School to Watch at a ceremony in Washington DC in June.

Dr. Irvin Howard, past-president of the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform, noted, "Hilton D. Bell Intermediate School is a model of what an outstanding middle school can be. School leaders from across the state will now turn to Bell Intermediate for guidance on improving their programs to better serve their students."

Bell Intermediate School serves seventh and eighth grade students in Garden Grove Unified School District. California's Schools to Watch-Taking Center Stage program uses a competitive, rigorous review process to identify high performing, high impact middle schools so that all middle schools may have models of success.

Mission accomplished: China Joe's

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Writer's quest for good Chinese food comes to a pleasing close

is new go-to

By Brady Rhoades

As many of you know, I work in a strip mall at the corner of Garden Grove Boulevard and Westminster in Garden Grove, straddling the border of Westminster.

Plenty of pho restaurants are a hop and a skip away.

If I want a sandwich, I can stroll to Subway, on Golden West.

If I want a cheeseburger, I

can walk to Harry's Place (at the corner of Garden Grove Boulevard and Knott) in about four minutes.

Mexican food? There are several delicious eateries within three miles.

But great Chinese food is harder to come by.

Why?

Got me.

China Joe's became my neigh-

bor — about a six-minute walk — more than a year ago, and I've been looking forward to eating there, but hadn't gotten around to it until last week.

When I dug into the vegetable lo mein, it was a zip-bang moment with which any food lover is familiar.

The noodles were firm and subtly seasoned. The snow peas, broccoli, carrots and onions were

fresh and complementary.

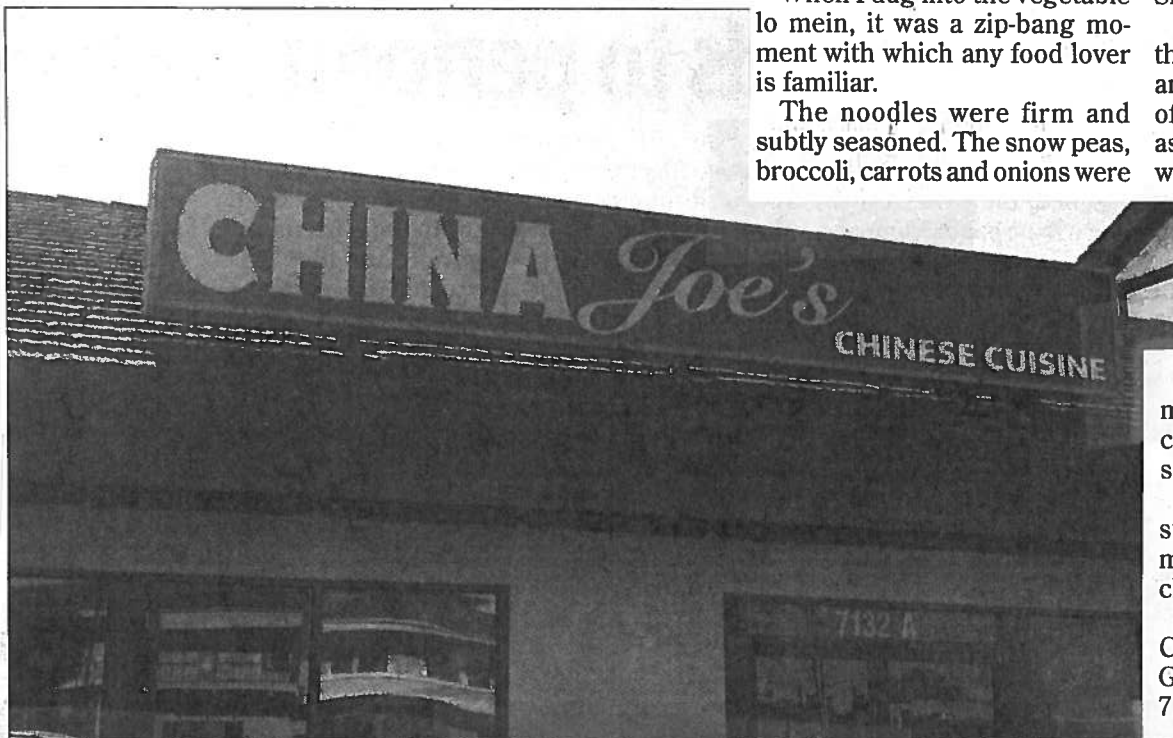
My friend enjoyed the chicken with broccoli. She said the chicken was tender, thinly-sliced, and absorbed the sautéed garlic. Simple, delicious.

