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Message from the City Manager - Meet-up with Neighborhood Presidents



After a few year hiatus, Mayor Roberson and I reintroduced meet-ups with Neighborhood Association Presidents. The first get-together was held Wednesday, January 30 in the Council Chamber. It provided a great opportunity for us to introduce our new Finance Director, Lauren Lai, and new Parks and Recreation Director, Kristi McClure-Huckaby. Assistant Police Chief Bill Clark was also in attendance to answer safety and crime related questions. The evening was very productive, with all but one neighborhood represented.

We talked about priorities, challenges, and interests. We listened to concerns, perspectives, and expectations. The biggest priority for the City is the budget, because everything else that happens rests on being fiscally solvent. Other big topic items that are a priority for the City include: adopting a new wireless ordinance, obtaining the Old Capital site, and resolving homeless issues, especially at Laguna Grande Park.

Broad topics of concerns and interests expressed were undergrounding utilities, maintaining our quality of life and making sure we don't overdevelop the waterfront, public safety, housing and homelessness, jobs, water, continuing the infrastructure improvements through Measure S, catching up with the backlog of Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP) projects, and the congestion and gridlock caused during Car Week each August.

At the end of the evening, I think each person there learned something. We appreciate the commitment by the Neighborhood Presidents, and we assured them that we are working to do the best job we can for the community and to maintain our high quality of life. We will be establishing a quarterly meeting schedule, and we look forward to continuing the important dialogue. A heartfelt "Thank You" to our Neighborhood Presidents for volunteering and always helping our community to become better.

If you have topics or concerns for future meetings, I encourage you to reach out to your neighborhood president and tell them your concerns and ideas. If you don't know how to contact your neighborhood president, please check the Neighborhoods page on monterey.org or call the City Clerk's Office at (831) 646-3935. We have the contact information, and while the neighborhood associations are not official city managed associations, they have given permission for us to give their contact information. As always, we appreciate your involvement in helping us maintain our small town feeling with big town amenities.

~ Hans Uslar, City Manager

photo by Curt Tipton

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Parks and Recreation Department has new director

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Kristi McClure Huckaby became the new Parks and Recreation Director in November 2018. Ms. Huckaby has over 25 years' experience working in and managing Parks and Recreation Departments in Southern California; cities both large and small, including the cities of Long Beach, Downey, Signal Hill, Placencia, Sierra Madre, Chula Vista, and most recently the City of Corona.



Huckaby was born and raised in Monterey, and her very first job in Recreation was part-time in Monterey's recreation program before she left for college in Southern California.

Huckaby has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies and a Master of Public Administration from California State University, Long Beach, where she is also a lecturer for the College of Health and Human Services. In addition, she has a Certificate in Human Resources Management from the University of California, Irvine, as well as a National Recreation and Park Association Directors School and Grad School Certificate from North Carolina State University/Oglebay Training Center. Huckaby has held numerous leadership positions within the profession, including serving on the state board as the 2016-17 California Park and Recreation Society President. *Watch for much more about the new Parks and Recreation Department in future issues of City Focus. and on monterey.org.*

Cutting Day and Horticulture Faire March 16, 2019 from 9 a.m. to noon



Mark your calendars now for a favorite city-sponsored event - the 63rd annual Cutting Day and Horticulture Faire! Friday, March 16 - click on the flyer to view larger, and find more information on monterey.org.

New Finance Director Lauren Lai



In August 2018 we welcomed Ms. Lauren Lai as Monterey's New Finance Director. Lai is a California Certified Public Accountant (CPA) with 22 years of financial and government leadership experience.

She was previously Finance Director for the City of Capitola and most recently at the City of Marina. In Marina, she led the City Council and executive team in successfully eliminating a 25% structural budget deficit, while maintaining existing service levels, establishing a 20% general fund emergency reserve and establishing a pension stabilization fund.

In addition to a CPA license, Lai has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from San Jose State University, and is expected to earn a Master in Public Administration from the University of Missouri in 2020. She serves on the League of California Cities Tax and Revenue Policy Committee. For four years, she served as a leader of the Monterey Bay Chapter-California Society of Municipal Finance Officers. She mentors and works closely with California State University of Monterey Bay aspiring accounting students on internships and career guidance.

Fiscal Health Response Plan - Let's Do It!

FY19-21 biennium budget process

A new biennial (two-year) budget will be passed by the City Council in June 2019. The City of Monterey Fiscal Health Response Plan (FHRP) will provide strategies to help us solve the fiscal challenges and preserve Monterey's quality of life.



A City Council Retreat took place on January 14, 2019. The two hours was spent discussing important city services, priorities and financial sustainability. The focus of a Council Retreat was team building, group dynamics, governance, and process. A **video replay of that meeting** is available on the City Council VoD page of the Monterey Channel on monterey.org.

Upcoming at the February 27 City Council meeting will be the City FY18/19 mid-year report and fiscal study session. We encourage residents to stay informed and participate in the FHRP. Collaboration is key to our success. Let's do it!

Visit www.monterey.org/lets-do-it to learn more, and subscribe to Budget News.

