

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

From: *Damien R. Arrula*

September 17, 2020



"Rich Heritage, Bright Future"

Virtual State of the City

The Placentia Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City, will be virtually hosting Mayor Ward Smith's State of the City Address on Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. on www.facebook.com/placentiaca. Mayor Smith will highlight the City's response to COVID-19 and the various developments over the last year as well as discuss upcoming developments.



To register for the event, please visit www.placentia.org/sotc.

League of Women Voters Hosts Candidates Forum

The League of Women Voters will be hosting a Candidates Forum on Monday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. via live broadcast. The forum will be broadcast live on Spectrum Channel 3, AT&T Channel 99 and at www.placentia.org/pctv. Questions for the candidates are to be submitted to Deborah Vagts at dvagts@gmail.com no later than Friday, October 2 at 6:00 p.m. In the subject of the email, please enter "Placentia City Council Candidates Forum." The League of Women Voters is an organization that does not endorse candidates or political parties. It does encourage the informed and active participation of citizens. To be better informed, tune in to the Candidates Forum for the Placentia City Council on October 5 at 6:00 p.m. For more information, please visit www.lwvnoc.org.



West Nile Virus Confirmed in Placentia

The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District has confirmed the first mosquito samples infected with West Nile Virus (WNV) in the City of Placentia. The surveillance traps were set in the area of Kraemer Memorial Park on September 9, 2020 and tested positive for WNV on September 11, 2020. Inspectors will be out in the area to check known sources of mosquito breeding and try to identify any unknown sources.

West Nile virus advisory posters will be placed in the affected areas and if we have continued positive mosquito samples, adult mosquito control may be conducted in the future.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 09/21/20 Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission
- 10/05/20 League of Women Voters Hosts Candidates Forum for Placentia City Council
- 10/06/20 City Council Meeting
- 10/13/20 Parks Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) Meeting

For additional
information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Air Quality Update

As fires continue to rage throughout Southern California and the entire west coast, we are experiencing extremely high levels of PM air pollution. Additionally, over Labor Day weekend, we experienced some of the highest ozone levels in decades, which was driven by the record-breaking heat wave and extremely stagnant meteorology leading to high ozone in our region. Use of the Air Quality Management District (AQMD) App can provide you with the most up to date air quality information for your specific area of interest.

Also, be on the lookout for daily advisory updates when there are significant smoke impacts in our jurisdiction. AQMD anticipates the current meteorological conditions to persist throughout the week. We do not know, however, when the fires will be contained. Depending on the weather conditions, short of rain, the smoke impacts are expected to linger for days once the fires are contained.

During these times when air pollution levels are high, we urge residents who see ash or smell smoke to avoid strenuous outdoor exercise and to stay inside with the windows and doors shut. If available, use air conditioning and/or an air purifier and replace the filters often to help remove particulate matter in the air.

AQMD has some additional resources online that can be useful when communicating with the public or on social media:

AQMD Wildfires and Ash Tips: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/wildfire-health-info-smoke-tips>

Wildfires and Your Health Factsheet: <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/air-quality/advisories/wildfiresandhealth.pdf?sfvrsn=14>

Community Workshop on Pension Lease Revenue Bonds

Please join us for a Community Workshop on Wednesday, September 30 at 6:00 p.m. in the Placentia Council Chambers to discuss the City's efforts in refinancing its Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) with the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) via the issuance of Lease Revenue Bonds (LRB). The taxable municipal bond rates remain substantially lower than the 7% CalPERS is charging the City on its UAL. By refinancing its UAL, the City can realize substantial budgetary savings and better manage future pension costs.



The Community Workshop will be broadcast live on AT&T U-verse (Channel 99), Spectrum (Channel 3) and online at www.placentia.org/pctv. The PowerPoint presentation and handouts will be available online as well. Additional information about this Community Workshop will be forthcoming.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Healthcare and Emergency Animal Rescue Team (HEART) Pet Clinics

The City has partnered with the Healthcare and Emergency Animal Rescue Team (HEART) to host monthly low-cost pet vaccination clinics for the community. The pet clinics will be hosted in the Placentia City Hall parking lot at 401 E. Chapman Ave., starting on Tuesday, September 22 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Reservations are required prior to arriving to the clinic and can be made by visiting the "Clinic Services" section at www.heart4pets.org. Pets will be served in order of their arrival time. For the safety of the public and staff, pet owners must remain in their vehicles and must wear a mask that covers the mouth and nose while visiting the clinic. For more information, please contact HEART at (714) 993-9193 or at heart4petsappointments@gmail.com.



