

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

Orange County COVID-19 Testing Network

The OC Health Care Agency (HCA) is pleased to announce the launch of the OC COVID-19 Testing Network, which offers COVID-19 testing starting Tuesday, April 21, 2020 to Orange County residents who meet the criteria detailed below.

The Network coordinates and expands testing across Orange County to create a safety net for any community member who is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms but is unable to receive testing through a health care provider.

The test identifies if someone is currently infected from a sample taken with a swab. It is not a blood test, nor does it test for antibodies. Residents with symptoms of COVID-19, which generally include fever, cough, and shortness of breath, should first contact their medical provider to get guidance on testing and care.

Individuals who are unable to be tested by their provider may schedule an appointment at any Network Test site to receive a medical screening and test. Initial locations include the following:

- AltaMed Medical Group, Anaheim
- AltaMed Medical Group, Santa Ana/Bristol
- Nhan Hoa Comprehensive Health Care Clinic, Garden Grove
- UCI Health, multiple locations

A continually-updated list of test sites, with information on scheduling and the appointment process, can be found at <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-testing-and-screening> or by calling the County’s Health Referral Line at [1 \(800\) 564-8448](tel:18005648448).

A Video Message from Mayor Ward Smith

Please visit the following link to view a video message from Mayor Ward Smith to the Placentia community on the coronavirus.

[Mayor’s Video Message](#)



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

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| 05/05/20 | City Council Meeting |
| 05/12/20 | Parks Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) Meeting |
| 05/12/20 | Planning Commission Meeting |
| 05/13/20 | Heritage Committee Meeting |
| 5/18/20 | Streetscape & Transportation Advisory Commission |

Meetings are subject to cancellation

For additional information or questions about this Weekly Briefing please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



COVID-19 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

Plasma Donations Needed

Torrance Fire Engineer Rickey Cradle is in need of a plasma donation to help him fight COVID-19. He needs plasma donated from a fully recovered COVID patient so that the antibodies can boost his ability to fight back.

To qualify as a plasma donor, you must:

- 1) Have had COVID as confirmed by a positive test
- 2) Already be recovered and have one of the following:
 - a.) Your symptoms resolved at least 28 days prior to donation; OR
 - b.) Your symptoms resolved 14 days prior to donation and a repeat COVID test is negative.
- 3) Be one of the following:
 - a.) Male donor
 - b.) Female donor who has never been pregnant
 - c.) Female donor who has been tested since their most recent pregnancy and had results interpreted as negative for HLA antibodies.

If you or someone you know fits this criteria, please contact Dr. Marc Cohen at emsdoc911@hotmail.com.

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.

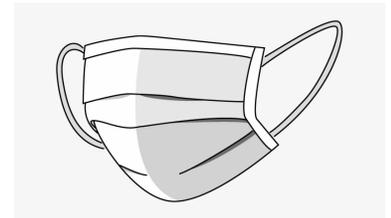


Certain Employees at some Essential Businesses Must Wear Face Coverings Effective Friday, April 24

The Orange County Board of Supervisors approved a directive that certain employees at some essential businesses must wear face coverings effective on Friday, April 24th. All employees of any grocery store, pharmacy/drug store, convenience store, gas station, restaurant, food preparation establishment, or retail store in Orange County who may have contact with the public must wear a cloth face covering while at work.

Employees must comply with this regulation for the health and safety of all in the community as it is enforceable by law enforcement per [Government Code section 8665](#).

Though the regulation issued by the Orange County Board of Supervisors does not apply to customers, County Health Officer Dr. Nichole Quick continues to strongly encourage residents to wear face coverings while engaged in essential activities outside the home.



For additional information regarding this directive, please visit the Orange County website at <https://ocCOVID19.ocHealthInfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations>

Orange County District Attorney's Office Honors National Crime Victims' Rights

The Orange County District Attorney's Office is honoring brave crime victims as part of National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Every April prosecutors, law enforcement officers and victim advocates come together to pay tribute to crime victims and their loved ones and hear survivors tell their stories of how they are moving forward and reshaping their lives.

