

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Recreation Leader
\$15.50 - \$18.00 per hour – Part-Time
Varying Work Hours – Days, Evenings & Weekends

Recreation Leaders assist in organizing recreational programs in areas for children, adults, senior citizens and participate with special needs at playgrounds, community centers and other recreational areas.

Police Officer
Lateral/Academy Graduate - \$10,173.80 - \$12,485.20 per month - Full-Time

The Police Officer is a sworn position assigned to field operations to patrol for the prevention and detection of crime and enforcement of laws and regulations within the philosophy of community oriented policing. Incumbents are normally expected to solve most work problems independently and to refer to supervisory personnel only those matters which involve policy decisions, technical questions and unusual problems at the entry level and make recommendations at the advanced level.

Please visit <https://www.calopps.org/town-of-colma> to apply online and for a listing of detailed job announcements. If you are unable to apply online, employment applications are available at Town Hall, Sterling Park or Colma Community Center. Please note that paper applications also require completion of the supplemental questionnaire listed on the CalOpps job announcements.

Candy Cane Day—Colma Fire’s Annual Toy Drive

Colma Fire Protection District will be escorting Santa around Town on Saturday, December 16 from 9am—1pm. Santa and his helpers will be handing out candy canes and collecting new unwrapped toys for Operation Santa Claus. Have your toy ready! Questions? Call Colma Fire at 650-755-5666.



LIVE WIRE



TOWN OF COLMA

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2023

MESSAGE BOARD

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Meeting
Town Hall
Council Chamber, 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 13, 2023
Wednesday, December 27, 2023

City Council Meetings are held in-person in the City Council Chamber and also virtually. If you would like to attend or participate in the meeting online you can do so via Zoom. For more information on City Council meetings, agenda, and how to participate remotely, please visit www.colma.ca.gov or call 650-997-8300. We hope to see you at the meeting in-person or online.

WELCOME PACKETS

If you have recently moved into the Town, and have not received a Welcome Packet with information about Colma and the benefits of residency, please pick up a packet at Town Hall during normal business hours or call 650-997-8300.

COLMA IDs

In order to participate in Colma events and programs, you must have a current Colma ID card. Please renew your Colma ID, at the Colma Community Center, if it has expired. A list of acceptable proofs of identification is available at the Colma Community Center and Town Hall. Please note that if you are a new resident and have resided in Colma for at least 30 days, you are eligible to receive a Colma ID. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Community Center at 650-985-5678.

Follow Us!

- Town of Colma
Colma Recreation Services
Colma Police Department
- @TownofColma
- @colmarecreationservices

City Manager’s Update
Daniel Barros, City Manager

Happy Holidays! As you know, the Holiday Season brings several special events to this great community. For specific event information, please call the Colma Community Center at 650.985.5678 or visit our website at www.colma.ca.gov for event days and times. The reorganization of the City Council has also been scheduled for December 12th at 6:00 pm at Town Hall. The meeting is open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend this annual event as the Council selects the new Mayor and Vice Mayor. Cake and coffee will be served. We hope to see you there!

On November 7th, the City Council and Town Staff hosted the Veteran’s Day Recognition Event at Veteran’s Village on Mission Road. The event was held to honor the many men and women who served our country in observance of Veteran’s Day. The City Council recognized and honored one new veteran to the Town of Colma’s Veteran’s Dedication Plaque that is proudly displayed at the Colma Community Center. The event was concluded with a wonderful BBQ that was hosted by our Recreation Department Staff. We are so grateful that the men and women who served our country now reside at Veteran’s Village. Thank you for your service.

As we say goodbye to 2023 and usher in 2024, next year the Town of Colma is set to celebrate its 100th year anniversary since being incorporated as a municipality. In addition to the Town’s existing annual events, we will be hosting a few additional events throughout this upcoming year to celebrate the long history of the Town. We will be hosting a Town fair with a parade, a Town mixer, and 100th Year Anniversary Town Picnic that will not be anything like years past. In addition to these wonderful events planned next year, the Town has also commissioned the services of a local artist who will begin painting the F Street Wall with a mural that encapsulates the towns rich history over the past 100 years. You will begin seeing some activity in the area of F Street nearest its intersection with El Camino Real this month and the mural is anticipated to be complete by the end of April 2024.

