

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
January 8, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City
Council Members

FROM: Lisa Kim
City Manager

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

List of Records Requests, November 2025

• **OTHER ITEMS**

– SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.

– MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Items of interest are included.



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Montly Requests Log

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
10670	11/02/25	Please email as PDF: New Business License Listings October 2025 Bus. name, phone number, owner's name, & any home based, where possible	Finance	11/13/25	11/10/25
10671	11/02/25	Requesting for 12132 Garnet Cir, Garden Grove, CA 92845 (APN 130-205-40): 1. Copies of any plan sets on file (architectural A-sheets: floor plans, exterior elevations, sections; site plan; and any as-built/final plans if maintained); 2. Cert...	City Manager	11/13/25	11/10/25
10672	11/03/25	Time Urgency. Due to current copyright limitations with your agency's procurement portal (PlanetBids), we are unable to obtain the documents directly. Therefore, we are formally requesting the following bid documents: Project Title: On Call RA...		11/13/25	11/03/25
10673	11/03/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or email...	Public Works	11/13/25	11/10/25
10674	11/03/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works	11/13/25	11/10/25

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10675	11/03/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works Utilities	11/13/25	11/10/25
10676	11/03/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works Utilities	11/13/25	11/10/25
10677	11/03/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works Utilities	11/13/25	11/10/25
10678	11/03/25	Would you kindly forward our request under the California Public Records Act to the appropriate party that can furnish us with the current unclaimed/uncashed checks list by email with the following information as set forth below? Please in...	Finance	11/13/25	11/12/25
10679	11/03/25	This request is regarding RFP No. S-1304 Landscape Maintenance Services for City of Garden Grove May I request the following items regarding the contract above: 1. A copy of the fully executed (signed) contract. 2. Complete copies of all Requ...	City Manager	11/13/25	11/10/25

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10681	11/03/25	<p>Good afternoon GG City Clerk,</p> <p>I hope this email finds you well. I would like to see how I could get access of all the emails that were sent in reference to Tuesday, 10.28.2025 meeting item 19.</p> <p>Thank you, Christine Ediss Garden Grove Con...</p>	City Manager	11/13/25	11/05/25
10683	11/04/25	<p>please see the attached records request for the property located at 7211 Garden Grove Blvd Garden Grove CA 92841 Parcel ID (APN): 215-022-05</p> <p>*Note: Associated addresses with the same parcel ID: 7211-7215 Garden Grove Blvd Garden Grove CA 92841...</p>	Community Development City Manager	11/17/25	11/17/25
10684	11/04/25	<p>Please provide an electronic list of all commercial retail projects in that have planning applications that are under review in 2025, submitted in 2025, expired in 2025, or have been approved in 2025.</p>	Community Development	11/17/25	11/05/25
10685	11/04/25	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I would like to request a listing/copies of new businesses that filed in the City of Garden Grove for the month of October 2025. This listing must include, at the very minimum, business name and address. Other information such as contact n...</p>	Finance	11/17/25	11/13/25
10686	11/04/25	<p>Good Afternoon</p> <p>We are requesting the owner's address and name for Saigon Supermarket. But it is not listed on the your business website. It just lists a company name. We would to mail something to the business owner. Please advise if any info...</p>	Finance	11/17/25	11/05/25
10687	11/04/25	<p>Please provide a list of addresses within Garden Grove, Orange County, CA where residential water service was shut off for non-payment or became inactive due to non-usage, during the period [11/4/2024] to [11/4/2025]. Include address, date of shut...</p>	Finance	12/01/25	11/18/25

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10688	11/05/25	Hello, I am requesting copies of or a report of ALL issued building permits for Residential & Commercial properties from 10/29/2025 - 11/4/2025. Report to include (if available): Permit #, Issue Date & Applied Date, Site Addresses, Valuation of p...	Community Development	11/17/25	11/17/25
10689	11/05/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works Utilities	11/17/25	11/13/25
10690	11/05/25	All Floor Plans and all building permits 12661 citruswood Ave garden grove ca 92840		11/17/25	11/05/25
10691	11/05/25	Hi, I'm requesting a search a CUP record. Specifically a CUP for auto dismantling and towing. It was most likely obtain in the 1970's or 1980's. 13781 West St. Reindeer, Inc/H-auto Dismantling Thank you.	Community Development	11/17/25	11/13/25
10692	11/05/25	In 2012, Measure Y was passed to increase TOT rate. Did Garden Grove go out for an RFP to award contract to a consultant for assistance with the ballot measure? If yes, I'm requesting proposer list and awarded contract. Reference this link: htt...	City Manager Finance	11/17/25	11/17/25
10693	11/06/25	12131 Western Avenue Garden Grove, CA - Tenant Improvement Requesting record drawings of restroom plans with dimensions for resubmittal of building permit.		11/17/25	11/06/25
10694	11/06/25	12091 Bayport Street <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of Certificates of Occupancy • Copies of Outstanding Zoning Code Violations • Copies of Outstanding Building Code Violations • Copies of Current/upcoming road widening and/or sidewalk improvements that will requ... 	Public Works Community Development City Manager	11/17/25	11/17/25

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10695	11/07/25	<p>Good Day,</p> <p>I am respectfully submitting a public records request of your City (All Properties) for the most recent 90 days of active and recently closed open records related to code enforcement and property violations maintained by your office....</p>		11/17/25	11/07/25
10696	11/07/25	Resolutions of the Planning Commission and/or City Council that granted conditional use permits for any site allowing or denying restaurant use with incidental banquet facilities as authorized by Ordinance No. 2736, any specific plans or per the ...	City Manager Community Development	11/17/25	11/17/25
10698	11/07/25	Please see attached document for full Public Records Act Request.	Community Development	11/17/25	11/10/25
10700	11/10/25	SmartProcure is submitting a public records request to the Garden Grove Police Department for any and all purchasing records from 8/14/2025 to current. The request is limited to readily available records without physically copying, scanning, or pr...	Finance	11/20/25	11/17/25
10701	11/10/25	<p>Hello,</p> <p>Royal Industrial Solutions is furnishing materials and/or labor in connection with the below project.</p> <p>NCS has partnered with Royal Industrial Solutions to handle their Preliminary Notice requirements and would like for you to confirm ...</p>	Public Works Utilities	11/20/25	11/17/25
10702	11/10/25	<p>We are conducting a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for the site located at the following address:</p> <p>9535 Garden Grove Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA 92844, 33° 46' 27.51", -117° 58' 00.05"</p> <p>Part of our requirements for a Phase I Assessment is...</p>	Public Works Utilities	11/20/25	11/17/25
10703	11/11/25	<p>I am seeking to obtain an email copy of the Certificate of Liability Insurance for the company RQS Construction Inc. that covers the date 8.26.24.</p> <p>Does the City of Garden Grove have this record and a Current one if available?</p> <p>Thank you ...</p>	Finance	11/24/25	11/20/25

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10704	11/11/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variances, Special Exceptions, Zoning Reliefs/Waivers, or Conditional/ Special Use Permits. • Approved Site Plan and/or conditions of approval for building height, setbacks, parking, density, uses, and lot size. • Current open/active zonin... 	Community Development	11/24/25	11/21/25
10705	11/11/25	Need a copy of the utilities work orders for the days October 9 - October 12 2025 specifically for water work being done that services the block of 13650 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92843. The merchant there, Home2Suites is blaming their lack ...	Public Works Utilities	11/24/25	11/24/25
10706	11/11/25	Need a copy of the utilities work orders for the days October 9 - October 12 2025 specifically for water work being done that services the block of 13650 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92843. The merchant there, Home2Suites is blaming their lack ...		11/22/25	11/12/25
10707	11/11/25	Looking for hazmat/environmental records, UST/AST records, permits/violations from Building and Planning Department for 12021, 12091, 12156 Bayport Street, Garden Grove	Public Works Utilities	11/24/25	11/24/25
10708	11/12/25	Hello, I am requesting copies of or a report of ALL issued building permits for Residential & Commercial properties from 11/5/2025 - 11/11/2025. Report to include (if available): Permit #, Issue Date & Applied Date, Site Addresses, Valuation of p...	Community Development	11/24/25	11/18/25
10709	11/12/25	Good morning! Kindly provide the Bid Results and Awards for Invitation # S-1378 "Provide a Virtualization Solution" that closed on 9/16/2025. I am one of the Bidders (CPAC, Inc.) and would like to know the results. If the results and awards are no...	Finance	11/24/25	11/21/25
10711	11/12/25	Requirements for putting a storage shade on r3 property that does not require permit		11/24/25	11/13/25
10712	11/12/25	I would like to know how many storage sheds and the sizes I can have without a permit on my R-3 property. Thank you.		11/24/25	11/13/25

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10715	11/13/25	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I am writing to request email copies of the most recent contract for waste and recycling collection for 2025, or the latest year for which records are available. Also, if possible, the total number of customers and routes for waste and r...</p>	Public Works Utilities	11/24/25	11/21/25
10716	11/13/25	Building permits 8562 Enault in 1/5/1965		11/27/25	11/17/25
10718	11/14/25	<p>Re: Public Records Request – Complete List of Bingo Fundraising Licensees</p> <p>Dear Public Records Officer,</p> <p>Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code §§ 7920.000 et seq.), I hereby request copies of public records containing the follow...</p>	Finance	12/01/25	11/24/25
10719	11/14/25	<p>Good Afternoon,</p> <p>My name is Jordon Myers, I am a Research Technician with Utility Design Services Inc. (UDS). My business contracts with Southern California Edison (SCE) and we currently have a project within the City of Garden Grove/Westminster...</p>		12/01/25	11/17/25
10722	11/15/25	We are doing an environmental site assessment on the property and would like to know if there are any records in regards to underground/aboveground storage tanks, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, septic tanks, and/or any clarifiers on the pro...	Public Works Utilities	12/01/25	11/21/25
10723	11/16/25	<p>Good Day,</p> <p>I am respectfully submitting a public records request (All Properties) for the most recent 90 days of active and recently closed open records related to code enforcement and property violations maintained by your office.</p> <p>Specificfical...</p>	City Manager	12/01/25	11/21/25
10724	11/17/25	<p>Good evening Diana,</p> <p>I hope this email finds you well. I would like to see how I could get access of all the emails that were sent in reference to item 20, Wednesday, Nov. 12th council meeting.</p> <p>Thank you, Christine Ediss Garden Grove...</p>	City Manager	12/01/25	12/01/25

