



City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

October 23, 2025

Administration Department

City Council Meeting Recap - October 21st

Below are some highlights from the October 21, 2025, City Council meeting.

Presentations

Proclamation of October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Presentation by OC Supervisor Doug Chaffee on the 2025 Gun Buyback Program

Recognition of the Heritage Committee

Consent Calendar

Second Reading of Ordinance No. O-2025-09, and Adopting Revised Sewer System Service Rates

The City Council adopted an Ordinance approving updated sewer system service rates for the next six years. The new rate structure includes both a usage fee and a flat capital improvement fee to ensure sufficient funding for maintenance and long-term upgrades to Placentia's 84-mile sewer collection system. The revised rates will take effect on November 20, 2025, following completion of the Proposition 218 process, which resulted in only four protests. The action will generate additional revenue for the Sewer Enterprise Fund to support ongoing operations, regulatory compliance, and over \$19 million in identified capital improvements.

Program Supplement Agreement for the Golden Avenue Bridge Replacement Project

The City Council approved a Program Supplement Agreement with Caltrans and adopted a Resolution authorizing the City Administrator to execute all necessary agreements for the Golden Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. This action secures \$5.37 million in federal funding toward the \$6.28 million project, with the remaining \$911,000 covered by Measure U funds. The project will replace the existing 1934 bridge with a modern two-lane structure featuring sidewalks, bike lanes, and a center median, improving safety and mobility for vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians. The approvals streamline coordination with Caltrans and expedite project delivery.

Regular Agenda

Placentia Fire and Life Safety Department 2023-25 Biennial Report

The City Council received the Placentia Fire and Life Safety Department Biennial Report for July 2023 – June 2025, which highlighted major operational accomplishments, financial insights, and future goals. Between July 2023 and June 2025, the Department responded to 10,645 calls for service, including 7,721 EMS and 2,924 fire-related incidents, maintaining average response times under seven minutes for fires and under five minutes for medical calls. The report noted significant events such as the Clyde's Hot Chicken fire and a confined-space rescue that earned regional recognition. Financially, the Department generated over \$220,000 in Community Risk Reduction revenues and \$272,600 in state reimbursements from statewide deployments. The presentation also evaluated the cost-effectiveness of the part-time and reserve firefighter model, concluding that onboarding and attrition costs outweighed operational benefits. Looking forward, priorities include replacing aging apparatus and equipment, pursuing Standards of Cover accreditation, developing a strategic and succession plan, and maintaining strong community engagement through inspections, outreach, and mutual aid participation.

To watch the October 21st City Council meeting or read the agenda, visit the [City's website](#).

Statewide Special Election - November 4th

The 2025 State Election is quickly approaching! Placentia residents can vote early, drop off their ballots, or cast their vote in person at several convenient locations.

Vote Center

Aguirre Community Building
505 Jefferson Street

Open: October 25th – November 4th

Hours:

- October 25th – 31st: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- November 1st – 3rd: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Election Day, November 4th: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Ballot Drop Box Locations

- Koch Recreation Center – 2210 Valencia Avenue (Walk-Up)
- Whitten Center – 900 South Melrose Street (Walk-Up)

Remember, registered voters can vote at any Vote Center in Orange County. To find the location most convenient for you, use the [Orange County Registrar of Voters Mapping Tool](#).

For more information on voter registration, ballots, and election details, please visit the [Orange County Registrar of Voters website](#).

Apply for City Commissions and Committees!

Get involved! The City is accepting applications for the following City Committees and Commissions: Financial Audit Oversight Committee, Heritage Committee, Historical Committee, Senior Advisory Committee, Park Arts and Recreation Commission, and Planning Commission. For more information, please visit the [Committees and Commissions webpage](#) or contact the City Clerk's Office at cityclerk@placentia.org or (714) 993-8231.

Support the City's Centennial Celebration!



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 ndrulias@placentia.org or (714) 993-8107.

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.

Community Services Department

Tiny Tots Program

Tiny Tots is an early childhood developmental program at Koch Park Recreation Center for children ages 3 to 5. The program helps prepare participants for school through a mix of arts, crafts, social play, and early learning focused on colors, numbers, shapes, letters, and writing.