A Citizen’s Right to Engage with the Town
Christopher J. Diaz, City Attorney

Did you know that as a citizen of the Town of Colma, you have the right under California law to engage with your Town government? Every citizen in Colma has the right to engage under state laws known as the Brown Act and the Public Records Act.

For example, under the Ralph. M. Brown Act, the public has the right to attend a City Council meeting and make public comment on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. The Brown Act was enacted in 1953 to guarantee the public’s right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies, such as the City Council. The Brown Act was proposed by then Senator Ralph M. Brown after concerns were expressed about government doing business behind closed doors without public participation. Out of this concern, the Brown Act was enacted. Today, the Town of Colma is a strong believer in open and honest government, and the Town ensures all members of the public can attend and comment at every City Council meeting.

In addition to the Brown Act, the California Public Records Act provides an opportunity for any member of the public to inquire about certain records held by the Town. Although the Town provides all documents necessary for any member of the public to learn all about items on a City Council agenda, if the public was ever curious about a past contract or other document, the public can ask the Town for a copy of that record. Please keep in mind that state law does allow the Town to withhold certain records from the public. Those records might include active police investigation files as releasing those records could jeopardize a police investigation, or other records that might jeopardize Town business if justified by the law.

We hope to see all of you at a future City Council meeting or other Town event!

TO:

Address Service Requested

Town of Colma
1198 El Camino Real
Colma, CA 94014-3212
Telephone: 650-997-8300
Fax: 650-997-8308
Website: www.colma.ca.gov



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TOWN OF COLMA
www.colma.ca.gov

Elected Officials

Mayor Joanne del Rosario 650-997-8347
 Vice Mayor John Goodwin 650-997-8316
 Council Member Ken Gonzalez 650-997-8305
 Council Member Carrie Slaughter 650-997-8315
 Council Member Helen Fisicaro 650-997-8304

Town Hall 650-997-8300
 City Manager Daniel Barros 650-997-8318
 Admin. Services Director Pak Lin 650-997-8309
 City Attorney Chris Diaz 650-997-8300

Police Non-Emergency 650-997-8321
 Chief of Police John Munsey 650-997-8344
 TIP Line 650-997-8337

Public Works/Engineering/Planning/Building 650-757-8888
 Public Works Director Brad Donohue
 City Planner Farhad Mortazavi
 City Engineer Cyrus Kianpour

Report tree limbs, downed wires, flooded areas,
 sewer emergencies etc.: 650-757-8888
 During non-business hours, call
 police non-emergency number: 650-997-8321

Building Permits 650-757-8888

Colma Community Center 650-985-5678
 Recreation Manager Angelika Abellana 650-985-5682
 Recreation Coordinator Daisy Esquivias 650-985-5691

Sterling Park Recreation Center 650-991-3213
 Recreation Coordinator Dinora Navarro 650-985-5681

Colma Historical Association 650-757-1676
Creekside Villas Senior Housing 650-755-0610
Comcast Bulk Services 855-307-4896

Town of Colma Presents
BREAKFAST
 with
SANTA

Saturday, December 2nd 2023

COLMA COMMUNITY CENTER
 1520 HILLSIDE BLVD. COLMA, CA

Breakfast Slot - 9:00am to 10:00am
 Brunch Slot - 11:00am to 12:00pm



For more info
 please call
 650-985-5678

\$6 ADULT
 \$4 YOUTH,
 SENIOR &
 DISABLED
 \$20
 NON-RESIDENT



Holiday

**Cookie
 Decorating**

December 05 11-12pm
 COLMA COMMUNITY CENTER
 1520 HILLSIDE BLVD.
 RESIDENT \$5 ~ SENIOR \$3
 NON-RES. \$20

for more information call us at:
 650-985-5678

THE TOWN OF COLMA CITY COUNCIL INVITES ALL
 ADULT AND SENIOR RESIDENTS TO THE ANNUAL...