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10725	11/17/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works Utilities	12/01/25	12/01/25
10726	11/17/25	Request Code: 14483998 Date: 11/16/25 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...		12/01/25	11/17/25
10727	11/17/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Community Services	12/15/25	12/15/25
10728	11/17/25	Looking for Pool permit from building in the 1960's		12/01/25	11/17/25
10730	11/17/25	Looking for permit of original patio cover - permitted during original construction in 1960's.		12/01/25	11/17/25
10731	11/17/25	Site Address: 12802 Knott St Garden Grove CA 92841 Nova Group is performing a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment at the above referenced facility. We are seeking to review building records, including permits to operate, building occupancy r...	Public Works Utilities	12/01/25	12/01/25
10732	11/17/25	RE: Hoover BP-7701-7725 GG. 7701-7725, 7643-7667 Garden Grove Boulevard, 12661, 12710-12714, 12684-12708, 12648-12682, 12644-12672, 12627-12643, 12609-12625, 12600-12607, 12608-12624, 12626-12642 Hoover Street Garden Grove California 92841 Re...	Public Works Utilities City Manager	12/01/25	12/01/25

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10733	11/17/25	ADU Permits pulled from 7-1-2025 to 11-17-2025 Finalized ADU permits from 7-1-2025 to 11-17-2025		12/01/25	11/18/25
10736	11/18/25	Dear Garden Grove city, This is a request for public records made under CPRA and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically – either by replying directly or ema...	Public Works	12/01/25	11/20/25
10737	11/18/25	We are conducting a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for the site located at the following address: 9535 Garden Grove Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA 92844, 33° 46' 27.51", -117° 58' 00.05" Part of our requirements for a Phase I Assessment is...	Public Works Utilities	12/01/25	11/20/25
10738	11/18/25	Any new business license requests from Nov 1, 2025 to November 18, 2025	Finance	12/01/25	11/24/25
10739	11/18/25	I would like to order the original plan of my home at : 11171 ENDRY STREET, GARDEN GROVE CA 92841		12/01/25	11/18/25
10741	11/19/25	Hello, I am requesting copies of or a report of ALL issued building permits for Residential & Commercial properties from 11/12/2025 - 11/17/2025. Report to include (if available): Permit #, Issue Date & Applied Date, Site Addresses, Valuation of ...	Community Development	12/01/25	12/01/25
10742	11/19/25	A copy of the City of Garden Grove staff phone directory	Human Resources Information Technology	12/01/25	11/20/25
10743	11/19/25	Please see attachment.	Finance Economic Development	12/15/25	12/01/25
10744	11/19/25	Please provide all forms of communications and correspondence, including but not limited to letters, phone calls, emails and text messages from/to Council Member Yesenia Muneton & Council Member Ariana Arestegui from/to any person and/or persons a...	Information Technology City Manager	12/15/25	12/15/25

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10745	11/19/25	Hi - I am potentially new buyer of the property at 6911 Garden Grove, Garden Grove, CA 92841. We would like to receive all records, documents, plans, citations, entitlements, licenses, etc. associated with this property and business.	Community Development Finance	12/01/25	12/01/25
10746	11/19/25	Hello, My name is Mya Johnson. I am a student employee assisting with research at North Dakota State University. As a part of an ongoing project, we are working to develop a comprehensive understanding of the advancements in department...	Police	01/02/26	
10747	11/20/25	Request Code: 14483991 Date: 11/20/25 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...	Finance	12/01/25	11/21/25
10748	11/20/25	I'm reaching out as part of a project with Cerritos, CA to collect compensation data for comparison purposes. We are gathering records on their behalf and would greatly appreciate your help in providing the information listed below. • Current la...	City Manager	12/01/25	12/01/25
10749	11/20/25	Hello. We need to request approved plans for the following project: Project A-307012 Permit# 2024-01754 address: 6752 STANFORD AVE status: Finaled created on: 2023-12-20 16:08:02 -0800 issued on: 04/16/2024 expiration: 04/16/2...	Community Development	12/01/25	12/01/25
10751	11/20/25	plans for 9762 joyzelle dr from 1950's through 2025		12/01/25	11/20/25
10752	11/21/25	All permit records for the building please.		12/01/25	11/21/25

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10753	11/21/25	Fire sprinkler plans 1978 - 2013 including underground 7211 patterson		12/01/25	11/21/25
10755	11/21/25	I have searched the public records for 12181 Pearce, Garden Grove, CA 92843 and am only able to find the permits from the late 1960s. I would like to request a full, detailed search for any and all permits pertaining to this property.	City Manager	12/01/25	12/01/25
10756	11/24/25	SmartProcure is submitting a public records request to the City of Garden Grove for any and all purchasing records from 8/15/2025 to current. The request is limited to readily available records without physically copying, scanning, or printing pap...	Finance	12/04/25	11/24/25
10757	11/24/25	To the City Clerk: Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code § 6250 et seq.), I am requesting all records related to Request for Proposals (RFP) No. S-1357 – Investment Management Services, issued on February 14, 2025. S...	City Manager	12/04/25	12/04/25
10758	11/24/25	Request a copy of your building permit records since August 29, 2025, to present. Please include any fields that your permitting system tracks. This includes but is not limited to: -Permit Number -Applied/Issued Dates -Work Address -Permit ...	Community Development	12/04/25	12/04/25
10759	11/24/25	Please see the attached letter regarding the Public Records Act.	Finance	12/04/25	12/04/25
10760	11/25/25	Request Code: 14483998 Date: 11/25/25 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...	Finance	12/05/25	11/25/25

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10761	11/25/25	Hi, Is it possible to get a copy of all the emailed public comments that were submitted in favor or opposition of the recent immigrant rights resolution? Councilmember Arestugi had proposed Agenda Item 19 for the 10/28/2025 meeting, and that ca...	City Manager	12/05/25	12/04/25
10762	11/26/25	Please email as PDF: New Business License Listings November 2025 Bus. name, phone number, owner's name, & any home based, where possible	Finance	12/11/25	12/09/25
10764	11/27/25	Hello, I am requesting copies of or a report of ALL issued building permits for Residential & Commercial properties from 11/15/2025 - 11/26/2025. Report to include (if available): Permit #, Issue Date & Applied Date, Site Addresses, Valuation of ...	Community Development	01/02/26	
10765	11/27/25	# 045.15330 This firm is performing a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for the property located at the following addresses: 12460 Euclid Street, Garden Grove, California 92840. APN: 090-072-58 We are requesting any information from your...	Public Works Utilities	12/11/25	12/01/25
10766	11/29/25	To whom it may concerns, As a new buyer of this 9762 Gamble ave ca 92841 . I would like to request a full, detailed search for any and all permits pertaining to this property. Thank you so much		12/11/25	12/01/25
10767	11/30/25	I would like to request the the original as-built floor plan and any available architectural plans for 10520 Lakeside Dr N Unit D, Garden Grove 92840. Thank you for your help.	City Manager	12/11/25	12/08/25

WEEKLY MEMO 01-08-2026

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS




Post Performance

December 24, 2025 – January 7, 2026

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

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department


 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Sun 1/4/2026 3:28 am PST

Brookhurst St. / Stanford Ave

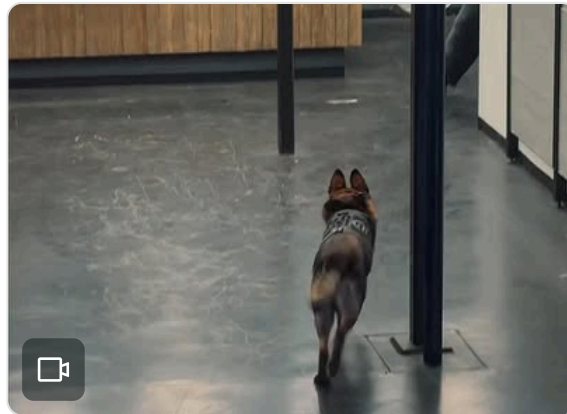
On Sunday, 1/4/26 at 12:05am, GGPD officers...




Views	125,728
Reach	75,933
Engagements	8,968
Engagement Rate (per View)	7.1%

 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Fri 1/2/2026 12:26 pm PST

After 7 years and 11 months of faithful service, K-9 Kody is officially hanging up the leash. 🐾❤️
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Video Views	10,084
Views	10,084
Reach	7,858
Engagements	617
Engagement Rate (per View)	6.1%


 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Thu 1/1/2026 5:01 pm PST

🍪👮 Cops & Cookies at the Library!

Join the Garden Grove Police Department for ...




Views	9,152
Reach	6,680
Engagements	151
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.6%

 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Thu 1/1/2026 9:07 am PST

Happy New Year from Garden Grove PD!
 Wishing our community a safe, healthy, and prosperous year ahead. Thank you for your...




Video Views	3,570
Views	3,570
Reach	3,407
Engagements	184
Engagement Rate (per View)	5.2%

 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Wed 12/31/2025 9:20 am PST

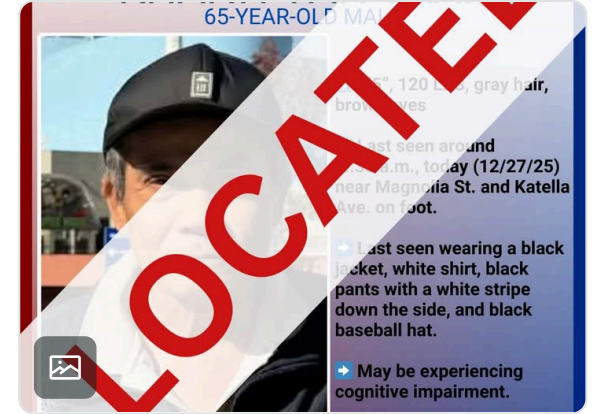
As we ring in the New Year, we want to take a moment to say thank you to our incredible community....



Video Views	5,374
Views	5,374
Reach	5,194
Engagements	197
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.7%

 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Sat 12/27/2025 8:18 pm PST

UPDATE
 Missing person has been LOCATED and reunited with his family. Thank you for your...



