

# GEN INFO

July 22, 2021





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## **OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**

Jarad Hildenbrand, City Manager

# CONGRATULATIONS ANN NGUYEN & KELLY'S KOOKIES



#### 65th Assembly District Recognition Event

Congratulations to Ann Nguyen,
Community Services Coordinator, for
being selected as the 65th Assembly
District's Woman of the Year!
Assemblymember Sharon Quirk Silva
selected Mrs. Nguyen for her continued
efforts to bring the community
together throughout the pandemic
with the Stanton Collaborative and
grassroots outreach via the Community
Engagement Advisory Committee
(CEAC). The event will recognize
honorees in several other categories
including, Business of the Year, given to
our own Kelley's Kookies.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

#### Redistricting 2021 (Re-Drawing District Maps)

On November 28, 2017, the City Council adopted an ordinance establishing four City Council Districts for a by-district electoral system. Per legislation, California public agencies are required to redraw district lines every ten years following the decennial census. What is redistricting? Redistricting is the regular process of adjusting the lines of voting districts in accordance with population shifts. All district lines and maps must be reviewed after the census to meet requirements for population equality and voting rights protections.

In anticipation of the release of the 2020 US Census data and the mandated requirement to reassess district boundary lines, the City Clerk's Office has released a Request for Proposals to solicit proposals for the purpose of obtaining the services of a demographer to prepare redistricting maps depicting electoral district lines. Upon selection of a demographer, staff will present a recommendation for award of a proposal to begin work on the redistricting maps and will also provide in detail a proposed redistricting process timeline and schedule to the City Council for review and approval.

## **HR & RISK MANAGEMENT**

#### Recruitment

A recruitment for a full-time Public Works Director/City Engineer to lead the Public Works Department has been conducted. The first round of interviews was held on Tuesday, June 15. Three candidates were selected to move forward to the second and final round of interviews on Thursday, July 1. The selected candidate has successfully completed all pre-employment requirements and a start date has been confirmed for Monday, August 16.

A recruitment for a full-time Associate Engineer for the Public Works department opened on Tuesday, July 13 in an effort to fill the vacancy due to former Associate Engineer Guillermo Perez's resignation. The final filing date of employment applications is 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 3.

The recruitment for several temporary part-time Recreation Leaders remains open until filled. The City will continue to accept employment applications and hold interviews until all vacancies are filled. A round of interviews has been scheduled for Thursday, July 29.

#### Summer Employee Luncheon

The Summer Employee Luncheon will be held on Thursday, July 29 at Stanton Central Park from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Cynthia Guzman by Thursday, July 22 at cguzman@stantonca.gov or (714) 890-4225.

#### **MEETINGS & EVENTS**

• Jul 23	Movies Under the Stars Stanton Central Park	• Aug 6	National Night Out Stanton Central Park
• Jul 28	Public Safety Committee	• Aug 10	City Council
• July 29	Summer Employee Luncheon	• Aug 16	Parks, Recreation and Community
• Jul 30	Movies Under the Stars		Services Commission
	Stanton Central Park	• Aug 18	Planning Commission
• Jul 27	City Council	• Aug 24	City Council
• Jul 28	Public Safety Committee	• Sep 14	City Council
• Aug 4	Planning Commission	• Sep 15	Planning Commission



You are invited to attend!

## SUMMER EMPLOYEE LUNCHEON

Please join us for tacos and let us say thank you for all your hard work!

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2021 11:30 AM - 1 PM STANTON CENTRAL PARK

Please RSVP to Cynthia Guzman at Cguzman@StantonCA.gov or (714) 890-4225 by Thursday, July 22, 2021.

## **FINANCE**

Michelle Bannigan, Finance Director



## **PROPERTY TAX UPDATE**

from Shari Freidenrich, Orange County Treasurer

#### Secured Property Tax Collections

The total secured property taxes billed for Fiscal Year 2020-21 is \$7.5 billion versus \$7.2 billion last year. On June 30, 2021, total secured property tax collections were higher than both the prior two fiscal years with a 99.34% secured collection rate in Fiscal Year 2020-21, a 99.16% collection rate in Fiscal Year 2019-20 and a 99.28% collection rate in Fiscal Year 2018-19. In terms of property tax bills, the County received payments for secured property taxes from more taxpayers this year than in the past two years at this time. The County has received payments on 98.91% of the secured tax bills this year

#### **Penalties**

The Governor's Executive Order that allowed for taxpayers, such as small businesses and homeowners, to request cancellations of penalties if they pay the base tax amount by May 6, 2021, complete the County's penalty cancellation request form, and meet the requirements in the order was extended by a new order and expired on June 30, 2021. Current proposed state legislation to cancel penalties for both unsecured and secured property taxes is still in committee hearings.

