



Council Briefing

June 2010

Administrative Services

- Fiscal Services:
 - New police alarm permits issued in May totaled 23, bringing the fiscal year total to 345. The total number of active permits as of April 30 was 5,002.
 - Invoices billed in May totaled 607, with a valuation of \$359,381. Invoices billed for fiscal 2009-10 to-date total 7,330, with a valuation of \$4,552,560.
 - General checks and direct deposits in May totaled 558 and 238, respectively, with a valuation of \$11,821,879. General checks and direct deposits for the fiscal year-to-date totaled 6,920 and 2,746, respectively, with a valuation of \$76,897,602.
- Information Technology:
 - Staff has started the Microsoft Windows 7 training for all employees. It will take several months to complete the training. Feedback on the training sessions will be sought from employees.
 - Staff is working with Evantix Solutions to evaluate the current environment for PCI Compliance (Payment Card Industry Standards). Any city or company that stores or transmits credit card information must maintain a secure environment.
- Purchasing: In May, the Division processed approximately 134 purchase requests; created approximately 100 purchase orders and change orders; and saved \$1,110 through early payment discounts. The Division also achieved \$10,900 in cost savings through competitive quotes, cooperative purchases and state/government resources, as well as \$9,090 through the sale of surplus vehicles and equipment. Central Services made 152,951 copies in May, and processed 11,349 pieces of mail.
- Revenue:
 - In May, 125 new business registration certificates were issued. Of that sum, 72 were businesses in Fullerton and 53 were located out of the city, but doing business here. Business tax collected for new registrants totaled \$9,452.77.

- A total of 143 businesses closed in May: 57 in the city and 86 out of the city.
 - Business certificates renewed in May numbered 589, which totaled \$68,957 in business tax collected.
 - **Utility Services:** In May, the Division answered 2,297 calls and processed 3,635 cash register transactions totaling \$17,711.246. Of the transactions, 1,043 were credit cards, 1,075 checks, 854 cash, and 157 direct deposits.
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Community Development

- **Customer Service:**
 - The 30-day public comment period for the "2010 Consolidated Plan" ended May 3. Although no new feedback was submitted during this review period, the plan included results from 30 surveys that rated topics of greatest need within the city.
 - To Housing Staff: "We want to thank you for all your support with the Cold Weather Shelter Program this past season. We appreciate your visits, the support letter, the recommendation for the grant, and our collaboratives. Looking forward to do more in the months to come" – from Mercy House.
 - At a complainant's request, Community Preservation went out on a call at 5:30 p.m. to address an unsecured pool. At the property owner's request, staff provided her with information to find temporary fencing for immediate compliance. The owner was also advised that even though a wooden fence did not require permits, a building inspector would be sent out to assure that the work met code and pool fencing requirements.
 - To Bob St. Paul, Senior Planner – "Really enjoyed your presentation regarding the General Plan this morning. It is encouraging to see that you and the other City of Fullerton staff are always working in new and ground-breaking ways to make Fullerton such a great place...Your work goes a long way in making Fullerton a tremendous place to live and work, and I thank you for that. It is things like this that I point to when people ask me why I never leave Fullerton!"
 - Planning staff visited the City of Anaheim to learn how to better connect Tidemark, Laserfiche and GIS. Staff will study the methods Anaheim uses and apply them in Fullerton wherever possible to improve customer service.
 - Building inspectors met with the homeowner at 1301 Ponderosa Drive in an attempt to mediate building issues and facilitate completion of the homeowner's remodeling plan.
- **Community Engagement:** Building staff is working closely with the Habitat for Humanity and Heritage Walk projects to assist with any construction issues, and allow a fast track completion of these affordable housing projects.

- **Quality of Life:** Mobile home loans were executed for two elderly, disabled residents. Both were very grateful to have their homes brought up to code. One project included a new handicap ramp, which will make entrance and exit much easier for the homeowner.
- **Volume of Work and Professional Development:**
 - The housing inspector conducted approximately 274 inspections on both affordable housing units and new construction.
 - Planning staff completed input into Orange County Projections, which will ultimately roll up into the Orange County Sustainable Communities Strategy.
 - Working with Bon Terra Consulting, Planning staff finished model air quality analysis templates that can be used by smaller projects that are not exempt from CEQA, so that applicants do not have to pay for an individual air quality analysis. Templates were expanded to include an analysis for green house gases, as well.
- **Community Preservation:** In May, the Division had 646 active cases; received 193 complaints (2,547 fiscal year-to-date); resolved 213 complaints (2,350); conducted 656 inspections (7,891); issued 35 courtesy notices (827), 120 first notices of violations (1,193), and 22 citations (313); granted 22 extensions (301); received 35 graffiti complaints (282); sent 17 compliance letters (346); arranged pick up of 15 large items, such as sofas (316); and billed \$3,600 in revenue (\$70,254).
- **Building Division:** In May, the Division: received 259 new plan submissions; conducted 153 over-the-counter plan checks; made 805 inspection calls; conducted 1,063 inspections; responded to 24 complaints; conducted 7 NPDES inspections; conducted 67 mechanical, electrical and plumbing plan checks; handled 1,484 customers at the counter; and issued 387 plans and permits.
- **Planning Division:** In May, the Division: handled 150 general zone code inquiries at the front counter, as well as 70 by email and 117 by phone; handled 40 residential property-specific and 37 commercial/industrial property-specific inquiries at the front counter; conducted 80 over-the-counter plan checks; handled 33 business registration inquiries; and handled 21 inquiries resulting from Community Preservation action.