Children also build fine motor, social, and emotional skills through daily activities such as art, music, and imaginative play.

All materials are provided. Families are required to provide a lunch, a light snack, a reusable water bottle, and extra clothing. An age-appropriate restroom is available, but all participants must be fully potty-trained.

For more information on upcoming Tiny Tots sessions, visit www.placentia.org/classes.

Hygiene Donations Needed!

Help support local families in need by donating new, unopened hygiene products. Items like shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, and feminine hygiene products are greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the Whitten Community Center, Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Your contribution will make a meaningful difference in promoting health and well-being in our community. For more information, please call the Whitten Community Center at (714) 986-2333.

Development Services Department

Tony's Deli to Open Late November in Old Town

The City of Placentia is excited to share that Tony's Deli is preparing to open in late November in Old Town Placentia at 132 S. Bradford Avenue! Renovations are well underway, transforming a long-vacant building into the newest home for this beloved local favorite.

A community staple in Anaheim for over 50 years, Tony's Deli has earned a devoted following for its freshly made sandwiches, hearty portions, and full-service bar, which offers beer, wine, and spirits. After the passing of its original owner and the closure of its longtime Anaheim location, a new owner is now bringing this iconic establishment back to life—this time in the heart of Placentia's revitalizing Old Town district.

The City looks forward to welcoming Tony's Deli to the community this fall. Its arrival will add yet another layer of charm, history, and energy to Old Town, making it an even more inviting destination for both residents and visitors.

For details about Tony's Deli and other projects in the City, contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124.



Building Division Limited Hours

The Building Division counter within City Hall will be closed for services on October 27th, 29th, and 30th. Please note the following impacts for the week of October 27th:

- No inspections will be conducted during the week of October 27th.
- Permit issuance services and plan submittals will be available **ONLY** on Tuesday, October 28th, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding the lunch hour.
- Regular business operations will resume on Monday, November 3rd.

The City of Placentia appreciates your understanding and cooperation.

Pending Development Projects

The City has a number of ongoing development projects around Placentia. View the [pending projects](#) as of October 2025.

Police Department

Pink Patch Program

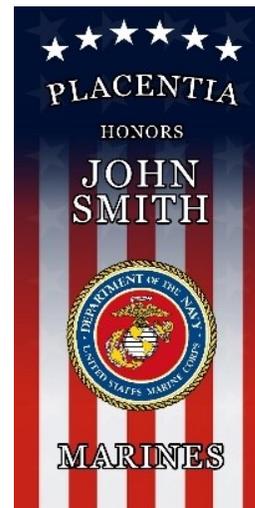
The Placentia Police Department is proud to support breast cancer awareness by helping raise funds for cancer research. We will be offering our official uniform shoulder patch with pink highlights and the breast cancer awareness ribbon, as well as a keychain with a smaller version of the badge, as collector's pieces to show solidarity with cancer survivors and those fighting this horrible disease.

In affiliation with the Pink Patch Project, all proceeds from this program will be donated to the non-profit organization Susan G. Komen of Orange County, which supports their efforts to save lives by addressing the most critical needs in our communities and investing in breakthrough research to prevent and cure breast cancer. The pink patches and key chains are available for sale at the front counter of the Placentia Police Department for \$5 and \$10, respectively. If you have questions or need additional information, contact Kelley Krahling at (714) 993-8179 or kkrahling@placentia.org.



Military Banner Program

The Placentia Military Banner Recognition Program is accepting applications for the 2025 installation through October 20th. The program, known as Placentia "Hometown Heroes," honors and recognizes Placentia residents currently serving as active-duty or honorably discharged veterans in the United States Armed Forces. Branches of service include Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, National Guard, Navy, and Space Force. Honorees must have a current place of residence in Placentia or have an immediate family member (parent, spouse, son, daughter, grandparents) residing in Placentia, employed in Placentia for at least one year, or enlisted in the military from Placentia.



The banners will be installed along Kraemer Boulevard and Yorba Linda Boulevard, at 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, or 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. The banners are to be installed in November. The cost to display each customized banner is \$260, and each service person is allowed one banner. **Applications** can be found on our website and can be submitted to the Placentia Police Department. If you have questions, please contact Community Outreach Coordinator Kelley Krahling (714) 993-8179.

