



GEN INFO

March 17, 2022



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Pictured: Front of Stanton City Hall.



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DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN EDUCATION WEBINARS

Shuster Advisory Group, the City's deferred compensation plan advisory firm, hosted two sessions of the "Understanding Your 457(b) Plan & Recent Investment Changes" webinar for City staff on Thursday, March 10. The webinar included discussion on recent plan changes and highlights, investment education and, options as well as provided helpful resources.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

March 22

City Council Meeting
6:30pm, Council Chambers

April 6

Planning Commission Meeting
6:30pm, Council Chambers

April 12

City Council Meeting
6:30pm, Council Chambers

April 16

Easter Egg Hunts
9:00am, Stanton Central Park

April 18

Parks, Recreation & Community
Services Commission Meeting
5:30pm, Council Chambers

RECRUITMENT UPDATE

A recruitment for a full-time **Senior Public Works Inspector** opened on Thursday, March 10. The final filing date of applications for this position is Monday, March 28.

A recruitment for a full-time **Marketing Assistant** opened on Thursday, March 10. This position will remain open until filled with a first review date of applications on Monday, March 28.

The full-time **Building Inspector** position for the Community Development Department remains open until filled. Employment applications are currently under review.

The full-time **Building Official** position for the Community Development Department remains open until filled. Employment applications are currently under review.

The second and final round of interviews for the part-time **Administrative Clerk** position for the Finance Department was held on Monday, March 7. A candidate has been selected and is in the process of completing pre-employment requirements.

A full-time **Planning Technician** position for the Community Development Department opened on Thursday, December 23 and closed on Tuesday, January 18. The second and final round of interviews will be held on Tuesday, March 22.

A recruitment for a full-time **Assistant Planner** for the Community Development Department opened on Thursday, December 2 and closed on Tuesday, January 11. The second and final round of interviews was held on Wednesday, March 16.

FINANCE

Michelle Bannigan, Finance Director

BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS

Update

Businesses had until February 28th to renew their business licenses for 2022 to avoid penalties. To date, the Finance Department has received 2,127 renewals, representing approximately 87% of businesses operating in the City.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Investment Management and Investment Advisory Services

On March 15, 2022, the Finance Department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit proposals from qualified Firms to provide investment management and investment advisory services for the City's investment portfolio of \$55 million. The RFP was sent to ten Firms that provide these services. In addition, the RFP is posted on the City's Finance Department website as well as the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers' website. Proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. on April 11, 2022. A copy of the RFP can be accessed at www.StantonCA.gov/RFPInvestmentAdvisoryServices.

ACTUARIAL SERVICES FOR OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Update

On January 13, 2022, the Finance Department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit proposals from qualified Firms to provide actuarial services for the City's OPEB plan for fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, through June 30, 2025. The City received proposals from six actuarial firms. Staff selected Demsey, Filiger & Associates because their total fee for the four fiscal years was the lowest cost. To learn more about the Firm, access their website at <https://dfa-actuaries.com/>.

AUDIT UPDATE

Stanton Family Resource Center's Program Financial Statements

Each year, the Orange County Social Services Agency ("County") contracts with an independent CPA firm to conduct a financial and compliance audit of Stanton's Family Resource Center's program financial statements. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the County contracted with Gruber and Lopez, Inc. to complete this audit. The audit was completed in February 2022. We are pleased to provide a copy of the "clean audit report" for the City Council's information. I would like to thank the staff in both the Finance and Community Services Departments for their efforts in this process.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Jennifer Lilley, Community and Economic Development Director



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Business Connect

With restrictions being lifted we are able to move back to meeting in person with our local businesses. March 22 will be our first Business Connect this year. We will have a field visit to the Walmart property and meet with the WalMart team as well as other business owners and operators in the center. Additionally, we will be meeting with the new florist to locate in Rodeo 39, Pick Me! Floral Boutique.