Engineering

- **Project Development and Design:**
 - The construction contract in the amount of \$558,535 for the Brookhurst Road Reconstruction, from Orangethorpe Avenue to 91 Freeway, was awarded on May 4 to the R.J. Noble Co. The work, which is set to begin in early July, will include reconstructing pavement, access ramps, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and restriping.

- On May 18, Council awarded a contract in the amount of \$245,975 to Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc. for the Commonwealth Avenue Storm Drain project from Highland to Malden avenues. Work is projected to begin in mid-July, and will include a new storm drain, access ramp, sidewalk, and curb/gutter reconstruction on the north side of Commonwealth and Malden.

- Construction Management:

- Contractor Mike Prlich & Sons Inc. has completed approximately 75 percent of the sewer main installation on the Sewer Replacement Project in the Carol Drive/Magnolia Avenue area. Crews continue to install sewer pipe and house connections on Waldo, Kellog, Turner and Edwards avenues. Water main installation remains to be done on Kellog. The project is estimated to be completed in July.
- Contractor Garcia Juarez Construction Inc. has installed sewer mains and connections on Drake, Wilshire, and Amerige avenues. Whiting Avenue, N. Richman Avenue, and the alley between Amerige and Wilshire avenues remain, as well as curbs/gutters, driveway approaches, and access ramps. The work is estimated to be completed in October. The contract amount was \$1,378,044.
- Contractor PTM General Engineering Services Inc. finished the Signal Modification Project at Orangethorpe and Highland avenues and signing and striping on Orangethorpe from Magnolia Avenue to Lemon Street in May.
- The Highland Avenue and Santa Fe Avenue Sewer Improvement Project was completed by contractor Dominguez General Engineering the first week of June.
- Work is expected to be completed early this month on the Laguna Lake Park Trail Improvements-Phase II Landscape and Irrigation Project. Phoenix Landscape, Inc., was awarded the \$84,260 contract at the end of March, and work began in mid-May. Irrigation system installation, plantings and construction of a timber landscape wall are the main improvements. The contractor has installed the irrigation system, and will next focus on planting shrubs throughout the park.
- Work began mid-May on the Riverside Drive/Raymond Avenue Area Sewer Reconstruction Project. Council awarded the \$1,064,038 contract to Nikola Corp. Existing sewer pipe will be replaced; failed street and alley pavement will be replaced; and new access ramps, curbs, gutters and alley driveway approaches will be constructed. Work is scheduled for completion near the end of September.
- Work is expected to be completed by the end of this month on the Harbor Boulevard Reconstruction Project from Chapman to Berkeley avenues. Council awarded the \$853,358 contract to Excel Paving Co. in March and work began in May. All concrete curb/gutter, sidewalk, and access ramp work has been completed on both sides of Harbor. Asphalt pavement on the southbound lanes has been replaced. Crews are replacing asphalt pavement on the northbound lanes. The next phase will be replacement of the roadway center, followed by final capping and striping.

- **Water Engineering:** On Sept. 29, 2008, the City Manager mandated a 10 percent reduction in water consumption when compared with a three-year average of calendar years 2004, 2005 and 2006. Water Engineering, Parks and Recreation, and Maintenance Services have been actively working together to reduce water usage at all City-operated sites. For calendar year 2010, the City saved approximately 15.4 million gallons, which equates to a 40 percent reduction in water usage when compared with the three-year average for the same period.
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Fire

