

WELCOME TO THE COSTA MESA COMMUNITY

NEW RESIDENT GUIDE 2016



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CITY OF COSTA MESA

ABOUT COSTA MESA



City Flower: Fuchsia

Costa Mesa is known as the “City of the Arts” and is situated just one mile away from the beach. With over 112,000 residents, Costa Mesa boasts an eclectic community with a hometown atmosphere.



THANK YOU FOR
MAKING COSTA MESA
YOUR HOME

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City Bird: Western Meadowlark



Residents have access to 28 parks, two municipal golf courses, a community senior center, 20 public schools and three libraries. Orange Coast College, Coastline Community College, Vanguard University, and Whittier Law School have their campuses in Costa Mesa. The Orange County Fair and Event Center is also within the city limits.

The city is home to South Coast Plaza, one of the nation’s largest shopping centers, and a world-class performing arts center. The diverse dining scene has earned Costa Mesa the award from Rand/McNally and USA Today as being the best small town for restaurants west of the Mississippi River. Costa Mesa’s creative bent has given rise to The Lab and The Camp, two counter-culture retail developments, and the SoCo Collection, a cutting edge, environmentally friendly shopping center.

Costa Mesa is home to 112,000 residents and has been ranked as a top 100 place to live in the United States according to Livability.com.

A QUICK GUIDE TO GETTING STARTED

ANIMAL LICENSES

Costa Mesa Police Department, www.costamesaca.gov, (714) 754-5235
99 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92627

DRIVER'S LICENSES, VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Department of Motor Vehicles, www.dmv.ca.gov, (800) 777-0133
650 W. 19th St., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION/BUS SCHEDULES

Orange County Transportation Authority, www.octa.net, (714) 560-6282

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

K-12: Newport-Mesa Unified School District, web.nmusd.us, (714) 424-5000
2985 Bear St., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

College: Coastline Community College District, www.cccd.edu, (714) 438-4600
1370 Adams Ave, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

STREET SWEEPING

CleanStreet, www.cleanstreet.com, (800) 225-7316; City hotline: (714) 327-7471

TRASH/RECYCLING

Costa Mesa Sanitary District, www.cmsd.org, (949) 645-8400
628 W. 19th St., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

UTILITIES

Cable: Time Warner Cable, www.timewarnercable.com, (800) 892-4357
AT&T U-Verse, www.att.com, (800) 288-2020

Electricity: Southern California Edison, www.sce.com, (800) 655-4555

Gas: Southern California Gas Company, www.socalgas.com, (877) 238-0092

Telephone: AT&T, www.att.com, (800) 288-2020

VOTER REGISTRATION

Orange County Registrar of Voters, www.ocvote.com, (714) 567-7600
1300 S. Grand Ave., Bldg. C, Santa Ana, CA 92705

WATER

Mesa Water, www.mesawater.org, (949) 631-1200
1965 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92627



YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

COSTA MESA CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Stephen Mensinger
Mayor Pro Tem Jim Righeimer
Council Member Katrina Foley
Council Member Sandra Genis
Council Member Gary Monahan

Executive Secretary to the City Council, (714) 754-5107

UNITED STATES SENATE, www.senate.gov

Barbara Boxer, www.boxer.senate.gov/en/contact
Dianne Feinstein, www.feinstein.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/e-mail-me

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, www.house.gov

48th District: Dana Rohrabacher (zip codes 92626, 92627, 92628), rohrabacher.house.gov

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY, assembly.ca.gov

74th District: Matthew Harper, ad74.assemblygop.com

CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, senate.ca.gov

37th District: John M. W. Moorlach, district37.cssrc.us

WELCOME TO COSTA MESA CIVIC CENTER

CITY HALL GENERAL INFORMATION LINE: (714) 754-5000

77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, 92626

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

POLICE (NON-EMERGENCY/FRONT DESK): (714) 754-5368

99 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, 92626

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

File a police report here:

www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?page=1085

POLICE (NON-EMERGENCY/AFTER-HOURS DISPATCH): (714) 754-5252

BUSINESS LICENSES - City Hall, Finance, 1st Floor: (714) 754-5235

New applications and renewals can be made online at

businesslicense.costamesaca.gov

BUILDING DIVISION - City Hall, 2nd Floor: (714) 754-5273

Includes electrical and plumbing permits, building inspection requests, general building and construction questions.

CITY RECORDS - City Hall, City Clerk, 1st Floor: (714) 754-5225

See Orange County Clerk-Recorder for vital records such as birth and death certificates.

