



# City of Inglewood

## First Year Accomplishments

**Town Hall Meeting**  
**March 3, 2012**  
**James T. Butts, Mayor**


# Hired a Professional City Manager

- Mr. Artie Fields
- Service in Pasadena, West Covina, and Salinas, California.
- Inglewood has employed 10 permanent or Interim City Managers or Administrators in the last 10 years. A couple excellent and some very bad. We need stability in this position.
- Mr. Fields has presented a balanced FY 2011-2012 budget.



# Closed \$17.6 Million Deficit FY 2010/2011 (Mr. Weinberg)

- Early Retirement Incentives
- Workforce Reductions
- Land Sale to Redevelopment Agency
- Employee Furloughs and Benefit Concessions



# \$3 Million Police Retention Grant -- Washington

- Leveraged connections in the community-oriented policing program to convert a police hiring supplemental grant (requires matching funds) to an officer retention grant (no match required).
- \$1 million per year for 3 years.



# Madison Square Garden (MSG)

- Proposal for MSG to purchase the Forum from FCBC.
- MSG to spend at least \$50 million in renovations.
- MSG to open the forum for concerts and family entertainment.
- \$18 million loan from redevelopment dollars that would have returned to State of California.



# Why Madison Square Garden?

- MSG is one of the world's leading live entertainment companies.
- Radio City Music Hall, the Beacon Theater, Chicago Theater and the Wang Theater in Boston.
- Outstanding track record of revitalizing iconic buildings.



# Benefits To Inglewood

- \$34 million In General Fund Revenues
- \$25 million In Property Taxes
- Performance Guarantees \$675,000/Year
- Jobs – 328 FTE During Construction
- Jobs – 260 FTE Annually After Opening
- \$250,000 Over Next 2 Years to Support Local Hiring Initiatives
- Variety of Community Events Rent-Free



# Citywide Progress

- 4% Decrease in Violent Crime, 3% Decrease in Crime overall, 35% Decrease in Homicides.
- 54% Decrease in Police Overtime.
- Civil Gang Injunction Implementation and Buffer Zone Surveillance Grant awarded.
- Audits (comprehensive user fee study, employee benefits audit, cost allocation study, water and sewer rate study).





# Citywide Progress

- Critical Police Labor Group Agreements (IPA, IPMA & IPCMA)
- Modest pension reform through tiering CalPERS benefits.
- Employees now contribute to runaway medical premium costs.
- Took steps to safeguard the City's substantial RDA assets (cooperative agreement, etc.).
- Unraveled a senior center morass to get it back on track.
- Revitalized an ailing Inglewood Housing Authority.



# Citywide Progress

- Progress on Crenshaw-to-LAX light transit line.
- Initiated the bid process for the City's largest service contract—solid waste, which had been stalled.
- Awarded \$8.5 million in construction contracts to sound mitigate over 300 more homes.
- Installed synthetic turf at Ed Vincent Park.



# Citywide Progress

- Approved well over \$20 million for construction or rehabilitation of over 250 affordable housing units (Chandler Partners, 601 N. Market street and 100 E. Nutwood).
- Approved study for outsourcing parking services.
- Ensured that the Space Shuttle Orbiter Endeavor would traverse Inglewood on way to California Science Center.

