

City Administrator's

# Weekly Briefing

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"Rich Heritage, Bright Future"

## ADMINISTRATION

### ◆ City Administrator's Budget Message

On June 16, 2015, the City Council adopted a balanced FY 2015-16 Operating Budget. Despite the challenging economic climate, the City remains committed to a promising future with optimism, flexibility and resilience. This outlook is a result of the City Council's continued focus on creating long-term fiscal strength and sustainability for the community.

The City's primary goals in developing the budget have been to keep our City safe, clean and well maintained and to protect our quality of life and our property values despite depleted revenues. While the current economic environment has begun to improve from the worst of the recession, depleted local revenues and historical State takeaways have left Placentia with a \$6.1 million dollar structural deficit. Despite these challenges, we have worked hard to balance this year's budget and minimize cuts to essential City services. Critical priorities for the City include:

- Paving, maintaining and repairing local streets.
- Providing quick responses to 9-1-1 emergencies.
- Providing fire protection services.
- Reducing gang activity and drug-related crimes.
- Providing police services, including crime prevention and investigations.
- Keeping public areas such as landscapes, parks and recreation centers clean, safe and up-to-date

Unfortunately the City does not have the funds to adequately address all critical infrastructure and service needs. The City must be able to keep up with basic repairs and maintenance to streets and other essential services. If we don't take care of these needs now, they will be more expensive to address in the future.

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### Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 6/22 Placentia & Yorba Linda District Joint Water Services Committee Meeting
- 6/23 Economic Development Committee
- 6/23 Historical Committee Meeting
- 7/2 Independence Day Observed - City Facilities Closed

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## ADMINISTRATION

### ◆ City Administrator's Budget Message (continued from page 1)

With this understanding, and keeping the City's long-term financial sustainability in mind, the Mayor and City Council directed City Staff to conduct a comprehensive budget analysis with input from citizens. Citizen participation had a significant impact to the direction and implementation of this adopted budget. As many of you are aware, the City Council recently appointed seven members to a Citizen's Fiscal Sustainability Task Force. These community members volunteered their time through seven public meetings, spending over 30 hours conferring with experienced financial professionals and studying Placentia's long term needs and challenges, and making recommendations to the City Council.

These Task Force recommendations have confirmed Placentia's structural deficit of \$6.1 million, despite implementing recommended cost-saving measures, and unanimously recommended further community engagement on Placentia's fiscal needs and service priorities. In the upcoming months, the City will embark on a comprehensive community engagement process to inform the public of Placentia's current financial needs and solicit community feedback on service priorities.

As we progress through FY 2015-16, the City Council and City Staff will continue to work with the community to move forward with strategies that ensure a positive, sustainable future. The adoption of a balanced budget paves the way for this type of proactive dialogue and team approach towards maintaining our core city services and infrastructure. Over the course of the next year, we will look forward to your participation and input.

### ◆ Update on the Flag Day Ceremony

A Flag Day Ceremony was held on Saturday, June 13th at the Placentia Civic Center. The event demonstrated a coordinated effort by the Placentia Veterans Advisory Committee, American Legion Post 277, Boy Scout Troop 780, and Cub Scout Pack 780. Attendees learned about the proper way to dispose of an American Flag. Below are photos of the event. Residents who were not able to attend but have a worn or unserviceable American Flag can dispose of the flag at Placentia City Hall, located at 401 E. Chapman Avenue. The flag depository can be found in a large wooden bin in the City Hall lobby area.





## ADMINISTRATION

### ♦ Annual Recruitment for Commissions and Committees

City Council welcomes all residents who wish to serve on City Commissions or Committees to submit an application. The application deadline is Thursday July 9, 2015 by 5:00 p.m. City Council will conduct brief interviews from the applications received and appointments will be made at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Interested residents should be aware that in accordance with the Political Reform Act of 1974, the City has adopted a Conflict of Interest Code requiring the disclosure of certain personal financial interests by Commission and Committee members upon assumption of office and annually thereafter. These statements are public records. The following are current vacancies:

#### **FINANCIAL AUDIT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

One (1) Un-Expired Term Ending 07/01/2016  
Two (2) Three-Year Terms Expiring 07/01/2018

