

City Manager's Weekly Update

February 1, 2019

PUBLIC WORKS

Traffic Engineering/Community Relations

On January 24 the Downtown Commission approved the proposed Downtown Employee **Transportation Demand Management (TDM)** program. The TDM program is a package of benefits and incentives that make it easier for downtown employees to choose not to drive to work, which in turn reduces congestion, maximizes our existing parking resources, and helps to meet our Climate Action Plan goals. The recommendations made were based on two Downtown Employee Commute Surveys where employees were asked what type of transportation they would like to use, what would encourage them to shift how they travel, and what barriers they have to switching away from driving. The results of the two surveys and a program recommendation are planned to come to Council in February, with program rollout shortly thereafter—all a part of our **Go Santa Cruz** initiative.



Our **JUMP** bike share system launched a new Boost membership option last week. The Boost plan costs \$5 per month for 60 minutes of ride time per day and is available to anyone enrolled in the PG&E Care or CalFresh programs. See <https://jump.com/cities/santa-cruz/boost-plan/> for more information.



Street Smarts weekly tip addresses pedestrians. Check out the videos in the photo links below.



We posted one new story in our Santa Cruz Waves column: [HOW STREET SWEEPING HELPS MONTEREY BAY AND ALL OF SANTA CRUZ.](#)



Wastewater Treatment Facility

Our maintenance and electrical departments have been busy with routine work and service request repairs. Mechanics completed metal fabrication repair work and conveyor belt adjustments while electricians installed remote control switches for pumps at the Dissolved Air Floatation Thickener.



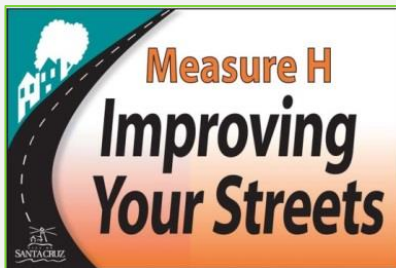
Engineering

The San Lorenzo River Parkway Phase III/Trestle Trail Project continues this week with forming and placing concrete for abutment number 1 wall (next to the Boardwalk). The Trestle Bridge

will be closed for the duration of the construction project. The project, funded by City of Santa Cruz, Measure D and a California Natural Resources Agency Grant, is widening the existing San Lorenzo River trestle walkway and is expected to conclude before this summer.



The Cedar Street Rehabilitation Project is on hold this week due to weather. The project, funded by Measure H tax dollars and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), will rehabilitate/reconstruct Cedar Street from Church to Laurel.



PARKS AND RECREATION

On Tuesday, January 29th, the Coastal Watershed Council (CWC) welcomed and introduced Parks & Recreation Director Tony Elliot and Parks Superintendent Travis Beck to the community. Greg Pepping, Executive Director of CWC, spoke about the unique partnerships and opportunities shared by Parks and CWC. Council members Chris Krohn and Drew Glover were in attendance as well as former Mayor and Assembly member John Laird.



Louden Nelson Community Center

On Wednesday, January 30, Moeko Iwamoto and Madoka Saika, two interns from the Shingu Delegation, joined our line dancers for an active morning of kickin' and steppin'. Both picked up the rhythm quickly!



The Walking Adventure Group headed out to Wilder Ranch State Park on Thursday, January 31, to hike the coast side trail and take in the natural beauty and thrill of waves crashing on the cliffs.



On Thursday, January 31, and Friday, February 1, Montessori School presents *Fairy Tale Frenzy* in the Auditorium at 7pm.

Median Crew

The median crew has been hard at work on chokers off of Mission Street and also at Cleveland and Laurel Street. These islands, installed by the Public Works Department, serve as traffic calming devices. Staff has weeded chipped and added a few new water-wise plants



LIBRARY

Free Tax Help at Aptos and Downtown Libraries •

Asistencia de Impuestos Gratis en Bibliotecas de Aptos y Downtown

Tax season is here once again. For links to state and federal tax forms, see our [Tax Forms and Information](#) page. Project SCOUT is also available for in-person help at a variety of [locations around the County](#). Project SCOUT will also be at two [library locations](#) throughout tax season.

El proyecto SCOUT y sus voluntarios ofrecen asistencia con preparación de impuestos y asesoría fiscal para residentes locales durante la temporada de impuestos del gobierno en [sitios ubicados por todo el condado de Santa Cruz](#). Ofrecen asistencia con preparación de impuestos a [dos bibliotecas](#) también. Voluntarios están capacitados por el personal del IRS y el Franchise Tax Board (impuestos de ingresos estatales) de California. Para los individuos discapacitados incapaz de llegar a los sitios de asistencia, tendrán voluntarios preparados para ayudar con preparación de impuestos en su domicilio.

[Aptos Library](#) - 7695 Soquel Dr., Aptos

Tuesdays/Martes 11:00AM - 1:00PM

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[Downtown Library](#) - 224 Church St., Santa Cruz

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For more information, call the Watsonville Office at 1-831-724-2606 or toll-free at 1-877-373-8297. Or visit the Project Scout Website: seniorscouncil.org/programs/projectscout



What To Bring

- Photo ID
- Social Security cards or ITIN for each person on your tax return
- W-2, 1099, 1098 forms for all jobs held in 2014
- Child care costs for 2014 and provider info
- A voided check for direct deposit (optional)
- Previous year's tax form (not required, but helpful)

Documentos Necessarios

- Identificación con foto
- Tarjeta de seguro social o número ITIN para cada persona en su declaración de impuestos
- Formas W-2, 1099, 1098 de todos los trabajos que tuvo en 2014
- Información del proveedor y costo total de cuidado de sus hijos
- Un cheque nulo para deposito directo (opcionales)
- Copia de sus impuestos del 2013 (opcionales, pero nos ayuda)

Becoming a Super Internet Searcher!

Learn to search the internet like a pro with help from Google Search Scientist, Dan Russell!

Saturday • February 9th

11:00am - 12:30pm

Downtown Library, 224 Church St.

In this FREE hands-on class, search experts from Google will help you learn the 10 key things you need to know to be a power

Google searcher. We'll touch on how to make an effective query, and do a survey of a few of the more useful features of Google search: Search-by-image, Google Maps, Books, and News.