- **Statistics:** The Department responded to 1,002 requests for service in May, which was higher than the 972 requests received in May 2009. Of the 1,002 requests, 728 were medical aid calls, 108 were automatic aid responses, 43 were fires, nine were hazardous materials incidents, and 65 were service calls. Of the 728 medical aid calls, 491 required advanced life support and 237 required basic life support. In addition, the Department received 128 automatic aid calls.
- **Suppression/Notable Activity and Responses:**
 - At 7:41 p.m. May 2, Engine 5 was dispatched to a vehicle fire in the 3000 block of Associated Road. Firefighters found a fully-involved vehicle and extinguished the fire. An adjacent vehicle was damaged by the radiant heat. The fire is under investigation.
 - At 8:37 p.m. May 2, Engines 1 and 2, Truck 1 and Battalion 1 responded to a traffic accident in which a man was trapped in a vehicle. Firefighters extricated the man from the vehicle, treated him on scene, and transported him to a local hospital.
 - At 4:49 a.m. May 6, Truck 1, Battalion 1 and neighboring units responded to a traffic accident on the southbound 57 Freeway at Imperial Highway. A 24-year-old woman was pronounced dead at the scene. Her vehicle was winched up the embankment onto the freeway and her body removed.
 - At 2:36 p.m. May 7, Engines 3 and 6, USAR 1 and Battalion 1 were sent to the 2600 block of Tiffany Place on a report of a vehicle into a building. After initial stabilization and shoring of the damaged garage, the owner was advised not to enter the structure until building officials arrived. Damage to the structure and the contents was estimated at \$25,000 each.
 - At 3:33 p.m. May 9, Engines 1, 3 and 5, Truck 1 and Battalion 1 responded to a fire in the 300 block of E. Santa Fe Avenue. The fire had extended to a warehouse storage landing on a vacant two-story building. The fire was quickly extinguished. Cause of the blaze was a cooking fire set by a transient who had broken into the building.
 - At 4:16 p.m. May 9, Engine 2 was dispatched to a rubbish fire at the loading dock of a building at the intersection of Brookhurst Street and Orangethorpe Avenue. The fire was intentionally set, but Firefighters were unable to determine cause or origin.

- At 7:21 p.m. May 10, Engine 4 responded on a report of a traumatic injury in the 2600 block of Harbor Boulevard. With the assistance of Police Officers, the Firefighters removed a man whose leg was impaled on a spike of the iron fence. The patient was treated on scene and escorted to a local hospital.
- At 10:55 a.m. May 12, Engine 5 responded on a report of a woman who jumped from the CSUF parking structure. The woman was pronounced dead at the scene.
- At 8:28 a.m. May 19, Engine 5 was dispatched to a vehicle vs. motorcycle accident on the southbound 57 Freeway and Rolling Hills Drive. Paramedics found the young motorcyclist in traumatic arrest, with a citizen performing CPR. The man was transported to a local hospital.
- At 7:59 a.m. May 21, Engines 1 and 3, Truck 1 and Battalion 1 were sent to the intersection of Montague and Wilshire avenues on a traffic accident. There was an overturned vehicle with one person trapped inside. Firefighters removed the victim from the victim, treated him on scene and then transported him to a local hospital.
- At 12:11 p.m. May 28, Engine 1 and Truck 1 were sent to assist an asphalt worker whose left foot had been caught between an asphalt paver and an asphalt roller, crushing it. The victim was transported to a local hospital.
- At 8:10 p.m. May 28, Engines 1, 5, Truck 1 and Battalion 1 were dispatched to the 2700 block of N. Harbor Boulevard where a man reportedly had been run over by a golf cart. The patient suffered multiple injuries and, due to traffic conditions at the time, an air ambulance was summoned to take him to a trauma center.
- Firefighters responded on 11 dumpster fires in May. Investigators from the Fire and Police departments have determined that the fires are the work of a serial arsonist, and investigators are working on an arrest.

- Downtown Activities:

- At 6:30 p.m. May 2, Engine 1 responded on a report of a man who sustained a major cut to a hand when he fell on broken glass after being assaulted in the 100 block of W. Wilshire Avenue. The man was treated by Paramedics, but refused to be transported to a hospital and, instead, fled the scene. Approximately one hour later, Engine 1 was dispatched to the 200 block of E. Whiting Avenue on a reported stabbing involving the same man who had fled the scene in the earlier incident. Apparently after leaving the first scene, the man became involved in an altercation and had received multiple knife wounds to the chest and abdomen. He was transported as a critical trauma patient to a trauma center for further treatment.
- At 2:16 a.m. May 22, Truck 1 responded on a reported assault in the 100 block of S. Pomona Avenue. A man had been involved in a fist fight. He was treated by Paramedics and transported to a local hospital.

- Other Activities:

- On May 5, for “Fire Prevention Week,” Engine 5 “B” crew made a presentation on fire safety in dormitories and off-campus housing at two Cal State Fullerton events.
 - On May 7, Engine 5 “B” shift attended the Special Olympics at Cal State Fullerton.
 - On May 15, Engine 6 crew and Fire Prevention Specialist Dawn Revelle participated with Parks and Recreation and FAST in the first “Water Safety Awareness Day” at the Janet Evans Swim Complex at Independence Park.
 - At “Airport Day” May 22, the Department, under the direction of Training Officer Rocky McFadden, activated the EOC as a training exercise. On display were the wild land engine and the Urban Search and Rescue vehicle. Engines 1 thru 6 and Truck 1 rotated through during the day. Citizens Emergency Response Team volunteers staffed an information booth and the Fire Explorers assisted with activities.
 - On May 31, the Department sent a decorated fire unit to the annual Memorial Day ceremony at Loma Vista Memorial Park. The Department provided the newly restored 1962 Crown fire engine and the Fullerton Firefighters’ Association provided staffing. Also present were Battalion Chief Mike Dillon, Truck 1 and Engine 4 crew A shift, Chief Knabe, Division Chief Dominguez, and Firefighter-of-the-Year Tim Hartinger.
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Human Resources