#### Unsecured Property Tax Collections

The impact of COVID-19 on some businesses is reflected in the unsecured property tax collection rate for Fiscal Year 2020-21, which is only 95.75% versus 97.81% at the same time last year. In addition, the number of unsecured property tax bills are also lower, with a collection rate of 90.01% this year versus 92.34% last year. The County has 12,273 tax bills outstanding versus 9,531 at the same time last year. Overall, although the collection rate for unsecured property taxes is lower this year versus last year, the County received \$5.6M more in unsecured property taxes this year than last year.

#### Tax Auction Update

The County's annual tax auction is scheduled for August 18, 2021. The County currently has 27 improved properties that have not paid, 15 unimproved properties and 80 time-share intervals that, if not paid by 5 pm on August 17, 2021, would be included in this online auction. For information, please go to ocgov.com/octaxauction.

## **COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Jennifer Lilley, Community and Economic Development Director

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

#### Special Study Session

Wednesday, July 21 the Planning Commission will be engaged in a Nuts and Bolts training is on planning in general, land use controls and a case study on Specific Plans and Downtown Revitalization. The training is provided by the League of California Cities as part of their Planning Commissioners Academy. This training will give the Commission a great introduction into the zoning and planning tools and then will dive into the Specific Plan process. This is timely given the work begin conducted in the northern part of the City for the Town Center Specific Plan.



The Nuts and Bolts of Planning





Presented by Marc Roberts, Livermore City Manager

League of Cities 2020: Planning Commissioners Academy | March 4, 2020

## **G**Coltrans

## **CALTRANS**

## Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant

Planning staff is working to put together background, timing, scope information and a budget for a new grant opportunity offered by Cal Trans. The application period will open late August early September and the Rails to Trails Feasibility Study will be proposed in the Sustainable Communities Competitive grant category.

## **ZONING**

#### Code Clean Up

A multi-topic Code cleanup is targeted for the Fall and will focus on Sections of the Code with errors in references, outdated information or specific standards that have caused confusion or need more clarification. Specific topics include: Chapter 19.34: Lot Line Adjustment; Section 20.420.050.E Open Space requirements for Multifamily development; and 20.540 Temporary Use Permits.



## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Zenia Bobadilla, Community Services Director

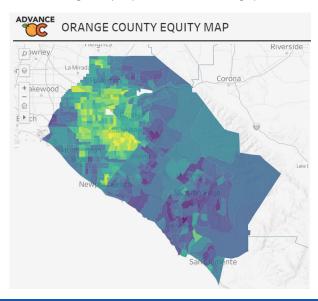
## **ADMINISTRATION**

#### Norm Ross Sports Complex Site Visit

Staff met representatives from the Office of Grants and Local Services for a site visit regarding the Norm Ross Sports Complex Grant Proposal on Wednesday, July 14. Items reviewed included the grant scope, project plan and timeline. We are cautiously optimistic as we move through the scoring process and anticipate award information at the end of the summer.

#### OC Equity Map Kick-off

Staff attended the community meeting hosted by OC Health Care Agency and Advance OC on Wednesday, July 14 from 12 to 1:30 pm at Fountain Valley Freedom Hall to familiarize community organizations and cities about the OC Equity Map. This data platform spotlights social and health disparities throughout Orange County Neighborhoods. This map displays the scores from the Social Progress Index for each census tract. This data and analysis will especially prove helpful in informing new initiatives and grant proposals to address gaps in service.



#### School Supply Give Away

The City is proud to partner with the Stanton Community Foundation, Advance OC and the Boys & Girls Club of Stanton for a Back-to-School Fest & Resource Fair. This event will be held at Stanton Central Park on Saturday, July 24, 2021 from 10am - 2pm. Collaborative partners will offer a variety of resources, free medical screenings, vaccines, and giveaways for the whole family.