On Thursday, January 24, 2019, the City of Monterey and the Monterey Fire Department hosted the Monterey Peninsula Regional Evacuation Summit at the Monterey Conference Center. Over 60 community leaders and subject matter experts met to discuss emergency evacuation plans in the event of a disaster in the region. Attendees included City of Monterey Mayor Clyde Roberson, District 5 Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams, several City Managers, Police and Fire Chiefs from all of the various public agencies, military leaders and many more.

Topics discussed included developing and improving communication tactics between emergency officials and members of the public, formalizing traffic and transportation plans on a region-wide basis, creating scenario-based training sessions to test and educate personnel, and to expand the involvement with other community stakeholders including area hospitals, emergency service providers and utility companies.

Members from the Monterey County Office of Emergency Services were in attendance and affirmed their support of these efforts and will continue to improve emergency evacuation plans from a regional approach. As a result, work groups comprised of members from various agencies will be formed and will work together to improve and develop action plans to deploy emergency evacuation plans.



Monterey hosts regional emergency evacuation summit

BY ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST JAY PUNKAR



It's important that each of us is aware of what to do in case of a storm emergency, and that we know where to go to find the information we need. The city website has a section to help you be prepared: monterey.org/stormcenter.

Just like you, what is the City of Monterey doing to prepare?

When a major emergency happens within city limits, the City of Monterey will likely open its Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The EOC is located in a secure facility where City departments can work closely together to coordinate the emergency response, allocate resources, and support management of the incident. City staff conduct regular training drills to prepare for various emergencies, including storms.

In times of EOC activation, the City will work with the media, and use Alert! Monterey County, Twitter, the Nextdoor App, and other methods to get information out quickly to the public.

Be storm-ready - watch the information channels, including the Police Twitter and Facebook sites (@cityofmonterey and @montereypolice), sign up for AlertMontereyCounty.org. For mobile alerts from Monterey Police text 93940 to 888777.

Be storm-ready

BY PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER LAURIE HUELGA

Wireless Ordinance Subcommittee Update

BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR KIMBERLY COLE

The City of Monterey formed a Wireless Telecommunications Subcommittee in August 2018. The committee's purpose is to review wireless regulations, ordinances and policies and make recommendations to the Planning Commission and City Council. Since August, the Subcommittee has worked fast and furiously by hosting approximately 20 public meetings on this issue.



On October 2nd, the City Council considered the Subcommittee's first set of recommendations proposing amendments to the City's existing ordinances. The Ordinance revisions responded to new regulations proposed by the Federal Communications Commission that became effective in January 2019. These regulations, among other things, significantly limit local control of wireless facilities and create new time-lines reducing the time for processing small cell facility applications. One of the most significant changes is that the FCC has imposed is that cities must process small cell wireless applications within 60 days. The 60 days includes

the time it takes for administrative review of the application (incomplete check), Planning Commission hearing and City Council appeal hearings. The Subcommittee recommended the following ordinance amendments:

- Planning Commission must review all applications.
- The applicant shall provide notices to surrounding properties concurrent with the application submittal to the City.
- Applicants will install facility mock ups so the public can have a better understanding of the application.
- Applicants must submit hazard compliance certifications.
- City staff can deny applications that are not complete.

After Council approval of the first ordinance amendments, the Subcommittee meticulously reviewed the ordinance. The Subcommittee will be finalizing additional ordinance revisions in 2019.

The Monterey Channel - Wireless meetings broadcast and available for replay



The City of Monterey knows the topic of wireless facilities is an important issue for the community. To encourage broader understanding of this complex topic, and to allow for more community participation, we have added the Wireless Subcommittee meetings to our live and rebroadcast list on the Monterey Channel. Meetings times are posted at

monterey.org/wireless, and are rebroadcast on the Monterey Channel on Fridays at 4 p.m.

The City of Monterey's government access television station, the Monterey Channel, features live and re-broadcasts of City meetings, special events, and fun, informative, custom programming on a variety of topics for locals and visitors alike.



Federal Communications Commission (FCC) changing the rules

BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR KIMBERLY COLE

On September 5, 2018, the FCC issued a draft ruling to limit local control over small cell facilities and reduce wireless permitting timelines. On September 18, 2018, the City Council authorized the City to join a coalition of public entities commenting on the draft FCC order and, if adopted, to challenge the order.

On September 27, 2018, the FCC issued its final Declaratory Ruling and Order regarding wireless facilities deployments.

The ruling in part:

1. affects the legal standard used when courts evaluate whether a local government's denial of a wireless facility "prohibits or effectively prohibits" the provision of wireless service by imposing a "materially limits or prohibits" standard, and expressly eliminates the "significant gap" standard;
2. applies the "materially limits or prohibits" legal standard to densification, new services, or improvements to service. In other words, it applies to data and cellular services;
3. strips local government of its ability to act in

its proprietary (landlord) capacity for wireless deployments in the right of way;

4. creates new time-lines reducing the time for processing small cell facility applications; and
5. limits local aesthetic controls.

