



Working for the Community

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As President of the HHIA I am entering into my 6th month at the helm. The HHIA Board, the other eleven Board Members, make up the foundation of the HHIA and it continues to be an honor to support them. Our HHIA members continue to involve themselves in events and issues relative to Hacienda Heights. The monthly board meetings also welcome non-members, residents of Hacienda Heights, who also regularly provide insight into what constitutes quality of life issues and seek information from the regular speakers.

The HHIA Board is very appreciative of the regular attendees who represent Public Safety and our Community Representatives. Those regular attendees and who/what agency they represent can be seen on our meetings agendas. Past agendas are available on the HHIA website at www.hhia.net

In the first 5 months of 2019 we have had speakers at the monthly meetings presenting information on, development of housing tract plans on the old La Subida School property, SB 946 'Safe Sidewalk Vending Act', a proposed wireless telecommunications facility upgrade at 1415 S. Ninth St., and planning for the East San Gabriel Valley Transportation Corridors.

In February, HHIA Board Members, at the invitation of Supervisor Janice Hahn, attended a Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting to testify in opposition to the proposed expansion of Quemetco's Operations. This concluded with a unanimous vote by the five Supervisors to share with Sacramento their overwhelming opposition and along with this momentum has started a wave of opposition of Quemetco's current operations and future operations coming from the office of HH's Congressman Cisneros, Senator Archuleta, Majority Leader Calderon, supported by other members of Congress and State Senators.

Ahead of us is our participation in the Jim Davis Beautification Day (29 June 19) cleaning the parade route for the I Love America Parade (4 July 19). Stay involved and be a part of keeping the quality of life in Hacienda Heights foremost on your list of things to do.

Scott W. Martin
President

The Mini –Cell Towers Are Coming-Regulations Are Needed

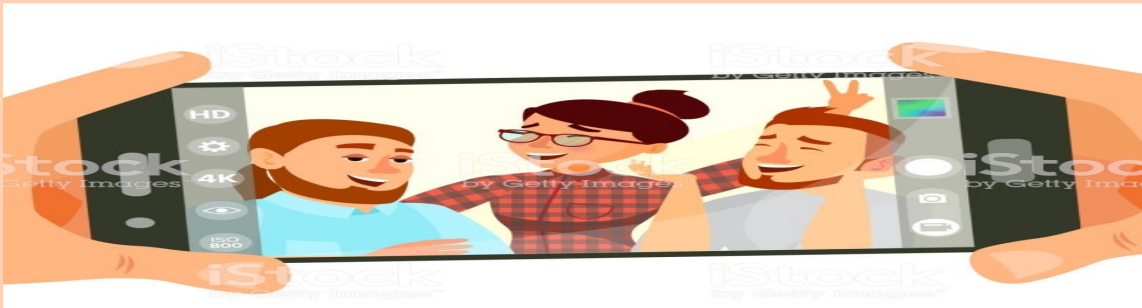
By Maury Edwards

The advent of 5G internet requires a significant increase in capacity. The use of mini-cell towers to accommodate this need is the most efficient and preferred method of achieving the added capacity. The need to regulate the proliferation of mini-cell towers is necessary control the numbers and location of these cell towers. These mini-towers will be located at lower height and closer proximity to homes, business and schools. There is a concern in regard to health hazards with those living and working in close to RF emissions.

The L.A. County Board of Supervisors is considering the hiring Cityscape Inc. to help write the wireless facility ordinances. Cityscape is a consulting firm that works with cell phone companies to help them identify needed cell phone coverage areas.

Supervisors Hahn's Office sponsored a meeting on March 27th with Dr. Lee and other community members with Department of Regional Planning (DPR) in regards to concerns about Cityscape Inc consultants having serious conflict of interest with regards to writing wireless facility ordinance (cell towers).

L.A. County DPR members in attendance were: Amy Bodek, Director; Bruce Durbin, Supervising Regional Planner; and Dean Edwards, Senior Regional Planning Assistant. They explained that Cityscape was selected as the consultant based on competitive bids with only two respondents; the other respondent was associated directly with the cell phone industry and deemed unsuitable. To find another consultant at this time will require 6-9 months and delay adoption of the ordinance for nearly a year. Any further delay in adopting an ordinance is not acceptable especially in unincorporated areas of L.A. County. Several cities have already adopted ordinances but the unincorporated areas (Hacienda Heights) remain unregulated. HHIA. Directors will be monitoring progress in adopting suitable regulations.



