

# City Manager's Update

Tuesday, November 22, 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](mailto:ochi@ci.monrovia.ca.us)!

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

Best regards,  
Oliver

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And now... on to this week's update!

## **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*You make a living by what you get; you make a life by what you give.*  
– Winston Churchill

## **NEW TRAFFIC SIGNALS PROPOSED ON Foothill Boulevard at California Avenue and Sunset Place**

During the past several months, staff has been working to execute the completion of a Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) grant project that involves the redesign and construction of three new pieces of traffic control infrastructure, including:

- Installation of a new traffic signal at Huntington Drive and Fifth Avenue
- Installation of a pedestrian crossing signal at Foothill Boulevard / Sunset Place
- Installation of a pedestrian crossing signal at Foothill Boulevard / California Avenue

Initially, our plan was to replace the existing pedestrian light on Foothill Boulevard at California Avenue, while installing a new pedestrian crossing light on Foothill Boulevard at Sunset Place. However, as we have coordinated the engineering work for both locations, our team has surmised that installing two new traffic signals on Foothill Boulevard at Sunset Place and at California Avenue would be a preferred alternative. This updated recommendation has been developed based on concerns that a pedestrian crossing signal will not adequately manage cross-traffic situations at both locations, which are highlighted in the maps below:

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Proposed Traffic Signal at Foothill Boulevard / Sunset Place



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## Proposed Traffic Signal at Foothill Boulevard / California Avenue



Based on the engineering review that has been performed, our engineering team is now designing the improvements on Foothill Boulevard to include new traffic signals at Sunset Place and at California Avenue. We hope to be done with our current engineering work within the next few months and be ready to interface with CalTrans regarding implementing the proposed improvements by the middle-part of 2017.

## **HOLIDAY PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS SEMINAR (“DON’T LET THE GRINCH RUIN CHRISTMAS!”) COORDINATED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, SET TO TAKE PLACE ON DECEMBER 8, 2016, FROM 7:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M. IN THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM**

During the past year, public safety concerns in Monrovia have become more pressing as the City has, during 2016, seen an approximate 20% increase in crime activity when compared with last year. There are a variety of reasons for this increase, and as our Police Department has analyzed the data, part of the reason for the increase in crime is because of new laws that have been adopted in California. Those new laws include AB 109 and Proposition 47, and with Proposition 57 having recently been approved, an additional 10,000 incarcerated individuals will be released from prison during the next few months, which could further negatively impact crime rates.

Given the approaching holiday season, and given the increase in criminal activity, the City has developed a public safety tips event for the public that we hope you'll participate in! The Monrovia Police Department will be leading the discussion, which has been dubbed, “Don’t Let the Grinch Ruin Christmas!”

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The special event will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2016, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Library (321 South Myrtle Avenue). At the event, representatives from the Monrovia Police Department will run through different ways that you can stay safe, especially during the holiday season! In addition... we'll have a variety of terrific special prizes that will be raffled off to event participants!

We know that there are a lot of demands on your time, especially during the holiday season! However, we hope that you will take an hour of your day to come and hear about public safety issues occurring in Monrovia and ways that you can stay safe!



MONROVIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

# DON'T LET THE GRINCH RUIN Christmas!

A HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS EVENT

DECEMBER 8, 2016  
LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM  
321 SOUTH MYRTLE AVENUE  
7 PM - 8 PM



*Join us to win raffle prizes!*

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## **NEW EXCLUSIVE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SUPPLY PURCHASE PROGRAM DEVELOPED FOR MONROVIA RESIDENTS, OPPORTUNITY TO SAVE 10% ON THE PURCHASE OF GENERATORS AND OTHER EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SUPPLIES**

During the past several months, staff has been working to leverage existing vendor relationships to develop a program whereby Monrovia residents could have an opportunity to save money on the purchase of higher-cost emergency preparedness supplies (such as generators), along with typical emergency preparedness supplies. This program was developed at the request of Mayor Pro Tem Blackburn, and we are excited to announce that the Monrovia Fire Department has been able to develop two new partnership opportunities that will allow Monrovia residents the chance to save 10% on any purchase of emergency supplies!

The special pricing will be available to Monrovia residents through April 30, 2017, and details related to the two new opportunities include:

- **Generator Savings Coupon – 10% Off & Free Shipping!**
  - The City has established a special partnership with **Super Gen Products** that will allow residents to purchase generators at 10% off the normal price, and receive free shipping!
  - To participate...
    - Visit [www.supergenproducts.com](http://www.supergenproducts.com)
    - When you checkout, enter the promo code: **MONROVIA**
    - You will receive 10% off your order, and shipping will be free!
  - The attached Generator Savings Coupon flyer includes additional information regarding the program
  
- **Emergency Preparedness Savings Coupon – 10% Off!**
  - The City has also established a special partnership with **SOS Survival Products** that will allow residents to purchase disaster preparedness products at 10% off the normal price!
  - To participate...
    - Visit [www.sosproducts.com](http://www.sosproducts.com)
    - When you checkout, enter the promo code: **HC02591M**
    - You will receive 10% off your order!
  - The attached Disaster Preparedness Coupon flyer includes additional information regarding the program

If anyone has questions regarding this new program developed by the City, please feel free to contact the Monrovia Fire Department at (626) 256-8181!

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**DISASTER PREPAREDNESS  
ARE YOU READY?**



**SUPERGEN  
PRODUCTS.COM**



**SAVE 10%  
PLUS FREE SHIPPING**

**Now until April 30th, 2017**

**Super Gen Products** is partnering with **Monrovia Fire & Rescue's Disaster Preparedness Division** to help provide generators for the residents of Monrovia.

Visit [supergenproducts.com](http://supergenproducts.com) and use promo code: **MONROVIA**

For further information contact:

Monrovia Fire & Rescue

141 E. Lemon Ave., Monrovia CA 91016 (626) 256-8181



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## **ADDITIONAL PROACTIVE CODE ENFORCEMENT PARTNERSHIP OUTREACH SET TO OCCUR IN OLD TOWN, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF SET TO PERFORM INVENTORY OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES BEGINNING WEEK OF JANUARY 4, 2017**

A few months ago, staff began working with our Old Town business community in a joint effort to maintain and improve the unique appearance of our downtown core. That effort began with an assessment of all Old Town businesses with regard to the following matters:

- Outdoor displays
- Outdoors signs / banners
- Outdoor dining locations

In an effort to continue this review, during this past week, staff notified Old Town Business Owners that we would be working with businesses to ensure that all necessary City reviews and permits have been satisfied, and that we will certainly be assisting any business owner who may require an update of their records.

