

CITY HALL ON THE GO

The first City Hall on the Go took place Saturday, February 24, 2024 at Hillcrest Park.

City Hall on the Go was designed to enhance accessibility and convenience for residents who might find it challenging to visit a traditional City Hall location. It aims to bring local government services directly to residents. This mobile City Hall provides a proactive approach to engage with the community by offering various services such as utility bill payment assistance, questions regarding permit applications, the latest on solid waste and recycling, information about Fullerton programs and events, and much more!

Saturday's event kicked-off the start of facilitated direct interaction between City officials and residents, fostering a stronger sense of community engagement. City Hall on the Go will continue throughout 2024 from 10:00am - 2:00pm on the following dates and locations:

- Saturday, April 13, 2024 at the Hunt Library, 201 South Basque Ave.
- Saturday, June 1, 2024 at the Fullerton Airport, 4011 West Commonwealth Ave.
- Saturday, August 10, 2024 at Chapman Park, 2515 San Carlos Dr.
- Saturday, October 5, 2024 at Laguna Lake Park, 3120 Lakeview Dr.
- Saturday, December 7, 2024 at Woodcrest Park, 440 West Orangethorpe Ave.

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OC ANIMAL CARE UPDATE

On **Thursday, February 15th** City staff attended OC Animal Care's quarterly meeting. During the meeting, OC Animal Care provided a 2023 year in review announcing that they successfully reunited 9,027 dogs and cats with their families, adopted, or transferred to partner, 2,910 pets were fostered, over 400 volunteers donated 21,128 hours of service, and they provided 55,679 field responses. OC Animal Care's dog save rate continues to be over 90%, which is a benchmark set by their strategic plan.

OC Animal Care will continue providing various services including a pilot program for free microchip clinics for dogs and cats, offering daily adoption visits and viewing hours for visitors to walk through kennels.

OC Animal Care will also be partnering with the City of Fullerton and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to host a Coyote Town Hall Meeting on **Monday, March 25, 2024 at 6:00pm**. Stay tuned for more details about this informative discussion!

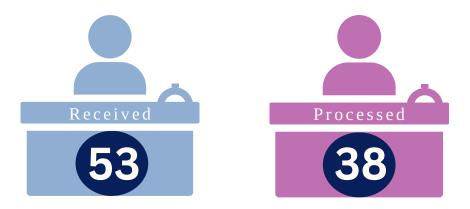
SAVE THE DATE: 2024 STATE OF THE CITY

The 2024 State of the City event will be held on **Thursday, April 4th** at Cal State Fullerton. The theme this year is "Foundation of the Future: Uniting the Past and Present for a Thriving City" which will delve into the vibrant tapestry of Fullerton's past, celebrating the pioneers, innovators, and the business and community leaders who laid the groundwork for our flourishing present. From humble beginnings to remarkable achievements, this year will highlight the resilience, diversity, and spirit that define Fullertonians. This event will also focus on the dynamic opportunities and initiatives that pave the way for an even brighter future. From innovative development projects to sustainable practices, we'll explore how we can build upon our strong foundation to create a thriving community for generations to come.



CITY CLERK UPDATES

The City Clerk's Office received 53 public records requests and closed 38 public records requests, between February 1st and February 29th with an average close of 7.78 days.



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Tyler Projects Moving Forward

Work is progressing on the implementation of Tyler Munis, Tyler Cashiering, and Tyler Payments. These products will replace legacy applications and devices that impact utility billing, payment processing, and accepting payments in person. The project includes installation of new credit card machines and all-in-one check scanners/receipt printers.

In early March, Tyler Cashiering and Tyler Payments will go live for CED and Public Works. Both products will be integrated with Tyler Enterprise Permitting and Licensing (or EPL, also known as EnerGov). Munis utility billing, including citizen self-service, is scheduled to go live in April.

Implementation of these systems has involved meticulous build and review of charge codes and other billing data to ensure transactions are properly captured in the new system. Special thanks to all involved in this exciting project!



