

Melanie Martinez

From: Patrick Altree [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 9, 2026 11:17 AM
To: Katie Wand
Subject: The alley behind our house
Attachments: IMG_3004.jpeg; IMG_3001.jpeg; IMG_3002.jpeg; IMG_3003.jpeg

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I am writing you at the suggestion of Vince Ramos regarding the alley behind our house. Our address is [REDACTED] and the alley in question is between Baughman and 12 Avenue and west of Berkeley. The alley dead ends at our property.

The asphalt is crumbling and non existent in spots. The surface is more like going off road than one would expect.

The real danger is when it rains,, even just a little the rainwater pools at the lowest point in the alley. There is no drainage infrastructure. The only way that pond subsides is through a makeshift drain that a home owner installed and evaporation.

Please see attached, thank you.

Patrick J Altree
[REDACTED]









Melanie Martinez

Subject: FW: Some additional photos
Attachments: IMG_2992.jpeg; IMG_2993.jpeg; IMG_2994.jpeg; IMG_2996.jpeg; IMG_3001.jpeg

From: Patrick Altree [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2026 9:24 PM
To: Katie Wand <KWand@claremontca.gov>
Subject: Some additional photos

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Hi Katie,

I have some additional information that may warrant the City Council's attention.

When it rains particularly hard or for a long period of time, the alley overflows into the garage and back yard of the older couple that reside at the house where the big pond forms. The address of their home is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

As you can tell from the enclosed photo the overflow water that washes into their backyard doesn't stop there. It creates a stream that flows around their house and down the front walk cascading off the steps, eventually getting to the gutter on 12th.

Some of these photos show what the "normal " drainage does on the side walk.

Thanks again Katie

Patrick J Altree
[REDACTED]











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Subject: FW: Great to meet you...

From: Cathleen Crayton [REDACTED]
Date: Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 8:18 AM
To: Jennifer Stark <jstark@claremontca.gov>
Subject: Great to meet you...

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Dear Mayor Stark (Jennifer),

I was happy to be introduced to you by Lydia Henry at Al Villanueva's vigil.

Following up on our conversation last evening, I wanted to again express my hope that the fabulous street lighting project at several intersections along Indian Hill might be considered for the intersection of Bonita and Berkeley, where night traffic is often heavy and the stop signs are not easily visible. There is, at times, a great deal of pedestrian traffic as well as people who park their cars across Bonita to attend church at Our Lady of the Assumption. As you likely know, Claremont Village Green is directly across the street from OLA and many residents walk across the street to attend the church, as do other residents farther west (like me) walk to church.

Lydia and I talked about this later and we both agreed the project could be duplicated in the West Village area along First Street, including First and Cornell and in the area specifically around First and Oberlin and the Casa 424.

Most of all I want to thank you and the city government for the ingenuity to begin this project. It is a great improvement for our town!

All best, Cathy

Cathleen A. Crayton
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

she / her

Melanie Martinez

Subject: FW: Tenant Assistance Form Response

From: OpenForms <noreply@openforms.com>

Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2025 10:33 PM

To: Katie Wand <kwand@claremontca.gov>

Subject: Tenant Assistance Form Response

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Tenant Assistance Form Response

Contact Information	
Name	First and Gilbert DiazLast Name
Email	
Please indicate if you are a renter, landlord, or property manager.	Renter
Request Information	
I would like to receive Temporary Housing Stabilization and Relocation Program guidelines and application materials sent to me. Please send it to me by:	Mail to my address
Mailing Address	Street Address, City, State, Zip Code
I would like to receive emails on other City tenant assistance programs.	Yes

Provide Feedback	
Please provide any comments or questions on the City's Temporary Housing Stabilization and Relocation Program.	<p>Hello</p> <p>I live at [REDACTED], I've been receiving rental assistance program, this has been a God blessing, for me to receive this, I'm 69 years old and receiving social security, I live on the tight budget, but this money has held a lot, at 70% of the money goes on rent, there's not that much left, I appreciate all the help you giving me, God bless you</p>

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From: Rpwinsocal [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 1, 2026 3:39 PM
To: Katie Wand
Subject: Re: City Council Priorities Survey

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Katie,

Thanks for the reminder to complete the survey. I've done it.

Hopefully this process, unlike the previous one, will be more than cursory, resulting in a word-for-word re-adoption of the priorities from the previous cycle. This was disappointing, to say the least, after seeing thousands of dollars (presumably) spent on a consultant and thousands of hours of time spent by residents, staff members, and council members.

I'd love to see how anything (e.g. specific work plans of various departments) changes as a result of all this effort.

Ron Wolff
Resident

On Friday, December 26, 2025, 03:31:34 PM PST, Katie Wand <kwand@claremontca.gov> wrote:

Greetings,

I am forwarding this email as a friendly reminder to please complete the citywide survey (if you have not already done so) on or before January 8, 2026.

Thank you,



Katie Wand | Deputy City Manager

City of Claremont | Administrative Services Department

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The City has a New Website & Staff Email Addresses:
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From: Katie Wand
Sent: Tuesday, December 9, 2025 2:40 PM
To: Bevin Handel <bhandel@claremontca.gov>
Subject: City Council Priorities Survey

Good afternoon,

In early 2026, the City Council will develop a list of objectives and work items to guide staff's work plan for the 2026-28 budget cycle (July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028). As part of this process, there will be several opportunities for public participation, including:

Citywide Survey (Now Live!)	December 4, 2025 - January 8, 2026	Survey Link
Community Forum	January 7, 2026 at 6pm	Alexander Hughes Community Center, Padua Room (1700 Danbury Rd.)
Community Forum	January 14, 2026 at 6pm	Virtual (link will be published at a later date)
City Council Priorities Workshop	January 31, 2026 at 9am	City Council Chamber (225 W Second St.)