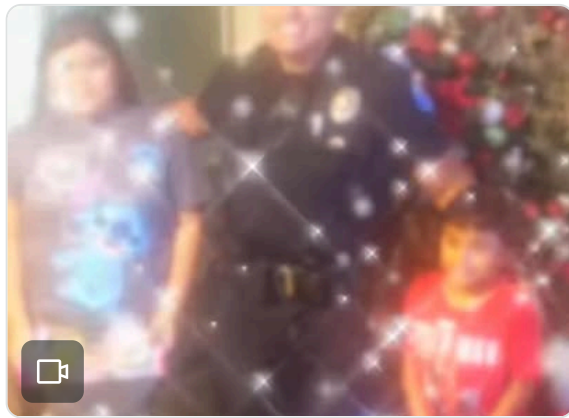
Views	11,830
Reach	7,503
Engagements	430
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.6%



f Garden Grove Police Depart...

Wed 12/24/2025 8:01 am PST

Over the past several days, **#GGPD** officers were proud to distribute toys to children and teens throughout our city. Thanks to the...



Video Views	5,023
Views	5,023
Reach	4,487
Engagements	162
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.2%



Post Performance

December 24, 2025 – January 7, 2026


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

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 @CityGardenGrove

 Garden Grove City Hall

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 **@CityGardenGrove** Wed 1/7/2026 5:26 pm PST

For more information on power outages, please visit sce.com/outage-center or call 1-800-611-1911. **#GG1956 #GardenGrove #StaySafeGG #SafeStreetsGG #safetytips #highwinds**


Post Link Clicks 0


Impressions 41

Potential Reach 4,741

Engagements 0

Engagement Rate (per Impression) 0%

 **@CityGardenGrove** Wed 1/7/2026 5:26 pm PST

 If you see damaged or toppled trees and large branches, call the Garden Grove Public Works Department at (714) 741-5375. For service calls after hours, call the Garden Grove Police Department's non-emergency number at (714) 741-5704.

Impressions 23

Potential Reach 4,741

Engagements 0

Engagement Rate (per Impression) 0%

 **@CityGardenGrove** Wed 1/7/2026 5:25 pm PST

#GGAlert The U.S. National Weather Service has issued a wind advisory beginning Jan. 8, at 9:00 p.m. through Jan. 9 at 1:00 p.m....




Impressions 60


Potential Reach 4,741

Engagements 7

Engagement Rate (per Impression) 11.7%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 1/7/2026 5:21 pm PST

#GGAlert The @nws has issued a wind advisory beginning tomorrow, January 8, at 9:00 p.m. through Friday, January 9 at 1:00 p....




Views	1,806
Reach	929
Engagements	25
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.4%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 1/7/2026 5:21 pm PST


#GGAlert The US National Weather Service San Diego California has issued a wind advisory beginning tomorrow, January 8, at 9:00 p.m....



Views	535
Reach	411
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.3%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 1/7/2026 5:13 pm PST

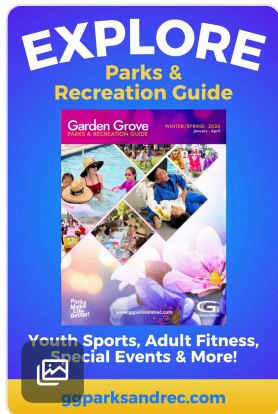
#GGAlert The U.S. National Weather Service, San Diego, California, has issued a wind advisory beginning tomorrow, January 8, at...





Views	—
Reach	—
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per View)	—

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 1/7/2026 2:43 pm PST

✨ Ready to try something new? From sports and dance to art, ice skating, and more, there's something for everyone. Whether you're...



Views	935
Reach	308
Engagements	25
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.7%

  **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 1/7/2026 2:43 pm PST

✨ Ready to try something new? From sports and dance to art, ice skating, and more, there's something for everyone. Whether you're...



Views	277
Reach	202
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.9%

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 1/7/2026 12:20 pm PST

Check out the full schedule at gg.city/mlk-2026.

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #MLKDay #MLK
#MartinLutherKingJr



Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	38
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%

@CityGardenGrove

Wed 1/7/2026 12:20 pm PST

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In observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Garden Grove City Hall and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center will be closed on Monday,...

KING JR. DAY

- Garden Grove City Hall and the H. Louis Lake Senior Center closed.
- No street sweeping.
- Trash pickup will not be

Impressions	65
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.7%

gardengrovecityhall

Wed 1/7/2026 12:20 pm PST

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Views	756
Reach	409
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.1%

Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 1/7/2026 12:20 pm PST

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Views	2,029
Reach	1,349
Engagements	46
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.3%

@CityGardenGrove

Tue 1/6/2026 5:21 pm PST

□

Are you in the market for help navigating the home buying process? We're partnering with NeighborWorks Orange County to bring...

Impressions	66
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	9.1%

@CityGardenGrove

Tue 1/6/2026 5:21 pm PST

□

Join us for the first virtual workshop **next Tuesday, January 13**, from 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Can't make it? Don't fret. Visit ggcity.org/fthb for a full list of upcoming workshop dates.

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #homebuying #homebuyers #homebuyingworkshop

Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	54
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.9%

gardengrovecityhall

Tue 1/6/2026 5:20 pm PST

□

Are you in the market for help navigating the home buying process? We're partnering with **@neighborworksoc** to bring you a serie...

Views	1,417
Reach	800
Engagements	22
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.6%



f Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 1/6/2026 5:20 pm PST

🏠 Are you in the market for help navigating the home buying process? We're partnering with NeighborWorks Orange County to bring...



Views	1,552
Reach	1,157
Engagements	45
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.9%



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Tue 1/6/2026 12:01 pm PST

▶ As we look back on a year filled with moments and milestones in **#GardenGrove**, we want to thank **you** for being part of our...



Views	3,125
Reach	2,470
Engagements	77
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.5%



f Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 1/6/2026 12:01 pm PST

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Video Views	760
Views	760
Reach	716
Engagements	23
Engagement Rate (per View)	3%

  **gardengrovecityhall**
 Mon 1/5/2026 9:20 am PST

The OC Mobile Memory Lab is visiting Garden Grove! It's **#MemoryMonday**, and we have an exciting opportunity to share with...



Views	955
Reach	726
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	8


  **gardengrovecityhall**
 Mon 1/5/2026 8:52 am PST

The holidays may be over, but the memories live on! Take a look back at Winter in the Grove with Garden Grove TV3 Reporter Breanna...



Views	882
Reach	647
Engagements	18
Engagement Rate (per View)	2%


  **@CityGardenGrove**
 Mon 1/5/2026 8:46 am PST

 In the mood for fa-la-la-bulous song and dance performances from local schools and performers? Visit ggcity.org/winterinthegro... to watch the full 2025 Winter in the Grove show.

#GG1956 #GGTV3 #GardenGrove #MemoryMonday #WinterintheGrove #communityevent #holidays #winter #snow




Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	44
Potential Reach	4,742
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%

 **@CityGardenGrove** Mon 1/5/2026 8:46 am PST


The holidays may be over, but the memories live on! Take a look back at Winter in the Grove with Garden Grove TV3 Reporter Breanna Greenup and revisit the festive fun! ❄️

[▶️: youtu.be/245sn03AD3o](https://youtu.be/245sn03AD3o)


Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	74
Potential Reach	4,742
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.4%


 **Garden Grove City Hall** Mon 1/5/2026 8:45 am PST

The holidays may be over, but the memories live on! Take a look back at Winter in the Grove with Garden Grove TV3 Reporter Breanna...



Video Views	685
Views	685
Reach	669
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per View)	1%

 **gardengrovecityhall** Sat 1/3/2026 7:59 am PST



Views	1,052
Reach	843
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	8

gardengrovecityhall

Fri 1/2/2026 5:30 pm PST

Ring in the new year with new career opportunities in **#GardenGrove!** 📁 ✨

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FULL-TIME

Principal Account Specialist	Plans Examiner
Application Deadline: January 5	Application Deadline: January 8
Accounting Manager	Communications Specialist
Application Deadline: January 16	Application Deadline: January 16

APPLY AT GGCITY.ORG/JOBS

Views 7,351

Reach 3,770

Engagements 134

Engagement Rate (per View) 1.8%

Garden Grove City Hall

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Application Deadline: January 16	Application Deadline: January 16

APPLY AT GGCITY.ORG/JOBS

Views 34,596

Reach 23,585

Engagements 806

Engagement Rate (per View) 2.3%

@CityGardenGrove

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Accounting Manager	Communications Specialist
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APPLY AT GGCITY.ORG/JOBS

Impressions 195

Potential Reach 5,319

Engagements 12


Engagement Rate (per Impression) 6.2%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Fri 1/2/2026 3:08 pm PST

Showers are expected to continue through the weekend, with occasional rain possibly carrying into early next week before skies begin to cle...




Impressions	85
Potential Reach	4,741
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.1%


 **gardengrovecityhall**
Fri 1/2/2026 2:50 pm PST

☁️ Keep those umbrellas handy,
#GardenGrove!

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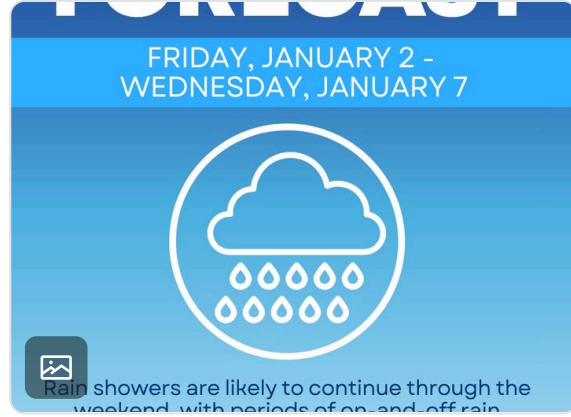


Views	3,350
Reach	1,364
Engagements	24
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.7%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Fri 1/2/2026 2:50 pm PST

☁️ Keep those umbrellas handy,
#GardenGrove!

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Views	1,752
Reach	1,177
Engagements	69
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.9%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
 Fri 1/2/2026 1:14 pm PST

🎉 For 65 years, the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Parade has brought the community together with big smiles and hometown pride...