In an effort to notify everyone about this upcoming work, which is scheduled to begin in January 2017, we distributed a letter to all Old Town business owners last week to advise everyone about this upcoming review. A copy of the letter has been included as an attachment to this email for your review and reference.

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City of MONROVIA

1887



(Business Owner Name)  
(Business Name)  
(Business Address)  
Monrovia, CA 91016

November 15, 2016

Dear Old Town Business Owners:

Recently, representatives from the Neighborhood Preservation and Planning Division performed an inventory of specific business activities that were addressed in the letter sent to all Old Town Business Owners on October 3, 2016. These activities included:

- ✓ Outdoor displays
- ✓ Outdoor signs or banners
- ✓ Outdoor dining

While taking inventory, we observed numerous outdoor dining, displays, signs and banners that have not been through the approval and/or permit process set forth by the Monrovia Municipal Code (MMC), which states in part as follows:

- ✓ Section 17.44.112 (A-B) MMC "Outside merchandise display. The Development Review Committee shall review all requests and approve, approve with conditions or deny all outdoor merchandise display permits and the required insurance shall be submitted as part of the yearly renewal.
- ✓ Section 17.28.100 (E) (2) (a-j) MMC "Sidewalk signs. The Development Review Committee shall review all requests and approve, approve with conditions or deny all sidewalk sign permits and the required insurance shall be submitted naming the city as an additional insured"
- ✓ Section 17.44.115 (C-E) MMC "Outdoor dining. The Development Review Committee shall review all requests and approve, approve with conditions or deny all outdoor dining permits and the required insurance shall be submitted as part of the yearly renewal."
- ✓ A-frame signs are defined in our Municipal Code as "a structure, with two sign faces, forming the shape of the letter "A." and are not allowed. (MMC 17.28.100 (2) (K))

If any of the above activities are occurring at your business and if you have not already done so, please contact our office to verify current approval, encroachment permit and/or insurance on file.

- ❖ Contact the **Planning Division** at (626) 932-5534 for information on the approval process and required permits for outdoor displays, signs and dining, and changes to the exterior of the building, also find enclosed brochure regarding Old Town Signage.
- ❖ Contact the **Building Division** at (626) 932-5581 for information on the permit process for tenant improvements and alterations to the interior of buildings.

(Please see reverse)

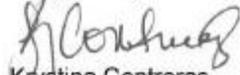
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In support of our efforts in continuing to keep Monrovia's Old Town a premier place to live, work and play starting **January 4, 2017**, Krystina Contreras, Code Enforcement Officer, will work individually with business owners who may need assistance through the approval and/or permit process or who may require an update of their records.

Thank you for your continued business in the City of Monrovia. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact Krystina Contreras at (626) 932-5533.

Respectfully,



Krystina Contreras  
Code Enforcement Officer

## **RECORD NUMBER OF LOCAL TAXES AND BONDS APPROVED BY VOTERS ON ELECTION NIGHT**

This past week, Michael Coleman, principal fiscal policy advisor to the League of California Cities, published a review of local revenue measures that were considered during our most recent election. In total, California approved a record number of local taxes and bonds, as voters authorized over \$32 billion in facility bonds, including \$23 billion in school construction bonds and \$7.2 billion in transit and other local public facility improvements.

Mr. Coleman in his release of the report quoted local measure experts Fairbank Maslin, Mullin and Metz, who wrote: "Voters see these local measures as effective mechanisms for addressing key issues, needs and concerns that they feel are going unmet or underfunded. Our research consistently shows that across California in a wide range of communities the public has a strong desire to invest locally, be it improving roads, transportation systems and infrastructure, building homeless shelters, repairing and upgrading neighborhood schools, or taxing marijuana sales to fund vital local services. Unlike voting for a candidate or a statewide ballot proposition that would implement a new policy, local ballot measures provide voters with a tangible way to get something done where they live." A copy of the report that was produced can be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/citymanagersoffice/page/administration>

## **MEETING WITH METRO STAFF TO DISCUSS JOINT USE PARKING AGREEMENT GOES WELL**

This past week, staff met with representatives from Metro to further discuss a proposed joint-use parking agreement for use of the Monrovia Metro Parking Structure in the evenings and on weekends. The conversation was very positive, and we will be developing further details in partnership with Metro during the next several months. Based on our conversation, Metro staff believes that the overall joint use parking agreement should be ready for review in February / March 2017, and we will be certain to keep everyone informed about our progress moving forward!

## **MONROVIA IS THE PLACE TO BE FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES SET TO TAKE PLACE THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2016!**

Monrovia is a truly special community, distinct and different from all of the other places located throughout Southern California, and the holiday season really helps to illustrate part of the reason why! There are so many different things happening throughout town, and there are quite a few update items included in this report with details related to holiday events! In an effort to help everyone get a handle on the things that are occurring, a quick listing of key community holiday events has been compiled and includes the following:

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## **Foothill Unity Center Thanksgiving Food Distribution Set for November 21 & 22, 2016**

- Thanksgiving food distribution events will take place on November 21 & 22, 2016
  - November 21, 2016, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
    - LA County Arboretum (Ayers Hall)
  - November 22, 2016 – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
    - Foothill Unity Center (415 West Chestnut Avenue, Monrovia)
  - For more information, please visit [www.foothillunitycenter.org](http://www.foothillunitycenter.org), or call (626) 358-3486

## **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony & Holiday Parade Event Scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2016**

- Tree Lighting Ceremony in Library Park starts at 6:00 p.m.
- Holiday Parade along Myrtle Avenue starts at 7:00 p.m.
- Event theme – *Historic Holiday: A Community Celebration*

## **Monrovia Holiday Home Decorating Contest**

- Applications now available for those interested in participating
- 12 award categories for participants
- Contest judging will take place on December 5, 2016
- Award winners announced on December 6, 2016
- Call (626) 256-8246 for more information

## **Key Holiday Events in Old Town Monrovia!**

- November 25, 2016 – Black Friday & Spark of Love Toy Drive, Santa Will Be in Old Town
- November 26, 2016 – Small Business Saturday & Spark of Love Toy Drive Event
- December 3, 2016 – Breakfast with Santa
  - 8:00 a.m. – Peach Café
  - 9:30 a.m. – Jake's Roadhouse
  - 11:00 a.m. – Community Center
- December 10, 2016 – Breakfast with Santa
  - 9:30 a.m. – Jake's Roadhouse
  - 10:15 a.m. – Myrtle Tree Café
  - 11:00 a.m. – Rudy's Mexican Restaurant
- December 17, 2016 – Breakfast with Santa
  - 8:00 a.m. – Peach Café
  - 9:00 a.m. – Monrovia
  - 10:15 a.m. – Jake's Roadhouse
  - 11:00 a.m. – Rudy's Mexican Restaurant
- December 17, 2016 – Photos with Santa
  - 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Dollmaker's Kattywompus
- New Year's Eve On Myrtle Avenue
  - Saturday, December 31, 2016, in Old Town from 6:00 p.m. – 1 a.m.