Veterans Monument

Each year, new names are placed on the monument before our Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11th. Those with names on the monument include military service veterans and active-duty personnel who were raised, educated, or entered the service in Placentia, including those who listed Placentia as their hometown when enlisting. Additionally, Placentia residents who have lived in Placentia for twenty-five years or more and currently serve or previously served in the armed forces are eligible. All monument honorees must have been honorably discharged. There is no charge to have a name placed on the monument. Applications are available at the Police Department Front Counter or by contacting kkrahling@placentia.org.

Public Works Department

Pumpkins with Purpose



Pumpkins are organic waste – they don't belong in the landfill! Did you know...

- In the trash, pumpkins create methane gas, a powerful greenhouse pollutant
- When composted, pumpkins break down naturally
- Composting returns nutrients to the soil
- Healthy soil helps gardens and farms thrive

This year, make your Halloween pumpkin count by bringing it to the Pumpkins with Purpose event at Discovery Cube Orange County on Saturday, November 1st, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Not only will you be helping the planet, but you'll also receive a free child ticket with the purchase of an adult admission when you compost your pumpkin. Since pumpkins are collected for composting, please ensure they are free from non-organic materials such as pipe cleaners, buttons, candles, candle holders, stickers, etc.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Bradford House

Visit the Bradford House for their annual Halloween Haunt & Treats event on Saturday, October 25th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Children aged 6-12, accompanied by a guardian, are invited to walk around the exterior of the historic Bradford House and view the spooky scenes. Costumes are welcome.

For more information, visit thebradfordhouse.org, call (714) 993-2470, or email bradfordhouse@yahoo.com.



Placentia Library District Weekly Summary: October 24 - October 30

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:

Dia De Los Muertos Community Altar

Placentia Library Lobby

This Week: October 21st – November 2nd

Dia de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead, is an annual traditional holiday celebrated in November that celebrates life and the loved ones who have departed. The Placentia community is invited to engage with our community altar. You are welcome to leave a photo (limited to a 4x6 or smaller image) or decorate your own paper butterfly to share a memory in honor of your loved ones. Photos are required to





Featured Programs:

Get Hooked! Crochet and Knitting Circle

Last Sunday of Every Month

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week: Sunday, October 26th

Do you love fiber arts? Do you have a tough pattern you can't crack? Or do you just want to spend time with people who love what you love? Bring your current projects and relax at the library's crochet and knitting circle.

Supplies, projects, and formal instruction are not provided by the library, so please bring your own crochet hooks, knitting needles, and yarn.

Adult Craft Night

Last Tuesday of Every Month

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week: Tuesday, October 28th

Join us for our monthly Adult Craft Night, held in the Library Community Meeting Room. Come relax and try a new craft each month at this drop-in craft program!

Materials provided.



Featured Service:

Passport Services

Walk-In Days

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

Friday: Closed

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.*

Sunday: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.*

*Passport services are available until capacity is reached. The last applicant will be accepted 30 minutes before closing. Capacity may vary each day, and passport agents reserve the right to close the passport office without notice.

Orange County Supervisor Doug Chaffee

Chair Doug Chaffee, Supervisor Janet Nguyen, and Supervisor Vicente Sarmiento, in partnership with the City of Garden Grove and the Garden Grove Police Department, will be hosting a gun buyback event with the support of local law enforcement agencies.

Date: November 8th

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove

How it works:

- Bring your unwanted firearms: Firearms must be unloaded and in the trunk of your car or otherwise secured in the back of a vehicle in a bag, box, or case.
- Get gift card: Gift cards are based on the type of firearm, in the amount of \$100 for complete/operable handguns, shotguns, ghost guns, and rifles, and \$300 for complete/operable assault weapons as classified by the State of California. Gift cards are limited and subject to availability.
- No questions asked: Turning in firearms is anonymous with no identification or other documentation required.

For more information, contact Garden Grove Police Department Sergeant Josh Olivo at JoshO@ggcity.org.

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