Views	8,063
Reach	5,379
Engagements	536
Engagement Rate (per View)	6.6%


 **@CityGardenGrove**
 Fri 1/2/2026 10:26 am PST

📺: youtu.be/Zju_hjyxPio

🎉 For 65 years, the #GardenGrove Strawberry Festival Parade has brought the community together with big smiles. Watch this news story for a behind-the-scenes look, including the strawberry cake cutting that sweetens the celebration every year.





Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	222
Potential Reach	4,741
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.9%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
 Fri 1/2/2026 8:11 am PST



Views	0
Reach	0
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per View)	—

 **Garden Grove City Hall** □
 Fri 1/2/2026 8:11 am PST



Views	951
Reach	601
Engagements	19
Engagement Rate (per View)	2%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
 Thu 1/1/2026 9:00 am PST

A brand new year has begun, so let's continue the fun! 🎉

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Views	995
Reach	515
Engagements	28
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.8%

 **Garden Grove City Hall** □
 Thu 1/1/2026 9:00 am PST

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Views	1,413
Reach	928
Engagements	55
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.9%


 **@CityGardenGrove**
Thu 1/1/2026 9:00 am PST


A brand new year has begun, so let's continue the fun! 🎉

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Impressions	119
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.5%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 12/31/2025 6:58 pm PST




Views	793
Reach	634
Comments	1
Story Taps Back	5

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 12/31/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy New Year's Eve, #GardenGrove! 🎉

Please remember to celebrate safely and...



Views	1,448
Reach	734
Engagements	18
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 12/31/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy New Year's Eve, #GardenGrove! 🎉

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Views	1,822
Reach	1,320
Engagements	36
Engagement Rate (per View)	2%



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 12/31/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy New Year's Eve, #GardenGrove! 🎉

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Impressions	97
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1%



gardengrovecityhall

Mon 12/29/2025 9:00 am PST

🔔 As we prepare for the new year, this is a reminder that City Hall will continue to be closed until Thursday, January 1. Normal...




Views	2,365
Reach	1,264
Engagements	42
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.8%

Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 12/29/2025 9:00 am PST

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Views

Reach

Engagements

Engagement Rate (per View)

6,812

4,505

113


1.7%

@CityGardenGrove

Mon 12/29/2025 9:00 am PST

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Impressions

Potential Reach

Engagements

Engagement Rate (per Impression)

65

4,741

2


3.1%

Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 12/26/2025 12:02 pm PST

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🎉 **#FlashbackFriday** For 65 years, the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Parade has brought the community together with big smiles and...



Video Views

Views

Reach

Engagements

Engagement Rate (per View)

1,491

1,491

1,326

46

3.1%



  **gardengrovecityhall**
 Fri 12/26/2025 9:00 am PST

#DYK you can recycle your holiday tree with @republic_services ! 🌿

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Views	2,620
Reach	1,330
Engagements	57
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.2%

  **Garden Grove City Hall**
 Fri 12/26/2025 9:00 am PST

#DYK you can recycle your holiday tree with Republic Services! 🌿

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Views	3,750
Reach	2,437
Engagements	42
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.1%

  **gardengrovecityhall**
 Thu 12/25/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy Holidays, #GardenGrove! 🎄

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe,...



Views	1,462
Reach	683
Engagements	32
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 12/25/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy Holidays, #GardenGrove! 🎄

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe,...



Views	1,244
Reach	804
Engagements	49
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.9%



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Thu 12/25/2025 9:00 am PST

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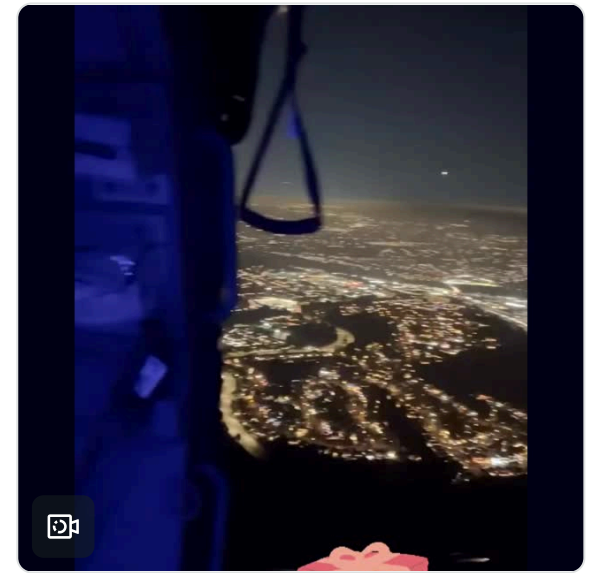


Impressions	108
Potential Reach	4,742
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.7%



gardengrovecityhall

Wed 12/24/2025 6:48 pm PST



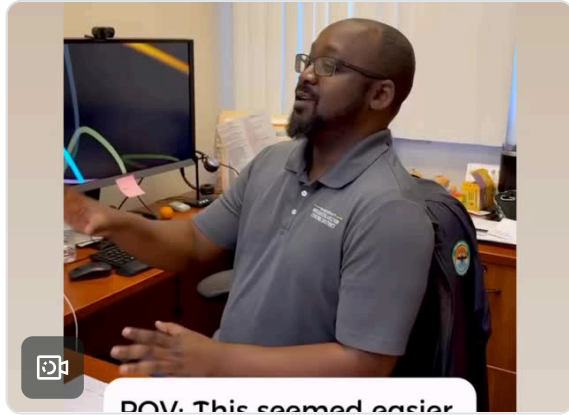
Views	667
Reach	576
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	14



gardengrovecityhall

Wed 12/24/2025 1:44 pm PST

Remember to DUMP & DRAIN after the rain to prevent 🌿🌿



Views	566
Reach	486
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	21



gardengrovecityhall

Wed 12/24/2025 12:00 pm PST

☀️ Let's keep the holidays merry and safe, **#GardenGrove!** Here are a some safety tips to get you started:...



Views	1,256
Reach	635
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.8%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 12/24/2025 12:00 pm PST

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Views	824
Reach	512
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.7%

G  **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 12/24/2025 10:33 am PST

👉 Your lights belong in the spotlight too! 🌟
Holiday Lights submissions are open until
Wednesday, December 31.



Views	625
Reach	537
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	11

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 12/24/2025 10:22 am PST

🎄 As we wrap up the holiday season and
welcome the new year, please note that Garden
Grove City Hall is closed through Thursday...



Impressions	85
Potential Reach	4,743
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.5%

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 12/24/2025 10:19 am PST

🎄 As we wrap up the holiday season and
prepare to welcome the new year, please note
that Garden Grove City Hall is closed through...



Views	1,258
Reach	636
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.3%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 12/24/2025 10:19 am PST



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Views	1,752
Reach	1,218
Engagements	32
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.8%




Post Performance



December 24, 2025 – January 1, 2026

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

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department


 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Thu 1/1/2026 5:01 pm PST

  Cops & Cookies at the Library!

Join the Garden Grove Police Department for ...




Views	4,102
Reach	3,122
Engagements	66
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.6%

 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Thu 1/1/2026 9:07 am PST

Happy New Year from Garden Grove PD!
 Wishing our community a safe, healthy, and prosperous year ahead. Thank you for your...



Video Views	2,391
Views	2,391
Reach	2,304
Engagements	157
Engagement Rate (per View)	6.6%

 **Garden Grove Police Depart...**
 Wed 12/31/2025 9:20 am PST

As we ring in the New Year, we want to take a moment to say thank you to our incredible community....



Video Views	4,463
Views	4,463
Reach	4,243
Engagements	180
Engagement Rate (per View)	4%



f Garden Grove Police Depart...

Sat 12/27/2025 8:18 pm PST

UPDATE

Missing person has been LOCATED and reunited with his family. Thank you for your...



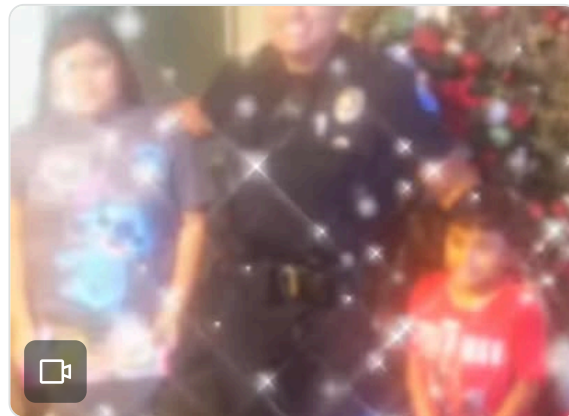
Views	11,830
Reach	7,503
Engagements	430
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.6%



f Garden Grove Police Depart...

Wed 12/24/2025 8:02 am PST

Over the past several days, #GGPD officers were proud to distribute toys to children and teens throughout our city. Thanks to the...



Video Views	4,679
Views	4,679
Reach	4,211
Engagements	157
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.4%



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 Garden Grove City Hall

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 **gardengrovecityhall**
Thu 1/1/2026 9:00 am PST

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Views	599
Reach	362
Engagements	25
Engagement Rate (per View)	4.2%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Thu 1/1/2026 9:00 am PST

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Views	1,027
Reach	674
Engagements	52
Engagement Rate (per View)	5.1%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Thu 1/1/2026 9:00 am PST

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Impressions	61
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.9%



gardengrovecityhall

Wed 12/31/2025 6:58 pm PST



Views	793
Reach	634
Comments	1
Story Taps Back	5



gardengrovecityhall

Wed 12/31/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy New Year's Eve, #GardenGrove! 🎉

Please remember to celebrate safely and...



Views	1,008
Reach	548
Engagements	16
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.6%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 12/31/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy New Year's Eve, #GardenGrove! 🎉

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Views	1,619
Reach	1,203
Engagements	35
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.2%


@CityGardenGrove

Wed 12/31/2025 9:00 am PST

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Happy New Year's Eve, **#GardenGrove!** 🎉

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Impressions	51
Potential Reach	4,740
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%

gardengrovecityhall

Mon 12/29/2025 9:00 am PST

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Views	2,028
Reach	1,131
Engagements	40
Engagement Rate (per View)	2%

Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 12/29/2025 9:00 am PST

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Views	6,545
Reach	4,399
Engagements	112
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.7%

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Impressions

Potential Reach

Engagements

Engagement Rate (per Impression)

58

4,741

2

3.4%

Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 12/26/2025 12:03 pm PST

□

🎉 **#FlashbackFriday** For 65 years, the Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Parade has brought the community together with big smiles and...



