

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
April 28, 2022

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

**I. ITEMS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, OUTSIDE AGENCIES,
BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS**

- A.** Mayor Carlos Rodriguez's spring 2022 South Coast Air Quality Management newsletter.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

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



Scott Stiles
City Manager



Governing Board Member

Carlos Rodriguez

Cities of Orange County



South Coast Air Quality Management District

Newsletter

Spring 2022

South Coast AQMD Begins Rule Development to Reduce Emissions from Ports



South Coast AQMD has begun a public process to develop an Indirect Source Rule (Proposed Rule 2304) to reduce air pollution from local commercial marine ports. The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are the two busiest marine container ports in the nation and the largest emissions source in the South Coast region.

The South Coast AQMD Governing Board directed staff to work with the Ports on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and then shift efforts to develop a rule if no agreement was reached. Overall, the Ports' proposals did not provide sufficient measures to reduce emissions or allow for enforceability.

Air pollution associated with goods movement affects public health throughout the region and disproportionately impacts neighboring communities. Many of the sources causing this pollution are primarily regulated by the federal government, and additional actions at the national level are still urgently needed to provide healthy air for the South Coast region. South Coast AQMD is conducting working group meetings, community meetings and stakeholder outreach to seek input for potential rule concepts.

Rule development is expected to take 12 to 18 months before it is presented to the Governing Board for their consideration. To receive email notifications on upcoming activity for this rule, visit the South Coast AQMD's sign-up page at <http://www.aqmd.gov/sign-up>, and select Rule 2304.

Greetings!

Welcome to my newsletter for the residents and businesses of Orange County to help keep you informed about the policies and programs at South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) that improve the air quality in our basin, which benefit you, our cities, and our economy. If you have suggestions for improving our air quality, or how we do business at South Coast AQMD, please feel free to contact me at crodriguez.scaqmd@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Carlos Rodriguez, Mayor
City of Yorba Linda

Upgrades Coming to App Allow Users to Now Submit Online Complaints & View Local Facility Information

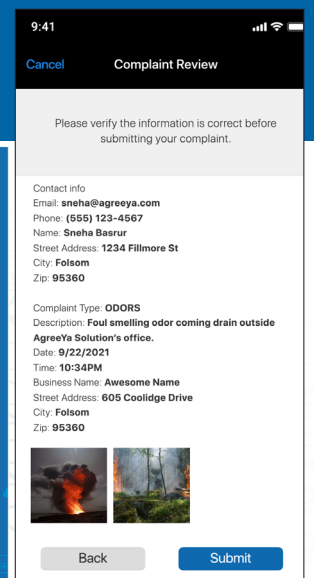
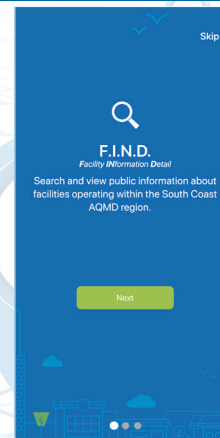
South Coast AQMD is excited to announce two updates to its smartphone app that will allow users to conveniently access facility information, and submit online complaints directly from the free iOS or Android App.

The App will provide direct access to the agency's FIND (Facility INformation Detail) tool, where users can search for public information on regulated facilities, including permit status, history of Notices of Violations, and annual emissions information.

With a more robust reporting feature, users can now submit online complaints directly

from their phones, including the new option of submitting pictures. Once the air quality complaint is submitted and received, a complaint number will be issued. Users can then track the status of the complaint from their phone.

South Coast AQMD anticipates these updates will be released in April 2022. Download the current smartphone App to gain immediate access to our upcoming release and utilize these exciting, enhanced capabilities at www.aqmd.gov/mobileapp or contact South Coast AQMD's Mobile Inquiry email at mobileinquiry@aqmd.gov.



New Inspectors Join the Compliance & Enforcement Team

This past November, 11 new inspectors joined South Coast AQMD's Office of Compliance & Enforcement after completing a newly designed training program. The 10-week course comprised of both virtual classes and field training operations focused on enforcement of air quality rules and regulations.

All of the new inspectors have degrees in science or engineering. They have now joined teams and are ready to carry out the agency's mission to clean the air and to protect the health of the residents in the South Coast Air Basin.



HOW TO REPORT AN AIR QUALITY COMPLAINT

There are 3 ways to file:

- Call 1-800-CUT-SMOG (1-800-288-7664)
- Visit www.AQMD.gov/Complaints
- Download the South Coast AQMD app and select "1-800-CUT-SMOG"

Please have ready:

- Date and time of the air quality event
- Type of air quality event (odors, dust, asbestos, smoke, etc.)
- Odor description (gas, chemical, rotten eggs or other familiar odor)
- Address or location of suspected source

10 THINGS YOU CAN DO TO CELEBRATE EARTH DAY ON APRIL 22



1. Combine a daily walk or bike ride with running a few errands and consider riding a bike or walking to work. It cuts down on extra car trips and adds exercise into your daily routine!



2. When you must drive, drive smart! Don't overfill/top off at gas stations, make sure your tires are properly inflated, and keep your car's engine tuned up. When it's time to buy a new vehicle, consider an electric, hybrid-electric, or hydrogen fuel-cell vehicle. Find incentives at www.driveclean.ca.gov.



3. If you have the option, consider teleworking. The average employee who teleworks rather than commuting saves 156 gallons of gas and 2,923 pounds of Carbon Dioxide per year!



4. Get rid of your gas-burning lawnmower, leaf blower, trimmer, or other lawn care equipment for cleaner, quieter electric versions. Find incentives at www.aqmd.gov/lawnandgarden.



5. Invest in energy saver and renewable energy appliances, such as efficient space and water heaters, induction cooktops, washers, dryers, dishwashers, and refrigerators when it's time to upgrade.



6. Save on your electricity bill by installing solar panels, request green power from your utility, or join a community choice aggregator.



7. Cut down your household energy usage by setting your water heater temperature to 120° F (48°C), and using major appliances off-hours, such as before 4:30 p.m. and after 9:00 p.m.



8. Buy locally grown produce and products whenever possible. When ordering items to be delivered, consolidate packages to reduce shipping materials and fuel used for transport.



9. Be mindful of household waste and help keep unnecessary excess out of landfills. Recycling and reusing materials improve air quality by reducing greenhouse gasses produced by landfills and sanitation vehicles.



10. Volunteer for clean air programs in your community!

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SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

April 21, 2022 - April 27, 2022

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

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department  ggpdk9unit



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Wed 4/27/2022 6:00 pm PDT

As we head towards the end of April and #DistractedDrivingAwareness Month, this is a friendly reminder, when you're behi...