In October 2018, the Coalition requested that the FCC stay its order pending adjudication of the appeal. The FCC denied the Coalition's request. The Coalition's appeal was consolidated with appeals filed in other jurisdictions and assigned by lottery to the 10th Circuit United States Court of Appeals. The Coalition filed a motion in the 10th Circuit to stay the FCC's ruling pending that court's determination on the appeal. On January 10, 2019, the court denied the Coalition's request. This means that the FCC's order (new rules) regarding fee restrictions and shot clocks became effective on January 14, 2019, and the new aesthetic restrictions will take effect April 15, 2019. The Coalition also filed a motion to transfer the case from the 10th Circuit back to the 9th Circuit (California's federal court jurisdiction). That motion was granted.



NIP Meeting Schedule - submit projects by February 8, 2019

The Neighborhood Improvement Project meeting schedule is posted on the Meeting Schedule page at <https://monterey.org/NIP>. The project submittal deadline is February 8, 2019. Preliminary screening of all projects happens on Feb. 24. Review the full schedule online.

The Neighborhood Improvement Program is managed out of the Engineering Office. Their main phone number is (831) 646-3921. Contact them if you have any questions.

Click the schedule to view larger

Meetings			Deadlines	Activity
NIP	Board	Council		
			9/14/18	Nomination for NIP Representatives & Alternates to Engineering Office for City Council approval at first November meeting.
			30 days from appt.	All State Forms SF 700 returned to City Clerk. Due 30 days from appointment or no later than April 1, 2019.
1/24/19	Thurs.		2/8/19	Orientation meeting Council Chambers, 7:00 p.m. Hand out NIP project submittal nomination forms to appropriate neighborhood reps.
			2/11/19	Project submittal deadline to Engineering Office, Room 7, City Hall, 580 Pacific Street, Monterey CA 93940, Attention: Jeff Krebs
2/28/19	Weds.		3/18/19	All traffic-related projects sent to Traffic Engineering for review and preliminary approval, to forward to City Council if applicable. Preliminary Screening of all NIP project submittals (duplicates, not a capital improvement project, etc. - seeking out process) Council Chamber, 7:00 p.m.
			3/22/19	Present traffic related projects that affect circulation to City Council for review/comments if applicable.
3/28/19	Thurs.		4/4/19	Project review and estimating, all year until 3/22/19. NIP Committee First Review of Projects N-CM. Council Chamber, 7:00 p.m.
4/18/19	Thurs.		5/2/19	NIP Committee First Review of Projects N-CW. Council Chamber, 7:00 p.m.
5/15/19	Weds.		6/18/19	Van Tour - meet at 2:00 p.m. in parking lot behind City Hall. Potluck for NIP Committee 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. 2 nd Public Comment/Follow-up meeting A-M at Hilltop Park Center, 6:30 - 8:45 p.m. (Tentative: Aguajito Oaks - Monterey Vista)
				2 nd Public Comment/Follow-up meeting N-CW. Scholze Park Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (Tentative: New Monterey - Citywide)
				Project Selection (Voting Night). Council Chamber, 6:00 p.m.
				Present NIP Program to City Council for approval.

Update on affordable housing in Monterey

BY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER ELIZABETH CARAKER

Affordable housing is a big topic, whether you live in Monterey, anywhere in California, or many other cities throughout the country. Monterey is working to gain more affordable housing for residents or would-be residents. That's a primary reason short term rentals under 30 days are not allowed.

Monterey has approximately 550 deed restricted affordable units. The City will secure two more at 595 Munras later this year. Others in the pipeline include seven units at 2200 North Fremont.



Purchases for this year that are included in the 2018-19 CDBG Action Plan include 10 Laguna Grande, one 3-bedroom unit, that will be rehabilitated and sold with a deed restriction to a qualified low-income first time home buyer.

Keep updated and find out more at monterey.org/housing.

NOTE: Please join us in welcoming our new Housing Analyst Grant Leonard. Grant was most recently employed as a transportation planner at TAMC, the Transportation Agency of Monterey County. Grant started his new position in mid-January.

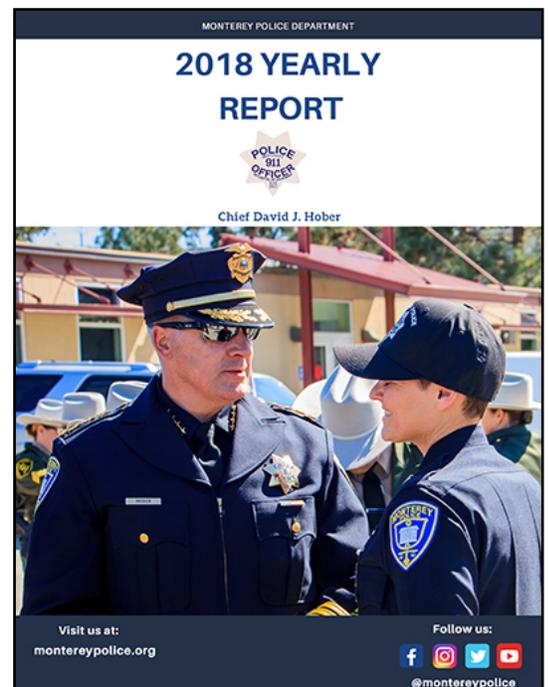
Police 2018 Yearly Report



The Monterey Police Department (MPD) compiles a monthly report that includes short narratives of some highlights of MPD activity and includes some statistical data regarding the work the MPD accomplished during the preceding month.