## **Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides in Old Town Throughout December 2016!**

- Sundays in December from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
  - December 4, 11, & 18
- Thursdays in December from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
  - December 8, 15, & 22

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## **Santa Tours Throughout Monrovia Set for Week of December 12!**

- The ever popular Santa Tours are set to take place during the week of December 12, when Santa Claus will be driving down every street in Monrovia!
  - Monday, December 12, 2016
    - City streets south of Huntington Drive, west of Myrtle Avenue to Fifth Avenue, North of southern City boundaries. Includes Valley Circle.
  - Tuesday, December 13, 2016
    - City streets east of Myrtle Avenue and North of Foothill Boulevard.
  - Wednesday, December 14, 2016
    - City streets west of Myrtle Avenue and North of Foothill Boulevard.
  - Thursday, December 15, 2016
    - City streets east of Myrtle Avenue, south of Foothill Boulevard, north of Duarte Road, from the western to the eastern City boundaries.
  - Friday, December 16, 2016
    - City streets west of Myrtle Avenue, south of Foothill Boulevard to Huntington Drive, between Myrtle Avenue and Fifth Avenue

This quick listing provides just a snap-shot of all of the amazing events planned during the holiday season, and we are looking forward to celebrating with everyone as we prepare for Thanksgiving and get ready to welcome Christmas and the New Year!

## **FOOTHILL UNITY CENTER'S THANKSGIVING FOOD DISTRIBUTION 2016 SET TO TAKE PLACE ON NOVEMBER 21 & 22, 2016, CITY ASSISTING BY PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

The City is proud to be partnering with the Foothill Unity Center for their annual Thanksgiving Food Distribution Events! This year's events will take place on the following dates and times:

- Monday, November 21, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Ayers Hall in the Los Angeles County Arboretum
- Tuesday, November 22, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Foothill Unity Center here in Monrovia

To assist with this terrific event and cause, the City will be providing transportation for families to and from the Thanksgiving food distribution events through our Monrovia Transit program. The Foothill Unity Center will be developing food baskets to hand out to "pre-qualified" low-income families to help spread some holiday cheer throughout the community.

To find out more about these events, or to volunteer for next month's Holiday Food and Gift Distribution program coordinated by the Foothill Unit Center, please visit [www.foothillunitycenter.org](http://www.foothillunitycenter.org), or call (626) 358-3486.

## **HOLIDAY PARADE AND CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016**

Can you believe that the holiday season is right around the corner?!?! To help celebrate this special time of the year, the City has scheduled the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and Holiday Parade to take place on Thursday, December 1, 2016! The evening is set to begin at 6:00 p.m. with the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in Library Park (321 South Myrtle Avenue). Make plans to come out that evening and see the new festive holiday decorations that the City has planned for this very special event!

Following the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, the City's Holiday Parade will begin at 7:00 p.m. The parade theme for this year is "A Historic Holiday", honoring this year's Grand Marshals, the Monrovia Historic Preservation Group, for all their great work towards historic preservation, and the development of the Neighborhood Compatibility Program. The parade is

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sponsored by the Monrovia Old Town Merchants, and will travel north on Myrtle Avenue from Chestnut Avenue to Palm Avenue. Come join us as Monrovia kicks off the holiday season!

**ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING AND HOLIDAY PARADE SET TO TAKE PLACE ON DECEMBER 1, 2016 – PARADE GRAND MARSHAL WILL BE THE MONROVIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION GROUP (MOHPG) AND THE PARADE THEME WILL BE HISTORIC HOLIDAY: A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!**

Can you believe that the holiday season is here and upon us? As is our tradition here in Monrovia, we will be kicking off the festivities on **Thursday, December 1, 2016, with the Annual Tree Lighting and Holiday Parade event!**

As you may recall, each year leading up to the event, the City selects a parade theme and a Grand Marshal for the event. This year, Monrovia will celebrate our past by having a *Historic Holiday* themed parade! In addition, we are pleased to be able to share that we have selected the Monrovia Historic Preservation Group as the 2016 Parade Grand Marshal!

This theme was selected to celebrate all of the great work MOHPG has done during the past 1+ year to lead the neighborhood compatibility / historic preservation charge! MOHPG was a big part of starting the historic preservation and neighborhood compatibility conversation in Monrovia, and the group certainly contributed to finding a smart solution. The Monrovia Historic Preservation Group mission is to be entrusted with Monrovia's heritage through preservation, education, and community involvement, and the work that they have done is truly a cause worthy of celebration!

Looking forward to December 1, 2016, and our *Historic Holiday Community Celebration!*

**HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST IS HERE – APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE!**

The very popular annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest, sponsored by the City of Monrovia, is here! As part of the program, residents who decorate their homes for the Holiday Season have the chance to be recognized by the City in several decoration categories!

Applications for the Holiday Home Decorating Contest are now available and can be obtained at the Monrovia Community Center or on the City's website at [www.cityofmonrovia.org](http://www.cityofmonrovia.org). The contest judging will take place on Monday, December 5, 2016, and award winners will be recognized during the City Council meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, at City Hall in Council Chambers.

The 12 categories that will be judged as part of the contest includes:

- Best Still Display
- Best Outdoor Display
- Best Decorated Outdoor Tree
- Best Window Display
- Holiday Spirit Award
- Most Effective Use of Lighting a house
- Toyland Award
- Children's Choice Award
- Best Neighborhood Effort
- Snowman Award
- Judges Award
- Tim McKeehan "Best of Season" Award

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For additional information, please contact the Department of Public Services at (626) 256-8246. We can't wait to see the decorations this year!