#### National Night Out

National Night Out will be held on Friday, August 6 at Stanton Central Park. Staff have confirmed the Touch-a-Truck portion of the event. OCSD, OCFA, Stanton Public Safety, and Stanton Public Works will be showcasing vehicles for the public to take pictures in and explore. A screening of the movie Detective Pikachu will begin around 7:30pm. Vendor booths, carnival games and food trucks will also be available to keep the public informed of safety related outreach and programs within the community.

#### Movies Under the Stars Series

We're halfway into our Movies Under the Star Series with two more showings. Our recreation staff are working hard to provide a fun, free, family event with food trucks, pre-movie activities and games. The OC Public Library assisted with the craft area and trivia. Raising Canes has sponsored coloring sheets for the children to enjoy. This Friday, we will show Tom & Jerry. PIO staff are also conducting a social media trivia giveaway to coincide with the movies each week.

#### Symphony-on-the-Go

Staff met with a representative from the Pacific Symphony on the Go Program on Wednesday, July 21. A tentative concert is planned for September 24 at Stanton Central Park, completely free of charge through the Segerstrom Foundation. Special thank you to Council Member Taylor for bringing the idea to staff!

## **PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE**

Social Media Update (14 Day Overview)

## Facebook

#### **Top Posts**

- Splash Pads are Open
- · Popsicles at SCP
- · National Night Out

#### Instagram

#### Followers (14 Days)

07/07/2021: 1,45407/22/2021: 1,479

#### **Top Posts**

- · Splash Pads are Open
- Storytime in the Park
- Popsicles at SCP

#### **Twitter**

#### Followers (14 Days)

07/07/2021: 1,76107/22/2021: 1,765

#### **Top Posts**

· OCFA Rescue



## **RECREATION**

#### Facility Status

The community may now reserve picnic shelters for private gatherings and cool off in our splash pads! Both amenities have successfully returned. The splash pads are on every day from 12-5pm at Stanton Central Park and Dotson Park.

#### Sports Fields

Field usage has been awarded for the the July – December season with booking six days a week.

- · Current Number of Teams: 5
- · Weekly Participants: ~500
- · Weekly Hours of Play: 50

#### **Dotson Park Renovations**

During the past few months, Dotson Park underwent several renovations thanks to our Public Works team. The Park reopened on Monday, July 19 for visitors to enjoy the new upgrades and splash pad to cool down for



## **SENIOR SERVICES**

#### Reverse Excursion - Carnegie Hall

On Wednesday, July 21, senior services staff showcased a virtual tour and live performance at the world-renowned Carnegie Hall. Participants were treated to light refreshments and enjoyed the performance

#### Food Distribution

Senior food distribution continues to serve clients on Tuesday and Thursday mornings with meals from Orange County Meals on Wheels and produce and pantry items from Second Harvest Food bank. Distribution is run by both City staff and dedicated volunteers from our community as well as our CEAC members. Food distribution is truly a team effort and we are proud to have such a hard-working team.

## **HUMAN SERVICES**

#### FRC Update

Family Resource Center staff and partners have completely closed out all FY20-21 cases and are busy lining up services for the new fiscal year. Information and Referral staff continue to be busy providing clients with helpful resources. Our Family Support Advocate, Lizbeth Bugarin, is currently setting up intake appointments for our counseling waitlist and presenting new cases each week at Case Management meetings. Parenting classes began Monday, July 12 with a total of five participants, while the FRC continues to receive calls for continuous enrollment.

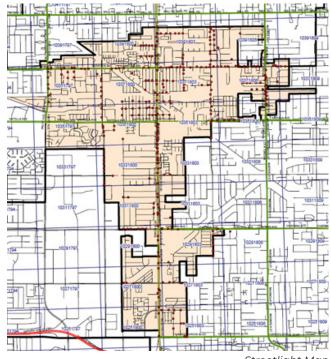
#### Total FY20-21 Service Enrollment

- · Math Tutoring: 18
- · Counseling Sessions: 369
- · Personal Empowerment Program: 47
- · Case Management: 60
- · Family Support Services: 80
- Parenting Education: 36

## SO CAL EDISON STREET LIGHT UPGRADES

#### *Update*

Staff has been working with SCE on the conversion of the remaining fluorescent streetlights throughout the City of Stanton. SCE owns 302 streetlights that will be converted to LED stating July 12th. The conversion will take about a week to complete.