#### **HERITAGE COMMITTEE**

Two (2) Non-Expiring Terms

#### **RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION**

One (1) Four-Year Term Expiring 07/01/2019

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

One (1) Two-Year Term (Alternate) Expiring 07/01/2017

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

One (1) Un-Expired Term Ending 07/01/2016  
Two (2) Four-Year Terms Expiring 07/01/2019

#### **HISTORICAL COMMITTEE**

One (1) Non-Expiring Term

#### **TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION**

Two (2) Four-Year Term Expiring 07/01/2019

Residents interested in serving on any of the Commissions/Committees may obtain an application form from the City Clerk's Office at Placentia City Hall, 401 E. Chapman Avenue, Placentia, or by [clicking here](#). For additional inquiries, please call (714) 993-8231.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

### ♦ Muckenthaler Cultural Center receives \$45,000 Grant for new Placentia Teen Arts Center

The City has partnered with the Muckenthaler Cultural Center to establish a Placentia Youth Arts Center for classes and exhibits. The Muckenthaler Cultural Center has just received notification of a grant award of \$45,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts. This grant will specifically assist with bringing in more ethnic dance classes, music production, visual arts, graphic arts (comic book drawing), and ceramics programs to the Placentia Teen Arts Center.



These high quality art programs will continue to be free for the youth in our community. We are very thrilled that this application has been awarded and look forward to strengthening and enhancing our partnership with the Muckenthaler Cultural Center.



## COMMUNITY SERVICES

### ◆ Senior Center Volunteer Breakfast

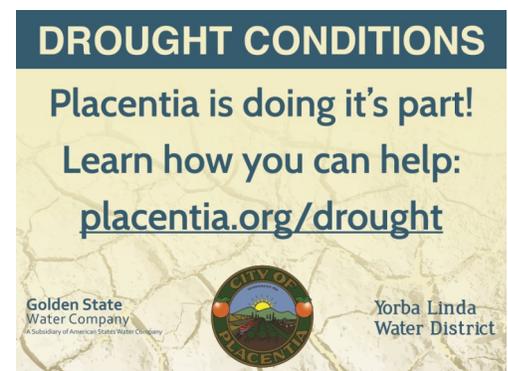
On Thursday, June 18th, the Community Services Department held an appreciation breakfast at the Senior Center to thank the many Senior Center volunteers who lend a helping hand on a daily basis at the Senior Center. The volunteers were treated to a continental breakfast and presented with a certificate of appreciation and a special thank you gift for all their hard work at the Senior Center. The volunteers are an integral part of the Senior Center programs. They assist staff with anything from daily kitchen assignments to Brown Bag food distribution. The Community Services Department is very fortunate to have such hardworking and dedicated volunteers year after year.



## PUBLIC WORKS

### ◆ State Mandated Water Use Reductions

In response to the Governor's Executive Order (B-29-15), the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) imposed restrictions to achieve a Statewide 25% reduction in potable urban water usage through February 28, 2016. City Staff have met with GSW and YLWD to conduct a detailed analysis of the City's water use in parks, landscaped areas, and facilities to ensure that the City also meets these requirements. One of the first areas residents will begin to notice a change is in the "turf" portions of our medians. Unfortunately, due to the specific State requirements, the City must eliminate watering turfs in medians or be subject to State penalties of up to \$10,000 per day. Other non-turf portions of our medians will continue to be watered including tree wells. Beginning next week, residents will notice the "Drought Conditions" signs placed along various medians throughout the City. This will serve as a reminder to be cognizant of the current water regulations and conserve water accordingly. For more information, please visit [www.placentia.org/drought](http://www.placentia.org/drought).





## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### ◆ Crime Prevention

#### **Preschool Visit**

On Tuesday, June 2nd, Placentia Police Officers visited with preschool students at Kindercare. The children learned about the safety equipment officers' use and their vehicle. Also the officers educated the children on where they can turn for help when needed, stranger precautions, and bike safety. Each child received a sticker badge and coloring book on traffic safety.

#### **Presentation at Emerald Isle**

A fraud and scams presentation was given to residents at Emerald Isle on June 10th. Those in attendance were educated by our Crime Prevention Specialist, on current frauds and scams, how to recognize a fraudulent offer, what to do if they become a victim of a fraud or scam, and guidelines for charity donations.