Everyone (including community partners, residents, visitors, businesses, etc.) is invited to participate, so please feel free to share the information in this email. If you have any questions regarding the [2026-28 City Council Priorities Setting Process](#), please contact Deputy City Manager Katie Wand at KWand@claremontca.gov or (909) 399-5454.

Happy Holidays,



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Subject: FW: Follow-Up on Park Dog Policy and Trail Signage

From: Jennifer Stark <jstark@claremontca.gov>

Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2026 8:16 AM

To: Sean Tchen [REDACTED]

Cc: contact <contact@claremontca.gov>; Ethan Carroll [REDACTED]; [REDACTED] Melanie Martinez <mmartinez@claremontca.gov>

Subject: Re: Follow-Up on Park Dog Policy and Trail Signage

Hi Sean,

Thank you so much for reaching out. I will forward your email to City Staff for a response and as public comment for City Council's Priority Setting Workshop. This is one way to ensure the discussion will come before council.

I also encourage you to attend the next Priority Setting meeting which is virtual on Wednesday, January 14. <https://www.claremontca.gov/Events-directory/City-Council-Priorities-Community-Forum-Virtual>

You are also welcome to attend our next Council meeting, which is next Tuesday at 6:30
<https://www.claremontca.gov/Events-directory/City-Council-Meeting-Second-Tuesday>

Feel free to reach out to me at [REDACTED], if you have questions or concerns.

Thank you for being a part of the community process.

All my best,

Jennifer

Sent from my iPhone- please excuse the typos!

On Jan 9, 2026, at 7:25 PM, Sean Tchen [REDACTED] wrote:

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Hello Jennifer,

It was great meeting you the other day. I wanted to follow up on our conversation regarding the current rules about dogs at the park, both on and off leash.

From my understanding, the concern behind the policy is primarily about owners not picking up after their dogs, which is completely understandable. I was wondering if there is a possibility of revisiting the rule so that, instead of a blanket “no dogs” policy, it could be adjusted to focus on enforcement—such as fines or penalties—for those who do not clean up after their pets. I would be very interested in learning how I could support or assist in moving that type of change forward.

I also had a question regarding the large sign at the top of Forbes and Miramar that outlines the rules for the Thompson Creek Trail. Since that area is technically not part of Thompson Creek, I was wondering if it would be possible to relocate the sign closer to or directly onto the trail itself.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. I appreciate all the work you do for the community.

Best regards,

Sean Tchen



Claremont Wildlands Conservancy
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The Claremont Wildlands Conservancy Board urges the City Council to continue to prioritize issues and policies related to the Claremont Hills Wilderness Park (CHWP) with three main areas of focus:

- Making the most of opportunities to expand the CHWP;
- Assuring effective management of the park with a focus on achieving the goals of the CHWP master plan and implementation plan; and
- Working with nearby communities to expand and connect foothill open spaces, ultimately creating a wildlands corridor along the front range of the San Gabriel Mountains.

Muriel Poston, Interim President,
on behalf of the Claremont Wildlands Conservancy Board of Directors

Jamie Costanza

From: Claremont Streets for People <claremontsp@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 26, 2026 2:23 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Safer Quick-Build Crosswalks - City Council Priorities Setting Public Comment
Attachments: Safer Quick-Build Crosswalks Priorities Setting 2026-28.pdf

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Dear Mayor & City Council Members,

Please see the attached public comment for the City Council Priorities Setting Process regarding Safer, Quick-Build Crosswalks.

Sincerely,
CSP Crosswalk Improvement Working Group
ClaremontSP@gmail.com
www.claremontstreetsforpeople.org



Protect Democracy & Care For Your Neighbors

January 26, 2026

Dear Mayor & City Council members,

We are writing to urge the City Council to prioritize safer streets for people walking in our community.

Too many of our streets are designed primarily for *speed* rather than *safety*. As a result, people walking—especially children, seniors, and people with disabilities—are put at unnecessary risk when crossing the street or even when moving around their own neighborhoods. Many parents would love to give their children more independence and “adult-lite” play opportunities in their neighborhoods, but are justifiably worried about large, fast vehicles, busy intersections, and drivers not paying enough attention.

One clear and achievable improvement would be the installation of **quick-build, high-visibility crosswalks**.

Quick build crosswalks use a combination of various materials:

- Flexible posts
- Low barricades (e.g. armadillos)
- Attention-catching paint
- Raised crosswalks
- Striping
- Signage

These bolt-down treatments can be installed *quickly* and at relatively low cost. Cities across California & the country have shown that quick-build infrastructure is effective at slowing traffic, increasing driver awareness, and reducing crashes & injuries. Please see a few examples of these treatments below.

These simple projects are an “easy win” and can demonstrate to the residents of Claremont that the City is responsive to their concerns about street safety. They have many benefits:

- Quick-Build Infrastructure can be installed in weeks rather than years
- They cost far less than full roadway reconstruction
- They allow the city to test designs and improve them over time
- They create a more vibrant community as more people feel safe walking

This priority should take on even more urgency as a pedestrian was hit by a driver, seriously injured and taken to the hospital on the night of Friday, January 9th, near the

intersection of Vista Drive & Bucknell Avenue adjacent to Vista del Valle elementary school.

We respectfully ask the Council to fund and fast-track quick-build crosswalks in high-risk and high-use areas, especially near schools, transit stops, and busy neighborhood corridors. Safer crossings benefit everyone—whether we walk, bike, drive, or use mobility devices.

Thank you for your time and for your commitment to making our city safer and more livable.

Sincerely,

Crosswalk Improvement Working Group
Claremont Streets for People

Here are some examples of what other cities have implemented:





