

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
September 14, 2023

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Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.



Lisa Kim
City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Lisa Kim
Dept.: City Manager
Subject: HOUSING AUTHORITY
PERFORMANCE RATING

From: Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Dept: Economic Development
Date: September 10, 2023

OBJECTIVE

To report on the performance rating for the Garden Grove Housing Authority.

BACKGROUND

The SEMAP (Section 8 Management Assessment Program) Certification represents the Housing Authority's performance for the fiscal year 2022-2023. The Certification represents fourteen areas, on which the Housing Authority is rated. The Housing Authority is required to conduct a self-audit of a random sampling of its files for a portion of the fourteen indicators. The other indicators are scored based on the electronic reporting the Housing Authority is required to submit. The results were summarized in a report and submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on August 10, 2023.

SUMMARY

The Garden Grove Housing Authority received notification from the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) that they have confirmed our rating and that we have earned a total of 145 points out of 145 possible points. This gives a score of 100% and designates the Housing Authority as a High Performing Agency.



Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Director of Economic Development & Housing

By: Danny Huynh
Housing Authority Manager

Attachment 1: SEMAP Final Score Letter from HUD



U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite 4054
Los Angeles, CA 90012

September 7, 2023

Ms. Lisa Kim
Executive Director
Housing Authority of the City of Garden Grove
ATTENTION: Mr. Danny Hyunh, Housing Manager
12966 Euclid St. #150
Garden Grove, California 92840

Dear Ms. Kim:

SUBJECT: SEMAP Notification Final Score Letter

Thank you for completing your Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) certification for the **Housing Authority of the City of Garden Grove**. We appreciate your time and attention to the SEMAP assessment process. SEMAP enables HUD to better manage the Section 8 tenant-based Program by identifying PHA capabilities and deficiencies related to the administration of the Section 8 Program. As a result, HUD will be able to provide more effective program assistance to PHAs.

The Housing Authority of the City of Garden Grove final SEMAP score for the fiscal year ended **6/30/2023** is **100**. The following are your scores on each indicator.

Indicator 1 Selection from Waiting List (24 CFR 982.54(d)(1 and 982.204(a))	15
Indicator 2 Reasonable Rent (24 CFR 982.4, 982.54(d)(15), 982.158(f)(7) and 982.507	20
Indicator 3 Determination of Adjusted Income (24 CFR part 5, subpart F and 24 CFR 982.516)	20
Indicator 4 Utility Allowance Schedule (24 CFR 982.517)	5
Indicator 5 HQS Quality Control (24 CFR 982.405(b))	5
Indicator 6 HQS Enforcement (24 CFR 982.404)	10
Indicator 7 Expanding Housing Opportunities	5
Indicator 8 Payment Standards (24 CFR 982.503)	5
Indicator 9 Timely Annual Reexaminations (24 CFR 5.617)	10
Indicator 10 Correct Tenant Rent Calculations (24 CFR 5.617)	5
Indicator 11 Pre-Contract HQS Inspections (24 CFR 982.305)	5
Indicator 12 Annual HQS Inspections (24 CFR 982.405(a))	10
Indicator 13 Lease Up	20
Indicator 14 Family Self Sufficiency (24 CFR 984.105 and 984.305)	10
Indicator 15 Deconcentration Bonus	NA

Your overall performance rating is **High**. Your PHA has earned a total of **145** points out of **145** possible points.

Thank you for your cooperation with the SEMAP process. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mayfelisa Miso, Portfolio Management Specialist at (213) 534-2613.

Sincerely,

Meena Bavan

Meena S. Bavan

Director

Office of Public Housing

Montly Requests Log

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
8711	08/02/23	Copies of any applications and exhibits (site plans, drawings, justification statements, etc.) for the installation of a NEW Communication Facility (cell tower) that may have been submitted or in-review from May 1, 2023 to current date. While I...	Community Development	08/28/23	08/28/23
8712	08/02/23	Records for any inspection reports and code enforcement violation notices from January 1, 2021 to present regarding 7932 Lampson Ave. No. 11 (See attachment for more info)	Community Development	08/10/23	08/10/23
8713	08/02/23	Request Code: 12769926 Date: 08/02/23 On behalf of our customers who are contractors & suppliers, we request updated plan-holder, bid tabulation and contract award information AS IT IS AVAILABLE on the following solicitation. Please correct an...	Finance	08/14/23	08/10/23
8714	08/02/23	can i get the listing for all new businesses listing for the month of July for 2023 in Excel, thank you.		08/12/23	08/10/23
8715	08/02/23	Please provide any and all building department records including but not limited to inspections and permits, regarding the property located at 12530 Valley View St. Garden Grove, CA 92845 for the time period of 2017-Present.		08/12/23	08/04/23
8716	08/03/23	If you have the data, I would just like the 1) number of ADU applications submitted and 2) number of ADU permits issued for the following dates: 2023: Jan 1- July 1 2022: Full Year 2021: Full Year Please let me know if I need t...	Community Development	08/28/23	08/28/23
8717	08/03/23	Requesting all building permit records and certificates of occupancy for the address 13101 Brookhurst Building B, Garden Grove, CA 92843.		08/14/23	08/04/23

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8719	08/04/23	I need a copy of the deed, my attorney needs it for estate planning purposes.		08/14/23	08/04/23
8720	08/04/23	I need a copy of the deed, my attorney needs it for estate planning purposes.		08/14/23	08/04/23
8721	08/04/23	Hello. I am requesting all documentation (paper and electronic), internal city correspondences, and any other type of reports associated with a city tree that fell on my house on February 24, 2023. My address is 5351 Richmond Ave. Garden Grove 928...	Public Works	09/11/23	
8723	08/05/23	Building permit history: 10442 Lampson Avenue		08/17/23	08/07/23
8724	08/07/23	Good Afternoon, Could you please provide for me any and all documents relating to any and all contracts and agreements between the GARDEN GROVE AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT and ACACIA PARK CONDO COMMUNITY located at 11242 Linda Lane, Garden G...	Economic Development	09/14/23	
8725	08/07/23	Request copies for the last two agreements/ contract (to include amendments) between the City of Garden Grove and Reflex Traffic Systems, Inc. to provide light traffic enforcement cameras for monitoring and enforcement of red-light running violat...	City Manager	08/17/23	08/17/23
8726	08/07/23	Any current open fire violations for the address 7311 Doig		08/17/23	08/07/23
8727	08/07/23	10871 Forbes Avenue - APN: 099-181-85 -any variances or special/conditional-use permits -any open zoning or building code violations -certificates of occupancy -the final approved site plan	Community Development	08/17/23	08/17/23
8728	08/07/23	Request: Any inspections on file Any other applicable records Address: 12162 Robert Lane, Garden Grove, CA 92840	Community Development	08/28/23	08/24/23