#### **Special Olympics Torch Run**

Placentia Police Officers participated in the Special Olympic Torch Run. The runners were accompanied by Stephanie Hardy a 3-time gold medalist at the World Special Olympic Games in the 2003 Dublin, Ireland Games. The runners were greeted by students from Tuffree Middle School, George Key School, and Golden Elementary School as they ran past the respective schools. The Law Enforcement Torch Run brings awareness to Special Olympics and raises funds to support the games. This year \$1.5 million dollars were raised to support the Special Olympics.





## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### ◆ Significant Events

#### June 11, 2015

Shortly after 7:00 am, an Orange County Sheriff's Department unit initiated a pursuit of a carjacking suspect in the area of Kraemer and La Palma. The pursuit stayed in Anaheim along the Anaheim/Placentia borders. Placentia units responded to the deputy's request for assistance. While responding, one of our units was involved in a solo vehicle collision due to the wet roadway. The officer suffered minor injuries and was treated at Placentia Linda Hospital. Traffic Bureau responded and handled the collision investigation. The carjacking suspect was apprehended a short time later on the 91 freeway.

#### June 12, 2015

A multi-vehicle collision involving a commercial vehicle and seven (7) parked vehicles occurred on the 700 block of Fee Ana Street. Five (5) vehicles were towed as a result and a small diesel fuel spill was contained by Anaheim Fire Department; an Anaheim-Fullerton hazmat truck responded for clean-up. An Edison pole was also down as a result.

#### June 16, 2015

Placentia Police Department Field Training Officer Joseph Gillis was recognized for his exceptional efforts in recovering stolen vehicles in 2014. Although several Placentia Police Officers had made numerous stolen vehicle recoveries, Gillis had the most. He was awarded this recognition from the Orange County Auto Theft Advisory Committee (A.T.A.C.), which is a partnership between law enforcement, insurance, and other auto-related companies to reduce auto theft. Please join us in congratulating him on this outstanding achievement.



## EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

- ◆ Development Services Project List
- ◆ Orange County Fire Authority Weekly Executive Summary

## Development Services Project List

1. Revised landscape plans for Beazer homes (T-17145 Morse/Kraemer) have been reviewed and approved by Planning, Engineering and Building Divisions on 6/8/15. These revised plans are involved in entry gate design, property line walls, signs...etc.
2. Room addition architectural and structural plans on Heritage Ave were reviewed & commented by Planning & Building Divisions on 6/9/15. Scope of work includes 208 sq. ft. family room addition, new plumbing, electrical and HVAC units to be installed. Cost of the construction is \$80,000.00
3. Solar panel installation plans and structural calculations were submitted and approved by Bldg. Division on 6/8/15. Total eleven (11) building permits were approved all for single detached homes.
4. Building plans for the proposed wall and fence construction at Cinnamon Tree condo complex (Chapman and Kraemer) were reviewed and commented by Planning and Building Divisions on 6/10/15. Scope includes to construct a gated community with wrought iron fence & masonry pilasters surround the entire complex.

<b>PLAN CHECK TYPE</b>	<b># SUBMITTED</b>
Commercial Tenant Improvement	1
Residential Alterations	2
Solar	11
B & Z (Building & Zoning Application)	3
Home Occupation Permits	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>

<b>PERMIT TYPE</b>	<b># PERMITS</b>
Residential Alteration	6
Solar	7
Block Wall/Fence	1
Sign	1
Roof	3
Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>



# Orange County Fire Authority

## *Weekly Executive Summary*

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### News & Events

OCFA Station 38 was featured on Fox 11's Firehouse Flyover on June 12. You can watch it [here](#).

As we enter into the summer months, OCFA is ensuring our water safety messages are being seen and heard. All of our apparatus have drowning prevention stickers and messages adhered to them and we are currently running a PSA at John Wayne Airport, emphasizing our "Prevent Drowning, Never Swim Alone" message. Additionally, we have partnered with Australian Swim School in Santa Ana to provide free swim lessons to local residents. The program is being funded through a grant earmarked for drowning prevention.