There's more good news for those of you who are food lovers and frugal, like me: China Joe's offers lunch specials for as low as \$7.95. All dishes are served with soup, salad and rice.



Photos by Brady Rhoades

The vegetable lo mein



Some of the lunch specials are moo goo gai pan, Szechuan spicy chicken or beef and sweet and sour pork or chicken.

On my next visit, I think I'll start with egg flower soup and move on to the honey pineapple chicken.

For more information about China Joe's, at 7132-A Garden Grove Blvd. in Westminster, call 714-372-7832.

China Joe's, which offers some of the best Chinese food in the area, is at 7132-A Garden Grove Blvd. in Westminster.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Contact: John Montanez (714) 741-5200
Community Services Director

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

CITY SEEKS PART-TIME SEASONAL RECREATION STAFF

The City of Garden Grove Community Services Department is now accepting on-line applications for several part-time seasonal positions at a variety of City facilities.

Job openings include:

- Sports (Recreation Specialist I)
- Day Camps & Parks (Recreation Specialist I)
- Lifeguard (Recreation Specialist II)
- Instructor Guard (Recreation Specialist III)
- Pool Manager (Community Services Coordinator)

The deadline for part-time seasonal positions is March 8, 2018. Applications and a detailed job description for each position can be found at www.garden-grove.org.

The City of Garden Grove is a positive, team-oriented organization with a commitment to providing exceptional customer service to its community. For more information, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 741-5200.

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CONTACT: William Murray (714) 741-5379 Public Information Office (714) 741-5280
Public Works Department

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

CITY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS ADJUSTMENT IN WATER RATES

The City of Garden Grove's Public Works Department will be holding a public hearing to discuss proposed adjustments in water rates and charges on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. The public hearing will be held during the regular City Council meeting in the Council Chamber at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue.

The proposed adjustments are necessary to continue to account for future increases in the City's operational costs to provide water service, future increases in the City's costs to acquire water from other agencies, and allow the City to continue to meet the City's service obligations and the regulatory obligations imposed by the State of California Department of Health Services and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The proposed increase will also help fund capital replacements and improvement projects that have been postponed and delayed.

While rates vary by water usage and other determining factors, currently, the average bi-monthly water charge for a single-family home that uses 30 units of water in a two-month period is \$106.31. With the proposed first-year adjustment, the new charge would be \$109.22. Subsequent annual adjustments would lead to a fifth year adjustment of \$126.65. To see more examples of rate comparisons, refer to slides 38-41 of the December 14, 2017 water rate study available on the City's website.

CITY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS ADJUSTMENT IN WATER RATES
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Water customers received a mailed notice in January for the public hearing on the proposed water rates.

Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese translators will be available to assist at the public hearing. For more information, please contact the Garden Grove Public Works Department at (714) 741-5520 or visit www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/pw/water-rate-study.

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

CONTACT:
Officer Paul Ashby (714) 741-5823
Garden Grove Police Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Friday, February 9, 2018

PARADE TO CAUSE ROAD CLOSURES IN WEST GARDEN GROVE

On Saturday, February 10, 2018, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., various streets in west Garden Grove will be closed for the West Garden Grove Youth Baseball Opening Day Parade.

The following streets will be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.: Cerulean Avenue, Topaz Street, Trinette Street, Amethyst Street, Picket Avenue, Taylor Circle, and Poplar Street. Picket Avenue will be inaccessible in or out during the parade.

Major streets also impacted by the closure are: Lampson Street, from Valley View to Lamplighter Streets, and Springdale Street, from Stanford to Belgrave Avenues.

Residents and businesses have been notified in advance.

The annual West Garden Grove Youth Baseball Opening Day Parade begins at 8:00 a.m., in front of Edgar Park, at 12781 Topaz Street. The parade will travel eastbound on Cerulean Avenue to Topaz Street, then head eastbound on Lampson Avenue before ending at Bell Intermediate School, at 12345 Springdale Street.