Video Views	497
Impressions	932
Reach	914
Engagements	120
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12.9%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Wed 4/27/2022 12:30 pm PDT

Behind every well-organized boss and smooth running organization are the magical admin assistants. They are the...

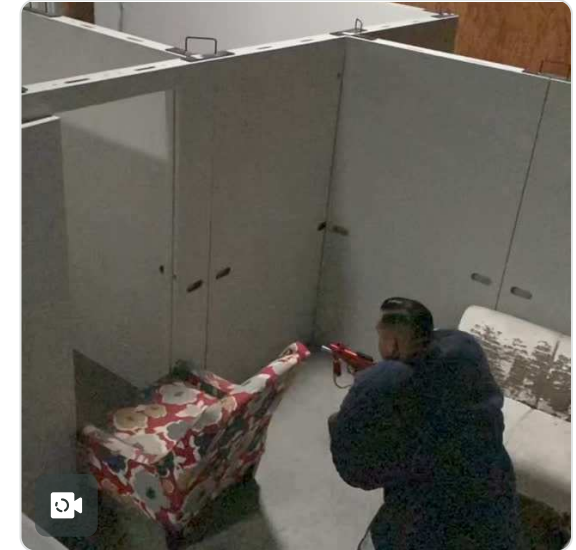


Impressions	2,676
Reach	2,676
Engagements	267
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	10%



ggpdk9unit

Tue 4/26/2022 6:21 pm PDT



Impressions	487
Reach	466
Comments	2
Story Taps Back	14



ggpdk9unit

Tue 4/26/2022 6:12 pm PDT

You should always work to overcome your fears. Vader did not like the sound of gunfire but with encouragement and...



Video Views	1,020
Impressions	1,586
Reach	1,428
Engagements	140
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8.8%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 4/26/2022 3:00 pm PDT

Introducing the two newest members of #GardenGrovePD, #K9Nellie and #K9Misha (with their respective handler...



Impressions	13,018
Reach	13,018
Engagements	1,650
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12.7%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 4/25/2022 3:00 pm PDT

Event Reminder: Please join us tomorrow, April 26, 2022 from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM for the monthly Safety Event, at UEI College...



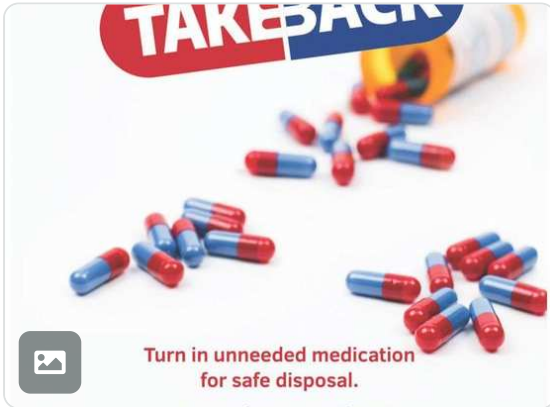
Impressions	2,061
Reach	1,985
Engagements	54
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.6%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Fri 4/22/2022 12:00 pm PDT

It's that time of the year again to clean out your medicine cabinets. #GardenGrovePD in conjunction with the Drug Enforceme...



Impressions	4,178
Reach	4,039
Engagements	186
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.5%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Thu 4/21/2022 12:00 pm PDT

Please join us next Tuesday, April 26, 2022 from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM for the monthly Safety Event, at UEI College (10870 W...



Impressions	2,665
Reach	2,619
Engagements	100
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.8%



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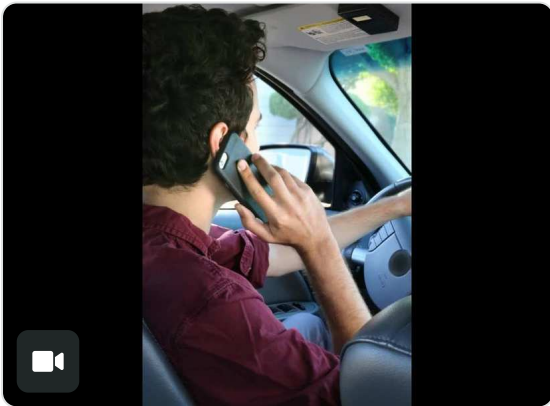
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Wed 4/27/2022 6:30 pm PDT

🚗 As we're nearing the end of April is #DistractedDrivingAwareness Month, the City and @gardengrovepd wants to remi...



Video Views	175
Impressions	416
Reach	402
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



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Wed 4/27/2022 6:30 pm PDT

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Video Views	98
Impressions	257
Reach	253
Engagements	15
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.8%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 4/27/2022 4:53 pm PDT

💧 Help CA's worsening drought situation by transforming your thirsty turf grass with climate-appropriate plants! @MWDOC...

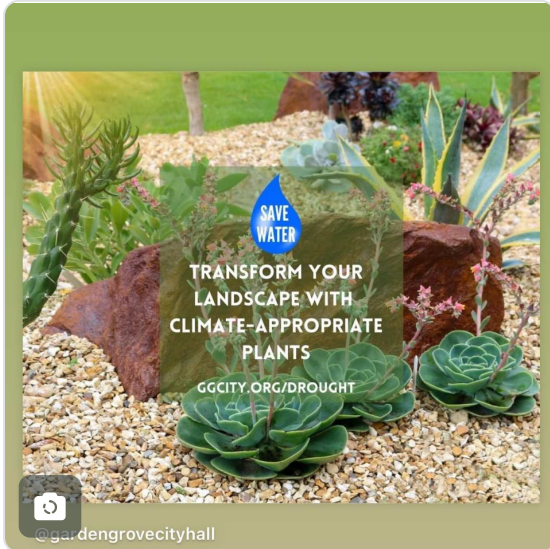


Impressions	94
Potential Reach	4,532
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.2%



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Wed 4/27/2022 4:50 pm PDT

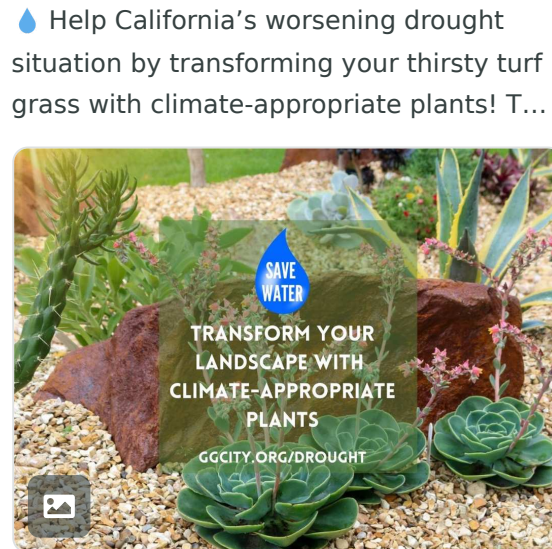


Impressions	257
Reach	257
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	13



