

City Manager's Update

Tuesday, March 29, 2016

Hello everyone!

In an effort to provide an update of important news and notes from this last week, the following report has been prepared. As always, please feel free to let me know if you have a question about any of the items contained in this update – I can be reached via email at ochi@ci.monrovia.ca.us!

And of course... all the best to you and yours as we continue through this week!

Best regards,
Oliver

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

What you do speaks so loudly that I cannot hear what you say.

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN THE PARK READY FOR CONSIDERATION

During the past few months, staff has been working to develop additional strategies for addressing the issue of homelessness and its impacts on both individuals and the community here in Monrovia. This assessment has built on the work that was coordinated by the Homelessness and Park Conduct Committee and the resulting set of new recommendations involves the following key components:

- **Purchase and install HD video surveillance cameras for every park and water facility in Monrovia**
 - Staff has been working for several months now to develop options for the purchase of HD video surveillance cameras for every park facility and water facility located in Monrovia. We plan on bringing the item before the City Council for consideration at our April 5, 2016 meeting.
- **Establish special Old Town Monrovia police patrols**
 - Staff is finishing the development of an Old Town special police patrol operation, in part to address the issues that have been raised regarding homelessness in our downtown core. These special patrols would alternate between bike patrols and utilization of our T3 Patroller electric standup vehicle, and the concept has been developed to provide a more visible law enforcement presence in Old Town. These special police patrols are anticipated to be operational within the next few weeks.
- **Enhance Park Ranger patrols of Old Town Monrovia**
 - Similar to establishing special Old Town police patrols, staff is also looking to enhance and make more visible our park ranger patrols of Library Park in Old Town. We currently utilize park rangers to patrol Library Park on the Friday evenings, and staff is assessing the viability of expanding the presence of our park ranger team to provide an additional presence in our downtown core.
- **Streamline City processes connecting those in need with homelessness service providers**

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- These past few weeks, our Community Services Division staff has been reassessing how we can better assist those experiencing conditions of homelessness. We have rearranged staffing responsibilities and have identified one staff liaison as being responsible for serving as a conduit to connect those in need with homelessness service providers. Moving ahead, we will continue to analyze ways we can better and more efficiently coordinate the provision of human services for those in need of assistance.

We plan on discussing our overall strategies with the City Council on April 5, 2016, and we will continue to assess the options available for addressing the complex issue homelessness. In the meantime, please feel free to let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

MEETING WITH LEVITT PAVILION REGARDING POTENTIAL CONCERT SERIES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM TO TAKE PLACE AT THE NEW STATION SQUARE BAND SHELL

Last week, staff met with Renee Bodie, the Executive Director of Levitt Pavilion of Greater Los Angeles & Pasadena. The City's discussion with Levitt Pavilion centered around the possibility of working together to design an initial concert series coordinated in partnership between the City and Levitt Pavilion to take place at the new band shell in Station Square. During the course of the discussion, a number of ideas were explored, and we are working together to develop an overall concert series option for consideration. We expect to have additional details regarding this unique opportunity ready for consideration in the next few weeks and will be sure to provide additional updates as more information becomes available.

Regarding the Levitt Pavilion of Greater Los Angeles & Pasadena, the organization is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was founded in 2007 to restore the historic band shell in MacArthur Park in Los Angeles and present 50 summer concerts annually. Over the years, the program expanded to Pasadena, where an additional 50 summer concerts are now held annually at Memorial Park. Admission to the concerts are always free, making live music and the arts accessible to all. In addition, the concerts feature a diverse lineup of artists from acclaimed emerging talent to seasoned award-winning performers.

MYRTLE / HUNTINGTON HOTEL PROJECT RFQ UPDATE

The closing date for submitting a response to the City's Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a hotel development opportunity at the southwest corner of Myrtle Avenue and Huntington Drive passed last week. Five firms submitted a qualifying response by the 2:00 p.m. deadline on March 24, 2016, including:

- Tharaldson Hospitality Development (THD)
- Singpoli Group
- Arbor Capital Group, Inc.
- CFT NV Developments, LLC
- CIBA Real Estate on behalf of Corinthian Development Company

Staff will be assessing in greater detail each of the responses received, and we anticipate coordinating a Study Session with the City Council on April 19, 2016, to review and analyze this overall project in greater detail. In the interim, please feel free to let me know if you should have any questions regarding this matter.

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MEETING WITH METRO LAST WEEK TO DISCUSS OPTIONS FOR EXPANDING THE PARKING STRUCTURE AT STATION SQUARE

Last week, staff met with key representatives from Metro to discuss the potential of expanding the parking structure at the Gold Line Station in Station Square. Based on our observations from the past few weeks, the parking structure (which has 350 parking spots) is already around 70% full during peak operating hours. In thinking through the overall situation down at Station Square – with housing, dining, and additional lifestyle / entertainment type uses planned – staff felt that it would be prudent to begin discussing potential options for expanding the number of available parking spaces in the area now, before the overall situation becomes problematic.

The initial discussion with Metro was positive and we are now working to identify the options available to expand the number of parking spaces in the Station Square area. We will continue assessing this overall situation and of course, we will be certain to keep everyone informed as to our progress.

STATION SQUARE TO OLD TOWN SHUTTLE SERVICE UPDATE

During the past three weeks, the City has been operating our new Station Square to Old Town Monrovia shuttle service operation. The program currently operates every Friday and Saturday evening from 5:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m., and passengers are transported via a point-to-point shuttle connecting the Gold Line Station at Station Square to Library Park in Old Town. In addition, the fee to ride the shuttle service is \$1.00, however, the shuttle service is **FREE** for those that present any METRO / Foothill Fare media (i.e. Tap Card, Pass, Transfer, etc.).

We were not sure exactly what to expect in terms of ridership levels, and we have been monitoring the service closely to determine usage levels. During the first three weeks of operation, we have been transporting on average around 60 – 70 passengers each week (when combining Friday and Saturday service levels), with around 70% – 80% of the total ridership volume occurring on Friday evenings.

We plan to continue operating the shuttle system in its current format for a few more months to better determine usage patterns, and if ridership levels indicate a need to adjust service levels, we will assess other operating models at that point in time. In the interim, we encourage everyone to look for the signs at both Station Square and the Library for pick-up and drop-off locations for the shuttle service.

NEW FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT ARRIVES, INCLUDING FIRE ENGINES, A COMMAND VEHICLE, AND SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS

Last week, the Fire Department received several pieces of brand new equipment which will soon be put in service to better serve the community. The largest and most complex pieces of equipment that arrived were two new fire engines that were delivered to Fire Station 102 for in-service training. These engines were manufactured by Kovatch Mobile Equipment (KME) and represent the first KME fire engines that have ever been acquired by Monrovia. Numerous local municipalities have used Kemps for years, and the apparatus were extremely well designed and constructed. All of the City's Fire Engineers were provided detailed training on the new Fire Engines, and over the next few weeks, all of the final configurations for the equipment will be completed.

In addition to the new fire engines, a new 2016 Dodge Ram 2500 outfitted as a Fire Department Command Vehicle was also delivered to the Fire Department. The new command vehicle is still being outfitted with equipment and decals, and should be put in service within the next several weeks. This updated command vehicle will be replacing a twelve year old SUV, and the new version includes dramatic improvements that provide different operational configurations to address various incidents depending on the size and complexity of individual situations.

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Finally, the Fire Department also received brand new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBAs). The new SCBA's will replace all of the City's existing Sperian SCBAs, which were deployed in Monrovia several years ago as part of a beta testing and evaluation process. Unfortunately, the Sperian SCBAs routinely experienced electronic glitches and other operational issues, and given those problems, all of our SCBAs are being replaced by Honeywell (which purchased Sperian a few years ago) at no cost to the City. All of our firefighters will be undergoing training during the next few weeks to familiarize our team with operating the new SCBAs, and once training is completed, the new equipment will be placed on all of the City's firefighting apparatus.

Attached below are pictures of the new fire engine, the new command vehicle, and the new SCBAs. Our team is looking forward to utilizing the new equipment to provide better service to Monrovia.



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METRO LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE PROVIDED REGARDING PROPOSED COUNTYWIDE SALES TAX INCREASE

Last week, Metro provided the City with an update of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), which outlines a number of proposed transportation and highway projects throughout Los Angeles County. In total, the plan includes \$120 billion of identified transit and highway projects.

To fund the projects identified in the LRTP, Metro is proposing a proposed countywide ½ cent sales tax increase that would last for the next 40 years, while also extending the currently approved Measure R tax measure for an additional 18 years. Taken together, the new sales tax measure and Measure R are proposed to be extended through 2057. Furthermore, the proposed ½ cent sales tax increase and the 18 year extension for Measure R are proposed to be put before the voters for consideration at the November 2016 general election.

Additional information regarding Metro's plan has been included below for your reference and consideration. Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

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Oliver Chi

From: Washington, Phillip A. <pwashington@metro.net>
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2016 4:43 PM
To: Washington, Phillip A.
Subject: Long Range Transportation Plan Progress Update March 2016

If you cannot view HTML in your email, [click here](#).



March 25, 2016

Dear Community Partners,

Yesterday, the Metro Board of Directors approved the release of Metro's draft expenditure plan for public review and input. The plan would be the foundation of a potential November ballot measure to fund a wide variety of transit and highway projects, roadway improvements, and pedestrian and bike paths that would be built across Los Angeles County over the next 40 to 50 years. Metro's bold plan to transform transportation is building not only for today, but for the next 100 years.

As Metro plans for future growth and transportation needs, it is imperative that we look at all mechanisms at our disposal to ensure the region's mobility needs are met. Working with our stakeholders, this expenditure plan brings us a step closer to defining what projects are needed and where the funding could come from to complete those projects.

The potential ballot measure (PBM) under consideration would ask voters to increase the countywide sales tax by a half cent for 40 years and continue the existing Measure R tax for an additional 18 years, both of which would run through 2057.

In addition to a 40-year plan, staff also put forth 45- and 50-year scenarios. Our recommendation is the 50-year plan to take a further look forward at how to plan and fund even more projects and programs. This bold plan means a modest investment by you and me. It amounts to five cents on a \$10 purchase, or about \$25 a year for the average resident to create transportation options that we will use for decades to come. This is significantly less than buying lunch or coffee once a week for a year. As an example, buying coffee once a week costs \$260 a year and eating fast food once a week can cost you \$420 a year.

I want everyone to envision what 40 years looks like in real time. Forty years ago air in the L.A. basin was brown and a serious health hazard, particularly for children and the aging.

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Now, our region's air is significantly improved. While we still have work to do, L.A. County is considered a national leader for its aggressive programs to cut air pollution. Among key efforts is what we are doing to develop a modern transportation network.

Twenty-five years ago, there was no rail in L.A. County and to some the idea of building rail seemed complicated and unnecessary. But with the recent opening of the Metro Gold Line Extension we now have nearly 100 miles of rail, with 6.6 more miles to come when the Expo Line Extension to Santa Monica opens May 20. Additionally, we have expanded our bus operations to address our growing county mobility demands.

Your tax dollars have done an amazing job of helping us develop transportation options for our region, not just by funding but by attracting major federal and state support. But, Measure R doesn't fully fund the projects needed in our region. The new expenditure plan is designed to fund those projects and even accelerate some of them.

What Projects Are Included in the Expenditure Plan?

The plan at metro.net/theplan is based on your input and outlines \$120 billion in transit and highway projects and a host of other improvements: nearly 40 major projects in 40 years, all across the county. Remember the changes that began 40 years ago to change our air quality? Think about subways and other rail lines that future generations can ride. Think about our region without them. I'm confident you will feel as I do, that we must be looking toward the future, if history is to judge us well.

The performance benefits of the plan include an increase of 80 million additional transit boardings per year or 3.2 billion additional riders during the 40-year period. Additionally, this will increase transit mode shares currently at 7 percent to a projected 20-30 percent share. That's impressive. And if that isn't enough to get people excited, the major projects outlined in the plan are estimated to reduce vehicle miles traveled by nearly five million daily and region-wide; reduce personal hours of delay on the road by 15 percent; and reduce daily hours of truck delay by 15 percent, resulting in greenhouse gas reductions of 4 percent.

Here's how the funding breaks down in the expenditure plan:

• New transit projects	35%
• New highway projects	17%
• Transit operations	20%
• City streets, bike and pedestrian connections, and other local improvements	16%
• Metro rail operations	5%
• Regional active transportation projects	2%
• Maintenance, modernization and safety improvements	2%
• Services for the disabled, and discounted fares for seniors and students	2%
• Regional rail	1%

How the Expenditure Plan Process Worked

Through our partnership with you, we have been able to develop a plan that most fairly and effectively addresses mobility in all parts of our region. The projects in the plan came from the county's nine sub-regions, and were evaluated based on the [Metro Board-approved performance metrics](#).

The criteria:

• Mobility – to relieve congestion	45%
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- Accessibility – to provide better access 17.5%
- Safety – to provide better personal and public safety 12.5%
- Economy – to grow economic benefits 12.5%
- Sustainability/Quality of Life – to enhance quality of life 12.5%

After evaluating the projects, staff also considered factors, such as current project status, costs, funding availability and equity in sequencing the projects.

While there's no perfect plan, we have put together a recommendation with a regional perspective, where everyone gets something, but no area gets everything. Our goal is to do the most good for the most people, as we approach our county's transportation renaissance.

We Need Your Voice

In April, Metro will hold 10 community meetings – one of them virtual – around Los Angeles County to answer questions and collect comments about the proposed expenditure plan and the PBM. Times and locations will be posted on metro.net/theplan. I hope you will attend at least one of these meetings and share your thoughts. If the meeting times and locations don't fit your schedule, please join us for our online meeting or our Telephone Town Halls in May.