Streetlight Map

## KATELLA AVENUE CORRIDOR

OC Public Works

Katella Ave is shared by multiple cities throughout the corridor, and OC Public Works has reached out to all agencies for their involvement in reaching seamless results. OCPW is piloting this project to help reduce the cost of having multiple contractors at adjacent job sites and minimize traffic impacts. The project will take place around the Katella and Magnolia intersection which was part of the FY 20/21 Citywide Street Improvement Project. Construction is targeted to begin in August.

## **VIA'S STREETS**

#### New Gas Mainline Replacement

Southern California Gas Company will be replacing their existing gas mainline in the Via's neighborhood. The existing gas mainline is deficient and cannot be repaired. Each resident will receive a new service replacement. The project with be at no cost to the city and it is expected to start within the next couple of months. Residents will be notified by SoCal Gas before the project begins.

## FY 20/21 CITYWIDE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

#### *Update*

The FY 20/21 Citywide Street Improvement Project consists of a grind and overlay & slurry seal treatment on several arterials, residential streets, and alleys throughout the city. Staff is targeting having a full set of plans for bid by late June. That would give us time to bid the project in July 2021 and begin construction in late August or early September 2021 right before the rain season. Golden State Water Company was notified of the project and will replace broken lids for water meters or valve covers at no cost to the city.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

James Wren, Public Safety Services Director

## **HOMELESSNESS**

## **Update**

Seven day per week coverage by the Outreach Coordinators will resume this week after an expected interruption in service. This is a great opportunity to remain engaged with the homeless population throughout the week and contribute to the overall condition of the city for the Monday morning commute.

The Outreach Coordinators assisted three individuals apply and be selected for the County's Rapid Rehousing Program. This program provides participants with twelve months of rental assistance and housing sustainability services. The program also provides the participants with housing navigation, security deposit assistance, and covers moving costs. All individuals have lived in the City of Stanton and have a history of falling into homelessness in Stanton. The Outreach Coordinators are currently conducting warm hand-offs between the participants and their new case managers.

Stanton's Outreach Coordinators engaged an individual who had previously received services from various agencies but lost contact. The participant stated that he did not want to be reconnected with former agencies but instead wanted to work with the Outreach Coordinators to pursue permanent supportive housing. The Outreach Coordinators worked with the participant to obtain the required documentation needed for a permanent supportive housing application. As a result, as of July 14th, 2021, the participant was matched to a housing voucher through the Orange County Coordinated Entry System. The Outreach Coordinators are currently submitting final documentation to the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development for final evaluation.

Based on a referral from a concerned resident, the Outreach Coordinators received a call for assistance regarding an individual living in a vehicle that needed medical attention. The Outreach Coordinators immediately reached out to the Orange County Outreach and Engagement team for collaboration and support. Through these efforts, the team successfully requested a mobile medical unit to assess the participant. The participant was able to get wound care, prescription assistance, and future medical appointment assistance. The participant will continue to work with the Outreach Coordinator to obtain long-term medical treatment and housing support.

## **PARTNERSHIPS**

### City of Garden Grove

City staff met with the City of Garden Grove regarding issues related to homelessness along our shared border. Critical connections were made, and staff has maintained connectivity with Garden Grove Police representatives to coordinate a response when major operations are conducted by either city. In the coming weeks Garden Grove will be addressing issues along Garden Grove Blvd. related to homeless activity. Stanton staff will in place to address issues as they arise and prevent scenarios that have occurred in the past where small encampments are created.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

### *Update*

Code Enforcement has been particularly busy with vehicle-based homeless issues. There are numerous motorhomes that have frequented the area of Beach Blvd. and Pacific. Staff is working through options to address this issue including the addition of "No Overnight Parking" signs to be installed in the coming weeks as well as presenting a ban on street parking from recreational vehicles. The secondary impact associated with these motorhomes is particularly detrimental to residents and members of the business community in the area. Staff looks forward to the enforcement efforts associated with the signage once it is installed and the increased ability to enforce regulations related to the potential passage of regulations preventing recreational vehicles from parking on the street.



County Rapid Rehousing Vehicle