CMTV CHANNEL 3 - City Hall, By Appointment Only: (714) 754-5098

Watch the city's TV channel on Time Warner (Ch. 3) or AT&T U-Verse (Ch. 99)

View the daily Costa Mesa Minute feature and select archived videos here:

www.youtube.com/user/CostaMesaTV

FIRE PREVENTION - City Hall, 5th Floor: (714) 327-7400

Includes fire education, disaster preparedness and fire permits.

GARAGE SALE PERMITS - City Hall, 2nd Floor: (714) 754-5026

Each property is permitted to hold a garage sale twice per calendar year.

Applications can be submitted online at

www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?recordid=151&page=34

MUNICIPAL CODE - City Hall, City Clerk, 1st Floor: (714) 754-5225

View municipal codes online here:

www.municode.com/library/ca/costa_mesa/codes/code_of_ordinances

**FOR POLICE, FIRE OR MEDICAL
EMERGENCIES, CALL 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY.**

PLANNING/ZONING INFORMATION - City Hall, 2nd Floor: (714) 754-5245

RECREATION CLASSES - City Hall, 3rd Floor: (714) 754-5300

View class descriptions and register online at

<https://apm.activecommunities.com/costamesarec/Home>

RESIDENTIAL STREET PARKING PERMIT/GUEST PASS - City Hall, 4th Floor:

(714) 754-5634

Residents are required to obtain permits in-person with proof of residency.

SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS - City Hall, Finance, 1st Floor:

(714) 754-5064

STREET LIGHTS - City Hall, 4th Floor: (714) 754-5185

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE - City Hall, 4th Floor:

(714) 754-5323



The 9.5-acre Costa Mesa Civic Center is located at 77 Fair Drive, and includes City Hall, Police Department Headquarters, the 9-1-1 dispatch center and Fire Station No. 5.

Map & Locations

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Note: This map is not to scale and is intended for general reference only.

Parks Locations

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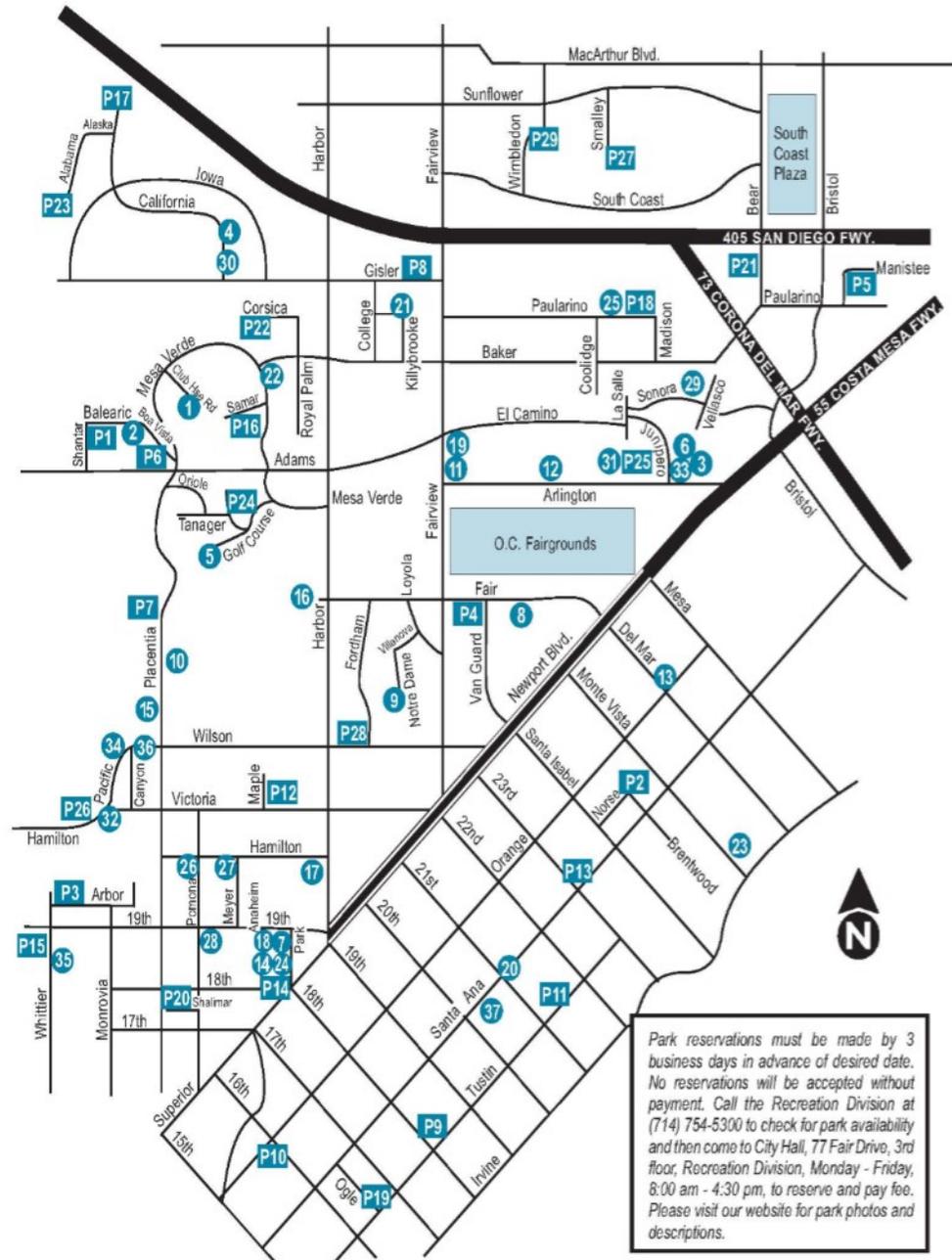
Check out park pictures on the web: <http://www.ci.costa-mesa.ca.us/CMmapCivic.htm?mapname=parksrec>