DECEMBER 9, 2023

Holiday Party

6PM TO 10PM
 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
 CONFERENCE CENTER
 255 S AIRPORT BLVD.
 SSF, CA 94080

SINGLE ADULT RESIDENTS MAY BRING A NON-RESIDENT
 GUEST AT THE COLMA RESIDENT RATE. ALL RESIDENTS
 MUST HAVE A CURRENT COLMA ID CARD TO PARTICIPATE
 IN THE ADULT HOLIDAY EVENT. PLEASE CALL
 650-985-5678 TO CONFIRM YOUR COLMA ID IS
 CURRENT, PRIOR TO REGISTERING FOR THE ADULT
 HOLIDAY PARTY EVENT.

Colma Residents
 \$15 Adults
 \$10 Seniors

**TOWN OF COLMA
 POLICE DEPARTMENT**
 is accepting applications for the position of
POLICE EXPLORER

If you are interested in pursuing a career in Law Enforcement, you will receive
 guidance and insight from experienced police officers.

Applicants MUST Be:

14 - 20 Years of Age
 Must Have Completed the 8th Grade
 Maintain A Minimum 2.0 GPA or Higher
 Pass A Criminal Background Check

Activities Include:

Monthly Training Meetings
 Physical Training
 Explorer Academy
 Ride-A-Long's
 Community Events

The Colma Police Department Explorer Post 1232 is a community service, career-
 oriented program designed for youths who are interested in a Law Enforcement Career.

TO APPLY: Email Officer K. Trask at Explorer1232@colma.ca.gov.



**Holiday
 Craft Night**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2023

10PM-8:00PM

THE COLMA COMMUNITY CENTER

ADULTS: FREE
 YOUTH- RESIDENT: \$20

COME JOIN US AT THE COLMA COMMUNITY
 CENTER FOR SOME OLD FASHION HOLIDAY
 CRAFTS. DECORATE YOUR OWN GINGERBREAD
 VILLAGE, PERSONALIZE YOUR VERY OWN
 HOLIDAY ORNAMENT FOR YOUR TREE, AND
 ENJOY HOLIDAY TREATS.

ALL PARTICIPANTS WHO PLAN TO ATTEND
 MUST SIGN UP BY DECEMBER 8, 2023

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL US AT 650-985-5678

The Town of Colma Presents

**Holiday
 Luncheon**

Wednesday, DECEMBER 20

11:30am

at the Colma Community Center
 1520 Hillside Blvd.

\$10 Adult
 \$ Senior
 \$20 Non-Residents

For more information call the Colma
 Community Center at (650) 985-5678

TOWN OF COLMA

**WINTER
 DAY
 CAMP**

DEC. 26 - JAN. 5

STERLING PARK

427 F STREET, COLMA

OUR ACTIVITIES

FIELD TRIPS, ARTS & CRAFTS,
 OUTSIDE SPORTS & GAMES

EXTENDED CARE HOURS AVAILABLE
 8AM - 6PM

OPEN TO AGES 5 - 12

FOR MORE INFO CALL
 650-991-3213

OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
 WWW.COLMA.CA.GOV



RESIDENTS: \$20
 PER SESSION

NON-RESIDENTS
 \$120 PER
 SESSION

10AM -
 4PM
 DAILY

Adult and Senior Programs

Tuesday, December 5, 2023—Holiday Cookie Decorating

11:00am-12:00pm @ Colma Community Center

Adult \$5 | Senior \$3 | Non- RES \$20

Wednesday, December 6, 2023—Ladies Social

10:30am to 12:30pm @ Colma Community Center

RES—FREE

Thursday, December 14, 2023—Arm Chair Travel

1:00pm-2:00pm @ Colma Community Center

Adult \$5 | Senior \$3 | Non- RES \$20

Wednesday, December 20, 2023— Holiday Senior Luncheon

11:30am-1:00pm @ Colma Community Center

Adult \$10 | Senior \$5 | Non- RES \$20

Friday, December 29, 2023— Breakfast and Bingo

10:00am-11:00pm @ Colma Community Center

Senior \$5 | Non- RES \$20

Fitness Classes

Mondays, Zumba Gold

10:30-11:30am

@ Colma Community Center

Tuesdays, Zumba Evening Class

5:45-6:45pm

@ Colma Community Center

Thursdays, Happy Chair Yoga

11:30-11:35am @ Colma Community Center

Skip—12/21

@ Sterling Park—12/7 & 1/11

Saturdays, Boot Camp Fitness

8:15-9:15am @ Sterling Park

Skip—12/23 & 12/30

Saturdays, Zumba Toning

9:00-10:00am @ Colma Community Center

Skip—12/23 & 12/30

HOLIDAY PARTY SPECIAL FROZEN

DECEMBER 9, 2023

5:30 PM TO 11:00 PM

COLMA COMMUNITY CENTER

RESIDENT \$5 NON-RESIDENT \$20

LEARNING Wheels

FOR ALL!

ages 5 to 13

Free!