Video Views

Views

Reach

Engagements

Engagement Rate (per View)

1,365

1,365

1,253

44

3.2%


gardengrovecityhall

Fri 12/26/2025 9:00 am PST

□

#DYK you can recycle your holiday tree with **@republic_services!** 🌱

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Views

Reach

Engagements

Engagement Rate (per View)

2,363

1,269

55


2.3%

Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 12/26/2025 9:00 am PST

#DYK you can recycle your holiday tree with Republic Services! ♻️

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Views

3,607

Reach

2,360

Engagements

41

Engagement Rate (per View)


1.1%

gardengrovecityhall

Thu 12/25/2025 9:00 am PST

Happy Holidays, #GardenGrove! 🎄

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe,...



Views

1,272

Reach

627

Engagements

32

Engagement Rate (per View)


2.5%

Garden Grove City Hall

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Happy Holidays, #GardenGrove! 🎄

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Views

1,141

Reach


763

Engagements

49


Engagement Rate (per View)

4.3%


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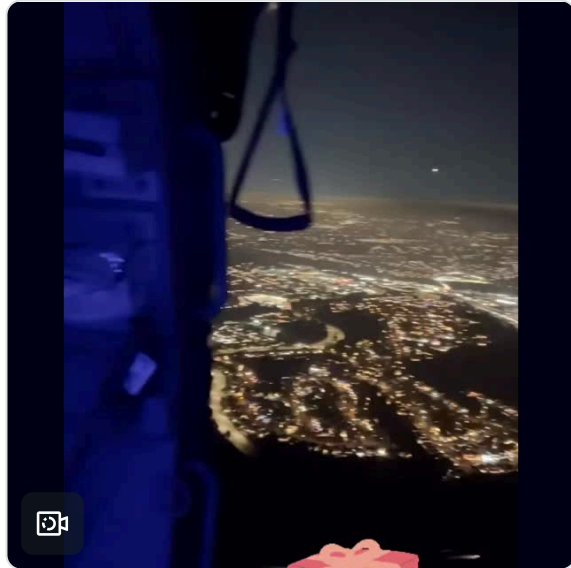
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Impressions	86
Potential Reach	4,742
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.7%

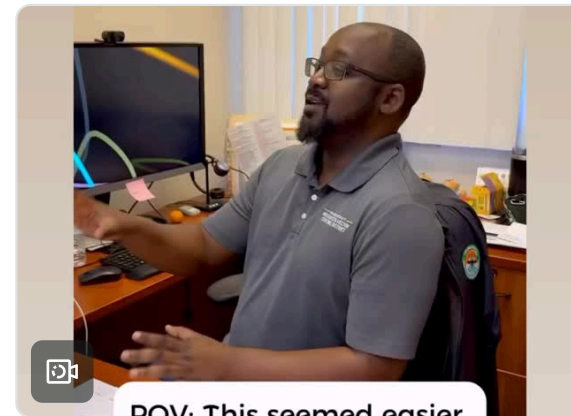
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Views	667
Reach	576
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	14

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Wed 12/24/2025 1:44 pm PST

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POV: This seemed easier


Views	566
Reach	486
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	21

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Views	1,101
Reach	579
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.9%

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Views	741
Reach	481
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.8%

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Reach	537
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	11

 **@CityGardenGrove** Wed 12/24/2025 10:22 am PST


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Impressions	81
Potential Reach	4,743
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.7%

 **gardengrovecityhall** Wed 12/24/2025 10:19 am PST


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Monday, January 5, 2026



UPCOMING FREE VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS FOR GARDEN GROVE'S FIRST-TIME HOME BUYER PROGRAM

The City of Garden Grove, in partnership with NeighborWorks Orange County, a HUD-approved counseling agency, is offering a series of free virtual workshops to help first-time homebuyers navigate the home buying process. These workshops will feature information about the City's First-Time Home Buyer Program, which offers eligible homebuyers up to \$110,000 in down payment and/or closing cost assistance at 0% interest. The first virtual workshop will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, from 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Registration is required.

Upcoming virtual workshop dates include:

- Tuesday, February 10, 2026; 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 10, 2026; 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 14, 2026; 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 12, 2026; 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 9, 2026; 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

To register for a workshop or view additional future dates, please visit

www.ggcity.org/fthb.

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Tuesday, January 6, 2026



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE FACILITIES AND SERVICES SCHEDULE ON MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

In observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the City of Garden Grove will follow the schedule below for its facilities and services on Monday, January 19, 2026:

Garden Grove City Hall

- Garden Grove City Hall will be closed.

Resource Centers

- The Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, H. Louis Lake Senior Center, and Magnolia Park Family Resource Center will be closed.

Recreational Facilities

- Atlantis Play Center will be closed.

Street Sweeping

- Street sweeping services will not be provided on the holiday and will resume the following day. For more information, visit www.ggcity.org/pw/street-sweeping.

Trash Services

- Trash collection services will not be affected. For more information, visit www.republicservices.com/municipality/garden-grove-ca.

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Administrative Analyst



Thursday, December 18, 2025

**CITY OF GARDEN GROVE LAUNCHES GROW
GARDEN GROVE FUND TO SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESSES**

The City of Garden Grove is launching the Grow Garden Grove Fund, a new small business loan program designed to expand access to capital and support local economic growth.

“The Grow Garden Grove Fund reflects our commitment to supporting local businesses through strong partnerships and smart investment,” said Mayor Stephanie Klopfenstein. “Working with Grow America allows us to connect Garden Grove entrepreneurs with capital and resources that help them succeed.”

The program provides flexible financing options for small businesses that may not qualify for traditional bank loans. Eligible uses for loan funds include business expansion, working capital, equipment purchases and job creation.

“Grow America is proud to partner with the City of Garden Grove to help local businesses access the capital they need to thrive,” said Andria Martinez. “Our mission is to expand economic opportunity by combining lending with hands-on entrepreneurial support, ensuring that businesses of all sizes have the chance to succeed.”

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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE LAUNCHES GROW GARDEN GROVE FUND
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The Grow Garden Grove Fund complements the City's existing Micro-Business Loan Program, which also originated from the City's partnership with Grow America to support emerging and very small businesses.

For more information about the Grow Garden Grove Fund visit <https://gg.city/grow-garden-grove>, and for other small business financing opportunities in Garden Grove, visit <https://ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement/small-business-programs>.

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Grow your business with the right funding!

Access affordable SBA 7(a) loans through the Grow Garden Grove Fund.

Program Eligibility

- For-profit businesses located in the City of Garden Grove
- Meet SBA small business size standards for your industry
- Demonstrate ability to repay
- Has an active Garden Grove Business License and no code violations
- Has been denied a commercial loans

Loan Features

- Loan amount: Minimum is \$100,000
- Terms: Up to 25 years based on use of funds
- Interest Rates: Varies by loan size and terms
 - Fixed and variable options may be available
- Use of Funds: Working capital, inventory, supplies, operating expenses, equipment, machinery, furniture, fixtures, leasehold improvements or expansion, business acquisition or partner buyout, refinancing eligible business debt

Technical assistance via OC-SBDC no-cost

City Contact

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More Information:





Fondo Grow Garden Grove

Haga crecer su negocio con la financiación adecuada! Acceso a préstamos SBA 7(a) a través del Fondo Grow Garden Grove.

Requisitos del programa

- Empresas con fines de lucro ubicadas en la ciudad de Garden Grove
- Cumplir con los estándares de tamaño para pequeñas empresas de SBA para su sector
- Demostrar capacidad de pago
- Contar con una licencia comercial activa de Garden Grove y no tener infracciones de código
- Haber sido negado un préstamo comercial

Características del préstamo

- Monto del préstamo: Mínimo de \$100,000
- Plazo: Hasta 25 años, según el uso de los fondos
- Tasas de interés: Varían según el monto y el plazo del préstamo
 - Pueden estar disponibles opciones de tasa fija y variable
- Uso de los fondos: Capital de trabajo, inventario, suministros, gastos operativos, equipos, maquinaria, mobiliario, accesorios, mejoras o ampliación de locales arrendados, adquisición de negocios o compra de participación de socios, refinanciamiento de deuda comercial elegible

Asistencia técnica gratuita a través de OC-SBDC

Contacto de la ciudad:

Henry Surjono

Teléfono: 714-741-5146

Sitio web del programa: Pendiente





Grow your business with the right funding!

Phát triển doanh nghiệp của bạn với nguồn vốn được hỗ trợ! Tìm hiểu các khoản vay SBA 7(a) với lãi suất hợp lý thông qua chương trình 'Grow Garden Grove Fund'.

Điều Kiện Tham Gia Chương Trình

- Những doanh nghiệp có lợi nhuận tại Thành phố Garden Grove
- Đáp ứng tiêu chuẩn doanh nghiệp nhỏ SBA cho cơ sở kinh doanh của bạn
- Chứng minh được khả năng hoàn trả
- Có giấy phép kinh doanh trong Garden Grove còn hiệu lực và không vi phạm luật
- Đã bị từ chối cho khoản vay thương mại (commercial loan)

Điều Kiện Cho Khoản Vay

- Số tiền vay: Tối thiểu \$100,000 USD
- Thời gian vay: Tối đa 25 năm tùy thuộc vào mục đích sử dụng vốn
- Lãi suất: Thay đổi tùy theo khoản vay và điều kiện vay.
 - Có thể có các lựa chọn lãi suất cố định và thay đổi
- Mục đích sử dụng vốn: Vốn lưu động, sản phẩm trong kho, hàng hoá, chi phí hoạt động, thiết bị, máy móc, đồ nội thất, phụ kiện, hoặc mở rộng kinh doanh, mua lại doanh nghiệp hoặc mua lại đối tác, tái cấp vốn cho nợ doanh nghiệp đủ điều kiện

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
January 8, 2026

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of cancellation of the January 15, 2026 Garden Grove Planning Commission meeting.
3. Agenda of the January 8, 2026 Garden Grove Zoning Administrator meeting.
4. League of California Cities articles from January 2 to January 8, 2026.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 8, 2026 – February 13, 2026

Thursday	January 8	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Thursday	January 8	9:00 a.m.	Downtown Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	January 8	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
Friday	January 9		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	January 13	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	January 15	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Monday	January 19		City Hall Closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Thursday	January 22		\$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day
Thursday	January 22 – February 11		Snack-O-Gram Fundraiser
Thursday	January 22	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Thursday	January 22	6:00 p.m.	Special Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	January 23		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	January 27	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority Meeting, CMC Sanitary District Board Meeting, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	February 5	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	February 6		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	February 12	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Friday	February 13		Pre-Valentine’s Day Snack-O-Gram Deliveries



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
JANUARY 15, 2026
REGULAR MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: January 1, 2026

JOHN RAMIREZ
CHAIR



AGENDA

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING

Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue

Thursday, January 8, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Zoning Administrator, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Zoning Administrator as part of the meeting record.

