

NOTABLE NEWS

Week Ending in June 11, 2026

The Notable News was established in 2022 as an informal report compiled for the City Manager, efficiently summarizing key updates and accomplishments from various departments to be shared with City Council and City staff. It is not intended to serve as a comprehensive record of all staff activities or achievements and may contain typographical or formatting errors.

Administrative Services Department:

- **Finance**

- The biennial budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 – 2027-28 was approved by the City Council.
- Customer Service processed 796 utility payments totaling \$177,912.17 and 109 animal licenses totaling \$3,824.00
- Past due accounts were notified and billed a \$15.75 Delinquent Fee:
 - January = 1,544
 - February = 1,466
 - March = 1,533
 - April = 1,311
 - May = 1,233
 - June = 1,396

- **Human Resources**

- HR congratulated William Gallardo on his growing family by gifting him a baby basket! It features a cute Upland onesie, diapers, and wipes. Congratulations William!
- HR Staff received 1 risk claim this week.
- HR Staff welcomed 7 new hires:
 - Raymond Cordero - Utilities Manager
 - Christopher Tupuola - Utility Worker II – Water
 - Miguel Araiza - Utility Worker I - Water
 - Adam Gutierrez - Utility Worker I - Water
 - Jose Nunez - Utility Worker I - Water
 - Collin Spencer - Utility Worker I - Water

- Benjamin Pirrie - Administrative Intern

- IT

- A loaner laptop was configured and provided for a Public Works meeting presentation.
- Met with the City Clerk's office to discuss technology requirements for hosting upcoming City Council meetings at Carnegie Hall.
- Technology equipment at the dais was disconnected in preparation for upcoming Council Chamber renovations.
- Electronic data was exported and provided it to the Police Department for legal processing.
- Code Enforcement data was retrieved from the previous vendor and access was provided to a third party to integrate with the UplandConnect app.
- Security camera footage was provided to the City Clerk's office to fulfill a public records request.
- Interview room software that was not connecting was resolved for the Police Department.
- Evidence application connection issues were resolved for the Police Department.
- Cellular service was activated for a ticket writer device for the Police Department.
- Login issue for the Help Desk Ticket system were resolved for the Library Department.
- Five iPads and six iPhones were configured and deployed for the Public Works Department.
- Issues with a citation device was diagnosed and resolved for the Police Department.
- Shared access between a laptop and desktop was enabled for the Public Works Department by installing and configuring an AB switch.

Development Services Department:

- During the period of time from June 4th thru June 10th, the Building & Safety Division completed 114 building inspections, issued 24 building permits, and plan checked 12 sets of construction plans.
- Planning Division staff reviewed 12 new zoning clearances for new businesses in the City.
- The Development Services Director, Planning Division, Land Development/Engineering, and Economic Development staff met with representatives of AT&T to discuss the construction of the previously approved wireless telecommunication facility disguised as a water tower in Memorial Park.
- On June 10, 2026, the Technical Review Committee reviewed and provided comments on applications currently under review, including:
 - A request to establish a swim school within an existing 8,725 square foot tenant space located at 1380 W. 7th Street.
 - A request to install an outdoor pergola display area for an existing retail business located at 436 N. Central Avenue.
 - A request for a minor change to an approved project to incorporate the final design of the 7,243 square foot service yard sports field maintenance/office structure and 5,474 square foot storage building, located at the northeast portion of the Roberts Sports Park at 575 Monte Vista Avenue.
- The Development Services Director met with a representative from Ford of Upland to assist in their Zoning Clearance application for their Foothill property.
- The Land Development / Transportation Division coordinated the final invoice submittal for the completed Upland Mobility Master Plan.
- The Land Development / Transportation Division sent out Parcel Map 20819 for recordation and processed the cash-in-Lieu and Subdivision Agreements. This concerns the subdivision of the northerly parcel on the Mountain Green Shopping Center to create two out-parcels for a fast-food restaurant with drive-through service and a commercial use.
- Land Development and Transportation issued 20 downtown parking permits to GO Architects.
- Land Development and Transportation assisted a resident living on South Third Avenue with their parking issues.