## **OLD TOWN ADVERTISEMENT HIGHLIGHTS SPECIAL EVENTS SET TO OCCUR IN DOWNTOWN MONROVIA!**

There are many festive activities and happenings occurring in Old Town Monrovia this holiday season! From the ever popular Breakfast with Santa event to holiday carolers spreading good cheer, Old Town Monrovia has it all for the holidays! To help outline and highlight key special events in Old Town, a Holiday Calendar was created in partnership with MOTAB to provide the community with detailed information! The Holiday Calendar will be run as an advertisement in both the Pasadena Star News and the Monrovia Weekly during the first week of December and the week before Christmas.

An overview of the key events highlighted in the Holiday Calendar includes the following:

- Black Friday & Small Business Saturday!
  - November 25, 2016 – Black Friday & Spark of Love Toy Drive, Santa Will Be in Old Town
  - November 26, 2016 – Small Business Saturday & Spark of Love Toy Drive Event
- Tree Lighting & Historic Holiday Parade Event!
  - December 1, 2016 – Tree Lighting event begins at 6:00 p.m. while the Historic Holiday Parade is set to start at 7:00 p.m.
- Breakfast with Santa in Old Town!
  - December 3, 2016
    - 8:00 a.m. – Peach Café
    - 9:30 a.m. – Jake's Roadhouse
    - 11:00 a.m. – Community Center
  - December 10, 2016
    - 9:30 a.m. – Jake's Roadhouse
    - 10:15 a.m. – Myrtle Tree Café
    - 11:00 a.m. – Rudy's Mexican Restaurant
  - December 17, 2016
    - 8:00 a.m. – Peach Café
    - 9:00 a.m. – Monrovia
    - 10:15 a.m. – Jake's Roadhouse
    - 11:00 a.m. – Rudy's Mexican Restaurant
- Carolers & Holiday Music in Old Town!
  - Set to occur all throughout December, see the attached Holiday Calendar for specific dates / times!
- Free Photos with Santa!
  - December 17, 2016, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. – Dollmaker's Kattywompus
- New Year's Eve On Myrtle Avenue!
  - Saturday December 31, 2016 in Old Town from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

We can't wait to celebrate the holiday season with you here in Monrovia!

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OLD ❖ TOWN  
MONROVIA

*Happy Holidays*

WINTER 2016 EVENTS CALENDAR

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## NOVEMBER

### BLACK FRIDAY & SPARK OF LOVE TOY DRIVE

Friday Nov 25 11am - Santa Arrives

### SHOP SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY & SPARK OF LOVE TOY DRIVE

Saturday Nov 26 Old Town



### FREE KID'S CRAFT IN OLD TOWN

Monday Dec 5 - 12 - 19 12-3pm  
Saturday Dec 3 - 10 - 17 10am-12pm

### FREE GIFT WRAP STATIONS IN OLD TOWN

Saturday Dec 10 12pm-3pm  
Saturday Dec 17 10am-12pm

### HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDES (\$2 PER PERSON):

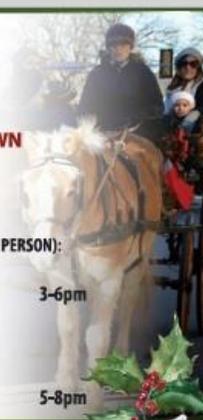
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Sunday Dec 4 - 11 - 18 Library Park 3-6pm

### HOLIDAY WAGON RIDES (\$2 PER PERSON):

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Thursday Dec 8 - 15 - 22 Library Park 5-8pm



## DECEMBER

### TREE LIGHTING & "HISTORIC HOLIDAY" PARADE

Thursday Dec 1 Tree Lighting 6pm  
Parade 7pm

### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:

Saturday	Dec 3	Peach Café	8am
		Jake's Roadhouse	9:30am
		Community Center	11am
		*Monrovia Provider's Group For Seniors	
Saturday	Dec 10	Jake's Roadhouse	9:30am
		Myrtle Tree Café	10:15am
		Rudy's	11am
Saturday	Dec 17	Peach Café	8am
		Monrovia	9am
		Jake's Roadhouse	10:15am
		Rudy's	11am

### CAROLERS AND HOLIDAY MUSIC

Wednesday	Dec 7 - 14 - 21	5pm-9pm
Thursday	Dec 1	11am-1pm
	Dec 8 - 15 - 22	3pm-5pm
Friday	Dec 16	8:15-9:30pm
	Dec 23	2-4pm
Saturday	Dec 3	11am-3pm/5pm-9pm
	Dec 10	11am-9pm
	Dec 17	12-3pm/5pm-9pm
Sunday	Dec 4	12-2pm/5pm-7pm
	Dec 11	12-4pm
	Dec 18	2-6pm



## AT MONROVIA LIBRARY

### SANTA STORYTIME

Tuesday Dec 6 10:30am & 6pm

### CREATIVE COLORING FOR ADULTS

Wednesday Dec 7 6:00-7:30pm

### CRAFTY HOLIDAYS

Wednesday Dec 7 - 14 4pm-5pm

### HOLIDAY SOUNDS SATURDAY

Saturday Dec 17 12-2pm

### GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING

Saturday Dec 17 2-3pm

### FRIENDS OF THE MONROVIA LIBRARY FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Monday Dec 19 6pm

### WINTER RELAY FEST FOR TEENS

Wednesday Dec 28 6pm

### HOLIDAY SING ALONG

Friday Dec 16 8:15pm

### SANTA'S PHOTOS

Saturday Dec 17 Dollmaker's Kattywompus 1-2:30pm

## NEW YEAR'S EVE

Saturday Dec 31 Old Town 6pm-1am

### SPONSORED BY:

Candy Connection  
Charlie's House  
Donna Baker, Teles Properties  
The Diplomat  
The Dollmakers' Kattywompus  
Dream Big Children's Center

Foothill Gym  
Gentile, McCloskey & Co.  
Happy Paws  
Jake's Roadhouse  
Jewelry Box  
Joe Ferrante Music Academy  
Krikorian Theater

London Gastropub  
Mark O'Brien Law Firm  
Merengue Bakery & Café  
Monrovia Chamber of Commerce  
Monrovia Floral  
Monrovia Tech Support

Monrovia Travel  
Monrovia Family Restaurant  
Myrtle Tree Café  
Neighborhood Pawn  
Neville Bldg., Betty Sandford  
OH Mulberry Bush  
Paint 'N Play