While the Coronavirus pandemic forced the cancellation of our annual Victims' Rights March and Rally, we will never stop fighting for the courageous victims and the loved ones who support them.

This year's theme is "*Seek Justice. Ensure Victims' Rights. Inspire Hope.*"

"The voice of victims will never be silenced," said Orange County District Attorney Todd Spitzer. "The current situation has forced temporary court closures and challenged the criminal justice system in a way we have never before experienced. Despite these uncharted waters, the Orange County District Attorney's Office remains resolute in its commitment to fighting for victims in and out of the courtroom. The strength of crime victims inspires hope in us all."

To honor crime victims and ensure their voices continue to be heard, the Orange County District Attorney's Office produced a [video compilation](#) of past Victims' Rights Marches and the victims speaking out for their rights.

Please honor crime victims everywhere by watching – and sharing – [this important tribute](#) to these courageous individuals.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Applications Now Available for the City of Placentia Volunteer Program

Teens, 13-16 years of age, are invited to apply for the summer Volunteer Program through the Community Services Department. Participants will have the opportunity to receive on-the-job training, earn volunteer service hours for graduation, and develop friendships. Join the Community Services Department this summer and be a part of the multiple activities and events that will be conducted throughout the City. Applicants must be 13 years of age by June 1st. The deadline to apply is Thursday, May 14th at 5:30 p.m. Applications are available online at www.placentia.org/volunteer. For more information on the Volunteer Program, 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.

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.

Placentia Rotary Makes Face Shields

Due to a lack of protective face shields in the medical community, Rotary Clubs across the country have collaborated to be a part of the solution for the shortage of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Volunteers from the Placentia, Yorba Linda, and Anaheim Rotary Clubs are hard at work, making an additional 8000 face shields. These face shields will be distributed by local Rotary Clubs primarily to medical and care facilities in the local community. The City of Placentia is proud of the efforts of the local clubs and is happy to open up a facility for their use. For more information about the Placentia Rotary Club please visit www.placentiarotary.com.





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.

PUBLIC WORKS

Citrus Tree Gardening Tips for National Gardening Month

For many Californians, gardening is a relaxing outdoor activity that helps clear the mind, while adding beauty to their yards. April is National Gardening Month, and while we're all practicing social distancing at home, it's a great opportunity to get some fresh air and give your yard some TLC. In California, we have many different types of beautiful plants, and our bright and fragrant fruit trees are not only delicious to eat but are also a wonderful part of our state's tradition – now, about 6 in 10 California residences have a citrus tree on the property.

As we have a bit more time on our hands lately, now is a good time to inspect your citrus trees for pests and diseases. It's extremely important to look for signs and symptoms of the deadly and incurable citrus tree disease, Huanglongbing (HLB), which can be spread by a pest called the Asian Citrus Psyllid. Symptoms of HLB include asymmetrical blotchy and yellowing leaves, corky veins, premature and excessive fruit drop, lopsided fruit, and rancid-tasting fruit. Call the state's pest hotline at (800) 491-1899 if disease symptoms are seen on your tree. For photos and to learn more about HLB and the psyllid visit: californiacitrusthreat.org/pest-disease/.

Update on Phase I of FY 2019-20 Residential Slurry Seal Project

In November 2019, construction began Phase 1 of FY 2019-20 Residential Slurry Seal Project. This Measure U funded project will slurry seal more than 1.8 million square feet of residential streets in three different neighborhoods when completed. The slurry seal work in Area A, the first neighborhood of the project, was completed in December 2019. Due to the unpredictability of the weather during the winter months, the City halted construction on areas B and C of the project. Earlier this week, the City resumed work on this project and completed slurry seal work on Area C of the project and started work on Area B of the project. The slurry work on Area B is expected to be completed by the end of the next week.

