

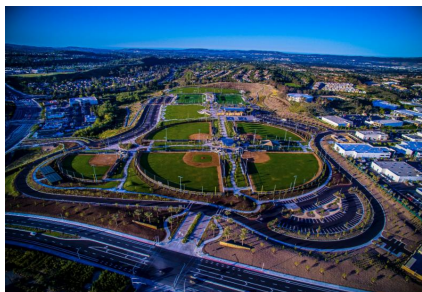


## April 2015 eNewsletter

### APRIL NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

#### Lake Forest Sports Park Wins Awards

As one of Orange County's premier sports facilities, the Lake Forest Sports Park was recently recognized by several professional associations and presented with two awards -- the 2015 Parks and Recreation Project of the Year award, and the Outstanding Project Achievement award.



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#### Public Review of the City's Five-Year Consolidated Plan

The draft [2015-2020 Five-Year Consolidated Plan](http://www.lakeforestca.gov) is available for public review on the City's website at [www.lakeforestca.gov](http://www.lakeforestca.gov). The Consolidated Plan is a federally mandated document that identifies priority housing and community development needs in the City and proposes a strategy to address those needs utilizing federal Community Development Block Grant funds. Comments must be submitted to [awicker@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:awicker@lakeforestca.gov) by April 18.

#### Opportunities to do Business with the City

Interested vendors can access upcoming proposal and bid opportunities on the City's website at [www.lakeforestca.gov/proposals](http://www.lakeforestca.gov/proposals).

Current opportunities:

- Park Restroom Janitorial Services (due April 9 by 2:00 p.m.)
- Tree Management Services (due April 16 by 2:00 p.m.)

## Future opportunities:

- Design and print services for the 2015 Shop & Dine Week Coupon Booklet
- Health Insurance Broker Services (due April 8 by 5:00 p.m.)

## Support the Lake Forest U.S.M.C. 1st Law Enforcement Battalion and Eat for a Good Cause!

Wednesday, April 15 and Thursday, April 16  
11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Los Cabos Cantina and Grill (20702 Lake Forest Dr.)



Bring this [flyer](#) to Los Cabos Cantina and Grill to support the Lake Forest U.S.M.C. 1st Law Enforcement Battalion during this two-day promotion where 15% of food charges will be donated to support the Battalion Marines and their families.

## Secrets & Strategies for Business Success

Friday, April 24

8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Lake Forest Sports Park (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Co-sponsored by the Lake Forest Chamber of Commerce and the City, this free workshop is designed for current and prospective entrepreneurs seeking to grow their business in their given industry. RSVP to [economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov).

## City Offers Special Saturday Hours for Passport Services

Saturday, May 2

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

On Saturday, May 2, the City Clerk's Office is extending passport service hours to process all your passport needs from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information including passport requirements and fees, visit [www.lakeforestca.gov/passports](http://www.lakeforestca.gov/passports), or contact the City Clerk at 461-3420.



## Orange County Garden Friendly

Saturday, May 2

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Green Thumb Nursery (23782 Bridger Dr.)

If you are considering installation of climate-appropriate and low-water use plants, as well as high efficiency irrigation systems, stop by "Orange County Garden Friendly" on Saturday, May 2 at Green Thumb Nursery. Special discounted plants ideal for Southern California will be available for purchase. Talk to local experts on water-efficient landscaping, visit vendor displays, and get more information on rebates to help you save money!

## APRIL 2015

### Special Needs Dance

### "Last Fridays" Lounge Nights

### Friday Night at the Movies - The 100 Foot Journey: A Passionate Affair (PG)

### Parks Safari

### The Gathering- Where Art Meets Skateboarding

### Rancho Days Fiesta

## CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### March 3, 2015 City Council Meeting

### March 17, 2015 City Council Meeting

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## Lake Forest Business Mixer

Thursday, May 7

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Lake Forest Sports Park (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Lake Forest businesses are invited to a night of networking and hors d'oeuvres! Take advantage of this opportunity to form strategic business partnerships and hear the latest information on City development projects. RSVP to [economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov).

## Get Safe Academy

May 6 - May 27

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

Parents, enroll your child in Get Safe, a fun and innovative academy for students K-6 designed to empower kids in safety skills and awareness techniques. The academy is held on Wednesday nights for four consecutive weeks. Lake Forest residents may register in person at City Hall (2nd floor) or online at [online.activecommunities.com/lfreconline](http://online.activecommunities.com/lfreconline). Registration will be accepted until class is full.

## Upcoming City Council Meeting Dates

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month. The public session starts at 7:00 p.m.

- Tuesday, April 21, 2015
- Tuesday, May 5, 2015
- Tuesday, May 19, 2015
- Tuesday, June 2, 2015

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES FOR APRIL 2015

To Register: Visit [Lake Forest Recreation](#), mail or hand-deliver the Lake Forest Activities Registration Form to City Hall (25550 Commercentre Drive) or the Lake Forest Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Parkway). For more information, call 461-3450 or 273-6960

## Special Needs Dance

Friday, April 10

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Open to special needs teens and adults! Register for "Spring has Sprung - Special Needs Dance" and dance the evening away to a great DJ, enjoy refreshments and win prizes. Pre-registration is encouraged. For more information, contact Marilyn Norment at 461-3447, or via email at [mnorment@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:mnorment@lakeforestca.gov).