Metro staff and members of the Metro Board will hold a series of Telephone Town Hall meetings, using innovative telephone and computer technology. Board members and senior staff will speak directly with members of the community, answer questions and solicit feedback on the proposed expenditure plan. We're hoping this technology makes it easy for you to connect with us from the comfort of your home. We'll release the Telephone Town Hall dates and instructions within the next couple of weeks and look forward to talking with you, person to person.

Rediscovering Gold, Crenshaw/LAX, Highways, Expo...and the future

Thanks to those of you who joined us on Saturday, March 5 to celebrate the opening of the [Metro Gold Line Extension](#). We're also celebrating the approach of the halfway mark on the Crenshaw/LAX project on May 7. Progress is underway on the I-5 widening between downtown L.A. and the Orange County Line. And, we look forward to the May 20 opening of the Expo Extension between Culver City and Santa Monica.

All of this is a great reminder that we have come a long way in a short time. But, we still have more to do, as we deliver the transportation network that Los Angeles County deserves.

We could not have achieved this without you and we hope you'll stay engaged, attend a community meeting, or join our Telephone Town Hall meetings.

I look forward to our continuing collaboration as we transform transportation – and our region – for the next 100 years.



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MONROVIA FIRE DEPARTMENT GRADUATES SEVENTEEN INDIVIDUALS THROUGH OUR MOST RECENT CERT CLASS OFFERING

On Saturday, March 19, 2016, the Monrovia Fire Department graduated our first Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class of 2016. Seventeen Monrovia residents completed the 24-hour course that culminated in a mass-casualty exercise based on a 6.7 magnitude earthquake on the Raymond Fault. Participants searched a two-story building and triaged, rescued, and treated fourteen victims complete with life-like injuries. This exercise allowed participants to practice their teamwork and tie together all of the concepts and skills they learned during the three-day long course.

Given their graduation, the seventeen individuals that complete the CERT program are now eligible to join Monrovia CERT as volunteers. These dedicated volunteers often participate in preparedness education, first aid booths, event support, and city disaster drills that further their training to support the City in the event of a disaster.

The mostly volunteer training team was complimented by the participants for being "wonderfully friendly." City staff that conducted the training were Fire Inspector Laura Bednar and Firefighter / Paramedic Nick Board. In addition, current Monrovia CERT volunteers Suzi Dobson, Pat Dunlap, Bruce Eckstrom, Mark Harvis, Annette Wilson, and Gordon Wilson also served as trainers.

Special thanks goes to Monrovia High School Math & Science Academy students, along with members of both the Claremont CERT team and Pomona Valley CERT team for playing the role of injured individuals! Additional appreciation must be given to the award-winning Area D Moulage Team, who provided realistic make-up for the injured individuals – many thanks to Brenda Hunemiller, Debbie McFall, and Mandy Wong! Finally, additional assistance for the final exercise was provided by Temple City's Bryan Ariizumi, Crescenta Valley CERT's Paul Dutton, and Monrovia CERT's Jenny Pappano and Carlos Parrague – many thanks for their help!

Hats off to our newly trained residents for their commitment to Monrovia's preparedness and resiliency! And for anyone else who is interested in participating as a CERT volunteer... the City plans on offering one additional class in 2016! Additional information will be forthcoming, for additional information, please email Suzi Dobson at sdobson@ci.monrovia.ca.us, or call the Fire Department at (626) 256-8181.



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MONROVIA HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP MEETING SET FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2016, WHERE YOU'LL HAVE A CHANCE TO TRY AND STUMP THE CITY HISTORIAN!

Do you fancy yourself as a bit of a Monrovia history buff? Have you ever wanted to try and stump the City Historian, Steve Baker, with a bit of trivia you know about Monrovia? Are you curious about joining the Monrovia Historical Museum?

Even if your answer is no to all three of the questions above, you'll want to make plans to visit the Monrovia Historical Museum (742 East Lemon Avenue) on Sunday, April 3, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.! At the meeting, individuals will have the chance to learn about becoming a member of the Monrovia Historical Museum, hear about the museum's plans for 2016, and have a chance to test your Monrovia historical knowledge by playing the game... "Stump Steve!"

The event is open to the entire community, and we hope that you will take the time to come on out and participate in what is sure to be a terrific community event!

INTERESTED IN ADOPTING A CHILD OR SERVING AS A FOSTER PARENT? THEN MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE ADOPTION AND FOSTER PARENT EXPO SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 9, 2016

Mayor Pro Tem Larry Spicer currently serves as the City's liaison to the Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services, and working collaboratively with multiple agencies, we are pleased to be able to share information regarding an upcoming Adoption and Foster Parent Expo.

