

MAYORS' & COUNCILMEMBERS' ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY
Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor

Meeting of Thursday, August 8, 2019

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

RECEPTION

7:00 PM

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Sazón – Peruvian Cuisine
1117 Sebastopol Road
Santa Rosa CA

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order –**

2. **Roll Call**

Cloverdale		Petaluma		Sebastopol	
Cotati		Rohnert Park		Sonoma	
Healdsburg		Santa Rosa		Windsor	

3. **Introductions**

4. **Approval of Minutes:** June 13, 2019

5. **Public Comment:**

6. **Correspondence:** Report from Sonoma County Library

7. **Business Item:**

8. **Program:**

- a. Presentation by Nina Rizzo, GreenTRIP Certifications Program Manager – TransForm
- b. Presentation by General Manager Bill Keene, Sonoma County Ag + Open Space, on their Matching Grant Program which Provides Grant Funding to Open Space Projects Within and Near their Incorporated Cities and Unincorporated Communities

9. **Reports:**

- a. Board of Directors Meeting and Appointments (Chair Harrington)
- b. City Manager's Committee – City Manager Chair (Sonoma).
- c. Committee Reports (see attached list)
- d. City Mayor's Report (Events/Items of Interest) (See Attached reports from Cities)

9. **Announcement:**

10. **Adjournment:** To next General Membership Meeting October 10, 2019 - City of Sebastopol CA.

Upcoming Meetings:

October 10, 2019	City of Sebastopol
February 13, 2020	City of Sonoma
April 9, 2020	Town of Windsor
June 11, 2020	City of Cloverdale
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October 8, 2020	City of Healdsburg

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Rohnert Park, CA

7:00PM

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Chair Amy Harrington (Sonoma) at 7:15p.m.

2. **Roll Call – Chair Harrington called for the roll call:**

Present:	City of Cloverdale	Mayor Melanie Bagby
	City of Cotati	Mayor John Del'Osso
	City of Healdsburg	Mayor David Hagele
	City of Petaluma	Mayor Teresa Barrett
	City of Rohnert Park	Mayor Gina Belforte
	City of Santa Rosa	Mayor Tom Schwedhelm
	City of Sebastopol	Mayor Neysa Hinton
	City of Sonoma	Mayor Amy Harrington

Absent: Town of Windsor

3. **Introductions**

Ann Hammond, Sonoma County Library Director, welcomed all to the new library and introduced the Library Commissioners present. Each Mayor provided introductions.

4. **Approval of Minutes:** April 11, 2019

Motion by the City of Healdsburg, seconded by the City of Cotati, to approve the April 11, 2019 General Membership Meeting Minutes as submitted. Motion carried by the following vote:

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, and Sonoma

Noes: None

Absent: Town of Windsor

Abstain: None

5. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

6. **Correspondence:** Report from Sonoma County Library

7. **Business Item:**

- a. Report on Home Sonoma Leadership Council and Request for Board to Submit a Request to the Cities for Direction on Future Governance (Assistant City Manager Don Schwartz)

This item was continued to a future meeting.

8. **Program:**
a. Presentation by Grant Davis, Sonoma County Water Agency, Regarding the Potter Valley Project

9. **Reports:**
a. Board of Directors Meeting and Appointments (Chair Harrington)

Chair Harrington announced the results of the Committee appointments from the Mayors and Council Members Board Meeting. She noted that the period to receive letters of interest for the ABAG appointment and alternate was extended to 5:pm on July 19, 2019.

- c. City Manager's Committee – City Manager Chair (Sonoma).
d. Committee Reports (see attached list)
e. City Mayor's Report (Events/Items of Interest) (See Attached reports from Cities)

9. **Announcement(s)**

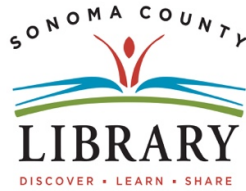
10. **Adjournment:** Chair Harrington adjourned the meeting to the next General Membership Meeting: August 8, 2019 in the City of Santa Rosa, CA.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Rebekah Barr
City of Sonoma City Clerk
Recording Secretary – 2019 Chair City

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SONOMA COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

August 2019

Civility: “politeness and courtesy in behavior or speech; polite, reasonable, and respectful behavior.” — *Merriam-Webster*. At the Sonoma County Library, civility is a closely held value. We practice civility in the workplace, when we listen thoughtfully to each other and seek to find common ground and respect. We practice civility in our library branches, when we help our patrons discover, learn and share ideas and information that make our communities better, stronger, smarter.

Summer Reading is almost over for the year. Once again, we have excellent participation. At the time of this report, Sonoma County Library patrons reported reading 42,797 books this summer! In August, the events, graphics and marketing teams will be gearing up for a busy September.

Fines and fees are still a hot topic at the library. We have had excellent positive media coverage and patron feedback on our elimination of overdue fines, which are intended to increase library access for all, especially families that may have stopped benefiting from their free public library because of accumulated overdue fines.

Meet the Director, a program that allows community members to meet and talk with library leaders, is underway. Library Director Ann Hammond hosted 42 community members (and their children) at the Roseland branch on July 18. Attendees were enthusiastic in their appreciation of the library and look forward to a larger branch, and eventually, a permanent library.

Technology and Infrastructure projects continue. The library’s information technology department has just completed working with a consultant to create a comprehensive strategic technology plan for the library system. Meanwhile, planning continues for a \$2.1 million refresh project at the Petaluma Regional Library in early 2020, and numerous smaller projects are completed or in progress, such as the new teen area at the Windsor Regional Library,

Computer usage is up at the library, in large part due to improved technology and increased hours as a result of the Measure Y sales tax funds approved in 2016. In the fiscal year just ended, we tracked almost 250,000 computer sessions in our branches. The need for computer and internet access is as strong as ever, and the library is playing a role in closing the digital divide.

Gratitude is due to so many dedicated library staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts to help us provide stellar library services to the people of Sonoma County.

MAYORS' & COUNCILMEMBERS' ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

August 8, 2019

Agency	Appointee	Report
ABAG Executive Board	Jake Mackenzie, Rohnert Park Alternate: Julie Combs, Santa Rosa	Attached
ABAG Hazardous Waste Mgmt Facility Allocation	Susan Harvey, Cotati	
ABAG Regional Planning Committee	Julie Combs, Santa Rosa	
Airport Land Use Commission	Gabe Kearney, Petaluma Sam Salmon, Windsor Jack Tibbets, Santa Rosa	
Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board	Teresa Barrett, Petaluma	Attached
Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County	Julie Combs, Santa Rosa	
Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District	Gina Belforte, Rohnert Park	Attached
Legislative Committee	Appointed by Member Cities	
Local Agency Formation Commission	Pam Stafford, Rohnert Park Teresa Barrett, Petaluma Alternate: Mark Landman, Cotati	Attached
Metropolitan Transportation Commission	Jake Mackenzie, Rohnert Park	Attached
North Bay Division, LOCC Executive Board	Susan Harvey, Cotati Rachel Hundley, Sonoma Alt: John Sawver, Santa Rosa	
North Coast Rail Authority (NCRA)	David Hagele, Healdsburg	Attached

Remote Access Network (RAN) Board [meets once a year]	Gina Belforte, Rohnert Park	
Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District (Citizens Advisory Committee)	John Dell'Osso, Cotati Leah Gold, Healdsburg Neysa Hinton, Sebastopol	Attached
Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit Commission (SMART)	SCTA - Joe Naujokes, Healdsburg SCTA - Chris Rogers, Santa Rosa Non-SCTA - Debora Fudge, Windsor	
Sonoma County Oversight Board Committee (County-wide)	Chris Rogers, Santa Rosa Alternate: David Cook, Sonoma	
Note: North Coast Railroad Authority Board of Directors seat rotates to Mendocino, Sonoma, Humboldt		

Rebekah Barr

From: Jake Mackenzie <blumacjazz@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 4:39 PM
To: Rebekah Barr
Cc: jbuergler@rpcity.org
Subject: ABAG/MTC report
Attachments: ABAG motion.docx; LEGIS Talking Paper - Jul 2019_v5.docx

Please submit the following attachments only!

I will also be submitting another file by separate email.

ABAG/MTC report:

In July , the following activities took place.

This month I will be tracking the progress of Legislation which came through my committee at MTC.

Attachments.....

Call me if questions .

Cheers Jake

Sent from my iPhone
Jake Mackenzie, Councilmember
City Of Rohnert Park
Commissioner and Past Chair, MTC

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Randy Rentschler <RRentschler@bayareametro.gov>
Date: August 1, 2019 at 2:49:44 PM PDT
To: Jake Mackenzie <blumacjazz@aol.com>
Subject: see attached

Jake

Attached are two documents.

1. The talking paper from the Leg meeting,
2. The motion by ABAG that was referred to in the talking paper above and also approved by the Commission.

Randy Rentschler
Director of Legislation and Public Affairs
Metropolitan Transportation Commission/
Bay Area Toll Authority/
Association of Bay Area Governments
Bay Area Metro Center
375 Beale Street, Suite 800
San Francisco, CA 94105

Upon the motion by Gibson McElhaney and second by Mitchoff, the Executive Board approved a support if amended position on AB 1487, including the following:

(1) amendments recommended by the ABAG MTC Committee on AB 1487, as summarized in agenda item, plus the following additions:

(2) direct allocation to the three biggest cities;

(3) add language to the findings portion of the bill acknowledging the severe imbalance between jobs and housing and the intent for the funding in the bill to help address this problem; and

(4) require that ABAG be the lead agency by adding language to the bill requiring that, where action of both ABAG and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is required, the ABAG Executive Board acts before MTC acts. Should there be any difference in the subsequent action taken by MTC, the ABAG Executive Board would have to approve that change. No second action by the ABAG Executive Board would be required if the position taken by MTC is the same as that taken by ABAG.



**REPORT OF THE JOINT MTC LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AND
ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
JAKE MACKENZIE, CHAIR
SAM LICCARDO, VICE CHAIR
July 24, 2019**

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Brad Paul
Deputy Executive Director,
Local Government Services

The Joint MTC Legislation Committee and ABAG Legislation Committee met on July 12, 2019. The MTC Legislation Committee referred four items to the Commission; one of which appeared on the Commission's Consent Calendar today:

SB 330 (Skinner): Housing Crisis Act of 2019 *would aim to accelerate new housing construction by speeding up project approvals; prohibiting downzoning in high-rent, low-vacancy areas; and providing project proponents with a higher degree of certainty as to the rules and standards that apply when submitting a preliminary application for a housing development.*

I move a support position on SB 330.

AB 1486 (Ting): Surplus Lands Act Expansion and Revision *would revise and strengthen the Surplus Lands Act (SLA) - the state law that requires local agencies to prioritize affordable housing, as well as parks and open space, when disposing of land no longer necessary for the agency's use.*

I move a support position on AB 1486.

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AB 1487 (Chiu): Bay Area Regional Housing Funding *would authorize a regional housing funding measure for affordable housing production, preservation, and protection of tenants from displacement to be placed on the ballot in the Bay Area with funds administered jointly by MTC and ABAG.*

This item was discussed at length by the Legislation Committee who directed the Executive Director to forward this item to the Commission with the direction for staff to add a “support if amended” position to the agenda. Specifically, the amendments need to be consistent with the recommendations of the Ad Hoc committee described in Attachment A to the summary sheet.

I understand that the ABAG Executive Board took a “support if amended” position on the bill last week and would ask staff to update us on their action.

2019 Mayors and Council Members Liaison Reports

JULY

BAAQMD

The Air and Waster Management Association conference took place in late June where our Air District was once again in the lead in many of the areas under discussion at the conference.

There were no Board of Director meetings in July

LAFCO

The Commission heard the Palm Drive Health Care District Bodega Bay Detachment Protest Hearing: Involving Detachment from the District of the Bodega Bay area and voted unanimously to support the detachment.

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JUNE

BAAQMD

FY 19-20 Budget and Regulation 3 Fee Schedules were adopted.

LAFCO

Adopted the FY 19-20 Budget.

Unanimously approved the Geyserville Fire Protection District Reorganization.

MAY

BAAQMD

First public hearing on proposed increases to Fee Schedules.

Extensive report on progress on reducing PM from Freight Carriers to Protect Communities' health.

Highlights included:

85% reduction goal in freight diesel PM set for attainment in 2020 has already been achieved. Further efforts include implementation of heavy duty zero emission (ZE) trucks will begin in 2020 and greater programs to test existing vehicles has already started.

Setting up facility infrastructure for ZE trucks, especially refrigeration/cold storage vehicles.

ZE Ferries and Tour boats by 2020

Working on retrofitting existing boat/ship engines with higher pollution control units for existing spaces.

UCBerkeley is tracking bay tug activity in order to estimate battery needs for bay work.

LAFCO

MAY

LAFCO voted to support Bodega Bay residents within the Bodega Bay Fire District who requested detachment from the Palm Drive Health Care District. Public protest period will close on July 3rd when this issue comes back to LAFCO for final determination.

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE & HIGHWAY TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT
COMMITTEE REPORT TO MAYORS & COUNCILMEMBERS ASSOCIATION

Mayor Gina Belforte
City of Rohnert Park

- The Golden Gate Bridge and Highway Transportation District will be providing ferry service from Larkspur to the Warriors New home at the Chase Center.



Committee Report: North Coast Rail Authority (NCRA)

Prepared By: David Hagele,
Mayor, City of Healdsburg
NCRA Board Member – Sonoma County

Date: July 24, 2019

Here's a brief report on what's going on at NCRA, since the last Mayors & Councilmembers meeting:

The 2019-20 Budget Act appropriates \$8.7 million to NCRA to retire debt attributable to the repair of the first 62 miles of the line from Napa to Windsor, and to cover NCRA agency expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. NCRA continues to work with the California State Transportation Department, the State Department of Finance, and the State Department of Natural Resources to complete the assessment and eventual dissolution of NCRA under the terms of SB 1029(McGuire) and SB 856 (McGuire).

Next NCRA Meeting

The next NCRA Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14th, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at the Novato Sanitary District offices at 500 Davidson St., Novato, CA.

SONOMA COUNTY AG & OPEN SPACE
COMMITTEE REPORT TO MAYORS & COUNCILMEMBERS ASSOCIATION

Mayor John A. Dell'Osso
City of Cotati

- We welcomed our newest member, Vice Mayor Leah Gold from Healdsburg!
- The District closed two conservation easements totaling around 1,200 acres adjacent to Hood Mountain and Sugar Loaf.
- The District is preparing for. Couple of controlled burns but doing outreach first.
- The grand opening of the Graton Green occurred on June 2.

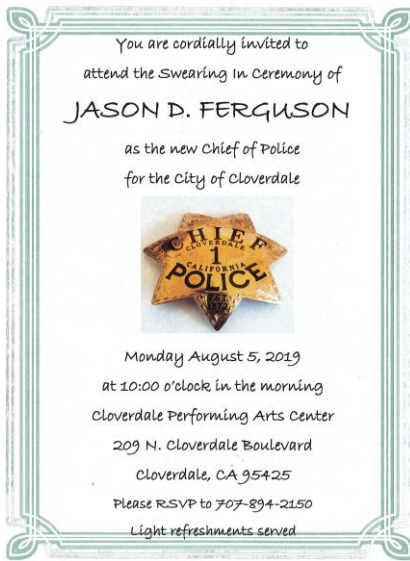
August 1, 2019

To: Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association –

From: Melanie Bagby, Mayor City of Cloverdale

City of Cloverdale Mayor's Report – City of Cloverdale Items of Interest and Upcoming Events

CITY OF CLOVERDALE PROJECT UPDATES:



Cloverdale Hires new Police Chief Jason Ferguson: At their July 24th meeting, the City Council approved a contract to hire Jason Ferguson as the new Police Chief. Mr. Ferguson has a combined 24 years of experience in the law enforcement profession. He began his career with the Lake County Sheriff's Department as a correctional officer in January of 1996. In 1998 he began work of the Lakeport Police department. He continued in Lakeport, rising to the rank of Lieutenant before accepting the position with as Chief with the City of Cloverdale. We welcome Jason to our team!