The yearly report is compiled from the monthly reports.

This information is provided to the City Council, City Manager and through the website for the public under the Get Informed tab at montereypolice.org.



MontereyPolice.org

City Code Update: Plastic Straws & Disposable Food Service Ware

BY SUSTAINABILITY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT MALLORY PANKRETZ

At the December 18, 2018 meeting, the City Council passed a change to the City Code to include a ban on plastic disposable food service ware (straws, lids, utensils, etc). Passing this amendment reflects the City's commitment to community and ocean health, as well as carbon footprint and waste reduction strategies. In summary, the ordinance establishes the following for all food providers (including City facilities, contractors or at special events) in the City:

Permitted

- Non-PLA compostable straws
- Reusable straws
- Reusable or compostable stirrers

Examples include (but are not limited to):

Paper, pasta, sugarcane
Metal, silicone, bamboo, glass
Bamboo

Dine-Out Only

- Plastic #1 or #2 to-go containers
- Compostable to-go containers
- Compostable utensils
- Compostable cups and lids
PLA

PLA (polylactic acid), paper, sugarcane
Bamboo, PLA
Wheat straw,

Prohibited

- Plastic straws, utensils, stirrers, cup lids

Exemption: A plastic straw shall be provided to individuals self-identifying as having a disability making the use of a plastic straw necessary.

- PLA or bioplastic straws
- Plastic containers other than #1 or #2
- Disposable Food Service Ware for dine-in customers. All dine-in customers must be provided reusable Food Service Ware.



This effort is a further example of leadership by the City of Monterey in protecting public health and the environment and ensuring that generations to come are able to enjoy our city. This ordinance will become effective on Earth Day 2019 (April 22) so we will have one more great reason to celebrate!

Check out more great topics from the Sustainability Office at montereyrecycles.org

New Sewer Lateral Inspection Program

As of January 1, 2019, in accordance with the Monterey City Code 30-1.2 (Ordinance 3579), the City of Monterey began implementing a mandatory "Sanitary Sewer Lateral Inspection and Repair Program". If you are doing a project which requires a connection to the city sewer main, you will need to coordinate with the Streets Division to have the sewer line hydro-jetted. The City will provide direction regarding the appropriate kind of connection to be made, and that connection will need to be inspected before the job can be backfilled. **Get all the details Permit and Inspection Services page of monterey.org.**



The Pacific Garbage Patch's surface area has been estimated at two times the size of Texas. At this scale, cleanup and control of trash into the Pacific Ocean is going to take monumental efforts around the globe to change trash management patterns and cultural norms.

For what it will be worth to future generations and habitats, the State of California is taking trash in waterways seriously. It declared trash to be a pervasive problem harming wildlife including rare and endangered species, marine habitats, and negatively affecting fish migration, navigation, and recreation. In 2015, the State Water Resource Control Board (SWRCB) reported that studies show trash is predominantly generated on land, and primarily transported to waterways through storm water runoff.

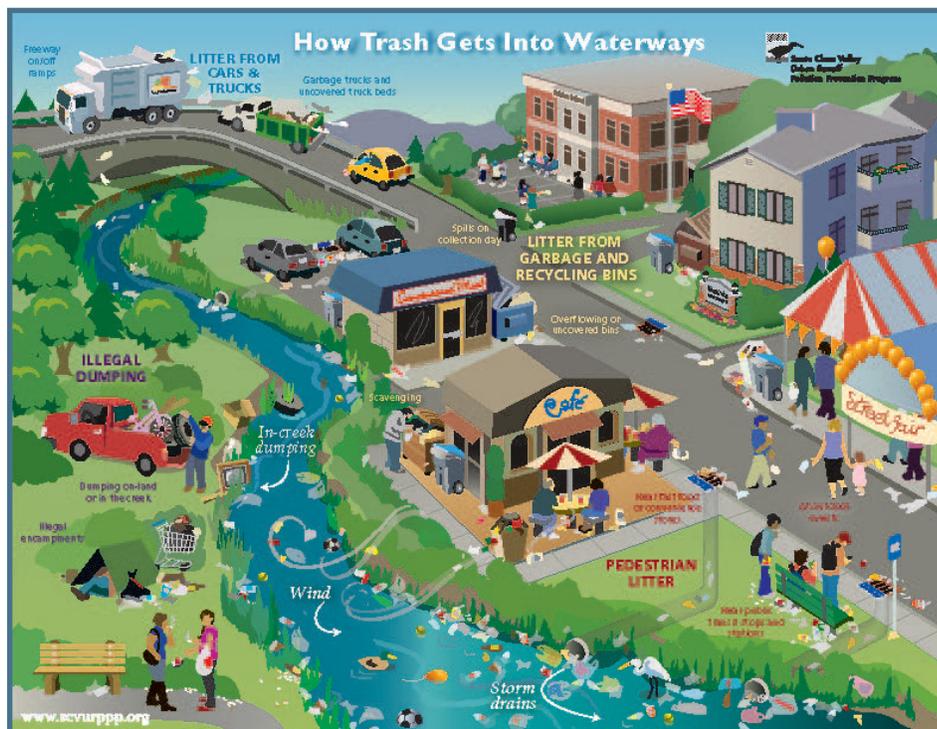
Consequently, the SWRCB adopted trash control regulations with the goal to address these trash impacts to California's surface waters. These requirements generally accomplish the following:

1. Establish a prohibition on the discharge of trash to waterways,
2. Establish a water quality objective for trash,
3. Clarify who is to implement the new regulations,
4. Provide implementation requirements,
5. Set a schedule for compliance, and,
6. Provide a framework for monitoring and reporting to the SWRCB.

The regulations were approved by the California Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on December 2, 2015, and subsequently approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) on January 12, 2016. On June 2, 2017, the City and other small municipalities in California were notified to comply with the new statewide trash control provisions and required submittals.

Trash control to protect wildlife and waterways

BY
ENVIRONMENTAL
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MANAGER
TRICIA WOTAN



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A major milestone for each small municipal agency was the determination and documentation of their respective approaches to compliance. Each agency submitted a Trash Control Implementation Plan (Trash Control Plan) to the SWRCB. These plans demonstrate an agency's path to full compliance by 2030. After substantive map analyses, field work, and infrastructure considerations, the Public Works Department developed and submitted a Trash Control Plan to the SWRCB for review and consideration.

This Plan is based on an 'adaptive management' approach that will utilize a continuum of annual assessment and implementation to reach 100% trash full-capture and/or full-capture equivalency in "priority" areas of the City by 2030. This large-scale management approach provides for annual identification of trash control and enhanced management opportunities (and constraints), budgeting, interdepartmental collaboration and planning, engineering analyses and design, construction, field implementation, and long-term monitoring and reporting.

Strategies the City is looking to implement include street sweeping adjustments and outreach, trash capture devices strategically placed in street drains, large-scale in-line devices designed and constructed to filter runoff before it discharges to a waterway, collaborations with other local and regional agencies such as Pacific Grove and California Department of Transportation with whom the City shares drainages, regional outreach and education efforts, and more.

The Plan can be viewed here -

<https://www.monterey.org/Portals/0/Policies-Procedures/EnvironRegulations/Trash-Control-Plan.pdf>

Providing cleaner energy at a lower cost has been one of Monterey Bay Community Power's main objectives. With 2018 over, MBCP is now able to report some of the numbers that show how successful MBCP has been at achieving this goal, and many more.

In 2018, MBCP delivered \$4.4 million in rebates. Residential customers receive their rebate as a bill credit on December electricity bills. Non-residential customers receive rebates biannually in June and December, and large commercial and agricultural customers receive their rebates quarterly in March, June, September and December.

In 2019, the 3% rebate will slightly increase to 3.3% savings over what customers would have paid PG&E for electricity generation. MBCP enrolled commercial customers in March, 2018 and residential customers joined in July, 2018 making the rebate only for 5 service months for residents last year. The rebate is expected to more than double for residential customers depending on their electricity usage, based on an increase from 5 to 12 months of service and the rebate percentage increase.

Trash control to protect wildlife and waterways

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Rebates from Monterey Bay Community Power



Yes on Measure S

Thank you for saying yes to measure S. Measure S passed with 82 percent of voter approval to continue repairing infrastructure for the next eight years - streets, storm drains, sidewalks, and improve ADA accessibility.

Monterey's vote was the highest margin of approval for any special sales tax measure in California in the Nov. 6, 2019 election.

Measure P that has paid for these improvements since 2015 expires in March. Measure S will pick up where Measure P left off, and allow us to continue the work. More information will be available in the coming weeks that include an implementation plan, and an annual review of the work done in the past year.

Sign up for weekly Construction News emails at monterey.org/construction.

