

City Administrator's
Weekly Briefing



“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

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ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

2021 Taste of Placentia

Come out and enjoy the warm summer night with live music and samples from local restaurants and breweries while also meeting local businesses. Guests can expect great food, drinks, and fun for the entire family. The 2021 Taste of Placentia will take place **tonight**, August 19th from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Tri-City Park. The event will feature live music by The Hodads from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Please feel free to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets. DJ Slim Dee will also be playing music in the event area throughout the evening. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for kids.

Hamer Island Annexation Community Meeting

The City of Placentia has one unincorporated County island surrounded by the municipal boundaries of the City. This unincorporated area is commonly referred to as Hamer Island and is comprised of 303 single-family homes. Orange County has determined that municipalities are generally more effective providers of daily programs and services and has requested that the City of Placentia annex Hamer Island into its municipal boundaries. The Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission (OC LAFCO) is responsible for assisting counties and cities in annexing adjacent unincorporated islands. There will be a community meeting on Wednesday, August 25th at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the Aguirre Building at Champion Sports Park. For more information, please visit www.placentia.org/hamerisland.

Notice of Treatment for the Asian Citrus Psyllid

Between April 3, 2017 to July 2, 2021, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) confirmed the presence of the causative bacterial agent of the citrus disease huanglongbing (HLB) in citrus tree tissue and insect vectors collected in the cities of Anaheim, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Irvine, La Habra, Orange, Placentia, Santa Ana, Tustin, Westminster, and Yorba Linda, in Orange County. HLB is a devastating disease of citrus and is spread through feeding action by populations of the Asian citrus psyllid (ACP), *Diaphorina citri* Kuwayama. The treatment plan for the HLB infestation shall be implemented as follows: All host plants found to be infected with HLB will be removed and destroyed using mechanical means in order to stop the spread of the disease. Residents of affected properties will be invited to a public meeting or contacted directly by CDFA staff. Residents will be notified in writing at least 48 hours in advance of any treatment. After treatment, completion notices are left with the residents detailing precautions to take and post-harvest intervals applicable to the citrus fruit. Treatment information is posted [here](#). For any questions related to this program, please contact the CDFA at (800) 491-1899.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 8/20/21 Movies in the Park
- 8/24/21 Housing Element Community Workshop
- 8/26/21 Concerts in the Park
- 9/3/21 Movies in the Park
- 9/6/21 Veterans Advisory Committee Meeting

**For additional
 information or**

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

OCTA Youth Ride Free Program

Beginning in September, children ages 6 to 18 will be able to ride all OC Bus every day for free during a six-month promotion from the Orange County Transportation Authority. This is a great way for all kids to ride to school, work and play and is particularly valuable for high-school teens to help them access education and jobs as they enter the workforce. The Youth Ride Free pass will be available in September and will work until February 28, 2022 on all of the clean, cool reliable fixed-route buses. For more information on this program, please [click here](#).

County of Orange Redistricting Efforts

The County of Orange is in process of redistricting the County Supervisorial districts this summer. Redistricting is the regular process of adjusting the lines of voting districts in accordance with population shifts. The redistricting process is done every 10 years for local, state and federal governmental bodies by using updated Census data. The California Citizens Redistricting Commission is holding Community of Interest (COI) input meetings. At these meetings people can share their input on how they want lines drawn for Congressional Districts, Senate Districts, State Assembly Districts, and Board of Equalization Districts. The meetings are currently being held virtually and the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 1st at 4:00 pm. For more information on how to participate, please [click here](#). Please note that Orange County is referred to as Zone J. You can also submit input via the online tool by visiting <https://drawmycacommunity.org/>.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Movies and Concerts in the Park are Back this Summer!

The next Movie in the Park will be tomorrow, August 20th and will feature Disney's 'Incredibles.' Movies begin at dusk, and participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs for comfortable viewing. Movies in the Park are held at the Champions Sports Complex, 505 Jefferson Street. Local nonprofit, LOT318, will be onsite selling drinks and snacks. Also, free glow necklaces will be distributed to all children in the audience. The Movies in the Park are free and will be held on August 20th and September 3rd. The Summer Movies series is hosted in partnership with Republic Services. The City thanks our sponsor Republic Services for making this event possible. For more information, please visit www.placentia.org/movies. In addition to the Summer Movies series, Concerts in the Park is back at Tri-City Park, 2301 North Kramer Boulevard. The final Concert will be held on August 26th and will feature the Darden Sisters, specializing in the sounds of Modern Americana. The Concerts series is hosted in partnership with the Placentia Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission. The Concert will begin at 6:30 pm, and admission is free. In addition, light snacks and dinner options will be available for purchase. For more information, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

Heritage Festival Vendor Applications Are Now Available!