The City of Cloverdale is Recruiting for City Clerk: The City of Cloverdale is seeking a highly qualified, professional to fill the City Clerk position. Key job responsibilities for this position include the production, publication, and maintenance of City records, legislative agendas, and minutes relating to City Council, Planning Commission, Subcommittees and other board and commission activities.

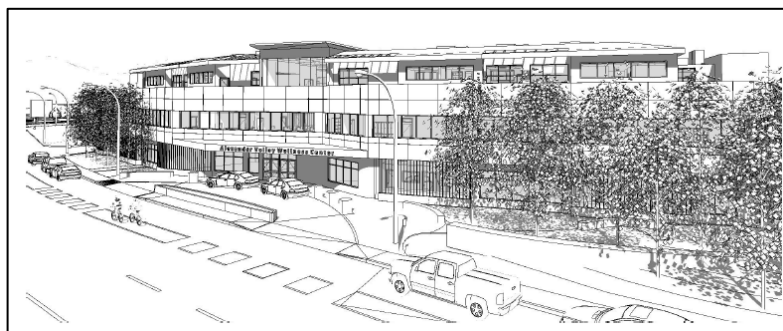
Cloverdale continues to grow! Several residential projects are working their way through the entitlement process in Cloverdale. Most notably, a 300 plus unit subdivision on the south side of town known as the Baumgardner Ranch. The project features single and multi-family units, up to 90 affordable units, open space and extension of Foothill Blvd. a main north/south connector street. Other projects currently seeking entitlements include a 22-unit apartment building in the center of town and tax-credit financed transitional housing project on a City-owned site near the center of town known as Cherry Creek.





Recently Completed Projects: A 21-unit rental project located in the center of town was recently completed. The City is excited to welcome more rental housing, particularly within walking distance to amenities and downtown. The developer has told us there is a lot of interest and they expect the full occupancy soon.

Alexander Valley Wellness Project Moving forward: The City received an application for entitlements for the new Alexander Valley Wellness (AVW) Center. AVW currently operates a comprehensive primary care and preventive health care clinic in Cloverdale. Over the past few years, they have outgrown their current home and are looking to construct a new 40,000 sq.ft. facility on a City-owned parcel in the center of town. Working as partners, both the City and AVW have taken positive steps towards making the new facility and reality. We have entered into a sales agreement for the transfer of property and are working towards a development agreement. The City values all the great work AVW does for Cloverdale, and we are excited to see the project move forward.



Cloverdale is participating in Supervisor Gore’s North Sonoma County Regional Homelessness Collation: On June 7th, 2019, County Supervisor James Gore initiated the North Sonoma County Regional Homelessness Planning Committee meeting held at the City of Healdsburg’s City Hall. The regional meeting included elected officials and city representatives from the City of Cloverdale, City of Healdsburg, Town of Windsor and the Sonoma County Community Development Commission. Mayor Bagby and Vice-Mayor attended on behalf of the Cloverdale City Council. During the meeting, representatives from each organization in attendance provided an overview of homeless issues in the north region of Sonoma County and the current efforts to address homelessness. County staff provided an overview of the County’s role in addressing homelessness and the resources available to the North region of Sonoma County. Cloverdale is committed to collaborating on development and implementation of a Strategic Plan focusing on homeless services in Sonoma County.

Second Street Park Master Plan Moving Forward: After extensive public outreach, including working shops and public hearings, the Second Street Master Plan is moving forward. The City Council has reviewed and informally approved the plan. The environmental document is being circulated, and formal adoption is expected in the next few months. Second Street Park is the City’s crown jewel. It’s over a one-hundred years old and features giant oak trees, a play area, baseball diamond, and basketball courts. The new plan provides blueprint for the park’s next one-hundred years.



Second Street Master Plan

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Cloverdale Police Department conducted a National Night Out Event on August 6th: National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between residents and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. For Cloverdale’s Night Out the Cloverdale’s Police Department had several activities including a family movie screening, a rib cook-off and kid’s events.



Cloverdale Tuesday Farmers Market: [Cloverdale’s Tuesday Farmers’ Market](#) is in full swing! The market is held every Tuesday from 3-6:30 pm until December. The Farmers’ Market is held in Downtown Cloverdale, on the outdoor space next to Plank Coffee. Come on down and enjoy some fresh produce, delicious baked goods, and fresh meats.

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE *at the plaza*

Brought to you by: **cloverdale arts alliance**

May 31 • **Big Sam's Funky Nation** *Power Funk*
Opener: Second Line
 Rodney Strong Vineyards • Calpine at the Geysers

June 7 • **Johnny Sansone** *Electric Blues*
 Dry Creek Vineyard • Pedroncelli • Cloverdale Edward Jones
 Barbara McGuinness & John Mingo

June 14 • **Hot Battered Rum** *Progressive Bluegrass*
 Goldeneye • Migration • Bob & Candi Bialon

June 21 • **Yarn** *Americana*
Opener: Justin Schaefer & The Blind Barber
 Ferrari-Carano • Karma Dog Construction • MoE's Eagles Nest Deli

June 28 • **T Sisters** *Indie-Folk*
 Unti Vineyards • Silveira Buick GMC

July 5 • **The Carolyn Sills Combo** *Western Swing*
 Fritz Winery • Ace Hardware • Bob Scott & Tim McDonald • Papa's Pizza

July 12 • **The Turbans** *Gypsy Klezmer*
 Murphy-Goode • Syar Industries • Empire Mini Storage

July 19 • **Radio Free Honduras** *Tropical Latin Folk*
 Kelley & Young • Barber Sound, LLC • Bob & Jennifer Jordan • Dishrune Family Farms

July 26 • **Remember Jones** *Soul Pop*
 Alexander Valley Vineyards • Miro Cellars • Williams Selyem
 Delores & Gary Arabian

Aug 2 • **Roy Rogers & The Delta Rhythm Kings** *Blues Slide Guitar*
 Geyser Peak • Sonoma Clean Power

Aug 9 • **Royal Jelly Jive** *Soul Jazz*
 Carpenter Wines • Michael Laird, RE/MAX Full Spectrum • Exchange Bank

Aug 16 • **Young Dubliners** *Celtic Rock*
 Foppiano • Pellegrini Oliver Lane • Reuser, Inc.

Aug 23 • **DJ Williams' Shots Fired** *Funk Rock*
 White Oak Winery • Alexander Valley Film Society • Ray's Food Place

Aug 30 • **Special Guest Artist TBA** *Blues Guitar*
 Rodney Strong Vineyards • Redwood Credit Union

Downtown Cloverdale
 Street Fair ~ 6 pm @ Live Music ~ 6:30 pm
www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org

Community Angels:
 Delores & Gary Arabian Geoff & Nancy Dalwin
 Bob & Candi Bialon David McChesney

CITY OF CLOVERDALE

Redwood Credit Union **Silveira BUSINESS GMC ELITE** **REUSER INC.** **SONOMA CLEAN POWER**

Friday Night Live 2019 in full swing! Friday Night Live at the Plaza, Cloverdale's free summer concert series, announced their 2019 line-up. Friday Night Live & Street Fair, produced by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance, offers a variety of family-friendly activities every Friday evening throughout the summer.

Downtown Cloverdale comes alive with Friday Night Live at the Plaza & Street Fair. In addition to high-caliber, smokin' hot music delivered by a variety of bands hailing from across the United States, FNL visitors will find many other attractions. Dinner is available from a variety of food vendors and nearby restaurants; premium Sonoma County wines and craft beers can be purchased by the glass. Hand-crafted arts, crafts and other unique, locally made items are available at the Street Fair, along with a variety of kids' activities, such as jumpy castles and rock-climbing walls, to ensure there is something for everyone at Friday Night Live in Cloverdale. The Street Fair opens at 6:00 PM and music begins at 6:30 PM.