For any family that may be interested in adopting a child or becoming a foster parent, the second Adoption and Foster Parent Expo coordinated through the LA Department of Children and Family Services, will be held on April 9, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Citrus College – Campus Center (1000 West Foothill Boulevard, Glendora).

There is a serious need for adoptive and foster care parents, and the statistics are somewhat startling:

- 400,540 children are currently in the United States foster care system...
 - ...and 104,236 are ready and waiting to be adopted
- California has approximately 55, 851 children in foster care...
 - ...and 13,178 are ready and waiting to be adopted
- In Los Angeles County, there are over 18,000 children living in foster care...
 - ...and nearly 500 are waiting for a loving family to adopt them
- If the child is over 8 years old, his / her chances of being adopted are getting worse every day
- The average child waiting to be adopted is 8 years old, has been in care for 4 years, and has experienced multiple moves during his / her short lifetime

Attached below is a flyer with additional information regarding the Adoption and Foster Parent Expo. If you need any further information please feel free to contact Mayor Pro Tem Spicer at (626) 419-5161.

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BE A HERO

Learn How to Become a Foster or Adoptive Parent or Weekend Host

**2nd Annual Foster Care & Adoption Expo
Saturday, April 9, 2016 11AM-1PM**

Citrus College-Campus Center
1000 West Foothill Blvd. Glendora CA
To RSVP call **(888) 811-1121**, to learn more visit
www.ShareYourHeartLA.org

Lunch will be provided

Interested in getting to know foster youth ages 9-17 in need of a weekend host or an adoptive family? Please join Kidsave for fun activities following the expo from 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm.

Orientation required before attending the Kidsave event-- available online every Wednesday at 7:00 pm or in-person following the expo at 1:00 pm.
RSVP: <http://www.kidsave.org/weekend-miracles-orientation/>

In Partnership With



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Buildings

AA...Automotive Annex	LH...Lecture Hall
AD...Administration	LI...Hayden Library
AN...Annex	LL...Lifelong Learning Center
AP...Adaptive Physical Education	LS...Life Science
AG...Aquatics	MA...Mathematics/Sciences
BF...Baseball Field (FLD 2)	MO...Maintenance/Operations
BK...Owl Bookshop	NB...North Bungalow
CC...Campus Center	P1...Portable #1
CI...Center for Innovation	P2...Portable #2
CP...Central Plant	P3...Portable #3
CS...Campus Safety	PA...Performing Arts Center
DT 1...Diesel Technology	PC...Professional Center
& DT 2 (formerly Tech G)	PE...Physical Education
ED...Educational Development Center(formerly Main Gym)
ES...Earth Science	PS...Physical Science
FH...Field House	RA...Recording Technology
FP...Football Practice Field (FLD 5)	RG...Reprographics (Print shop)
GH...Gate House	SB...South Bungalow
GI...Golf Instruction (FLD 1)	SF...Softball Field (FLD 3)
GR...Golf Driving Range	SC...Student Services
HH...Hayden Hall	ST...Stadium (FLD 4)
IC...Integrated Success Center	TC...Technology Center
IS...Information Systems	TD...Technician Development
LB...Liberal Arts/Business	TE...Technology Engineering
	TN...Tennis Courts
	VT...Video Technology
	WA...Warehouse / Purchasing

Services

Admissions and Records	SS	Food Service	CC
Associated Students	CC	Foster Kinship Office	IC
Athletics/Kinesiology	PE	Foundation	AD
Art and Coffee Bar	SS	Health Center	SS
Audivisual	LI	Health Sciences	PC
Auditorium	PA	Human Resources	AD
Board Room	AD	Information	SS
Box Office	PA	Instruction Office	AD
Bursar	AD	International Student Center	SS
Business Services	AD	Learning Center	ED
Cafeteria - Owl Café	CC	Little Theatre	PA
CellWORKs	LL	Noncredit Education	LL
Career Transfer Center	SS	Noncredit Matriculation	LL
Cashier	SS	Nursing	PC
Clery, Student Newspaper	TC	Outreach	SS
College Advancement	CI	Printing, Reprographics	RG
Community Education	LL	Public Information	AD
Computer Center	IS	Receiving	WA
Cosmetology	PC	Receiving, Bookstore	BK
Counseling and Advancement Center	SS	Safety Office	CS
Dental Assisting	P1	Student Affairs	CC
Disabled Students Center	SS	Student Employment Services	SS
Distance Education	CI	Student Services Office	SS
Esthetician	TC	Superintendent/President's Office	AD
EOP&S	SS	Swimming Pool	AO
External Relations	AD	Testing Center	ED
Facilities/Mental	AD	Transfer Center	SS
Faculty / Staff Lounge	CC	Veteran's Center	IC
Financial Aid	SS	Vocational Education Office	TE
Fitness Center	AP		
FLS Language Centres	P2		

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SCAG SET TO HOST A WORKSHOP TO DEVELOP A SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS NATIONAL MONUMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN ON APRIL 28, 2016

Last week, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) announced that they would be hosting a workshop to develop a "Monument Management Plan" for the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument. Pursuant to the executive order signed by President Obama declaring the San Gabriel Mountains a National Monument, a plan to manage the monument must be developed and implemented by the US Forest Service.