The 56th Annual Placentia Heritage Festival and Parade will return this fall! The event will be held on Saturday, October 9th. The event begins at 7:00 am with a pancake breakfast. The festivities at Tri-City Park will start at 10:00 am and include family games, inflatables, food booths, crafters, home-based businesses, a business expo, and a variety of nonprofit displays. The event will also feature the 34th Annual Heritage Festival Car Show.



Vendor applications are now available on the City's website; please [click here](#) to view the 2021 Heritage Festival applications. For more information, call Community Services at (714) 993-8232.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Applications for New Blue-Ribbon Committee Extended

The City has extended the deadline for applications for the newly formed Blue-Ribbon Committee which will provide input and guidance for a proposed Senior/Community Center. The current Senior Center is housed in the former City Library, which is the Powell building. The Powell building is a 100-year-old building which is 4,732 sq. ft. with limited ability to provide programs for our Senior population. According to the census data, Placentia's population is increasing with the 65 and older age group representing the largest demographic shift. The Senior age group has grown from 9.1% to 13.8% of the City's total population. The Backs building which was built in 1970 and is 4,600 sq. ft. in size is the City's largest facility for special events, classes, community meetings and large community gatherings. When the building was built in 1970, Placentia's population was approximately 25,000 compared to today at approximately 53,000. The majority of our Senior population and other residents of all ages utilize our adjacent cities facilities for recreation programs and services. Yorba Linda has a 28,000 sq. ft. Senior/Community Center and Brea has a 51,000 sq. ft. Community Center compared to Placentia's 4,732 sq. ft. Senior Center and lack of a Community Center. Based upon current and forecasted demographics, there is a significant lack of existing facilities that are adequate enough to handle current and future needs of the Placentia community. A dual-purpose facility with a minimum of 30,000 sq. ft. is needed to properly serve our seniors and residents of all ages. At the July 20, 2021 City Council meeting, the City Council approved the potential of constructing a proposed multi-use Senior/Community Center and the formation of a Blue-Ribbon Committee. The Blue-Ribbon Committee will be comprised of one (1) resident from each Council district, one (1) resident from the Senior Advisory Committee, one (1) resident from the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission, and two (2) City Council Members that will work with the Blue-Ribbon Committee and City Staff. Once the Committee is selected, committee members will decide the meeting dates and frequency of meetings. Meetings will be opened to the public. If you are interested in the Blue-Ribbon Committee, complete and submit the application by Tuesday, August 31st. [Click here](#) for the application.

Fall 2021 Recreation Class Registration

Fall programs registration will begin online at 12:01 am on Monday, August 30th and will be available in person from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm at City Hall, 401 E. Chapman Ave. Sports programs, virtual classes, science camps, Tiny Tot Kindergarten Readiness, and music and art classes will all be offered this fall. All classes are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. To browse the Placentia Palm Quarterly for available classes and programs, [click here](#). Complete your registration online by visiting www.placentia.org/classes. For more information, contact (714) 993-8232.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Community Workshop for City's Housing Element Update

Please join us in person or virtually to learn about what happens when the City updates its Housing Element, why the City is required to do so, and what opportunities community members have to give feedback. The Housing Element identifies the City's housing needs and conditions and establishes goals, objectives, and policies that form the basis of the City's vision and strategy for enhancing and preserving the community's character and expanding housing opportunities for all Placentia's community members. Your participation is important to help plan for Placentia's housing future. The community workshop will be held on **Tuesday, August 24th** at 6:00 p.m. at the Whitten Community Center, 900 S. Melrose Street. The community workshop will also be held virtually, please [click here](#) for more information. For any questions, contact City Staff at DSD@placentia.org or (714) 993-8124. Please visit the City's website for updates on the City's progress on the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update at www.placentia.org/housingelement.



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

New Industrial Building Update

The City will have a new two-story, 36,966-square foot industrial building located at 736 Richfield Road, just south of Orangethorpe Avenue. This clean and contemporary tilt-up building will be a welcomed addition to the City's Manufacturing District. The first floor of the building will each comprise a 2,300-square foot office area and machinery/warehouse/storage area. The second floor consists of a 2,300-square foot office and storage space. A variety of native and ornamental landscaping, such as yucca, palm trees, and drought-tolerant ground cover, will decorate the front portion of the building and along the parking area. The property owner and occupying tenant manufactures corrugated packaging products and intends to use the proposed industrial building for his business.



Construction for the building has commenced, with the building slab poured and the exterior walls expected in the next couple of weeks. The City of Placentia is excited to monitor progress on this new addition to Richfield Road.

To receive updates on the project's status, contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Placentia Police K9 Kyra Turns 7!

