

City Managers Update

Thursday, June 11, 2015

Hello everyone!

I hope that this email finds you all doing well and enjoying this tremendously warm Southern California weather!

In an effort to provide an update of important news and notes from this past week, the following update 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 report – via email at ochi@ci.monrovia.ca.us!

-Oliver

CLOVERLEAF ACCESS POINT MEETING HELD WITH RESIDENTS

Last week, staff met with the Cloverleaf Access Point Working Committee at City Hall to discuss an overall workplan that would address concerns raised by neighbors living along Cloverleaf and Hidden Valley. The meeting went very well, and we were able to develop several strategies geared towards moving the process forward. Items that we discussed pursuing include:

- On-street parking restrictions
- New gates / access controls to allow for pedestrian use only at the Cloverleaf Access Point
- Enhanced city patrols
- Bike related concerns

During the next few weeks, staff will be following-up on the proposals that were developed, and we will be coordinating a walking tour with the working committee to further assess access related options at Cloverleaf. We will be certain to keep everyone informed as to any new developments that occur.

MAY 2015 WATER USAGE DOWN SIGNIFICANTLY!

We wanted to share that when it comes to meeting challenges, Monrovia has once again stepped up to the plate! With the current water use restrictions that have been enacted throughout the State, Monrovia has been directed to achieve a significant reduction in our 2015 water usage rates when compared with our 2013 water usage rates. Given that directive, we have been tracking our month-to-month water use much more closely than normal, and for May 2015, the City overall was able to reduce overall water usage by 19.8%, from 217.4 million gallons of water down to 174.4 million gallons of water! This equates to a reduction in water usage of 43 million gallons!

Moving forward, staff plans on bringing forward for City Council consideration an amendment to our current water conservation plan at our June 16, 2015 meeting. In addition, we are also here in the City working to replace irrigation valves throughout all of our facilities, cutting back on our watering times for public parks, and developing new landscaping plans throughout the City with new planting palates based on xeriscaping principles.

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FOOTHILL GOLD LINE STATION DEDICATION SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED

Just a quick note to share with everyone the dates and times that the Foothill Gold Line has established for Station Dedications throughout the Phase II project corridor. Of particular note, Monrovia's Station Dedication has been set to take place on Saturday, September 12, 2015, at 10 a.m. Furthermore, additional details regarding the dedications will be provided as we get closer to each event.

- **Duarte/City of Hope Station**
 - Saturday, August 15, 2015
 - 10:00 am

- **Arcadia Station**
 - Saturday, August 22, 2015
 - 10:00 am

- **Irwindale Station**
 - Friday, August 28, 2015
 - 5:00 pm

- **Monrovia Station**
 - Saturday, September 12, 2015
 - 10:00 am

- **Azusa Stations (Downtown and APU/Citrus)**
 - Saturday, September 19, 2015
 - 10:00 am

YES PROGRAM UPDATE

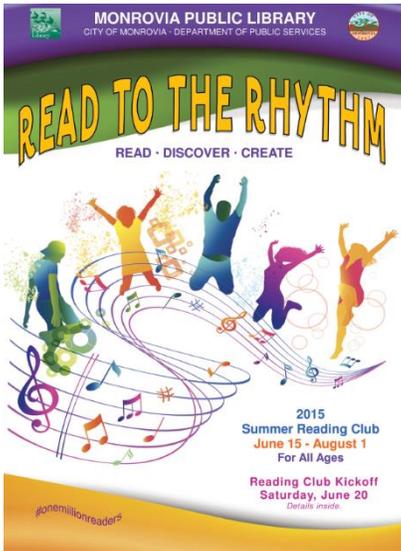
Last week, the City held an orientation session for our YES Program participants. The YES Program is a joint City-School District-YMCA initiative aimed at providing youth employment and mentoring opportunities for Monrovia Unified School District students. In total, we had 13 youth who were accepted into the program; however, four of those individuals have dropped out. We have reached out to other individuals who applied to see if any of the other eligible students who expressed an interest in YES are available to participate. We have received an acceptance from 3 of those eligible students. The program is scheduled to get kicked off in a few weeks, and we are looking forward to another great session!

WATERFALL TRAIL INACCESSIBLE OVER PAST WEEKEND DUE TO COLLAPSED OAK TREE

This past Friday, an Oak Tree on one of the steep embankments leading to the waterfall in Canyon Park fell. Eugene Suk and our Parks Team did a great job of responding to the issue; however, given the embankment and position of the tree, we needed to bring in West Coast Arborist in order to safely remove the fallen tree. We were unable to get the tree removed to reopen the waterfall in time for the weekend, however, we did cone off the trail head leading to the waterfall, and we also put caution tape up to warn hikers of the trail impediment. Our team also arranged to have a Park Ranger staffed at the trail head to provide customer service for those who try to enter, and our staff at the Canyon Park kiosk stood alerting patrons of

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the unfortunate situation on our trail. The tree was removed on Monday, June 8, 2015, and if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.



LIBRARY COORDINATES START OF THE 2015 SUMMER READING CLUB KICKOFF WITH A READ TO THE RHYTHM EVENT SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2015

To help kick-off our 2015 Summer Reading Club, our tremendous staff at the Library has coordinated an entire day of fun on Saturday, June 20, 2015. Starting at 12 p.m. at Library Park, there will be events held throughout the day to highlight our summer reading program. For more information, please contact the Monrovia Public Library at 626-256-8274.

SCAG'S 2015 PROFILE FOR THE CITY OF MONROVIA

A profile of the City of Monrovia prepared by SCAG has been updated on SCAG's website. Please go to <http://www.scag.ca.gov/> for all the details.

ASSEMBLYMEMBER HOLDEN SET TO HOST A WATER CONSERVATION COMMUNITY MEETING ON THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015 IN PASADENA

Assemblymember Holden is hosting a water conservation community meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2015 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Kidspace Children's Museum (480 North Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena). In addition to learning about water conservation programs, every guest that attends the event will also receive a family of four pass to visit the Kidspace Children's Museum! To attend, please RSVP by June 19, 2015 by calling (626) 351-1917, or sending an email to assemblymember.holden@assembly.ca.gov.

OVERVIEW OF REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANS AND SB 375 PROVIDED BY SCAG

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is inviting local jurisdictions and the public to provide input on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) at a series of open house meetings throughout Los Angeles County. RTPs were borne out of approval of SB 375 by the California State Legislature, and one of the outreach meetings has been scheduled to take place here in Monrovia. The event is scheduled for June 29, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Monrovia Community Center – Senior Game Room (119 W. Palm Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016). For more information on this please go to <http://scagrtpscscs.net/Pages/default.aspx>.

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That's it for this update. I do hope you have a terrific rest of the week!

Best regards,
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