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Wed 4/27/2022 4:46 pm PDT



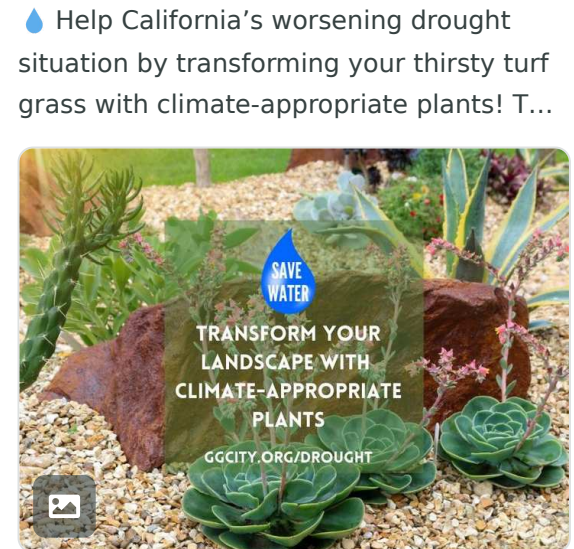
💧 Help California's worsening drought situation by transforming your thirsty turf grass with climate-appropriate plants! T...

Impressions	302
Reach	284
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.7%



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Wed 4/27/2022 4:38 pm PDT



💧 Help California's worsening drought situation by transforming your thirsty turf grass with climate-appropriate plants! T...

Impressions	287
Reach	286
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.2%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 4/27/2022 1:32 pm PDT

🌟 Last night, the GardenGrove City Council had the pleasure to honor 2 individuals with a Community Spotlight for their...



Impressions	178
Potential Reach	4,533
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.7%



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Wed 4/27/2022 1:00 pm PDT

🌟 Last night, the Garden Grove City Council had the pleasure to honor two individuals with a Community Spotlight f...



Impressions	569
Reach	548
Engagements	19
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.3%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 4/27/2022 1:00 pm PDT

🌟 Last night, the Garden Grove City Council had the pleasure to honor two individuals with a Community Spotlight f...



Impressions	647
Reach	647
Engagements	68
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	10.5%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 4/27/2022 9:33 am PDT

Today, the City, **@GardenGrovePD** & neighboring elected officials make a social statement through our fashion statemen...



Impressions	208
Potential Reach	5,541
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.3%



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Wed 4/27/2022 9:26 am PDT

#DENIMDAY



Impressions	349
Reach	337
Comments	1
Story Taps Back	5



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Wed 4/27/2022 9:21 am PDT

Today, the City of Garden Grove, **@gardengrovecpd**, and neighboring elected officials make a social statement throug...



Impressions	868
Reach	788
Engagements	47
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.4%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 4/27/2022 9:11 am PDT

Today, the City of Garden Grove, Garden Grove Police Department, and neighboring elected officials make a soci...



Impressions	268
Reach	264
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.1%



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Tue 4/26/2022 4:58 pm PDT

It's time to clean out your medicine cabinets! On Saturday, April 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., @gardengrovecityhall



Impressions	487
Reach	460
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.1%



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 4/26/2022 1:44 pm PDT

ATTENTION COMMUTERS - FREEWAY OPENING Now Open! -- WB SR-22 On-Ramp from Old Ranch Parkway Thank yo...



Impressions	149
Potential Reach	4,535
Engagements	18
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 4/26/2022 1:44 pm PDT

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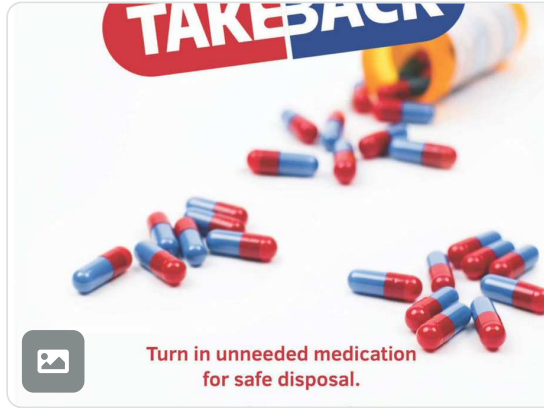
Impressions	1,863
Reach	1,863
Engagements	58
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.1%



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 4/26/2022 11:50 am PDT

💊 It's time to clean out your medicine cabinets! On 4/30, 10-2PM, [@GardenGrovePD](#) will accept unused...



Impressions	177
Potential Reach	4,535
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.2%



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 4/26/2022 11:45 am PDT

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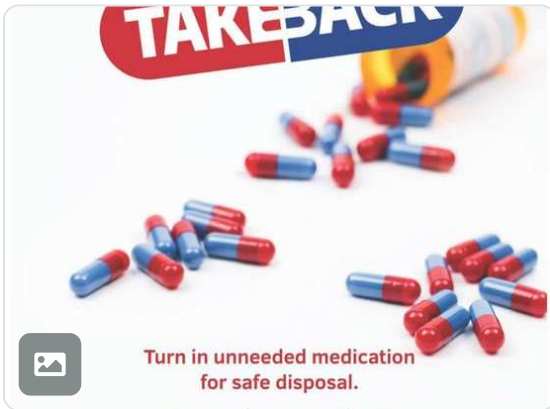
Impressions	—
Potential Reach	4,535
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 4/26/2022 11:38 am PDT

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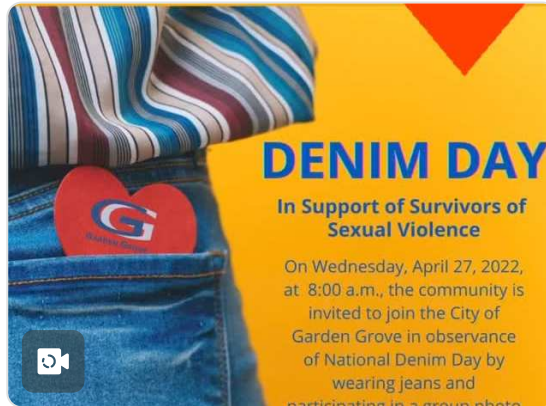
Impressions	629
Reach	612
Engagements	13
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.1%



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Mon 4/25/2022 4:53 pm PDT

THIS WEDNESDAY



Impressions	318
Reach	306
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	9



@CityGardenGrove

Mon 4/25/2022 3:27 pm PDT

Join the conversation! Come join the GG City Council for a study session discussing the Focused Zoning Amendments to...