Slurry seal is a preventative maintenance surface treatment designed to extend the useful service life of road pavement. The streets receiving this treatment are generally rated in good condition, so it's critically important to provide preventative maintenance to keep them in good condition. As long as a pavement surface is resealed on a regular basis, the useful service life of that street can be extended almost indefinitely. Slurry seal treatments are also extremely cost effective, between 30 and 40 cents per square foot. However, if the pavement surface is never maintained and needs to be completely repaved, it will cost more than \$1.40 per square foot to repave it. The upkeep of all City roads and streets is vital and projects to continue improving Placentia are in progress.



More Street Improvements and Repairs Coming to Placentia!

On April 21, 2020, the City Council awarded a construction contract for Phase 2 of the FY 2019-20 Residential Slurry Seal Project. The scope of work for this project entails the placement of rubberized slurry pavement sealant over 2.6 million square feet of residential streets. In addition, approximately 7,000 square feet of damaged asphalt pavement will be removed and replaced, approximately 9,000 square feet of damaged sidewalk panels will be removed and replaced, along with damaged concrete curb and gutter and replacement of all pavement striping and legends. This project is funded with a combination of Measure U, Measure M, and SB 1/RMA and State Gas Tax revenues. Construction is anticipated to begin next month and be completed in the summer. Staff is finalizing the construction schedule and will provide future updates on this project to the community.

This project is part of a series of street maintenance and rehabilitation projects budgeted by the City Council this fiscal year. The City plans to start soliciting bids for construction for the FY 2019-20 Arterial Roadway Rehabilitation Project and anticipates presenting a construction contract for the project to the City Council in July. This project will repave more than 1 million square feet of pavement on Bastanchury Road, Golden Avenue and Kraemer Boulevard. Please click here to see area maps for both projects: <https://www.placentia.org/DocumentCenter/View/8662/Summer-2020-Slurry-Seal-and-Arterial-Roadway-Project-Area-Maps>.

The City appreciates the patience of residents while we complete this much needed work on our streets. To see a map of next year's project area please click here: <https://www.placentia.org/DocumentCenter/View/8660/FY-2020-21-Pavement-Rehabilitation-Maintenance-Schedule->. To find out when your street will be repaved please visit: www.placentia.org/streetrehabschedule to view the current citywide pavement rehabilitation and maintenance schedule. Our goal is to repair or maintain every street in the City over the course of the next 7 years. This schedule will be updated in conjunction with annual funding availability and fluctuations in construction costs.

Please visit www.placentia.org/measureu to review all of this year's Measure U funded projects. For more information about the City's current capital improvement projects, please visit the City's website at www.placentia.org/cip.





POLICE DEPARTMENT

Placentia Police Department Purchases Three New Motorcycles

The Placentia Police Department is pleased to announce the purchase of 3 new motorcycles for our Traffic Bureau motor officers to work on. These BMW motorcycles are state of the art and are replacing our aging fleet of Honda motorcycles. The BMW's come with new technology including being able to operate on 87 octane gasoline instead of the 91 octane premium gasoline. This means that our motor officers can utilize the city's gas pumps located at the city corporation yard which ultimately saves tax payer money. More importantly, these new motorcycles were purchased with funds from Measure U! The City of Placentia and the Placentia Police Department once again say THANK YOU to the citizens of Placentia for passing Measure U! Without your support we could not provide our motor officers with these new and improved police motorcycles!



