



City Manager Weekly NEWS BRIEFS

December 12, 2024

Picture of the Week



At the December 10 City Council meeting, Corey Calaycay and Sal Medina were sworn in as Councilmembers for Districts 1 and 5, respectively. Sal Medina was honored as the outgoing mayor, and Corey Calaycay was selected as the new mayor. Jennifer Stark was selected as Vice Mayor for the coming year.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

December 14

[Claremont Police Department Toy Drive @ 8am-2pm](#)

December 17

[Planning Commission Meeting @ 7pm](#)

December 18

[Tree Committee Meeting @ 6pm](#)

All agendas may be found attached to the meeting's calendar listing on the City website. [Click the hyperlink to view.](#)

New City Website

Launched December 12

The City launched its new website today with the new website address claremontca.gov. The new website features enhanced search, navigation, and accessibility features and a new design. The new website was designed with input from the community and created to feature the most frequently visited pages on the City website. Staff emails have also changed to end with @claremontca.gov, the standard for government agencies. [More...](#)

Urban Forest News

Tree Manual Update

Last year, the City hired a firm with urban forest experience to review the City's Tree Policies and Guidelines Manual, which describes the day-to-day maintenance operations of the urban forest. The final draft of the manual will be released to the public for review next week. On December 18, the revised manual will go before the Tree Committee for a recommendation. On January 15, the Community and Human Services Commission will consider the revised manual, with final approval by the City Council in February 2025. [More...](#)

Holiday Happenings

PD Toy Drive – December 14

The holiday season is upon us and the Police Department is holding their Annual Toy Drive to benefit local children in need! In collaboration with the Axel Garcia Family, the toy drive will be held this Saturday, December 14 at the Claremont Police Department. Residents can drop off new, unwrapped toy donations between 8am and 2pm on Saturday, December 14. [More...](#)

Village Décor

Community Services staff have been spiffing up the Village in preparation for the holiday season! Staff planted holiday color in the planters and installed holiday décor throughout the Village. This year, there is a new reindeer at the Depot and a new selfie station near the Packing House, so be sure to take your holiday photos and tag the City!

Featured Recreation Classes

Look for the Winter/Spring Recreation and Human Services Activity Guide to be released next week!

[Click here for a complete list of Classes and Activities](#)

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City Council Meeting Summary

December 10, 2024

Here is a summary of City Council action from the regular meeting held on December 10, 2024. [More...](#)

Committee Members Sought

Get Involved!

Residents interested in taking a more active role in the City's decision-making process are encouraged to apply for appointment to the Committee on Human Relations (CoHR). The CoHR was established to advise the Community and Human Services Commission on human relations and promote an atmosphere of respect, and acceptance within the community. The application deadline has been extended to December 23. [More...](#)

Urban Forest News

Tree Trimming

Tree trimming in Grid 3 has begun. Grid 3 is the middle section of the City, between the 210 freeway and Foothill Boulevard. Crews are currently working in the area between Foothill Boulevard and the 210 freeway, east of Towne Avenue. Crews are working their way east until all City-owned trees within this area are trimmed. Grid trimming is scheduled to conclude in late spring.

Reforestation Program

Reforestation has begun. Over 70 trees have been planted so far this season. Tree planting began in November and will conclude in April 2025. All newly planted trees will receive weekly watering for the first 90 days, as necessary. New tree requests will be taken until March 2025. All new tree requests should be emailed to trees@claremontca.gov. Every property that accepts a new tree will have a yard sign installed. The yard sign acts as a visual representation of a new tree and has a QR code that leads directly to the website where people can learn about the importance of the urban forest and request a new tree. [More...](#)

Youth Programs

TRACKS Activity Center (Grades 7-8)

[December Calendar \(Click Here\)](#)

Youth Activity Center (Grades 9-12)

[December Calendar \(Click Here\)](#)

TAC & YAC 3:30 PM Early Closure - December 19

Please note that both the TAC and YAC will close early at 3:30pm on Thursday, December 19. Regular operating hours will resume the following day. Thank you for your understanding, and we wish everyone a wonderful day!

Dinner at the YAC - December 20

Join us for Dinner at the YAC on Friday, December 20 at 3:30pm. This month's dinner will feature Pizookies—delicious cookies topped with ice cream! TAC and YAC students are invited to enjoy this sweet treat and connect with friends. TAC students must register in advance and will be transported to the YAC via Dial-A-Ride, departing at 3:15pm. Don't miss this fun and festive way to wrap up the year!

Senior Program News

Movie Matinee @ Joslyn – December 13

Do you love movies? Enjoy FREE popcorn and watch *Home Alone* at the Joslyn Center at 12:30pm on Friday, December 13. This drop-in activity occurs every 2nd Friday, with a new movie each month.

Bereavement Support Group

The Bereavement Support Group hosted by VNAcare meets at the Joslyn Center from 3:15pm to 4:45pm each Thursday. An experienced, trained facilitator leads this free group to offer support, education, and a chance to connect with others who have lost a loved one. The Bereavement Support Group exists to provide hope and comfort in the grief journey with a supportive community that gives space and time to process feelings of loss to bring healing. If you are in need of bereavement support, please come to the Joslyn Center on Thursdays at 3:15pm to meet with a representative from VNAcare.

Special Events & Community News

Household Hazardous Waste Event

The Los Angeles County Sanitation District will host a FREE Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Drive-Thru Collection Event on Saturday, December 21 from 9am to 3pm at the Brackett Field in La Verne. HHW items include any product labeled: toxic, poison, combustible, corrosive, flammable, or irritant. Common types of HHW include electronic waste, paints, pesticides, lubricants, drain cleaners, fluorescent light bulbs, prescription medication, and batteries. There is a limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of waste per trip. [More...](#)