- **Reduction in Workforce:** Notices have been issued to employees impacted by the reductions in workforce approved in the revised 2010-11 City budget. In total, 22 lay-off, six “bump” and four reassignment notices were issued. Additional reductions either were achieved through elimination of vacant positions or will be achieved through attrition.
 - **Employee Processing:** In May, staff processed four regular Firefighters, two nonregular Police Cadets and one nonregular Children’s Services Librarian. Two regular promotions to Fire Engineer were processed, as well as one regular separation of an Adult Services Librarian.
 - **Liability Program:** Nine new claims were filed in May, nine were closed and no lawsuits were served.
 - **Workers’ Compensation:** In May, 18 new claims were received and five claims were closed. Two new lawsuits were filed.
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Library

- **Bookmobile Visits Faces of Fullerton:** The Bookmobile was right in the thick of things at the May 1 “Faces of Fullerton” event in the Downtown Plaza. More than 400 people stopped by the Bookmobile. Some came for information on Library programs,

some to get information about upcoming summer reading clubs, some to chat, some to make the crafts, and some came to borrow a book. Visitors were invited to tour the Bookmobile, make flowers, or assemble a set of pan pipes.

- **Library Groundbreaking Ceremony:** On May 18 an enthusiastic crowd of 73 Library supporters gathered on the lawn between City Hall and the Library to mark the official groundbreaking for the upcoming expansion/renovation of the Main Library. Gray skies turned to blue to mark the event. Mayor Don Bankhead, Library Board of Trustees President Ginger Britt, and Fullerton Public Library Foundation President Carolyn T. Johnson addressed the crowd. Library Director Gebelein also thanked the many City and project staff members for their expertise and assistance, which helped make the project a reality. The formal proceedings were followed by refreshments and an opportunity for Library staff to answer questions about the project and give tours of the Library.
- **Preparation for Expansion:** The Library staff has been diligently preparing for the first phase of the expansion project. Roughly one-third of the main floor of the Main Library will be blocked off during construction, so staff has been moving and packing that part of the collection. Roughly 25,834 items have been boxed to date, with others still waiting to be packed or moved. Many of the high-interest materials from this side of the Library can still be found where the “Other Languages” collection was. Many books have also been sent to the Hunt Branch.
- **Richman School Carnival:** Children’s Services staff members got in the swing of spring as they offered information about library services at the May 21 Richman School Spring Carnival. More than 130 visitors to the Library’s booth made beaded dragonflies and decorated cowboy hats.
- **Flying and Floating in Fullerton @ Airport Day:** The Library joined in celebrating “Airport Day” May 22. Many members of the public walked through the Bookmobile. In addition to checking-out books and getting library cards, more than 350 visitors had the opportunity to make paper airplanes and boats.

Maintenance Services

- **Administration:**
 - The Department received 1,230 service requests in May, completing 998 (81.14 percent) in the month. Of the total requests, 14 were emergency requests, with 12 completed the same day. The Building and Facilities Division received the most requests – 793, or 64.48 percent of the total.
 - In May, the Department’s support staff received 1,425 calls, an average of 89 per workday, or 45 for each of the two primary customer service personnel
 - In keeping with a tradition begun in the aftermath of 9-11, U.S. flags were mounted on streetlight poles in the downtown area and along Harbor Boulevard. This year, fewer

flags will be displayed due to construction on north Harbor, banners for community events on some poles, and because of budget constraints. However, the flag contractor, AAA Flag & Banner, will provide the City with a third trip to fix tangled flags. The flags will be displayed until the week after Veterans' Day.