TUESDAY
DEC. 12
4PM TO 5PM

STERLING PARK RECREATION CENTER

Town of Colma

California's Great America

WINTER WONDERLAND

FRIDAY DECEMBER 29TH

4:00-10:30PM

AGES 12-17 RESIDENTS: \$14 NON-RESIDENTS: \$45

TEEN RESIDENTS CAN BRING ONE NON-RESIDENT TEEN GUEST AT RESIDENT RATE

Transportation will be provided & Teens are encouraged to bring money for dinner and snacks

for more information, please call 650-985-5678

FRIDAY JAN. 5 6-8PM

TOWN OF COLMA

DESSERTS AND ARTS & CRAFTS

Snowy Globes

STERLING PARK RECREATION CENTER
427 F STREET COLMA, CA 94014

\$4 Colma Residents, \$15 Non-Residents

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL US AT 650-985-5678

TOWN OF COLMA

ICE SKATING

AT UNION SQUARE, IN SAN FRANCISCO

Ages 12-17 Years Old

SATURDAY JANUARY 6, 2024

From 1:00pm to 5:00pm

R: \$8 - NR: \$25

YOUTH AND TEEN RESIDENTS MAY BRING ONE NON-RESIDENT GUEST AT THE RESIDENT RATE

Letters to Santa Claus

COLMA CHILDREN CAN WRITE A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS, WHO WILL ANSWER ON HIS OWN SPECIAL STATIONERY. LETTERS MUST INCLUDE CHILD'S FIRST AND LAST NAME; PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S NAME; AGE OF CHILD, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Mail letters to:
Santa Claus
c/o Colma Recreation Services
1520 Hillside Blvd.
Colma, CA 94014

ALL LETTERS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 8TH IN ORDER FOR SANTA TO RESPOND BEFORE MAKING HIS DELIVERIES.

For more information, call us at (650) 985-5678



CRIME BULLETIN

NOVEMBER 2023

Information in this report may not include all responses or participation of the Colma Police Department.

Crimes Investigated

In October of 2023, we took 166 reports, slightly up from 158 reports in September. We arrested 96 people for 74 misdemeanors and 22 felonies; issued 276 criminal, traffic, and parking citations; and conducted 161 traffic enforcement stops. Between November 1st and November 14th, we have already taken 72 reports, made 38 arrests, issued 119 citations, and conducted 81 traffic stops.

On October 15th, officers received a forwarded fraud report from a Southern California police agency. It was reported that the victim's personal information was used to purchase a vehicle in the victim's name. The suspect conducted an online application and received a loan in the victim's name. Due to the officer's diligent investigation, the suspect has been identified and the vehicle has been returned to the dealership. A warrant will be requested for the suspect's arrest.

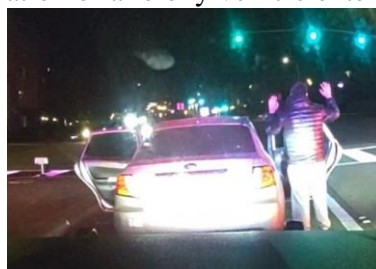
On October 16th, officers were dispatched to a local retail store for a grand theft investigation. Responding officers quickly sent out a be on the look out message for the two fleeing suspects. San Francisco Police Officers recognized the suspects and were able to apprehend one of them in the Tenderloin District the next day. Colma Detectives responded to San Francisco and booked the suspect into jail for felony burglary and theft charges. The suspect was released from jail with a court date the next day. A warrant is pending for the second suspect identified by San Francisco Officers.