The Garden Grove Police Department's Traffic Unit will be on site during the closure times to direct traffic and suggest alternate routes. For more information on street closures, contact the Garden Grove Police Department at (714) 741-5823.

For more information about the West Garden Grove Youth Baseball organization, visit www.wggyb.org.

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Recent GGTV3 YouTube Videos

John Montanez Named Director

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-eV618ObFuE>

2018 State of the City

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AKDoxc8w19U>

Mayor's Arrival at 2018 State of the City


https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qWH8_549GA



Falling in Love

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NPDJUVKRUKc>

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**SOCIAL MEDIA
HIGHLIGHTS**

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	<p>Garden Grove City Hall STEELCRAFT GARDEN GROVE'S TENANTS ANNOUNCED</p>	5.9k	159	57	10%	891
<p>SteelCraft Garden Grove's tenants have officially been announced! Please welcome Beachwood Brewing, Dark Horse Coffee Roasters, Renegade Taco, The Chick 'N Shack, The Nest, Urban Pie, Honey & Butter, and Cauldron Ice Cream.</p> <p>For more information, please visit the website provided below.</p> <p>#GG1956 #GG</p> <p>Mayor Steven Jones announces tenants for SteelCraft Garden Grove at State of the City event - SteelCraft</p> <p>(Post) February 10, 2018 3:00 pm</p>						

	<p>Garden Grove City Hall Congratulations Sr. Brid O' Shea!</p>	3.5k	153	39	8%	284
<p>She was recently awarded with the Cypress College Americana Awards' Garden Grove Citizen of the Year.</p> <p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove</p>						
						
<p>(Post) February 08, 2018 11:19 am</p>						

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Garden Grove City Hall
PARADE TO CAUSE ROAD CLOSURES
IN WEST #GG TOMORROW

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Tomorrow, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., various streets in west Garden Grove will be closed for the **West Garden Grove Youth Baseball** Opening Day Parade.

The following streets will be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.: Cerulean Avenue, Topaz Street, Trinette Street, Amethyst Street, Picket Avenue, Taylor Circle, and Poplar Street. Picket Avenue will be inaccessible in or out during the parade.

Please note Lampson Street, from Valley View to Lamplighter Streets, and Springdale Street, from Stanford to Belgrave Avenues will be impacted by the closure.

For more information, please visit the website.

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Parade to Cause Road Closures in West Garden Grove | City of Garden Grove

(Post) February 09, 2018 12:30 pm



Garden Grove City Hall
 Big things are happening in the City of Garden Grove...new businesses opening...big new development projects...and new help for the less fortunate as well. Those were just some of the highlights...in an up-beat annual State of the City address...from Mayor Steve Jones. **Garden Grove TV 3** reporter Mark Bedor has a recap.

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#GG1956 #GardenGrove #SOTC2018
Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce



(Post) February 12, 2018 6:19 pm

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 Garden Grove City Hall Welcome Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants! At this year's State of the City, Mayor Steven R. Jones announced the The Garden Grove Kimpton will offer 200 rooms, a rooftop bar, a restaurant, and 10,000 square-feet of conference space. #GG1956 Grove District - Anaheim Resort Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants announce new property in Orange County (Post) February 13, 2018 9:59 am	1.7k	19	4	9%	189
 Garden Grove City Hall Check out Orange County Register's article on #GardenGrove's El Tamal Cocina Mexicana! #GG1956 Review: Deep-fried tamales and finger-licking tacos (Post) February 13, 2018 8:44 am	1.7k	16	5	5%	96
 Garden Grove City Hall The City is streamlining Building and Safety, making procedures quicker, easier, and available online. Building Services partnered with the Information Technology Department to save residents and builders time, money and paper. This video was produced by Garden Grove TV 3. #GG1956 #GardenGrove #GGTV3 Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce  (Post) February 09, 2018 8:02 am	2.4k	15	3	3%	99