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8729	08/08/23	To whom it may concern, We are conducting a Property Condition Assessment on the listed property. Under the Freedom of Information Act, we are requesting document or records pertaining to the property. Specifically, but not limited to, the fo...		08/18/23	08/08/23
8730	08/08/23	We are conducting a Property Condition Assessment on the listed property. Under the Freedom of Information Act, we are requesting documents or records pertaining to the property. Specifically, but not limited to, the following items: • Are there...		08/18/23	08/09/23
8731	08/08/23	Garden grove fire department record request for any UST installation or removal information for the address 13101 Brookhurst street and 9911 Larson Avenue.	City Manager Public Works	08/18/23	08/18/23
8732	08/08/23	New business listing from 2/1/2023-8/8/2023	Finance	08/18/23	08/18/23
8734	08/09/23	We are requesting any current open fire violations for the address 170 Technology		08/20/23	08/10/23
8735	08/10/23	All records including code enforcement for 13289 Earle Dr. 92841 Garden Grove,	Community Development	08/21/23	08/21/23
8736	08/10/23	The City owned parkway tree at 5682 Cerulean Ave. is no longer there. Can this be investigated and replaced? Picture attached. It was a Raywood Ash		08/20/23	08/10/23
8737	08/11/23	This for the Fire Department Regarding 11380 Knott Street Garden Grove See attachment	City Manager Public Works	09/07/23	
8738	08/11/23	Building Department regarding 11380 Knott Street, Garden Grove Request copies of ALL building permits from 1/1/1960 - to present		08/24/23	08/16/23
8739	08/14/23	Can you provide me with all of the different tax tables for the different classifications for a business license renewal?	Finance	08/24/23	08/21/23

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8740	08/14/23	<p>Current Annual Salary for each Department Head and member of the City's Executive Team.</p> <p>Current Car Allowance for each Department Head and member of the City's Executive Team.</p> <p>This request covers each department head and member of the execut...</p>	Human Resources Finance	08/28/23	08/28/23
8741	08/15/23	<p>I would like to request public records for all active businesses for 2023 in Excel format.</p> <p>Please include Business Name, Address, Unit, Zip, Phone, Owner, and SIC code.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	Finance	08/28/23	08/28/23
8742	08/15/23	<p>Hello, I am looking to get a list of properties that have had their water shut off in the last 3 months. I am conducting a school project to see the number of water shut offs in the near by cities. All I request is a list of property address, I d...</p>	Finance	08/28/23	08/28/23
8743	08/15/23	<p>Hello there,</p> <p>I am writing to obtain the building records for the following address 11501 Jerry Ln, Garden Grove, CA 92840, specifically the construction of the garage. We are in the process of applying for an ADU garage conversion building perm...</p>		08/26/23	08/16/23
8744	08/16/23	<p>Hello,</p> <p>Please provide any information that can be shared with regards to code enforcement, and related communications for the property below:</p> <p>11531 MAC NAB ST</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	Community Development	08/28/23	08/28/23
8745	08/16/23	<p>Need tarffic light camaeras on the intersection of Haster St & Lampson Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92840</p> <p>Garden Grove, CA 92840 for the date of DOL: 8/7/2023</p> <p>Time of Loss: 8:12:00 PM</p> <p>Location of Loss: Haster St & Lampson Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92840</p> <p>...</p>	Police	09/11/23	
8746	08/16/23	<p>Need records for 13812 Newland St, Garden Grove, CA for construction</p>		08/27/23	08/17/23

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8747	08/16/23	I had code enforcement out to my apartment and a few infractions were noted. Such as no hot water in kitchen , prior mold. Front window won't open and a few others on the exterior. They have started fixing cosmetic issues by patching on the exter...	Community Development	08/28/23	08/28/23
8748	08/16/23	1. Traffic signal timing chart for the intersection of Monarch Street and Chapman Avenue in effect on 1/19/19 2. Traffic signal plan or geometric plan for the intersection of Monarch Street and Chapman Avenue in effect on 1/19/19	Public Works	08/28/23	08/28/23
8749	08/18/23	Copy of the 911 ambulance contract with Falck Ambulance Service formerly known as Care Ambulance		08/28/23	08/18/23
8751	08/20/23	home building/architectural plan or blueprints for original build in 1953; or any building drawing if that is not available		08/31/23	08/21/23
8753	08/21/23	On behalf of our customers who are contractors & suppliers, we request updated plan-holder, bid tabulation and contract award information AS IT IS AVAILABLE on the following solicitation. Please correct any errors/deficiencies and return by Email ...		08/31/23	08/21/23
8754	08/21/23	We would like to know the building occupancy for our location as I have been asked to hire additional staff but am concerned on capacity. The location is 11258 Monarch ST Unit I & J Garden Grove CA 92841	Community Development	09/14/23	
8755	08/21/23	I am looking for the building plans and related documents pertaining to the construction of the office building located at 11022 Acacia Pkwy, and well as the renovations and added space to the building at 12866 Main Street. Most particularly, sin...	Community Development Economic Development	09/14/23	
8756	08/21/23	I am looking for any and all documentation relating to the Garden Grove/Main Street Vehicle Parking District (VPD) during the time that the Coastline College, located at 12901 Euclid Street, was being proposed, approved and constructed. Those yea...	City Manager	09/07/23	