Audiences are sure to experience the best of small-town America and free family-friendly, dance and party concerts at Friday Night Live & Street Fair in downtown Cloverdale all summer long your calendar, bring your friends, come on up and see us!



August 2, Royal Jelly Live Played May 31st Swing -Soul!

The News from Cotati

August 2019

General News Around Town

Evergreen Power in Cotati!

The City recently became one of the leaders in Sonoma County in renewable energy by moving all city operations to Evergreen electricity. After several years of focused efficiency retrofits and programs, this continues the City Council’s goals of greenhouse gas reduction, as well as supporting local power and jobs.

Proposed Hotel

After a joint public meeting in 2018, a 153 room “Reverb” musically themed hotel was approved in May 2019. It is expected that construction will start in 2019.



The News from Cotati

August 2019

Commercial Cannabis in Cotati

The City recently issued permits for 2 new businesses after a second round of commercial cannabis proposals. The initial round of permits was issued in 2018. Moving forward, the City will begin taking continuous applications for new permits as they are available.

Park Master Plan

The City held a series of three public workshops in 2018, and additional workshops in 2019 to discuss parks and park amenities desired by the community. There were some great new ideas, which will feed into a park master plan and ultimately into the City's Capital Improvement Program in 2019 to be prioritized and built.

Veronda-Falletti Demonstration Ranch

The City and Farmster, in partnership, are establishing a long term operation as a demonstration ranch for the public. In addition to recreation camps in 2019 and the regular Farm Fridays, the City and Farmster are continuing to develop new programming for community activities and engagement. The next phase of work is rehabilitation of the farm house and water tower. To find out more, you can go to the City's website and follow the City or Farmster Facebook pages.



The News from Cotati

August 2019

Wayfinding Program

The City approved new wayfinding signage, to provide a uniform, interconnected system of directional signage for residents and visitors. The City expects to install the signs around town in 2019.

New Homes!

Cotati Station

Next to our new train station on Santero Way, a mixed use development consisting of 74 apartment units, commercial space, a new public park, and additional parking for resident or commuters is expected to break ground in 2019. This project currently includes 14 affordable units.



The News from Cotati

August 2019

Kessing Ranch Subdivision

A new single family home development at the prominent corner of Old Redwood Highway and Valparaiso Avenue is currently in construction. The new development will include 40 new market rate homes, as well as 7 for-sale affordable homes. Thirty-five percent of the units will be sold with photovoltaic panels installed and all will be prewired for solar. Storm water treatment and protected wetland areas will include interpretive signage to educate the public on low impact development techniques and the importance of naturally functioning systems and a new public park will be created around a historically significant stone structure. .



2A Front Elevation
Craftsman



2B Front Elevation
Cottage



2C Front Elevation
Farmhouse

And More to Come! The City also has several other housing projects in the pipeline which are projected to go into construction in the near future. Stay tuned!

The News from Cotati

August 2019

Construction!

2019 Paving Projects

The City has over \$3.6M in paving planned this summer, including East Cotati Avenue and large portions of the L-Section in Cotati. This is a continuing multi-year commitment by the City Council to improve the pavement condition and reduce future maintenance costs.

Park and Ride Replacement Project

The City is at 65% design for a new park and ride at the top of the HOV system on Airport Boulevard, and expanding the existing park and ride at Petaluma Boulevard South. Both projects are located to best serve the US 101 and reduce single occupancy vehicles, while freeing up space in Cotati's downtown gateway for commercial development.

The News from Cotati

August 2019

Events!

Cotati is known for the variety of events in our downtown throughout the year. Mark these upcoming events in your calendar for 2019!

Farmer's Market (Thursday's June-August)

Movies in the Park (August 6th, September 13th)

National Night Out (August 6th)

Accordion Festival (August 17th and 18th)

Peace and Justice Concert in the Hub (September 14th)

National Coffee with a Cop (October 2nd)

Oktoberfest (October 12th)

City Hall-oween (October 31st)

Holiday Cheer (December 5th)

Holiday Tree Lighting (December 6th)

Holiday Shop and Stroll (December 7th)

Breakfast with Santa (December 14th)

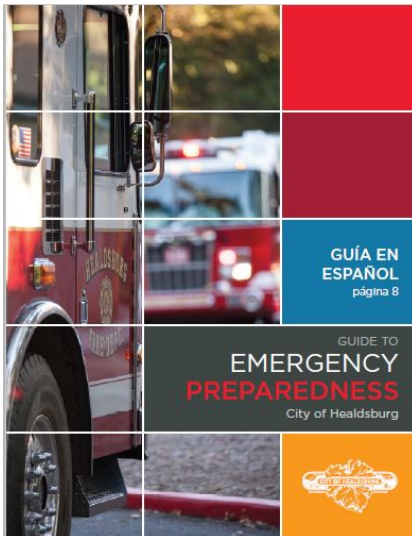
CITY OF HEALDSBURG

MAYOR'S UPDATE

August 8, 2019



Emergency Preparedness Brochure Now Available – Staff from the City Manager’s Office and the Fire and Police Departments created an English- and Spanish-language brochure to help community members



better prepare for disasters such as wildfires and floods. Topics include building a family emergency kit (including pets), developing an emergency-communications plan, making your property more fire-resistant through vegetation management. There are helpful resources from FEMA, Fire Safe Sonoma, and the American Red Cross. The brochure also features two maps that provide travel-route options when evacuation is necessary. The multi-page emergency preparedness brochure was mailed to residents and businesses within the city limits and is available as a printable PDF on the City’s “Emergency Services” webpage: <https://www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=333>. Copies are available at City Hall and Community Development Center, the Community Center, the Police and Fire Departments, and the Senior Center.

Utility Wildfire Safety FAQs – City Staff have recently received questions on how PG&E’s wildfire power shutdowns may affect the City. While the City cannot guarantee that a power outage will never occur, we do work continuously to maintain a safe and reliable electric system. The answer to the PG&E questions and other related questions can be found on the City’s new Utility Wildfire Safety webpage: <http://bit.ly/2LjtCfn>.

Volunteer Transportation Program Rolls Out – The City unveiled its new volunteer driver program for seniors, DASH (Drivers Assisting Seniors in Healdsburg), at the City Council meeting on Monday, June 17th. In the program, volunteers use City electric vehicles to drive residents over the age of 60 who need rides to medical appointments, shopping, and social activities. For information on the DASH program and volunteer opportunities in Healdsburg, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Donna O’Brien at (707)431-3492 or visit: www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/860/Volunteer-Program



Smart Energy Provider Designation – The American Public Power Association (APPA) has designated the City of Healdsburg's Electric Department as a Smart Energy Provider (SEP). The APPA's designation recognizes community-owned, not-for-profit public power utilities that exhibit leading practices in energy efficiency, distributed generation, renewable energy, and environmental initiatives. The Electric Department Staff is proud to be recognized for our commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

2018 Electric Utility Energy-Efficiency Report – Under Senate Bill 1037, the State's publicly owned utilities (POU) finalized their annual energy-efficiency reporting and this information is available in an annual report. Through a broad range of energy-efficiency programs and measures, POUs collectively spent \$218.7 million on energy-efficiency programs, which resulted in over 639 GWh of net annual energy savings in 2018. The report details Healdsburg's energy-efficiency programs as well as other programs. View it here: <http://www.ncpa.com/policy/reports/energy-efficiency/>

Community Police Academy Accepting Applications – The Healdsburg Police Department will present a free, 7-week community police academy to provide community members 18 years old and older firsthand information on how the department works. Veteran police officers and department personnel will teach the classes on topics including patrol, criminal investigations, traffic stops, narcotics, officer use of force, officer safety, community policing, and defensive tactics. Applications are being accepted until August 31st and can be found online at <https://www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/205/Department-News>. The classes will start on October 2nd, and will be held at the Police Department (238 Center Street) on Wednesdays from 6-9 p.m. The first session of the Community Police Academy will begin on October 2nd.