Members of the public desiring to speak on any item of public interest, including any item on the agenda except public hearings, must do so during Comments by the Public. Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing.

Meeting Assistance: Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services, due to a disability, should contact the Community Development Department at (714) 741-5312 or email planning@ggcity.org 72 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for special accommodations. (Government Code §5494.3.2).

All revised or additional documents and writings related to any items on the agenda, which are distributed to the Zoning Administrator within 72 hours of a meeting, shall be available for public inspection (1) at the Planning Services Division during normal business hours; and (2) at the Community Meeting Center at the time of the meeting.

Agenda item descriptions are intended to give a brief, general description of the item to advise the public of the item's general nature. The Zoning Administrator may take legislative action deemed appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC
2. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):
 - a. [CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-023-2014 \(REV 2026\)](#)

APPLICANT: Andy Ly
LOCATION: 12741 Main St

REQUEST: A request to modify conditions of approval for Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-023-2014 to add a new preschool/daycare at the Garden Grove United Methodist Church site, which currently operates a head start program and a preschool, Sunflower Preschool. In conjunction with this request, the Zoning Administrator will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Conditional Use Permit No. Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-023-2014 (REV 2026), subject to the recommended Conditions of Approval.

3. ADJOURNMENT



The Legislature is back in session. These are the top pending bills for cities (so far)

Jan 7, 2026

By Cal Cities Staff

Lawmakers are entering the new year with a litany of problems — some new, some old, and some punted. For starters: a [ballooning \\$18 billion budget shortfall](#). There is precious little left in the rainy day account and even [fewer creative accounting maneuvers](#).

Legislators must also contend with more federal cuts and delays — including funding for the devastating wildfires in the Los Angeles area last year, high-speed rail, child care, and Medi-Cal — [challenges to its climate policies](#), [leadership changes](#), and an unresolved pledge to tackle the affordability crisis.

This is the second year of California's two-year legislative cycle. Cal Cities is entering the year laser-focused on cleaning up a bad housing bill from last year, advancing stalled sponsored bills, and finding new ways to advance city priorities.

If legislators want to get any outstanding bills across the finish line, they need to clear a major committee hurdle by Jan. 16.

-Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

SB 79 clean-up and development fees in the limelight

Lawmakers are again tinkering with [SB 79 \(Wiener\)](#), a measure from last year designed to dramatically and forcibly ramp up housing near high-density transit stops. A groundswell of opposition from over 180 cities and other advocacy organizations compelled the author to amend the bill 13 times, narrowing the scope to cities in eight large counties.

[SB 677](#), also by Sen. Scott Wiener, would expand the law to ferry stops while exempting mobile home parks and RV parking sites. SB 677 is an important opportunity to address several implementation challenges. However, it does not go far enough. As such, Cal Cities is opposing the measure unless it is amended. The requested provisions center around aligning implementation with the next housing cycle, as well as providing clearer guidance, standards, and expectations.

Another bill, [SB 722 \(Wahab\)](#), is seeking similar exemptions for mobile home parks and RV sites. Cal Cities supports this effort, as they are an important source of affordable housing.

[SB 417 \(Cabaldon\)](#) / [AB 736 \(Wicks\)](#) are the latest in a series of attempts to get a \$10 billion housing bond before voters for approval. The investments would come at a critical time, as the last round of funding for the state's flagship affordable multifamily housing program was oversubscribed ten to one. In a [statewide survey](#) by Cal Cities, cities cited limited supportive housing options and lack of ongoing funding as the top two barriers to preventing and reducing homelessness. Cal Cities supports the measure, which, if successful, would place the bond on the June 2026 ballot.

[AB 874 \(Ávila Farías\)](#) is another run at the funds cities rely on to support new housing. The measure would require local agencies to adopt a 30- to 55-year fee-deferral loan program for 100% affordable housing projects or reduce mitigation fees to zero. These fees are cost-recovery tools — not revenue sources.

The bill comes as cities are working to comply with [other changes](#) to the Mitigation Fee Act. Proponents of AB 874 cite a few local ordinances as examples of how a loan-fee deferral program could work. However, there is a clear difference between how cities voluntarily implement such programs and what is

proposed in AB 874: Many cities cannot absorb decades-long deferrals. Cal Cities and other local government associations have expressed concerns with the bill and will submit a formal coalition letter in the coming days.

- Brady Guertin, legislative advocate, and Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

Co-sponsored nitrous oxide bill introduced

Cal Cities has teamed up with Sen. Tom Umberg and the California Narcotic Officers' Association to introduce [SB 758](#). The bill would make it illegal for individuals with a tobacco license to sell nitrous oxide. It would also classify 7-hydroxymitragynine (7-OH) as a Schedule I controlled substance, except as it naturally occurs in the Kratom plant. The Senate Public Safety Committee will hear the measure on Jan. 13. Cities are encouraged to submit letters before the hearing using [Cal Cities' sample letter](#).

Nitrous oxide is an odorless, colorless chemical used in food preparation and dentistry. It's also becoming an increasingly popular and dangerous recreational drug. At least 25 cities across the state have brought forth ordinances focused on restricting the sale of nitrous oxide in retail locations.

7-OH is a highly potent, opioid-like chemical that is often sold as a cure-all. At high and unnatural concentrations, it can [cause significant potential for abuse and physical harm](#). The drug has been linked to at least six deaths in [Los Angeles County](#).

The bill would establish a consistent regulatory baseline for both toxic substances, making it easier for cities to address the proliferation of recreational nitrous oxide and 7-OH-related deaths.

- Serena Scott, policy and legislative affairs analyst, and Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate

Last chance for key property insurance and xylazine ban bills

Lawmakers will also weigh three familiar, Cal Cities-supported public safety bills this month: [AB 75 \(Calderon\)](#), [SB 6 \(Ashby\)](#), and [AB 63 \(Rodriguez, Michelle\)](#).

AB 75, which lawmakers held late in the session, would prohibit insurance companies from canceling policies based on aerial footage taken 180 days before sending notice of the decision to homeowners. The bill would also give homeowners an opportunity to dispute the image and remedy the issue.

Legislators will also review SB 6, which would add xylazine to the state's list of controlled substances. Xylazine is generally used in veterinary practices to treat large animals but can be mixed with fentanyl and other drugs. This marks the third year that Sen. Angelique Ashby has attempted to address the issue.

Building on [a bill signed last year](#) that makes it easier for law enforcement to address prostitution and human trafficking, AB 63 would make loitering in a public place with the intent to commit prostitution a misdemeanor. The measure would also require law enforcement officers to offer services prior to an arrest for prostitution.

- Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate, and Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

Sponsored recovery housing and encampment bills get a second chance

Three measures sponsored by Cal Cities have one last shot at becoming law. This includes two bills sponsored by Cal Cities focused on improving accountability and outcomes for recovery homes. A 2024 [state audit](#) found that the Department of Health Care Services has failed to thoroughly investigate complaints made against alcohol and drug treatment facilities. Without expeditious investigations, problems go undetected, threatening the health and safety of those receiving care.

For the [past two years](#), Cal Cities has successfully pushed through a series of reforms. However, lawmakers did hold two of those measures last year, [SB 329 \(Blakespear\)](#) and [SB 35 \(Umberg\)](#), citing high fiscal costs. Both bills would speed up investigations and increase transparency. Cal Cities is collaborating with both authors and the department to cut costs. (Sen. Tom Umberg has reintroduced SB 35 as [SB 490](#), which will be heard in the Senate Health Committee next Wednesday.)

Another measure by Sen. Catherine Blakespear, [SB 569](#), would increase collaboration between the California Department of Transportation and local governments to address encampments on state property. The bill would require Caltrans to establish a dedicated liaison to, among other things, improve

communication with local governments, set clear response timelines for encampment-related requests, and make it easier for cities and counties to take on delegated maintenance agreements. Blakespear introduced the legislation in response to a 2024 executive order by Gov. Gavin Newsom that called upon cities to adopt policies and plans consistent with the California Department of Transportation's existing encampment policy.

SB 569 was withdrawn from consideration in the Assembly Transportation Committee after the administration introduced last-minute amendments that threatened to significantly weaken the bill. Cal Cities and the city of San Diego, which is co-sponsoring the bill, are actively working with Caltrans and the author's office to move a revised version of this measure forward.

- Serena Scott, policy and legislative affairs analyst, and Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate

What's next?

Expect a flurry of activity for the next two weeks, followed by a trickle of rumors and announcements. This Friday, Gov. Gavin Newsom will unveil his final budget proposal. After that, lawmakers have until Jan. 16 to get any two-year bills through their [house of origin](#) committee hearings and Feb. 20 to announce any new bills.

The session will begin in earnest sometime toward the end of March, as lawmakers race to get any new bills through their first fiscal hearing before a late April deadline. Be sure to keep an eye out for [Bill Talk](#) around that time, a weekly breakdown of the biggest bills, hearings, and legislative deadlines for cities, distributed early through [regional public affairs managers](#).



Here are the key dates, terms, and lawmakers for the 2026 legislative session

Jan 7, 2026

By Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

State lawmakers consider thousands of measures every year — many with [direct and indirect impacts](#) to cities. But figuring out what those bills are (and how to advocate) can be tricky: California's legislative process rarely lines up neatly with city calendars, [fewer reporters](#) are covering the Capitol, and acronyms fly fast and furious.