Between October 17th and October 20th, officers took another 21 cases which consisted of traffic collisions, thefts, narcotic arrests, warrants arrests, frauds, and conspiracies. In the morning of October 21st, officers responded to a local auto dealership on the report of a subject who tried to ram a vehicle through their exit gate. Through the officers and detectives' investigation, it was determined that there were four Colma cases related to the same two suspects who were attempting to steal vehicles off two different dealership lots. One suspect has been arrested and is currently in custody in a different county, where he is facing homicide charges. Charges in San Mateo County on both suspects were filed for the attempted auto thefts and burglaries at our dealerships.

Between October 22nd and October 25th, officers took 26 cases consisting of theft related offenses, stolen vehicles, warrant arrests, narcotic arrests, and robberies. The seventh case on October 26th was related to a traffic stop conducted by one of our night shift officers. The officer observed a suspicious vehicle which had heavily tinted windows, in violation of CA Vehicle Code 26708(a)(1). Upon contacting the occupant, the officer learned that he was on probation and was subject to search and seizure by any law enforcement officer. Following a search incident to his probation terms, officers located a stolen loaded firearm. It was determined that the firearm was stolen from a residential burglary in the City of Napa. The suspect was booked into jail, where he was released the next morning with a court date. Simultaneously, while the suspect was being released from jail, Colma Detectives followed up with Napa Police Detectives and served a search warrant on the suspect's home in American Canyon, where they located additional evidence of the residential burglary that occurred in the City of Napa.



On October 27th, Colma Officers received an automated license plate reader notification of a felony vehicle entering Colma. The vehicle was associated to an armed robbery that occurred in the city of East Palo Alto earlier that day. The vehicle was located and Colma Officers conducted a high-risk felony stop. The vehicle was occupied by five suspects: an 18-year-old female from East Palo Alto, a 16-year-old female from San Pedro, a 15-year-old male from Redwood City, and two 14-year-old males from Redwood City. All five suspects were detained by officers. A loaded handgun was found concealed on one of the suspects. The East Palo Alto Police Department responded and took custody of all five suspects and took over the investigation. This is a great example of how the police departments within San Mateo County work together.



Between October 28th and the 31st, officers took another 19 cases, one of which was a vehicle that was stolen from our Sterling Park Neighborhood. Officers determined that the vehicle was stolen from in front of the owner’s home sometime between 0100 hours and 1000 hours on 10-31-23. The vehicle was later located by the Oakland Police Department. Investigation into this case is ongoing.

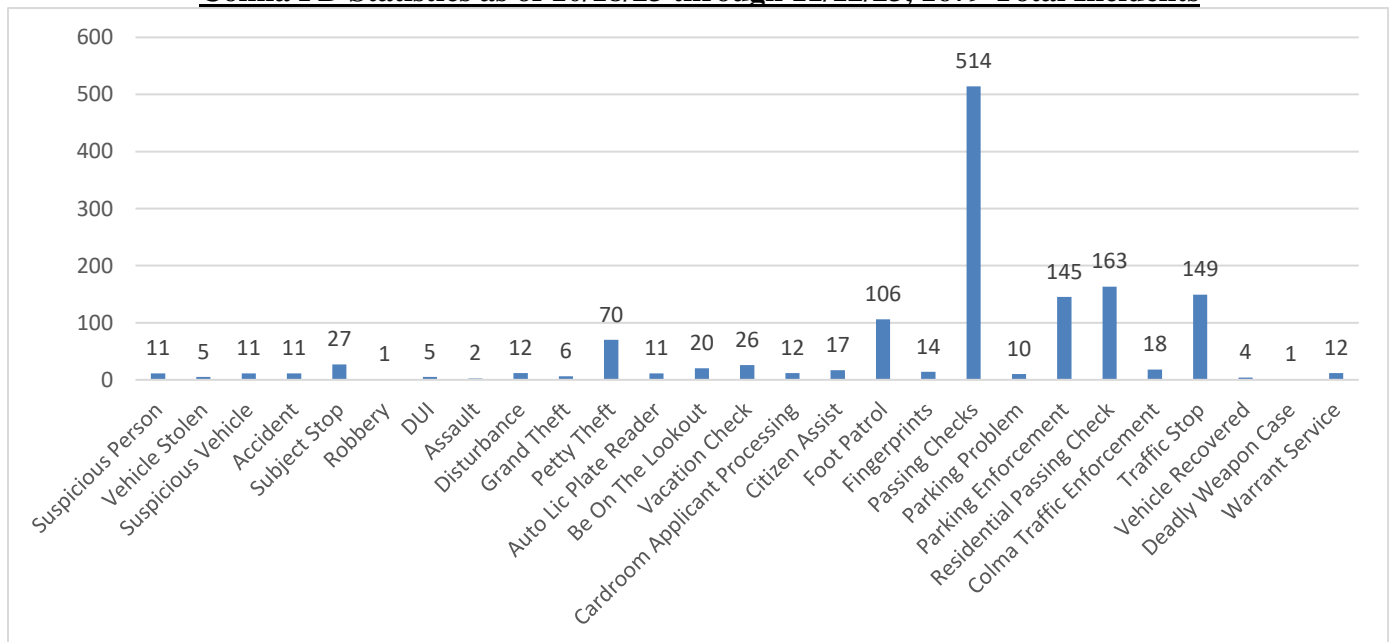
November 1st started off with officers taking seven cases, which included a possession of narcotics arrest, warrant arrest, theft arrests, a robbery case, possession of a stolen vehicle case, and a criminal threats arrest. Between November 2nd and November 11th, officers took another 58 cases which included various thefts, narcotics, and driving under the influence arrests. During this time frame, one retail establishment was targeted three times by three different organized retail theft groups. During each crime, the organized groups conspired to seal a significant amount of retail merchandise. Investigation into these multiple cases is ongoing.