Peach Café  
Puff Monkey  
Rudy's Mexican Food  
Seasoning Alley  
Sena on Myrtle  
Wil's Sport & Tackle

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## **HORSE-DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDES SET TO TAKE PLACE IN OLD TOWN MONROVIA ON THURSDAYS AND SUNDAYS IN DECEMBER 2016**

To help celebrate this holiday season, horse drawn carriage rides will be available in Old Town Monrovia every Thursday and Sunday evening in December! The carriage rides will be offered on Myrtle Avenue for \$2 per person on first-come, first serve basis, and is sponsored by the Monrovia Old Town Merchants, the Monrovia Kiwanis Club, and the Monrovia City Council. A flyer with additional information has been included as an attachment to this email, and the carriage rides will be offered on the dates listed below:

- Sundays, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
  - December 4, 2016
  - December 11, 2016
  - December 18, 2016
  
- Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
  - December 8, 2016
  - December 15, 2016
  - December 22, 2016

For more information and additional events in Old Town, be sure to check out the Old Town Monrovia Winter 2016 Events Calendar attached to this email!

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COME RIDE WITH US



## HOLIDAY CARRIAGE RIDES

Library Park • 321 S. Myrtle Avenue

\$2 per person

For more information, contact the  
Monrovia Public Services Department at (626)256-8246



**Sundays** Intimate Carriage Rides

Dec 4 • 11 • 18 | 3:00 - 6:00 pm



**Thursdays** Wagon Rides

Dec 8 • 15 • 22 | 5:00 - 8:00 pm

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## **SANTA TOURS FOR MONROVIA SET TO TAKE PLACE THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12, 2016**

Just a quick note... the ever popular Santa Tours, where Santa Claus will be driving down every single street in Monrovia, is set to take place during the week of December 12, 2016! More information will be coming in the next few weeks, however, as a quick overview, the schedule for Santa's visits throughout the City is as follows:

- Monday, December 12, 2016
  - City streets south of Huntington Drive, west of Myrtle Avenue to Fifth Avenue, North of southern City boundaries. Includes Valley Circle.
- Tuesday, December 13, 2016
  - City streets east of Myrtle Avenue and North of Foothill Boulevard.
- Wednesday, December 14, 2016
  - City streets west of Myrtle Avenue and North of Foothill Boulevard.
- Thursday, December 15, 2016
  - City streets east of Myrtle Avenue, south of Foothill Boulevard, north of Duarte Road, from the western to the eastern City boundaries.
- Friday, December 16, 2016
  - City streets west of Myrtle Avenue, south of Foothill Boulevard to Huntington Drive, between Myrtle Avenue and Fifth Avenue

For more information, please contact the Monrovia Police Department at (626) 256-8000!

## **HOLIDAY LIGHT EXCHANGE AT THE DECEMBER 9, 2016, FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY STREET FAIR**

The San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership will be at Monrovia's Friday Night Family Street Fair on December 9, 2016, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Partnership will be offering to exchange your old holiday lights for new LED light strands for free!

To be eligible:

- You must be a residential Southern California Edison customer
- Bring a copy of your Southern California Edison bill
- Present a valid identification

Please see the attached flyer for more information! Eligible individuals can exchange up to two strands of working, incandescent holiday lights per household. The light strands must be 50 lights or more and will be offered while supplies last!

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THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY ENERGY WISE  
PARTNERSHIP PRESENTS:

## 2016 Holiday LED Light Exchange

TO PARTICIPATE:

- Available to current Southern California Edison (SCE) residential customers only.
- Must bring a copy of SCE monthly bill (or proof of electronic bill payment) and valid identification that matches customer name on bill.
- May exchange up to two strands of working, incandescent holiday lights (with bulb) per household.
- Must be a 50 light strand or more.
- May exchange at one location only.
- While supplies last



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## 2016 HOLIDAY LIGHT EXCHANGE LOCATIONS

Date	Event	Location	Time
Saturday, November 19	Christmas Tree Lighting	City of Covina Heritage Plaza (400 N. Citrus Avenue)	6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.
Friday, December 2	Holiday Promenade & Tree Lighting Ceremony	City of Claremont Claremont Transit Depot (200 W. First Street)	5:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.
Saturday, December 3	Holiday House	City of El Monte Community Center ( 3130 Tyler Avenue)	9:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.
Saturday, December 3	Snow Fest	City of Arcadia Community Center (365 Campus Drive)	10:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.
Saturday, December 3	Holiday Extravaganza	City of San Dimas Walker House (121 N. San Dimas Avenue)	3:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.
Tuesday, December 6	Christmas Tree Lighting	City of Rosemead Civic Center (8838 E. Valley Blvd.)	6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.
Friday, December 9	Monrovia Street Fair	City of Monrovia Monrovia Street Fair (Myrtle Ave & Lemon Ave)	6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.
Saturday, December 10	Holiday Parade	City of Pomona Shaun Diamond Plaza (195 W. 2nd Street)	4:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.
Tuesday, December 13	Santa's Holiday Party	City of Duarte Duarte Senior Center (1610 Huntington Drive)	4:00p.m. - 5:30p.m.



The San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership and program offerings are funded by California utility customers and administered by Southern California Edison under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission.



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## **LIBRARY PARTNERING WITH AMERICAN LEGION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TO SUPPORT VETERANS IN HOSPITALS**

In partnership with the American Legion Women's Auxiliary, the Library's Veterans Resource Center is collecting the following new items for veterans in hospitals:

- White Socks for both men and women
- Coloring Books for Adults, Colored Pencils, Crayons, Markers
- Board and Card Games for Adults

A donation box is located in the Library Lobby for those interested in donating. For more information, please contact Mabel Cross at (626) 256-9294, or via email at [mcross@ci.monrovia.ca.us](mailto:mcross@ci.monrovia.ca.us).

## **SNEAK-PEAK OF THE NEXT MONROVIA RENEWAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATE EMAIL!**

An advance preview of the next update email for the overall Monrovia Renewal infrastructure project has been included as an attachment for your review and reference! There's a lot of tremendous construction work occurring with Monrovia Renewal, and the advanced sneak-peak draft copy of the email outlines some of the terrific things that are coming up!