Selling Street Food in LA Will No Longer Be a Crime and How To Report A Possible Property Violation

By Diego Loya, Code Enforcement Chair

SB 946: Safe Sidewalk Vending Act became law on 1 January 2019)



- California cities cannot ban vending in parks.
- Cities cannot determine where vendors can operate, unless there is a health, safety, or welfare concern.
- Street vendors are no longer required to ask permission from adjacent businesses to operate. For more information, please visit the following page:

<http://dcba.lacounty.gov/newsroom/sidewalk-vending-is-legal-tell-us-how-this-affects-you/>

How To Report A Possible Property Violation

The Los Angeles County Department of Public works expanded their 'The Works' mobile application to include reporting possible property violations. You can now report excessive vegetation, junk or trash; illegal parking; inoperable vehicle; occupied RVs; and improper signs or banners. Users can submit a detailed description of an issue and attach a related site photo. For more information and to download the app, visit: <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/theworks/>.

You can also use one of the following methods:

Email

ZoningEnforcement@planning.lacounty.gov

Call

[County Helpline 211](tel:2139746453). They will take down your complaint in writing and forward it to ALL applicable County agencies.

-OR-

Department of Regional Planning - Zoning Enforcement Section. Staff will take down zoning violation complaints at (213) 974-6453, (213) 974-6483 or (213) 974-6455.

Los Angeles County Supervisors Vote to Create Regulatory Program for Scooters And Fireworks Are Illegal in Hacienda Heights David Salcedo, Public Safety & Health Committee Chair

Los Angeles County Supervisors Vote to Create Regulatory Program for Scooters

The Board of Supervisors approved a motion by Supervisor Kathryn Barger directing county agencies to develop a regulatory framework for the safe commercial operation of e-scooters in the communities of unincorporated Los Angeles County . Supervisor Barger's motion directs the CEO, in collaboration with county departments and agencies, to develop a pilot program with regulations allowing for the safe operation and storage of shared e-scooters and bikes on County roadways.

The County Supervisors want a collaborative plan that allows operators to provide a viable transit option for residents while minimizing the potential for public nuisances, safety issues, and lawsuits ultimately paid by taxpayers.

The program will also include a consumer-focused website regarding safety and other information to set the stage for a safe, sustainable, and innovative approach to incorporating e-scooters and bicycles as a service to residents looking to bridge gaps in transit access.

Residents have raised concerns regarding sidewalks crowded with equipment, riders who create dangerous conditions on sidewalks, and the risks of injuries.

Advocates say the scooters are an environmentally clean solution to gaps in available transit.

We are asking for the community 's feedback and questions, HHIA will present your feedback and questions to our County Supervisor, Janice Hahn.

FIREWORKS ARE ILLEGAL IN UNINCORPORATED L A COUNTY

Possession or use of illegal fireworks can range from a fine of up to **\$1000**, to **one year** in county jail. Certain products like m-80's and m-100's are considered explosives and are a **felony** to possess with penalties as high as 16 months in state prison. Parents are also liable for any damage or injuries caused by their children using fireworks.

Hsi Lai Temple Monastery Retreat Center Proposal and Jim Davis Beautification Day

By Lucy V. Pedregon, Chair of HHIA Public Relations

On May 18, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Hsi Temple held a community meeting at the Hacienda Heights Community Center to discuss the proposed Hsi Lai Temple Monastery Retreat Center the meeting concluded at 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to present the plans for retreat center. The center will include Meditation classes. It will be located on the west side of Hacienda Boulevard consisting of 25 acres, the property is owned by the temple.

A group of professional Engineers, Architects, Developers and Consultants made a presentation which included visual boards, PowerPoint presentation. A miniature model of the projected plan was made available to the public for viewing. The plan includes hiking trails and the natural native plants and trees.

There were over 100 people in attendance and the proposed project received a welcoming review so far! There was representation from Supervisor Janice Hahn's office, her Field Deputy Nick Holden, State Senator Bob Archuleta was represented by Field Deputy, Kyle Miller. Also present was Andrea Gullo, Executive Director from Puente Hills Native Habitat Authority.

The Hacienda Heights community is encouraged to review the proposal and provide feedback.

Jim Davis Beatification Day!

HHIA and Kiwanis will be hosting the Jim Davis Beautification day.

Date: Saturday June 29, 2019 **Time:** 8:00 a.m.

Location: Hacienda Heights Baptist Church-2100 S Stimson Avenue Hacienda Heights.

Volunteers are needed to help clean our street in preparation for 4th of July Parade. Volunteers need to be at least 11 years old (must be accompanied by an adult). Please bring you broom, rake, dustpan and water bottle. The Los Angeles County Dept, of Public Works will provide gloves, vests and trash bags.