NEW BUSINESS REGISTRATIONS

3 ROOTS SPICE

RETAIL SPICE AND SEASONINGS COMPANY

ART'S MULTISERVICIOS

FINANCIAL SERVICES

BADASS BROADS

E-COMMERCE / CUSTOM CLOTHING

EL POLLO LOCO #3952

FAST FOOD RESTAURANT

GAME ON PRINTS

E-COMMERCE - CUSTOM MOUSE PADS

GOLD COAST DENTAL FULLERTON

DENTAL OFFICE

HEAT PRESS NATION

TECH SUPPORT OFFICE FOR HEAT PRESS EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES

JMU DENTAL INC

E-COMMERCE - RETAIL / DENTAL SUPPLIES

JR HOCKEY ACADEMY

CONSULTING - INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM ICE HOCKEY

KDM FAB INC WELDING SHOP

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LIKEY

COFFEE SHOP

MULLEN AUTOMOTIVE INC

WAREHOUSE/STORAGE FACILITY

PINTS AND PIZZA

PIZZA RESTAURANT

SMOKE STREET

SMOKE SHOP - CIGARETTES/VAPES/SMOKING ACCESSORIES

TEAM WEST

BUILDING AND INSTALLATION OF RALLY AUTO
PARTS

WATER DAMAGE CLEANUP INC

WATER DAMAGE EMERGENCY CLEAN UP

WELD MANAGEMENT LLC

WELDING SHOP

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

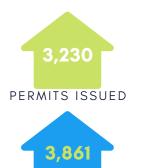


BUILDING AND SAFETY

The Building and Safety Division has officially taken in the plans for the new apartment building project at 1600 W Commonwealth Avenue for plan check. The project includes 64 affordable residential units and one manager unit.

The Building and safety Division also welcomed a new Associate Plan Check Engineer in March. This position will be able to provide both plan check services and answer code related questions.

YTD STATS JULY 2023 - PRESENT





PLAN CHECKS



HOUSING

The Housing Division welcomed the new Housing Manager, Daniel Valdez, to the team on Tuesday, February 20th.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance

An additional five agreements have been signed for returning seniors receiving TBRA assistance.

Housing Rehabilitation

As a result of the recent rains, five emergency roof grants are currently in different phases of construction. Two will be completed this week, one will be started this week, one is out to bid with the bid closing date of February 29, and the fifth will be going out to bid.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

The Community Development Citizens' Committee (CDCC) has heard presentations from all of the non-profit agencies requesting 2024–2025 CDBG funds. On Tuesday, February 27, the committee will hear presentations from the requesting City Departments and the Fair Housing Foundation.

As HUD has not released the 2024 allocation amounts, the meeting of March 12 will most likely be cancelled and, if the allocations are released, the committee will reconvene on March 26 to make their recommendations for City Council.

Monitoring

The 2023–2024 Community Development Grant Program monitoring of the non-profit agencies receiving federal funds is underway and should be completed in early spring.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Cannabis Enforcement - Multi-Agency Task Force

As part of the ongoing partnership with the California Department of Cannabis Control (CDCC), on February 14, 2024, Code Enforcement was part of a multi-agency task force set up to close six illegal cannabis businesses in the city. In preparation for these efforts, Code Enforcement staff prepared the cases and worked with the City Attorney to present the cases to the OC Superior Court to obtain abatement warrants. Code staff also coordinated with Southern California Edison (SCE) to ensure SCE could make their staff available to respond to an increased number of properties for termination of power.

On February 14, 2024, assisted by the Building Division and the Police Department, Code Enforcement was able to execute three no-notice abatement warrants resulting in the closure and red-tag of three illegal cannabis retail operations:

- Fullerton Exotics marijuana dispensary located at 1111 East Ash;
- Fullerton Tree House marijuana dispensary located at 1115 East Elm; and
- Fullerton Fresh marijuana dispensary located at 1326 East Orangethorpe Avenue

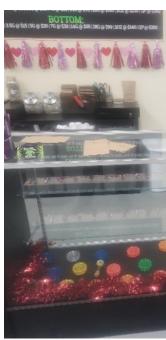
The Building Official Red-Tagged all three properties to prohibit entry. This process has been successful at ensuring unscrupulous operators cannot legally enter the building without being subject to arrest by Fullerton PD for breaking the Red Tag. However, despite all these efforts including changing the locks on the door, one of the illegal businesses reopened and unlawfully reconnected power by cutting the lock on the electric panel. This resulted in PD performing multiple arrests over the weekend for trespassing the Red Tag and SCE ultimately cutting the power by pulling the meter. Code staff will continue to monitor the Red Tagged properties until there is compliance on all unpermitted building modifications and once the corrections are performed and the case is closed, Code Enforcement staff will recover costs incurred by the City to abate the use and bring the property to compliance.