Date Sent	Total Reach	Reactions	Comments	Engagement	Clicks
 <p>Garden Grove City Hall You know that feeling, when your heart skips a beat, you feel like you're walking on air and you can't think of anything else. Please watch and share this short story of true love.</p> <p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove #SOTC2018 Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce Garden Grove TV 3</p>  <p>(Post) February 10, 2018 8:00 am</p>	2.4k	10	2	10%	344
 <p>Garden Grove City Hall Two students from La Quinta High School participate in the first #OrangeCounty eSports League!</p> <p>#GG1956 Orange County Register Garden Grove Unified School District</p> <p>First Orange County eSports League has gamers competing from 25 high schools</p> <p>(Post) February 14, 2018 11:06 am</p>	819	9	5	4%	29
 <p>Garden Grove City Hall Starting this Sunday, February 11, 2018, riders who purchase bus fares through the OC Bus app can scan a QR code from a mobile device on an onboard reader installed on each bus.</p> <p>For more information, please visit Orange County Register's website.</p> <p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove #OCTA</p> <p>OCTA to add mobile ticketing system-wide and will implement route changes, beginning Feb. 11</p> <p>(Post) February 09, 2018 5:00 pm</p>	1.1k	8	1	3%	27

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	Garden Grove City Hall	709	8	1	5%	30
<p>City receives statewide distinction for 'Advancement of Diverse Communities'!</p>						
<p>The City of Garden Grove was recently recognized with the Advancement of Diverse Communities award, presented during the League of California Cities Awards Luncheon to City Manager Scott C. Stiles.</p>						
<p>The award acknowledges the advancement of diversity within the community and the workplace through the development and implementation of effective programs, policies, or practices.</p>						
<p>Congratulations! For more information, please visit the website below.</p>						
<p>#GG1956 #GG</p>						
<p>City Receives Statewide Distinction for Advancement of Diverse Communities City of Garden Grove</p>						
<p>(Post) February 09, 2018 9:01 am</p>						
	Garden Grove City Hall	979	5	-	3%	29
<p>Did someone say #NationalPizzaDay?</p>						
<p>Augustino's Italian Restaurant, in #GardenGrove, is teaming up with Uber Eats to celebrate National Pizza Day!</p>						
<p>Check out the Orange County Register article for more information.</p>						
<p>#GG1956</p>						
<p>UberEats offers National Pizza Day deal, and reveals top 5 most popular pizzas in Orange County</p>						
<p>(Post) February 09, 2018 10:47 am</p>						
	Garden Grove City Hall	434	2	-	2%	8
<p>SCHEDULED WATER OUTAGE</p>						
<p>Water Services has a scheduled water outage today, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., on the following streets: Brookhurst, Stanford, Melody, and Crestwood.</p>						
<p>Residents and business were notified.</p>						
<p>#GG1956 Garden Grove Public Works</p>						

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Garden Grove City Hall

Livestream – Open for Business workshop next week!

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The free workshop will take place on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Garden Grove Courtyard Center, located at 12732 Main Street.

For more information, please visit the website.

#GG1956 #GardenGrove

City Invites Business Owners to Livestream Workshop | City of Garden Grove

(Post) February 14, 2018 1:42 pm



Garden Grove City Hall

Safe Routes to School Community Workshop

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Today, 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., join the Safe Routes to School Team (SRTS) and give your ideas on how the City can best help you at Thomas Paine Elementary!

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #SafeStreetsGG #StayAlertGG



(Post) February 14, 2018 9:30 am

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	Garden Grove City Hall	When you have an emergency, seconds count.	417	-	-	2%	10
<p>The majority of calls to the Garden Grove Fire Department are medical emergencies. Come find out how your local fire department is working to keep their stations open and your homes protected by visiting https://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/garden-grove-quality-of-life</p>							
<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove</p>							
<p>Garden Grove Quality of Life - Join the Conversation! City of Garden Grove</p>							
<p>(Post) February 12, 2018 12:19 pm</p>							
	Garden Grove City Hall	Water Services has a scheduled outage on Monday, February 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., on Central and Newland. Residents were notified.	866	-	-	1%	10
<p>#GG1956 #GardenGrove Garden Grove Public Works Department</p>							
<p>(Post) February 11, 2018 8:00 am</p>							

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Garden Grove Police Department

It's only February...a sobering reminder to the cost of law and order.