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| P1. Balearic - 1975 Balearic Dr. | P16. Mesa Verde - 1795 Samar Cir. |
| P2. Brentwood - 265 E. Brentwood Pl. | P17. Moon - 3377 California St. |
| P3. Canyon - 970 Arbor St. | P18. Paularino - 1040 Paularino Ave. |
| P4. Civic Center - 77 Fair Drive | P19. Pinkley - 360 E. Ogle St. |
| P5. Del Mesa - 2080 Manistee Dr. | P20. Shalimar - 782 Shalimar Dr. |
| P6. Estancia Park - 1900 Adams Ave. - <i>Diego Sepulveda Adobe</i> | P21. Shiffer - 3143 Bear St. |
| P7. Fairview - 2525 Placentia Ave. | P22. Smallwood - 1646 Corsica Pl. |
| P8. Gisler - 1250 Gisler St. | P23. Suburbia - 3302 Alabama Cir. |
| P9. Harper - 425 E. 18th St. | P24. Tanager - 1780 Hummingbird Dr. |
| P10. Heller - 257 E. 16th St. | P25. TeWinkle - 970 Arlington Ave. - <i>Angels Playground</i> |
| P11. Jordan - 2141 Tustin Ave. | P26. Vista - 1200 Victoria St. |
| P12. Ketchum-Libolt - 2150 Maple St. | P27. Wakeham - 3400 Smalley St. |
| P13. Lindbergh - 220 E. 23rd St. - <i>Field</i> | P28. Wilson - 360 W. Wilson St. |
| P14. Lions - 570 W. 18th St. - <i>Davis Field</i> | P29. Wimbledon - 3440 Wimbledon Way |
| P15. Marina View - 1035 W. 19th St. | |