Comstock/North Village Master Conditional Use Permit – On June 24th, Comstock Healdsburg, LLC, submitted a master conditional-use permit application to develop 290 residential units, a 120-room hotel and a small-scale neighborhood for commercial uses. The project proposes housing for the elderly and people with disabilities, rental units for people in the "missing middle" economic bracket, and workforce housing. We anticipate that a Planning Commission workshop will be held later this summer to discuss the proposal. The application has been routed to ALUC, NCRA and SMART for initial comments in addition to department review.

August 21st & 22nd: Community Workshops on Strategic Plan – The City will present two free public workshops on the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan on Wednesday, August 21st, and Thursday, August 22nd, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Villa Chanticleer Annex (860 Chanticleer Way, Healdsburg). Community members who attend will learn about some of the top-level findings from focus groups held earlier this year on the goals and objectives the City of Healdsburg should focus on in the next five years, 10 years and beyond. Spanish translation will be made available.

Speaker-Series Videos on City Website – The three speaker-series events in June were professionally video-recorded and the videos can be viewed in their entirety – including the speakers' PowerPoint presentations - on the City website: <https://www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/570/Community-Input>. You can also see the videos on the City of Healdsburg's YouTube page:

Event #1: <https://youtu.be/cpV6lzvekFw>

Event #2: <https://youtu.be/sb0qrgQZMBQ>

Event #3: https://youtu.be/y4c2qZF_U-U

Healdsburg Hammer Returns Home – On Friday, July 12th, the famous Healdsburg Hammer returned home to the Community Center following an unveiling as part of the 4th of July activities. Huge thanks to Dustin Huse from the Utility Department for operating the crane that placed the Hammer back on site, and artist Doug Enkrey for making the original Hammer and restoring it.



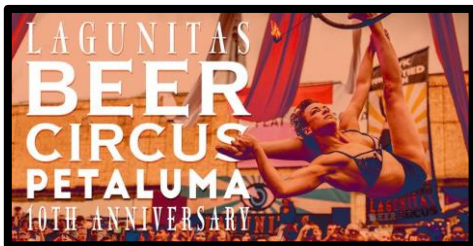


City of Petaluma
Mayors' & Councilmembers' Association
Mayor's Report – August 8, 2019

Council Updates of Note

- On August 5th, City Council formally adopted three new Ordinances (all three were initially introduced on July 15th):
 - A Climate Action Commission was established consisting of seven members who shall perform duties related to climate action policies and implementation within the City of Petaluma.
 - Established that minimum wages be paid to workers in Petaluma. Effective January 1, 2021, the minimum wage for all employers will be \$15.00 + Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) per hour.
 - Elimination of on-street parking requirements for new Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and restricting the use of new ADUs as short-term vacation rentals within the City of Petaluma.
- The Petaluma River was last dredged 15 years ago by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and is desperately in need again. The Mayor of Petaluma's Dredge Pledge gathered 3,700 citizen signatures in a very short timeframe who support a request to the USACE to dredge the River. The petition and signatures were presented to the USACE on August 2nd prior to a tour of the Petaluma River with Congressman Huffman and Petaluma City Manager Peggy Flynn.

Upcoming Events



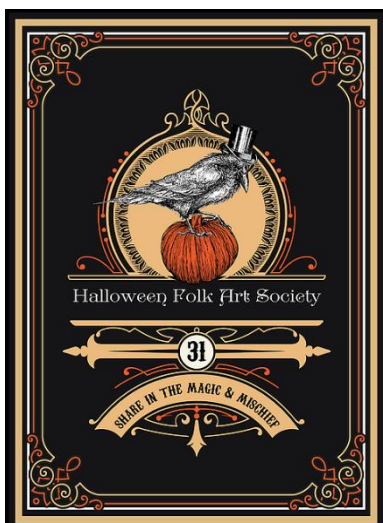
Lagunitas Beer Circus. September 14th at the Sonoma-Marin Fairgrounds. Bands, sideshow acts, aerialists, and other performances. Proceeds support local non-profits. For more information: www.lagunitas.com



The Clo Cow Half Marathon (5K & 10K). Clover Stornetta's 9th running of this beautiful half marathon course will take you through rural Sonoma County farm country, over rolling hills where you'll be cheered on by sheep, horses, and of course our beloved Moo-Cows! Taking place on September 15th in historic downtown Petaluma. Visit www.clocowhalf.com to register.



23 Local Breweries, 1 Historical Riverfront. Join everyone at the **Petaluma River Craft Brew Festival** on September 28th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at Historic Downtown Petaluma along the River to sip local brews and taste mighty food bites. www.petalumarivercraftbeerfest.com



Come see the spectacle that is the **All Hallow's Art Fest!** On September 28th, the Halloween Folk Art Society presents the bewitching artistry of Halloween artists from around the country. This show is for collectors and fans to see and purchase one-of-a-kind works of art, hand-made from a number of mediums, such as papier-mâché, leather, felt, spun cotton, and more! www.halloweenfolkartsociety.com will provide the spooky details.



City of Rohnert Park – Mayor’s Report on Current Events & Updates

Mayors’ & Councilmembers’ Association Meeting – August 08, 2019

Save the Date

Green Music Center

Michael McDonald and Chaka Khan

Sun, August 04, 2019

<https://gmc.sonoma.edu/michael-mcdonald-chaka-khan/>

Graton Resort and Casino

Brett Young

Thurs, August 22, 2019

<https://www.stubhub.com/brett-young-tickets-brett-young-rohnert-park-event-center-at-graton-resort-and-casino-8-22-2019/event/104174489/?newga=1&sort=price+asc>

SOMO Village Events Center

Rebel Music Festival 2019

Sat, August 24 – Sun, August 25, 2019

<https://dothebay.com/events/2019/8/24/rebel-music-festival-at-somo>

Updates around Rohnert Park

Public Safety Updates

Chief Tim Mattos of the Rohnert Park Department of Public Safety reported the recent changes in Rohnert Park’s approach to fireworks was a huge success. Extensive outreach via social media was also implemented in the weeks prior to the 4th through Facebook, YouTube, Nextdoor, and Instagram to relay message about the dangers and penalties associated with illegal fireworks.

In addition, the use of the Nail ‘em app gave residents the ability to report the use or sale of illegal fireworks. There were 89 reports made through the app that provided assistance to Public Safety Officers trying to pinpoint the location of illegal firework use. The changes implemented this year are expected to carry over into next year.

Affordable Housing

Key Ceremonies – families bought and moved into the first four affordable homes at Willowglen on the Southeast side of town. This project has been a collaboration between the Willowglen developer, the City of Rohnert Park and the Sonoma County Housing Land Trust. We have 16 more affordable ownership homes being built in Willowglen within the next 2 years.

We expect 293 new units of affordable housing to be completed by 2022, which includes a 218-unit apartment complex in the University District.



Leadership Rohnert Park

The City of Rohnert Park in collaboration with Sonoma State, our local school district, our Chamber of Commerce, and Rotary has created a Leadership Rohnert Park program. Our first class of 24 budding local leaders starts in September.

Community

The Boys & Girls Club Back to School Supply Challenge

Mark your calendars...August 1st-31st is the annual Back to School Supply Challenge. In preparation of the upcoming school year, Boys & Girls Clubs of Sonoma-Marín launched its annual Great Boys & Girls Clubs School Supply Challenge. The goal, to collect enough supplies to use for homework, and school projects throughout the year. The Boys & Girls Clubs serves 3,000 young people in Sonoma-Marín every day, and supplies can help them develop life skills, self-confidence, and academic success.