10.2k 286 29 9% 972

As you get ready for the week ahead, please keep these officers and their families in your thoughts. And as you hold and kiss your loved ones tonight, remember they've kissed theirs for the last time.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families and agencies of these heroes. To the men and women of **#GGPD32**, remember, no call is ever routine. Stay vigilant. Be safe. Come home.

#lawenforcement #thinblueline #neverforget



(Post) February 11, 2018 6:30 pm



Garden Grove Police Department

*** UPDATE***

The suspect has been taken into custody without further incident or injury and the area is clear.

9.3k 163 49 14% 1.7k

Original post:

Officers currently on scene of an armed and barricaded suspect on 13th St, west of Brookhurst. Suspect has fired one shot, but no one is hurt at this time.

Brookhurst will be closed between Hazard and Westminster until further notice.

#GGPD32



(Post) February 13, 2018 11:26 pm

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Garden Grove Police Department

#FlashBackFriday. Squad goals. Squad C (left: M. Clabaugh, J. Baker, C. Gibbs, W. Lowrey. Right: T. Corozine, J. Smith, S. Nelson, P. Macklin.)

If anyone knows the year, please help us update our records.

#GGPD32 #GG1956 #policehistory #policecar #policeuniform #fbf

2.1k 68 30 10% 300



(Post) February 09, 2018 12:00 pm



Garden Grove Police Department

Happy National **#BoyScouts** Day. We love it when scouts drop by for a visit and tour.

Pack 775 from Yorba Linda paying respect to our Fallen Officers.

#GGPD32 #community #scout

1.2k 64 - 7% 38



(Post) February 08, 2018 12:21 pm



Garden Grove Police Department

1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men are victims of domestic violence. This Valentine's Day, **#love** yourself. If you are a victim, get help, stop the cycle.

Call the police and file a report. But if not us, tell someone. You can call a 24-hour hotline at 1-877-531-5522 or go to their website for more information:

www.wtcl.org

#GGPD32 #domesticviolence #abuse #violence #victim

759 24 1 4% 14



(Post) February 14, 2018 1:01 pm

Date Sent	Total Reach Clicks	Reactions	Comments	Engagement
	1.6k	21	1	10%

Garden Grove Police Department

TRAFFIC ALERT

**#GGPD32 #GG1956 #GardenGrove
#WGGYB**

Repost **Garden Grove City Hall**

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**ROAD CLOSURES IN WEST #GG
TOMORROW DUE TO PARADE**

Tomorrow, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., various streets in west Garden Grove will be closed for the West Garden Grove Youth Baseball Opening Day Parade.






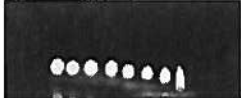
The following streets will be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.: Cerulean Avenue, Topaz Street, TrINETTE Street, Amethyst Street, Picket Avenue, Taylor Circle, and Poplar Street. Picket Avenue will be inaccessible in or out during the parade.

Please note Lampson Street, from Valley View to Lamplighter Streets, and Springdale Street, from Stanford to Belgrave Avenues will be also impacted by the closure.

For more information, please see <http://bit.ly/2o06bX4>



(Post) February 09, 2018 8:00 pm

Date Sent	Total Reach	Reactions	Comments	Engagement	Clicks		
	Garden Grove Fire Department	<p>It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of retired fire captain, John Green. John was outgoing, and a mentor to many of us. His positive outlook made coming to work a pleasure, and was a true professional.</p> <p>Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends during this difficult time.</p> 	1.6k	141	13	14%	189
(Post) February 13, 2018 7:00 pm							
	Garden Grove Fire Department	<p>When people call us, they expect highly trained #firefighters to show up within minutes to mitigate their emergency.</p> <p>We're always up for the challenge, & this is how we prepare for it.</p> 	1.5k	48	-	10%	180
(Post) February 11, 2018 11:29 am							
	Garden Grove Fire Department	<p>Valentines Day is around the corner, and here are a few things to keep everyone safe and happy:</p> <p>First, if your better half tells you not to worry about it, DO NOT fall for it.</p> <p>Second, if you didn't fall for it and you're setting up for a great evening that may include candles, please don't leave them lit & near flammable material.</p> <p>Lastly, please don't leave candles unattended.</p> <p>#gg1956</p> 	4.8k	47	6	8%	418

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Garden Grove Fire Department
QUICK WORK BY FIREFIGHTERS...

1.6k

32

11

10%

199

over night kept a fire confined to a garage in a two story apartment building. The call came in around 1:30 a.m. GE2 was first in, and reported smoke showing from the garage. They made access, and extinguished the fire in about five minutes. Additional crews ensured there was no extension & residents were ok. Damage was estimated at \$6,000. There were no injuries reported, and no one was displaced.



(Post) February 14, 2018 7:49 am


Garden Grove Fire Department
LUNAR NEW YEAR - TET FESTIVAL

800

9

-

9%

75

One of the best aspects of our city is the rich cultural diversity we share. The celebration of the Lunar New Year is celebrated around the world including Garden Grove. The fire department would like to remind everyone that the discharging of fireworks, including firecrackers is prohibited in the City unless it is done by a certified pyrotechnic technician that has applied for and received a special events permit from our department. To apply for a special events permit, please go to our website below.

<https://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/specialevents>

#LunarNewYear #Tet #gg1956 Garden Grove City Hall Garden Grove Police Department



(Post) February 14, 2018 4:23 pm

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Garden Grove Fire Department

Members of the fire department







gathered in front of headquarters this morning to prepare a memorial flag to be given to the family of retired captain, John Green who passed away this week.

#tradition #honor #gg1956



(Post) February 14, 2018 11:21 am

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Date Sent	Reach	Impressions	Responses	Likes	Clicks
 CityGardenGrove Big things are happening in Garden Grove...new businesses opening...new development projects... & help for the less fortunate. Those were just some of the highlights, in an up-beat annual State of the City address, from Mayor Jones. @GardenGroveTV3 reporter Mark Bedor has a recap pic.twitter.com/G9xjwRqFK5  (Tweet) February 12, 2018 6:33 pm	3.8k	965	2	6	-
 CityGardenGrove Starting this Sunday, riders who purchase bus fares through the OC Bus app can scan a QR code from a mobile device on an onboard reader installed on each bus. bit.ly/2nMBSUn #GG1956 (Tweet) February 09, 2018 5:00 pm	3.3k	622	2	1	9
 CityGardenGrove PARADE TO CAUSE ROAD CLOSURES IN WEST GARDEN GROVE, TOM. Please visit the link for more information. #GG1956 bit.ly/2nOce82 pic.twitter.com/5fmDS3yGGF  (Tweet) February 09, 2018 11:54 am	2.5k	539	2	2	25
 CityGardenGrove Did someone say #NationalPizzaDay? Augustino's Italian Restaurant, in #GardenGrove, is teaming up with Uber Eats to celebrate! Check out the @ocregister article for more information. bit.ly/2nP4OLv #GG1956 (Tweet) February 09, 2018 10:48 am	2.5k	549	2	1	52

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CityGardenGrove

The City is streamlining Building and Safety, making procedures quicker, easier, and available online. Building Services partnered with the Information Technology Department to save residents and builders time, money and paper. Video was produced by @GardenGroveTV3. #GG1956 pic.twitter.com/WUeBboY4EM

3.8k	871	2	5	-
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(Tweet) February 09, 2018 8:10 am



CityGardenGrove

Congratulations Sr. Brid O' Shea! She was recently awarded with the Cypress College Americana Awards' Garden Grove Citizen of the Year. #GG1956 #GG pic.twitter.com/T6PHilmxzx

2.6k	1.2k	2	11	-
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(Tweet) February 08, 2018 11:21 am

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CityGardenGrove

The free workshop will take place on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Garden Grove Courtyard Center, located at 12732 Main Street. bit.ly/2BZeIMN #GG1956 pic.twitter.com/1gE0CfMTiJ

2.5k

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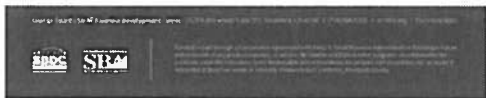
LIVESTREAM - OPEN FOR BUSINESS