Facilities and Athletic Field Locations

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| 1. Adams School - 2850 Club House Rd. | 20. Kaiser School - 2130 Santa Ana Ave. |
| 2. Balearic Community Center - 1975 Balearic Dr. | 21. Killybrooke School - 3155 Killybrooke Ln. |
| 3. Bark Park - 970 Arlington | 22. Mesa Verde Library - 2969 Mesa Verde Dr. |
| 4. California School - 3232 California Ave. | 23. Monte Vista/Back Bay High School - 390 Monte Vista Ave. |
| 5. C.M. Golf & Country Club - 1701 Golf Course Dr. | 24. Neighborhood Community Center (NCC) - 1845 Park Ave. |
| 6. C.M. Tennis Club - 880 Junipero Dr. | 25. Paularino School - 1060 Paularino Ave. |
| 7. Costa Mesa Donald Dungan Library - 1855 Park Ave. | 26. Pomona School - 2051 Pomona Ave. |
| 8. Civic Center - 77 Fair Drive | 27. Rea School - 661 Hamilton Ave. |
| 9. College Park School - 2380 Notre Dame Rd. | 28. Senior Center - 695 W. 19th St. |
| 10. Corporation Yard - <i>Historical Mural</i> - 2300 Placentia Ave. | 29. Sonora School - 966 Sonora Rd. |
| 11. Costa Mesa High School - 2650 Fairview Rd. | 30. TeWinkle Middle School - 3224 California Ave. |
| 12. Davis School - 1050 Arlington Dr. | 31. TeWinkle Park Athletic Complex - 970 Arlington Dr. |
| 13. Del Mar Garden - 170 Del Mar | 32. Victoria School - 1025 Victoria St. |
| 14. Downtown Recreation/Aquatic Center - 1860 Anaheim Ave. | 33. Volcom Skate Park of Costa Mesa - 900 Arlington Dr. |
| 15. Estancia High School - 2323 Placentia Ave. | 34. Waldorf School (Parson's Field) - 2350 Canyon Dr. |
| 16. Fairview Developmental Center (FDC) Fields - 2501 Harbor Blvd. | 35. Whittier School - 1800 Whittier Ave. |
| 17. Hamilton Garden - 523 Hamilton Street | 36. Wilson School - 801 Wilson St. |
| 18. Historical Society - 1870 Anaheim Ave. | 37. Woodland School - 2025 Garden Ln. |
| 19. Jack Hammett Sports Complex - 2750 Fairview Rd. | |



Park reservations must be made by 3 business days in advance of desired date. No reservations will be accepted without payment. Call the Recreation Division at (714) 754-5300 to check for park availability and then come to City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, 3rd floor, Recreation Division, Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, to reserve and pay fee. Please visit our website for park photos and descriptions.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

AIRPORT (AIRPORT CODE: SNA)

John Wayne Airport, Orange County, www.ocair.com, (949) 252-5200,
18601 Airport Wy., Santa Ana, CA 92707

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Orange County Health Care Agency, www.ochealthinfo.com/bhs,
(855) 625-4657, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
For information and referrals for services including children and adult mental health, alcohol and drug inpatient and outpatient, and intervention services.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce, www.costamesachamber.com,
(714) 885-9090, 1700 Adams Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

COMMUNITY CENTERS

Balearic Community Center, (714) 754-5083
1975 Balearic Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Neighborhood Community Center, (714) 327-7525
1845 Park Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

Downtown Recreation Center, (714) 327-7560
1860 Anaheim Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

To check availability or reserve space at any of the three community centers, call (714) 327-7527, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

DOG PARK

Costa Mesa Bark Park, 890 Arlington Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626
Open daily from dusk until 9 p.m.; closed Wednesday for maintenance.

ELDER RESOURCES

Orange County Office on Aging, officeonaging.ocgov.com,
(800) 510-2020, 1300 S. Grand Ave., Bldg. B, Santa Ana, CA 92705

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT SERVICES

State of California Employment Development Department, www.edd.ca.gov
Telephone directory: www.edd.ca.gov/About/EDD/Department_Directory.htm

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Orange County Health Care Agency, www.ochealthinfo.com/eh,
(714) 433-6000, 1241 E. Dyer Rd., Ste. 120, Santa Ana, CA 92705
Includes food safety, facility ratings, and restaurant inspections.

GOLF COURSE AND COUNTRY CLUB

Costa Mesa Country Club, www.costamesacountryclub.com, (714) 540-7500
1701 Golf Course Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

GRAFFITI REMOVAL HOTLINE, (714) 327-7491

For graffiti removal on public properties only.

HAZARDOUS WASTE AND E-WASTE DISPOSAL

Orange County Hazardous Waste, www.oclandfills.com/hazardous,
Huntington Beach Collection Center, (714) 834-6752
17121 Nichols St., Huntington Beach, CA 92647

For a list of accepted items and collection center rules, visit:
oclandfills.com/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?blobid=6682

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Costa Mesa Historical Society, www.costamesahistory.org, (949) 631-5918
1870 Anaheim Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

HOMELESS RESOURCES, (714) 754-5167

LIBRARIES

Donald Dungan Branch, ocpl.org/libloc/cmdd, (949) 646-8845
1855 Park Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

Mesa Verde Branch, ocpl.org/libloc/mesaverde, (714) 546-5274
2969 Mesa Verde Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Technology Branch, ocpl.org/libloc/cmt, (949) 515-3970
2263 Fairview Rd., Ste. A, Costa Mesa, CA 92627

MARRIAGE LICENSES & PASSPORT SERVICES

Orange County Clerk-Recorder, www.ocrecorder.com, (714) 834-2500
211 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Santa Ana, CA 92701