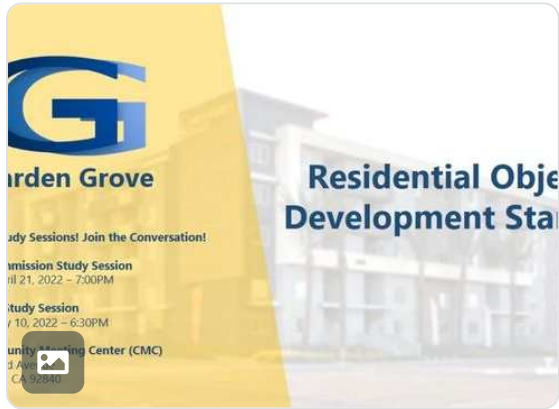
Impressions	157
Potential Reach	4,537
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.1%



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Mon 4/25/2022 3:25 pm PDT

Learn about the City's Focused Zoning Amendments (FZA) to residential objective development standards at the Tuesday,...



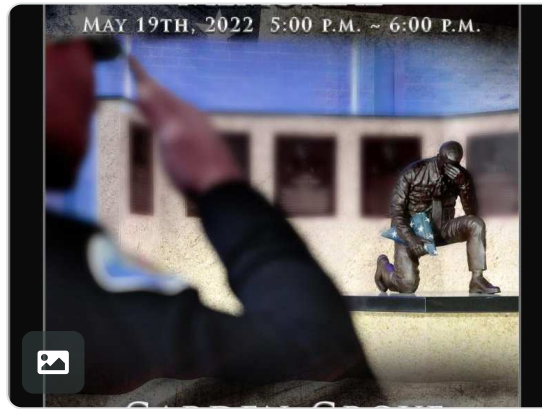
Impressions	391
Reach	381
Engagements	25
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.4%



@CityGardenGrove

Mon 4/25/2022 1:52 pm PDT

This year's GGPD Call to Duty Memorial, honoring our police officers lost in the line of duty, includes the unveiling of a...



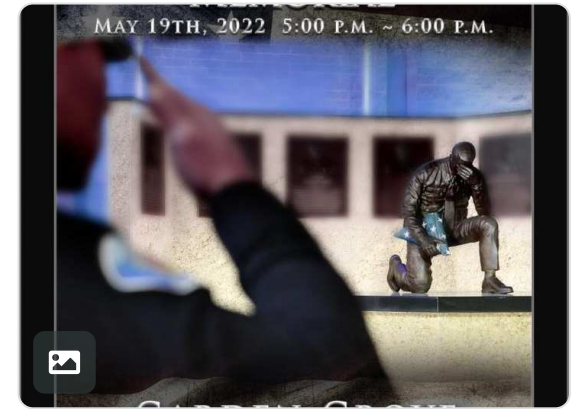
Impressions	156
Potential Reach	4,538
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.3%



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Mon 4/25/2022 1:50 pm PDT

This year's Garden Grove Police Department Call to Duty Memorial, honoring Garden Grove police officers lost in the line of dut..



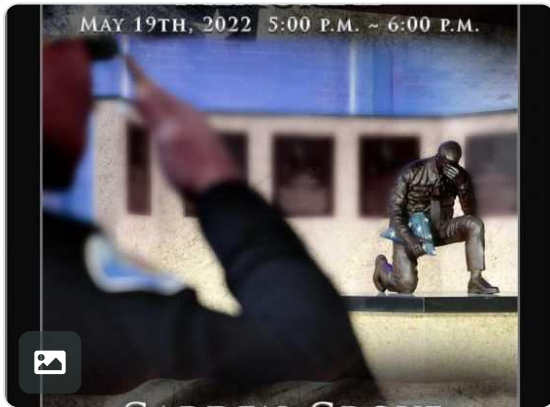
Impressions	681
Reach	650
Engagements	22
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 4/25/2022 1:49 pm PDT

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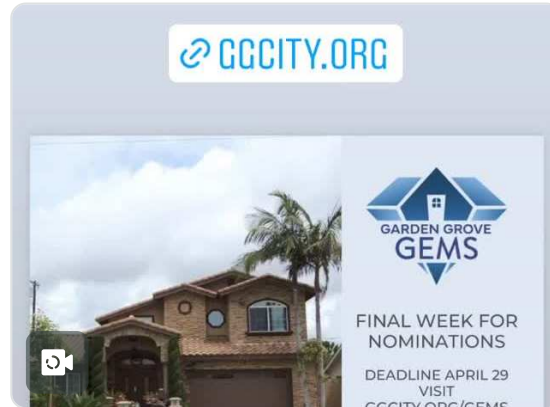
Impressions	1,080
Reach	1,056
Engagements	14
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.3%



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Mon 4/25/2022 11:34 am PDT

NOMINATE YOUR HOME



Impressions	434
Reach	415
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	6



@CityGardenGrove

Mon 4/25/2022 11:20 am PDT

This is the last week to self-nominate your home to **#GardenGroveGems**, a new home beautification program...



Impressions	165
Potential Reach	4,537
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.8%



gardengrovecityhall
Mon 4/25/2022 11:15 am PDT

This is the last week to self-nominate your home to the #GardenGroveGems, a new home beautification program...



Impressions	1,061
Reach	1,019
Engagements	23
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



Garden Grove City Hall
Mon 4/25/2022 10:27 am PDT

This is the last week to self-nominate your home to the #GardenGroveGems, a new home beautification program...



Post Link Clicks	359
Impressions	20,687
Reach	15,568
Engagements	1,111
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.4%



@CityGardenGrove
Fri 4/22/2022 8:00 am PDT

Happy Earth Day! For over 50 years #EarthDay has been celebrated & this year families can observe the annual ev...



Impressions	160
Potential Reach	4,532
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.5%



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Fri 4/22/2022 8:00 am PDT

Happy Earth Day! For over 50 years #EarthDay has been celebrated around the world, and this year #GardenGrove...



Impressions	1,020
Reach	751
Engagements	30
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.9%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 4/22/2022 8:00 am PDT

Happy Earth Day! For over 50 years #EarthDay has been celebrated around the world, and this year #GardenGrove...