### \*Weekly Media Clips

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### Board Action

For Board agendas, please visit <http://www.ocfa.org> and click on "Board Agendas/Minutes."

### Weekly Update on Response and Preparedness

**Weather Outlook:** *Above Normal Temperatures for June 19 – June 26.* For more information, please visit the [National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center](#).

**Fire Outlook – Dry:** Low risk of large fires in the absence of a "High Risk" event. You can obtain a 7-day forecast, monthly and/or seasonal by clicking [here](#).



## Community Events

- Crew from Engine 57 (B Shift) participated in a Flag Retirement Ceremony for a Boy Scout troop from **Aliso Viejo**. The ceremony was on June 14 from 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 17 (A Shift) and Community Education Specialist Christy Watson participated in a community resource fair in **Cypress**. The event was on June 12 from 9a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 26 and Medic 26 (B Shift) participated in the Irvine PD Lounge Chair Movie Night community event at Heritage Park in **Irvine**. The event was on June 13 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 26 (A Shift) participated in a drowning prevention event at Heritage Point in **Irvine**. The event was on June 18 from 3 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 58 (C Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Oso Grande Elementary in **Ladera Ranch**. The program was on June 16 from 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- Community Education Specialist Polly Bowen provided a life and workplace fire safety presentation to a group of employees at IEEE Computer Society in **Lake Forest**. The program was on June 18 from 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 48 (A Shift) participated in a Ping-Pong drop school event at Weaver Elementary School in **Los Alamitos**. The event was on June 12 from 5:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 35 (B Shift) participated in a Flag Day ceremony at the Placentia Civic Center in **Placentia**. The event was on June 13 from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 45 (C Shift) provided a life and fire safety tour and engine visit to students at Village Preschool in **Rancho Santa Margarita**. The program was on June 16 from 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- Community Education Specialist Polly Bowen provided a Ready Set Go! presentation to an HOA group in **San Clemente**. The program was on June 18 from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 73 (B Shift) participated in a community event at El Salvador Park in **Santa Ana**. The event took place on June 13 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 315 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to an Elks group at Irvine Lake in **Silverado**. The program was on June 14 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- Fire Prevention Specialist Trainee Teri Merritt provided a disaster preparedness presentation to a group of employees from Boys Town in **Trabuco Canyon**. The program was on June 17 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Assistant Chief Schroeder, Division Chief Concepcion, and Battalion Chief Kovacs attended the Tustin State of the City Address at the City of Tustin Community Center in **Tustin**. The event was on June 11 from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.



- Crews from Engine 21, Truck 43, Engine 37 and Medic 21 (B Shift) and Community Education Specialists Christy Watson and Polly Bowen participated in the Tustin Police Department Open House in **Tustin**. The event was on June 13 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 21 (B Shift) provided a static display for the Pythian Youth Camp Car Show Benefit in **Tustin**. The event was on June 14 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 37 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of local residents from **Tustin**. The program was on June 14 from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- Crew from Truck 43 (C Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour a group from Tustin Friends in **Tustin**. The program was on June 16 from 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 23 (A Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of students from a local elementary school in **Villa Park**. The program was on June 18 from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 53 (C Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of local residents from **Yorba Linda**. The program was on June 15 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.



## Significant Emergency Incidents

### Silverado

**Medical Aid – June 12** - At 07:04 a.m., a medical aid response was dispatched to Silverado Canyon and Santiago Canyon. First arriving units requested assistance from Helicopter 1. The patient was a 48 year old male with a head injury, multiple soft tissue injuries and a broken leg after he attempted to flee from an armed carjacker. The patient, in an attempt to escape his assailant jumped down an approximately 40-50' vertical embankment. The patient was treated by on-scene paramedics and was transported by Helicopter 1 to Orange County Global Medical Center (formerly Western Medical Center Santa Ana). Orange County Sheriffs apprehended the suspect a short time later.

