

The tragic slope failure at Casa Romantica has united us in recognizing the importance of beautiful and historic places in our community. It has been both gratifying and heartbreaking to hear the hundreds of memories shared throughout the week, including a Marine Corps family visiting to celebrate the site of their wedding 10 years ago. We all realize that without swift and serious action, Casa Romantica will sustain additional damage. We must act now.

I have already contacted federal, state, and county officials to let them know we will need their support and financial assistance to repair and restore Casa Romantica. Congressman Levin and Supervisor Foley joined me yesterday for a tour and have committed to sponsor federal action to provide assistance. We hope the state will assist as well.

I encourage us all to take time to visit and enjoy the incredible landmarks and resources we enjoy in San Clemente. The landslide at Casa Romantica is just a reminder of how many great amenities we have that cannot be taken for granted. I hope you will join us on Cinco de Mayo for the State of the City event during which we will report on our many accomplishments and exciting opportunities in 2023.

## **CITY MANAGER'S MINUTE**

Just a few short weeks ago, four structures on Buena Vista were vacated for safety reasons. In record time, a great team of city employees, engineers, and private utilities have been able to secure the site and a majority of the units are reoccupied. Many thanks to those who worked overtime and weekends to help our residents get back home!!!

As best said by one of the property owners on Buena Vista, "SoCal Gas was immensely helpful and our gas was installed and turned on yesterday. We now have tenants moving into the property today. Many thanks to you and the entire city staff for their support and help getting everything cured and cleared! We still have a long pathway to a final resolution, but the immediate crisis is over."