

City Manager Weekly Update

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
City Commissioners

FROM: Benjamin Siegel, City Manager

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SUBJECT: **Weekly Update**

Northwest Open Space Proposal Presentations: This week, the City Council received presentations from three firms (C&C Development, Capistrano Vineyards, and Frontier Real Estate Investments) on their proposed concepts for future use of the City-owned Swanner House and broader Northwest Open Space property. A [video recording](#) of the City Council meeting presentations and copies of the three teams' PowerPoint presentations are available on the City's [website](#). Following the presentations, the City Council directed staff to continue evaluating the proposals based on the feedback and questions received during the presentations and return to a future City Council meeting.

OCFA Fire Safety Awareness: Our homes' attic and roof vents are designed to remove moisture and condensation during cooler months and excess heat in warmer months. However, in the event of a wildfire, these vents can also be entrances for burning embers. Once inside, embers can ignite construction materials and other flammable items, allowing a wildfire to enter the attic or crawl spaces long before flames ever reach your home. The Orange County Fire Authority encourages residents to cover these vents with 1/8-inch metal non-combustible mesh screens to protect your home while still removing moisture and reducing heat. For additional information and wildfire preparedness resources, please visit the OCFA [website](#) or call (714) 573-6774 to schedule a wildfire home assessment.

San Juan Summer Nites Concert – June 15: Join us from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, for the kick-off of the *San Juan Summer Nites* concert series at Historic Town Center Park (31525 El Camino Real). The evening's festivities will include live music provided by Motown group *Blue Breeze Band*, business expo vendors, free activities for kids, food trucks, and more. Please see the attached flyer for the full concert series lineup and additional event information. Local businesses and nonprofit organizations are also encouraged to participate in the business expo. For questions and to complete an application, please contact Paulette Lopez at (949) 443-6375 or plopez@sanjuancapistrano.org.

Summer Trolley Service: Free summer trolley service will begin Friday, June 3! The service will operate for 13 consecutive weeks through Monday, September 5 (Labor Day) and will include two trolleys on 20-minute frequencies servicing a continuous loop from downtown San Juan Capistrano to the Dana Point trolley connection at Stonehill Drive and Del Obispo Street. This year's program will also include special event trolley service for the City's *San Juan Summer Nites* concert series at Historic Town Center Park and Fourth of July carnival and fireworks display at the Sports Park. Please see attached flyer for trolley stop locations and service hours.



Mental Health Awareness Month: May is Mental Health Awareness Month and it's a great time to learn the facts about mental illness and substance use disorder. Mental illness and substance use disorders include a variety of conditions that affect our thinking, feeling, moods, and behaviors. These conditions can range from depression, anxiety, or alcohol and substance abuse to bipolar disorder and addiction. The more we know, the less we stigmatize those living with a mental health condition. This month, 211OC, the County's health and social services resource center, will be providing helpful information including the facts about mental illness, how to support those who are living with a condition, and where to turn for help. Search 211OC's [comprehensive database](#) for mental health resources and services, as well as substance use treatment in Orange County. Or simply call **2-1-1** and speak with a Resource and Referral Specialist.

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS (*Tentative and Subject to Change*)

June 7, 2022

- Consideration of Proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operating Budget
- Public Hearing for Annual Landscape Maintenance District Assessments
- Award of Construction Contract for Spring Street ADA Improvements

