## June 10, 2025 City Council Meeting

Written Public Comments

# Item 3.19 EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant

#### Jennifer Connally

From: Sent: To: Subject: Janice Brownfield Monday, June 9, 2025 5:39 PM City Council Public Comment Public Comment Agenda Item # 3.19

Everyone's health is at risk due to air pollution and hot temperatures contributed to by methane emissions from rotting food and other organic waste at landfills, so testing was done at former landfill sites at Grijalva Park and Yorba Park. Implementation of plans, now targeted for those parks and no longer including the Marlboro neighborhood by Taft and Batavia contaminated by a railroad track, will improve our environment with EPA funding of a coalition grant through the OC Council of Governments.

Before it was acquired by the City in 1999, Grijalva Park at Santiago Creek had been a railroad site, asphalt batch plant, surface mine, materials processing plant and landfill, with another landfill next to it at Cerro Villa. The city needed more sports parks, and residents in that area had been waiting a very long time for one, noted Mayor Slater while he was a councilmember in 2001. The City applied for and received in 2001 an EPA grant to assess the land, which resulted in the finding of lead contamination. Because methane is often a by-product of landfills, monitoring was done for several years, with none detected. In 2006 the City received an EPA cleanup grant, used for a five-acre soil cover to cap the lead and to prevent leaching into Santiago Creek. The City also applied for and received an Urban Park Grant from California. The Grijalva Park expansion with sports center formally opened in 2011. There has also been a long wait for a skate park, for which the City received a conceptual design for Grijalva last year.

Yorba Park, built on the site of another former landfill, was closed in 1998 when methane gas from the dumpsite was detected and the City received notice from the County to mitigate its potential migration. Venting and monitoring systems were installed and the park reopened in 2018, along with the Yorba Dog Park, which also has a methane monitor. A path was added from the parking lot to connect to the Santiago Creek Bike Trail, linking Yorba Park to Grijalva Park and Hart Park.

The Santiago Creek Commission and the Santiago Creek Greenway Alliance can provide input, along with the Sustainability Group and all interested residents, on the Market Feasibility Report for Yorba Park. With grant funding to complete the Grijalva Park Masterplan Update, the City can apply for other grants to fund amenities, including the skate park, library/senior center, and community arts theater.

## City Council 6:00 PM Regular Session

Meeting Time: 06-10-25 18:00

## eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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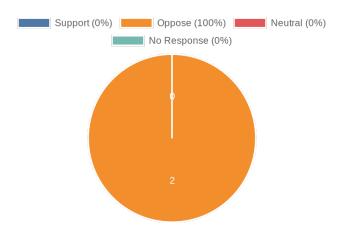
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3.6. Agreement with Doerschel and Associates, LLC for TV and AV Production Support.	1	0	0	1
9.1. Public hearing and reporting on City of Orange vacancies pursuant to Government Code 3502.3.	1	0	0	1
9.4. Public Hearing to consider introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 11-25 establishing Single Room Occupancy housing as a permitted land use for certain qualifying properties and a finding of CEQA exemption.	1	1	0	0

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#### **Overall Sentiment**



#### **Guest User**

Location: Submitted At: 4:46pm 06-10-25

I oppose the Wellness Center at 401 S Tustin Str canceling support groups for Mental Health in order to hold their gayday celebration. They are also grooming Disabled Clients all month long with every activity having a nexus to pride month. There is no opportunity to opt out.

Can you please make it stop?

Guest User Location: Submitted At: 8:08am 06-08-25

Please read our plea to the Public we prepared this packet just for you!

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Clarvida Wellness Ct 401 S Tustin Str in Orange serves Disabled adults/ adults living w. Severe & Persistent Mental Illness. They provide crucial services such as group therapy & healing activities like art, music & yoga. They also offer vital coping skills ie Stress Management & Trauma Recovery. Services offered are mostly beneficial, but management is whimsical. Those who avail themselves of the free services are called "Members" & assigned a serial number. Wellness Center Orange & its counter part in Lake Forest are both fully funded by County of Orange, which is supposed to have complete oversight & final say as to propriety of activities & rules & regulations that define the operations of these facilities. Members must adhere to "social agreement" purposely written in vague ambiguous manner, eg expressly prohibits "offensive" speech but does not define that. So any PoV not acceptable to staff is offensive. It's completely arbitrary & heavily anti Christian. Penalty for saying something "offensive" is suspension, even if there was no ill-intent.

Clarvida Wellness Centers aggressively ban mention of Christianity. If Christians have conscientious objection to

a given activity, they are told to leave facility, or refrain from coming in the first place. Wellness Center released its June calendar only on last business day in May, not really enough time for any Member to voice concerns about upcoming events. There is widespread dissatisfaction & frustration by Members over the "pride" activities planned in June because they amount to GROOMING. A significant % of Members have mild to moderate Mental Retardation to where they don't qualify for a driver's license & cannot open a bank account. So while theyre chronologically adults, many are not fully legal adults. This grooming by Wellness Center is unethical & possibly unlawful, depending on maturity & functional level of Member.