Impressions	1,067
Reach	1,005
Engagements	23
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



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Thu 4/21/2022 1:49 pm PDT

Attention: Free compost on the loose! Join us on Saturday, May 7, 2022, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for our free...



Impressions	1,054
Reach	975
Engagements	31
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.9%



@CityGardenGrove

Thu 4/21/2022 1:48 pm PDT

ATTN: Free compost on the loose! 🌱 Join us on Sat. 5/7, from 8-10:30AM for our free compost giveaway, offering you up to 6...



Impressions	270
Potential Reach	4,702
Engagements	14
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.2%



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Thu 4/21/2022 1:44 pm PDT

Attention: Free compost on the loose! 🌱 Join us on Saturday, May 7, 2022, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for our free...



Impressions	3,960
Reach	3,642
Engagements	154
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.9%

WEEKLY MEMO 4-28-2022

NEWS ARTICLES

Coronavirus: Orange County is reported 71.3% fully vaccinated, April 21

By **JEFF GOERTZEN** | jgoertzen@scng.com | Orange County Register
PUBLISHED: April 21, 2022 at 1:17 p.m. | UPDATED: April 21, 2022 at 1:17 p.m.
The OC Health Care Agency reported 2,300,191 county residents were fully vaccinated as of Thursday, April 21.

This represents about 71.3% of Orange County's total population.

There have been 1,269,169 booster doses administered.

According to the OC Health Care Agency dashboard, the percentage of population by age (eligibility is now open to children as young as 5) with at least one dose is:

- 5-11: 38% (101,363)
- 12-17: 73% (178,735)
- 18-24: 84% (250,398)
- 25-34: 78% (359,284)
- 35-44: 84% (352,979)
- 45-54: 86% (383,134)
- 55-64: 91% (377,976)
- 65-74: nearly 100% (281,535)
- 75-84: nearly 100% (153,646)
- 85 and older: nearly 100% (62,304)

Orange County needs uniform approach to homeless issues, experts say

Local officials, experts and others talk up the need for working together to help the unhoused.



Orange County Supervisor Katrina Foley speaks as she holds an investigative hearing on homelessness in Orange County at the Hall of Administration, Board Hearing Room, on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 in Santa Ana. (Photo by Mark Rightmire, Orange County Register/SCNG)

By [ALICIA ROBINSON](#) | arobinson@scng.com | The Orange County Register

PUBLISHED: April 20, 2022 at 6:39 p.m. | UPDATED: April 21, 2022 at 7:29 a.m.

Orange County spends more than \$1.6 billion a year on homeless facilities, programs and services, and some of the county's 34 cities also are spending millions – but unless local officials devise a comprehensive, countywide strategy focused on lasting solutions, they may be stuck on a hamster wheel: solving the same problems over and over, community by community.

That was the message of a series of panel discussions held Wednesday, hosted by Orange County Supervisor Katrina Foley, that featured homeless service providers from the county and nonprofits and several OC city mayors who have dealt with the issue.

While state dollars have been flowing into Orange County – including tens of millions to convert old motels into permanent housing – only its largest cities, Anaheim and

Santa Ana, get direct funding from the state to address homeless, mental health and addiction issues.

Three mayors – Costa Mesa’s John Stephens, Laguna Beach’s Sue Kempf and Santa Ana’s Vicente Sarmiento – described the frustration of trying to clean up encampments and get people shelter and services, sometimes amid criticism from the public and a lack of funding or cooperation from the county.

Costa Mesa opened a permanent “bridge shelter” last year. In addition to the \$11 million it spent to buy the property and develop the shelter, Stephens said the city spends another \$3.5 million a year on homeless programs. A neighbor city, Newport Beach, chipped in for the building and pays annually to reserve beds for homeless from its streets.

But other leaders said more communities need to share the load. Kempf said Laguna Beach has the only low-barrier shelter in south county, and today only about 15% of people who stay there have ties to the community. Previously, nearly 80% had some connection to Laguna.

Ken Gominsky, who retired from the Santa Ana Police Department and now oversees that city’s homeless services, said although the county is home to multiple National Guard armories, the one in Santa Ana is used annually as a cold weather homeless shelter.

“The city of Santa Ana should not be the only city that gets this opportunity,” he said.

Panelists and the handful of people in the audience Wednesday heard from Colleen Rozillis of auditing firm Moss Adams, who was hired to calculate county spending on homeless issues. Rozillis said Orange County spends about \$590 million a year directly on homeless services, as well as another \$362 million on related mental health programs, \$287 million on health care, \$271 million on housing, and another \$140 million on addiction and human services.

While the county does track the occupancy of shelter beds and the use of housing vouchers for homeless people, Rozillis said it lacks an across-the-board system that would allow county agencies, and their many city and nonprofit partners and contractors, to keep uniform data and measure progress on their goals.

Katherine White of Wound Walk OC, a nonprofit that provides outreach and basic medical care for people living on the streets, suggested mental health outreach continues to lag demand among homeless people. She pointed to a survey commissioned by Foley, which reached more than 200 unhoused people in central Orange County and found that even though more than half the respondents said they had been diagnosed with a mental health problem only about 44% had been offered mental health services as part of a shelter or housing program.

Also, about 80% of the respondents in that same survey had never been offered medical detox or substance rehab assistance when entering a shelter or housing program – but 30% said they would enter such a program right away if it were offered.

A recurring theme during the three-hour hearing was that communities found the most success addressing their homeless issues when they formed collaborative teams that could meet a variety of needs, or when they banded together to create multi-city programs, like the new “Project Hope,” a social services dispatching center that is a joint effort of 14 north and central county cities.

Panelists also shared the need for more dedicated housing for veterans and young people facing homelessness, as well as more mental health and detox services and affordable housing with support services generally.

Foley said she hopes to focus on directing funding to cities for their homeless efforts. She also hopes to help create a strategic plan with regional metrics and goals, and to help build more housing with existing resources, such as the state’s Project Homekey program.

“We’re doing a good job of funding services and reacting to needs, but we’re not funding outcomes,” she said.