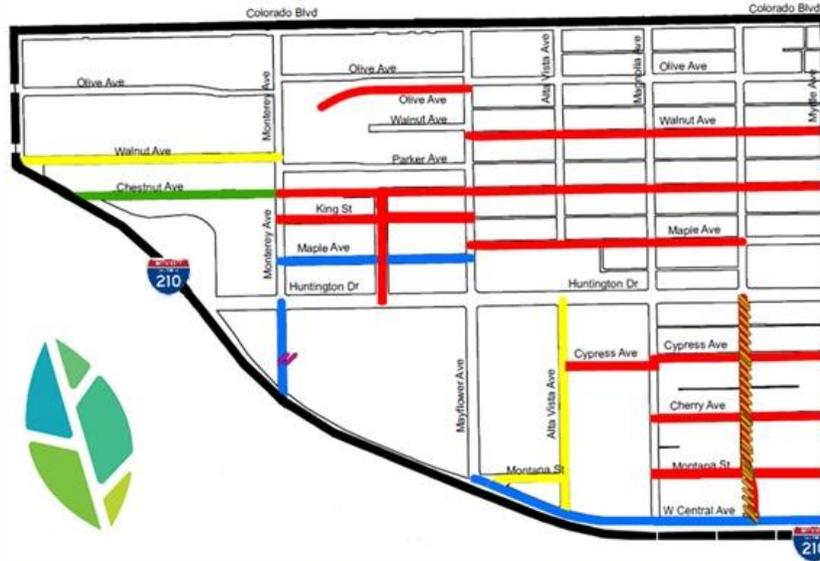
### **Construction Details for December Road Work**

Road work will be taking place throughout December and into early January in the Southwest section of Monrovia Renewal. Multiple streets will be under construction at the same time, with road closures, parking restrictions, and detours in effect.

Live in the Southwest area? Find the color of your street below to see what type of road work will be taking place, and scroll down to find the tentative work schedule and additional construction details.

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## Map of Southwest Area Road Work



## CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

### SOUTHWEST SECTION—4<sup>TH</sup> RECONSTRUCTION

#### LIST OF STREETS IMPACTED

- CHERRY AVENUE: Alta Vista to Myrtle
- CHESTNUT AVENUE: Monterey to Myrtle
- CYPRESS AVENUE: Alta Vista to Myrtle
- HIGHWAY ESPLANADE: Huntington to Chestnut
- KING STREET: Monterey to Mayflower
- MAPLE AVENUE: Mayflower to Primrose
- MONTANA STREET: Magnolia to Myrtle
- OLIVE AVENUE: Mayflower to W. End
- PRIMROSE AVENUE: Huntington to Central
- WALNUT AVENUE: Mayflower to Myrtle

#### TENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 1 – JANUARY 3

- **PULVERIZING OF EXISTING ROADWAY** **December 1—December 14**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day
- **PAVING OF NEW ROADWAY SURFACE** **December 8—December 21**
  - Will be completed within 3-Weeks of Pulverization. Paving Includes:
    - **1-Day of Base Paving**—Street may be inaccessible for 4-6 hours
    - **1-Day of Pavement Capping**—Street may be inaccessible for 4-6 hours
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day
- **STRIPING/UTILITY ADJUSTMENT/TRAFFIC LOOPS** **December 16—January 3**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.

### SOUTHWEST SECTION—2<sup>ND</sup> GRIND & OVERLAY

#### LIST OF STREETS IMPACTED

- CHESTNUT AVENUE: Monterey to West End

#### TENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 19—DECEMBER 22

- **GRINDING OF EXISTING ROADWAY** **December 19**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day
- **PAVING OF NEW ROADWAY SURFACE** **December 20– December 21**
  - Will be completed within 3-Weeks of Pulverization. Paving Includes:

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- **1-Day of Base Paving**—Street may be inaccessible for 4-6 hours
- **1-Day of Pavement Capping**—Street may be inaccessible for 4-6 hours
- On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day
- **STRIPING/UTILITY ADJUSTMENT/TRAFFIC LOOPS** **December 21—December 22**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day

## **SOUTHWEST SECTION—CAPE SEAL STREETS**

### **LIST OF STREETS IMPACTED**

- CENTRAL AVENUE: Mayflower to Myrtle
- MAPLE AVENUE: Monterey to Mayflower
- MONTEREY AVENUE: Huntington to Evergreen

### **TENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 21—29**

- **PATCH OF EXISTING PAVEMENT** **December 21— December 26**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day
- **INSTALLATION OF CAPE SEAL TREATMENT** **December 27**
  - Street will be closed for up to 12-hours
  - Overnight parking may be impacted for treatment to cure
- **STRIPING OF ROADWAY** **December 28—December 29**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day

## **SOUTHWEST SECTION—SLURRY SEAL STREETS**

### **LIST OF STREETS IMPACTED**

- WALNUT AVENUE: 5TH TO MONTEREY
- ALTA VISTA AVENUE: HUNTINGTON TO CENTRAL
- MONTANA STREET: MAYFLOWER TO ALTA VISTA

### **TENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 27 – JANUARY 4**

- **PATCH OF EXISTING PAVEMENT** **December 27— December 29**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day
- **INSTALLATION OF SLURRY SEAL TREATMENT** **December 30—January 2**
  - Street will be closed for up to 12-hours
  - Overnight parking may be impacted for treatment to cure
- **STRIPING OF ROADWAY** **January 3—January 4**
  - Street will be accessible with intermittent delays.
  - On-Street Parking will be available at the end of the day

### **NOTES**

- Temporary parking restrictions will be posted at least 72 hours prior to work
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- Work notices with updated instructions will be distributed prior to work
- Street Sweeping and Related Parking Restrictions will be suspended during work

### **QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?**

**(626) 932-5575**

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## Live in other areas of town?

Repairs in the Southeast section will begin in January and last through late March/early April. Construction Notices like the ones above are now available for the Southeast section on the City's Monrovia Renewal website.

Notices for the remaining sections will become available closer to the start of



## Holiday Schedule

Worried about how your holiday celebrations may be impacted?

Note that construction work will pause for City-observed holidays, including November 24th-25th, December 23rd-26th and 31st, and January 1st-2nd.

*Monrovia Renewal is a multi-year initiative that is making priority repairs to the City's water and sewer pipelines, water facilities, streets, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters through 2020.*

[LEARN MORE](#)

**Questions?** Call Public Works at (626) 932-5575 or email [monroviarenewal@ci.monrovia.ca.us](mailto:monroviarenewal@ci.monrovia.ca.us).