**Incident Commander:**

**Chief Kovacs, B3**

### Irvine

**Medical Aid – June 15** - At 6:14 p.m., ECC received a report of possible medical aid near Morning Breeze in Irvine. A nine-year-old child had fallen down a ravine behind the houses at the top of hill. The assignment was augmented with Battalion 5, Heavy Rescue 6 and Truck 4. After further evaluation, Helicopter 2 was requested to assist in the rescue. Helicopter 2 landed at Fire Station 47 to reconfigure the aircraft to take on the patient. Shortly after landing at Fire Station 47 it was decided to make the patient a trauma and transport to Mission via Helicopter 2 along with the medic from Engine 47. Once over the scene Helicopter 2 coordinated with Heavy Rescue 6 for a basket extraction. The patient was then transported to Mission without incident.

**Incident Commander:**

**Chief Schultz, B5**

### Yorba Linda

**Structure Fire – June 17** - At 1:41 p.m. a Structure Fire response was dispatched to Chestnut Street in Yorba Linda. As units were enroute the ECC was notified by the S.O. that there was a report of explosions being heard and there was possibly a person in the residence. An ambulance was dispatched code three to the scene. First arriving units found a two story single family dwelling well involved and there was ammunition cooking off within the structure. At 1:52 p.m. the Incident Commander requested the Second Alarm and at 1:55 he upgraded the response to a Third Alarm. The structures to the left and right of the involved residence sustained damage to their roofs and eaves do to the intensity of the fire. At 2:33 p.m. the Incident Commander requested a response from the bomb squad to assist with the ammunition in the residence. The Incident Commander also requested the assistance of: Red Cross, Santiago Crew, Dozer 2, Water District, Edison, and The Gas Company.

**Incident Commander:**

**Chief Blawn, B2**

**Cause:**

**Under Investigation**

### Santa Ana

**Traffic Collision with Injuries – June 17** - At 10:59 p.m. a Traffic Collision with Injuries response was dispatched to the area of the northbound 55 at Edinger Avenue in Santa Ana. First arriving units found a three car accident with numerous patients. The Incident Commander declared the incident a Multi-Casualty Incident and requested additional medic units and ambulances. The incident resulted in a total of three patients that were all transported to area hospitals.

**Incident Commander:**

**Engine 79**

**Incidents By Major Category  
for Period: 6/1/2015 - 6/7/2015**

CITY/JURISDICTION	FIRE	OVER - PRESSURE RUPTURE	EMS/ RESCUE CALL	HAZMAT	SERVICE CALL	GOOD INTENT CALL	FALSE CALL	NATURAL	OTHER	TOTAL
ALISO VIEJO	0	0	32	0	3	3	7	0	9	54
BUENA PARK	0	0	60	1	8	9	5	0	37	120
CYPRESS	0	0	33	0	2	4	2	0	11	52
DANA POINT	0	0	28	1	1	1	3	0	12	46
IRVINE	1	1	157	0	24	13	22	0	31	249
IRVINE - UCI	0	0	12	0	1	0	6	0	6	25
LA PALMA	0	0	11	1	1	0	1	0	0	14
LAGUNA HILLS	1	0	27	2	3	2	5	0	4	44
LAGUNA NIGUEL	1	1	48	0	5	7	1	0	3	66
LAGUNA WOODS	0	0	86	0	2	1	2	0	11	102
LAKE FOREST CITY	1	0	71	0	5	7	3	0	11	98
LOS ALAMITOS	1	0	13	1	0	1	0	0	2	18
MISSION VIEJO	2	1	90	1	7	10	2	0	5	118
PLACENTIA	0	0	29	0	1	5	2	0	21	58
RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA	2	0	37	0	1	2	1	0	0	43
SAN CLEMENTE	1	1	46	0	6	7	4	0	6	71
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO	2	0	37	1	4	6	0	0	6	56
SANTA ANA	2	0	233	4	8	31	17	0	115	410
SEAL BEACH	0	0	59	1	4	3	0	0	11	78
STANTON	1	0	35	0	0	4	1	0	14	55
TUSTIN	3	0	76	0	7	4	7	0	5	102
VILLA PARK	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
WESTMINSTER	0	0	99	0	3	6	2	0	8	118
YORBA LINDA	3	0	41	1	2	6	2	0	15	70
<b>UNINCORPORATED</b>	4	0	81	0	4	16	8	0	17	130
<b>TOTAL</b>	25	4	1444	14	103	148	103	0	360	2201