

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

A Message from the Chief of Police, Darin Lenyi

Like others across the nation, my Department and I are troubled by the death of Mr. George Floyd at the hands of police officers in Minneapolis. We too feel the outrage of this situation and were shocked at the action of one officer and the inaction of others at the scene. What is depicted on that video is completely counter to how we train our officers, what we expect from them and what we stand for. Although it does not bring Mr. Floyd back, we were glad to see the former officer in this case was arrested and will be held accountable. Nobody hates bad cops more than good cops!

It is understandable that some wanted to protest over this incident to raise concerns regarding social injustices in our nation. Unfortunately, some have turned peaceful protests into riots and have committed acts of violence, theft and destruction. This takes away from the message peaceful protestors are trying to convey. These actions are destructive to our communities, business owners, first responders and those trying to peacefully protest. We value our relationship with the community and risk our lives keeping it safe; rest assured we will continue to do this.

The City and Placentia Police Department are committed to the delivery of compassionate and professional police services. My officers and I deeply care for our community members. We have a selective hiring practice, which includes a thorough background investigation, polygraph examination and psychological screening. We do not hire anyone with a history or propensity for violence or racism. Officers go through an extensive training program, which includes de-escalation techniques. We continually seek ways to improve our service through critical analysis, evaluation and feedback. We hold ourselves accountable and have a Professional Standards Bureau to thoroughly investigate complaints.

The men and women of the Placentia Police Department respect the constitutional rights of all people and stand ready to protect our community. We will continue our commitment to working with you to build strong relationships of trust and to keeping Placentia a pleasant place to live, work and visit.



Please stay safe and healthy,

Chief Darin Lenyi
Placentia Police Department

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 06/09/20 Park, Arts, and Recreation Commission Meeting (PARC)
- 06/09/20 Planning Commission Meeting
- 06/10/20 Heritage Committee Meeting
- 06/16/20 City Council Meeting

For additional

information or

questions about this
Weekly Briefing please
email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



A Message from Mayor Ward Smith

Please visit the following link to view a video message from Mayor Ward Smith to the Placentia community on the coronavirus.

www.youtube.com/user/CityofPlacentia.

Business Resource Webpage

As the situation with coronavirus (COVID-19) evolves, the City of Placentia stands ready to help local businesses navigate the significant challenges you may be facing in this time of great uncertainty. During these difficult times, the City of Placentia remains committed to providing helpful resources and information to assist our business community.

The City has created a dedicated webpage for businesses to receive resources to various federal, state and county websites on available funding for businesses impacted by coronavirus, employer assistance, workplace safety and more. Our City team is working on continually updating this page as resources/information becomes available.

www.placentia.org/businessresources

In addition, the City has launched a Support Local Placentia Businesses campaign. The City encourages our community to support local businesses and restaurants and has created an interactive map of local businesses that remain open and restaurants that are offering one or more of the following: Grub Hub, Door Dash, Postmates, Uber Eats, store delivery, to-go orders, curbside pick-up, and/or drive-thru service. Below is a link to the interactive map. This interactive map will be updated regularly. www.placentia.org/stillopen

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

P.A.R.K.'s Program Provides Take-Home Packets

The Placentia Community Services Department is committed to supporting parents and participants during this uncertain time. In response to the Safer at Home order the City's P.A.R.K.'s Program sites are closed; however, the Community Services Department has created Take-Home Recreation Packets for participants to enjoy safe activities at home. These packets include outside games, arts and crafts, inside activities, and all the supplies. The June distribution date is to be announced at a later time. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



Placentia Senior Center

Due to the recent concerns surrounding COVID-19 (coronavirus) and in line with County, State and Federal guidelines and recommendations, the City of Placentia has temporarily closed the Placentia Senior Center. Although the Placentia Senior Center is closed, participants of the Senior Center Lunch Program may choose to pick-up a box lunch Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or new participants living in the City of Placentia may enroll in the Meals on Wheels Program. Additionally, Placentia seniors who do not have transportation to the senior center, may sign up with Senior Center staff to receive home delivered meals. Seniors without internet access are encouraged to call (714) 993-8232 for updates between the hours of 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and at (714) 986-2333 on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Welcome Officer Eriksen

On May 3, 2020, the Placentia Police Department welcomed Brandon Eriksen as our newest Police Officer. Brandon grew up in Central California and after high school he joined the United States Army. During his time in the military he was in the United States Army Police Corps and served overseas at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and in Saudi Arabia. He was Honorably Discharged from the Army in September of 2019 and entered the Golden West Police Academy in Huntington Beach, CA. He graduated in March of 2020. Welcome to the Placentia Police Department and the City of Placentia!



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

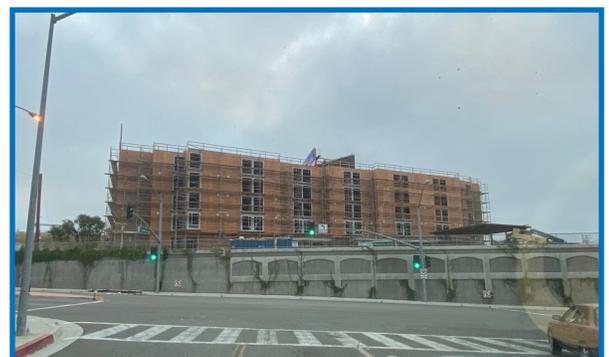
Springhill Suites By Marriott

Placentia Hospitality, LLC, a subsidiary to Fine Hospitality Group, is currently constructing an approximately 69,663-square foot, five-story, 116-room hotel building on an approximately 2.1-gross acre, unimproved site located at 380 S. Placentia Avenue. The development will feature a 116-space parking lot, decorative hardscape and landscape improvements.