The workshop developed by SCAG will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2016, at the Azusa National Guard Armory (1351 West Sierra Madre Avenue, Azusa) from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The workshop will convene transportation agencies and other state and local stakeholders in a day-long discussion that will help inform the San Gabriel National Monument transportation component of the plan. Lunch will be provided, and the program will include guest speakers and panels related to this topic. For additional information, please contact Javiera Cartagena at cartagena@scag.ca.gov or (213) 236-1980.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SET TO HOST THE MONROVIA STATION BEER & MUSIC FESTIVAL ON APRIL 16, 2016 FROM 2:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Are you ready to experience music, craft beer, and the Gold Line all happening at the same time at Monrovia's very own Station Square?!?!?!?

The Monrovia Chamber of Commerce is hosting the **Monrovia Station Beer & Music Fest** on Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Station Square Park in Monrovia. The unique event will celebrate amazing craft beer and fantastic live music! Savor the art of craft brewing as you sample over 30+ beers from award winning breweries! Live music from Go Betty Go & the Delgado Brothers will keep you entertained for hours! And delicious food options from popular local vendors will be available too!

Get your tickets online today by visiting:

<https://tickets.beerfests.com/event/monrovia-station-beer-music-fest>

- VIP Admission \$55 (Early Entry 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)
- General Admission \$45 (2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)
- Designated Driver \$20 (2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)
- Admission the day of \$65 (if tickets are still available)

All proceeds will benefit the Monrovia Chamber of Commerce & Boys & Girls Club of the Foothills.

Make sure you get your tickets for this terrific event today! For questions, please call the Monrovia Chamber of Commerce at (626) 358-1159.

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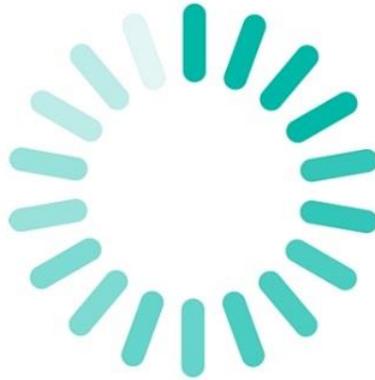
WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT SURVEY LAUNCHED, RESPONSES REQUESTED BY THE END OF THE MONTH

The City's website is often the first stop for those considering visiting, shopping, starting a business, or moving to Monrovia. It is our public counter that serves, engages, and informs the community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In an effort to ensure that everyone has a chance to share their input on how the City can make the website a more valuable and user-friendly resource, a staff committee has developed a Website Satisfaction Survey.

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Through the survey, we hope to gather data on the level of satisfaction that users have with our current website, the reasons that people visit the website, and suggestions on potential improvements. To share your input, please click on the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2WGMNK6>



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Take a moment to tell us
about our website



We hope you are able to take a few minutes to share your thoughts, and if you should have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to let Management Analyst Brittany Mello know – she can be reached at (626) 932-5571 or via email at bmello@ci.monrovia.ca.us.

REGISTER TODAY FOR THE 7TH ANNUAL MAP NEIGHBORHOOD CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 23, 2016

Registration is still open for those wishing to participate in the 7th Annual Monrovia Area Partnership (MAP) Neighborhood Conference! The event, which will take place on Saturday, April 23, 2016, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Monrovia Community Center, will be themed *Healthy Communities, Healthy Homes, Healthy People!* The event will feature 15 fantastic workshops for individuals to choose from, and the attached flier provides additional information on your options!

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Healthy Communities, Healthy Homes, Healthy People

7th Annual MAP Neighborhood Conference Saturday, April 23, 2016

9:30am—3:00pm
Monrovia Community Center
119 West Palm Avenue
Monrovia, CA 91016

Please register online, cityofmonrovia.org, or by using this form.