- The Highway Safety Improvement Program Traffic Signal Project is under construction. The contractor is currently working on signalized intersections along Euclid Avenue.
- Housing Rehabilitation Staff fast tracked the review and approval of an Emergency Repairs Program application for an 86-year-old low to moderate income owner-occupant senior household due to an unexpected sewage back up caused by a collapsing Orangeburg sewer line. Within a one-week turnaround, staff expedited the eligibility review, program approval, procurement, and construction management to get the sewer line replaced and fully operational.
- Housing Rehabilitation Staff conducted a final site inspection at a low to moderate income owner-occupant senior household and processed payment to their contractor.
- Economic Development Staff initiated the review of a Commercial Rehabilitation Program application for Upland Women’s Club located in downtown to assist the organization with paint and other exterior improvements.
- The Development Services Director and Economic Development staff attended the Historic Downtown Upland (HDU) Board meeting to discuss downtown activities and events.
- Economic Development staff attended the Chamber of Commerce Advocacy in Action Zoom meeting for updates on Chamber activities.
- The Development Services Director and Economic Development staff had a Teams call with the City Attorney to discuss the drafting of the Reimbursement Agreement and the Disposition and Development Agreement (DDA) relating to the City-owned property at Arrow Route and Benson Avenue.
- Staff began configuration and implementation of the Decision Engine platform, which will provide a user-friendly application navigator to help customers identify the correct permits and development applications, reducing confusion and streamlining the permitting process. Staff is making refinements and anticipating going live soon.

Police Department:

- The following feedback was received from community members who completed a survey after contacting the Upland Police Department for assistance. These comments reflect their experiences with the service they received.
 - Very professional. Was there in matter of minutes. Very satisfied!

- The officer was timely, friendly, and supportive, he helped sort out problem-solving options for me to do. He was personable and connecting. I felt my situation was well taken care of.
 - I called the Nonemergency number. The woman who answered the call was helpful and informative, and passed my request onto the police officer, who came to my property to help with the situation.
 - Great experience. Very helpful and professional. Thanks for keeping us safe.
 - Dispatcher was extremely efficient even though she was busy with two 911 calls.
- Over the past week, Impact Officers have made several arrests related to drug violations, trespassing, and outstanding warrants.
 - During the Lemon Festival, the Impact Team, along with ABC Officers and San Bernardino County Probation, conducted 10 ABC compliance checks at businesses serving alcohol. All businesses were in compliance. These compliance checks were strategic in that it was completely ABC funded, ensured ABC protocols were followed even when business volume is high, and brought additional uniformed officers to the festival for added safety and presence.
 - Over the past week, the Quality-of-Life Team proactively located and collected 10 abandoned shopping carts during daily patrols. The businesses the carts belonged to were contacted regarding the violation(s).
 - Over the past week, Code Enforcement opened 39 new cases across the city and were able to close out 17 existing cases. Code Enforcement Officers also worked all three days of the Lemon Festival to ensure unauthorized vendors did not enter or loiter, ensured parking issues were addressed, and proactively looked for any other ordinance violations.
 - Over the past week, our Homeless Coordinator made several outreach contacts. In addition, The Homeless Coordinator has been working with an unhoused individual who is suffering from cancer and was able to help not only coordinate a needed cancer surgery appointment but provided transportation to this very appointment. Permanent support housing is currently being sought.
 - On June 5, officers were dispatched to Cabrillo Park in regards to a suspect who had shot an airsoft gun at a victim in the park. Officers located the suspect a short distance away and found him to be in possession of the airsoft gun. After investigation, the suspect was arrested and booked at the West Valley Detention Center for assault with a deadly weapon and criminal threats.