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Pending Development Project

Project Address	Project Description	Applicant	Project Status
1945 E. Veterans Way	50-unit multi-family apartment structure for homeless and/or disabled Veterans.	Mercy Housing	Under Construction; Grand Opening Scheduled for June 1, 2020
110-132 E. Crowther Ave.	215 unit 5-story apartment complex with roof top amenities and 6-story parking garage on a 2.95-acre lot.	The Placentia TOD Project Owner LLC	Under Construction; Completing utility connections & parking structure
SEC of Rose Drive and Alta Vista St.	10,500-square foot commercial retail building and 54, single family detached residential homes located on an 8.45-acre lot.	SC Development, LLC, c/o M. Paul Conzelman	Approved by City Council on 7/24/18; Grading underway
455 S. Van Buren St.	Development of 127, three-story townhome units on an approximately 5.7-acre site. Zoning of parcel to change from Manufacturing (M(O)) to High-Density Residential (R-3).	DeNova Homes	Under Entitlement Review



Pending Development Project-Cont.

Project Address	Project Description	Applicant	Project Status
1474 N. Kraemer Blvd. (SEC Kraemer & Yorba Linda)	To permit the development of a 7,000-square foot multi-tenant retail commercial building within an existing shopping center.	Blue Sands Management	Pizza Rev is under construction
SWC of Orchard Drive and Highland Avenue	To permit the development of an of four, three-story, multi-family buildings consisting of 16 residential townhomes located on a 1.24-acre unimproved vacant lot	HQT Homes	In Building Plan Check
505 W. Crowther Ave.	A 5-story, 418 Unit apartment building surrounding a 7-story parking structure on a 4.4-acre site.	JPI	In Building Plan Check
1808-1882 N. Placentia Ave.	Architectural Façade rehabilitation for entire Sierra Vista Plaza	Easton Pacific	Installing Signs
380 S. Placentia Ave.	5-story, 116 room hotel	Placentia Hospitality, LLC	Under Construction
718 & 719 S. Lakeview Ave.	To permit the development of two industrial buildings measuring 54,921 square foot (Building 1) and 39,456 square foot (Building 2) on two separate lots located within the C-M Zoning District.	Ajax Lakeview Development, LLC	In Building Plan Check
719 ½ Monroe Way (APN: 339-102-21)	To permit the development of a new 7,600 square foot 2-story industrial building located within the M Zoning District.	Randy Orozco	Approved by the Planning Commission on 7/9/19
1049 Golden Avenue	Proposing a single lot condominium map for 26 unit town homes with buildings on a 1.3 acre site.	Brandywine Homes – Angela Meyer	In Building Plan Check
1474 N. Kraemer Blvd.	To permit a development and operation of a drive-thru in conjunction with a comprehensive façade remodel for the Village Plaza shopping center.	Maikel Faragalla	Approved by the Planning Commission on 12/10/19
1275 E. Yorba Linda Blvd.	To permit the development and operation of a new automobile dealership and construction of an approximately 35,334 square foot dealership building	North Orange County Audi	In Building Plan Check
903 Arnold Dr.	A request to permit an approximately 3,721 square foot addition for conversion of an existing single-family residence into a proposed two-story triplex.	Jimmy Thanh Ba Nguyen	In Building Plan Check



Pending Development Project-Cont.

Project Address	Project Description	Applicant	Project Status
1521 N. Placentia Ave.	A request to permit the establishment and operation of a fitness studio that will offer personalized weight management plans and exercise classes at an existing 2,584 square foot retail space.	Leandra Smith	Approved by the Planning Commission on 2/11/20
954 Vista Ave.	Re-construct 938 square foot dwelling unit. Re-construct 97 square foot porch. Re-construct 34 square foot patio	Francisco Vazquez	Approved by the Planning Commission on 1/14/20
194 E. Yorba Linda Blvd.	Alcohol Permit to serve Beer and Wine in conjunction with food at a new "Off the Boat Fish Grill" restaurant	Ramsay Haralambous – R&M Foods Placentia, LLC	Approved by the Planning Commission on 4/14/20
319 E. Palm Dr.	Establishment and operation of a dance and music studio at an existing office building	Kris Huston, representing Huston School of Music and Theatre	Approved by the Planning Commission on 4/14/20
1851 E. Orange-thorpe Ave.	Remodel of the existing Del Taco building	Del Taco, LLC	In Building Plan Check
803 W. La Jolla St.	Constructing a new two story, 3-unit condo	CHD International	Approved by the Planning Commission on 4/14/20; City Council approval TBD
1314 N. Angelina Ave.	Construct two buildings, one with 47 units and one with 18 units and a new parish hall for an existing church.	National Community Renaissance of California, c/o Alexa Washburn	Under Entitlement Review
207-209 Crowther Ave.	The development of a mixed use community including 189 mixed-income apartment units and 1050 S.F. of retail on a 2.13 acre site of City owned property	USA Properties Fund Inc.	Pre-application submittal under review

