



Memo

TO: City Council
FROM: Robert Clark, City Manager
DATE: May 21, 2015
SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Neighborhood Planning (Saturday, May 30)

The first Neighborhood Planning Workshop is scheduled on Saturday, May 30, from 9 to noon. We have noticed this as a special joint meeting of the City Council and all of the Commissions and Building Appeals Board to enable their participation.

Golden State Water

City Staff and Ojai FLOW continue to be involved in the settlement discussions for the general rate case that would set rates for 2016, 2017, and 2018. The drought and the State's order to reduce water usage have made the process only more complicated, but it is moving forward.

On another front, Golden State announced this week, they will hold a public outreach meeting on the State's mandated water restrictions on Wednesday, May 27 at the American Legion hall.

Here's what was received from Golden State:

The Schedule 14.1 customer notices for the Coastal Districts will be mailed on Friday, May 22 to notify customers of the filing of the Schedule 14.1 advice letters and the upcoming scheduled Public Meetings. GSWC will host public meetings to help customers understand the filing, mandatory water use restrictions, associated enforcement mechanisms and provide information on conservation rebates, programs, and other tools GSWC offers to help customers reduce their water use.

The hearing dates, time, and location follow:

District	Location	Date	Time
Ojai	American Legion Hall 843 E. Ojai Ave Ojai, CA 93023	5/27/15	6:00 pm

RDA Battle Continues

There is an ongoing battle between Successor Agencies and the Department of Finance over the interest rate that should be allowed for repayment of loans from cities to their redevelopment agencies. The Superior Court ruled in favor of the City of Glendale on this issue in March. However, now, as part of the Governor's revised budget, the Department of Finance is proposing to undo the court ruling through legislation. Ojai has \$3 million at stake in this battle. The legislative outcome will be known by the end of June.

Libbey Park Playground

A community meeting is set for Wednesday, May 27 from 4 to 7 pm at the Ojai Valley Women's Club to gather community input on the design for a new Libbey Park Playground. Information has been placed in the local paper, City website, and Ojai Recreation Facebook page to encourage participation. In addition, Parks Commissioners will be set up in the park near the playground this weekend to encourage participation and project volunteers. A design day event will also follow on May 28 for students at Topa Topa Elementary.

Facebook page

We are experimenting with an official Facebook page for the City of Ojai. While the page is public, we have not yet publicized it as we continue to add content and work out the details of its administration.

Ojai Valley Inn Public Art

The Arts Commission will consider approval of the art concept for Ojai Valley Inn at its meeting on May 21. Last Friday, the Committee to Approve Public Art considered the proposal and recommended approval to the Arts Commission. The concept features art by local artist Pamela Grau.

Recreation Department Open House

The Recreation Department held its second annual open house last weekend. The event was well attended by the community. A big thank you to the Park and Recreation Commissioners for their support of and assistance with this event. The open house is a great way to kick off the summer season.

Upcoming Agendas

The tentative upcoming agendas are listed below:

May 26

Joint Meeting with Planning Commission (5:30 pm)

 Planning Commission Protocols

 Second Unit Guidelines

Presentation

 Fire Chief: Fire Season Preparations

 Lifetime Achievement Award

 Lavender Month Proclamation

Consent

 Accept Donation

 FTA Grant Application

 Active Transportation Program

Continued Discussion Items

 Transient Rental Enforcement Measures

 Second Unit Compliance Guidelines

Public Hearing

 Appeal: Weil Tennis Academy

Discussion

 Libbey Park Community Build

 Legal Services Agreement

Closed Session

 Employee Compensation

May 30

Joint Meeting of Council/Commissions/Board
Neighborhood Planning Workshop (9am to noon)

June 9

Budget Workshop 6 pm
Presentation

Rob Hanford: Golden State Water

Consent

- COPS Grant
- Library Tax Assessment
- Lighting Assessments
- Transit Grant Application
- Lake Casitas Trolley
- TDML Implementation Program

Public Hearing

- Appeal 520 Foothill Road Encroachment Permit
- Plaza assessments
- Budget
 - Commissions and Boards
 - Community Organizations

June 16

Workshop with School Board (Social time 5:30-Workshop at 6:00)

June 23

Budget Workshop 6pm

Discussion

- Budget Adoption
- Signal Street No Parking Zone
- Archeological/Cultural Resources

June 30 (If needed)

Budget Review and Adoption

Planning Commission Upcoming Meetings
Future Agenda Items - *Tentative*

May 20 Wednesday	June 3 Wednesday	June 17 Wednesday
Cancelled	DRP 14-02 California Solar Electric 302 N. Montgomery St, additional parking	

Pending Projects

(NOTE: Not all projects have been deemed complete)

- Landscape Ordinance Guidelines (handout)
- DRP 13-17 & CUP 13-08, Emerald Iguana Inn, 108 Pauline Street, modification to existing CUP
- DRP 14-20, 409 Fox Street, Ojai Valley Athletic Club, Carport for PV system and microturbine project in P-L zone
- DRP 15-01, 706 Daly Road, second-story addition
- CR 15-01, 601 Pearl Street, multi-unit development
- DRP 15-03, LLA 15-01, T 15-12, Hospital, Continuing Care Center replacement
- CR 15-02, 410 W. Ojai Avenue, New commercial studio at rear of B-P zoned property
- DRP 15-04, 1105 N. Signal Street, Demo and rebuild existing house and pool