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8758	08/22/23	Good Morning, I am working with a property owner to design an ADU on 6211 Ludlow Ave, Garden Grove, 92845. I would like to obtain a property map or site plan showing easements, property lines and other relevant information. I would also like to...		09/01/23	08/24/23
8759	08/22/23	I am applying for new home insurance with Mercury home insurance and I am being asked to provide past building records for the roof if it was worked on and electrical work before I bought my house in 2004. If possible please send all existing wor...		09/01/23	08/23/23
8760	08/23/23	We are looking for Certificates of occupancy and any other building records for 11671-11681 Anabel Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92843 indicating changes to the building/property and former occupants. Thanks in advance!		09/02/23	08/24/23
8763	08/24/23	Hello, I am requesting records for all years available for the facility at 14321 Commerce related to hazardous materials storage/permits/releases/spills, storage tanks, building inspections/permits/records, asbestos, air emissions, and environme...	City Manager Public Works	09/05/23	09/05/23
8764	08/24/23	Good afternoon I'm just trying to find out if there's a lien against the property to get that cleared.	Community Development	09/19/23	
8765	08/24/23	Copies of all building inspection records and reports for the property at 9012 Garden Grove Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA 92844 between January 1, 2021, to the present. Copies of all administrative citations for building code violations at the prop...	Information Technology Community Development Police	09/07/23	
8767	08/25/23	Permits (final or expired) and permit history, redacted if necessary, for 5862 Anthony Ave. Garden Grove 92845		09/07/23	08/28/23
8769	08/28/23	Hello, I'm working with a contractor to remodel my house on 6452 Santa Monica Ave, Garden Grove, 92845. I would like to obtain a property map or site plan showing floor plan, easements, property lines and other relevant information. I would also l...		09/07/23	08/28/23
8770	08/28/23	Building permit records including certificates of occupancy, electrical, plumbing, mechanical for 10162 Westminster Ave, Garden Grove, 92843		09/07/23	08/28/23

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8771	08/28/23	Building permit records including certificates of occupancy, electrical, plumbing, mechanical for 10212 Westminster Ave, Garden Grove, 92843		09/07/23	08/28/23
8772	08/28/23	Building permit record request Permit# 2023-12422		09/07/23	08/28/23
8773	08/28/23	We are reaching out to you to see if you can guide us in the right direction. We are looking to obtain a list of all of the properties in Garden Grove that have received code violations in the past 3 months, from May 1st to the current date. Do yo...	Community Development	09/07/23	
8774	08/28/23	We are reaching out to you to see if you can guide us in the right direction. We are looking to obtain a list of all of the properties in Garden Grove that have been reported in fire in the past 3 months, from May 1st to the current date. Do you k...		09/11/23	08/29/23
8775	08/28/23	We are doing hotel business in the city of garden grove. We are looking for corp business list that we can contact to make a business relationship. We want to have all the list of Business that doing in the garden grove city.	Finance	09/07/23	
8776	08/29/23	Hello, Please share all documents regarding code enforcement cases 186212 and 181037, redacted if necessary. Thank you.	Community Development	09/11/23	
8777	08/29/23	Hi, I'm reaching out to request the as-built drawings for an existing building located at 12242 Western Avenue. Our current project involves a building addition that will be attached to the northwestern corner of the 12242 building. We are particu...		09/11/23	08/29/23
8778	08/30/23	Requesting the original building permit, grading permits, demo permits for pre-existing structures (if any) for four multi-tenant buildings each (unfortunately) with independently addressed suites. I believe the four buildings were constructed at ...		09/11/23	08/31/23

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
8780	08/31/23	Please provide all invoices to date for the Central Cities Navigation Center. Including all submitted invoices/draw requests from the prime contractor Thomco and the listed subs. As well as backup. Please provide any and all change order r...	Finance	09/11/23	
8781	08/31/23	I would like to obtain original building permits and past records for 12701 Brookhurst Way Garden Grove Ca APN # 133-352-08		09/10/23	08/31/23
8782	08/31/23	We are doing an environmental site assessment on the property and would like to know if there are any records prior to 2016 in regards to underground/aboveground storage tanks, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, septic tanks, and/or any clarif...	City Manager Public Works	09/11/23	
8783	08/31/23	Please provide building permit records for a car wash facility located at 8034 Garden Grove Boulevard (APN #096-282-20). Please including building permits, Certificate of Occupancy, grading permits, demolition permits for prior structures, tenant...		09/11/23	09/01/23
8784	08/31/23	1989 building permit and specifications (dimensions, doors, windows) for commercial space at 14282 Brookhurst St, Suite 9, Garden Gove, CA 92843		09/11/23	09/01/23

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) **Certificate of Mailing Notice of Application
To the City, County and Municipal
Governmental Agencies**

I hereby certify that a Notice of Application made by Southern California Gas Company regarding Application Of Southern California Gas Company (U 904 G) For A Certificate Of Public Convenience And Necessity For The Ventura Compressor Modernization Project. in Application No.23-08-019, was mailed First Class - US Mail on September 6, 2023, to all the appropriate state, county and municipal governmental agencies appearing on the current rooster.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct of my own personal knowledge.

Executed at Los Angeles, California this 6th day of September 2023.

Evalette Bennett
Name (Sign)

Evalette Bennett
Name (Print)

Regulatory Affairs Analyst
Title

Esté es un anuncio de que sus tarifas pueden cambiar. Para más detalles en español llame al 1-800-342-4545.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS REQUEST
TO CHANGE RATES FOR GAS TRANSPORTATION
(VENTURA COMPRESSOR MODERNIZATION (VCM) PROJECT)

APPLICATION FILING A.23-08-019

Why am I receiving this notice?

On August 24, 2023, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas®) filed the Ventura Compressor Modernization (VCM) Project Application (A.23-08-019) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The application is requesting a total of \$578 million. If the CPUC approves this application, SoCalGas will recover costs beginning in 2032. This will impact your monthly bill.

Why is SoCalGas requesting this rate change?

The VCM Project will support continued reliable supply of natural gas to residential, business, industrial, and agricultural customers in Ventura and along the Central Coast of California. It also facilitates maintaining adequate inventory in the La Goleta storage field, by replacing the three existing nearly 40-year-old natural gas compressors with two electric and two natural gas compressors. Modernization of the facility is critical and needed due to the limited functionality and reliability of the existing equipment, coupled with changes in local gas supply. This project is estimated to result in a nearly 75% reduction in permitted oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) emissions as compared to the existing facility.

How could this affect my monthly gas rates?

If SoCalGas' rate request is approved by the CPUC, the average residential monthly bill using 36 therms per month would increase by approximately [\$0.27] or [0.4%] per month in 2034. Recovery in rates for the proposed project would occur from 2032- 2083 (50 years).