- **Building Division:**
 - In May, the graffiti crews removed 50,950 square feet of graffiti from 445 sites, bringing the year-to-date totals to 611,385 square feet removed from 5,215 sites.
 - Nolberto Torres completed 78 custodial inspections of City facilities.
 - The capital project to replace the fencing around the small pool at the Janet Evans Swim Complex has been completed.
- **Sewer Division:** In May, the Division: hydrojetted 15.2 miles of sewer main; root cut/mechanically treated 20,848 linear feet of sewer main; mechanically treated 210 sewer laterals; conducted 11 CCTV inspections of laterals and 53 Source Control inspections; conducted CCTV inspections of 18,992 linear feet of sewer main; approved 39 Lifeline; received 26 sewer fee calls; and received 34 service requests.
- **Street Division:** In May, the Division: used 51 tons of asphalt for patching, 6 tons for digouts, 196 tons for paving operations, and 16 tons for Water Division digouts; used 1,330 pounds of crack sealer; ground 172 sidewalks; planed 100 square feet of asphalt; cleaned 65 drains and 196,447 linear feet of sidewalk; maintained, fabricated and cleaned 546 signs; steam cleaned 130,309 square feet of sidewalk; swept 2,773 curb miles; used 51.16 tons of asphalt skin patch; applied 140 gallons of street paint; and made 86 asphalt sidewalk repairs.
- **Equipment Division:** In May, the Division performed two general preventive maintenance inspections, one BIT inspections, 60 PMs, and two smog inspections.
- **Water Division:**
 - In May, the Division produced 822,368,640 gallons of water. Of that amount 44.68 percent - 367,450,000 gallons - were pumped from wells and 55.32 percent - 454,918,640 gallons - were purchased from the MWD.
 - Following is the list of water main line breaks that occurred in May:

| SIZE | LOCATION | PIPE TYPE | POSSIBLE CAUSE | YEAR INSTALLED |
|------|------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| 4" | 208 Kellogg Ave | Cast Iron | Age | ? |
| 4" | Drake @ Wilshire | Cast Iron | Sewer Contractor | 1922 |
| 4" | Drake @ Wilshire | Cast Iron | Sewer Contractor | 1922 |
| 6" | 1932 West Ave | Cast Iron | Age | 1952 |

- Landscape Division:

- West Coast Arborists, the City's contract tree-trimming company, performed the following services from July 1, 2009, through May 31: pruned 14,447 trees; removed 406 trees; and planted 502 trees. Staff will be scheduling additional removals for completion prior to the end of the fiscal year.
 - The Division received 64 tree-related service requests in May, with a response time of 3 days.
 - The Division responded on eight reports of bee activity in May.
 - Division crews completed the follow projects in May:
 - Vinyl trail fencing repaired at Malvern, Panorama and Bud Turner Trails.
 - New Plexiglas installed at Panorama Trail and Laguna Lake kiosk
 - Chain link fence repaired at Pooch Park and Berkeley @ Harbor
 - Facilitated several volunteer projects - Juanita Cooke, Castlewood, Brea Dam Trail (weed abatement), and Laguna Lake Slope containment.
 - Delivered 40 cubic yards of mulch to Hillcrest Park and coordinated with the Girl Scouts to spread them around the newly planted and irrigated sycamore trees.
 - Planted drought-resistant Toyon and Cherry shrubs at the trail head of Bob Ward Nature Preserve.
 - Laid 69,000 square feet of new sod at Field 3 at the Sports Complex. The entire field was rototilled and amendments added and laser-graded to improve drainage.
 - The Division received 36 landscape-related service requests in May.
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Parks and Recreation

- Capital Improvements

- Staff, the Hillcrest Park Master Plan Committee and consultant Mia Lehrer and Associates continue to make progress on the master plan. The design team is completing the initial phase while moving into the design phase. A series of public meetings are in progress to gain community feedback to aid in development of several design alternatives. Most recently, the Committee met with representatives of veteran organizations to review the status of the five memorials within the park.
- Laguna Lake Park trail improvements continue to move forward along the Bud Turner Trail, adjacent to the lake. As part of an additional Rivers and Mountains Conservancy grant, native landscaping and low-flow irrigation improvements alongside the trail will be completed in May.
- The Fullerton Community Center project continues to make progress. A concept plan with a preliminary cost estimate was approved by Council May 18. The consultant is

now moving forward into the design development phase and will prepare a GMP (guaranteed maximum price) for the project.

- Senior Multi-Service Center

- A Cinco de Mayo celebration featured a live Mariachi performance during the Community SeniorServ lunch program. Approximately 135 guests enjoyed the day.
- On May 6, 25 persons attended the League of Women Voters organization forum on ballot issues in preparation for the June 8 primary election.
- The eight-week "It's Your Estate" educational series concluded on May 26 and averaged 93 per session. The program is sponsored by Professional Fiduciary Services, in partnership with the Center, community charitable organizations and local financial professionals.
- Talbert Medical Group sponsored an educational seminar, "Clutter Free Home," presented by Clutter Cleaners Inc. May 24. The workshop was given high marks by the 67 persons who attended.

- Gilbert & Garnet Community Centers

- Eighteen teens went on a weekend trip to Joshua Tree National Park April 30-May 2. The trip was the high point of the 10-week rock climbing class. The trip was a joint project between the Gilbert, Garnet and Richman teen programs.
- The Garnet Center hosted its annual Health and Fitness Fair May 22. Twenty-six health care agencies provided health screenings and materials to the estimated 600 residents who attended. In addition, Second Harvest Food Bank distributed 5,000 pounds of food. Kids kept busy with crafts, fitness activities and face painting.
- Recreation staff at Garnet and Gilbert centers is wrapping up after-school programming and planning for the summer recreation program. The summer playground program is to start June 15 at Gilbert and June 21 at Garnet.