Below is a summary of the illegal cannabis efforts over the past ten months:

- Code Enforcement has obtained 15 abatement warrants, abated 15 illegal cannabis dispensaries, and one illegal cannabis grow;
- The Building Division has applied 15 Red Tags; and
- Since our Code Enforcement staff has been working with the CDCC, in the past two months the agency has confiscated approximately 1,262 pounds of cannabis products and 76.22 pounds of mushroom psilocybin products from illegal dispensaries in the City of Fullerton.







CODE ENFORCEMENT STATS

July 1, 2023 – February 21, 2024



Complaints Received



Cases Resolved



Inspections Conducted

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Real Estate Investors Association of California (RIAOC)

For entrepreneur week and the subsequent weeks, we've been highlighting various local businesses through social media channels. Fullerton's entrepreneurial spirit ranges from local coffee shops, hometown breweries, to advanced manufacturers and innovative wholesale distribution. Follow the City's Instagram to hear about our local small business owner's experiences and advice on how to start and stay in business.

Collaborating with the North Orange County Chamber of Commerce, CED highlighted our economic development investment opportunities to the members of the Fullerton Rotary Club on February 21st. We are continuing our efforts to engage with various stakeholders to gather feedback for future small business assistance programs and real estate opportunities for 2024.

We want our business community to be aware of the California Competes Tax Credit (CCTC) program:

- The upcoming submittal window opens March 4th through March 18th, where \$164 million in tax credits plus previous unallocated amounts are available.
- The CCTC income tax credit is intended to support businesses that want to stay and grow in California, any industry size, or location can compete.
- Competitive business applications are awarded based on factors including full-time job creation, investment, and strategic importance to state and region.
- Please contact us at 714-738-5381 for more information and to be connected to state resource partners.

Upcoming SBDC events for local businesses include:

- Mi Negocio, Mi Futuro! March 4th Spanish Small Business Startup Webinar
- Corporate Transparency Act March 6th Support in complying with new statutes
- Entering Commercial Real Estate March 7th How tenants can become owners in CRE realm
- Main Street Meets Al March 12th Highlighting Small Business Competitive Needs via Al









FIRE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

The Fullerton Fire Department is proud to announce the promotion of three new Fire Captains: Engineer Marc Estridge, Engineer/Paramedic Sean Nicolini, & Engineer/Paramedic Mike Lytle! Administrative staff, Fire Prevention personnel, and several on-duty crews were on hand to congratulate our three newest Fire Captains at Fire Station 1. FFD Fire Chief Adam Loeser shown pinning their new Fire Captain badges and presenting them with their new red helmets.

The Fire Captain Candidates went through a rigorous screening and testing process. All candidates were rated by an independent panel of subject matter experts, from neighboring fire jurisdictions, on their practical skills through a variety of scenarios.

Congratulations to everyone on a fantastic job well done!



EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION EVENT

On **Thursday, February 22, 2024** the Human Resources Department held an employee recognition event to celebrate both new hires and long-term employees. The event aimed to honor the dedication and hard work of individuals contributing to the City's success.

Among the honorees were employees who have devoted an impressive 45 years of service to the City of Fullerton. These long-serving individuals were recognized for their remarkable commitment and contributions over nearly half a century of employment.

The event provided an opportunity for both new hires and seasoned employees to come together and celebrate their achievements, fostering a sense of camaraderie and appreciation within the City workforce. It showcased the City's commitment to recognizing and valuing the efforts of its employees, regardless of their tenure, and underscored the importance of their collective contributions to the community.











UPCOMING EVENTS

FPL Welcomes You to Library Paint Night!

On **Thursday, March 21**, from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m., the Fullerton Public Library invites you to discover your inner Bob Ross at our first-ever Library Paint Night in the Library's Osborne Auditorium! Participants will paint a beautiful landscape with a local Fullerton artist who will guide you each brushstroke of the way. Come dressed to paint with acrylics. Painting supplies will be provided courtesy of the Friends of the Fullerton Public Library. Registration is required and opens March 1, 2024. For adults 18+, please.



Get Your Game on with Our Board Game of the Month!

The popularity of North Orange County Boardgamers Game Day at the Library continues unabated, with friendly volunteers from So Cal Game Connection hosting the well-attended event on the **first Saturday of every month** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This month, FPL is adding a new game to play—the La Granja Deluxe Master Set, an updated version of the classic 2014 Euro game that sees players take on the role of small farmers working the land near the village of Esporles on the island of Mallorca. Will you successfully transform your modest farm into bustling country estate worthy of the title of La Granja? Probably not on your first play, as this fascinating game requires planning, speed, timing, and a little luck!