Hacienda Heights 32nd Annual 4th of July Parade

Date: Thursday, July 04, 2019 Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm

Parade begins at Stimson and Colima, it ends at Steinmetz Park

⇒ **Food and Entertainment will be available at the park.**

Please attend our monthly HHIA meetings held every **THIRD** Monday of the month (March –December and **FOURTH** Monday in **January/February**) Time: 7:00 p.m. Please log onto our website: www.hhia.net for detailed information

Call 811 Before You Dig and Clean Power Alliance

by Ted Chang-HHIA Board Director, Utilities

SoCalGas encourages customers to take the following steps when planning any digging project:

- Mark out your proposed work area in white (paint, chalk, flour, flags, etc.).
- Call 811 or submit an online location request to Underground Service Alert at least two working days prior to when you'll start digging.
- Wait to hear from SoCalGas they may come mark the natural gas lines, indicating pipe material and diameter, or let you know that the area is clear.
- Remember that SoCalGas' uses yellow paint to mark its lines.
- If you need to dig within 24 inches of a marked utility line, use only hand tools to carefully expose the exact locations of the line before using any power excavation equipment in the area.

Report any pipe damage – no matter how big or how small – by SoCalGas immediately at 1-800-

427-2200 You can also request a ticket online through [call811.com](https://www.socalgas.com/stay-safe/safety-and-prevention/call-811-before-you-dig) For more details, please visit their webpage at: <https://www.socalgas.com/stay-safe/safety-and-prevention/call-811-before-you-dig>



-----Clean Power Alliance-----

As of February 2019, Clean Power Alliance began serving all residential customers of unincorporated LA County. Non-residential customers in May 2019.

⇒ **Why was I automatically enrolled as a Clean Power Alliance customer?**

The 2002 State law that made community choice possible (AB 117), determined that the new local, public entities (in this case, Clean Power Alliance) would be the default energy provider and automatically enroll customers in the participating jurisdictions.

⇒ **How do I know when my service begins?**

All customers will receive a minimum of 4 notices by mail advising them of their enrollment in Clean Power Alliance; 2 before and 2 after the switch from Southern California Edison to Clean Power Alliance. These notices will be mailed by Clean Power Alliance, not by Southern California Edison.

Any questions, call: 1.888-585-3788, or email : customerservice@cleanpoweralliance.org. or website: <https://cleanpoweralliance.org/customer-support/faqs/>

Issues /Concerns /News In Hacienda Heights

by Adriana Quinone s HHIA Board Director, Community Relations/Newsletter

Hacienda Highlanders Baseball vs Hacienda /La Puente Unified School District Board

Hacienda Highlanders baseball has been around for over 50 years. The league's founders, built the diamonds out of their own pockets, some even took out second mortgages to ensure their was a Little League for the children of Hacienda Heights. The over 400 kids of the co-ed Hacienda Heights Little League share four baseball diamonds on 10 acres owned by the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District.. HLPUSD is planning on building a new school at Wedgeworth Elementary . The school district sold La Subida and Glenelder elementary schools, the closure forced many parents to move their kids to a cluster of schools on Wedgeworth Drive, increasing traffic in that area and very inconvenient for the children and their parents,

The residents are questioning the need to build a new school and spend millions of dollars. There are two schools a few blocks away –Bixby and Cedarlane Academy.. Please read the following article: <https://www.sgvtribune.com/2019/05/08/these-may-be-the-last-days-of-the-hacienda-heights-little-league/>



Is Quemetco the next Exide?

The Department of Justice forced **Exide** to close its facility in Vernon because of years of criminal violations of safety regulations, only one lead-acid battery recycling plant remains west of the Rocky Mountains; Quemetco, in the City of Industry. Please visit [Clear Air Coalition](http://www.cleanaircoalition.org/quemetco-campaign.html) website for more information regarding how lead and arsenic may affect your health: <http://www.cleanaircoalition.org/quemetco-campaign.html>



Hacienda Road

by Jeffrey Lin-HHIA Board Director, Streets and Highways Chair

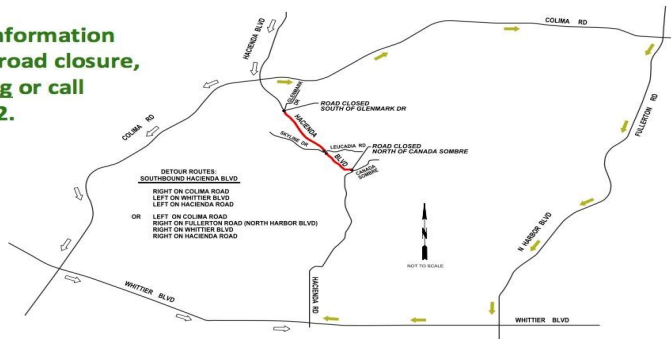


NOTICE OF LONG-TERM ROAD CLOSURE

Road Closure on Hacienda Boulevard between Glenmark Drive (Hacienda Heights, unincorporated Los Angeles County) and Canada Sombre Road (City of La Habra Heights) will remain closed for at least one year.

