

City Manager Weekly Update

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
City Commissioners

FROM: Benjamin Siegel, City Manager

DATE: February 17, 2022

SUBJECT: **Weekly Update**

River Street Marketplace Groundbreaking Event: This week, a groundbreaking event was held for the River Street Marketplace project on the former Ito Nursery site in the Los Rios District. The project will include a pedestrian oriented outdoor shopping and dining center, a park-like common area and agrarian themed commercial and office buildings. Building construction is anticipated to begin this Spring.



Mission's St. Joseph's Day & Return of the Swallows Celebration: On Saturday, March 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mission San Juan Capistrano will celebrate the annual return of the swallows to San Juan Capistrano. The festivities will include live music, food and craft vendors, activities for kids, and historical presentations. Please see the attached flyer for a link to purchase tickets and additional event information.

Participate in the 2022 City Council Redistricting Process: At its February 15 meeting, the City Council held a public hearing to receive feedback from the community and begin drafting updated City Council district boundaries. The current draft map of the district boundaries is available for review on the City's dedicated redistricting [webpage](#). At its March 1 meeting, members of the public will have another opportunity to provide feedback on the draft map. Additionally, an online redistricting tool is available on the City's [website](#) which allows the community to draw district boundaries and view population data in real-time. For additional information, the list of public hearing dates, and instructions for submitting draft maps or comments, please visit the City's [website](#).

Tentative Agreement Reached with OCTA Coach Operators: Last week, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) was notified by the OCTA Coach Operators' Union, whose members operate County bus service, that they may strike. According to OCTA, a tentative agreement has been reached and there is currently no disruption to bus service. Please visit the OCTA [website](#) or call OCTA Customer Service Information Center at (714) 636-7433 for updates.

American Red Cross Blood Drive: The American Red Cross continues to report a significant blood inventory shortage, further exacerbated by the recent surge of the COVID-19 pandemic. To support the efforts of the American Red Cross, the City will host a blood drive on March 7 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 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*)

March 1, 2022

- Request for Proposals for Future Use of the City-owned Northwest Open Space Property
- City Council Redistricting Process Public Hearing
- Fiesta de las Golondrinas Proclamation

March 8, 2022*

- Ordinance Adopting Updated City Council District Boundaries

**The City Council typically meets the first and third Tuesday of the month; however, at its January 18 meeting, the Council amended its meeting schedule to include an additional meeting on Tuesday, March 8, to consider an ordinance adopting the updated City Council district boundaries. The additional meeting is necessary to accommodate one of the five public hearings required under State law to complete the redistricting process.*



ST. JOSEPH'S DAY & RETURN OF THE SWALLOWS CELEBRATION

Saturday • March 19, 2022
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*Join us for the world-renowned tradition celebrating
the annual return of the famous swallows
at historic Mission San Juan Capistrano.*

**FREE
MEMBER
EVENT!**

HIGHLIGHTS:

**Virtual Swallow Lecture and Q&A
with Dr. Charles R. Brown**

**Ring of the historic bells • Live mariachi music • Complimentary Tours
• Flamenco Performance • Activities for Kids • St. Joseph's Table
Learn the History of St. Joseph's Day and more!**

ADMISSION:

Non-Members: \$17 for Adults; \$15 for Seniors; \$12 for Youth (ages 5-11)

Purchase tickets today at www.missionsjc.com/swallows

Members: FREE with active Mission Preservation Society Membership

Reserve your FREE tickets today at www.missionsjc.com/swallows

Not a Mission Member? Learn about membership benefits by visiting www.missionsjc.com/join

FOOD AND CRAFT VENDORS:

3:16 Bakery (Sweet Treats)

"Swallows Nest" Cotton Candy (proceeds support the Historic Mission)

AR Workshop (Hands-on Kids Crafts)

**Join Us the Weekend Before for the
Swallows Parade Day - Saturday, March 12, 2022**
11:00 a.m.

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