On November 12th at approximately 4:00 am, while officers were on routine patrol in our Sterling Park Neighborhood, they observed a vehicle driving down Clark Ave with significant damage consistent with a traffic collision. Officers conducted an investigative stop and determined that the driver was under the influence of alcohol. Officers also followed up on the damage to the vehicle and determined that the driver had just struck a parked vehicle on C Street and then fled the scene. Officers arrested the driver and issued him a citation for driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, and for failing to stop at the scene of a collision. The driver was released to medical staff due to minor injuries sustained during the collision.

Community Events

11/4/23	Dia De Los Muertos Festival
11/3/23	Turkey Bowl
11/5/23	Worship Services
11/11/23	Veteran Thank You Bags
11/12/23	Worship Services
11/15/23	Senior Luncheon
11/16/23	SSF Elks Lodge Holiday Dinner
11/19/23	Worship Services
11/21/23	Explorer Academy Graduation
11/22/23	Mercy Thanksgiving Dinner
11/25/23	Holiday Light Show
11/26/23	Worship Services
11/29/23	Mercy Breakfast
11/30/23	Annual Tree Lighting

Colma PD Statistics as of 10/18/23 through 11/12/23, 1679 Total Incidents









COCOA WITH A COP

TARGET STARBUCKS
5001 JUNIPERO SERRA BLVD, COLMA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, 2023
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Enjoy hot cocoa and conversation with your local Police Department

Donations of new, unwrapped toys will be collected to benefit Operation Santa Claus, which assists families in the Daly City/Broadmoor/Colma area by providing toys and meals to families in need.



OPERATION SANTA CLAUS TOY DRIVE

November 10th - December 14th

Colma Police Department

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STUFF THE CRUISER

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, 2023
1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

Serra Center Shopping Center
Look for the patrol car & fire engine near Target

Donations of new, unwrapped toys will be collected to benefit Operation Santa Claus, which assists families in the Daly City/Broadmoor/Colma area by providing toys and meals to families in need.





Can't make the event?
Donations can be dropped off at the Colma Police Department (1199 El Camino Real, Colma) until December 14th, 2023.



You are invited to attend the

Reorganization of the Town of Colma City Council

Tuesday, December 12, 2023
6:00 p.m.

Town Hall
Council Chamber
1198 El Camino Real
Colma, CA 94014

If you can't join us in person, you may also participate via Zoom:

Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81289976261>

Passcode: 074407

Meeting ID: 812 8997 6261



City Council

Mayor Joanne F. del Rosario
Vice Mayor John Irish Goodwin
Council Member Ken Gonzalez
Council Member Carrie Slaughter
Council Member Helen Fisicaro



Please join us as the Town of Colma honors
Outgoing Mayor del Rosario and selects a new Mayor and
Vice Mayor for 2024.