



District News 3

Alleviating Neighborhood Traffic

Residents should always feel safe in their neighborhoods, so our office has asked Anaheim's City Council to prioritize safety measures near our schools and parks. In April, Council approved the updated the traffic calming efforts within the city's [Neighborhood Traffic Management Program](#).

This policy stemmed from residents reaching out to our office sharing their concerns on speeding in neighborhood streets. Residents near Willow Park now see speed limits posted on signs and on Loara Street itself. In addition, there is a digital speed indicator that helps alert drivers to their speed as they go through the neighborhood.

Gary Brown, Sycamore Junior High School's principal, contacted Mayor Pro Tem Moreno to share similar traffic concerns along Sycamore Street. In front of the school, bright signs and flags now caution drivers. On Sycamore Street and Almond Drive, Anaheim Public Works recently added two stop signs. Two additional stop signs are set for Sycamore and Evergreen Street. Please contact our office so we can host a community meeting to further discuss the traffic concerns in your neighborhood.



Budgeting for Anaheim



Our city budget reflects the priorities and values of our residents. Through June, the City Council is being presented budget workshops with details on major projects, user and developer fees and operational overviews of city departments. City staff held three budget meetings with the community in recent months talking about the city's proposed budget covering July 1 through June 2019.

If you were not able to attend a community meeting or are unable to go to a workshop, please know that additional information and video of the workshops will be made available on the city's website. Mayor Pro Tem Moreno wants to give residents an additional opportunity for budget input. He will have a community meeting on Saturday, June 2, at 10 a.m. in the Central Library's multipurpose room. For more on our city's proposed budget or if you would like to give input on what services/amenities should be prioritized, visit Anaheim.net/mycitybudget.

Housing Forum

Living in Anaheim isn't affordable. Many residents, not just in District 3, have called or written to our office asking for help. Residents, some in fear and desperation, have shared that their rents are increasing and are confused about new leases with a new property owner. Many fear retaliation if they report poor living conditions to the city's Code Enforcement division.



In March, our office, along with the Orange County Congregation Community Organization and Los Amigos of Orange County, hosted a housing forum at St. Boniface Catholic Church. At the meeting, we provided a context of housing in Anaheim, testimonials of what residents experience and answered questions from residents. The Kennedy Commission, Fair Housing Foundation, Public Law Center and Anaheim Public Utilities and Code Enforcement answered specific questions and provided additional resources.

On May 24 at 6 p.m., we will be having another housing forum at the St. Boniface. Similar to the prior forum, there will be testimonials from tenants, answers to questions and sharing of resources. This meeting will also include a testimonial from a property owner and will inform tenants of their obligations as tenants. Mayor Pro Tem Moreno will also provide information on an agenda item asking for City Council direction on a housing policy for the city. This agenda item is expected to be presented to the Council in early June.

Planning for a New Park

Community Services hosted an April 24 meeting to get input on a proposed park next to the Downtown Anaheim Community Center. About 40 people from area neighborhoods attended the meeting. Residents at the meeting were gathered into five groups. In each, they had a map of the site and wrote down ideas they envisioned for a park. Among the many suggestions, a majority focused on good lighting, renovations to the skate park, a walking path, water fountains, drought-resistant plants and a performance stage for community events.

In June, Anaheim's City Council is expected to approve the proposed [Planning for Parks](#) plan. In addition, Council will vote on a zoning change that will pave the way for a park on the site. The Planning Commission has already supported the change. City staff is expected to host another community meeting in June. At this meeting, city staff will provide renderings of the proposed park based on community input. Postcards will be sent to residents in the surrounding area.

District 3 Happenings

May 17: Community Meeting at Tony's Original Deli & Bottle Shop, 6:30 p.m.

May 19: Anaheim Children's Festival at Pearson Park, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

May 24: Housing Forum at the St. Boniface Catholic Church, 6 p.m.

May 28: Memorial Day

May 29: Community Meeting at the Downtown Community Center's Senior Lounge, 2 p.m.

Happy Mother's Day! • ¡Feliz día de la Madre!