- Orangethorpe and Maple After-school Programs:

- Day Camp: Staff and 24 campers introduced each other for Camp Hillcrest's Spring Day Camp. Hillcrest campers participated in a hiking excursion with the "Get Outdoors" program, explored the wildlife at the Santa Ana Zoo, and experimented with various exhibits at the Discovery Science Center.
- After-school Programs:
 - Maple After-school Program's collaboration in Maple Elementary "Mind, Math and Music" Program has been a continued success. Maple Elementary has provided keyboard lessons to specific program participants.

- The Big Brother/Big Sisters of Orange County continues its mentoring programs. More than 50 school-age participants are active in the program on a weekly basis.
- The “Governors Challenge” continues at both Maple and Orangethorpe. Students must record 30 minutes of activity each day. This fitness challenge is a contest for each school in hopes of receiving a new fitness gym from the Governor.
- Maple Community Center and Orangethorpe Recreation Center are now involved in “Network for a Healthy California - Children’s Power Play!” campaign.

➤ Community Involvement and Rentals:

- Staff continues to use volunteers from CSUF and Fullerton College. Tutors from the “America Reads and Counts” Program at CSUF are supporting the educational enrichment of participants at both Orangethorpe and Maple. There are two ARC tutors, one academic internship, and four service-learning volunteers from CSUF, and one service learner from Fullerton College.
- Ballet Folkloric and Aztec dance groups continue to use the Maple Community Center Thursday and Friday evenings. Both groups bring more than 30-40 residents on a regular basis to practice dance and celebrate community.
- Staff is planning several year-end events with local elementary schools for their annual sixth-grade picnics. Staff also participated in the CSUF “Walk/Run for Life” Donor event in May, helping to entertain children in their Kids Zone.
- Maple and Orangethorpe Parent Activity Committees are planning events for kids, including the “Orangethorpe Family Fun Day” this month.

• Richman Community Center:

➤ Youth and Teen Programs:

- The “PicMob” club went on a photo shoot behind the Disneyland hotel. After the photos are edited, a winner will be selected.
- Teens in the “Fitness” club are learning how to rest and relax during their yoga sessions. They will learn basic moves and breathing techniques that will help them reduce stress they are feeling in the last few weeks of school.
- The “Motion” teen dance club resumed practice this month.
- Teens in the “Express Yourself” art club will be creating an abstract self portrait. This exercise will allow them to illustrate the way they really picture themselves.

➤ Community Involvement and Partnerships:

- Cristina Martinez, a Family Advocate with Olive Crest, assisted 10 clients this month, and five persons attended the on-going parenting classes.
- The following are services offered to victims of domestic violence in May: five legal referrals for one or more of the following services - divorce, child custody, visitation, legal separation, child support and legal clinic participants; and referrals were made for food, utilities, rental payment assistance and clothing assistance to Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Services.
- Self-Defense classes began May 12. Volunteer Instructor Brad Namahoe teaches the basics of self-defense and promotes positive self discipline through the teachings of this Hawaiian mixed martial arts program. Nineteen school-age children are enrolled.
- Adult computer classes began May 12. Eight students are learning the basics of using a computer during this six-week class.
- Childbirth classes offered by MOMS Orange County finished up its four-week class with nine mothers, three fathers, and three family members participating.

- Tiny Tots

- All preschool classes at Independence Park began their summer sessions early in May, with an increased monthly enrollment totaling 57 children.
- Families on Wait Lists have been called regarding available openings later in the summer and registration is currently on a first-come, first served basis.

- Independence Park:

- A lunch group of Raytheon employees have been keeping up with its weekly basketball workouts Mondays and Wednesdays. Senior volleyball also continues with a consistent group of seniors from the Senior Center Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Several Olympic medalists continue training at the Janet Evans Swim Complex for the 2012 Summer Olympics. The complex is one of three in the country chosen as training facilities for post-graduate athletes.
- The park had 25 facility rentals for basketball practice in May.
- Independence Park hosted the first "Safety Awareness day" May 15, which was co-sponsored by the Fire Department and FAST. The event featured water safety demonstrations, information, and interactive activities for everyone.
- The Fullerton School District After-school Program basketball finals were hosted at the gymnasium May 19.