Please join the Placentia Police Department in celebrating K9 Kyra's 7th birthday!! Kyra has been in service with the Placentia Police Department for approximately 5 years and is trained in narcotics detection. During her 5 years of service, she has assisted officers in seizing over 1,000 pounds of illegal narcotics and approximately \$10 million dollars from the sale of illegal narcotics. Happy Birthday Kyra!





FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Placentia Fire and Life Safety Update

Last week, we mentioned the old hose cart and extinguisher that your Firefighters were working on refurbishing. We are proud of the hard work and dedication that went into refurbishing them and are excited to show off the results. Take a look at the pictures below to see the finished project!



Finally, do you ever wonder why first responders request that you pull over to the right when they are responding to emergencies? For safety reasons, emergency vehicles are only permitted to pass vehicles on the left, unless as a last resort. We appreciate you helping us by pulling to the right when you see and hear emergency lights and sirens.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Upcoming Measure U Funded Street Resurfacing Project

On July 20, 2021, the City Council awarded a construction contract for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 Roadway Rehabilitation Project. This Measure U funded project will repave more than 1.5 million square feet of pavement on Madison Avenue, Melrose Street, and Chapman Avenue as well as a number of collector and residential streets. In addition, damaged sidewalk panels within the project area will be removed and replaced, along with damaged concrete curb and gutter and replacement of all pavement striping and legends. Please [click here](#) to view a map of the project area. The entire project is estimated to be completed by November 2021. The City's contractor will begin mobilizing and performing the concrete improvements in late August. Actual construction of the road improvements is scheduled to start in mid-September and be completed by the beginning of November. The City made a significant effort to start and complete this project in the summer to minimize impacts to school traffic. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City was faced with delays during the engineering design and procurement phases. This combined with a shortage of construction materials and schedule conflicts for the contractor delayed the start date for the project.

The City understands that there will be inconveniences due to the construction of this project and will try to maintain access and minimize any expected lane closures and delays. Changeable message signs will be placed in the project vicinity before construction begins to notify residents of the dates and time of construction. During construction, "No Parking" signs will be posted in advance of work. Unexpected schedule changes may occur. The City will continue to provide updates on this project to the community including upcoming traffic impacts and schedule changes. The City appreciates the patience of residents while working on paving projects. 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, visit www.placentia.org/cip.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary



Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – August 20-26, 2021

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LUNCH AT THE LIBRARY

Thanks to everyone who stopped by our Lunch at the Library drive-thru program this summer!



Library Hours*

Monday - Thursday - 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*Curbside Service available up to one hour before closing.

Passport Hours

Monday - Thursday - 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Contact Us

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Children's Programs

STORYTIMES ARE BACK!

Your favorite storytimes are back at Placentia Library District!

- Luna Luna:
Wednesday, September 1 @ 6:30 p.m.
- One Upon A Storytime:
Thursday, September 2 @ 10 a.m.
- Family Storytime:
Saturday, September 4 @ 10 a.m.

Check our website or Explore newsletter to see more dates for these recurring programs.

NEW COLLECTION: WONDERBOOKS

We have a new collection of picture books with an audio component built in so your little listener can hear the story read aloud to them! Come check out some of your favorite stories and discover new titles too!

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LIBRARY DISTRICT

Adult, Teen and Literacy Programs

LITERACY

Adult Literacy programs are still available. 1-on-1 tutoring is virtual and in-person instruction. Read, Write, Speak Club and Literacy Reads book club are virtual. Please visit www.placentialibrary.org/services/literacy for more info.

THE HANGAR DIY LAB

Monday: 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 12:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.*

Thursday: 12:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.*

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

*Closed 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.



Check www.placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab for upcoming Hangar closure dates

Placentia Library welcomes you to The Hangar, a place to design, build, tinker, explore, and create! Use our maker equipment to develop your projects, pick up a new hobby, or get expert advice from our resident Tinkerer. The Hangar is open to adults and teens ages 14+ with a valid library card, ID, and signed waiver. Makers ages 9-13 are welcome with supervision from a parent or guardian.

ADULT & TEEN HANGAR TAKE AND MAKE AUGUST PICKUP: CUTE AS A BUTTON HARRY POTTER ART

Pickup began August 3, while supplies last

Raise your wands (and your sewing needles)! This canvas art will have you practicing your sewing skills until the very end! Ages 14+. More info at

<https://www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-diy-kits>



PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)

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

Next meeting: September 2 in the Community Meeting Room

www.placentialibrary.org/ptac

Featured Library Services

PLACENTIA LIBRARY HISTORY ROOM

The History Room is now open any time the library is open! Interested in local history?

Next time you are in the library, swing into the history room and browse our local history collection. Discover Placentia through books, photographs, oral histories, maps and other materials that document our city's rich and interesting history.



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