



City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

June 5, 2025

Administration Department

City Council Meeting Recap - June 3rd

Below are some highlights from the City Council Meeting held on June 3, 2025.

Consent Calendar

Setting of Annual Special Tax Rate for FY 2025026 for Community Facilities District (Old Town Maintenance Services)

The City Council approved the levy of an annual special tax for the Old Town Community Facilities District (CFD) to fund maintenance services for FY 2025-26. This tax will generate \$1,540.52 in revenue for the district. The levy includes a slight increase in the tax rate based on the Consumer Price Index, ensuring continued support for the streetscape maintenance and improvements in Old Town Placentia as part of the City's revitalization efforts.

Setting of Annual Special Tax Rate for FY 25-26 for Community Facilities District (TOD Maintenance Services)

The City Council approved the levy of an annual special tax for the Transit Oriented District (TOD) Maintenance Services Community Facilities District (CFD) for FY 2025-26. This tax will generate \$99,088.09 in revenue to fund the ongoing maintenance and repairs of public infrastructure in the TOD, such as streetscape improvements and stormwater basins. The tax rates for various property types were increased by 3.4%, which aligns with the Consumer Price Index.

Setting of Annual Special Tax Rate for FY 25-26 for Community Facilities District (Public Services CFD)

The City Council approved the levy of an annual special tax for Community Facilities District (CFD) (Public Services) for FY 2025-26, which will generate \$214,417.12 in revenue. The tax rates for single-family and multi-family residential properties increased by 5% based on the Consumer Price Index, with the new rates set at \$390.684 per single-family unit and \$295.186 per multi-family unit. This revenue will support public safety services for new residential developments.

Measure M Eligibility Application Package for FY 25-26

The City Council approved the submission of the Measure M eligibility application package to OCTA for FY 2025-26, ensuring continued eligibility for local fair share M2 funds. This action includes adopting a seven-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project list and confirming compliance with various transportation requirements, such as the Circulation Element and the Mitigation Fee Program. The City is expected to receive approximately \$1,168,171 in Measure M funds for the fiscal year to support local transportation projects.

Kraemer Memorial Park Fountain Landscape Project

The City Council received a staff report for the Kraemer Memorial Park Fountain Landscape Project, which was awarded to Kormex Construction Inc. for \$24,000. The project, funded through Park Impact Fees, will enhance the park's aesthetics by landscaping the fountain area and installing a drip irrigation system.

Award of Contract for the Purchase and Installation of Safety Netting at Torii Hunter Field at Kraemer Memorial Park

The City Council awarded a contract to purchase and install safety netting at Torii Hunter Field in

Kraemer Memorial Park. The project, funded through a \$60,000 St. Jude Grant, will improve safety for park users and support community sports programs. The grant fully covers the total contract amount of \$44,770.

City Administrator Employment Agreement with Jennifer Lampman

The City Council approved an employment agreement with Jennifer Lampman, appointing her as Placentia's City Administrator, following her temporary appointment as Acting City Administrator.

Public Hearings

City of Placentia FY 25-26 Annual Operating Budget, Position Allocation Plan, Annual Gann Appropriations, CIP, and Placentia Public Financing Authority Annual Budget

Staff presented a proposed budget that reflects a continued focus on fiscal sustainability, core service delivery, and preparing for the City's 2026 Centennial Celebration. The City Council voted to approve the recommended budget with guidelines for staff to come back in 90 days with additional ideas for budget cuts to try to balance the budget. They also voted to include the proposed reductions presented at the [June 2nd Special Meeting](#) in the budget, and allocate the \$880,000 of Measure U funds previously identified for use by the Underground Storage Tank replacement towards the tank installation.

