

City Administrator's

Weekly Briefing



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"Rich Heritage, Bright Future"

State of the City Address

The Placentia Chamber of Commerce will host Mayor Craig Green's State of the City Address on **Thursday, March 23, 2017**, at 11:15 a.m. at the Alta Vista Country Club, 777 E. Alta Vista St. For more information or to purchase tickets for this event, please contact the Placentia Chamber of Commerce at (714) 528-1873 or visit www.placentiachamber.com.



Veterans Monument Community-Wide Fundraiser

The Veterans Advisory Committee was essential in the establishment of the Veterans Monument in 1994 to honor residents who have served or are currently serving in the armed forces. Twenty-two years later, the Veterans Monument, located in the Civic Center Complex, is reaching its capacity and is in need of expansion to accommodate future names of those that have served, are currently serving, or have paid the ultimate sacrifice in serving our Country.

The Committee has embarked upon a community-wide fundraiser to raise the necessary funds to build two new panels for the Veterans Monument.

For more information on the fundraiser and to make a donation, please visit the City's website www.placentia.org/veterans or call Placentia City Hall at (714) 993-8117.



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

3/7	City Council Meeting
3/13	Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting
3/14	Cultural Arts Commission Meeting
3/14	Planning Commission Meeting
3/20	Traffic Safety Commission Meeting
3/21	City Council Meeting

For additional information or questions about this Weekly Briefing, please contact us at administration@placentia.org.



Placentia Round Table Women's Club Scholarships

The Placentia Round Table Woman's Club will be presenting scholarships to graduating seniors residing in the Placentia-Yorba Linda area. Last year over \$18,000 in scholarships were awarded to 17 students from 5 different high schools. Students attending 4 year schools received \$1,000 and 2 year schools received \$600. Applications and requirements are available on the Club's website Placentiawomensclub.org, through high school counselors, or by contacting Mary Kay McMahon at 5mcmahons@sbcglobal.net. The deadline to submit an application is **Friday, April 7, 2017**.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Love Placentia Service Day – April 29, 2017

Love Placentia is a Service Day opportunity for anyone willing to serve in various service projects. This is a great event where churches, local government, businesses, non-profits and residents partner together for the betterment of the community. Love Placentia is scheduled for **Saturday, April 29, 2017**. For more information or to sign up to volunteer, please visit www.loveplacentia.com.



Community Care Fair

Neighborhood Services and Friendly Center Placentia Family Resource Center are hosting a Community Care Fair on March 18th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Local agencies for families, seniors and community members will be providing information about resources to help with a variety of issues. There will also be a food distribution through Second Harvest Food Bank, raffle prizes for participants, a performance by Mariachi Águila Real, and a safety rodeo, providing a limited supply of bike helmets and life jackets. If you are a non-profit organization that would like to have a table at the fair or have any questions about the event, please call (714) 986-2333 or (714) 769-8660.

Family Fun Event

On February 16th City of Placentia Community Services and Friendly Center Placentia Family Resource Center provided a fun family event titled 'Fun with Science' at the Cathy Torrez Learning Center. Participants created re-usable slime bubbles, made their own ice cream and explored other fun science activities. It was a great event with over 40 people in attendance. For more information on Family Fun events, please call (714) 986-2333 or (714) 769-8660.

Cal State Fullerton Training on Outdoor Exercise Equipment

Cal State Fullerton students will be providing free coaching to teach residents the proper way to use the outdoor exercise equipment available at Kraemer Memorial Park, McFadden Park and Parque De Los Niños. As part of the City of Placentia's "Get Healthy Placentia" initiative, there is an excellent opportunity for the community to exercise for FREE and engage in better and healthier eating. Classes will be held on Mondays at Kraemer Memorial Park from 9:00-11:00 am; McFadden Park from 7:30-9:30 am; and on Tuesdays at Parque de los Niños from 1:00-3:00 pm. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Chapman Avenue Landscape Improvements

In 2014, the State imposed several mandatory water restrictions on both public and private landscapes. These restrictions included a prohibition of watering turf grass street medians. As a result, the grass in most of the City's landscaped medians has since died. In response to these restrictions and to improve the aesthetics of the City's streetscapes, the City Council allocated \$80,000 to begin removing turf grass from the City's medians and replacing them with low water usage plant materials and renovated irrigation systems.



City staff recently completed a renovation to an existing turf grass median on Chapman Avenue, east of Kraemer Boulevard. Approximately 4,400 square feet of turf was removed from the median and replaced with a combination of agave plants, nandina nanas, day lilies, and star jasmine. In addition, Jacaranda, Purple Leaf Plumb and Crape Myrtle Trees were planted as well. The Crape Myrtles and Purple Leaf Plumb Trees are deciduous and drop their leaves in the fall. The irrigation system was renovated with the installation of subsurface drip irrigation. The landscape plan was also designed in-house by City staff. It is estimated that these improvements will save approximately 190,000 gallons of water per year. Staff anticipates starting renovations on the medians on Yorba Linda Boulevard later this Spring.