- Tennis Center

- With the great weather, May has been a busy month. More than 5,000 players used the Center by the end of the month.
- The Beckman-Coulter group began its season in May. This is the group's third year and the program grows each year. The group runs an after-work tennis league for employees three days a week.
- On May 10, the "Sundowners League," a women's group, finished Monday evening play and will be done until September. The League's spot is now filled by a weekly women's night at the Tennis Center.
- The Center was host to a charity tournament benefiting NAMI, a charity for mental illness, May 21. There were more than 100 participants in a round robin tournament.
- A junior satellite tournament was held May 29-31, and drew 153 participants. A "satellite" tournament is an entry level tournament, typically for players from the Orange County area. This tournament is run by the North Orange County Tennis Club, in partnership with the Fullerton Parks and Recreation Department.

- Youth Sports

- Sports League Highlights:

- Fullerton Hills Softball provided recreational activity this spring to 350 local girls ages 4-15 in five divisions. Fullerton Hills Softball participated in inter-league play that included teams from La Mirada, La Habra, Whittier, Hacienda Heights and Fullerton ASA. The league will have nine teams playing in the All-Stars.
- Fullerton Rangers continue to enjoy the spring season, with 78 teams and more than 530 boys and girls ages 4-16 participating. During this season, the Rangers hosted more than 222 games. Participation increased more than 80 percent.
- Rugby teams are growing, with more than 200 boys and girls this season.
- Little League is gearing up for the Tournament of Champions, City Tournament and the District 56 Tournament, all to take place over the next several weeks.

- Registration for the fall season is under way for Fullerton Rangers and Fullerton Pop Warner Football. Little League and Softball will also be playing winter ball, and will be submitting field requests for the fall/winter season soon.

- "Get Outdoors:"

- Staff recently provided a Family Campout for Arborland Montessori School. This year staff and families ventured to the Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center at Irvine Regional Park. The 210-acre donated property opened late last year and is designed for groups looking for a local outdoor experience. More than 60 participants enjoyed

dinner and breakfast prepared by staff, along with that traditional campfire treat, s'mores. Staff also took campers on a night and morning hike and a scavenger hunt. Parents and kids alike asked for another campout and look forward to using Fullerton Parks and Recreation services in the future.

- Local elementary schools finished up their Outdoor Science School excursions to Laguna Lake. Many students proclaimed this as one of the best field trips they have experienced. As staff continues to collaborate with the Fullerton School District, "Get Outdoors" programs can be the answer to the continuing challenge of what author Richard Louv termed "Nature Deficit Disorder." With 28 miles of trails, the Brea Dam Recreational Area, Laguna Lake and Robert E. Ward Nature Preserve, Fullerton can provide experiential learning opportunities that are unique to Orange County.

- **Cultural and Events:**

- Docent-led tours of the exhibit "Technicolor Dreaming: Psychedelic Posters from the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame" for Fullerton College and Richman School, and the silkscreen T-shirt workshop May 19 both enjoyed great attendance in May.
- "Guitar Gateways," the Museum Center's after-school music and art program, finished with a recital May 2. The Wednesday Art Studio ended May 26.
- Project Safe art classes are continuing at Sonora High School. This four-week program leads at-risk youths through a self-portrait project designed to foster creative thinking and self expression. Project Safe is a collaboration between the Museum, the Fullerton Joint Union High School District, Orange County Bar Foundation, the Fullerton Police Department, Boys and Girls Club and other community organizations dedicated to providing alternatives to drug and gang involvement for Fullerton youths.
- The Museum hosted a welcome reception for Sister City delegates from Fukui, Japan, May 14. The Fukui delegates performed a traditional dance at the plaza stage for Market patrons. Museum docents and staff also led a Fullerton history and public art walking tour for the Sister City visitors.
- Congressman Ed Royce's Art Show and Reception took place at the Museum May 3.
- The Market continues to have a steady attendance, and staff looks forward to a busy summer season.

Police

- **Statistics:** In May, the Department received 3,960 emergency calls. In addition, the Department handled 12,255 general information calls for service. Officers were dispatched to 3,641 calls for service and initiated 3,769 additional contacts. There were 1,416 criminal reports taken and 473 persons arrested for various criminal offenses. The Downtown Echo Officers arrested 25 persons for being drunk in public and seven drunken

drivers; responded to 12 fights and six disturbances; and wrote 59 open container, nine urinating in public and 39 jaywalking citations.