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Friday, April 22, 2022



35TH ANNUAL POLICE MEMORIAL TO HONOR CITY'S SIXTH FALLEN OFFICER

This year's Garden Grove Police Department Call to Duty Memorial, honoring Garden Grove police officers lost in the line of duty, includes the unveiling of a memorial plaque for Lieutenant John Reynolds, who passed away from COVID-19 last year. The 35th annual public memorial takes place on Thursday, May 19, at 5:00 p.m., in front of Garden Grove Police Headquarters, located at 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Garden Grove Police Chief Tom DaRé, who worked alongside Lieutenant Reynolds since Reynolds joined the department in 1995, will officiate the unveiling of the sixth memorial plaque added to the Call to Duty police monument. The monument currently bears the plaques of Sergeant Myron L. Trapp, Officer Andy Reese, Officer Donald F. Reed, Officer Michael Rainford, and Master Officer Howard Dallies Jr. Before the passing of Lieutenant Reynolds, Garden Grove had not lost a serving police officer since 1993.

This year's guest speaker is retired Garden Grove Police Chief John Robertson. Robertson, a 33-year law enforcement veteran, served as Garden Grove Police Chief from 1989 to 1991.

The memorial features a flag-folding ceremony, memorial bell ringing, helicopter fly-over, and a 21-gun salute. The Bolsa Grande High School Choir will also perform.

35th Annual Police Memorial to Honor City's Sixth Fallen Officer
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East and west bound Acacia Parkway, from Garden Grove City Hall to 9th Street; and Civic Center Drive, from Garden Grove Boulevard to Acacia Parkway, will be closed on May 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The City of Garden Grove encourages the community to show their support for the Garden Grove Police Department and the families of the fallen officers by attending the memorial.

For more information, visit the City's website at ggcity.org, or Garden Grove City Hall or Garden Grove Police Department Facebook pages.

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Friday, April 22, 2022

FINAL WEEK TO NOMINATE YOUR HOME FOR RECOGNITION, \$100 HOME DEPOT GIFT CARD

Garden Grove homeowners only have until Friday, April 29, 2022 to nominate their home in the City's new home beautification program, Garden Grove Gems. From the nominations received, four will be selected at random to receive \$100 Home Depot gift cards. To nominate your home, complete an online application and photo submission through the Garden Grove Gems webpage at www.ggcity.org/gems.

To self-nominate your home, applicants must:

- Reside in, or own the nominated home;
- Include their complete address in the online application form for verification purposes;
- Submit one (1) unaltered photo of their home in a JPG, PNG or PDF format, taken after January 1, 2022.

Gift card winners will be announced via the City's website and social medium platforms on Friday, May 6, 2022. Nominated homes will be featured on the Garden Grove Gems webpage at www.ggcity.org/gems during the online voting period of Monday, May 9 through Friday, May 13, 2022. Winners will be announced during the week of May 16, 2022.

For more information, program guidelines, and online application, visit www.ggcity.org/gems or call (714) 741-5200.



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Thursday, April 21, 2022



GARDEN GROVE PARTICIPATES IN NATIONAL TAKE BACK INITIATIVE

On Saturday, April 30, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the Garden Grove Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Pills can be disposed of at the Garden Grove Police Department, located at 11301 Acacia Pkwy. The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches. The service is free and anonymous, with no questions asked.

Last October, Americans turned in 372 tons (over 744,082 pounds) of prescription drugs at over 4,000 sites operated by the DEA and its state and local law enforcement partners.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

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GARDEN GROVE PARTICIPATES IN NATIONAL TAKE BACK INITIATIVE
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In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose potential safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 30 Take Back Day event, visit www.DEATakeBack.com.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

April 28, 2022

1. Calendar of Events
2. Minutes from the April 7, 2022 Planning Commission meeting.
3. Notice of cancellation of the May 12, 2022 Zoning Administrator meeting.
4. Notice of cancellation of the May 5, 2022 Planning Commission meeting.
5. League of California Cities, "CalCities," from April 22, 2022 to April 28, 2022



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 28, 2022 – June 16, 2022

Thursday	April 28		\$2 Casual Dress Day
Tuesday	May 3	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Special Study Session, CMC
Thursday	May 5	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	May 6		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	May 10	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	May 12	9:00 a.m.	Downtown Commission Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	May 17	5:30 p.m.	Special Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	May 19	5:00 p.m.	Garden Grove Police Department 35 th Annual Call to Duty Memorial, Garden Grove Police Department
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	May 20		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	May 24	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CM
Friday	May 30		City Hall Closed – Memorial Day
Thursday	June 2	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	June 3		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	June 14	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	June 16	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC

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

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 7, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Chair Ramirez
Vice Chair Lindsay
Commissioner Arestegui
Commissioner Cunningham
Commissioner Lehman
Commissioner Perez
Commissioner Soeffner

Absent: Arestegui, Lehman, Perez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Vice Chair Lindsay.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC – None.

March 17, 2022 MINUTES:

Action: Received and filed.
Motion: Lindsay Second: Soeffner
Ayes: (4) Cunningham, Lindsay, Ramirez, Soeffner
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (3) Arestegui, Lehman, Perez

PUBLIC HEARING – AMENDMENT NO. A-034-2022, SITE PLAN NO. SP-108-2022, AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-218-2022 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CHAPMAN AVENUE, EAST SIDE OF GILBERT STREET, NEAR INTERSECTION OF CHAPMAN AVENUE AND GILBERT STREET

Applicant: ANDRESEN ARCHITECTURE, INC.
Date: April 7, 2022

Request: To amend the NMU (Neighborhood Mixed Use) zone to allow “Automobile Fleet Storage” as a conditionally permitted use, for the storage of new automobiles and conducted only in conjunction with an existing new car dealership within the City of Garden Grove. Also, a request for Site plan

approval to improve an existing vacant property (Assessor's Parcel No. 132-402-20) with a new automobile fleet storage lot, in conjunction with a request for Conditional Use permit approval to allow the use of a new automobile fleet storage lot, operated by the existing Chevrolet dealership in Garden Grove, on the vacant property for the temporary storage of new automobiles. The site is in the NMU (Neighborhood Mixed Use) zone. The project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Government Code Sections 15061(b)(3) Review for Exemption and 15301 - Existing Facilities of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action: Resolution Nos. 6038-22(A) and 6039-22 (SP/CUP) were approved with an amendment to the A-034-2022 Ordinance - 9.18.030.075 Automobile Fleet Storage, Item E (bold italics): The automobile fleet storage lot shall be secured by a perimeter fence or wall with a minimum height of six feet, but not to exceed eight feet, and shall also include a vehicular access gate(s) providing access to a public street(s). Site access, for vehicular ingress and egress, shall be limited to principal, major, primary, or secondary arterial streets, as identified in the City's Master Plan of Streets and Highways. There shall be no access to residential streets or adjacent properties. The perimeter fence/wall and the location of any vehicular access gate(s) shall be subject to review and approval by the Planning Division and the Public Works Department, Engineering Division. Perimeter fencing shall not include the use of barbed wire, "Constantine" wire, razor wire, or other similar fence treatment **that is visible from the public street or located on the top of the fence.**

Motion: Lindsay Second: Soeffner

Ayes: (4) Cunningham, Lindsay, Ramirez, Soeffner
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (3) Arestegui, Lehman, Perez

ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION - REVIEW OF THE CODE OF ETHICS: Commissioners reviewed and acknowledged the Code of Ethics governing the Planning Commission.

