# City Manager's Bi-Weekly COMMUNITY UPDATE

### GNOLIA 55+ RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SALE



Signage for Magnolia at Snow Creek

City staff is finalizing the required purchase application and will be listing the property for sale to an income eligible Senior Household within the next two weeks. The Property is designated as an affordable housing unit and subject to long-term affordability restrictions (45-year term). Subsequently, the property may not be sold at a market-rate price. A "Coming Soon" flyer will be posted on all City social media and the City Website. As prescribed in the Resale Restriction Agreement, potential applicants must adhere to the resale covenants, conditions and restrictions.

- Must be a Senior Citizen (55+) or a Qualified Permanent Resident per State requirements.
- Must meet Moderate Income level household requirements.

City staff is working closely with the City Attorney's Office to ensure all State mandated affordability and procedural requirements are adhered to through the sale of this property.

### **CITY FINANCES**

The City of Walnut has completed another successful annual financial audit and we continue to be in a strong fiscal position. As of June 30, 2021, the City of Walnut's General Fund had a balance of \$30.1 million with an unrestricted fund balance of \$28.1 million. These numbers, as they relate to yearly expenditures, are some of the strongest in the entire San Gabriel Valley.

The Walnut City Council makes both fiscal responsibility and Walnut's financial strength a top priority in order to keep the City strong now and in the future.

# CITY OF WALNUT **ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE**

#### **COVID-19/MASK UPDATE**

In response to declining COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations across the state, the California Department of Public Health has issued updated COVID-19 guidance on masking.

As of March 1, masks are no longer required in most indoor settings. Masks are still required for everyone in high transmission settings such as public transit, emergency shelters, health care settings, correctional facilities, homeless shelters and long-term care facilities. For K-12 schools and child care facilities, after March 11, masks will no longer be required.

Also, in accordance with the newly released mask guidelines issued by the LA County Department of Public Health on March 4, 2022, masks are no longer required at City Facilities.

Free masks are available to community members that visit City facilities and prefer to wear a mask.

Face coverings are

#### **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

but not required.



Thank you for your cooperation.



New Signage at City Facilities



# MAZESOBA SAUCY RAMEN HOUSE HERO

## **NEW EATERIES IN WALNUT**

We are pleased to welcome the following new eateries to the City of Walnut!

#### bb.q Chicken

The Grand Opening for bb.q Chicken—a premium Korean Chicken franchise located in the Village at Snow Creek—was held in the middle of February, 2022. City staff has already reached out to the business regarding the "Welcome to Walnut" initiative, and is scheduled to record content for the introduction video within the upcoming week.

#### Mazesoba Hero

Located at 1247 N. Grand Avenue (across the street from Mt. San Antonio College), Mazesoba Hero is a new eatery specializing in a broth-less saucy ramen. The restaurant provides a widearray of creative, delicious toppings which, when mixed together creates a rich and creamy balanced



noodle dish.

#### **PHONE SCAM**

The City of Walnut & Southern California Edison want you to be on alert as imposters are attempting to scam customers via telephone calls threatening to cut electric service. Scammers are deceiving utility customers into paying non-existent bills with threats of immediate service shut off.

- SCE employees will never ask you to purchase pre-paid cash cards to pay your utility bill.
- If you get a call demanding money by a pre-paid cash card or other personal financial information, hang up.
- Call SCE directly at 1-800-990-7788 (for business customers) or 1-800-655-4555 (for residential customers) or go to SCE.com if you need assistance or have questions about your bill.



# **MODERNIZING COMMERCIAL STOREFRONT SIGNS**

Commercial storefront signs within the City's shopping centers are transitioning to a more enhanced look. New signs are required to incorporate halo illumination, which is the "glow" that is provided around the wall sign. This effect provides a modern look and enhances the building's visual appeal. A recent example can be seen at the Walnut Village commercial center located on Pierre Road, which incorporates new halo business signs on a recently renovated exterior façade. This is just one example of the City's efforts to make Walnut look its best.



Enhanced storefront signs at the Walnut Village Center

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Youth Advisory Commission Meeting
Monday, March 14

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
Tuesday, March 15

City Council Meeting Wednesday, March 23

V.I.P. Pickleball Tournament
Thursday, March 24

Agendas are posted 72 hours before the meeting on the web at cityofwalnut.org

### **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

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