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY
Illustrative Change in Class Average Rates Due to
Proposed VCM Project Effective January 1, 2034

Customer Class	Present Rates	Proposed 2034 Rates*	¢/therm Change	% Change
	(¢/therm)	(¢/therm)	(¢/therm)	
Residential (Core)**	114.443	114.443	0	0.0%
Commercial/Industrial (Core)**	62.829	62.829	0	0.0%
Commercial/Industrial-Distribution Level (Noncore)	19.714	19.714	0	0.0%

Electric Generation-Distribution Level Tier 1 (Noncore)***	32.117	32.117	0	0.0%
Electric Generation-Distribution Level Tier 2 (Noncore)***	22.905	22.905	0	0.0%
Transmission Level Service ****	15.422	15.422	0	0.0%
Backbone Transportation Service (¢/decatherm/day)*****	54.908	62.251	7.343	13.4%
System Total	47.446	48.188	0.742	1.6%

* 2034 Rate illustration shows the highest year rate impact.

** Core customers generally use smaller quantities of gas and the utility purchases their gas.

*** Noncore customers are generally large gas users who purchase their own natural gas supplies for SoCalGas to transport.

**** Transmission Level Service is for noncore service on the Local Transmission System from the SoCal Citygate.

***** Backbone Transportation Service are rights that customers may purchase to transport gas over the backbone system to the SoCal Citygate. Core customers who purchase gas supplies from SoCalGas have this charge included in the gas commodity rate.

How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt SoCalGas's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review SoCalGas' application, including the Public Advocates Office. The Public Advocates Office is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit **PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov**.

Where can I get more information?

Contact SoCalGas

Email: tariffs@socalgas.com

Mail: Jeffery Salazar, Regulatory Business Manager for SoCalGas,
555 West Fifth Street, GT14D6
Los Angeles, CA 90013

A copy of the Application and any related documents may also be reviewed at www.socalgas.com/regulatory/cpuc

Contact CPUC

Please visit apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2308019 to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding.

Your participation by providing your thoughts on SoCalGas's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Phone: **1-866-849-8390** (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074**

Email: Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Please reference SoCalGas' VCM **Application 23-08-019** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

WEEKLY MEMO 9-14-2023

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

September 7, 2023 – September 13, 2023

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

 @CityGardenGrove

 Garden Grove City Hall

 gardengrovecityhall



@CityGardenGrove
 Wed 9/13/2023 11:45 am PDT

🌸 Last night, the Garden Grove City Council officially welcomed Ursula Luna-Reynosa as the City's Economic...



Impressions	251
Potential Reach	4,681
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.4%



gardengrovecityhall
 Wed 9/13/2023 11:45 am PDT

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Impressions	1,549
Reach	1,223
Engagements	61
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.9%



Garden Grove City Hall
 Wed 9/13/2023 11:45 am PDT

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Impressions	671
Reach	671
Engagements	131
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	19.5%



@CityGardenGrove
Wed 9/13/2023 10:09 am PDT

@degaetus Hello! Water Services has a scheduled outage today from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Betty Ln, Schrandt Dr, and Le Ann Dr. All residents were notified. We thank you for your patience. **#GG1956**



Impressions	30
Potential Reach	—
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.7%



@CityGardenGrove
Tue 9/12/2023 9:46 am PDT

Emergency water shutdown on Betty Ln, Schrandt Dr, and Le Ann Dr! The water is anticipated to be off for about two hours. Crews will notify residents door to door. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience. **#GG1956**

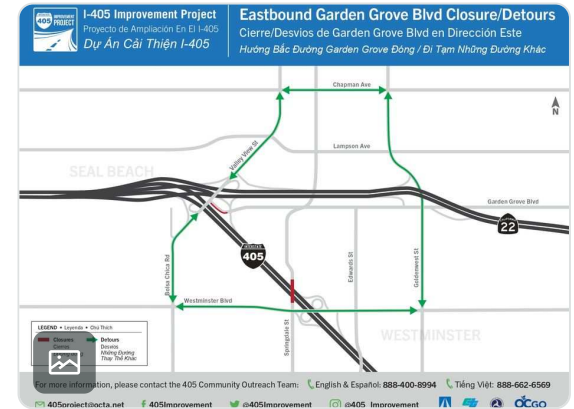


Impressions	248
Potential Reach	4,678
Engagements	16
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.5%



Garden Grove City Hall
Mon 9/11/2023 5:30 pm PDT

⚠️ COMMUTER ALERT Starting tonight, September 11, 2023, eastbound Garden Grove Boulevard will close nightly betwe...



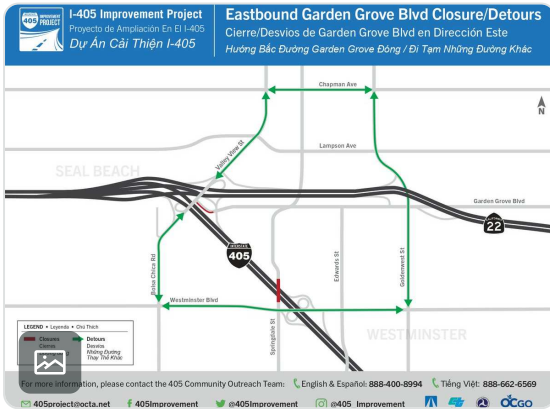
Impressions	366
Reach	355
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.5%



@CityGardenGrove

Mon 9/11/2023 5:30 pm PDT

⚠️ **COMMUTER ALERT** Starting tonight, 9/11, EB Garden Grove Blvd will close nightly between Valley View St and the N...



Impressions	327
Potential Reach	4,711
Engagements	26
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8%



gardengrovecityhall

Mon 9/11/2023 3:30 pm PDT

🍂 Fall into the autumn season by exploring the Garden Grove Parks and Recreation Guide! 🔄 Swipe to see some ...



Impressions	1,028
Reach	728
Engagements	21
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 9/11/2023 3:30 pm PDT

🍂 Fall into the autumn season by exploring the Garden Grove Parks and Recreation Guide! 🔄 Swipe to see some ...



Impressions	8,185
Reach	5,555
Engagements	735
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	9%



[@CityGardenGrove](#)

Mon 9/11/2023 1:11 pm PDT

Today, we remember all those who lost their lives from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. As we reflect on this da...



