

City Manager Weekly Update

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
City Commissioners

FROM: Benjamin Siegel, City Manager

DATE: January 6, 2022

SUBJECT: **Weekly Update**

COVID-19 Update: The City of San Juan Capistrano is committed to providing service to the community as we navigate the current surge of the COVID-19 virus. City Hall offices and the Community Center continue to be open to the public. For Building and Planning services, please make an appointment on the City's [website](#). The City is continuing to follow the guidance of State and County public health officials, and we ask that all members of the public follow these guidelines when inside City facilities. For the latest State and County guidance and recommendations, please visit the City's dedicated COVID-19 [webpage](#).

General Plan Update: The City is in the final review stages of updating its Housing Element, which is required by the State every eight years, as well as updating its Safety Element and developing a new Environmental Justice Element. As part of the process to develop the updated documents, the City engaged with community partners, circulated an online survey, and held virtual as well as in-person public workshops to receive feedback from residents. All residents will be receiving a mailed notice which identifies dates of upcoming Planning Commission (January 19) and City Council (February 1) public hearings for consideration of the draft documents. The proposed drafts of the Housing, Safety and Environmental Justice Elements are available for review on the City's [website](#). For additional information and instructions on how to participate at the upcoming Commission and Council meetings, please contact Laura Stokes, at (949) 443-6313 or lstokes@sanjuancapistrano.org.

City Council Redistricting Process: Every ten years, following the decennial U.S. Census, voting district boundaries are redrawn to account for any changes in population. Redistricting helps ensure that communities have equal access to political representation. As part of this effort, the City of San Juan Capistrano will be holding community workshops and creating online participation opportunities for residents to contribute to the process. Please see the City's [website](#) for dates of upcoming community workshops and public meetings, as well as frequently asked questions regarding the process.

Pet Safety Reminder: The City partners with Orange County Animal Care for a variety of animal care services, including education and enforcement of laws in place to keep people and animals safe when out in the community. Pet owners are reminded that all dogs are required to be leashed in all public spaces including public trails and parks. Leashing your dog is the best way to ensure it is under your control and safe. If you allow your dog off leash in a City park or open space area, you are violating the law and are subject to citation. You are also liable for damage or injury caused by your dog. For off-leash exercise, residents are encouraged to visit the City's Dr. Joe Cortese Dog Park located at 30291 Camino Capistrano. The dog park is open daily from 7:00 a.m. to dusk, except Wednesdays. For additional information on OC Animal Care, please visit www.ocpetinfo.com.

Free Sandbags Available: During the rainy winter months, the City provides empty sandbags to residents free-of-charge for flood control purposes. San Juan Capistrano residents can pick up ten empty sandbags at City Hall, located at 32400 Paseo Adelanto, during regular business hours. Additionally, the Orange County Fire Authority provides empty sandbags at Fire Station 7, located at 31865 Del Obispo Street. Residents can fill their own bags using the sand pile located in the Library parking lot at 31495 El Camino Real, or purchase filled sandbags at a variety of suppliers. Please see attached list for additional information. Residents are encouraged to contact suppliers first to confirm availability.

American Red Cross Sound the Alarm Campaign: As part of its annual [Sound the Alarm](#) program, the American Red Cross is offering free home fire safety information and smoke alarm installations. Please see the attached flyer for additional information and instructions for scheduling an appointment.

2022 Water Awareness Poster Contest: It's not too late to submit an entry for the Municipal Water District of Orange County's Water Awareness Poster Contest. Orange County students in grades K-12 are invited to submit artwork that illustrates the theme: #OCisWaterSmart. Deadline to submit is March 1. One grand prize winner from each grade division will receive an iPad Mini. Additionally, teachers who make this contest a class project will be entered to win a free virtual water lesson for their students. For additional information and submittal instructions, please visit the program website: [Water Awareness Poster Contest | MWDOC](#).

American Red Cross Blood Drive: In partnership with the American Red Cross, the City will host a blood drive on January 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the San Juan Capistrano Community Center located at 25925 Camino Del Avion. Sign up for an appointment at the American Red Cross [website](#) using sponsor code *CityofSJC*. For questions, please contact Lindsey Stigall at (949) 443-6380.

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

January 18, 2022

- Appointments to Citizens' Bond Oversight Ad-hoc Committee
- Initiation of Surplus Land Act Noticing Process for City-owned La Novia Avenue Parcel to Allow for Consideration of Future Use of the Site

Locations to get Sandbags other than City Hall

Home Depot

Home Depot - Mission Viejo - Store #614

6.72 miles from San Juan Capistrano

27952 Hillcrest

Mission Viejo, CA 92692

949-364-1900

Store Hours:

Monday - Saturday: 6AM to 9PM

Sunday: 7AM to 8PM

Home Depot - Laguna Niguel - Store #1077

9.51 miles from San Juan Capistrano

27401 La Paz Road

Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

949-831-6398

Store Hours:

Monday - Saturday: 6AM to 9PM

Sunday: 7AM to 8PM

Home Depot - Lake Forest - Store #6668

9.98 miles from San Juan Capistrano

20021 Lake Forest Dr

Lake Forest, CA 92630

949-609-0221

Store Hours:

Monday - Saturday: 6AM to 9PM

Sunday: 7AM to 8PM

Home Depot - El Toro - Store #1840

9.99 miles from San Juan Capistrano

23651 El Toro Road

Lake Forest, CA 92630

949-206-0113

Store Hours:

Monday - Saturday: 6AM to 9PM

Sunday: 7AM to 8PM

Home Depot - Laguna Hills - Store #6628

11.02 miles from San Juan Capistrano

24332 El Toro Road

Laguna Hills, CA 92653

949-598-9171

Store Hours:

Monday - Saturday: 6AM to 9PM

Sunday: 7AM to 8PM

Ganahl Lumber - ALL SUNDAY CLOSED

Ganahl Lumber - Capistrano Beach

34162 Doheny Park Dr

Capistrano Beach, CA 92624

949-496-5765

Store Hours:

Monday - Friday: 6AM to 5PM

Saturday: 730AM to 4PM

Ganahl Lumber - Laguna Beach

1765 Laguna Canyon Road

Laguna Beach, CA 92651

949-494-6538

Store Hours:

Monday - Friday: 630AM to 5PM

Saturday: 730AM to 4PM

Ganahl Lumber - Lake Forest

23132 Orange Ave.

Lake Forest, CA 92630

949-830-3600

Store Hours:

Monday - Friday: 6AM to 5PM

Saturday: 730AM to 5PM

Other Resources

Saddleback Materials

20712 Indian Ocean Dr

Lake Forest, CA 92630

888-345-7263

eSandbags.com

<http://www.esandbags.com>

800-275-5637

Sepulveda Building Materials

28092 Forbes Road

Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

949-347-2100

Store Hours:

Monday - Friday: 630AM to 4PM

Saturday: 7AM to 3PM

Sunday: CLOSED

In a home fire,
can your family
safely escape in
just 2 minutes?



Home fires claim seven lives every day, but together we can help change that.

The American Red Cross is offering **free** home fire safety information and smoke alarm installations in your community!

To register for an appointment, see link and phone number at the bottom of this flyer. We will contact you when we have a team ready to install in your area. Our install teams have been vaccinated and will follow COVID-19 guidelines.

Join our national movement and pledge to keep your family safe against home fires.

**Learn more or register online at
SoundTheAlarm.org/SoCal
or call 714-481-5334**