Fortunately, Cal Cities is here to help. We've compiled a list of key dates, terms, and resources to help ensure that your city has the tools it needs to be an effective advocate.

What are the key dates for 2026?

This is the second half of California's two-year legislative cycle, which makes for a busier January than usual. The first major deadline is the Governor's Jan. 10 budget proposal. The following Friday is the last day for lawmakers to get any bills introduced last year through their initial policy committee hearings. Those bills must pass out of their house of origin by Jan. 31.

Lawmakers have until Feb. 20 to introduce any new measures, many of which will contain placeholder language. We won't really know what's in many of these proposals until policy committees start in earnest in mid-March. Lawmakers have until April 24 to get their bills through the first round of policy committee meetings.

Bills with hefty price tags also must go through a sort of financial audit known as the suspense file — more on that below. Lawmakers must pass a budget bill by June 15 if they want to get paid. After that, it's a mad sprint to July 2, the last day for lawmakers to get bills out of one house and into another. The Legislature will break for summer recess that same day before beginning the process again on Aug. 3.

Policy committees are the best chance to stop bad bills: Those that make it out [almost always pass off the floor](#).

Aug. 21 is the last day to amend bills on the floor; Aug. 31 is the last day to pass bills. The Governor has until Sept. 30 to sign or veto any bills that make it to his desk.

What are the major issues and lawmakers in the Capitol?

It's difficult to know what to expect this early on, especially as state and federal leaders butt heads. But a few key issues have started to emerge. The first, of course, is the state's [ballooning budget deficit](#). Although red-hot artificial intelligence and tech companies are [cushioning the blow](#), it's not enough to close the budget hole, especially as the federal government withholds [more](#) and [more](#) funding. If past years — or indeed, governors — are anything to go by, the January budget will be significantly rosier than it actually is.

The other major focus of these first few weeks is [resolving any outstanding legislation from last year](#). But lawmakers are already floating some new ideas, largely focused on federal preemption, lost federal funding, public safety, the affordability crisis, and, of course, housing. Several ballot measures have also qualified or are close to qualifying.

This year also marks Gavin Newsom's final year as governor, along with leadership changes in the Senate and Assembly. As [one journalist noted](#), this is "his last chance to use his role as governor to audition for the national stage." Several lawmakers are also seeking higher offices, most notably Senators Mike McGuire, Scott Wiener, Anna Caballero, and Ben Allen.

Sen. Monique Limón is the new Senate President pro tem, the first Latina to hold the position. The move comes with new changes to the [Senate Democratic leadership team and committees](#). With a few exceptions, those changes will take effect on Feb. 1. In the Assembly, Asm. Heath Flora will take over as the minority floor leader.

Democrats hold three-quarters of the seats in both chambers, more than the two-thirds required for a supermajority.

How do I make my voice heard in Sacramento?

Cal Cities collaborates with local leaders to elevate their voices and stories in Sacramento. Stay in touch with your regional public affairs managers to make sure you can take advantage of those opportunities.

Letters, phone calls, and visits from city leaders are a key part of Cal Cities' advocacy! Cal Cities provides sample letters, talking points, and lobbying opportunities each year for dozens of major bills.

When [sending a letter to your lawmakers](#), be sure to send a copy to your regional public affairs manager and cityletters@cacities.org. This helps ensure that Cal Cities' advocacy reflects the full diversity and strength of its members.

What's the best way to learn about what's happening in the state Capitol?

We're a bit biased and think that *Cal Cities Advocate*, *Western City* magazine, Cal Cities' [educational opportunities](#) and events, and [regional public affairs managers](#) are the best ways for city leaders to learn how what happens in Sacramento impacts their communities. Once committee hearings start, keep an eye out for [Bill Talk](#), a weekly breakdown of the biggest legislative developments for city leaders. Many legacy outlets, such as the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Sacramento Bee*, *KCRA*, and the *San Francisco Chronicle*, still have a dedicated Sacramento reporter. Other outlets, such as *CalMatters* and *Politico*, focus on California policy and politics. Several regional outlets, including *The San Francisco Standard* and the *Voice of OC*, also cover the Capitol, with a focus on regional impacts. *PublicCEO* delivers a news roundup every day.

What key (or esoteric) terms do I need to know?

Cal Cities tries to write for a lay audience, but a few technical terms are unavoidable. Here are a few of the most common words you may find in *Cal Cities Advocate*.

- **Blue Pencil.** The Governor's ability to reduce or eliminate items in the state budget.
- **Gann Limit.** A constitutional spending cap as a result of Proposition 13 (1978) and Proposition 4 (1979) that limits the growth of government spending. It caps local and state government revenue that can be appropriated in any given fiscal year.
- **Gut-and-amend.** An [often controversial](#) process that allows legislators to replace the bill's language with a subject that is entirely unrelated to the bill's original language. The practice, often used at the end of a session, allows lawmakers to bypass the usual deadlines for bill introductions, amendments, and public review. Proponents argue the procedure gives them flexibility to address late-breaking issues.
- **House of origin.** The chamber in which the bill was introduced (Assembly or Senate). Bills that clear their house of origin must also go through the "second house."
- **Intent bills.** As the name suggests, these measures contain placeholder language stating an intent to do something but nothing substantive.
- **May Revise.** The Governor's second budget proposal, introduced in May, with updated revenue estimates after the April 15 tax receipts have been collected.

- **Policy committee.** Bills must usually pass through several policy committees that have jurisdiction over the policy of the bill before they advance to the floor for a full vote by lawmakers. This is by far the [biggest procedural hurdle](#) for most measures.
- **Special session.** A legislative session called by the Governor on a particular topic. These sessions may run separately or concurrently with the regular session.
- **Sponsor.** The person or group that develops a bill and serves as its primary advocate. Cal Cities sponsors several bills each year.
- **Spot bill.** Measures with technical (minor or de minimis), nonsubstantive language, to be amended later.
- **Sunset.** The date a bill becomes ineffective and requires future legislatures to reinstate.
- **Suspense file.** Bills considered to have significant state fiscal impacts are set aside by the appropriations committees. These bills are heard separately, considered with greater scrutiny, and if not supported, are dead for the year.
- **Trailer bill.** Measures that make specific implementation language to the state budget, each typically focused on a specific policy area (natural resources, transportation, etc.).
- **Two-year bill.** Measures that fail to pass out of the first half of California's two-year session. Lawmakers may make a second run at passing the bill in the early part of the second year.

These are only a handful of some of the terms and dates you may encounter while navigating California's complex legislative process. For more insight into the process, check out the "Lobbying and Legislative Process" section on Cal Cities' [advocacy webpage](#). The section includes several helpful resources, including an overview of the legislative process, lobbying tips, sample legislative platforms, and quick links to your lawmaker.

Do you have a question about California's legislative process, or want to know what a particular word or term? Send an email to Brian Hendershot, [Cal Cities Advocate managing editor](#).



'Cities cannot shoulder this responsibility alone.'

Cities urge state leaders to back up promises with funding

Jan 7, 2026

By Cal Cities Staff

Cal Cities on Tuesday [sent a letter](#) to the Governor and legislative leaders outlining its four funding priorities: Restore state homelessness funding to its previous funding levels, safeguard local revenues, invest in local climate resilience and disaster preparedness efforts, and fully fund the voter-approved Proposition 36.

"These priorities are critical for the well-being of our residents, but they require a strong partnership and investment from the state," said Cal Cities President and El Cerrito Mayor Gabe Quinto. "We are calling on the Governor to prioritize these issues in the state budget, preserve our local economies, and protect our cities."

What do we know about the state budget right now?

State leaders are staring down a \$18 billion budget shortfall, along with more federal funding cuts and delays on the horizon. Gov. Gavin Newsom's administration will announce his budget proposal on Friday. As with past budget deficits, the Governor has struck an optimistic tone, telling *MS Now* that the budget will "surprise some people."

There's some evidence to support his claim, as December income taxes came in [well above projections](#). But that's still not enough to fully cover the multiyear budget hole.

Newsom may give a preview of his budget tomorrow morning, during a State of the State address to both houses. The announcement is merely the blueprint for months of negotiations that last through the session. Keep an eye on your inbox for a budget analysis from Cal Cities, which will likely land late Friday afternoon.

Is Cal Cities asking for new money?

Cal Cities is urging state leaders to stand by their promises to make California affordable and safe. Last year's budget failed to include any new funding for the state's flagship Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Grant Program or funding to help cities of all sizes spur affordable housing. Similarly, lawmakers have not yet fully funded Proposition 36, a bipartisan public safety initiative overwhelmingly approved by voters.

Cal Cities is also urging the Governor not to divert local revenue streams to close the state budget deficit or increase costs for cities with new unfunded state mandates. These actions would only deepen cities'

financial strain, undermine the delivery of essential services, and weaken the very economic engines that drive California's prosperity.

"Local governments are facing fiscal headwinds just like the state, which means we all need to work together to ensure cities can keep delivering the vital services our residents depend upon," said Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman. "Together we need to protect what is most important to Californians: Keeping residents in their homes, protecting our environment, ensuring our local economies work for families, and keeping our streets safe."

Cal Cities is also calling on the Governor to prioritize state investments in local efforts to support local disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts, as well as local long-term climate resilience projects.

What city leaders are saying

Local officials from throughout the state stand behind Cal Cities' budget priorities.

"Mountain View is doing its part to address homelessness and build affordable housing, but cities cannot shoulder this responsibility alone," said Mountain View Mayor Ellen Kamei. "With over 1,300 units in the pipeline and a \$50 million funding gap, sustained state funding is essential to reduce homelessness and deliver affordable housing statewide."

"The Eaton Fire reminded our community how real and devastating these disasters can be," said Pasadena Mayor Victor Gordo. "As large-scale emergencies and disasters grow more frequent, investing in local preparedness is a statement of our values, one that protects lives, strengthens communities, and prepares our State for what lies ahead."

"Voters sent a clear message when they passed Prop. 36: California must invest in public safety, treatment, and accountability," said Stockton Council Member Michael Blower. "Fully funding this measure is essential to delivering on that promise. Cities like Stockton need the resources to expand treatment for those struggling with substance use and mental health challenges, while also ensuring repeat offenders are held accountable. I urge the Governor to prioritize full funding so communities across California can be safer and healthier."