Impressions	322
Potential Reach	4,677
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



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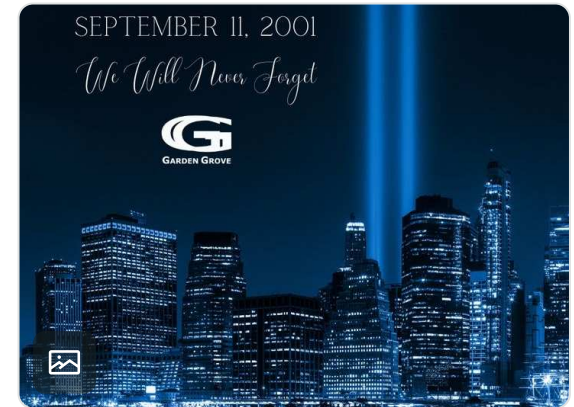
Impressions	773
Reach	707
Engagements	72
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	9.3%



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Impressions	406
Reach	386
Engagements	16
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.9%



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 9/11/2023 8:16 am PDT

Join the Orange County Fire Authority for a live stream today, at 8:30 a.m., commemorating the anniversary of 9/11....



Impressions	327
Reach	316
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.8%



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Fri 9/8/2023 12:00 pm PDT

It's almost time to get all shook up, #GardenGrove! 🤘 We're one month away from the return of the annual...



Impressions	1,556
Reach	1,466
Engagements	40
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.6%



Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 9/8/2023 12:00 pm PDT

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Impressions	1,636
Reach	1,588
Engagements	50
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.1%



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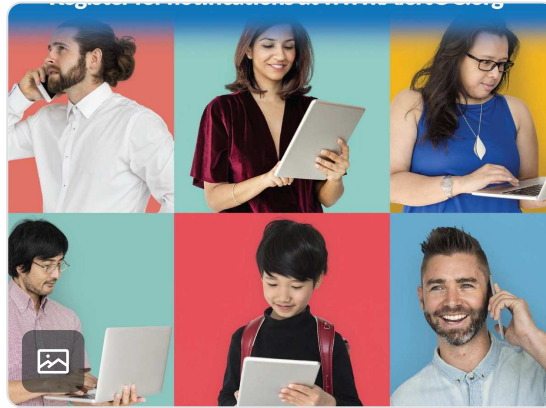
Impressions	110
Potential Reach	4,675
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.6%



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Thu 9/7/2023 4:35 pm PDT

📅 September is #NationalPreparednessMonth! #DYK, in emergencies, the @GardenGrovePD...



Impressions	536
Potential Reach	21,578
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.9%



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Thu 9/7/2023 4:35 pm PDT

📅 September is #NationalPreparednessMonth! #DYK, in emergencies, the @gardengrovecpd utiliz...



Impressions	542
Reach	479
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 9/7/2023 4:35 pm PDT

September is
#NationalPreparednessMonth! #DYK, in
emergencies, the Garden Grove Police...



Impressions	386
Reach	359
Engagements	14
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.6%




Post Performance

September 7, 2023 – September 13, 2023


Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report


 Garden Grove Police Department

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Wed 9/13/2023 12:00 pm PDT


A reminder to join us today, September 13, 2023 from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM at the Community Meeting Center (11300...




Impressions	1,576
Reach	1,501
Engagements	74
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.7%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Tue 9/12/2023 8:03 pm PDT

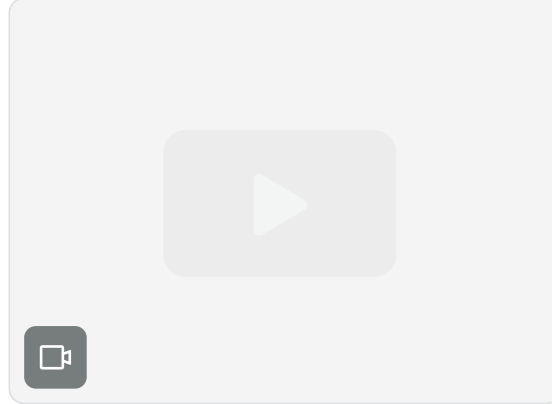
#GGPD32



Video Views	1,032
Impressions	2,252
Reach	2,216
Engagements	409
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	18.2%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Tue 9/12/2023 8:00 pm PDT

#GGPD32



Video Views	—
Impressions	—
Reach	—
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 9/12/2023 12:00 pm PDT

It's #NationalPoliceWomanDay. A shout out to #GardenGrovePD ladies in blue and our fellow sisters in #LawEnforcement. If...



Impressions	1,526
Reach	1,518
Engagements	354
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	23.2%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 9/11/2023 7:28 am PDT

Today, we honor the nearly 3,000 lives lost in a horrific attack on America. People do not die, until they are forgotten. We...

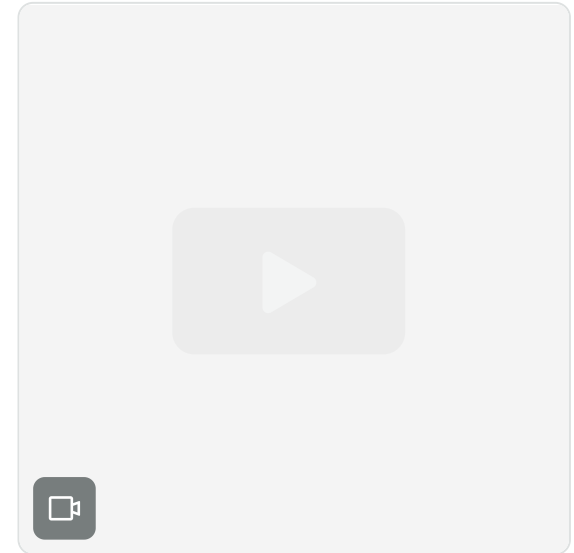


Impressions	2,501
Reach	2,501
Engagements	327
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	13.1%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sun 9/10/2023 5:30 pm PDT



Video Views	—
Impressions	—
Reach	—
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 9/9/2023 12:00 pm PDT

Outreach & Cleanup Recap: this week, #GardenGrovePD's Special Resource Team (SRT) collaborated with Be Well OC and...