PARKS AND RECREATION

ATHLETICS, PARKS, & TRAILS

Baseball & Softball Season is here!

Join us for the opening ceremonies of our little leagues and softball league in the month of February and March. Dates, locations, and times are listed below to their respective league.



East Fullerton Little League

March 2nd, 2024 Chapman Park 9:00am - 10:00am

Fullerton Hills Softball

February 24, 2024

Lions Field

11:00am





Golden Hill Little League

March 2nd, 2024 Unocal Field 8:00am

West Fullerton Little League

March 2nd, 2024 Nicolas Park

9:00am - 4:00pm



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

UNION PACIFIC PARK



Conceptual Landscape Plan – Combo Pickleball & Basketball Half Court Alternatives

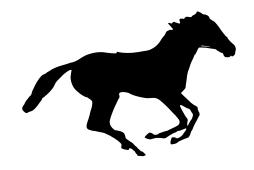
INDEPENDENCE PARK



Refined Conceptual Plan – Pickleball Courts, Tot Lot, & Trail Connection Included



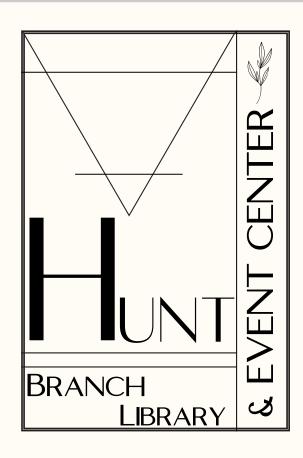




FULLERTON RECREATION RIDERS

Gymkhana Show starts March 9th! Second Saturday of each month March-September. Shows start @ 9:00 a.m. Day of Registration starts @ 7:30 a.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS



GRAND REOPENING

APRIL 13, 2024 | 10 AM - 2 PM

201 S. BASQUE AVE. FULLERTON, CA 92833

The Hunt will be home to private event rentals, library services, tutoring, ESL classes, citizenship courses, fitness classes and much more! Stay in touch with our social media for news about our upcoming family events May the Fourth Event, Cinco de Mayo Festival, summer kick off picnic, and more to come!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (714) 738-6575

SPECIAL EVENTS



POLICE DEPARTMENT

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS







OFFICER VALENCIA
SUNNY HILLS
HIGH SCHOOL



OFFICER RAJ
TROY & LA SIERRA/LA VISTA
HIGH SCHOOLS



OFFICER MORLEY
FULLERTON
SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 15th was National School Resource Officer (SRO) Appreciation Day! Our School Resource Officers serve as an important bridge between youth, law enforcement, and the communities they serve. A BIG thank you to Fullerton's SRO's: Officer Morley, Officer Munoz, Officer Raj, and Officer Valencia.

PAST EVENTS

FPD held its first ever "Police Be Our Valentine" event at Woodcrest Park on February 13th. Everyone enjoyed making Valentines, playing games with the Officers, and saying hello to K9 Nubbin.











POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE EXPLORERS

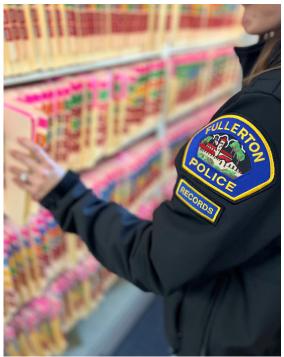
On February 19th, seven Fullerton PD
Explorers from Explorer Post
successfully graduated from the 2024
Winter Orange County Law Enforcement
Explorer Association Academy
(OCLEEA). Seven Fullerton PD Explorers
and over 80 other law enforcement
Explorers participated in five days of
rigorous classroom instruction and
physical training.



FPD Explorers received a total of seven awards during the competition including "Overall Top Explorer", "Physical Fitness" and "Best Notebook."

Fullerton PD is exceptionally proud of all the FPD Explorers (Alvarez, Ramos, Crowell, Gil, Park, Basaca, and Galarza). If you have any questions regarding the Fullerton PD Explorer Program, visit our website at http://www.cityoffullerton.com/.../polic.../police-explorers