- Patrol:

- On May 1, Officers made five DUI arrests.
- On May 2, an intoxicated man approached two women sitting in the courtyard next to the Fullerton Museum Center. An argument ensued and the man allegedly assaulted one of the women and broke her cell phone. The man then walked away with the woman following him. The woman stabbed the man three times with a pocket knife. The woman was arrested and the man was taken to UCI Medical with non-life threatening injuries. The victim was completely uncooperative and disruptive at UCI.
- On May 3, Officers responded to a traffic accident involving a pedestrian. Two vehicles collided in the intersection, forcing one off the roadway. A woman walking on the sidewalk was hit by the vehicle, sustaining serious injuries. She was taken to Western Medical Center for treatment and listed in critical condition.
- Patrol had a very busy evening on Cinco de Mayo. A total of 24 arrests were made, with six persons cited for DUI. Patrol Officers did a great job handling calls for service and were able to make three DUI arrests. Corporal Solorio and Officer Mejia were working a DUI Saturation Patrol and netted three other DUI arrests. Great work by all.
- On May 7, an elderly lady was backing out of her driveway when her foot got stuck on the gas pedal. She ended up backing into her neighbor's house going through the garage door and into a bathroom just inside the residence. There were no injuries.
- On May 11, a girl walking home from Buena Park High School was approached from behind by suspects exiting from a white car. One of the suspects grabbed the victim's purse and got into the car's driver seat. The victim tried to grab the purse and was dragged a short distance, sustaining minor injuries.
- On May 13, Officers were very busy responding to calls for service. A total of 18 arrests were made, three of which were for DUI. Excellent job by Records, Dispatch, Officers and Jail Staff.
- On May 14, Chief Sellers and Capt. Kevin Hamilton attended a discussion group on the subjects of sex offender housing and sex registrant legislation. The event, hosted by Sen. Lou Correa, was very informative.
- On May 17, a single vehicle hit an electronic traffic signal board in the 100 block Of W. Chapman Avenue. The board was damaged and the driver of the vehicle was arrested for DUI and possession of cocaine and ecstasy.
- At approximately 6:30 p.m. May 18, a large contingent of approximately 200-plus bikers (Southern California Confederation of Clubs) from several different motorcycle clubs held their monthly meeting at the Holiday Inn in Fullerton. A "visible presence"

was maintained the entire meeting by a combination of Officers and Detectives. The meeting went smoothly with no problems or arrests.

- Officers were busy May 20 responding to calls for service. They were able to find the time to make a total of 23 arrests, with five being for DUI.

Redevelopment and Economic Development

- **Downtown Business Improvement District (BID):** On April 6, the City Council/Redevelopment Agency authorized staff to proceed with a proposal from BID consultant Steve Gibson of Urban Place to hold three community meetings. Separate meetings were held May 26 for Downtown business and property owners, and a meeting for Downtown Business Association members was held June 2. Urban Place is preparing a report to summarize the three meetings. The report will be submitted to the Agency Board to aid in its determination of whether there is sufficient community interest to begin a multi-phased BID formation/exploration effort.
- **West Avenue - Olson Company:** Construction is continuing on the 34-unit affordable housing development being built on the south side of the 400 block of West Avenue. This development consists of three- and four-bedroom detached single-family units featuring a Mediterranean design. The homes will be sold to moderate-income buyers. This project will be completed in three phases of 10-12 units each over the next year or so. All of the 11 units in Phase I have been sold.
- **Habitat for Humanity:** Construction is continuing on the final phase of the 11-unit development along the 400 block of W. Valencia Drive. This phase includes construction of five three- and four-bedroom units. On May 8, Habitat for Humanity held a “framing day” which kicks off construction at the site. More than 70 volunteers participated in construction activities. All of the five remaining units will be occupied by very-low income families. Completion of the final phase is anticipated by January.
- **Transportation Center Community Meeting:** The draft Specific Plan will be presented to various City committees and commissions in July and August. The Specific Plan and EIR are scheduled for Council consideration in August or September.
- **California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA):** This project, approved by voters in November 2008, will provide train service between the state’s major metropolitan communities. The first corridor will connect Anaheim and San Francisco - a trip expected to take less than three hours. Future system expansions include stations in Sacramento and San Diego. Initial plans call for the Anaheim to Los Angeles high-speed rail corridor to travel along the existing LOSSAN (Los Angeles-San Luis Obispo-San Diego) Rail Corridor. Trains will move between the future Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center and Los Angeles’ Union Station. An additional station is being considered for either Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs or Fullerton. High-speed rail trains will reach top speeds of 110 mph along this section, taking passengers from Anaheim to Los Angeles in a little more than 20 minutes. Representatives from the CHSRA presented

information to Council at a study session April 20, as well as a public workshop April 29 at the Senior Multi-Service Center, which was attended by approximately 30 persons.

- **Unemployment Rates:** Current unemployment rates are as follows: United States - 9.7 percent; California - 12.6 percent; Orange County - 10.1 percent; and Fullerton - 11.3 percent. This data is from the Orange County Workforce Investment Board.
- **Website:** In May, the Department's section on the City website had 1,343 hits.
- **Transportation Center Parking Expansion Project:** On April 7, the California Transportation Commission approved allocation of Proposition 116 and state funds for the Fullerton Transportation Center Parking Expansion project. The total State allocation to date is approximately \$40 million. Solicitation for a design/build consultant is under way. Closing date for the RFP is July 8. Tentative construction start date is December, and completion date is July 2012.