Impressions	1,402
Reach	1,390
Engagements	127
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	9.1%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Thu 9/7/2023 12:30 pm PDT

September is #NationalPreparednessMonth #DidYouKnow in emergency situations, #Gi utilizes AlertOC to notify residents and busi



Impressions	1,373
Reach	1,309
Engagements	52
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.8%

WEEKLY MEMO 9-14-2023

NEWS ARTICLES



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Wednesday, September 13, 2023



**CITY HOSTS PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS PROPOSED
WATER RATE INCREASE**

The City of Garden Grove’s Public Works Department will be hosting a public workshop to discuss the results of a water rate study and a proposed water rate increase. The workshop takes place on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue.

The meeting will address specific aspects, such as required capital improvement projects and costs, regulatory compliance, and a proposed initial 4.2% increase for an average residential water customer. The City’s Public Works Water Services Division and consultants will be on hand to make a presentation, answer questions, and calculate individual water bill amounts using the proposed water rates.

Water customers will receive a 45-day mailed notice in October for a public hearing on the proposed water rates.

Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese translators will be available to assist at the public workshop.

For more information, please contact the Garden Grove Public Works Department at visit gg.city/water-rate-workshop, gg.city/water-rate, or call (714) 741-5520.

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Monday, September 11, 2023



MEDIA ALERT

**WELCOME RECEPTION FOR NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR TOMORROW**

Members of the media are invited to attend a welcome reception for Garden Grove's new economic development director Ursula Luna-Reynosa, tomorrow, Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 5:30 p.m., in the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue. Luna-Reynosa began her new position on Monday, August 21, 2023.

The reception will be followed by the regular meeting of the Garden Grove City Council. Photos of the event will be posted the following day on the City of Garden Grove Facebook and Instagram pages, @GardenGroveCityHall.

WHAT: Welcome reception for Garden Grove's new economic development director Ursula Luna-Reynosa

WHEN: Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove 92840

WHO: Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones and members of the Garden Grove City Council will officially welcome Luna-Reynosa as Garden Grove's new economic development director. Other elected officials will also be in attendance.

INFO: ggcity.org/directors/ursula-luna-reynosa

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OC TRIBUNE

Patti Widdicombe is honored

September 12



PATTI WIDDICOMBE was honored at the Garden Grove City Council meeting Tuesday

More than a half-century ago, when fast food restaurants were few and far between, the Widdicombe family brought a McDonald's restaurant to Harbor Boulevard in Garden Grove, one of the first in Orange County.

The restaurant, and its imitators, changed the way Americans ate and socialized and is a familiar sight all across the globe.



A descendent of those hamburger pioneers, Patti Widdicombe, was honored at Tuesday night's meeting of the Garden Grove City Council. The network of "McD's" in the city she owns and operates has 300 employees.

Its noteworthy contributions to the community include helping workers pay for college education, donate food for civic events, and host a COVID-19 vaccination event that served 1,200 people, who got a coupon for a food item in addition to the inoculation.

Also on Tuesday night, the council voted to adopt a proclamation to recognize August as Muslim Appreciation and Awareness Month in Garden Grove and to adopt a proclamation celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month in the city.

GG's growth rode on the rails

September 8, 2023



PACIFIC ELECTRIC “Red Cars” like this connected Garden Grove to the rest of Southern California (OC Archives).

Garden Grove was founded in 1874, making next year the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the community. This is the second in a series of articles about the early days of the community, excerpted from the book by Jim Tortolano.

The schools, churches and farms of the village era were held to modest dimensions by the issue of transportation. Roads were few and universally unpaved; some were mere cow paths that turned to sticky muck under the rain. The automobile was still a creature of the next century. The vehicle of dreams for Garden Grove and all of Santa Ana Valley was the locomotive.

The Southern Pacific Railroad, created in 1870, was the entity that brought reliable, cheap transportation – as well as growth – to what were then the “outlying” areas of Southern California.

The SP publicized the paradise of sunny SoCal across the nation, leading to an influx of hopeful new residents to the Los Angeles area. The railroad pushed its lines toward the edges of the populated counties, with the SP reaching Anaheim in 1875. The arrival of the railroad spurred the growth of the Santa Ana Valley, and gave a hint of what the iron horse could do for – and to – a community.

Henry Huntington’s Pacific Electric system – soon to be famous for the “Red Car” line – began to snake its way out from central L.A. in the late 1880s. By 1905 it reached Garden Grove, slicing diagonally through the community and bringing the village into the closer embrace of the world outside.

With a railroad depot, the crossroads changed almost overnight into a burgeoning town, as farmers and growers took advantage of the shipping facilities offered. Packing houses

grew up nearby and a general increase in population and economic activity was reflected in the expansion of the once-tiny business district.

Banks, newspapers, retail operations of all kinds, new subdivisions and more appeared quickly, fertilized by the promise offered by a convenient connection with customers and suppliers from beyond the meadow. The second phase of the community's life was about to begin.

In 1910, just a few years after the Pacific Electric brought regular passenger and freight service to town, the population was put at about 1200, triple what it had been in 1890. In 1940, just before the end of the era, the figure had risen to about 5,500, but even that number was just a hint of the possibilities to beckon after the world came back from war.

The biggest catalyst for the town era was the railroad: the Pacific Electric railway. Henry Huntington in 1903 decided to extend the P.E. south and east to Santa Ana and a diagonal route was chosen that cut across Buena Park, Stanton and Garden Grove. Construction started on Oct. 1, 1904 and through service to Santa Ana began on Nov. 6, 1905.

Garden Grove's depot was located west of Euclid (now Main) Street and north of Garden Grove Boulevard. Ironically, the Home Depot parking lot is now the site of the former rail depot. The angle at which the railway right-of-way ran created some odd-shaped parcels and cut chunks of land and city blocks in half.

Instantly, the railroad worked a major change in the community. It provided not just passenger but shipping service. An industrial park of sorts sprang up around the depot, led by large orange packing facilities. These buildings went through many incarnations – packing house, thrift store, mattress outlet, etc. – before finally being leveled in the late 1980s. .

The railway made Garden Grove into a significant shipping point for farmers and growers in the surrounding area, which in turn spurred the growth of businesses in the small community. The downtown of old, which has been a somewhat scraggly accumulation of wooden and stone structures blossomed into a brick-and-mortar center of greater permanence, and many of the leading institutions of the community – chamber of commerce, newspaper, etc. – date from this time and this rail-fired boom.

