

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

Business Resource Webpage

As the situation with coronavirus (COVID-19) evolves, the City of Placentia stands ready to help local businesses navigate the significant challenges you may be facing in this time of great uncertainty. During these difficult times, the City of Placentia remains committed to providing helpful resources and information to assist our business community.

The City has created a dedicated webpage for businesses to receive resources to various federal, state and county websites on available funding for businesses impacted by coronavirus, employer assistance, workplace safety and more. Our City team is working on continually updating this page as resources/information becomes available.

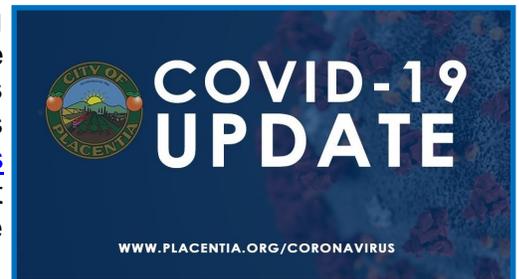
www.placentia.org/businessresources

In addition, the City has launched a Support Local Placentia Businesses campaign. The City encourages our community to support local businesses and restaurants and has created an interactive map of local businesses that remain open and restaurants that are offering one or more of the following: Grub Hub, Door Dash, Postmates, Uber Eats, store delivery, to-go orders, curbside pick-up, and/or drive-thru service. Below is a link to the interactive map. This interactive map will be updated regularly.

www.placentia.org/stillopen

COVID-19 Update

The City of Placentia is actively monitoring the situation involving the infectious disease outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). We are working closely with the federal, state and county agencies to receive the latest information on the Coronavirus. The City has created a dedicated webpage at www.placentia.org/coronavirus to provide the community with the most recent information about the coronavirus pandemic. We urge our community to practice social distancing and please wash your hands regularly.



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 04/14/20 Parks Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) Meeting
- 04/14/20 Planning Commission
- 04/21/20 City Council Meeting
- 05/05/20 City Council Meeting
- 05/12/20 Parks Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) Meeting

Meetings are subject to cancellation

For additional
information or

questions about this
Weekly Briefing please
email:

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Placentia Navigation Center Tour

On April 7, 2020, Mayor Ward Smith, City Administrator Damien Arrula and City Staff conducted a tour of the newly opened Placentia Navigation Center with Orange County Board of Supervisor Doug Chaffee and his staff. Since the opening of the Navigation Center on March 31, 2020, over 70 homeless persons have been referred and admitted to the Navigation Center.

Based on the local mandate by U.S. District Federal Judge David Carter, cities in the North SPA are required to work on a homeless housing plan for the region, which shall include creating Navigation Centers designed to house and service North Orange County cities' homeless population. The requirement for North SPA is to create Navigation Centers that would provide comprehensive supportive services including vocational services, recreational services, mental health, transportation services and 200 beds to the homeless residents of the North Orange County region.

The City held a virtual grand opening of the Navigation Center on March 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. via Facebook Live at www.facebook.com/placentiaca. To view the video on YouTube, please visit <https://youtu.be/qNKabQDoYb4>.



COMMUNITY SERVICES

Keeping Placentia Healthy Takes All of Us!

The City of Placentia is doing its part to prevent the spread of coronavirus by encouraging social distancing. The following park features are closed until further notice: **Playgrounds, fitness equipment, and sports courts**

Parks are still great places for residents to take walks or play games such as Frisbee or catch. Restrooms and open green spaces remain open. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.





Neighborhood Services

The Neighborhood Services office will continue to operate during its regular hours of operation. The Neighborhood Services office in Placentia offers emergency food and hygiene to low income families in Placentia. For more information on food programs and emergency assistance, please call (714) 986-2333.



Placentia Senior Center

Due to the recent concerns surrounding COVID-19 (coronavirus) and in line with County, State and Federal guidelines and recommendations, the City of Placentia has announced the temporary closure of the Placentia Senior Center. Although the Placentia Senior Center will be temporarily closed, participants of the Senior Center Lunch Program may choose to pick-up a box lunch Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or new participants living in the City of Placentia may enroll in the Meals on Wheels Program. Additionally, Placentia seniors who do not have transportation to the senior center, may sign up with Senior Center staff to receive home delivered meals. Seniors without internet access are encouraged to call (714) 993-8232 for updates between the hours of 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and at (714) 986-2333 on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Please be advised this program is only intended for senior residents of Placentia age 60 and over.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

ATM/Credit Card Fraud Awareness

The Placentia Police Department (PPD) has received reports of possible ATM/Credit Card fraud and when an unsuspecting person inserts their ATM or credit card and enters their information, the skimmer collects that information. The criminals can then take the banking information and steal money from the account. The easiest way to make sure that the gas pump has not been tampered with is to look at the security sticker (see attached photo). If the sticker is missing or looks like it has been tampered with, do not use that pump and let the employees know. If you have been a victim of this type of fraud and have not yet reported it, please call PPD so our officers can take a crime report.





DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Construction Well Underway on “The Herald” Luxury Apartments

The Herald luxury apartments by Lyon Living are currently under construction. The parking structure is approximately half constructed, with the residential building in front of that structure starting construction soon. The rendering shown demonstrates what the finished product will look like. The project site, previously occupied by the former Boys and Girls Club and Excalibur Extrusions, will now be home to the state-of-the-art, 215-unit, multi-family residential development and parking structure located at 150 E. Crowther Avenue within the City’s TOD Zone. The Herald, named for “a declaration of new beginnings and things to come”, will be a high-end rental community focusing on high-quality, luxury living with resort-style amenities such as a rooftop pool and lounge area, workout facilities, gourmet demonstration kitchen, high-quality courtyards with firepits, barbeques, pet walking areas and more.

This type of development will help to achieve the City’s goals established for the newly created Transit Oriented Development zone by fostering sustainable living and mobility by increasing pedestrian and bike friendly options to access mass transit. The developer (Lyon Living) is currently completing grading of the site, and the construction of the buildings has started. In fact, the contractor recently poured the footings for the concrete support columns of the parking structure. Impressively, this required a continuous pour of concrete involving approximately 100 cement mixer trucks. Lyon Living plans to finish the project within approximately 12-18 months. Please contact the Planning Division if you have any questions at (714) 993-8124.



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Placentia Library District

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VIRTUAL EGG HUNT APRIL 1-12

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