A look at June calendar reveals jewelry making class now requires Members make "pride" themed creations. Another group, supposed to be for art is now completely "pride" centric with creations having to be related to homosexual or transexual stuff. This is deviant, disturbing disgusting, & disrespectful.

June 20th, all classes from noon to 4:30 are cancelled so Wellness Center can promote perverse sexuality they call "pride celebration".

Food-insecure members are lured into this pride abomination with enticements of free catered lunch from food trucks.

We're asking public bring this to attention of County personell. Wellness Center initially lied, told County the "pride celebration" on 20th would be from only 1-2pm but keep changing calendar & according to what we found Wellness Center South website it actually lasts from 1-4:30pm.

Please email Board of Supervisors response@ocgov.com for June 11th meeting & request they look into this. Emails due by 9am the day of.

It's also a County Behavioral Health meeting Wednesday morning. If you send public comments there it may get resolved faster. Emails must be in by 9am ocbhab@ochca.com

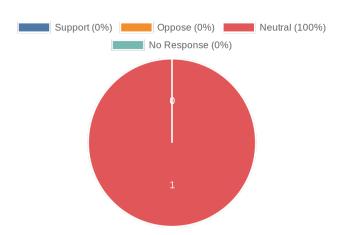
The OC Continuum of Care Board meeting is the Wednesday after this week and comments can be emailed to carecoordination@ocgov.com

They require emails be sent \*24 hours\* in advance & subject line say "CoC Board Meeting"

Thank you

Agenda Item: eComments for 3.6. Agreement with Doerschel and Associates, LLC for TV and AV Production Support.

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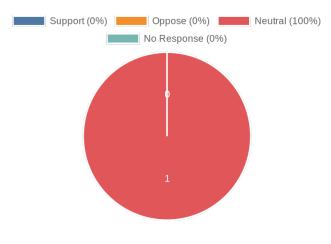


#### Leslie Manderscheid Location: Submitted At: 7:15pm 06-09-25

Does this agreement include broadcasting on cable networks such as Spectrum? Spectrum has stopped broadcasting on my home network and their customer service said they have no control over it. So, who does?

Agenda Item: eComments for 9.1. Public hearing and reporting on City of Orange vacancies pursuant to Government Code 3502.3.

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#### **OMA Board**

Location: Submitted At: 12:07pm 06-10-25

A message from the Orange Management Association:

Hello Mayor and City Council,

We are the employees who don't wear a badge or a uniform. We don't drive emergency vehicles or respond to 911 calls—but we are just as essential to the City's ability to function, serve, and protect.

We are the planners, engineers, analysts, program managers, and supervisors who ensure City operations run smoothly across every department. We support public safety, we lead long-term projects, and we make sure the day-to-day work gets done—no matter the challenge.

#### We are:

- The ones who manage infrastructure and development while protecting Orange's historic identity;
- The ones overseeing technology, communications, and systems that keep residents informed and services accessible;
- The ones planning community events, managing recreational programs, and supporting our seniors and youth;
- The ones who work closely with local non-profit organizations and City partners to build a stronger community;
- The ones writing contracts, hiring and training staff, supervising teams, and keeping departments afloat;
- The ones responsible for clean water, safe streets, maintained parks, and functional City vehicles.

We are the ones who stay.

The City's latest vacancy report highlights growing concerns about staff turnover, particularly in OMEA with a 17.59% vacancy rate. While the numbers may suggest we don't feel the impacts of vacancies, what's missing is what we've taken on. For every unfilled position, every departure, it is our members who absorb the extra workload, including those vacant positions at the executive level. We don't walk away - we step up.

And when others say they're planning to leave, we are the ones who hold the line. Who protect the services residents rely on. Who keep the City standing through transitions, budget constraints, and emergencies.

Now, as we enter contract negotiations, the City has a choice. You have an opportunity—to do right by the people who have been holding things together. To value the work we do, and to ensure we don't lose even more institutional knowledge, experience, and leadership.

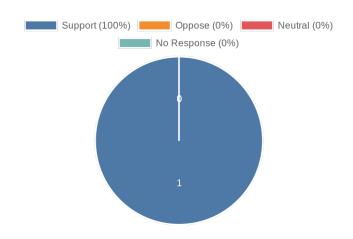
You have an opportunity to protect city services—not just through staffing fire and police, but by investing in those who quietly, consistently, and professionally keep this City running every single day.

We urge you to take that opportunity-and show your OMA team that we matter.

Thank you.

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#### **Adrienne Gladson**

Location: Submitted At: 2:06pm 06-10-25

Approve. This will be a great tool for assisting private non-profits delivering this needed housing in Orange. Excited to see the projects it will foster and proud of the councils leadership on this matter!