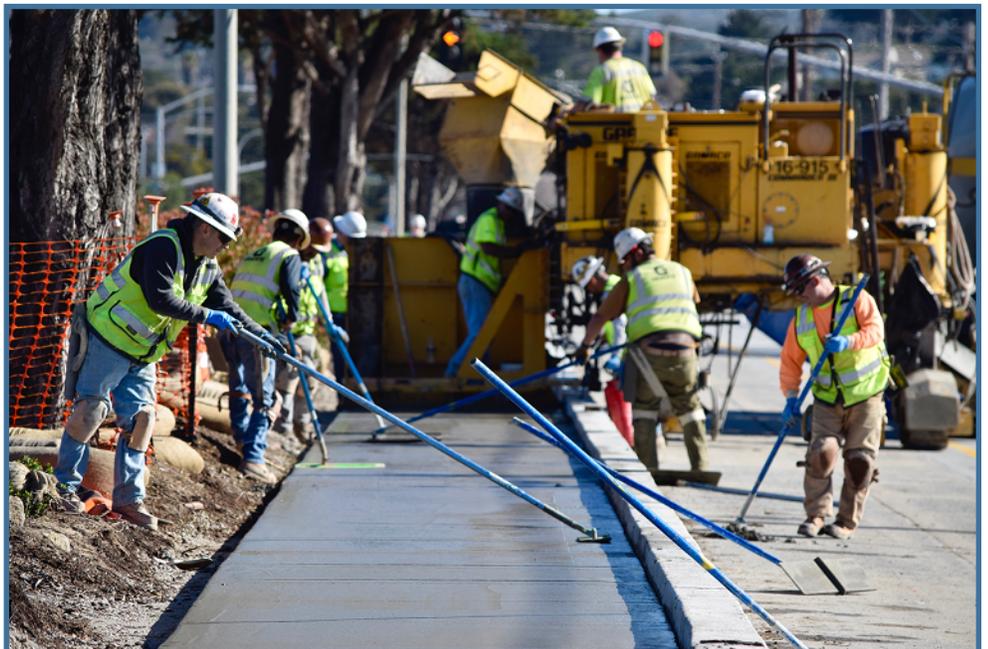


North Fremont Bike and Pedestrian Improvement Project JANUARY UPDATE

The North Fremont Bike and Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project is coming along nicely, and the lanes should re-open soon, with some intersection work still to do. The project is scheduled to be complete this summer.

Please see the Facts sheet for details on this innovative transportation project that will help transform the North Fremont Business District.

Sign up for emails updates at Monterey.org/NFremontBikePed



A recent article in the Monterey County Weekly focused on the tremendous diversity and accessibility available at the Monterey Sports Center for physical activity and recreation:

http://www.montereycountyweekly.com/news/cover_collections/the-monterey-sports-center-is-a-place-where-people-with/article_22d2ba3c-1f64-11e9-80ff-0f496ccc1cfa.html

The Monterey Sports Center has long embraced diversity and inclusiveness in programming and the staff work hard to stay on top of the latest fitness and recreational trends in keeping with the Healthy Eating and Active Living initiative adopted by the City of Monterey. Over 120 group exercise classes are offered weekly with new classes featured by Group Exercise Coordinator Lauri Ataide while popular classes are always maintained for our guests. Drop in on a Sunday afternoon and join a Yoga class with Greg or a Yin Yoga with Danielle a bit later in the afternoon. Check in with Sheri in the mornings for the popular Aqua Splash and Agility/Balance/Core classes in the pools. If you really want to get the blood pumping, join Terri for Spartan Circuit (Mondays), Metabolic Mania (Tuesdays), Athletic Training (Wednesdays) and Boxing Bootcamp (Thursdays) at 5:45 in the morning or double back with Terri in the evening for Endurance Swim on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 pm.

Top trends for 2019 identified in the annual survey by the American College of Sports Medicine include:

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| 1) Wearable Technology | 11) Health/Wellness Coaching |
| 2) Group Training | 12) Exercise for Weight Loss |
| 3) High-Intensity Interval Training | 13) Mobile Exercise Apps |
| 4) Fitness Programs for Seniors | 14) Mobility/Myofascial Devices |
| 5) Bodyweight Training | 15) Worksite Health Promotion and Workplace Well-being Programs |
| 6) Working with Certified Fitness Pros | 16) Outcome Measurements |
| 7) Yoga | 17) Outdoor Activities |
| 8) Personal Training | 18) Licensure for Fitness Professionals |
| 9) Functional Fitness Training | 19) Small Group Personal Training |
| 10) Exercise is Medicine | 20) Post-rehabilitation Classes |

The Monterey Sports Center features a professional staff of Physical Therapists, Exercise Physiologists, Personal Trainers, Fitness Instructors, and most of the top 20 hottest trends in fitness today.

Check us out online at www.monterey.org/sportscenter, call us at 646-3492, check us out on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, or drop by for a visit. Don't forget to vote for us as the best Health Facility in the Monterey County Weekly and Monterey Herald annual surveys.



Fitness trends for 2019

BY MONTEREY
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International intern perspective

BY INTERN JAKOB SCHUSTER (UNIVERSITY IN LUDWIGSBURG, GERMANY)

My name is Jakob Schuster and I'm here in Monterey for an internship in the city hall at the Communication and Outreach Office for the next three months. I'm from Germany, I'm 25

years old and currently studying Public Management in Ludwigsburg. Ludwigsburg is a nice old city in the south part of Germany with a huge castle, located next to Stuttgart.



Jakob on Del Monte Beach for a surf lesson

I visited Australia for six weeks in 2016, and tried surfing there and I loved it. I had my first surf lesson in California last week and it was awesome, although its not so easy. Back home I also enjoy snowboarding, sport activities like swimming or jogging and going to cinema with friends.

I'm really glad to have the chance to compare the American with the German administration and see what the differences are. It is very interesting for me to see how the municipal administration works in the US compared to Germany, especially in the field of community outreach.

Be a part of Monterey Recreation staff this summer!

BY INTERIM RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR SHANNON LEON

Monterey Recreation is currently recruiting staff for our Summer camps and playground programs. We are looking for people who enjoy being around lots of children and can be flexible and adaptable in a variety of situations.

