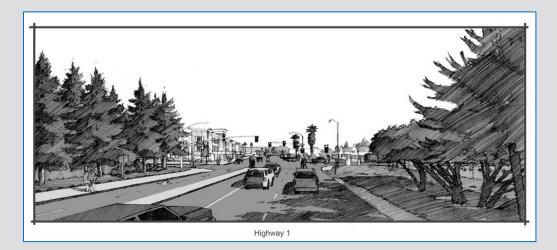
City Manager's Weekly Update

November 3, 2017

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Hampton Inn

Last June, the City Council took action on appeal, to approve demolition of the 30 room *Sunset Inn* at 2424 Mission Street and to replace it with a three-story 60 room hotel. This week our department received an application for a building permit to construct the facility. The applicants intend on breaking ground in early 2018.



PARKS AND RECREATION

<u>Civic</u>

Join the Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale with the best selection of books at the Civic Auditorium. The sale begins Friday, November 3, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm with admittance for members (donors \$50+) only. The sale will be open to the general public, on Saturday, November 4, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Purchase great quality, gently used books at the largest book sale of the year! For more information please visit fscpl.org

Teen Center

On Saturday the Teen Center took 14 teens to Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo for their Fright Fest. All had a hauntingly good time.



Louden Nelson Community Center

The City of Santa Cruz Employee Halloween luncheon, costume and pumpkin carving contest was held in the auditorium from 11:30am – 1:30pm. This event works perfect since LNCC staff has already decorated the auditorium for the Annual Haunted House which occurred last weekend. Over 260 reticent customers visited the Haunted Boardwalk to view the old set of the Lost Boys.

Sports

Fall adult softball comes to a close Thursday, November 2nd at DeLaveaga Park ball fields. Parks & Recreation hosted 7 leagues and registered 36 men's, women's and co-rec teams this fall. Games ended just in time before the rain!

Rangers

Four individuals were found with bedding and drug paraphernalia under the new pedestrian bridge. They had broken into the gated area and tampered with the electrical box. The debris was removed and the individuals were sited. The rangers also completed a camp clean-up project in Nearly Lagoon this week.





PUBLIC WORKS

Wastewater Treatment Facility

Mechanics are working on fabricating new stainless steel piping to go into the Pre-Grit Aeration Basin, utilizing this opportunity to train some newer mechanics on the nuances of stainless steel welding. Operations is working in Clarifier 1, removing remaining blasting sand from the painting contractors and removing sand from the drain piping to ensure equipment won't become negatively impacted. Mechanics are also replacing Influent Pump #3.







Resource Recovery Collections

Sweeping staff took the opportunity to sweep Pacific and the feeder streets while downtown was closed for Halloween Clean-up.



Waste Reduction

Staff sent out notices about the dangers of sleeping in dumpsters this week. As the first rain storm is upon us, the incidents of people seeking shelter in trash enclosures and dumpsters increases. Each year we provide flyers and posters to the homeless service providers in the city.

Changes to the Environmentally Acceptable Food Packaging and Products Ordinance go into effect on Nov. 7. The revised ordinance requires food service businesses to change all to-go food service ware to items that are biodegradable, compostable or recyclable in the City of Santa Cruz recycling program. This includes food containers, beverage lids, cutlery and straws.

These changes will aid in the City's duty to protect its natural environment, economy and citizens' health. Read more in the press release.

Green Business

The California Green Business Network has been working on an update to the statewide data base and checklists for all California green business programs. www.greenbusinessca.org. The new and improved website launch happened this week. The Green business program is assisting City businesses transition to using the new website and check lists.

Green business program staff attended a Monterey Bay Area Green Business networking meeting. The goal of the meeting was the launch of two committees to work on professional development and marketing. Goals, mission statements and strategies were discussed to continue to grow and promote the green business programs and the green economy in the Monterey Bay area.

Engineering

2017 Overlay Project work ground the existing asphalt pavement layer at Natural Bridges Drive from Mission Street Extension to Delaware Avenue and King Street from Bay Street to Peyton Street. Also, a 4-inch perforated pipe sub-drain was installed along Escalona Drive between Laurent Street and Van Ness Avenue. ADA directional ramps were installed at the intersection of Escalona Drive and Van Ness Street.









Traffic Engineering/Community Relations

Santa Cruz Police Department will be delivering its first quarterly Street Smarts traffic safety presentation on Thursday, Nov. 16, at SCPD Community Room, 155 Center St., 6-7:30 p.m. The focus will be Safe Commuting with Traffic Sergeant Scott Garner and Deputy Chiefs Martinez and Flippo. Mark your calendar!



The long version of this week's Street Smarts traffic safety message below can be read here.





HUMAN RESOURCES

Please join me in congratulating all those employees who have been recently promoted.

Employees promoted since 7/1/2017

Finance

Mya McLelan

Fire

Timothy Shields

Human Resources

Laura Casellini Debbie Levy Nico Megevand

Information Technology

Ken Morgan

Library

Nancy Garcia-Ramirez Rowan Rammer

Parks & Recreation

Caitlin Biliske

Michael Gomes Summer Lange Lori McCammon Andrew Burnham

Police

Erich Hoppe

Planning

Claire Fliesler Samantha Haschert

Public Works

Christina Alberti Gabriel Banuelos Dan Estranero Suzanne Healy Lilian Lane Albert Locatelli

Scott Martell

David Meyer Michael Ortega

Angel Rocha

Alejandro Rosas

Philip Sapiens

Scott Thorn

Water

Reid Anderson Mary Demar Robert Dericco, Jr. Jim Keller Candy Lollis

Come by the HR Department and check out the newest editions to our Library

Aggression in the Workplace by Marc Mcelhaney The Best Place to Work by Ron Friedman Career Contentment by Jeffrey Garton

Recommended Reading List:

Career Contentment by Jeffrey Garton
The New One Minute Manager by Ken Blanchard & Spencer Johnson