"We are facing a significant financial crisis," said Arvin Mayor Olivia Calderón. "Our city, like many in the Central Valley, has experienced a 30% decrease in sales tax revenue. This is one of our main sources of income. This decrease, coupled with inflation and unfunded mandates, is straining our ability to deliver essential services. Our residents urge the Governor to safeguard local revenues and recognize cities as vital to California's economy."



Gain insight and practical solutions at the Planning Commissioners Academy

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By Cal Cities Education Staff

Understanding the state's ambitious, shifting planning laws can be challenging for planning commissioners of all tenures. Whether you're a first-time commissioner ready to learn about the fundamentals or a seasoned pro seeking more information on emerging issues, the Planning Commissioners Academy has you covered.

Taking place March 11-13 in Anaheim, the academy provides city officials with information about the basic legal and practical framework planning commissioners work in and helps foster relationships with fellow planning commissioners. All planning commissioners will bring back practical, applicable knowledge to their cities.

This year's academy will cover a range of topics, such as parking, planning commissioners' role in housing production, housing laws, and other legislative updates. The academy will also include introductory and advanced sessions on the California Environmental Quality Act. Additional information is available in the "schedule at a glance" section of the [academy webpage](#).

Registration and hotel information

Registration for the full academy starts at \$700 for city officials from any Cal Cities member city. Conference registration includes admission to all educational sessions, the Wednesday reception, Thursday breakfast and lunch, and Friday breakfast. The deadline to register is March 4. Afterward, officials must register on-site if space is available.

The 2026 Planning Commissioners Academy will be held at the Sheraton Park Hotel, located at 1855 S. Harbor Blvd. in Anaheim. The Sheraton is 12 miles from John Wayne/Orange County Airport and 14 miles from Long Beach Airport.

A limited number of hotel rooms are available at a reduced rate for conference attendees. The discounted hotel rate cut-off is Feb. 17. Hotels often sell out prior to the deadline, so reserve early!

For more information, visit the [Planning Commissioners Academy](#) webpage. Please direct all registration questions or comments to Event Registration Specialist [Megan Dunn](#). Please direct any other questions to Event Program Manager [Kayla Boutros](#).



Cal Cities calls on the Governor to invest in homelessness and housing, public safety, and climate change in the state budget

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Sacramento – Ahead of the Governor’s January budget proposal, Cal Cities is calling on the Governor to prioritize investments in local priorities that preserve essential services and local economies.

[In a letter](#) to the Governor and legislative leaders, Cal Cities outlined four funding priorities for cities: restore state homelessness funding to its previous funding levels, safeguard local revenues to protect local economies, invest in local climate resilience and disaster preparedness efforts, and fully fund the implementation of the voter-approved Proposition 36.

“Cities of all sizes are focused on preventing and reducing homelessness, spurring construction of housing, improving the safety of their communities, and preparing their cities for the impacts of climate change,” said **Cal Cities President and El Cerrito Mayor Gabe Quinto**. “These priorities are critical for the well-being of our residents, but they require a strong partnership and investment from the state. We are calling on the Governor to prioritize these issues in the state budget, preserve our local economies, and protect our cities.”

In cities throughout California, the demand for housing and supportive services is outpacing local efforts alone. Progress has been made in cities of all sizes, but continued progress is dependent on a strong investment from the state. Last year’s state budget failed to include any new funding for the state’s flagship Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Grant (HHAP) Program or funding to help cities of all sizes meet the affordable housing needs in their communities.

Cal Cities is also urging the Governor not to divert local revenue streams to close the state budget deficit or increase costs for cities with new unfunded state mandates. California’s cities are the bedrock of the state’s economy: These actions would only deepen cities’ financial strain, undermine the delivery of essential services, and weaken the very economic engines that drive California’s prosperity.

Cal Cities is also calling on the Governor to prioritize state investments in local efforts to support local disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts, as well as local long-term climate resilience projects. As Californians know all too well, these investments are critical to reducing future costs, protecting lives and property, and safeguarding local and regional economies.

Lastly, cities are calling on the Governor to direct funds in the budget to fully fund the implementation of Proposition 36, a bipartisan initiative that provides more tools for cities to improve the safety of their communities. In November 2024, California voters in all 58 counties passed the measure.

“Local governments are facing fiscal headwinds just like the state, which means we all need to work together to ensure cities can keep delivering the vital services our residents depend upon,” said **Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman**. “Together we need to protect what is most important to Californians: Keeping residents in their homes, protecting our environment, ensuring our local economies work for families, and keeping our streets safe.”

Established in 1898, the League of California Cities is a nonprofit statewide association that advocates for cities with the state and federal governments and provides education and training services to elected and appointed city officials.



Cities need certainty to keep delivering essential services to California families

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Rancho Mirage — The League of California Cities Board of Directors today adopted the organization’s 2025-26 Advocacy Priorities with a clear message to the state: Cities are a smart and essential investment for a strong California.

“The looming state deficit will make state budget decisions tough, but we cannot let that slow us down from delivering the critical services our residents need,” said **League of California Cities President and El Cerrito Mayor Pro Tem Gabe Quinto**. “Cities are a smart investment for the state, and we stand ready to push back on any efforts to raid funding for local programs to make up for the deficit.”

Nearly 100 city leaders who serve in leadership positions in Cal Cities participated in meetings over the last month to chart the organization’s priorities for the coming year.

“As families grapple with affordability challenges, there must be certainty in cities’ ability to deliver the essential services that families rely upon,” said **Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman**. “Cal Cities is focused on promoting and protecting cities to ensure they remain the engines of California’s economy and stay strong for their residents.”

The 2025-26 Advocacy Priorities are as follows:

- 1. Protect and enhance local revenues and expand economic development tools.**
Californians are deeply concerned about affordability. Cities must safeguard local revenue streams, oppose unfunded mandates, and pursue new economic development tools that bolster local economies.
- 2. Strengthen partnerships with the state to improve public safety.**
The progress cities have been making to strengthen public safety must be sustained. Cities call on the state to respect the will of the voters and provide the resources needed to fully implement Proposition 36. Cities support sustained investments in police, fire services, and public works as a foundation of public safety.
- 3. Secure investments to prevent and reduce homelessness and increase the supply of affordable housing.**
Secure ongoing funding to bolster all cities’ efforts to support unhoused residents and strengthen state and regional partnerships to expand access to wraparound services.

Secure ongoing funding to accelerate the construction of affordable housing and reform the Regional Housing Needs Allocation process.

Ensure cities have the flexibility and local decision-making authority to meet their community and state housing goals, as well as reduce homelessness.

4. **Strengthen climate change resiliency and disaster preparedness.**

Support city efforts to prepare, prevent, and adapt to natural disasters and the impacts of climate change, including wildfires, drought, sea level rise, and other extreme weather events. Increase transparency and access to insurance policies, especially following a natural disaster.

Cal Cities will begin working immediately to advance this work in the state Capitol.

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Federal efforts to speed up broadband permitting miss the mark

Dec 2, 2025

By Damon Conklin, legislative advocate (infrastructure)

Both the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Congress have intensified efforts to accelerate broadband deployment by revisiting and potentially restructuring the nation's broadband permitting frameworks. While these initiatives emphasize speed and cost reduction for private sector providers, they raise significant concerns for cities due to their cost and scope.

[In a letter to the FCC](#), Cal Cities and others urged the agency to instead work with states and cities to develop incentive-based models that reward providers who commit to rural buildout and infrastructure resilience.

Cal Cities has long championed efforts to increase timely, safe, and cost-effective broadband deployment. In fact, increasing access to broadband internet was one of Cal Cities' core advocacy priorities for many years. However, many of these proposed changes would widen, not close, the digital divide — especially in rural areas.

FCC initiates new permitting reform proceeding

Early indications suggest the FCC's efforts to reform broadband permitting will focus on four areas:

- Limit local discretion over broadband and wireline siting decisions.
- Change the Spectrum Act and the Telecommunications Act, including updates to small-cell and collocation frameworks.
- Enact uniform national standards for environmental and historic preservation reviews, potentially narrowing local and tribal oversight.
- Create additional federal shot clocks, fee caps, or categorical exclusions, similar to reforms the industry has long championed.

Cal Cities and the [National League of Cities](#) both submitted letters urging the agency to consider how changing the rules — especially for small wireless facilities — can impact wildfire prevention, flood control, and traffic management. It is imperative that cities retain their authority to review construction in the public right-of-way, coordinate across agencies to prevent service disruptions, ensure compliance with environmental and historic preservation laws, and protect public infrastructure.

House subcommittee advances sweeping permitting bills

Concurrently, the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Communications and Technology [marked up](#) over two dozen bills aimed at streamlining various broadband permitting

processes. Several measures that advanced out of committee would substantially curtail what lawmakers frame as “regulatory barriers” at the state and local levels.

Echoing the FCC’s efforts, these bills would pressure cities to process increasingly complex applications on shortened timelines, preempt local review authority, tack on new federal standards for fees and applications, and undermine community planning processes. Congress has framed the reforms as essential to national competitiveness and closing the digital divide.

Many of the proposals would shift the impacts of broadband deployment onto local governments. For example, broadband projects often directly impact local roads and underground conduits. Rigid federal timelines that ignore local staffing and conditions, combined with an inability to enforce safety requirements, could compromise cities’ ability to plan for and respond to wildfires and floods.

Local government concerns

These actions signal a coordinated federal effort to resolve frustrations raised during the last several years over the broadband permitting process, magnified by billions of dollars in recent federal investments. However, this approach risks overriding nuanced local planning and procedural safeguards that protect public safety, aesthetics, and community character.

Preemptive federal mandates ignore real challenges to broadband deployment and undermine cities’ ability to ensure responsible deployment. Rural areas, for example, must contend with limited construction seasons, steep topography, wildfire hazards, and workforce constraints. Additionally, fee caps and administrative mandates shift costs onto local taxpayers while reducing the resources needed for effective, timely permitting. Limited public engagement can lead to resident frustration and contentious community relationships.

As Congress and the FCC push forward, Cal Cities and local governments will continue to advocate for collaborative, balanced approaches that expand broadband access without sacrificing local control.