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COVID-19 UPDATE:

"GET BACK IN THE HABIT" CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED TO REMIND RESIDENTS TO KEEP VEHICLES OFF THE STREET ON STREET SWEEPING DAYS

Chino Hills, CA – The City of Chino Hills has launched the "Get Back in the Habit" campaign to encourage residents to remember to keep vehicles off the street on street sweeping days. The City stopped issuing street sweeping parking citations in mid-March when Stay-at-Home orders were declared, and many residents were at home.

According to Public Works Director Daniel Bobadilla, street sweeping serves a broader purpose and he encourages residents to "Get Back in the Habit" of keeping the streets clear on street sweeping day so the sweeper can do a better job.

"Effective street sweeping keeps our streets clean and helps the City meet federal regulations to prevent debris from entering our storm drains and sending pollutants out to the ocean," said Mr. Bobadilla.

The City's Maintenance and Operations Manager, Sean O'Connor, said the City's Parking Enforcement Officers will start issuing "Get Back in the Habit" reminders to residents who park on the street on street sweeping day. O'Connor also reminds residents that items such as basketball hoops may not be placed on City streets or sidewalks, and tree limbs that overhang the streets should be trimmed so the sweeper and trash truck have appropriate clearance of 15 feet.

According to Mr. Bobadilla, the City continues to evaluate conditions to determine when to begin issuing \$43 parking citations again. Once a start date is determined, the City will conduct an outreach campaign using the City website, social media, City TV 3/41, and the local media to inform the public. Residents are encouraged to register for the E-Notify program by visiting www.chinohills.org/NotifyMe and scrolling to select "News and Announcements" to receive text or email alerts when new information is posted.

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Residents can check the signage at the entrance to their neighborhoods to determine street sweeping days. Schedules are also available online at www.chinohills.org/StreetSweeping or by calling the Public Works Department at (909) 364-2800. The website also has a list of City-recognized holidays when citations are not issued. Vehicles should not be parked on the street from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on the scheduled street sweeping day. Property owners are charged less than \$15 per year on their property tax bill to have their residential streets swept two times each month. The City does not provide street sweeping on private streets.

The City has a courtesy program to allow residents three street sweeping waivers per year under certain circumstances. To request a waiver, please call (909) 364-2800 at least one business day in advance. If a resident has contractors working at the house, they may request a waiver. If permits are required for the work being done, City staff will verify that permits have been pulled for the work before allowing a waiver. Waivers are not granted simply to accommodate households that have more cars than can fit in the driveway at a residence. Recreational vehicles (RV) may qualify for an exemption but they must have first obtained the free Temporary Parking Permit that is required to park an RV on the street at any time. Visit www.chinohills.org/RVParking for more information on RV parking.

For more information about street sweeping in Chino Hills, please call the Public Works Department at (909) 364-2800.

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