Placentia's Heritage Festival and Parade Canceled

The City of Placentia and the Heritage Festival Committee have worked collaboratively for over the past 50 years to celebrate Placentia's Heritage and bring the annual Parade and Festival to the community every October

Over the years, the event has faced many revisions and challenges, from a new parade route to a new park location. Hundreds of vendors, non-profits, local businesses, car clubs, marching bands, and community groups have successfully been a part of these event changes since the festival's inception.

The parade has even featured famous Grand Marshals from James Cameron, director of many blockbuster films, to Mickey Mouse himself. The Heritage Festival is one of the most beloved special events within the Placentia community and it has been a true joy for the City and the Committee to bring this community-wide event to life each year.

While the Heritage Festival is an annual tradition in Placentia, the health and safety of our residents, first responders, participants, volunteers, and staff are of the utmost importance to the City and the Committee. Given the State and County COVID-19 guidelines prohibiting large-scale in person events, the City and the Heritage Festival Committee have come to the determination that the event cannot safely proceed this October. Therefore, during these unprecedented times, the City and the Committee have made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Heritage Festival, originally scheduled for October 10, 2020.

The City and the Committee plan to continue monitoring State and County health guidelines as the year progresses and look forward to bringing the Heritage Festival back in the future, when it is safe to do so. For more information or to inquire about vendor refunds, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.





POLICE DEPARTMENT

Military Banner Recognition Program

On July 24, 2018 the Placentia City Council approved the Placentia Military Banner Recognition Program. The program, known as Placentia "Hometown Heroes," honors and recognizes Placentia residents currently serving as an active-duty member in a full-time capacity in the United States Armed Forces. Branches of service include Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, National Guard, and Navy. Honorees must have a current place of residence in Placentia, or have an immediate family member (parent, spouse, son, daughter, grandparents) residing in Placentia.

The banners will be installed along Kraemer Boulevard and Yorba Linda Boulevard based on the City's discretion and will remain on display for two years. The City will not be responsible for replacing banners that are stolen, damaged, destroyed due to sun, weather, vandalism or any act of nature beyond our control such as high winds.

Upon the end of the display period, the banner will be given to the person named on the banner application.

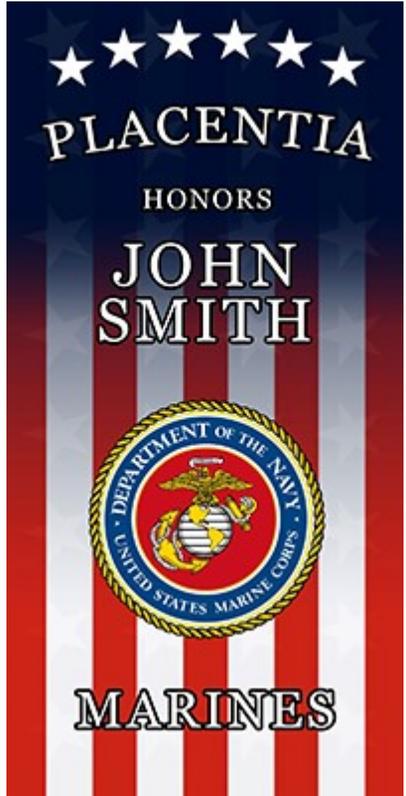
Applications will be accepted through October 21, allowing time for the banners to be ordered and installed during the month of November. The cost to display each customized banner is \$260 and each serviceperson is allowed one banner.

Please visit the link below to view the application.

www.placentia.org/militarybanner

Welcome Officer Fonseca

On Wednesday, September 16, Chief Lenyi swore in our newest Police Officer. Officer Jose Fonseca came to Placentia after spending approximately 6 years as an officer at the Los Angeles Unified School District Police Department. Welcome to Placentia Officer Fonseca!





DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Del Taco Undergoing Remodel

Del Taco is currently undergoing a remodel! It is located at 1851 E. Orangethorpe Avenue at the northeast corner of Richfield Road and Orangethorpe Avenue. Built in 1988, the building has not undergone a remodel since its original construction. The proposed exterior façade upgrades will feature a new tower element, stonework, parapet walls, and two channel letter signs. To comply with ADA (American with Disabilities Act) requirements, the building will be expanded to enclose an existing exterior corridor that leads to the exiting bathrooms. The drive thru will remain open during the remodeling project, so you can still swing by to pick up tacos, burritos, burgers, and more. For those with a sweet tooth, there are donut bites, churros, and a variety of milkshakes. Open hours are Monday through Sunday, 24 hours a day. A link to Del Taco's website menu is here: <https://www.deltaco.com/menu>.