Free:
Workshops
Breakfast
Lunch
Community Health & Sustainability Fair
Childcare (6-13 years)

Register online at:
www.cityofmonrovia.org
626-932-5563

**Free Event Parking in
Old Town Monrovia**



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The Neighborhood Conference continues to serve as a platform to access and promote community resources, while encouraging civic participation and fostering community pride. Each year, the conference features exciting and hands-on 60 minute workshops covering material regarding community safety, City government, community resources, and ways to connect in the community. These workshops and activities have been designed for a diverse set of participants, which is why this Neighborhood Conference is the perfect day of casual training and networking for employees, volunteers, employers, board members and all residents looking to become more engaged in their communities and neighborhoods.

For more information, please feel free to call (626) 932-5563. And to register for the 7th Annual Neighborhood Conference, please click on the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/7th-annual-map-neighborhood-conference-registration-20261860771>

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PARTICIPATE IN THE LIBRARY'S READ, CONNECT, DISCOVER PROGRAM FOR A CHANCE TO WIN AN E-READER TABLET!

The Monrovia Public Library is serving as a pilot location for an adult reading program being coordinated with the group, California Center for the Book. The initiative, known as the *Read, Connect, Discover Adult Reading Program*, is an innovative new program that encourages adults to read in a variety of formats and genres in order to try new things, get involved, and engage with others in the community through reading.

Game cards are available at the Monrovia Public Library circulation and reference desks. Once a participant has completed five activities in a row, they will receive an incentive prize and will be entered into a drawing to win a free e-reader tablet! This fun and inspiring program is being operated from March – April, 2016, so stop by the Library and pick up your card today! For additional information, feel free to contact the Library at (626) 256-8274.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION BEING COORDINATED BY THE LA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT ON APRIL 9, 2016

Looking for something fun for your family to do to celebrate Earth Day? The LA County Sanitation District will be hosting their 10th Annual Earth Day Event, on Saturday, April 9, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at their District offices located at 1955 Workman Mill Road. There will be over 50 exhibits, earth-friendly arts / crafts, water reclamation plant / materials recovery facility tours, music /dance performances, face painting and much more! For further information, please see the flyer below, visit their website at www.lacsd.org, or call (565) 908-4288 x2311.

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SAVE THE DATE **CELEBRATING 10 YEARS**

Educational FUN for All Ages

Earth Day 2016

IT'S FREE!

- Over 50 green exhibitors
- Earth-friendly arts and crafts
- Water reclamation plant and materials recovery facility tours
- Music and dance performances
- Face painting and much more
- Bring your old shoes to donate to soles4souls.org

SATURDAY
April 9, 2016
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

SANITATION DISTRICTS' PARKING LOT
1955 Workman Mill Road
Whittier, California, 90601
(562)908-4288, Ext. 2311
www.lacsd.org

SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
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29TH ANNUAL MONROVIA ARBOR DAY CEREMONY SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 28, 2016

The 29th Annual Arbor Day Ceremony is scheduled to take place on Thursday, April 28, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. in Station Square Park, 1601 South Myrtle Avenue. The event, which is being hosted by the Youth Commission and the Teen Advisory Board, will include coordination with our Public Works team to determine the location and type of tree to be planted at the park that day. A representative from the L.A. Forestry Division has been invited to attend and present the annual Arbor Day Award.



City of Monrovia
Public Services Department

Youth Commission & Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
cordinally invite you to attend the

**ANNUAL ARBOR DAY
CEREMONY**

APRIL 28 · 4:00 pm
@ Station Square



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6TH ANNUAL FOUNTAIN TO THE FALLS RUN / WALK EVENT & YMCA HEALTH FAIR SCHEDULED FOR MAY 7, 2016

Get out your running shoes, because the 6th annual Fountain to the Falls Run / Walk is coming soon! The 6.38 mile out-and-back race, from the Library Park Fountain to the Canyon Park Waterfall, is being coordinated to take place on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at 7:00 a.m., in cooperation with the Santa Anita Family YMCA. This annual race will start at Monrovia Library Park (321 South Myrtle Avenue), and all registered participants will receive a t-shirt and participation ribbon. Medals will be awarded to the best time for male and female participants, and for first place through third place in each age category. Also, the race is limited to a maximum of 325 participants.

6TH ANNUAL CITY OF MONROVIA
Fountain to the Falls RUN/WALK
& YMCA FAMILY HEALTH FAIR
6.38 MILES (OUT & BACK) FROM LIBRARY PARK TO MONROVIA CANYON PARK WATERFALL

SATURDAY • MAY 7, 2016
CHECK-IN: 6:00 A.M. **RACE TIME:** 7:00 A.M.
LOCATION: LIBRARY PARK FOUNTAIN
321 SOUTH MYRTLE AVE., MONROVIA

REGISTRATION:
EARLY: NOW - MAY 4
FEE: \$35 PER REGISTRANT
RACE DAY: MAY 7
FEE: \$45 PER REGISTRANT

Registration will be accepted on the day of the event. Participants must show identification at check-in.
The race is limited to 325 participants. Early registration is available on-line only through the City of Monrovia web site at WWW.CITYOFMONROVIA.ORG.