- On June 5, Traffic officers conducted a Know Your Limit operation at Upland's Lemon Festival. Officers contacted over 100 festival attendees and offered to let them voluntarily use a preliminary alcohol screening device, which shows the user their blood alcohol content. This event is meant to educate the public on the dangers of impaired driving by demonstrating what different levels of intoxication feel like.
- On June 6, a two-officer proactive policing unit conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle after observing several traffic violations, including failing to stop at the intersection of 8th Street and Campus Avenue. During the stop, officers observed signs that the driver may have been under the influence of alcohol and initiated a DUI investigation. The investigation resulted in the driver's arrest for driving under the influence and driving with a suspended license. Because a child was present in the vehicle at the time of the offense, the driver was also booked on a charge of child endangerment.
- On June 8, officers responded to a disturbance in the 300 block of W. Buffington Street. Officers learned the brother stabbed his sister and she suffered a non-life-threatening laceration. The suspect was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon.
- On June 8, officers responded to a potential theft in progress at a department store in the 1600 block of W. Foothill Boulevard. The suspect stole over \$1,600 worth of items from the store and the subject was arrested. Upon a search of the suspect's vehicle, a loaded firearm and methamphetamine was also located.
- On June 9, an officer saw a subject slumped over the wheel at a gas station located in the 200 block of N. Euclid Avenue. The subject was contacted and the officer found methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia in the subject's vehicle. The subject was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- On June 10, Impact officers and OPD officers conducted a clean-up along the 10 freeway between Benson Avenue and Euclid Avenue. Following this clean up, Caltrans is scheduled to clean debris and weeds in the coming days.

Public Works Department:

- **PW Engineering – Capital**
 - 19th Street Rehabilitation and Utility Improvements (Mountain to Euclid): A community meeting was held on June 9th at the Magnolia Recreation Center to discuss the project preliminary design concepts. City staff is reviewing data collected and submitted by the public.

- Downtown Public Parking Lot Improvement (SWC of Arrow Highway & 3rd Ave.): Staff is completing the civil design drawings and updating contract specifications to include CDBG current requirements, along with a new way-finding sign rendering. Public bidding schedule was moved to late June.
- Foothill Blvd. Rehabilitation (Benson Ave. to Redding Way): The water main construction continues on the south side of the intersection of Mountain Avenue and Foothill Blvd. Please slow down and do your part to help keep the water crews safe. On Wednesday, June 10th there was an overnight water shut-down between Benson and Mountain Avenue to continue with customer tie-overs to the new main.
- Mountain Avenue Rehabilitation (20th to 23rd): Staff is preparing the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) for the survey work.
- Tom Thomas Magnolia Plaza: Contractor is excavating along the south side of the property for the perforated storm drain pipeline and continues with trenching for the underground electrical conduit installation. Foundations for the cantilevered beams began this week.
- Traffic Signal Improvements at San Antonio Avenue & 16th Street: The public bidding process is underway. Bids are due via the PlanetBids platform on 6/23/26 by 3:00 p.m.

- **PW Utilities**

- Average daily water produced for the week: 17.13 Million Gallons per Day
- San Antonio Water Treatment Plant: 0 Million Gallons per Day
- Import surface water purchased from WFA: 4.00 Million Gallons per Day
- Ground water sources: 13.13 Million Gallons per Day

- **Recreation and Community Services**

- The Upland Travel Buddies shared smiles from their seven-day fun-filled itinerary. They cruised Niagara Falls, enjoyed a Horse Drawn Carriage on their way to Mackinac Island, and visited Henry Ford Museum, River Rouge Truck Plant, and so much more. Save the date for the next Travel Buddies Presentation on August 13, begins at 3:00 p.m. at the Gibson Senior Center. For more information call (909) 981-4501.



Comedy Night

- The Gibson Senior Center will be hosting a Comedy Night, Thursday, June 11th, from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. The night will include food, prizes, laughter, and fun!

Tickets are still available. For more information, please call (909) 981-4501.



City Manager's Office:

- The Assistant City Manager spoke at the Upland Chamber of Commerce Economic Development and Government Relations Forum.

- Public information outreach this past week included social media postings for City Council Meeting, Foothill Blvd Improvements Update, Library Board Meeting, and Upland Eateries Hot 100 list.
- The City Clerk administered the loyalty oath to seven new employees this week.
- Corodata retrieved 428 boxes of records that have been digitized and are now eligible for off-site storage until destruction. The citywide scanning initiative has improved efficiency by enabling quick digital access to documents, reducing time spent locating physical files. It has also freed up workspace and allowed for the relocation of records from office areas and a basement storage location prone to water damage to a secure off-site facility where immediate access is not required.