Highlights of the proposed budget include:

- **Proposed FY 2025-26 Budget:** The City's proposed budget for FY 2025-26 is \$92.7 million, a 6.6% decrease from the previous year. This budget focuses heavily on maintaining fiscal sustainability and prioritizing core services, particularly public safety and infrastructure improvements.
- **Revenue and Expenditures:** General Fund revenue is projected to be \$53.5 million, with increased property and sales taxes, while other revenues like intergovernmental funds are flat. The General Fund's expenditures are proposed at \$52.7 million, with a 3.4% increase from the previous year, driven mainly by personnel expenses, CalPERS contributions, and increased liability insurance costs.
- **Staffing Changes:** The proposed budget includes staffing changes to address vacancies. There are 200 authorized positions and an overall vacancy rate of 9.45%. A hiring "frost" continues, and some vacant positions are eliminated to save costs.
- **Capital Improvement Program (CIP):** The CIP includes 21 new projects totaling \$11.4 million, funded mainly through Measure U, gas tax, and development impact fees. The projects will focus on street improvements, park renovations, and citywide infrastructure upgrades.
- **Fiscal Challenges and Strategies:** The City has implemented strategies like eliminating non-essential positions, consolidating events, and utilizing Section 115 trust funds to manage rising costs such as pensions and retiree medical expenses. The Measure U contribution for infrastructure remains at 50% despite the reduction in the General Fund reserve.
- **Centennial Celebration:** The City has allocated \$125,000 for the 2026 Centennial celebration, with sponsorships sought to offset costs.

Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance for the City Designating Fire Hazard Severity Zones within the City of Placentia

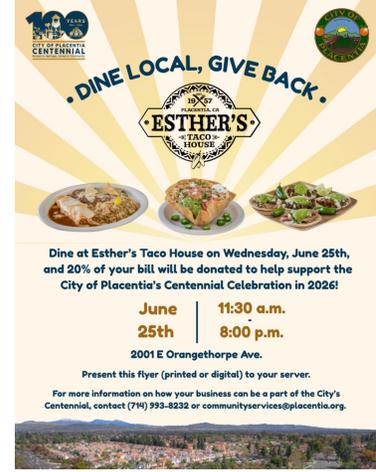
The City Council received a presentation from the City's Fire Marshal and approved the designation of Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) within the City of Placentia, as required by the California Office of the State Fire Marshal. This designation identifies areas within the city as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard zones for the first time. Homeowners in these zones will be notified, and the Fire and Life Safety Department will implement a defensible space program to improve fire safety, with no changes to the proposed map.

Support the City's Centennial Celebration!

Restaurant Fundraisers

The City of Placentia is preparing for a once-in-a-lifetime event—our 100-year Centennial Celebration in 2026! To help make this milestone truly special for our community, the City is partnering with local restaurants to host fundraisers, with a portion of the proceeds going toward the City's Centennial Celebration. The City's next fundraiser will be with **Esther's Taco House** on **Wednesday, June 25th, from 11:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Simply present this [flyer](#) (printed or digital) to your server on June 25th, and a portion of your meal will be donated to help support the City's Centennial Celebration in 2026! These fundraisers are a perfect opportunity to support

our local Placentia businesses while contributing to the City's Centennial celebrations.



Other upcoming fundraisers include **Primecut Taqueria on July 9th**, and more will be **announced soon!** To have your business participate in a fundraiser, please contact communityservices@placentia.org or call (714) 993-8232. The City appreciates the community's support and assistance in making our Centennial a success!



Become a Centennial Sponsor!

The City is offering sponsorship opportunities at various levels to fit your goals and budget. From a formal Gala in January 2026 to a 5K, festivals, and family-friendly events, sponsorship packages include promotional benefits like billboard ads, event signage, social media recognition, website links, and more. Learn more about our Sponsorship Opportunities on the City's website or contact communityservices@placentia.org or (714) 993-8232.

Donate Items for the Silent Auction

As part of the formal Centennial Gala in January 2026, the City will host a Silent Auction to raise funds for the year of celebrations. We are seeking donations of unique and exciting items that can be auctioned off. If you or your business wants to contribute, items can be dropped off at Placentia City Hall (401 E. Chapman Ave.) Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For more information or to coordinate a donation, please contact the Community Services Department at communityservices@placentia.org or (714) 993-8232. Your support will help make this Centennial Celebration a truly memorable occasion for our entire community. Thank you for being part of this historic milestone! Stay tuned to the City's website and social media for updates, event details, and more ways to get involved.

