

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 22, 2014
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Thursday, May 29 City Council Meeting – A City Council Meeting will be held on May 29 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The discussion items include View Preservation, a possible moratorium on development projects in Laguna Canyon, and options to address increasing pension costs.

Retirement Announcement - After over 34 years of service to the community, Sergeant Robert Rahaeuser will retire effective May 25, 2014. Bob's contributions to the department will be missed. He has been an important leader in the investigations team and has successfully prosecuted many major cases including the murder of Damon Nicholson in 2009.

Our Newest Officer - On May 27, 2014, Kyle Harriman graduates from the Fullerton College Basic Police Academy and will become our newest officer. Kyle has been employed by the Orange County Sheriff's Department as a Special Sheriff's Officer for the past ten years. Kyle attended the Fullerton "extended format" academy in the evenings and weekends on his own time to reach his goal of becoming a police officer. He will begin our field training next week with experienced trainers. The program can take up to six months before he is able to work on his own.

New Animal Services Officer - A new Animal Services Officer will start work on May 27, 2014. Katie Markisz has held several positions in animal care and of particular interest was her position as a wild animal keeper with the Wildlife Conservation Society at the Bronx Zoo in New York. She also has extensive experience as an equestrian instructor and trainer. During her career she has worked with Rhinoceroses, Giraffes, African Wild Dogs, Zebras, Asian Elephants, Malayan Tigers, and many other species of animals. Katie will make a great addition to our Animal Services team!

24 Hour Residential, Non-Resident Senior, and Downtown Business Employee Parking Permits - Permits are valid for one year from August 1 to July 31. Permits will be available to purchase at the Cashier counter at City Hall, beginning Monday, July 14. *24-Hour Residential parking permits* are available to select residential addresses in the Downtown area and those adjacent to Coast Highway at a cost of \$200. Proof of residency is required. *Non-Resident senior parking permits* are available to individuals who reside outside the City boundaries that are 65 or older at a cost of \$130 with a maximum of one per residence. Proof of age is required. *Downtown Business employee parking permits* are for business owners & employees in the downtown area at a cost of \$300 each per year. Proof of employment is required.

Shoppers Parking Permits - The Shoppers Parking Permits that have been purchased for FY14-16 will be mailed out the last week in July. We will continue to accept mail-in or on-line credit card purchases. If you wish to purchase your permit at City Hall, they will be available starting on September 2. Permits are valid for two years from August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2016.

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