Successful candidates need to possess a positive attitude that combines enthusiasm, spirit, cooperation, patience, and a willingness to learn. We are looking for candidates with strong references that indicate dependability and a sense of integrity.

Benefits include income, work outdoors, development of leadership skills and being a positive role model for children. Positions available include Playground Recreation Leader, Day Camp Counselor, Camp Quien Sabe Resident Camp (Counselor, Kitchen Helper, Crafts Leader, Handyperson and Cook).

The application deadline is Friday, March 15, 2019 by 5:00 p.m. Apply at 546 Dutra Street, Monterey, (831) 646-3866. Spread the word about our exciting job opportunities. More information can be found online at www.monterey.org/rec



The Museums and Cultural Arts Commission is proud to bring back the Colton Hall Evening Music Series to historic Colton Hall with the Balkan String Projekt, Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. This is a free concert open to the public.



Seating is limited; reservations are required and can be made by calling 831-646-5640

Colton Hall is ADA accessible by using the Limited Use/Limited Access (LULA) lift which is located at the rear of Colton Hall on Dutra Street.



The January CERT Newsletter is available at:
monterey.org/Portals/0/News/CERT/CERT-Jan-2019.pdf

The next CERT class is scheduled for February 23, 2019. Check the newsletter for details.



<https://youtu.be/6Rco8QraQRw>

Featured video: New Paramedic Services from Monterey Fire Department

Featured GIS Project - The El Encinal Cemetery

BY GIS COORDINATOR URSULA GLICK

monterey.org/GIS

There are more than 5,000 grave stones in the City's El Encinal Cemetery, the oldest dated March 4, 1849. We have a newly updated map website that allows users to search within the cemetery by name (first or last), or by date (born or deceased).

The search results are shown on the map, and pictures of the grave markers can be seen by clicking on rows in the results table. The website has a new slider tool that displays how the cemetery has changed over the years. The slider updates the map in 9-year increments, from 1849 until the present. The two maps shown here present the cemetery as it looked in 1903 and in 1975.

About Cementerio El Encinal

Cementerio El Encinal, (El Encinal Cemetery in English), in the heart of downtown Monterey, is situated in a beautiful park-like setting that overlooks El Estero Lake. The silence and serenity of the cemetery's gently sweeping lawns and historic monuments can be

deceiving. Generations of Monterey families and many of those colorful characters who defined our beautiful bayside city now rest amid its sentinel oaks, forever woven like vibrant threads into the tapestry of Monterey's past.

Learn more on the Cemetery web page on monterey.org at monterey.org/Services/Parks-and-Beaches/Cemetery-El-Encinal, or visit the GIS Portal,



The Monterey Conference Center has a new website!

The Monterey Conference Center has a new website! Check it out at montereyconferencecenter.com. It has new functionality that makes it easier for clients to connect to hotels, restaurants, and area event venues.

It also provides a calendar of conferences on the home page so it will be easier to see what events are happening at the new Monterey Conference Center.



Monterey Regional Airport now with direct flights to Denver and Dallas

Monterey Regional Airport recently added direct flights to Denver and Dallas, and now offers direct flights from seven cities: Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Phoenix, San Francisco, San Diego, Denver, and Dallas/Fort Worth.

Learn more about these new connections at <https://www.montereyairport.com/destinations>



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Friends of the Monterey Public Library present the 14th annual Chocolate & Wine

Chocolate & Wine Tickets Available Now! Friends of the Monterey Public Library present the 14th annual Chocolate & Wine, Friday, February 22, 2019, from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM.

Raise a glass and toast to an entertaining evening of chocolate and wine for a great cause! The evening includes a silent auction, chocolate fountain, molé, cakes, balloon pop, beer garden, live music, and more!