Best known to contemporary residents is the old "Red Car" interurban railways of legend. The Red Car connected Garden Grove with locations all across Orange and Los Angeles counties, making trips to Newport or Pasadena (in the era before wide, paved roads) relatively easy, quick and convenient.

The rail not only made it possible for Garden Grove to export its products and recreate its residents, but it also brought the world here. Midwestern families seeking to come to the milder climate of California were part of the "boxcar culture" that fueled the community's modest but steady growth.

Families, or groups of families, would rent a boxcar in Iowa or Michigan and fill it with animals, furniture, kith and kin and make the long, arduous but inexpensive trip across the plains, up and over the big divide and finally to arrive at this bustling little town.

Early Garden Grovers would gather at the depot to see what new family was arriving; some friendships, business relationships and perhaps, even romances were kindled that first day on the rough wooden steps of that depot.

The original electric line gave way to diesel engines, and after the demise of the Red Car line in the late 1940s, freight service became the main purpose of the line. Baby boomers who grew up in Garden Grove can easily recall the long, slow progress of the trains through the summer days, the motormen returning the excited waves of kids, who always seem to be fascinated by trains.

Singing contest for high schoolers at Elvis Festival

September 7



ELVIS was a teenager once. A singing contest for high school students is part of the Elvis Festival on Main Street in Garden Grove this year

Coastline Community College of Garden Grove is inviting high school students to participate in a singing contest to be held in conjunction with the 23rd Annual Elvis Festival set for Sunday, Oct. 8, which will be staged in the adjacent Pecor Plaza and Main Street to the campus.

Interested singers do not have to look, sound or move like Elvis Presley, but must sing one of his songs in their own style. To be considered for one of three stage spots during the Festival contestants must submit a recording or video of themselves singing a Presley song to elvisfestival@yahoo.com no later than Friday, Sept. 15 and include the following information : full name, age, name of high school or designate home school, phone number and name of parent or guardian. No entry fee is required.

Three entrants will be selected to perform at the festival and placings will be announced after the showcase is completed. Prizes will include a \$100 gift card for first place, \$50 gift card for second place and a \$25 gift card for third place, along with other awards.

Elvis Festival is an all-day tribute to the King of Rock and Roll, and features a variety of Elvis singers, bands, strolling entertainment, Elvis fan clubs, specialty vendors, memorabilia and collectibles, a classic car show, food trucks and dog rescues in honor of Adopt a Shelter Dog Month (Hound dogs!).

The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and admission is free as well as parking, which is available at the Concorde Career College and Coastline College lots adjacent to the event, which is on Main Street between Acacia Parkway and Garden Grove Blvd.

There are a limited number of paid reserved seats for stage entertainment and can be purchased online at Eventbrite under 23rd Annual Elvis Festival. A free section of seating is also available.

For more information visit the Facebook Page for the Annual Elvis Festival Garden Grove, send an email to elvisfestival@yahoo.com or call 714-267-4657.

TP Garden Grove – Ngày dọn dẹp đồ công kênh miễn phí

September 9

Vào Thứ Bảy, ngày 30 tháng Chín, 2023, từ 9:00 giờ sáng đến 11:00 giờ trưa, Thành phố Garden Grove, hợp tác với Republic Services, tổ chức một ngày dọn dẹp cộng đồng để cư dân mang bỏ những đồ công kênh (bulky item) miễn phí đúng cách (Community Cleanup day.) Sự kiện này chỉ dành cho cư dân Garden Grove và tổ chức tại bãi đậu xe (parking lot) trung tâm phục vụ người cao niên H. Louis Lake Senior Center, địa chỉ 11300 Stanford Avenue.

Tại đây cũng sẽ giúp cư dân cắt giấy tờ không dùng nữa một cách an toàn (paper shredding), giới hạn 5 thùng giấy. Cư dân có thể mang bỏ các vật dụng không dùng trong nhà, bao gồm các vật dụng công kênh và đồ điện tử, chẳng hạn như giường, tủ, nệm, sofa, tivi, máy in và máy tính (computers.) Cư dân sẽ tự mang đồ đến vứt bỏ, cho đến khi các thùng bỏ đồ đã chất đầy. Các đồ không nhận gồm pin, đèn LED, tủ lạnh, tủ đá, máy lạnh, bánh xe, rác gia dụng độc hại, xi-măng, các chất thải dơ. Để xem danh sách những vật dụng không thu nhận, vui lòng truy cập ggcity.org/cleanup-days.

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Republic Services giúp xử lý những vật dụng công kênh miễn phí cho cư dân Garden Grove đơn hộ (single-family) hoặc đa hộ (multi-family.) Mỗi hộ gia đình có thể làm hẹn để mang bỏ vật dụng nặng trong nhà 3 lần/năm, và giới hạn tối đa 10 món đồ mỗi lần. Chỉ phục vụ theo lịch hẹn. Để làm hẹn, xin gọi số (714) 238-2444.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
September 14, 2023

1. Calendar of Events
2. League of California Cities articles from September 8, 2023 to September 14, 2023.
3. SCAG Regional Council Newsletter



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 14, 2023 – October 24, 2023

Thursday	September 14	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Wednesday	September 20	10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.	Resource and Vaccine Fair H. Louis Lake Senior Center, 11300 Stanford Ave.
Thursday	September 21	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC \$2 Casual Dress Day
Friday	September 22		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	September 26	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	September 28	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Saturday	September 30	9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Shredding & Community Cleanup Day H. Louis Lake Senior Center, 11300 Stanford Ave.
Thursday	October 5	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	October 6		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	October 10	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	October 12	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC \$2 Casual Dress Day
Thursday	October 19	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	October 20		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	October 24	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC

SPOTLIGHT

SCAG REGIONAL COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



ABOUT

The Regional Council is the governing board of the Southern California Association of Governments and consists of 86 elected officials representing 191 cities, six counties, county transportation commissions, transportation corridor agencies, tribal governments and air districts in Southern California.