HIRING









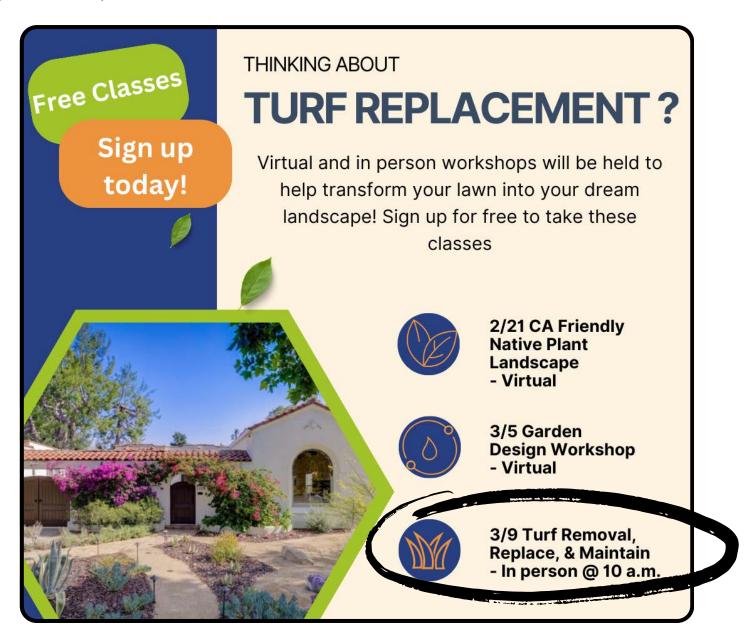
The Fullerton Police Department is currenting accepting applications for Lateral/Academy Trained Police Officers, Lateral Police Dispatcher and Police Dispatcher. Join our team and apply today!

PUBLIC WORKS

SAVE THE DATE: LANDSCAPE CLASS

The Water Division is partnering with the Green Garden Group to offer our first in-person landscape class on **Saturday, March 9th from 10 am - 11:15 am.**

If you are interested in learning how to better maintain your lawn or replace your grass with a drought tolerant landscape, this is the class for you! The Turf: Remove, Replace or Maintain Organically class will cover the most effective way to care for your current lawn, the eco-friendly way to remove grass, climate friendly alternatives and tips for managing weeds, pests, and disease. The in-person class will be held at the Public Works yard located at 1580 W Commonwealth Ave. The class if free to attend but advanced registration is required. Bring a friend and come learn the best be water wise. Sign through the city website way up https://www.cityoffullerton.com/conservation.



PUBLIC WORKS



Continued the final stages of installing 500 trees for the CalFire Grant



Repaired and cleaned the Skyline Drive Sign at Raymond Ave in the volunteer corner planter.



Replaced 3" mainline due break of old piping above Brea Dam Park. This pipe feeds the Dam, Hostel and Brea Dam Park.

PUBLIC WORKS

ENGINEERING: SIFI UPDATE

Limited work was conducted throughout the City by SiFi's contractors, Lat Long Infrastructure (LLI) and Pramira, between September – December 2023 due to the following:

- LLI SiFi terminated LLI's contract for various reasons. SiFi is currently seeking another contractor.
- Pramira Failed to complete Work Zone D by a specified deadline resulting in the suspension of Pramira's Work Zone F permit. Although there was plenty of work remaining in Work Zone D, Pramira, at their own discretion, decided to explore other markets.

During this period of low SiFi construction activities, Public Works inspectors performed final walks in older work zones resulting in over 300 identified locations of failed SiFi improvements. SiFi has been notified of the locations and are finalizing agreements with a contractor to make the necessary repairs. Completion of unfinished repairs is a high priority to the City and will factor into the decision to issue new work zone permits.

Pramira returned to the City of Fullerton and commenced full operations to micro-trench and install fiber at the beginning of 2024. Upon substantial completion of Work Zone D, City released the Work Zone F permit back to Pramira. Pramira has continued to work in Work Zone F reaching approximately 60% completion. The City anticipates Work Zone F to be completed by June 2024.

The City continues to face its challenges with SiFi's contractors constantly failing to comply with issued permit conditions, City standards, approved working hours, lack of advanced notifications of construction activities to residents, poor traffic control setups, NPDES violations, and jobsite cleanliness. City staff continues to work with SiFi to try to minimize these inconveniences to our residents.







CITY HALL DIRECTORY

ADMIN SERVICES	714-738-6549	FIRE DEPARTMENT	714-738-6500
AIRPORT	714-738-6323	HOUSING	714-738-6544
BUSINESS REGISTRATION	714-738-6531	HUMAN RESOURCES	714-738-6361
CITY ATTORNEY	714-446-1400	LIBRARY	714-738-6388
CITY CLERK	714-738-6350	MUSEUM	714-738-3338
CITY COUNCIL	714-738-6311	PARKS AND REC	714-738-6575
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