GOOGLE VIEWING PARTY
 If you're in the U.S. Small Business Administration's Local Library Suggestion Program, you can view the live stream of the workshop. This workshop is designed for business owners who are looking for ways to grow their business. The City of Garden Grove will be providing a live stream of the workshop. Register now!
 Facebook
 12:00 - 12:15 PM
 11:00 - 11:15 AM
 1:00 - 1:15 PM
 11:00 - 11:15 AM
 1:00 - 1:15 PM
 11:00 - 11:15 AM

WORKSHOP LOCATION:
 Courtyard Center
 12732 Main Street
 Garden Grove, CA 92646

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

REGISTER AT:
bit.ly/2BZeIMN



(Tweet) February 14, 2018 1:45 pm

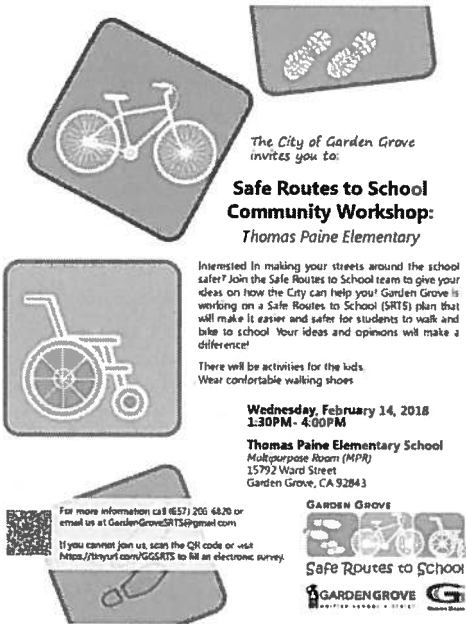
Date Sent Reach Impressions Responses Likes Clicks



CityGardenGrove

Today, 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., join the Safe Routes to School Team (SRTS) and give your ideas on how the City can best help you at Thomas Paine Elementary! #GG1956
pic.twitter.com/JkiVwllqUf
<https://https://t.co/JkiVwllqUf>

2.5k 243 1 - -



(Tweet) February 14, 2018 9:18 am



CityGardenGrove

Water Services has a scheduled water outage today, 3PM-7PM, on the following streets: Brookhurst, Stanford, Melody, and Crestwood. Residents and business were notified. #GG1956

2.5k 256 - 3 -

(Tweet) February 14, 2018 8:22 am

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

February 15, 2018

1. Calendar of Events
2. Agenda for the February 22, 2018 Zoning Administrator meeting.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 15, 2018 – March 6, 2018

Thursday	February 15	5:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.	Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Campbell Termite Control Services, 12866 Main St., Suite 303
Thursday	February 15	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
Friday	February 16		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Monday	February 19		City Hall Closed – President’s Day
Tuesday	February 20	10:00 a.m.- Noon	H. Louis Lake Senior Center’s Movie Day CMC A Room
Wednesday	February 21	9:30 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	“Livestream – Open for Business” Workshop hosted by the Office of Economic Development Courtyard Center
Thursday	February 22	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room
Thursday- Sunday	February 22- February 25		One More Productions presents “Bullets Over Broadway”, Gem Theater
Tuesday	February 27	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Wednesday	February 28	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday	March 1	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday- Sunday	March 1- March 4		One More Productions presents “Bullets Over Broadway”, Gem Theater
Friday	March 2		City Hall Closed
Monday	March 5	6:30 p.m.	Neighborhood Improvement and Conservation Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Tuesday	March 6	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, Council Chamber



GARDEN GROVE

AGENDA

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING

City Hall
11222 Acacia Parkway

Thursday, February 22, 2018
Third Floor – Training Room

9:00 a.m.

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

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

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

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

1. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):

a. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-124-2018

APPLICANT: Preecha Suwannarat
LOCATION: 8851 Garden Grove Boulevard, #113

REQUEST: To operate an existing 882 square foot restaurant, Sushi Warriors, with a new original Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "41" (On-Sale, Beer and Wine, Public Eating Place) License. The site is in the GGMU3 (Garden Grove Boulevard Mixed Use 3) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

2. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

3. ADJOURNMENT