You are receiving this email because you subscribed to receive Monrovia Renewal related updates.

[Unsubscribe](#)

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## **COMMUNITY CENTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY NOW UNDERWAY!**

During the past few months, the Community Services Commission has been engaged in an overall needs assessment of our Community Center. As part that assessment, our Community Services Commissioners have been examining our current operations, touring other community centers, and reviewing the overall recreational facility needs for our community.

As part of their assessment, the Community Services Commission has worked with staff to develop a coordinated public outreach initiative to garner additional feedback regarding our Community Center. To that end, a Community Center Needs Assessment Survey has been developed. Attached to this email is a flyer regarding this initiative, which provides background information regarding our current facility, and also asks individuals to participate in the online survey.

Those interested in participating in the Community Center Needs Assessment Survey can access the survey itself by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N2LSTVN>



**TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!**

**THE MONROVIA COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION NEEDS YOUR INPUT.**

Help us better understand the needs of the community by participating in our **Community Center Needs Assessment**.

The **Monrovia Community Services Commission** has been asked by the City Council to conduct a **Community Center Needs Assessment** in order to better understand the needs of our community.

The current Community Center was built in 1977 when Monrovia had a population of approximately 30,500 residents. Almost 39 years later, Monrovia's population has grown to 37,000 and the community's needs may have changed.

If you'd like to participate in shaping the future of the community center's programs and services, please scan the QR code below or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N2LSTVN> to complete a brief survey. You may also pick up a copy of the survey at the Community Center, 119 W. Palm Ave. The data collected will be used to better understand the recreation needs of our community.

*Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback.  
We appreciate your input!*

For further information please call (626)256-8225

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## **SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENTS AT THE MONROVIA PUBLIC LIBRARY – YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT ON ALL THAT OUR LIBRARY HAS TO OFFER!**

The Monrovia Public Library has way more to offer than just books! As a central hub of activity to help connect those in our community, the City Library operation provides a rich offering of special events and activities that we hope you will come check out! Upcoming events at the Library include:

- **Santa Storytime – Tuesday, December 6, 2016, 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.**
  - Story's being read by Santa during the Holiday Season... what could be better! Join us for stories, a film, snacks, and art projects all centered on jolly St. Nick! Event will take place in the Library Community Room for babies and pre-schoolers!
- **Creative Coloring for Adults – Wednesday, December 7, 2016, From 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**
  - Come on by the Library to indulge your inner artist during the holiday season! Participants will be provided with hot chocolate, coloring pages, coloring pencils, and crayons! Event will take place in the Library Community Room for adults.
- **Crafty Holidays – Wednesday, December 7 & 14, 2016, From 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
  - Get into the holiday spirit by taking some time to get crafty! Come on by the Library for your chance to make holiday decorations and gifts! Event will take place in the Library Storytime Room for elementary-aged youth.
- **Holiday Sounds Saturday – Saturday, December 17, 2016, From 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**
  - Join us for our annual holiday music event in the lobby featuring a saxophone quartet and more! Drop by the Library lobby to take in the beautiful sounds of the holidays! Event will take place in the Library lobby for everyone to enjoy!
- **Gingerbread House Decorating – Saturday, December 17, 2016, From 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**
  - The holidays wouldn't be the holidays without gingerbread houses! Come on by the Library to create your own gingerbread house to celebrate the season! Event will take place in the Library Community Room for elementary-aged youth.
- **Family Movie Night – Monday, December 19, 2016, 6:00 p.m.**
  - We'll be picking a holiday-themed movie for Family Movie Night at the Library, so make sure you don't miss this chance to take in a holiday flick at the Library! Event will take place in the Library Community Room for the whole family!
- **Winter Relay Fest for Teens – Wednesday, December 28, 2016, 6:00 p.m.**
  - Sleigh this holiday season by brushing up on your cookie decorating, gift wrapping, tree ornamenting, and hot chocolate making skills! Enjoy an evening of winter celebration unlike any other at the Library! Event will take place in the Library Community Room for teen's grades 6 – 12.

Please come on out to the Library to experience all that we have to offer, and if you have any questions, please contact us at (626) 256-8274!

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## NEW MONROVIA RENEWAL CONSTRUCTION GUIDES DEVELOPED WITH ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULES FOR THE SOUTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST ROAD WORK EFFORTS

Are you looking for more information on what you can expect during street repairs associated with the Monrovia Renewal project? Well you're in luck because City staff has created new guides for each type of the street improvements that will be taking place in the first phase of Monrovia Renewal in the Southwest and Southeast project areas. Please note that these guides are based on the current construction schedule, and the dates are subject to change depending on project delays, unforeseen conditions, or inclement weather.

A sample notice has been included for your reference and review as follows:



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Copies of the new construction flyer can be found online at the following link:

<http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal/page/monrovia-renewal-project-updates-and-work-notices>

As you review the site, please note that based on our coordination to date, work on the streets in the Southwest Section (west of Myrtle Avenue between Colorado Boulevard and the I-210 Freeway) will be taking place between October 2016 – December 2016.

- Southwest Red Streets (Reconstruct)
- Southwest Green Streets (Mill & Overlay)
- Southwest Blue Streets (Cape Seal)
- Southwest Yellow Streets (Slurry Seal)

Furthermore, work on the streets to in the Southeast Section (east of Myrtle Avenue between Colorado Boulevard and the I-210 Freeway) will be taking place between January 2017 – March 2017.

- Southeast Red Streets (Reconstruct)
- Southeast Green Streets (Mill & Overlay)
- Southeast Blue Streets (Cape Seal)
- Southeast Yellow Streets (Slurry Seal)

## **SCAG SET TO HOST 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 1, 2016, FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.**

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), in partnership with the Southern California Leadership Council (SCLN), will be hosting the Seventh Annual Southern California Economic Summit in downtown Los Angeles at The L.A. Hotel Downtown on Thursday, December 1, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Southern California Economic Summit brings together local civic, community and business leaders to assess the state of the region's economy and discuss opportunities for job growth and prosperity.

This year's program will highlight the growing innovation economy in Southern California, the impact it will have on our region's leading industries, while also exploring how it will transform our economy for generations to come. The informative program includes keynote speaker Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom, who will share his insights on California's economic future.

Registration for the Economic Summit is complimentary and if the City Council is interested in attending, please feel free to let me know and we'll get you registered!