City Receives Prestigious Award from the American Planning Association

The California Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA CA) has awarded the City of Placentia its "2020 Award of Merit for Opportunity and Empowerment" for the Health, Wellness, and Environmental Justice Element for the Placentia General Plan.

The APA CA Awards Program encourages quality in planning and increases the public's awareness of the planning profession by recognizing outstanding achievement in the planning field. APA CA Planning Awards are presented annually at the APA California Conference in two categories: Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit.

The City of Placentia endeavors to be a leader in planning practices. The City's Development Services Department is responsible for creating a livable community that balances the needs of residents, businesses, property owners, and visitors. The City of Placentia's Health, Wellness, and Environmental Justice Element of the recently updated Placentia General Plan focuses on addressing SB 1000 requirements, which compels local governments to address disproportionate pollution burdens and the unique health risks that accompany the exposure experienced by low-income communities. This Element's goal is to improve conditions in disadvantaged communities with elevated pollution levels and provides specific, holistic policies and goals designed to ensure the health of these communities is prioritized as future projects and plans are considered.

"Placentia is proud of these efforts to continue to improve upon our citywide planning efforts which focuses on our disadvantaged communities and their health," said Mayor Ward Smith. "The City Council is pleased to have our City recognized among some of the most notable planning efforts in the entire State of California."

"This award highlights our City Council's vision and the community's commitment in working together to create a healthier community, particularly for disadvantaged communities," said City Administrator Damien R. Arrula.



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Recipients of the Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit were formally announced and honored at the APA CA 2020 annual conference, which took place virtually on September 16, 2020. APA California provides vision and leadership that fosters better planning for California, builds public and political support for sound planning and provides its members with the tools, services and support that advance the art and science of planning. For more information on this organization, please visit: www.apacalifornia.org.

For more information about the City of Placentia's planning efforts and Development Services Department, please visit www.placentia.org/developmentservices or call (714) 993-8268. This is the second award that has been received for the City's General Plan.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Fire and Life Safety Department Places Fire Truck 2 In Service

The Placentia Fire and Life Safety Department has placed Fire Truck 2 in service as of September 14, 2020. Fire Truck 2 is a 2020 Seagrave Marauder II Quint with a 100 foot aerial ladder. This apparatus is capable of low and high angle technical rescue and will be especially valuable in any emergency response to the 5-story apartment building under construction in the City, as well as the Metrolink Station and Parking Structure.

Quints are highly functional type of emergency vehicles that provide the following five features:

- Supply fire streams (pump and hose)
- Provide initial and continuing water supply (pump, water tank, and hose)
- Provide firefighters with access to elevated areas (ground ladders and aerial device)
Provide elevated master fire stream (pump, hose, and aerial device)

Quints will carry auto extrication equipment (the Jaws of Life), forcible entry tools, repelling equipment, as well as additional rescue equipment.

Finally, this vehicle can also function as a Engine Company as well; it is outfitted with a 500 gallon water tank and a medium-pressure pump capable of pumping over 1,000 gallons per minute. It is fully stocked with supply and attack fire hose to begin initial fire suppression operations. Fire Truck 2 will be stationed at Fire Station 2, 1530 Valencia Avenue.





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

City Refuses and Recycling Services

The City contracts with Republic Services to Provide refuse, recycling and green waste collection for all City residents and commercial businesses. Single-family residential accounts are billed and collected by the City via an annual property tax assessment. Commercial accounts including multifamily complexes are billed directly by Republic Services on a monthly basis. In order to establish additional residential services or new commercial services or to report with a service, please contact Republic Services at (714) 238-3300. To view the current rate schedule and learn more about how rates are set annually, please visit <https://www.placentia.org/884/City-Refuse-and-Recycling-Rates>. To report complaints that could not be resolved with Republic Services, please contact Elsa Robinson, Management Analyst at erobinson@placentia.org or (714) 993-8189.

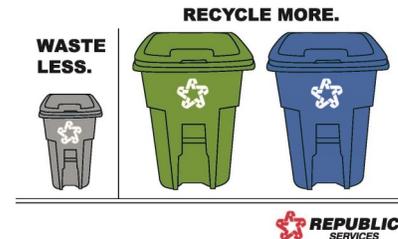
Free Bulky-Item Curbside Collection Services

Placentia homeowners are entitled to three (3) FREE curbside bulky item collections (up to 10 items per collection) per year through the City's contract with Republic Services. They will haul away old appliances, electronics and furniture at no cost to you! These special collections are provided by appointment only and are scheduled within seven (7) days of the service request. For more information and/or to schedule a bulky item pick-up today, please call Republic Services at (714) 238-3300. If you contact Republic Services and received a collection date longer than seven (7) days, please contact Elsa Robinson, Management Analyst at erobinson@placentia.org or (714) 993-8189 for further assistance.



Free Refuse Container Cleaning & Replacement

Placentia residents and businesses are entitled to annual replacement and/or steam cleaning of their bins and roll off containers through the City's contract with Republic Services. If you have a refuse cart or container that needs cleaning or is damaged, please contact Republic Services at (714) 238-3300 to request these services.



EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

[Placentia Library District Weekly Summary](#)

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Placentia Library District

WEEKLY SUMMARY – September 18-24, 2020

Follow us on social media!
Instagram: @placentialib
Facebook: @PlacentiaLibrary

Library News

PLACENTIA LIBRARY RE-OPENS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Includes in-person browsing and checkout, passports, computer access, curbside pickup & more! Visit our website www.placentialibrary.org to learn more about our re-opening.

**Placentia Library is closed until September 21 and curbside, home delivery and bookdrop service is not available.*

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 2020 LIBRARY NEWSLETTER NOW AVAILABLE

Find out what's happening at the library this fall! Programs include pickup craft programs, virtual storytimes, adult literacy tutoring, and more.

Please visit our website at www.placentialibrary.org for more info.



Adult and Teen Hangar Take and Make: DIY Kits

SEPTMEBER KIT: BACK TO SCHOOL BOOKBINDING

Pickup resumes September 21

Who says bookbinding is a dying art in a digital age?! Learn a simple bookbinding technique to create your own book or journal! Ask for your Take and Make Kit while you're at the library's curbside delivery and make sure you check out the full tutorial below. *While supplies last.*

Learn more about the DIY kits on our website: www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-diy-kits and www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-preorder

Virtual Children's Programs

STEAM CLUB

Wednesday, September 23, 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

Join us on September 23rd at 3:00 PM to learn all about acid and base reactions and how to make your own FIZZ INFLATOR at home!!

Materials List:

- One small empty plastic soda or water bottle
- 1/2 cup of vinegar
- Small balloon
- Baking soda
- Funnel or piece of paper

STEAM Club

Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m.
Sept 23, Oct 21, Nov 25
Facebook Live
facebook.com/placentialibrary

VIRTUAL STORYTIMES **FALL 2020 SCHEDULE!**

- Luna, Luna Bilingual Storytime is every other Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
 - Next program is Wednesday, September 30
- Sunshine Babies & Toddler Tales Storytime is Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.
 - Storytime break: October 1 & 8
- Rise and Shine Storytime is Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
 - Storytime break: September 26 & October 3

Our storytimes held on Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/placentialibrary) and are saved so you can watch them later!



Virtual Teen & Adult Programs

LITERACY SERVICES

Literacy is still offering all of its programs virtually during the closure, including Read, Write, Speak Club; Literacy Reads book club; and 1-to-1 tutoring. Please visit our website at placentialibrary.org for more info.

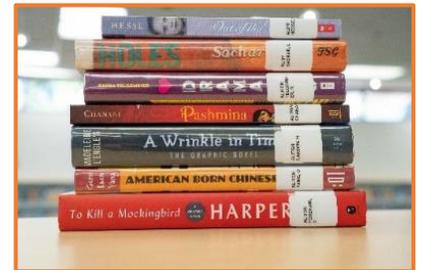
PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)

First and Third Thursdays, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Virtual Meeting

Next meeting: Thursday, October 1

The Placentia Teen Advisory Council is open to all high school students interested in gaining community service experience, volunteer hours, and leadership skills, through planning and supporting library events. For more information contact Victor Meza at (714) 528-1906 ext. 234 or vmeza@placentialibrary.org.



TEEN REVIEW CREW

Need community services hours?! The Teen Review Crew provides an opportunity for teens ages 14-18 to earn community service hours by submitting qualifying book reviews. Reviews will be posted on the library's website and social media. Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/teen-review-crew

Stay Informed and Follow Us!

APPLY FOR A LIBRARY CARD ONLINE

September is Library Card Signup Month! Click here to apply for a Virtual Library Card: www.bit.ly/PlacentiaLibraryCard, or visit our website for info. And when the library re-opens, currently planned for September 21, you may upgrade your virtual card to a regular library card or apply for a library card if you do not have a virtual one. (Current library card holders can already access all Placentia Library resources with their existing library card numbers and should not apply for a virtual card.)

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

Instagram: [@placentialib](https://www.instagram.com/placentialib)

FEATURED DATABASE: CHECK OUT DIGITAL MAGAZINES WITH RBDIGITAL

Access your favorite magazine for free, digitally through RBDigital! Current and back issues are available with no holds. Log in with your library card.

<https://www.rbdigital.com/placentiaca/service/magazines/landing>

DATABASES, EBOOKS & MORE

Learn more about our electronic databases and resources at:

https://www.placentialibrary.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/eXPLORE_Fall_2020_Database_Pages.pdf



Move More, Eat Healthy



Live virtual classes

Click on any of the class titles with the instructor's name to access the class.

*See instructions on bottom of page for more information

Zumba w/ Patty

Monday - Saturday
9 - 10 am

Join her Facebook Group
"**Bailando con Patty**" to get
access to her classes

Zumba w/ Veronica

Monday & Wednesday
5 pm - 6 pm

Saturdays
10 am - 11 am

**Via Zoom app
Zoom ID: 974-4717-7069

Zumba w/ Emeli

Tuesdays
6 pm - 7 pm

**Via Zoom app
Zoom ID:
475-352-8537

Dance Fitness w/ Gissell

Thursdays
5 pm - 6 pm

LIVE on **Move More Eat
Healthy** Facebook page

Stretching w/ Emeli

Tuesday & Thursday
12 pm - 1 pm

**Via Zoom app
Zoom ID:
475-352-8537

Pound Fitness w/ Melissa

Sundays
9 am - 10 am

**Via Zoom app
Zoom ID:
723-4781-1332
Password: Pound

Zoom App:

1. Download the free "Zoom" app from your apple store or play store. (you do not need to create an account to join)
2. Open the Zoom app and click the Join button
3. Enter the Zoom ID listed under the class you want to participate in and wait for it to load

Facebook live classes

1. Go to the Facebook page/ group that you want to take on the app or via website
2. Click on the live video to expand and enter the class

Move More, Eat Healthy



Clases virtuales en vivo

Haga clic en el título de la clase que quiere participar para entrar.

*Consulte las instrucciones en la parte inferior de la página para obtener más información.

Zumba w/ Patty

Lunes-Sabado
9 - 10 am

-Sigue el grupo de Facebook Group "**Bailando con Patty**" para entrar a las clases

Zumba w/ Veronica

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Zoom App:

1. Descarga la aplicacion de 'Zoom' gratuita en su telefono usando apple store o en el play store. (No tiene que crear una cuenta)
2. Haga clic en 'Join' despues de abrir la aplicacion de Zoom. Ingrese la identificacion del Zoom y espera que empieza el clase

Facebook live classes

1. Entra en la pagina or app de Facebook y escoge la pagina o grupo
2. Haga clic en el video LIVE



News Release

Date: September 17, 2020
District: 12
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Phone: (657) 328-6621

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE4

Full Freeway Closure to Affect Northbound State Route 57

SANTA ANA– Caltrans (District 12) will be **closing Eastbound and Westbound Lincoln on-ramps to Northbound SR-57** for the replacement of an overhead sign structure. These closures are expected to cause major traffic delays. Caltrans advises travelers to avoid this area.

Work is scheduled for

September 23rd to September 24th from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.
September 24th to September 25th from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.
September 25th to September 26th from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

The detours from Northbound SR-57 off-ramp are as follows:

Northbound SR-57 and Westbound SR-91

1. Left onto WB Lincoln Ave
2. Right onto NB State College Blvd

Eastbound SR-91

1. Right onto EB Lincoln Ave
2. Left onto NB Glassell St

All updates and details will be posted on all Caltrans OC social media platforms (Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook: [@CaltransOC](#)).

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