During the month of August, community groups, businesses, and individuals have the opportunity to collect, or donate supplies for Club members. The drop off location in Rohnert Park is at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel. To participate or to make a cash donation, go to <http://bgccsc.org/backtoschool>. Visitors will find a list of requested supplies, a link to an Amazon wish list, a link for cash donations, and instructions for requesting a collection bin or donation pickup/drop-off.



Entertainment and Events

ROHNERT PARK NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2019
August 6th from 5-8 pm
Rohnert Park City Center Plaza

Police and Fire Demonstrations, K-9, Bike Rodeo, BBQ
Hot Dogs, Bounce House, Balloon Toss,
City Booths, and Public Safety Vehicles
Learn about the Neighborhood Watch Program

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. In addition, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Come join us on August 06, 2019, between the hours of 5:00pm – 8:00pm for an evening of public safety demonstrations, BBQ, bike rodeo, balloon toss, music, bounce house and Neighborhood Watch kick off. There will also be various city departments and services participating in the event this year.



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Map Your Neighborhood Disaster Preparedness Program



The Sebastopol Fire Department will hold continue holding its simplified neighborhood disaster preparedness classes in August. The program was rolled out earlier this year.

The “Map Your Neighborhood Program” (MYN) provides 9 easy steps to identifying and organizing neighborhood needs, skills and steps necessary to protect lives and property in your neighborhood.

Upcoming classes:

- Monday, August 26 at the Sebastopol Senior Center-- 167 N High Street
- Tuesday, August 27 at the Graton Fire Department-- 3750 Gravenstein Hwy N

Gravenstein Apple Fair

Sonoma County’s beloved annual Gravenstein Apple Fair will take place August 17-18 at Ragle Ranch Regional Park in Sebastopol. Advanced tickets and information are available at GravensteinAppleFair.com.



Peacetown Free Concert Series Winds Down



The Peacetown Concert Series will come to a close on Wednesday, August 28. Until then, there’s still time to enjoy music, dancing, food trucks and local wines on the lawn at Ives Park. Bring a low-backed chair or picnic blanket, your

friends and family, and have a great time every Wednesday from 5-8pm. To view the music lineup, visit peacetown.org.

New Polystyrene Ordinance Applies to Events as Well as to Foodservice Vendors

The newly-adopted Polystyrene Ordinance, which prohibits the use and sale of disposable food service ware and other products containing polystyrene foam, will go into effect on November 19, 2019. The ordinance will also require any individual or organization who plans to have an event within city limits to follow the new rules. City staff is in the process of updating all event applications to comply with the new requirements.





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Community Volunteer Hub



Managed by Cittaslow Sebastopol, the Sebastopol Community Calendar has expanded shared to now have an "Opportunities" section where groups that have an opening for volunteers can publicize it and list the deadline for application, process for applying, etc. <http://bit.ly/SbVol>

Got Apples? Reserve a Time with the Slow Food Sebastopol Community Apple Press

It's apple season in Sonoma County, which means the Slow Food Sebastopol Community Apple Press is now open to the public at the Luther Burbank Experiment Farm in Sebastopol. Every weekend until October 26, people are welcome to bring their own apples and a group of volunteers will assist them in making fresh pressed apple juice. Reservations required. Individuals interested in reserving the apple press, visit <http://www.slowfoodrr.org/applepress.html>. Interested in volunteering? Visit <http://www.slowfoodrr.org/volunteering-join-apple-core/>



Sebastopol Receives \$1.5 Million for Flood Recovery



At the July 16 City Council meeting Assembly Member Marc Levine presented a check for \$1.5 million to the City of Sebastopol to aid in flood recovery. Funds were allocated under "Aid to Local Government" in Assembly Bill 74 n the \$214.8 billion California 2019-2020 State Budget signed by Governor Gavin Newsom.

Immediately after the flood, Cal OES (Office of Emergency Services) and FEMA conducted a walk-through of the flood area with Mayor Hinton and city officials and worked with city staff to assess damages and estimate recovery costs. Initial estimates showed over \$3 million in physical damage to City-owned properties, including:

- Park Village affordable housing community
- Sebastopol Cultural Community Center
- Sebastopol Little League Snack Shack



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- Sebastopol Skate Park restroom

Additionally, the City's Public Works and Building & Safety Departments incurred over \$168,000 in overtime and fuel costs while providing support and making critical flood-related repairs to infrastructure to City-owned properties and the businesses in the Barlow.

The Budget Subcommittee will bring recommendations for distribution of the funds before Council in September.

Sebastopol is EverGreen

The City of Sebastopol will soon be powered by Sonoma Clean Power's EverGreen service. The locally produced power is 100% renewable and is comprised of multiple sources such as hydropower, geothermal, solar, biomass, and wind, which will help remove most greenhouse discharge from electricity use. It is set to power all city-owned equipment. The shift in utility providers, which was approved at the July 16 City Council meeting, will cost the city an additional \$41,500 a year.



The Laguna Summer Bridge is Open

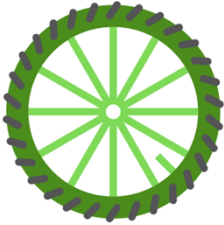


No need to drive to Highway 12 or Occidental Road to gain access to the Laguna de Santa Rosa this summer. Park your car or bike at the Sebastopol Cultural Community Center and take a shortcut by using the summer bridge. From late spring to early fall, a floating pedestrian bridge is in place behind the Little League field that connects to a trail on the east bank of the Laguna channel. The Laguna is the home more than 200 wildlife species, including of birds ranging from bald eagles to hummingbirds, rare and endangered salmon, mountain lions, bobcats, river otters and a variety of plants, making it one of Sonoma County's richest habitat area for wildlife. No bikes or dogs allowed. For more information, visit <http://www.lagunafoundation.org>.



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SebastoPedal Green Gets Rolling September 21



The first in a series of new events to raise awareness of, and educate the community about, the new bike lanes in town happens from 9:00 - 11:00 on Saturday September 21. Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition instructors will be on hand, local bike shops will conduct free safety checks and helmet fittings, and there'll be special instruction for kids. Don't miss the main event: docent-led tours for small groups using the new green bike lanes. The event starts off at the Sebastopol Police Station.

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August 7, 2019

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi
State Capitol
P.O. Box 942849
Room 2179
Sacramento, CA 94249-0066

Re: AB 342 (Muratsuchi) Public lands: leasing: oil and gas: prohibition – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Muratsuchi:

On behalf of the Sebastopol City Council, we are writing to express our support for AB 342 (Muratsuchi), which would prohibit the state from authorizing new construction of oil- and gas-related infrastructure upon public lands to support new production of oil and natural gas from protected federal lands.

The Federal Bureau of Land Management is currently proposing to open more than a million acres of public land and mineral estate in California to oil drilling and fracking, ending the federal moratorium on leasing California's federal public lands to oil companies that has been in effect for over 5 years. In 2018, the Bureau of Land Management authorized the drilling of a new well and the installation of a new pipeline inside the boundaries of the Carrizo Plain National Monument near San Luis Obispo. These are only a few examples of the current administration's policy to open federal land to oil and gas exploration and production, at the expense of the nation's environment, health, and wildlife.

Opening California's beautiful and precious public lands to oil production would put the state's most iconic landscapes at risk. It threatens not only lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, but risks polluting the air and water of other federal and private lands in the region, including the Sequoia National Forest, Los Padres National Forest and California's beautiful coastlines.

While federal land use determinations are largely outside of state control, California does have jurisdiction over the use of state lands, including leasing authority in those areas. If an oil or gas lease is authorized on federal land, the state should not facilitate fossil fuel production with additional supporting infrastructure on state lands.

AB 342 prohibits any state agency, department, commission, or local trustee, with leasing authority over public lands, from entering into any new lease authorizing the construction of oil- and gas-related infrastructure upon state lands to support oil and gas production on federally protected lands.

For the protection of California's iconic public lands, and our communities, health, wildlife and climate, we support AB 342 and respectfully ask that you vote yes on this bill when it comes before the committee.