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary



Placentia Library District

WEEKLY SUMMARY – May 1-7, 2020

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Virtual Storytime Programs

LUNA, LUNA! VIRTUAL BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

SUNSHINE BABIES & TODDLER TALES VIRTUAL STORYTIME

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

RISE AND SHINE! VIRTUAL STORYTIME

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary



Virtual Programs

ESTATE PRESERVATION CLASS

Saturday, May 2, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Virtual Zoom Meeting

What is a Will? What is a Trust? Who needs to make a Will or a Trust? This class will cover what Estate Planning is about and will also go over the different steps in basic estate preservation.

[Click here for info on how to join the Zoom meeting](#)

BOOK BRUNCH

Saturday, May 2, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Do you love talking about books and are craving interaction with others? Well so do librarians Megan and Michelle so join them for a chat about what you are currently reading, your favorite book, or your to be read pile. This will be a fun filled hour of book talk where you can pick up ideas for your next great read and be social during stay at home!

[Click here for info on how to join the Zoom meeting](#)

LATE NIGHT BOOK CHAT

Wednesday, May 6, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Do you love talking about books and are craving interaction with other readers? Join Placentia library for a late night book chat where we will discuss what everyone is reading and what our favorite books are. This will be a fun filled hour of book talk where you can pick up ideas for your next great read and enjoy interacting remotely with other readers. So put the kids to bed and join us for a Late Night Book Chat!

[Click here for info on how to join the Zoom meeting](#)

GAME ON: SMASH TOURNAMENT

Mondays, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Virtual on Nintendo Switch

Think you have what it takes hold the #1 spot on the Smash Leaderboard? Play Super Smash Bros ULTIMATE against

friends and folks from all across Placentia! Here's how to join our Arena: No registration required! *Must have a Switch, Super Smash Bros Ultimate and a Nintendo online pass* [Click here for info how to join.](#)



Game On: Smash Tournament

Mondays, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Virtual: [Click for information](#)



GAME ON: ANIMAL CROSSING

Wednesdays, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Virtual on Nintendo Switch

Calling all Villagers! Book your flight with Dodo Airlines to visit our island Lilliput; where the community comes together to create joy, wholesome content, friendships and a reprieve from our solitude of isolation. Share your tips and tricks, harvest needed resources and leave a message on the bulletin board.

The Lilliput gates will be open on Wednesdays from 2 p.m - 4 p.m for villagers to socialize. Our Placentia Library Nintendo friend code is SW-4152-8896-0411. Be sure to add us as a friend at least an hour before the start of the party to enter the island.

The Hangar

THE HANGAR MAKER TOURNAMENT!

Stretch your creativity and test your skill in the first of three challenges! Participate in all three challenges and win a \$20 Michaels gift card. All ages welcome!

BOREDOM-BUSING DIY VIDEOS

Posted weekly. [Click here.](#)

Recent video: [Paper Mache Book Art](#)

The Hangar
Where imagination and inspiration take flight!

THE HANGAR MAKER TOURNAMENT

Challenge Dates:

Paper Mache Challenge:	April 27 - May 4
Cardboard Challenge:	May 18 - May 25
Stop Motion Challenge:	June 15 - June 29

Learn new Skills — Use Things you Have at Home — WIN PRIZES!

Click here for more info!