NATURE RESERVE

Fairview Park, www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?page=247, (714) 754-5698
2525 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

PARKS, FACILITIES AND FIELDS

See previous pages for a map and list. For a list of park amenities, visit:
www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?page=1204

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

POST OFFICE

United States Postal Service, www.usps.com, (800) 275-8777

Costa Mesa, 1590 Adams Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92628-9998

Mesa Center, 2230 Fairview Rd., Ste. C, Costa Mesa, CA 92627-9998

POTHoles HOTLINE, (714) 754-5207

PUBLIC HEALTH

Orange County Health Care Agency, www.ochealthinfo.com, (800) 564-8448

Includes disease prevention, community low-cost clinics, and health advisories.

SENIOR CENTER

Costa Mesa Senior Center, www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?page=1416,

(714) 327-7550

695 W. 19th St., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Fountain Valley Branch, www.ssa.gov, (800) 772-1213

17075 Newhope St., #B, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

SKATE PARK

Volcom Skate Park, www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?page=893,

(714) 754-5300

900 Arlington Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

BMX bikes and scooters are prohibited.

TENANT/LANDLORD RIGHTS (Servicios de Equidad de Viviendas)

Fair Housing Foundation of Long Beach, www.fairhousingfoundation.com,

(800) 446-3247 (English), (800) 446-3347 (Español)

3605 Long Beach Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90807

TENNIS CENTER

Costa Mesa Tennis Center, www.costamesatenniscenter.com,

(714) 557-0211

880 Junipero Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

TRAVEL AND TOURISM

Costa Mesa Conference and Visitor Bureau, www.travelcostamesa.com,

(888) 588-9417

VECTOR CONTROL (Pests, Rodents, Mosquitoes)

Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District, www.ocvcd.org,

(714) 971-2421

13001 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92843

VETERANS SERVICES

California Department of Veterans Affairs, www.calvet.ca.gov,

(800) 952-5626

County of Orange Veterans Service Office, veterans.ocgov.com,

(714) 480-6555, 1300 S. Grand Ave., Bldg. B, Santa Ana, CA 92705

VITAL RECORDS (Birth, Death and Property Records)

Orange County Clerk-Recorder, www.ocrecorder.com, (714) 834-2500

12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101 and Room 106, Santa Ana, CA 92701

WELFARE PROGRAMS (Medi-CAL, Food Stamps)

County of Orange Social Services Agency, ssa.ocgov.com, (800) 281-9799

Santa Ana Regional Center (SARC)

1928 S. Grand Ave., Bldg. B, Santa Ana, CA 92705



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YOUR LINK TO CITY HALL

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Scheduled events subject to change



FIRST FRIDAYS ROAD SHOW
First Friday every month

**MESA VERDE CLASSIC
GOLF TOURNAMENT**
January 18, 2016

COSTA MESA COMMUNITY RUN
April 23, 2016

ORANGE COUNTY MARATHON
May 1, 2016

ACTION-ARTS IN THE PARK
May 14, 2016

NEWPORT HARBOR LIONS CLUB FISH FRY
June 3-5, 2016



CONCERTS IN THE PARK
Every Tuesday night in July

ORANGE COUNTY FAIR
July 15-August 14, 2016

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
August 2, 2016



ARTVENTURE
November 11-13, 2016

COSTA MESA HOME TOUR
December 1, 2016

SNOW LAND
Mid-December

SNOOPY HOUSE HOLIDAY DISPLAY
Mid-December through December 23



CITY EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

City Chief Executive Officer Thomas R. Hatch
Assistant Chief Executive Officer Rick Francis
Assistant Chief Executive Officer Tamara Letourneau
Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer Dan Baker
City Clerk Brenda Green
Public Affairs Manager Dane Bora
Public Information Officer Tony Dodero
Human Resources Manager Lance Nakamoto

CITY ATTORNEY

Attorney Tom Duarte, Law Office of Jones & Mayer

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Director Gary Armstrong
Assistant Director Claire Flynn

FINANCE

Interim Director Stephen Dunivent
Assistant Director Colleen O'Donoghue

FIRE

Chief Dan Stefano
Division Chief Jason Pyle

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Director Steve Ely

PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Recreation Manager Travis Karlen

PUBLIC SERVICES

Director Ernesto Munoz
City Engineer Fariba Fazeli
Transportation Services Manager Raja Sethuraman
Maintenance Services Manager Bruce Hartley

POLICE

Chief Robert Sharpnack
Captain Bryan Glass
Captain Mark Manley

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