Thank you for your leadership in creating this legislation.

Sincerely,



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Mayor
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CC: Senator Mike McGuire, Assembly Member Marc Levine, Governor Gavin Newsom

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The Honorable David Chiu
California Assembly Member
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Sacramento, CA 94249-0017

The Honorable Miguel Santiago
California Assembly Member
State Capitol
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0053

RE: A.B. 857 (Chiu and Santiago): Public Banks
Support from the Sebastopol City Council

Dear Assembly Members Chiu and Santiago:

On behalf of the Sebastopol City Council, I want to express Sebastopol's strong support of A.B. 857 (Chiu and Santiago): Public Banks.

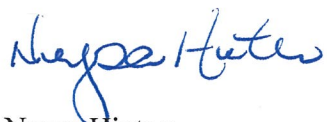
Public banks will allow California cities and counties to create sound investments that will save money and allow them to create lower interest loans to service local needs. It holds the potential to improve many areas that directly impact our communities including affordable housing, small business development, infrastructure, renewable energy and serving the needs of the unbanked and underbanked populations. Public banks would also partner with community banks and credit unions to strengthen local lending.

The municipal public banking model serves to directly address the common harms of private banking as the laundry list of unethical and damaging behavior from Wall Street banks grows. Corporate banks are also a main source of financing for environmentally and socially destructive projects, including private prisons, immigrant detention centers, oil and gas extraction, fossil fuel pipelines, and other investments that prioritize corporate profit over the people and the planet.

This is a pivotal moment in history to build a new alternative to the economic status quo. We can accomplish this through the creation of locally-controlled socially and environmentally responsible public banks.

Thank you for your leadership in creating this legislation.

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The Honorable Lorena Gonzales
California Assembly Member
State Capital
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0080

RE: A.B. 1080 (Gonzalez): California Circular Economy and Plastic Pollution Reduction Act Support from the Sebastopol City Council

Dear Assembly Member Gonzales:

On behalf of the Sebastopol City Council, I want to express Sebastopol's strong support of A.B.1080. The City Council thanks you for initiating legislation to reduce single use plastic waste from packaging and product sources. A.B.1080 works in harmony with the goals of Sebastopol's Zero Waste Resolution and Polystyrene/ non-recyclable or compostable takeout container ban.

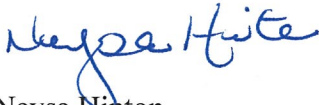
Single use plastic packaging in California is a major source of pollution in our environment, generating tons of non-recyclable and non-compostable waste. In Sebastopol, as part of the Russian River watershed, we see this impact daily, with single-use plastic products and packaging polluting our water ways and eventually washing out into the ocean. As this plastic breaks up into smaller and smaller pieces, the fragments contaminate the soil, food and drinking water.

Plastic pollution starts with the creation of plastic from the extraction of fossil fuel and impacts communities and ecosystems all along the supply chain. Currently, less than 9% of plastics are recycled and that percentage is dropping as China's National Sword and policies in other countries restrict the foreign waste that they accept. These materials are piling up in recycling centers, being sent to the landfill or shipped to illegal facilities in South East Asia where they are most likely incinerated.

We applaud that A.B. 1080 addresses plastic pollution and over-consumption by mandating that single-use plastic packaging and products sold or distributed in California by must be reduced, recycled or composted by 75 percent by 2030 and that all single-use packaging and products must be recyclable or compostable on and after 2030. We also appreciate that the bill will help us shift to a circular economy, where plastic products are manufactured in-state from recycled material generated in California.

The City of Sebastopol is in full support of mandating that producers must take responsibility for reducing waste and designing packaging and products that will not harm our environment. As the fifth largest economy in the world, California should lead in finding solutions to the growing plastic pollution crisis.

Thank you for your leadership in creating this legislation.



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The Honorable Ben Allen
California State Senator
State Capital, Room 4076
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: S.B. 54 (Allen): California Circular Economy and Plastic Pollution Reduction Act Support from the Sebastopol City Council

Dear Senator Allen:

On behalf of the Sebastopol City Council, I want to express Sebastopol's strong support of S.B. 54. The City Council thanks you for initiating legislation to reduce single use plastic waste from packaging and product sources. S.B. 54 works in harmony with the goals of Sebastopol's Zero Waste Resolution and Polystyrene/ non-recyclable or compostable takeout container ban.

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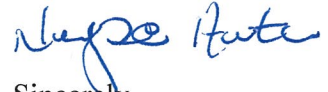
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The Honorable Connie Levya
State Capitol
Room 4061
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 210 (Levya), Heavy-Duty Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program -- SUPPORT

Dear Senator Levya,

On behalf of the Sebastopol City Council, we are writing to express our strong support for SB 210, which would authorize the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop and implement a comprehensive heavy-duty vehicle inspection and maintenance program, similar to Smog Check requirements for light-duty vehicles which has been in place since 1984.

Most Californians would be very surprised to find out that, while their passenger cars are subject to Smog Check, there is no similar requirement for diesel big rigs other than a minimal smoke test. SB 210 would improve air quality and public health in communities choked by smog, protect our changing climate from black carbon – a powerful super pollutant – and create a level playing field for truckers who take the time and money to maintain their vehicles adequately.

The movement of goods accounts for 45 percent of the oxides of nitrogen emissions that react in the atmosphere to form smog and fine particulate matter. These pollutants are preventing millions of Californians – particularly in low-income communities of color – from breathing healthy air. Particulates not only accelerate climate change but also are harmful to human health by irritating the eyes, nose, throat, and lungs and contributing to heart and lung diseases, asthma, cancer, and even premature death.

“Adoption of comprehensive heavy-duty vehicle inspection and maintenance program” is a proposed action of both the multi-agency California Sustainable Freight Action Plan of 2016 and CARB’s State Implementation Plan of 2017, the state’s strategy to attain health-based federal air quality standards. SB 210 would make this proposal a reality and allow Californians to breathe easier.

The bill would authorize CARB to establish test procedures, require motor vehicles to pass the test procedures in order to register or operate in the state, and allow a streamlined process for the operators of fleets with established compliance histories. We believe this system would allow the vast majority of truckers to pass without difficulty, while it would require improvements from the small fraction of vehicles that generate most of the pollution.

Amendments taken in the Senate give the Legislature a strong oversight role while ensuring that any program-related fees assessed to truck owners and operators are fair and reasonable.

While the bill allows CARB to set reasonable fees, Senate amendments limits those fees to “exclusively covering the costs of the program.” Furthermore, the amendments require CARB to submit the fee schedule the first year of implementation to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for inclusion into the Budget Act and that any proposed rules and regulations be submitted to the various legislative committees 60 days before they are adopted.

SB 210 is a very important measure that is good for our air, climate and health and levels the playing field for owners and operators who take the time and spend the money to keep their trucks in compliance with state emission regulations.

Thank you for your leadership in creating this legislation.

Sincerely,



Neysa Hinton
Mayor
City of Sebastopol

CC: Senator Mike McGuire, Assembly Member Marc Levine, Governor Gavin Newsom



City of Sonoma

MAYOR'S REPORT – August 8, 2019



CITY HOSTS 23RD ANNUAL SONOMA CITY PARTY AUGUST 1ST

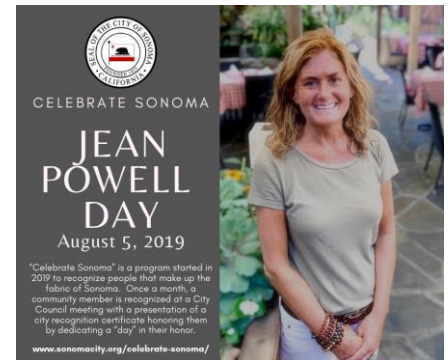
The Sonoma City Council and the City of Sonoma hosted the 23rd Annual Sonoma City Party on the Sonoma Plaza on Thursday, August 1, 2019.