STUDY SESSION - DISCUSSION REGARDING ADU GRANT: The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) presented the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Project, which was made possible by a grant awarded by SCAG, HCD (Housing and Community Development) and REAP (Regional Early Action Program). Goals of the program include an ADU brochure, handbook, calculator, fact sheet, and process review. The Project Arc includes learning, planning, and integrating the four phases of work. ADU statistics and a demographic analyses were included, as well as current California policy on ADU's and Senate Bill SB9. ADU best practices covered options for local ADU ordinance customizations, and in closing, the ADU project schedule was

presented. Questions touched on outreach, RHNA numbers (Regional Housing Numbers Assessment), Housing Element certification, ADU heights, local control, and health and safety for substandard dwellings.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Vice Chair Lindsay noted Open Streets was awesome and Commissioner Soeffner asked everyone to keep the people of Ukraine in mind as the war continues.

MATTERS FROM STAFF: Staff gave a brief description of future agenda items noting the May 5th meeting will be cancelled, added that the City is still working to have the Housing Element certified. Only seven cities in the SCAG region have been certified.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:33 p.m. to the next Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove.

Judith Moore
Recording Secretary



NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Third Floor Training Room, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: May 5, 2022

DAVID DENT
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
MAY 5, 2022
REGULAR MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission scheduled for Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: April 28, 2022

JOHN RAMIREZ
CHAIR



Guide to Local Recovery Update: April 27

Apr 27, 2022

The deadline for non-entitlement cities to submit their State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds reports is April 30. The U.S. Department of the Treasury and the National League of Cities have released several resources to help cities navigate the reporting process — including possible solutions to common reporting portal problems. Additionally, multiple state and federal organizations have released new resources about upcoming infrastructure grants and projects.

Non-entitlement city ARPA reports due April 30

Non-entitlement units of local government — generally municipalities with less than 50,000 residents — must submit their American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds reports by April 30. This report will cover the period from the award date up to March 31, 2022.

The National League of Cities (NLC) has outlined [several helpful resources for cities \(https://www.nlc.org/article/2022/04/21/arpa-reporting-deadline-for-small-communities-is-april-30/\)](https://www.nlc.org/article/2022/04/21/arpa-reporting-deadline-for-small-communities-is-april-30/), and consolidated links to U.S. Department of the Treasury resources. According to NLC, the Treasury Department will not be granting extensions.

Additionally, the Treasury Department is encouraging non-entitlement cities with a grant of less than \$10 million to use the [“standard allowance” \(https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Final-Rule-Overview.pdf\)](https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Final-Rule-Overview.pdf) option when filing their reports, which [NLC noted](#)

<https://www.nlc.org/article/2022/04/01/choosing-the-standard-allowance-for-arpa-reporting/>) will allow for streamlined reporting and compliance.

Common reporting problems and related resources

NLC is offering support to cities experiencing issues with the Treasury Department's State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds reporting portal. In addition to sending an email to the Treasury Department, city officials can send an **email to NLC** (<mailto:SLFRFhelp@nlc.org>), (<mailto:SLFRFhelp@nlc.org>) which will work with the department to quickly resolve any issues.

Both organizations are experiencing a high volume of messages about the reporting process and portal, so delays should be expected. To avoid further delays, city officials should avoid sending multiple emails with the same question, as this will further delay responses. Help desk staff must respond to all messages in the order they were received, including duplicate inquiries.

City officials can also refer to the Treasury Department's **homepage** (<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds/recipient-compliance-and-reporting-responsibilities>) for extensive information about the reporting process, including a user guide with step-by-step instructions, how-to videos, and other resources for commonly asked questions. The department also issued guidance regarding two common technical issues.

Question: I can fill out the report but when I go to submit it says I am not the Authorized Representative and cannot submit.

Answer: The Treasury Department has updated roles for all non-entitlement cities and recipients with this issue should try to submit their report again. (The department has also released a video detailing **how officials can change roles themselves** (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w7vbi94rVDI>)).) If you continue to experience problems, please contact the Treasury Department.

Question: After logging in, an error message appears that says "No matching contact record was found. Please contact your Account Administrator to create a Contact Record for you in the system."

Answer: This means the Treasury Department does not have your email address listed as a contact person for a particular recipient. You should email the department at SLFRF@treasury.gov or call 844-529-9527.

State broadband roundtable

On April 28, the California Department of Technology and other state agencies will [host a virtual roundtable](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SHEROEDhRZ68qISXcxMM_g) on the state's Broadband for All Action Plan, Middle-Mile Broadband Initiative, the California Public Utilities Commission last-mile and adoption programs, and other digital equity initiatives. Specifically, officials will discuss:

- The \$2 billion available for local governments through the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF).
- Updates on the [18 middle-mile projects](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/11/17/governor-newsom-announces-initial-broadband-projects-to-help-bridge-digital-divide/) announced in November 2021.
- Information on how to secure loan guarantees and grants for broadband.

Last year, the League of California Cities worked closely with lawmakers to secure a \$6 billion, multi-year broadband infrastructure package and to make important tweaks to CASF, which supports broadband deployment. More information about the [state's plans to expand broadband access](https://broadbandforall.cdt.ca.gov/) through those bills, including upcoming [roundtables, webinars, and program recordings](https://broadbandforall.cdt.ca.gov/events/), is available online.

U.S. Department of Transportation to hold intergovernmental calls

The U.S. Department of Transportation will hold **its monthly intergovernmental affairs** (https://usdot.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_SsUZ_bDYQMCDINxAwhIXVA?timezone_id=America%2FLos_Angeles) update call on April 29. These calls include updates about the department's initiatives, including the federal infrastructure bill, as well as deeper dives with key leadership. The department hopes these calls will foster additional input and consultation with state and local leaders. City officials must register in advance to join.