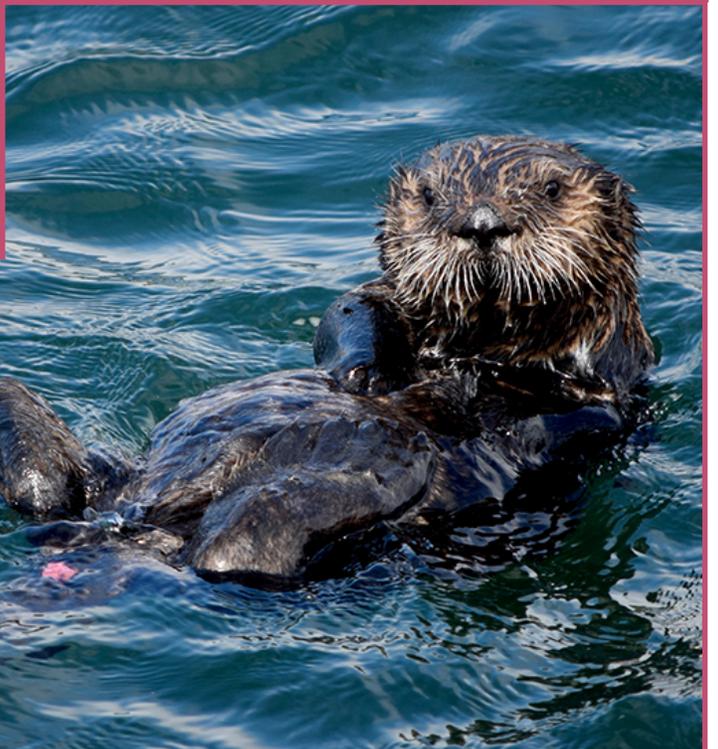
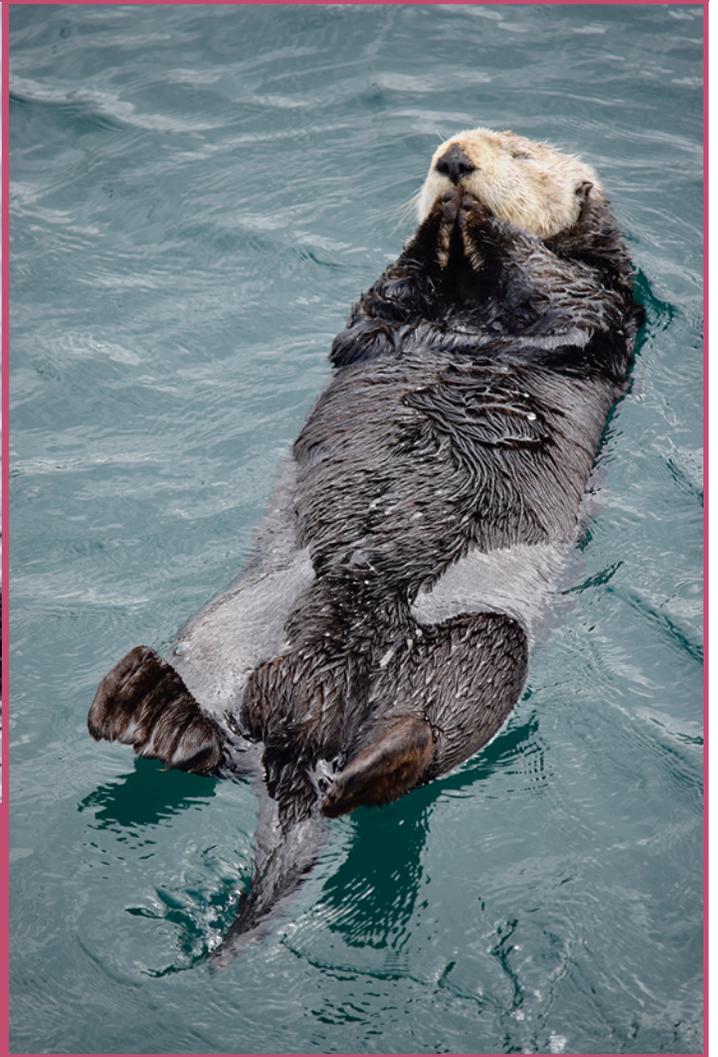
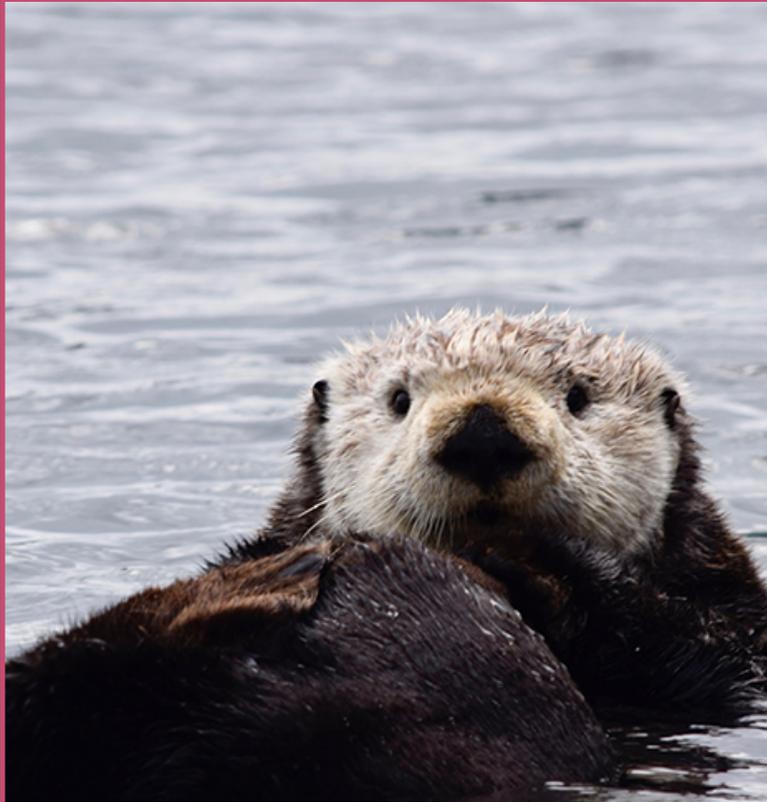
Tickets are \$40 in advance, \$45 at the door. Tickets are also available at the Library Help Desk. All proceeds benefit the Monterey Public Library.

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