This annual event is free to attend and is intended to bring the local community together for fun, food, live music and to celebrate our special town. A long-standing tradition, this unique event celebrates the rich history of Sonoma, its residents, businesses and non-profits.

www.sonomacity.org/city-party

“CELEBRATE SONOMA” PROGRAM HONORS JEAN POWELL

“Celebrate Sonoma” is a new program started in 2019 to recognize people that make up the fabric of Sonoma. Once a month, a community member is recognized at a City Council meeting with a presentation of a city recognition certificate honoring them by dedicating a “day” in their honor. On August 5, City Council recognized Jean Powell, a favorite cocktail server at The Swiss Hotel. www.sonomacity.org/celebrate-sonoma



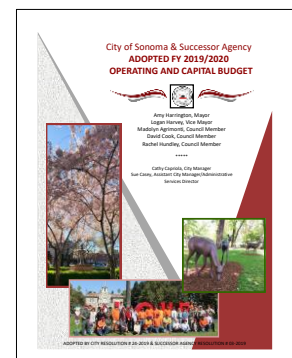
3RD ANNUAL YOUTH ENGAGEMENT SEMINAR



Youth Engagement Seminar (YES) is a leadership and community engagement program for local high school students. A group of 14 Sonoma Valley High School attended a City Council Meeting, met with civic leaders, took tours of City facilities, held a mock City Council Meeting, and participated in a housing community workshop among other activities. YES is jointly sponsored by the Sonoma Valley Unified School District, the Sonoma Valley Chamber of Commerce and the City of Sonoma.

FY 2019/2020 BUDGET ADOPTED

The current adopted budget for the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 is now available to view or download from the City's website. www.sonomacity.org/city-budget



COMMERCIAL CANNABIS

On June 24, 2019, City Council conducted a second reading and adopted a Commercial Cannabis Ordinance effective July 24, 2019. In summary, the following types and number of cannabis business are permitted in the City with a Commercial Cannabis Business Permit (CCBP): One (1) Dispensary or Retailer; One (1) Non-Store Front Retail Business; One (1) Testing laboratory; One (1) Manufacturing (State License Type N or P only). City Council will adopt criteria for submittal requirements and the adoption of processing fees. This process is anticipated to be completed by October 2019.

www.sonomacity.org/cannabis-regulation

“HOUSING OUR COMMUNITY” TOWN HALL SERIES COMPLETED

The City of Sonoma sponsored the “Housing Our Community” Town Hall Series — a community education and engagement program focused on housing in the City of Sonoma. The series was composed of three Town Halls around a theme of Learn | Discuss | Explore. The first Town Hall, Housing 101 was on April 25, 2019, followed by a Housing Experts Panel, on May 16, 2019 and the third and final meeting of the series, an Interactive Community Workshop on June 20, 2019. A report on the Town Hall Series was presented at the August 5th City Council Meeting. Visit www.sonomacity.org/housing-our-community to watch recordings of past town halls, view presentations and for more information.



FREE FAMILY BIKE WORKSHOP

The City of Sonoma partnered with On Saturday, July 13th, the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition to hold a 2 ½ hour Family Biking Workshop on July 13th at the Sonoma Community Center. The workshop was taught by League of American Bicyclists Certified Cycling Instructors. There were seven youth, between the ages of 2 and 11, and four parents, who participated in the workshop. The workshop was designed to teach families how to ride together safely and confidently; they include both skill/safety drills and an instructional road ride.

CITY OF SONOMA (@SONOMACITY) IS NOW ON INSTAGRAM

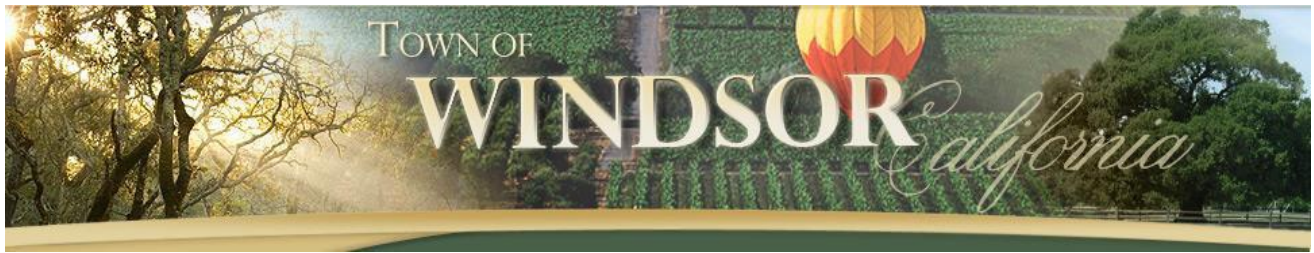
The City joined the social media platform in July. The City’s Instagram account, @SonomaCity, provides another way to communicate to our community in a fun and informative way. Instagram is part an ongoing effort to better communicate with the public. The City also maintains a regularly updated website and CivicWeb portal, emails weekly “News & Updates” and Quarterly “About Town” E-Newsletters, and posts regularly to Facebook (@CityofSonoma) and Nextdoor.



SEWER TRUNK MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT BREAKS GROUND



Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District's broke ground on their multi-year sewer trunk replacement project that will replace approximately 1.8 miles of the existing 21-inch diameter sewer trunk main originally constructed in 1958 with a new 27-inch diameter main. The project is planned to be constructed in three phases, with the first beginning in Sonoma city limits this summer.



Town of Windsor Mayors' & Councilmembers' Report Items of Interest & Upcoming Events

August 2019

- **PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff:** In support of PG & E's effort to inform and educate the public about potential power shutdowns during the fire season, the Town has created a new web page and social media campaign to help residents plan for potential power outages. The website (<https://www.townofwindsor.com/1175/PGE-PSPS>) provides information in English and Spanish on how to prepare for a power shutoff as well as links to other resources. Town staff will post information on the Town's Facebook page and on Next Door about the Public Safety Power Shutoff program on a regular basis over the next few months. In addition to these efforts, Department staff is in the process of developing an operational plan should we experience a power shutoff.



- **2020 Census Web Page:** A new web page on the Town's website has been created to support the upcoming 2020 Census. Every ten years, the U.S. Census Bureau undertakes a count of all people living in the United States. The census is used to calculate the number of seats that each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives. It also provides a basis for how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funds will be distributed for schools, hospitals, roads, public works, and other vital programs. The Town's web page (<https://www.townofwindsor.com/1181/2020-Census>) provides information and resources about the upcoming census in both English and Spanish.



- **New Economic Development Manager:** We are pleased to announce the addition of Tim Ricard to the position of Economic Development Manager. Tim started Monday, June 17.



- **New Senior Management Analyst:** We are pleased to announce the addition of Mickie Tagle to the position of Senior Management Analyst in the Town Manager’s Office. Mickie started Monday, June 24.



- **Town Appoints New Parks and Recreation Director:** Windsor Town Manager Ken MacNab has announced the appointment of Jon Davis as Windsor’s new Parks and Recreation Director, effective July 7, 2019. Davis has replaced Donna Legge.



- **Windsor Veterans Village Milestones:** Funding for the Windsor Veterans Village was finalized and the loans for the project closed. Funding for the project came from a variety of sources, including private lending institutions and government agencies, such as California Housing and Community Development, County of Sonoma, and the Town of Windsor. Achieving this milestone allows the developer, Urban Housing Communities, to pull building permits for the project. The developer plans to pull permits and begin site work for the project before the end of this month, with construction estimated to be completed by the end of 2020. The project includes 60 apartments, 59 of which would be affordable to very low- and low-income veterans and their families and one apartment for the onsite manager.



- **“Floating Solar Project Under Construction”:** Collins Electric, a contractor working for Ciel et Terre, began floating the first row of solar panels on recycled water Pond 7. This process is anticipated to continue for the next 2 months. A delegation of approximately 37 of Ciel et Terre’s guests visited the site to learn about the solar installation process. Completion and testing of the solar array are scheduled for the month of October.

