

ROLLING HILLS ESTATES

CITY MANAGER'S CORNER

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What's the Latest?

Please allow me this opportunity to provide an update on several of the City's long term projects as they continue to move forward as well as preview a number of upcoming events.

General Municipal Election

The City will hold a General Municipal Election on June 5, 2018 to elect two Members of the City Council and vote on Ballot Measure A, the Rolling Hills Estates Business License Transparency and Tax Equity Measure. This election will be consolidated with the Statewide Primary Election held on the same date.

For more information on the election, the candidates and/or the ballot measure please visit the City's elections page:

http://ci.rolling-hills-estates.ca.us/government/general-government/elections ...or www.RHE-MeasureA.com.

For voter registration information or other general countywide election information, please visit the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk website: www.lavote.net.

Public Works Improvements

The City is in the midst of its annual street resurfacing project. Areas included in this year's project are Silver Spur Road from about Kingspine Road to the south City limit and residential streets in the Harbor Sight neighborhood. There will also be some isolated street repairs in the Larga Vista neighborhood.

Over the summer, the City will undertake another street resurfacing project that includes a portion of Hawthorne Boulevard, from Palos Verdes Drive North the south City limit, and several residential streets, including Bluemound Road, Elmdale Drive, Kingspine Road, Rollingwood Drive and Latigo Lane.

The City also expects to undertake a project to repair and reline a large number of storm drains this year. This is the first in a four year plan to repair the most critical of the City's extensive storm drain system.

For more information please visit the City's project update page: http://ci.rolling-hills-estates.ca.us/Home/Components/News/News/650/419?backlist=%2f ...or contact Assistant City Manager Greg Grammer at (310) 377-1577.

California Water Service Pipeline Project

For the past ten years or so, California Water Service has been working on a new pipeline project to improve reliability and provide redundancy for emergency water needs throughout the Peninsula. A major portion of the project will run through Rolling Hills Estates from the pump station on Montecillo Drive at the east end of town all the way to Crenshaw Boulevard and up the hill from there through the County area and into Rancho Palos Verdes.

A major portion of the construction is expected to take place over this summer, and will involve rerouting of traffic on Palos Verdes Drive North during construction, including closure of the eastbound lane from Palos Verdes Drive East to Rolling Hills Road for several weeks.

The City's environmental review of the project is nearly complete. For more information please visit the project update page:

http://ci.rolling-hills-estates.ca.us/departments/planning/project-updates/pv-peninsula-water-reliability-project-pa-29-16

...or contact Planning Director David Wahba at (310) 377-1577.

General Plan Update

After appointing a General Plan Advisory Committee, undertaking review of the City's current General Plan and reviewing existing conditions, the City is now in the process of soliciting public input on provisions to incorporate into the updated General Plan. If you wish to provide input, or simply follow the process, please visit the City's General Plan Update page: https://rhegeneralplan.org/

...or contact the Planning Department at (310) 377-1577.

Coyote Management

The City continues to receive reports of coyote sightings within residential neighborhoods. While coyotes are naturally wary of humans, if fear is conditioned out of them, they can pose a threat to pets and very small children. The most effective way of dealing with coyotes is through aggressive hazing when confronted and ongoing property self-assessment to determine what attractants, such as overflowing garbage containers or pet food, may be bringing coyotes into the area.

The City is partnering with other Peninsula cities and Wildlife Watch to increase public awareness of the simple measures you can take to more effectively deal with coyotes, reinforce their natural fear and keep them wild. There will be a Peninsula-wide Wildlife Watch meeting on Wednesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m. at Fred Hesse Park in Rancho Palos Verdes. Subsequent trainings will be held at Rolling Hills Estates City Council Chambers, 4045 Palos Verdes Drive North, on Saturday, April 28, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Saturday May 5, Noon - 4:00 p.m.

For more information please visit the City's coyote management page: http://ci.rolling-hills-estates.ca.us/departments/public-safety/coyote-management ...or contact Assistant to the City Manager Alexa Davis at (310) 377-1577.

Clean Power Alliance

Rolling Hills Estates will be among the first among a growing number of cities to have the opportunity to obtain electrical power through the newly formed of Clean Power Alliance. This is a public agency not-for-profit consortium consisting of the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura, and cities throughout Southern California, that have joined together for the purpose of purchasing electrical power on the wholesale market to provide more sustainable energy and cost reductions to businesses and residents.

Businesses will come on-line beginning this summer while residences will be brought in early next year. There will be no discernable difference to the customer as SCE will continue to transmit the power over existing lines, bill customers as usual and maintain the infrastructure.

For more information please contact Senior Planner Jeannie Naughton at (310) 377-1577.

Community Events

During 2018, the City will be sponsoring several community special events including the Earth Day Celebration and Free Paper Shredding Event (April 18), Mayor's Breakfast Ride (May 5), Summer Movie Nights (June 7, July 5, August 2), the Palos Verdes Street Fair & Music Festival (June 8-10), the Tracy Austin Doubles Tennis Tournament (July 20-22), National Night Out (August 7), The Hills Are Alive Cross Country 5 & 10 K Runs (August 11), the Annual City Celebration (September 15), Peninsula Emergency Preparedness Expo (October 28), and the Palos Verdes Peninsula Parade of Lights (December 1).

For more information please visit the City's website at RollingHillsEstatesCa.gov or call City Hall at (310) 377-1577.

Keep in Touch

Look for more and easier ways to connect with the City, stay informed and get involved. If you have not done so already, be sure to connect with us through our E-Notify system, Facebook and Instagram. Also, stay tuned, we will soon be launching an opt-in Emergency Notification System whereby you can receive immediate alerts via text or email.