The hotel will operate 24 hours per day, seven days a week. It will have 60 King Rooms plus 10 King accessible rooms, 38 Double-Queen Rooms plus 8 double queen accessible rooms. Amenities will include an outdoor pool area, breakfast lounge, convenience market, fitness center and meeting/conference room.

The hotel building will feature a design reminiscent of modern architecture with building facades featuring horizontal and vertical reveals and clean lines. Additional monolithic (e.g., tower) architectural elements will be affixed to north and south elevations. A metal porte-cochere will visually accentuate the main entry to the hotel with a strong emphasis on architectural details such as enhanced paving, lighting, window treatments, and stone wall treatment.

Onsite utility improvements have been completed, and the project is in the framing phase of the development, hence the term “sticks in the air.” Five floors of framing are now complete with the remaining framing forthcoming. Construction is anticipated to be completed first quarter 2021. You may contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124 to receive updates or answers to questions about the development project. For questions via e-mail, send to agonzales@placentia.org or jlambert@placentia.org



EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary



Placentia Library District

WEEKLY SUMMARY – June 5-11, 2020

Follow us on social media!
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Curbside and Home Delivery Service Start June 8

Placentia Library is thrilled to begin offering curbside and home delivery service beginning Monday, June 8! While the library building is still closed to the public, patrons can:

- Return items to our book drops
- Pick up holds at our curbside loading area in the parking lot
- Request items to be delivered to their homes in a contactless manner

Curbside and Home Delivery Info:

- Curbside Pickup Phone Number: (714) 329-1310
- Library Information Desk Phone Number: (714) 528-1906 x210
- Curbside Pickup Hours: Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.
- Requested items may take up to 48 working hours to pull.
- Curbside service is available to all patrons and home delivery is available only to Placentia residents.

Find more info and FAQs at
placentialibrary.org/curbside

Curbside Pickup

1. Request Items
 - a. Request items through our online catalog or call us at (714) 528-1906 x210
2. Wait for Notification or Check Your Account for the Most Current Status
 - a. The library will call or email you to confirm that your items are ready to pick up
3. Come to the Library
 - a. Drive to the library and park in one of the five numbered curbside pickup spots to the right of the loading zone (please see map).
4. Call or Text Us
 - a. Call or text staff at (714) 329-1310 to let us know you're here. Please be prepared with your name, library card number, and parking spot number. Please have trunk open and remain in your car to avoid contact with staff.
5. We'll Bring Out Your Items
 - a. Staff will bring your items directly to you and place the items in your trunk to avoid physical contact.
6. Return Items to Library and Repeat
 - a. Books and audiobooks are due in 3 weeks and DVDs are due in 1 week.
 - b. Items can be returned to the library book drops. DVDs and Audiobooks must be returned to the Gazebo book drop (please see map at placentialibrary.org/curbside).

Home Delivery

1. Request Items (2 ways)
 - Option 1:** Request items through our online catalog, then fill out the Home Delivery form found at placentialibrary.org/curbside
 - Option 2:** Call us at (714) 528-1906 x210
2. Staff Will Deliver Items to Your Home
 - a. Staff will place items at your door and will knock or ring the doorbell.
 - b. Once delivered, patrons are responsible for the items. If a staff member is unable to deliver the items due to lack of information, e.g., gate code, staff will return to the library and attempt to contact you to clarify and reschedule delivery.

Summer Reading Program!

SUMMER READING PROGRAM RUNS JUNE 13 – JULY 30

Get ready to join the Summer Reading fun! The more you read, the more chances you'll have to win! After completing your first book or 100 minutes, visit placentialibrary.org/SRP to enter for your chance to win!

Ages 0-13: For every 100 minutes you read (or are read to) you'll receive a ticket that will earn you the chance to win one of our fabulous Kid's Grand Prizes.

Kids Grand Prizes!

- Nintendo Switch
- Razor Electric Scooter
- Kindle Fire and Osmo Genius Kit
- Year-long membership to Pretend City for a family of 4
**maximum submission of 15 tickets (1,500 mins)*



Ages 14-110: For each book YOU read YOU earn a chance at one of our exciting Adult & Teen Grand Prizes.

Adult & Teen Grand Prizes!

- Two tickets to Disneyland or Disney's California Adventure
- Beats Solo Pro Wireless Noise Cancelling Headphones
- A year-long subscription to the Book of the Month Club
- A year-long subscription to Vinebox's Wine of the Month Club (must be 21 years or older)
**maximum submission of 30 tickets (30 books)*

Virtual Storytime & Children's Programs

LUNA, LUNA! VIRTUAL BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

SUNSHINE BABIES & TODDLER TALES VIRTUAL STORYTIME

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

RISE AND SHINE! VIRTUAL STORYTIME

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

STEAM CLUB

Mondays, 3:00 p.m.

Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/placentialibrary

Come join us at STEAM Club on Monday, June 8, and get your engineering hats on as we work on creating our own marble mazes! Materials: Paper plates (The ones with high edges work best), Scissors, Construction paper, Tape, Markers, and Marbles. Optional: Wikki Stix, pipe cleaners, and/or straws



Check out The Hangar for our Hangar Maker Tournament and weekly DIY videos at <https://www.placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab>

Virtual Teen & Adult Programs

GAME ON: SMASH TOURNAMENT

Mondays, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Virtual on Nintendo Switch

[Visit placentialibrary.org](http://placentialibrary.org) for info how to join.

GAME ON: ANIMAL CROSSING

Wednesdays, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Virtual on Nintendo Switch

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