Apply for City Commissions and Committees

Get involved! The City is still accepting applications for the following City Committees and Commissions: **Heritage Committee**, **Senior Advisory Committee**, and **Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission**. For more information on City Commissions and Committees, visit the [Committees and Commissions webpage](#) or contact the City Clerk's Office at cityclerk@placentia.org or (714) 993-8231.

Community Services Department

Placentia Palm Quarterly and Summer 2025 Class Registration

The **Placentia Summer 2025 Palm Quarterly** is now available to view on the City website. Registration for summer programs begins online at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, May 31st, and in person on Monday, June 2nd at 7:30 a.m. Tiny Tot, Day Camp, swim lessons, sports programs, fitness classes, virtual classes, science camps, music, and art classes are all available and filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Complete your registration for classes online by visiting www.placentia.org/classes. In-person registration is available at Placentia City Hall, 401 E. Chapman Ave, between 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Contact

Summer Day Camp 2025 - Registration Now Open!

Summer Day Camp registration is now open! The City will be offering 9 weeks of sessions this summer from June 23rd to August 22nd. The program will be located at the Aguirre Building at 505 Jefferson St. at Champions Sports Complex from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Extended hours are available for 7:00 a.m. drop off and 6:00 p.m. pick up, at an additional cost per session. Each week, campers will participate in themed activities and enjoy arts and crafts, games, sports, and excursions. Campers will need to provide their own lunch, drinks, and snacks. Registration cost is \$175 per camper, per week, with the exception of the July 4th week, with an adjusted fee of \$145. For more information, contact Community Services at (714) 993-8232 or visit www.placentia.org/classes. View the [Summer Camp flyer](#).



Development Services Department

Pending Development List June 2025

The City has a number of ongoing development projects around Placentia. [Click here for the pending projects as of June 2025.](#)

Fire and Life Safety Department

Active Shooter Drill



This week, Fire and Life Safety participated in an Active Shooter Drill provided by the Orange County Intelligence Assessment Center (OCIAAC) in Anaheim. The OCIAAC Active Shooter Incident Drill is an operations-based exercise that simulates a real-time, multi-agency response to an active shooter scenario, providing valuable hands-on training and enhancing interagency coordination. Participation in this drill strengthens the department's preparedness for high-risk, dynamic situations that require seamless collaboration with law enforcement and emergency response partners.

Police Department

Special Olympics Torch Run

Last week, our Officers and Cadets were proud to participate in the Special Olympics Torch Run. They met up with Cal State Fullerton PD and Special Olympic athletes at the intersection of Bradford and Chapman to hand over the torch and proudly carried it for four miles. They stopped by George Key Elementary school to say hello to the students who lined the street to cheer them on, and then passed the torch off to the Yorba Linda division of the OC Sheriff's!

We were honored to be a part of this amazing day, and we thank everyone who cheered us on! We can't wait to see the athletes compete in the games and wish them the best of luck!



Vacation Home Checks

With summer approaching, we want to remind everyone about our Vacation Home Check service offered through our Volunteers In Police Services (VIPS). If you are going out of town for more than three days and would like to have extra eyes on your home while you are away, please complete and submit the online form (3 days before you leave) available on our website. Our VIPS will perform regular checks of your property. For more information, contact Kelley Krahlung at kkrahlung@placentia.org, or you can find the form by visiting www.placentia.org/police.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary: June 6 - June 12

Library Programs, Books, Services, and More

Looking for something to do this week? We always have something going on at the library, from weekly storytimes and teen volunteering opportunities to book clubs and community events! Plus, check out books, video games and movies at the library or access eBooks, eAudiobooks, online learning resources free with your library card and more! Visit www.placentialibrary.org to get started.