AGENDA

[Click here](#) for current and archived Regional Council meeting agendas.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MEETING



ACTION UPDATES ON CONNECT SOCAL 2024 & STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

This month, SCAG’s Joint Policy Committee recommended the draft Connect SoCal 2024 Plan to the Regional Council for approval to release for circulation in November. [The committee heard a presentation](#) previewing the contents of the Plan, which showcased key policies and strategies to be included in the draft Plan to address existing and emerging challenges facing the region. The presentation also showed how the Plan is based on the best available information, and rooted in local planning and policy actions.

In anticipation of the draft Plan release, SCAG staff continue to engage key stakeholders and provide standing updates at SCAG’s policy committees and working groups. Further discussions, along with other necessary engagement and consultation with tribal governments, elected official briefings and public hearings, will occur during the public review period.

Following the public review and comment period, including a concurrent review and comment period for the program environmental impact report, the final Connect SoCal Plan is expected to be put forward for approval in [April 2024](#). For the latest details on Connect SoCal 2024 development, visit connectsocial.org.

ACTION REGIONAL COUNCIL APPROVES RHNA REFORM RECOMMENDATIONS

In September, the [Regional Council approved the release of SCAG's recommendations on the reformation of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment \(RHNA\) process](#).

These recommendations will be provided to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in a formal letter to be included in a report of recommendations to the California State Legislature.

On Aug. 16, SCAG staff presented a total of thirteen recommendations at a special meeting of the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee, with changes to the regional determination, methodology and appeals processes. The committee acted to recommend the draft recommendations be moved to the Regional Council for further action.

Some recommendations will also require legislation to implement changes while others will be evaluated as part of the 7th RHNA cycle. The Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee will now use the recommendations to prepare multiple proposals for potential SCAG-sponsored bills and to advocate for bills containing high-priority RHNA reform concepts. SCAG will continue to monitor and report on HCD's process and explore ways to implement the approved recommendations.

As part of its statewide RHNA reform effort, HCD is soliciting comments until Sept. 15. For more information on SCAG's RHNA program, visit scag.ca.gov/rhna.

ACTION REGIONAL COUNCIL APPROVES UPDATES TO PATH GUIDELINES, RUSH CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

At its September meeting, the Regional Council approved updates to the Programs to Accelerate Transformative Housing (PATH) guidelines, setting up the release of the Regional Utilities Supporting Housing (RUSH) Pilot Program Call for Applications this fall. This represents \$35 million from the Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) 2.0 Program that will be focused on funding utility infrastructure planning and shovel-ready capital improvements that will help meet housing production goals.

These updates incorporate input from the RUSH forum earlier this year and are part of ongoing work to distribute the [\\$237 million awarded to SCAG from the California Department of Housing & Community Development](#) for the REAP 2.0 Program. SCAG staff continue work to launch funding programs focused on accelerating infill

development, connecting infill housing to daily services and increasing travel options, and building capacity for planning innovation through data-driven decision-making tools. For more information, visit scag.ca.gov/reap2021.

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT



DEMOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP PROGRAM NOW AVAILABLE

[Registration is open](#) for the 34th annual Demographic Workshop, “The Seismic Generational Shift,” hosted by SCAG and the USC Price School of Public Policy on Sept. 20. This event will take place at the SCAG Main Office in downtown Los Angeles, with an online broadcast for virtual viewing.

Workshop panels will explore continuing trends with the latest data, the state’s new housing data infrastructure and generational change through the lens of the region’s housing and jobs. Attending in person includes access to the full workshop program, including roundtable discussions with experts, networking, Q&A with the keynote speaker and full AICP credits. To see the full program and register, visit scag.ca.gov/demographics.

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING 2.0 UPDATE

In July, the HCD approved SCAG's full REAP 2.0 application, formally awarding \$237 million to the SCAG region. SCAG has issued Calls for Applications for five programs to sub-allocate a significant portion of the REAP 2.0 funds to eligible entities in the SCAG region. [In July, the Regional Council approved \\$80 million in projects under the County Transportation Commission Partnership Program.](#) The Regional Council will consider the approval of awards for the Sustainable Communities Program, Housing Infill on Public and Private Lands Pilot Program and Notice of Funds Available for Lasting Affordability this fall. For more information, visit scag.ca.gov/reap2021.

SCAG CLEAN CITIES REDESIGNATION

SCAG Leadership met remotely last month with leadership from the Department of Energy's Clean Cities Coalition redesignation committee. SCAG Regional Council Second Vice President Cindy Allen, Immediate Past President Jan Harnik and Regional Council member Oscar Ortiz attended and shared their support for the program along with members of the SCAG Executive team who shared the importance of this work, as well as the California regulatory drivers and the need for more funding in this area.

SCAG staff provided a detailed presentation outlining SCAG's coalition structure, recent accomplishments, and activities and future work plan, highlighting the Passenger Electric Vehicle Atlas, the Zero Emission Truck Infrastructure Study and the Last Mile Freight Program. Stakeholder outreach and engagement were also demonstrated by participation from Clean Cities Coalition collaborators. A formal letter of redesignation is forthcoming. To learn more about SCAG's Clean Cities Coalition, visit scag.ca.gov/clean-cities.

GREENPRINT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE SECOND MEETING

SCAG held the second meeting of the SoCal Greenprint Technical Advisory Committee on Aug. 28. The meeting included a discussion of potential draft data standards for identifying, evaluating and selecting data. This work supports the TAC's purpose of ensuring the future SoCal Greenprint tool is aligned with policy objectives identified in the approved Regional Advanced Mitigation Planning policy framework. The final TAC meeting is scheduled for Sept. 25 and will include discussions on revisions to the draft data standards, tool functionality and beta testing. After this final meeting, SCAG will continue to integrate committee input into staff recommendations for further development of the Greenprint tool, which will be brought to the Energy and Environment Committee in November for consideration.

The full Executive Director's Report is available here: scag.ca.gov/edr-sep-23.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER

- 12th Safe and Active Streets Working Group
- 19th Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee
- 21st Technical Working Group
- 25th SoCal Greenprint Technical Advisory Committee
- 26th Transportation Conformity Working Group
- 27th Modeling Task Force

OCTOBER

- 4th Executive/Administration Committee
- 5th Community, Economic and Human Development Committee
- 5th Energy and Environment Committee
- 5th Transportation Committee
- 5th Regional Council
- 17th Housing Working Group
- 24th Transportation Conformity Working Group



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