Let's Talk Stanton

If you haven't visited Let'sTalkStanton.com, you are in for a great surprise. Our new staff has been working diligently to refresh the site and bring to life the "Make Your Mark" page. This is an opportunity for Stanton businesses to literally put their business "on the map" by using the easy-to-navigate, self-service tools and locate their business and add details about their services on the site.



BUILDING DIVISION ACTIVITY

	FEB 2022	FEB 2021	Fiscal YTD	2022 Fiscal YTD
PERMITS ISSUED	78	40	525	547
INSPECTIONS	282	307	2,372	2,953
PLAN CHECKS	52	42	434	307

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PLANNING DIVISION PROJECT UPDATE



A new restaurant is coming to the City of Stanton. **Pollo Campero** is renovating the building located at 10511 Beach Boulevard and will also be improving the parking lot for their new location.



Four detached single family residential units are currently under review for the property located at **7082 Kermore Lane**. The project is expected to go to the Planning Commission for review this month.



The **Raising Claw, Boiling House** located at 12140 Beach Boulevard has submitted a request to add beer and wine to their existing restaurant. This application is expected to be heard by the Planning Commission in April.



Construction has started on the **Super King** redevelopment project located at 10560 Magnolia Avenue. Grading has gotten underway and the property is moving forward for new construction and site improvements.



A new single family home is being proposed at **11572 Court Lane**. The property will be subdivided into two, legal lots and the new home will be constructed on the newly created lot. The project is going to Planning Commission this month.



The City is working diligently with the **Assisted Living Development** located at 12282 Beach Boulevard. Final site improvements and health and safety items are being completed to move this project to final occupancy.

The Katella Assemblage project located at 7401-7455 Katella Avenue is making great progress. All of the structures on the site have been demolished and grading for the new residential pads, streets and site improvements has begun.

Significant progress continues at 12736 Beach Boulevard as Bonnani Development works to complete the framing for the 300 residential unit apartment buildings and the commercial space.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Zenia Bobadilla, Community Services Director

ADMINISTRATION



WOMEN OF DISTINCTION

Program Update

The nomination period for the Women of Distinction awards has closed and a total of 8 applications were received. Thank you to our selection committee - Mavis Ethans, Jhovana Ramirez, Carol Warren, Alyce Van, and Pam Schoonover - for their time and dedication in selecting our 2022 Women of Distinction. Awardees have been notified and will be recognized during the March 22 City Council meeting.

PARKS MASTER PLAN

Request for Proposals Update

A request for proposals for a comprehensive parks master plan closed on February 17. After a review of proposals, Public Works and Community Services staff have selected two proposers to meet with next week for an oral interview.

RECREATION

Kid's Night Out

On Friday, February 25, we hosted our monthly Kids Night Out program at Stanton Central Park with full enrollment at 20 participants. This month, the program will be held on March 25 at the Family Resource Center with a special presentation from Bricks 4 Kidz.

Stanton Express

Community Services staff are hard at work planning our Summer 2022 Stanton Express. In addition to our normal contract programs, we are excited to bring back some of our more popular summer camps that are hosted by Mad Science, PlayWell Teknologies and Skyhawks Sports. Brochures are expected to be in mailboxes by the first weekend of April, with registration opening April 12.

Everyone Plays!

Staff are in the final stages of developing a scholarship program for our fee-based enrichment programs, which we anticipate launching with the summer 2022 class season. Any businesses interested in contributing to the scholarship fund should call (714) 890-4271.

Out of School Time Recreation

Out of School Time (OST) resumed Tuesday, February 22 after a temporary closure. There has been an increase in enrollment and the program is currently full with a total of 24 participants registered. Any new interest in OST will be added on a waitlist. Senior Recreation Leader, Alexis Soto, is currently coordinating and planning a free Summer Program at Stanton Central Park.

Information & Referral Services

The Family Resource Center recently received \$10,000 in CFRA funds dedicated to directly assisting clients with utility assistance, basic needs, or gift cards to purchase basic needs. After posting on Social Media, and with the help of our contract partners, we have been able to expend half of our allocated funds before the June 30 deadline.