HEALTH FAIR: 
YMCA Family Health Fair on Myrtle Avenue from 6:00 - 11:00 a.m. Join us for Fitness Booths, and much, much more!

VOLUNTEER:
Help along the race route as a volunteer, you'll receive a special volunteer shirt. Contact Lisa Hansberger (626) 256-8230 or lhansberger@ci.monrovia.ca.us.

QUESTIONS:
Please contact the Monrovia Community Center at (626) 256-8246.

AWARDS:
All registered participants will receive a t-shirt and participation ribbon. Medals will be awarded to the best time for male and female, and for first through third place in each age category.

FOOTHILLS TRAIL CHALLENGE 2016
The Fountain to the Falls Run/Walk is part of the Foothills Trail Challenge

Compete in all Three!
The Verdugo Mountains 10K (May 1),
Fountain to the Falls (May 7)
Mount Wilson Trial Run (May 28)

Receive a bonus
Foothills Trail Challenge t-shirt!

REGISTER TODAY AT WWW.CITYOFMONROVIA.ORG

Early registration (now through May 4) allows for a discounted registration fee of \$35, while event day registration is \$45 per participant. Registration is now available on-line at <https://cityofmonroviarecreation.org/>. Please note that registration will be accepted through May 7, 2016, or until the event hits 325 participants. For additional information, please contact the Public Services Department at (626) 256-8246.

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THE MONROVIA DAY PARADE IS BACK ON MAY 14, 2016, AND ACTIVITIES ARE PLANNED FROM MAY 13 – 15, 2016

Monrovia Day promises to be very special this year, because in addition to the activities we have come to enjoy as a community these past few years, the City and the School District have agreed to partner to bring back the Monrovia Days Parade! From May 13 – 15, 2016, events that will be taking place include:

- Friday, May 13, 2016 – Special activities are planned to take place Old Town Monrovia!
- Saturday, May 14, 2016 – Centre Stage, the City, and the School District will be partnering to present the Monrovia Days Community Parade & Festival in Old Town Monrovia!
- Sunday, May 15, 2016 – the Monrovia Days Music Festival will take place in Library Park!

Stay tuned for additional Monrovia Days information, and mark your calendars for May 13 -15, 2016, to celebrate Monrovia's 130th Birthday in style!

MONROVIA DAYS
MAY 13 - 15, 2016
Celebrating Monrovia's 130th Birthday

FREE FAMILY FUN

Friday, May 13
Special Activities In Old Town Monrovia
• Monrovia Street Fair - 5 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

CENTRE STAGE
Saturday, May 14
CENTRE STAGE PRESENTS
Community Festival | 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Brought to you in partnership with the City of Monrovia & the Monrovia Unified School District

• Pancake Breakfast • Live Entertainment • Carnival Games
• Bounce House, Slide, Rockwall • Classic Car Show • Friends of the Library Book Sale

For more information contact Centre Stage, Keely Milliken at 626.297.4758

Saturday, May 14
COMMUNITY PARADE 9 A.M.

Celebrating Monrovia's birthday and the youth of our community.
For more information contact the Public Services Department 626.256.8246

Sunday, May 15
Monrovia Days Music Festival In Library Park | 12 p.m. - 7 p.m.

• Live Music • Vendors • Local Merchants • Food Trucks • Kids Activities
For more information, check out MonroviaDaysMusicFestival.com and Facebook

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CITY OF MONROVIA
PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT 626.256.8246**

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ASSEMBLY MEMBER HOLDEN SET TO HOST AN INTERACTIVE TOWN HALL MEETING REGARDING THE STATE BUDGET ON MAY 21, 2016

Just a quick note... Assembly Member Holden will be hosting an Interactive Town Hall meeting on the State Budget on Saturday, May 21, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Alexander Hughes Community Center (1700 Danbury Road, Claremont). The event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be provided!

POLICE DEPARTMENT SEMI-WEEKLY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT

The most recent Police Department semi-weekly neighborhood watch report for the period March 21 – 23, 2016 has been uploaded to our website for your review and reference. During the past seven-day period, the Monrovia Police Department handled 415 service events, resulting in 93 total investigations. A link to access the most recent report can be accessed at by clicking on the following link:

<http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/police/page/semi-weekly-report>

That's it for this update, thanks so much for taking the time to read this report and I do hope you have a wonderful rest of the week!

Best regards,
Oliver

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