CITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER
From the Office of the City Manager

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Updates and information on programs and projects at the City of San Carlos.

City Manager

Multifamily Sustainability Workshop
The City of San Carlos and the San Mateo County Office of Sustainability hosted a workshop on Wednesday, October 23rd for multifamily property owners that focused on energy, water and waste saving programs. There were over 30 property owners in attendance representing a wide range of building sizes. Presentations from Recology, Peninsula Clean Energy, and the Bay Area Regional Energy Network informed property owners about programs and incentives available to them to update their buildings, reduce their environmental impact and save money. Property owners learned about State laws regarding composting and recycling, incentives from Peninsula Clean Energy to support electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and how to save up to $750 per unit on energy and water efficiency retrofits from the Bay Area Multifamily Building Enhancement Program.

If you were unable to attend the workshop but would like information visit BayAreaMultifamily.org.

Special Council Meeting to Address Planned Power Shutoffs
Join the City Council for a Special Meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., for a discussion of the recent PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoffs. The Council would like to hear from the community about how the shutoffs impacted you or your business. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you can share your input on Shape San Carlos at www.cityofsancarlos.org/shapesancarlos.
Administrative Services

Here are some quick updates from the Human Resource Division of the Administrative Services Department on recruitments to fill vacant positions at the City.

Open Recruitments
- Recreation Leader I (Youth Development) – Recruitment closes on November 3rd
- Senior Administrative Clerk (Community Development) – Recruitment closes on November 8th

New Hires
- Administrative Assistant (City Clerk Department) – New hire starts on November 12th
- Administrative Assistant (Administrative Services Department) – New hire starts on November 19th

City Clerk

Municipal Code Updates

Ordinance 1553 – Building Code Updates and Ordinance 1554 – Fire Code Updates

Questions related to these Ordinances may be directed to Chris Valley, Building Official at cvalley@cityofsancarlos.org.

Ordinance 1555 – Commission Updates
On October 28th, the City Council adopted Ordinance 1555 to update the Commissions Chapter in the Municipal Code to include a number of changes, including (but not limited to) the addition of alternate members, references to the Commissioners’ Handbook and composition of the Economic Development and Advisory Commission members.

Questions about this Ordinance may be directed to Crystal Mui, City Clerk, at cmui@cityofsancarlos.org.
Fire

Service Award Recognition
On October 28th the San Carlos Kiwanis Club honored San Carlos Fire Prevention Officer Daniel Noe with a service award for his work in fuels management and defensible space in our Parks and Public lands. In attendance with the Club were the Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Marshall and the members of the Fire Prevention Bureau.

Through Daniel’s efforts, we identified and cleared 40 acres of shaded fuel break.

CERT Program Update
October 12th marked the graduation of our new CERT Academy! Led by CERT Coordinator Jan Peterson, the group, comprised of amazing and knowledgeable individuals with a variety of different skill sets and experience, fully engaged in every aspect of the four-week training.

The curriculum included:
- Fire Safety and Suppression
- Disaster Preparedness
- Disaster Medical Operations
- Light Search and Rescue
- Disaster Psychology and Psychological First Aid
- Terrorism and CERT

This critical disaster response information coupled with hands-on exercises culminated in a ‘Skills Day’ assessment, with veteran CERT members assisting with the new member’s skills. Fire crews also reinforced safety precautions and techniques.

Spring CERT ACADEMY dates are April 14th - May 9th. There is currently a waiting list and the website will be open for registration beginning in February. In the meantime, all are welcome to attend the monthly CERT meetings and trainings:

- November 23: CERT training: Sandbagging Demonstration and Participation at San Carlos Corporate Yard led by San Carlos Public Works
- December 16: CERT participation in the Toy and Book Drive wrapping party at Red Morton Park in Redwood City

For more information about the CERT program and meetings please contact jpeterson@redwoodcity.org.
Parks & Recreation

Another Successful Goblin Walk in the Books
Last Friday, Parks and Recreation hosted our annual Goblin Walk on the 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Laurel Street. Nearly 40 businesses participated by handing out candy and other treats to children. Some merchants also chose to distribute coupons for a return visit to shop or dine at their businesses. All three blocks of Laurel Street were packed with costumed kids and adults. It was another great event this year in the City of Good (costumed) Living.

Police

PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff and Kincade Fire
Over the weekend of October 26th, residents in some areas of San Carlos lost power during PG&E's Public Safety Power Shutoff. A number of extra Sergeants and Deputies worked in the City of San Carlos during that time to conduct high visibility patrol and provide extra security. No issues arose as a result of PG&E's power shutoff event, and power has since been restored to all areas of the city.

The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office, including deputies from the San Carlos Bureau, have been providing around the clock mutual aid assistance to the Sonoma County Sheriff's Office in response to the Kincade Fire. For information on how you can support disaster victims, please visit the County of Sonoma's website (http://sonomacounty.ca.gov/Home/).

Arrest – Robbery, Probation Violation, Possession of Controlled Substance Paraphernalia
On October 23rd at approximately 9:30 p.m., deputies responded to Lucky’s Supermarket at 1133 Old County Road on the report of shoplifting. Deputies located the suspect a few blocks away from the store, and an investigation determined that the suspect used physical force against the store manager before fleeing with approximately $56 worth of merchandise. The suspect was on active probation, and deputies located drug paraphernalia on the suspect during the subsequent probation search. The suspect was arrested and booked into the Maguire Correctional Facility.