Backs Community Building ADA Improvement Project

The City recently completed renovations to the Backs Community Center located at Kraemer Memorial Park. The renovations entailed reconstruction of the restrooms to provide Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant restrooms as well as an ADA compliant primary path of travel into the building. Some of the improvements included new entry doors, tile flooring, and interior paint. The restrooms feature automated low flow toilets and faucets, waterless urinals and electric hand dryers. The Backs Community Center is the most heavily rented facility in the City and we're excited to

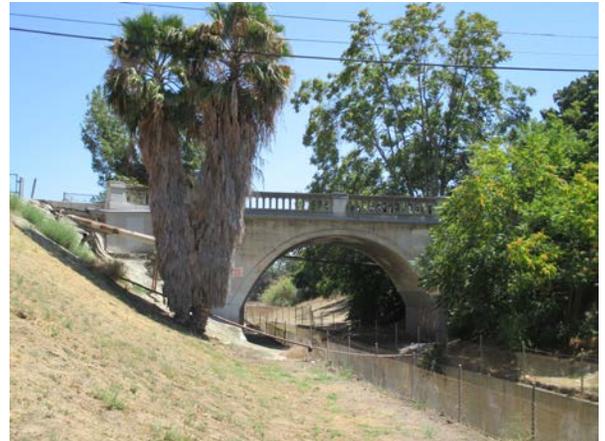


be able to provide a newly renovated facility for the community's use and enjoyment. The project was funded with a combination of Federal Community Development Block Grant Funds and developer-paid park-in-lieu fees. If you would like additional information on how to rent this facility, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8203.



Golden Avenue Bridge Replacement Project

The City Council recently awarded a contract to Biggs Cardosa and Associates for the design and environmental permitting of the Golden Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. The City received approximately \$2.7 million in Federal Highway Bridge Program dollars to replace this bridge that was originally built in 1934. The bridge was rated as functionally obsolete by Caltrans in 2005 due to its narrow width. The bridge narrows down to two lanes and there are no sidewalks or bike lanes on either side of the bridge.



Golden Avenue Bridge crosses over Carbon Canyon Channel which will require the project to undergo significant Federal and State environmental review and analysis and will require the design team to coordinate the design of the new bridge with multiple regulatory agencies as well as the Orange County Flood Control District. The City's bridge project also happens to intersect with the OC Loop Project. The OC Loop Project is a proposed 66-mile County-wide recreational trail loop. The Orange County Parks Department (OC Parks) is currently pursuing a project to close several trail gaps in the loop. The Segment D gap in the trail loop runs through the City of Placentia and its proposed route would be constructed along Carbon Canyon Channel. Segment D intersects with Golden Avenue and the bridge. Because the proposed bridge and recreational trail gap closure projects intersect with one another, close coordination between the City's and County's project teams are needed to ensure that any potential conflicts are identified and mitigated but to also ensure that there are no missed opportunities for both projects to enhance the other. Both project teams have already met to discuss both projects with the ultimate goal of working together to identify design solutions to facilitate safe pedestrian and bicyclist connections between the new bridge and the proposed recreation loop below. Golden Avenue currently has Class II bicycle lanes between Imperial Highway and its terminus at Tri City Park. This project presents an opportunity to link the City's bicycle facilities on Golden Avenue to a much larger regional recreation and bicycle facility to provide residents with new trail and recreational facilities.

The design and environmental permitting for the bridge project is expected to take approximately 2 years to complete. City staff are working closely with County staff to integrate and facilitate both projects to provide the maximum benefit to the community, as well as to coordinate closely on construction activities. Staff anticipates construction to begin in the third quarter of 2019.

Free Shred & E-Waste Recycling Event

The City of Placentia and the Placentia Police Department invite you to participate in a free shredding and e-waste disposal event on **Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 8:00 am - 11:00 am** at the Placentia Civic Center, 401 E. Chapman Ave. Placentia residents are invited to have their confidential documents destroyed on-site for free by Shred-It. A maximum of two banker box size containers will be accepted from each household or business location in Placentia. E-waste from residents will also be collected by Republic Services. Items such as televisions, computer monitors, game consoles, stereos, cell phones, microwaves, and items containing circuit boards will be



collected. Hazardous materials or business e-waste will not be accepted. Residents will be required to provide proof of residency in order to participate. Join the community in helping prevent fraud and identity theft. For further information, call (714) 993-8189 or visit www.placentia.org.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Placentia Police Department is Hiring

A blue rectangular banner for the Placentia Police Department. On the left, it says "Join the Placentia Police" in large white letters, followed by "Now Hiring, Various Positions Available" and "Expedited Hiring Process and 3% at 50 for Classic Members" in smaller white text. At the bottom left is the URL www.placentia.org/jobs. On the right side of the banner are two circular police department seals: the top one is the Placentia Police seal and the bottom one is the Placentia Police Officers' Association seal.

The Placentia Police Department (PPD) is currently hiring for several open positions. Openings include Police Officers and Police Dispatchers. Please visit www.placentia.org/jobs for more information. Come be a part of a great Department and serve the community with pride.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Orange County Fire Authority Weekly Executive Summary