Blue Ribbon Month

This April we celebrate Blue Ribbon month, aimed at spreading awareness of, and preventing, child abuse in our communities. To highlight, the department will host family game nights, a walk during our Easter event, and a special Storytime in the Park.

Food Distribution

Meals on Wheels and Second Harvest Food Bank continue to supply food for our clients on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Please see our numbers to date for the month of March:

- MoW Grab N Go: **3,270 meals**
- MoW Home Delivered Meal Program Meals: **294**
- MoW Senior Participants: **592**
- MoW NEW Senior Participants: **2**
- Second Harvest Food Bank: **550 households served**

FY to Date Enrollment

- Math Tutoring: **17**
- Counseling Services: **231 Sessions**
- Personal Empowerment Program: **30**
- Case Management: **48**
- Family Support Services: **58**
- Parenting Education: **20**
- Information and Referral Services: **747 individuals**

Community Engagement Advisory Committee (CEAC)

CEAC members met on Monday, March 7 at the Family Resource Center. Gary Taylor from the Raise Foundation presented to the members about child abuse prevention and this year's Blue Ribbon theme of "Creating a Community that Cares." The CEAC members were very interested and are excited to be helping with the Blue Ribbon walk we'll be hosting at our Easter Egg Hunts on April 16.



Stanton
Stand Up To
CHILD
ABUSE

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month
"Creating a Community that Cares"

Visit TheRaiseFoundation.org to learn how you can support our children this month



Easter EGG HUNT

SPECIAL GUEST

THE EASTER BUNNY

**Saturday, April 16, 2022
9-11am**

STANTON CENTRAL PARK
10660 Western Avenue

- Blue Ribbon Walk & Activities
 - Resource Fair
- Easter Bunny Meet & Greet
- Egg Hunt Starting at 10am Sharp!

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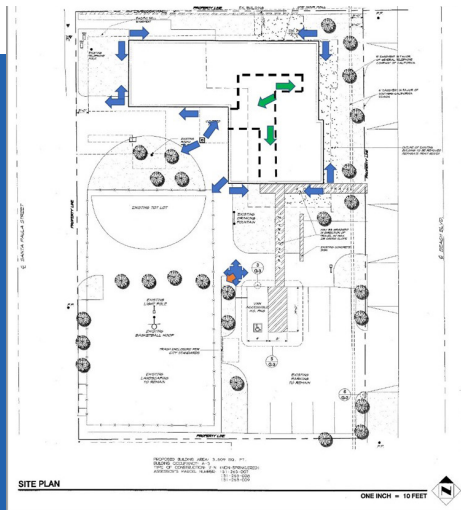
PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

Joe Ames, Public Works Director & City Engineer

STREET SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

Court Avenue and Sycamore Avenue

Last week, in response to a concern about motorists on eastbound Cerritos crossing over the double yellow lane striping to turn left to get into the apartment complex on the opposite side of the street between Court Avenue and Sycamore Avenue, Public Works installed new channelizers to prevent this from occurring.



Key/Legend
Blue Arrows: Placement and orientation/direction of outdoor cameras
Green Arrows: Placement and orientation/direction of indoor cameras
Orange Arrow: Possible placement and orientation/direction of additional outdoor camera
Dashed Line: Border of the main hallway and front lobby (approximate, not to scale)

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER & ORANGEWOOD PARKETTE

Project Updates

During the week of March 14th, Public Works kicked off several projects by meeting with the design consultants for the Family Resource Center Renovation project and the Orangewood Parkette project. During the week of March 21st, City staff will be meeting with potential vendors to supply security cameras at the Family Resource Center.

PANHANDLING SIGNAGE

StantonCA.gov/Give - Coming soon!

Following up on the January 25 City Council meeting, a sample panhandling sign was made to verify quality and sizing of text. The sample was delivered March 17. Additional signs will be ordered shortly for installation at arterial highway intersections, especially on Beach Boulevard.



PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

Joe Ames, Public Works Director & City Engineer

COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP



Last week, audible pedestrian signals were installed by Bear Electric, the City's traffic signal maintenance contractor, at Katella and Knott to aid a legally blind citizen with being able to cross the intersection. The costs of the improvement will be 25% shared with the City of Cypress.

A streetlight pole was replaced by Bear Electric, the City's streetlight maintenance contractor, on Western Avenue after a traffic accident knocked down the previous pole.



More than 100 sections of City sidewalk were replaced or ground down by the County in the last four weeks to eliminate trip hazards around the City.

During a rainstorm last month, a tree at Premier Park dedicated to Natalie Dotson split in half and needed to be removed for safety reasons. A new tree was installed in the empty circular planter, and a new plaque dedicating the tree to Natalie Dotson will be installed soon.



Lastly, a new curb ramp will be added on the westside of Fern Avenue at Palais Road to aid residents in crossing at the existing intersection. A mockup of the location is located below. The white "striping" shown in the photos is just to emphasize that the new curb ramp is supposed to line up with the existing curb ramp on the opposite SE corner of Fern and Palais. There will be no striping installed.

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

James Wren, Public Safety Services Director

HOMELESSNESS SUCCESS STORIES

Elderly Female Connected to Navigation Center

While responding to a call for assistance from a concerned resident, the Outreach Coordinators engaged an elderly female participant who has been experiencing chronic homelessness. Based on the referral, the Outreach Coordinators began the process to connect the participant to County housing resources. Once the participant was evaluated, she was deemed appropriate for placement at the Buena Park Navigation Center. Additionally, the Outreach Coordinators completed a housing assessment and assisted the elderly female in completing the application process for county-funded housing. As a result, the participant was able to obtain supportive services that include housing, case management, and medical care.



Transitional-aged Youth Receives Rapid Rehousing

Stanton Outreach Coordinators consistently offered case management services to a transitional-aged participant (18yrs-26yrs). The individual was a Stanton resident who had recently become homeless and was in dire need of housing assistance. The Outreach Coordinators then collaborated with the Buena Park Navigation Center to connect the participant to shelter and additional resources. Additionally, the Outreach Coordinators assisted the participant with the process of connecting them to County's Housing subsidies. As a result, the participant was matched to Orange County's Rapid Rehousing Program, allowing the participant to begin their housing search. The Outreach Coordinators provided Housing Navigation to the participant to assist with locating a unit. The Outreach Coordinators were successfully able to locate an ideal unit for the participant in Anaheim, allowing them to remain local. The team also assisted the participant with transporting items from the shelter to his new home.

Coordinated Approach Leads to Employment

Based on a referral from a non-profit agency, the Outreach Coordinators received a call for assistance regarding an elderly female in need of services. The individual was staying at a local Motel 6 and stated she could no longer afford the stay. The Outreach Coordinators immediately contacted the individual to go over possible resources. During the discussion, the Outreach Coordinators informed the individual of possible available resources and options for them. The individual expressed interest in seeking employment and finding an affordable place to live. The Outreach Coordinators worked with the participant and ultimately connected them with a third-party agency, People Ready, who aid individuals to find job placement. This referral allowed the client to find an employment opportunity in the City of Laguna Beach. Additionally, the Outreach Coordinators assisted the individual with finding an available housing option within the area of employment. This assistance led to the individual renting an RV in Laguna Beach while she begins her workforce journey. Lastly, the Outreach Coordinators connected the client to Mariners Church, and the church assisted them with groceries.

OVERSIZED VEHICLE ORDINANCE

Since the passage of the oversized vehicle ordinance, staff has been working tirelessly to address homeowners that owned motorhomes and trailers to find storage options. Many of these homeowners had become accustomed to parking motorhomes directly in front of their residence, causing a number of aesthetic and safety issues. On Via Irana, we routinely had between five and eight motorhomes on this single residential street. A view of the street in its current condition is shown to the right. This reflects a significant improvement to the quality of the neighborhood, as residents have expressed their satisfaction with the improved conditions.





ATTACHMENTS