# City Manager's Weekly Update June 29, 2018

### **PARKS AND RECREATION**

### **Santa Cruz Junior Guards**

Santa Cruz Junior Guards participated in a State competition at Main Beach on Wednesday and Thursday, June 27 and 28. The event was covered by local news station KION: http://www.kion546.com/news/the-next-generation-of-lifeguards-in-santa-cruz/759911982.



### **Civic**

Saturday, June 30 – 4:30-Santa Cruz Derby Girls: *Double Header*- 2018 marks ten years of the Santa Cruz Derby Girls bringing hard hitting roller derby to Santa Cruz fans! While their all-star team, the Boardwalk Bombshells, continues to climb into the top #20 teams in the world, their competitive youth team, the Gromshells, are ranked #1 in the Junior Roller Derby Association. Bringing high level competition to Santa Cruz, their tenth season begins at the Civic Auditorium with Sirens vs. Monterey Derby Dames at 4:30 & the Bombshells vs. Oakland Outlaws at 6:45pm. Come on out to cheer on your Santa Cruz Derby Girls with 800 expected other fans! Purchase tickets at <u>santacruztickets.com</u>



### **Moore Creek Preserve**



The cattle fencing was updated at Moore Creek Preserve along Highway 1. Cattle graze Moore Creek Preserve to restore the coastal prairie and improve habitat conditions for the endangered Ohlone tiger beetle.

### **Pogonip Open Space**

Park Ranger staff worked with Labor Max to remove more than three tons of garbage from a meadow in Pogonip Open Space.





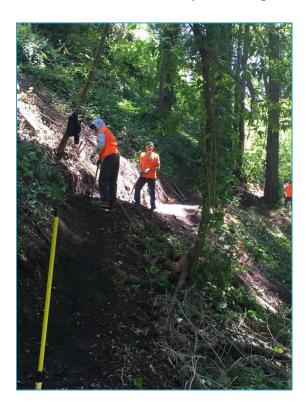
## **Delaveaga Park**

The bocce courts at George Washington Grove were prepped and graded with new oyster shell fines.



## **Harvey West Park**

The Youth Trail Crew is busy re-routing a trail in Wager Grove at Harvey West Park.



#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

## New Projects Progressing Santa Cruz Bike Share

Santa Cruz Bike Share has been up and running for just over six weeks since the soft launch, and we are loving seeing smiling faces biking around town on JUMP bikes! This week, the JUMP team continued installation of the five stations that had been appealed to and were approved at the Coastal Commission on June 6<sup>th</sup>. One station that is not yet approved was inadvertently installed, but the JUMP team was notified and removed this station within hours. With these additional stations installed, we will have the full fleet of 250 bikes in service in Santa Cruz on Monday! We've been seeing great usage in Santa Cruz so far, and we expect that with the additional bikes our metrics will continue to look good. Some key statistics:

- Trips per bike per day: average 4.5 last week. National average is 1-2, so our usage is incredibly high!
- Total trip distance since launch: 37,815 miles.
- Total number of subscribed users: 5107



### **Engineering**

In order to improve private sewer infrastructure and protect the environment and local waterways from bacteria-laden human waste coming from undetected sewer leaks or sanitary sewer spills, the City Council adopted changes to the Sanitary Sewer System Ordinance on June 26. The changes, which respond to state requirements, are currently in place throughout much of California and are outlined <a href="here">here</a>. We offer an incentive program to help offset fees related to the ordinance changes. Details of this incentive program can be read <a href="here">here</a> and the Sewer Ordinance Rebate Application can be downloaded <a href="here">here</a>.







### **Traffic Engineering/ Community Relations**

One article was posted to our Santa Cruz Waves City Beat column: <u>Join the Street Smarts Family Bike Ride with Mayor Terrazas and SCPD on June 30</u>. We hope to see you at this family traffic safety event on Saturday!

The City of Fremont has reached out to use our <u>Street Smarts</u> banner designs throughout their City. They are most interested in the following:





We arranged for a Sentinel writer/photographer to attend one of our Recycling Center tours for a story on waste reduction that ran in Friday's edition. Important tips to help everyone "recycle right" are included thanks to interviews and tour led by our Waste Reduction staff. The article "Recycling Rules: What belongs in your curbside bin—different rules for different cities" can be read here.





### **Waste Reduction**

Santa Cruz Sentinel photographer Shmuel Thaler visited the Recycling Center last week. His full page photo journal piece titled "Unexpected Beauty," appeared in the Tuesday, June 26 edition. As a result staff has nearly filled the public tours scheduled for July 18 and 19. Our community is very interested to learn how all of the recyclables that are collected in Santa Cruz are sorted and baled. There are still tours available in August and we invite you to sign up! More information is <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.





### **Waste Reduction/Collections**

Staff assisted with the appliance and bulky item pick up on Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Staff took the lead in our UCSC Move Out program, assisting students who live off campus dispose of items including couches, mattresses and box springs properly during move out. Staff also coordinated with the "Bye Bye Mattress" program for a mattress drop-off site the same day. Eighty mattresses and box springs were collected from the bulky item pickup and drop-off combined.

Another 350 items including desks, tables, chairs, couches, refrigerators, washers and dryers were collected.





### **Recovery & Engineering**

Operations started our split operation this week: collections trucks were routed to the top deck (see photo) and haulers disposed waste at Cell 3A.



Landfill staff scheduled a meeting this week to coordinate the maintenance and cleaning of the 3-mile leachate line between the landfill and Shaffer Road. The contractor will be mobilizing this week and should begin work Monday with the help of the Wastewater Mains crew.

### **Streets**

Crews replaced a section of concrete that was raised from tree roots on Pennsylvania Ave and paved crosswalks that have been tripping hazards in the downtown area. An excavation for jump bike pads at Lighthouse Point was also started.







### **Facilities**

City Hall Annex work continues on the HVAC replacement project. A crane lifted new heat pumps to the platforms recently completed on the roof, and additional equipment was also moved to the roof. Existing HVAC equipment serving most of the first floor was decommissioned. New equipment is expected to be on-line by July 16. Equipment serving the rest of the first floor and half of the second floor will then be replaced, followed by the balance of the second floor. This incremental approach eliminates the need to have the entire building off-line for several months.