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California appellate court rules that county can modify insurance contributions for retirees

Apr 27, 2022

Last week, the Sixth District Court of Appeal published a favorable [\(<https://www.courts.ca.gov/opinions/documents/H048681.PDF>\)](https://www.courts.ca.gov/opinions/documents/H048681.PDF) **opinion** [\(<https://www.courts.ca.gov/opinions/documents/H048681.PDF>\)](https://www.courts.ca.gov/opinions/documents/H048681.PDF) for cities regarding *Normandy Rose et al. v San Benito County*, a case concerning retiree health insurance premiums. The court held that San Benito County did not enter into an implied contract with retirees and could modify its contributions to their health insurance premiums.

Case background

For more than two decades, San Benito County provided health insurance benefits for its employees under the Public Employees' Medical Hospital Care Act. The act required the county to pay retirees' health insurance benefits at the same contribution rate given to current employees.

The county's contributions were set — usually annually — by resolutions adopted by the San Benito County Board of Supervisors. These resolutions set forth the contributions that were agreed upon during collective bargaining. Depending on the plan selected, a retiree could receive health care at no cost.

In 2017, the county opted out of the act to offset rising costs and enrolled in another health care plan. The county reduced its contribution for Medicare-

eligible retirees' health care insurance premiums to 70% of the contribution given to current employees.

Plaintiffs — county retirees who selected plans that they had to pay for under the new contract — sued the county in response. They alleged since that the county had previously paid their premiums in full, it had given them an implied guarantee that their premiums would remain unchanged during retirement. Therefore, the county's decision to opt out of the act and cap their health insurance premiums to 70% of the contribution given to current employees violated the terms of an implied contract.

Appellate court reverses trial court's ruling

A trial court judge determined that the county breached an implied-in-fact promise to provide certain health insurance benefits and required the county to provide the same insurance contributions to retirees that it gave to current employees. This decision was based in part on testimony from past and present members of the county board of supervisors about their intent when adopting certain related resolutions. The county appealed to the Sixth District Court of Appeal.

The League of California Cities filed a joint https://www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/Member-Engagement/Professional-Departments/City-Attorneys/Request-Amicus-Support/Recent-Filings/Briefs/Rose-v-County-of-San-Benito_Amicus-Brief) [amicus brief \(https://www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/Member-Engagement/Professional-Departments/City-Attorneys/Request-Amicus-Support/Recent-Filings/Briefs/Rose-v-County-of-San-Benito_Amicus-Brief\)](https://www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/Member-Engagement/Professional-Departments/City-Attorneys/Request-Amicus-Support/Recent-Filings/Briefs/Rose-v-County-of-San-Benito_Amicus-Brief) with the California State Association of Counties in support of San Benito County. The amicus brief discussed the potential uncertainty the trial court's ruling created by finding a lifetime right in a particular health care plan.

The brief also argued that absent clear language, one cannot presume the creation of a vested, contractual right. It stated that the subjective understanding

of certain legislators — in this case, the board of supervisors — is not only improper, but also inadmissible as evidence of legislative intent.

The court of appeal reversed the lower court's decision and ruled in favor of the county. The court held that implied rights are not inferred without clear and convincing evidence and that the trial court erred by relying on the board of supervisors' testimony to determine legislative intent. The court also held that because the resolution did not contain any express language vesting retiree health care benefits in perpetuity, no such rights existed.

Cities can rely on this published opinion to show that there are no "implied" vested lifetime rights for retiree health insurance benefits.

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Key Brown Act modernization bills set for hearings on May 4

Apr 27, 2022

As city officials scrambled to find safe ways to conduct business during the early months of the pandemic, it became abundantly clear that the Brown Act needed to be modified. Existing law did not provide cities the flexibility needed to conduct business safely while also maintaining transparency, access, and public engagement.

Through a series of executive orders and signed legislation, several changes were made to the Brown Act to allow for more flexibility during remote meetings. Next week, legislators will consider two bills that build on those changes.

2020-21 Brown Act modifications

Early in the pandemic, Gov. Gavin Newsom issued a series of executive orders to expand public access to meetings by suspending some of the restrictions placed on teleconferencing. After sustained advocacy from the League of California Cities in 2021, lawmakers passed **AB 361 (Rivas, Robert)** (<https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20361&t=bill>), which allows cities to meet remotely under similar conditions during a declared state of emergency after the executive orders expired.

Many cities still use AB 361 to conduct public meetings safely and transparently. However, there is a strong desire from local officials to continue some of the flexibility allowed under AB 361 beyond a declared state of emergency.

Although current law does allow for teleconferencing outside of a declared state of emergency, it imposes several requirements, including that cities post where an individual is teleconferencing from. Additionally, members of the public must be allowed to participate in the meeting from the same location as that individual. This poses serious public safety concerns and discourages remote meetings.

Proposed Brown Act modifications

In order to modernize the Brown Act and remedy these problems, two bills are moving through the Legislature that would allow council members to meet remotely without posting their location. They also remove the public participation in a non-public location requirement.

Both bills take different approaches but neither requires teleconferencing. Instead, they modernize existing law to encourage greater public participation during remote public meetings.

Of the two, **AB 1944 (Lee and Garcia, Cristina)**

<https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%201944&t=bill>) offers the most flexibility and would allow city officials to hold remote public meetings without posting their location if the city council agrees to this by majority vote. The city must also have a livestream of the meeting available to the public and allow for virtual public participation.

Additionally, AB 1944 would require agendas to identify the members of a legislative body who will participate remotely and for agendas to be updated if a member decides to teleconference at the last-minute. This measure would sunset on Jan. 1, 2030. Cal Cities is in support of this bill.

AB 2449 (Rubio, Blanca) (<https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%202449&t=bill>) would also allow for city officials to hold remote public meetings without posting their

location but with additional restrictions. Under AB 2449, city officials could meet remotely if at least a quorum of the legislative body participates in person from a singular location clearly identified on the agenda.

The location would have to be open to the public and situated within the boundaries of the local agency's jurisdiction. It would also require all members attending the meeting remotely to participate through both audio and visual technology.

Additionally, the agenda would have to identify and include an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in or internet-based service option, and for members of the public to attend and address the legislative body at the in-person location of the meeting.

AB 2449 also specifies that remote meetings must be paused if there is any teleconference disruption — such as a lost Zoom connection — and would disallow requiring submission of comments in advance of the meeting. It also would create a procedure to receive and swiftly resolve requests for reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities.

Cal Cities has a support in concept position for AB 2449 given its additional restrictions and is continuing conversations with the author's office and stakeholders.

AB 1944 and AB 2449 are both scheduled for their first committee hearing in Assembly Local Government Committee on May 4. For questions, please contact **[Legislative Affairs Lobbyist Johnnie Pina \(mailto:Jpina@calcities.org\)](mailto:Jpina@calcities.org)**.