Highlights for the Week:

Meditation at the Library

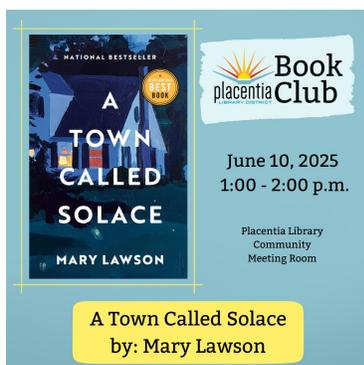
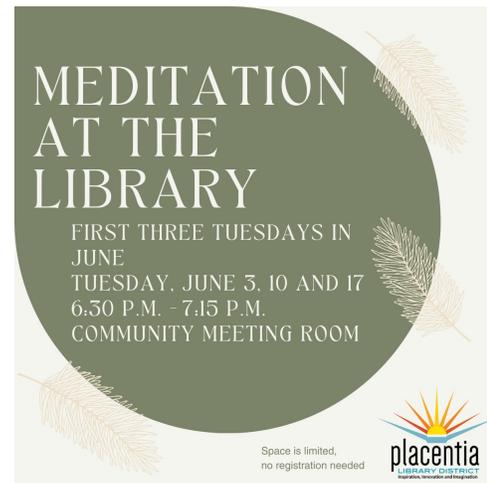
First Three Tuesdays in June

6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week: June 10th - Self Care Workshop

Join certified meditation instructor Amy Rutledge in a meditation series learning the power of mindfulness and its positive impact on all aspects of life. These science-backed tools can help release anxiety, tension, and stress, cultivate compassion, focus, and concentration, and promote connection and peace to all. Sessions will be 45 minutes and include guided practice suitable for both beginning and returning meditators. Space is limited; no registration needed. Ages 14+. Please check our website for updates and notices.



Featured Program:

Adult Book Club

Second Tuesday of Each Month

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week: Tuesday, June 10th

You're invited to our monthly book club! Our group is always open to new members, so stop by to share or listen! Selections include a robust mix of fiction genres, and selected titles are available for checkout at the library. Ages 18+.

Sci-Fi, Fantasy & Graphic Novel Book Club

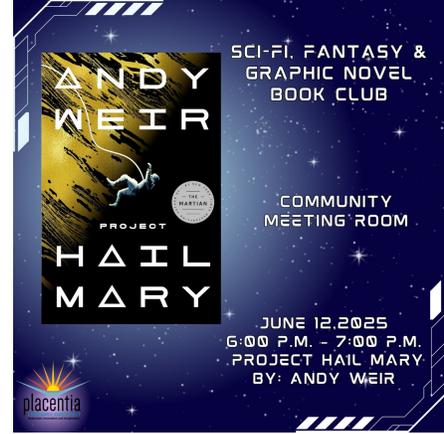
Second Thursday of Each Month

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week: Thursday, June 12th

Discover a classic graphic novel or a trending fantasy, dystopian or science fiction epic with our evening book club. Explore intricate sub-genres, like cozy fantasy or magical realism, which invite readers to bundle up with a cup of tea, or hard sci-fi, featuring trips to faraway planets suitable for a summer blockbuster. Find these titles at the library or on our digital platforms on the Libby, Hoopla or Palace apps. Ages 18+.



Featured Resource:

Passport Services

WALK-IN DAYS Monday-Friday starting at 11:00 a.m.

Walk-in Passport Hours*

Monday-Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

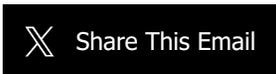
Friday 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

*Capacity will vary each day. Last applicant accepted 30 minutes before closing. Passport agents reserve the right to close the passport office without notice.

California Celtic Festival

The California Celtic Fest, an exciting two-day event, will be held at Kraemer Memorial Park on June 14th and 15th. This year's festival will bring together music lovers, families, and community members to celebrate Celtic heritage while supporting a vital cause. The event proudly benefits the Orange County Law Enforcement Emerald Society, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the families of fallen officers.

The festival will feature high-energy performances by some of the most renowned Celtic bands, including The Fenians and The Young Dubliners, offering an unforgettable musical experience. In addition to the music, festival goers can enjoy traditional Scottish Heavy Athletics, exciting Celtic dancing, and various other cultural activities. For more information on this event and to buy tickets, please visit www.californiacelticfest.com.





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