A recent evaluation of roadway conditions on Hacienda Road, south of West Skyline Drive, revealed a road failure and deemed current conditions unsafe for vehicular traffic. During this work period, the City of La Habra Heights will work in cooperation with the County to implement long-term traffic control measures and continue to monitor conditions in the area.

For updated information regarding the road closure, visit lhcity.org or call (562) 694-6302.



Valley Vista Services Annual Bulk Cleanup in Hacienda Heights

Time: 6:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

- ⇒ Saturday **July 13, 2019** —if your trash pick day is on Monday and Tuesday
- ⇒ Saturday **July 20, 2019** —if your trash pick day is on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

ENJOY ACTIVITIES IN OUR LOCAL PARKS!

Our warm summer nights are upon us. Enjoy multiple opportunities for music, performances and movies in our local parks.

2019 Summer Family Nights

Hacienda Heights Community Center, Steinmetz Park, Manzanita Park and others will show movies at dusk,

Hacienda Heights Community Center—Thursdays

1234 Valencia
Hacienda Heights CA 91745

June 27 Spider Man-Into the spider verse

July 11 The Lego Movie

July 18 Incredibles 2

July 25 How to Train a Dragon-The Hidden World

August 01 Wreck it Ralph 2

-Ralph Breaks the Internet

Contact your local park for more details

Hsi Lai Temple

Hours: 9:00am to 5:00pm daily. They provide several ways for visitors to tour Hsi Lai Temple. All of our tours are available in English. For further information, please contact Tour Division: Tel:(626) 961-9697 , Fax: (626) 369-1944. They offer many classes and activities.

Vegetarian Buffett

Vegetarian Buffet is open **Mon - Fri 11:30am to 1:30pm, Sat 11:30am to 2:30pm & Sun 12:30pm to 2:30pm.**

There is a dress code.

Please visit webpage for details:

<http://www.hsilai.org/en/>

WE NEED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESSES!!

HHIA needs your email addresses so we can send important meeting dates and our newsletter directly to you. In addition, sending by email saves postage. Please send an e-mail to info@hhia.net and include your name and address. Or when you renew your membership, include your e-mail address.

Vote Centers

In 2020, Los Angeles County will transition from polling places to vote centers. This new model will allow voters to cast a ballot at any vote center location in the County over an 11-day period. The Vote Center Placement Project's (VCPP) core mission is to identify and place accessible and convenient vote center locations throughout Los Angeles County. down quickly and permanently. There will be community presentations. Please visit website for meeting locations and time: <https://vsap.lavote.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/VCPP-Second-Round-Grassroots-Community-Meetings-All-Confirmed-Updated-...-1.pdf>

Census Day

April 01, 2020

Why It Matters

Hospitals. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads and highways. The census can shape many different aspects of your community. Each year, the results help determine how more than \$675 billion in federal funding is distributed to states and communities. It's also mandated by the Constitution: The U.S. has counted its population every 10 years since 1790.

By April 2020, households will receive an invitation to participate in the census. You'll then have three options to respond: online, by phone, or by mail. Event date for Census Day is April 1, 2020, with events across the country. This is a key date for the 2020 count: When completing the census, you'll note where you are living on **April 1.**

Job openings and information:

<https://2020census.gov/en>

On the **July 15,2019** HHIA monthly board meeting, representatives from the Census will be having a presentation "Road to 2020"

IT IS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

H.H.I.A. MEMBERSHIP FORM

Date of payment _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Street _____ Hacienda Heights, CA 91745

Phone _____ **Email Address:** _____

Annual Residents Dues \$20 _____ Life membership Dues \$150 _____

Newsletter Administration Donation \$10 _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ Renewal _____ New Member _____

Please tear off this portion, place in an envelope and mail.

HHIA

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Have a community problem?

- Come to an HHIA meeting and ask what to do.
- Check your Hacienda Heights Connection for the proper agency to solve your issue. If you did not receive this publication, go to our website to see a digital copy and/or request a hard copy from the County.
- ♦ Call 211 to contact L.A. County.
- ♦ **Use the contact form directory**

Get connected with your community

The monthly meetings of HHIA are held at the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District Offices located at: 5959 E. Gale Ave., City Of Industry, CA 91745.

Meetings are held the third Monday of each month for of the year starting at 7 p.m. except for Dec. and Jan.

Hear reports from law local enforcement, government representatives, and discussion of new proposed projects for the Heights.

If you have a problem in your area, let us know during the public comment period.



Hacienda Heights Improvement association
P.O. Box 5235 Hacienda Heights CA 91745

**RESIDENTS: IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
SEE RENEWAL FORM!!!**

To contact HHIA—Check our website www.hhia.net

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