## "Last Fridays" Lounge Nights

Friday, April 24  
 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
 Location: Lake Forest Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)  
 Fee: \$5 per person pre-registered and \$7 at the door

Give your parents a night off and celebrate good times with friends at the Recreation Center and Teen Lounge. Play video games and activities, eat dinner, watch movie screenings, listen to music, and there may even be guest entertainers!

### Friday Night at the Movies - The 100 Foot Journey: A Passionate Affair (PG)

Friday, April 24  
 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. (Movie begins at 7:00 p.m.)  
 Location: Lake Forest Community Center (25550 Commercentre Dr.)  
 Fee: \$5 per person (pre-register with Community Services)



### Parks Safari

Saturday, April 25  
 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
 Location: Departs from Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.)  
 Fee: \$3 per person (pre-register with Community Services)



Hop on the bus as we take you through a fun-filled tour of five Lake Forest parks! The outing will end with a special barbeque at Baker Ranch Community Park highlighted by a visit from "Nectar," the City's mascot. Fees include morning snack, transportation, barbeque, and a souvenir item. Space is limited to 40 participants.

### The Gathering- Where Art Meets Skateboarding

Saturday, April 25  
 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
 Location: Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest (20028 Lake Forest Dr.)  
 Fee: \$5 per person

Help keep the Skatepark free by attending the third annual exhibitions of skateboard art and photography. Enjoy the sounds of music and unique pieces of art. If you're interested in displaying artwork, photography, or assisting in this fundraising event, contact Nick Gates at [ngates@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:ngates@lakeforestca.gov).

### Rancho Days Fiesta

Sunday, May 3  
 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
 Location: Heritage Hill Historical Park (25151 Serrano Rd.)  
 Fee: \$3 children (3-12 years) and \$4 adults

Explore Orange County's Mexican Ranchos and Native American

tribes as participants experience the sounds and smells of the past through music, dance, crafts, and hands-on demonstrations. Refreshments will be available for a nominal fee. Day of event registration only.

## CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

**March 3, 2015**

### [CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD FOR ADA ACCESS RAMP IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 7 \(Agenda Item No. 5\)](#)

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Access Ramp Improvements project is the seventh phase of a multi-phase program. The first six phases of the program completed 404 of 800 ramps at various locations throughout the City. The City is moving forward with phase 7, consisting of 36 ramps generally located along Regency Lane, Osterman Road, Skylark Drive, Dimension Drive, and Lake Forest Drive between Regency and Pittsford. The City Council voted unanimously, with Council Member Nick abstaining due to the proximity of the project to both his primary residence and business locations, to award a contract to CLS Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$181,787. The project is expected to be completed this summer.

### [DISCUSSION OF A POTENTIAL CITY ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OF WILDLIFE IN PUBLIC PLACES \(Agenda Item No. 9\)](#)

In January 2015, the City Council discussed potential remedies to the current duck population at Village Pond Park, and directed staff to prepare a draft Wildlife Ordinance addressing these issues citywide. The proposed Ordinance would allow the Parks and Recreation Commission to hold a public hearing to designate a public park as "overcrowded" by wildlife, thereby prohibiting the feeding of animals at only those specific locations. The proposed ordinance would also allow the Orange County Sheriff's Department and the City's Code Enforcement division to issue warnings or citations. The City Council voted to introduce the proposed Ordinance for first reading.

### [CITY OF LAKE FOREST 25th ANNIVERSARY \(Agenda Item No. 11\)](#)

In anticipation of the City's upcoming 25th Anniversary, occurring December 20, 2016, the City Council considered ways to recognize and celebrate this important City milestone. The City Council voted to form an Anniversary Committee to provide community input to the Council for consideration during upcoming budget discussions.

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## March 17, 2015

### [DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2015-2020 CDBG 5 YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 DRAFT EXPENDITURE PLAN \(Agenda Item No. 9\)](#)

In past years, the City has used Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) federal funds to provide housing rehabilitation loans, supported service providers that helped 12,965 persons with access to food and other homelessness prevention services, provided financial support to public and non-profit organizations, and provided grants to assist 26 low-income homeowners. For the 2015-2016 action plan, the City proposes to continue to rehabilitate the City's existing housing stock, conserve and expand the supply of affordable housing, provide supportive housing, and focus on the economic opportunities for residents in low and moderate income target areas. The City's allocation from the federal government for the 2015-2016 fiscal year is approximately \$382,000. The City Council voted unanimously to approve the draft consolidated plan and expenditure plan, allowing for a thirty day public review period before the final plan can be presented to the Council for approval.

### [DISCUSSION REGARDING REGIONAL MEETINGS WITH THE CITIES OF MISSION VIEJO AND IRVINE \(Agenda Item No. 14\)](#)

The City Council voted unanimously to continue working together with neighboring cities of Mission Viejo and Irvine in addressing common city concerns and items of mutual interest using the methods already in place. Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, and Irvine are already working collaboratively through their participation in the League of California Cities, Orange County Division, the Association of California Cities-Orange County, and the South Orange County Association of Mayors. Additionally, several members of the Council serve on regional policy committees, addressing such issues as water quality, transportation and traffic, and revenue and taxation.

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