## **TAYLOR PERFORMING ARTS CENTER SET TO PRESENT "SIDE BY SIDE BY SONDEHEIM," DECEMBER 2-4, 2016**

You may have heard... the Taylor Performing Arts Center has announced that their December 2016 musical production will be, Side by Side by Sondheim! Stephen Sondheim is considered by many to be musical theatre royalty and Side by Side by Sondheim is a sparkling retrospective of musical numbers from shows as diverse as Follies, Company, A Little Night Music, Pacific Overtures, and Sweeney Todd. The show will presented December 2-4, 2016, and tickets can be purchased online at [www.BrownPaperTickets.com](http://www.BrownPaperTickets.com).

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## **SIGN UP TODAY FOR MONROVIA RENEWAL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATES**

Monrovia Renewal has started construction! As you may recall, Monrovia Renewal is a multi-year initiative that will make priority repairs to the all of the City's water & sewer pipelines, water facilities, streets, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters. The initial work related to Monrovia Renewal has begun in the Southwest and Southeast portions of town, which includes the areas located to the eastern and western City limits located between Colorado Boulevard to the north and the 210 Freeway to the south.

In order to stay connected to everything related to Monrovia Renewal, we would encourage everyone to visit us online at [www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal](http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal). While at the site, you can sign-up for e-mail updates by clicking on the "Monrovia Renewal Project Updates and Work Notices" tab, and following the instructions to subscribe! An email sign-up instruction guide has been included as an attachment for your reference.

Monrovia Renewal is the largest public works project that the City has ever undertaken, and we appreciate your patience and support while we work to execute the identified infrastructure improvements throughout our community! As this process unfolds, if you should have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to let me know!

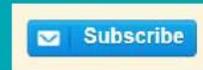
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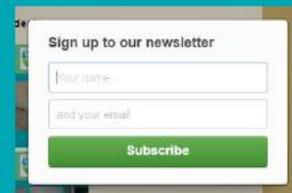
## Sign Up for E-mail Updates!

Step 1: Visit [www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal](http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal) and click on the Project Updates and Work Notices tab.

Step 2: Scroll down the page and click the Subscribe button.



Step 3: Enter your name and email address.



Step 4: You will receive a confirmation email.

Click the link and you're all set!



## Infrastructure Repairs Begin August 2016!



The Southwest (SW) and Southeast (SE) are the first two segments of Monrovia Renewal scheduled for construction, starting this summer through mid-2017.

Find your street below to see what work will be done in your area. Pipeline and sidewalk repairs will begin in early August, and street-related work is expected to begin in October, starting in the Southwest section and moving east.



Treatment	Color on Map	What is it?*	What's the impact?*
Slurry Seal	Yellow	Thin, smooth top coat added - To prevent damage from worsening	Full working day to lay and allow to dry/cure - Road closed while drying
Cape Seal	Blue	Loose chip layer + slurry seal on top - For minor damage	Temporary, 7-10 days of rough chip layer, then slurry seal
Mill & Overlay	Green	Removes and replaces top 2 inches of asphalt - For major damage	Intermittent road closures for 2-3 weeks, can drive on rough bottom layer, restricted parking
Reconstruction	Red	Rehabilitation of base layer, then new top layer added - For replacement	Road surface returns to dirt, hot asphalt poured, intermittent road closures for 3 weeks, restricted parking
Water & Sewer Pipelines	Yellow / Red Dashes	Repairs to the water or sewer pipelines underneath the street	Varies depending on size on length of repair. Partial or full road closures during the day, reopening the street at night. Heavy equipment will be in use.

\*Note that details are subject to change depending on in-field conditions and the contractors' assessment.

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## MONROVIA RENEWAL

## Frequently Asked Questions

### ❖ What is Monrovia Renewal?

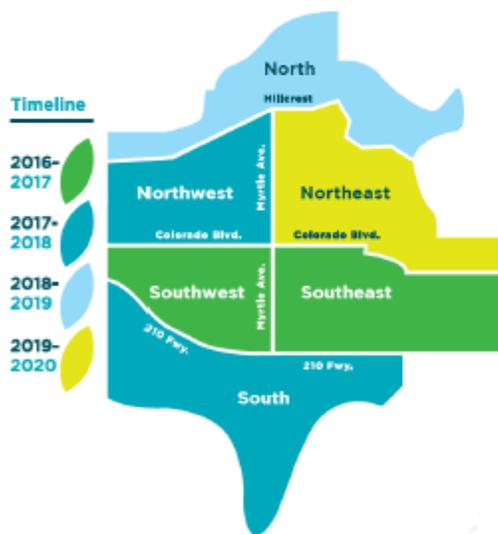
Monrovia Renewal is a multi-year initiative that is making large-scale repairs to aging infrastructure across the city, including water and sewer pipelines, water facilities, streets, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters.

### ❖ Why is the project divided into segments?

Because the repairs are extensive, construction will occur one segment at a time to help minimize disruption and the number of times the pavement is cut into. This also improves efficiency and lowers the overall cost of construction.

### ❖ When will construction begin?

Monrovia Renewal will be completed within 4-5 years. Construction will occur by segment, starting with Southwest & Southeast in August 2016, Northwest & South in 2017, North in 2018, and Northeast in 2019.



### ❖ How much will this cost and how is it funded?

Monrovia Renewal is estimated to cost \$51.7 million, making it the largest public works project in the City's history! In November 2015, water and sewer rates were adjusted to pay for repairs to these systems. Street repairs are funded by L.A. County sales tax that must be used on transportation projects.

### ❖ What can I expect during construction?

Repairs vary by street and may include repairs to water and sewer lines, the street and/or sidewalk. There will be short periods when a lane or entire road is closed and a route detour is required. Sometimes you will not be allowed to park on a particular street. At these times, signs will be posted on the street in advance. Noise, dust, untidy conditions, and large equipment may be present.

### ❖ How much notice will I be given?

Residents will have at least 72 hours' notice prior to construction on their street. Construction is inconvenient, and work schedules often change with little or no notice. We will work to mitigate these impacts as much as possible, but we thank you in advance for your patience and flexibility!

### ❖ Why aren't there repairs on my street?

The City conducted a study to rate the pavement condition of each street on a scale of 0 to 100. Any street that scored less than 70 has a less than satisfactory condition and is in need of repairs. Streets that scored 70 or above will be repaired in the future as part of the City's ongoing maintenance.

### ❖ Who is overseeing this project?

The City Council approves all engineering and construction contracts in advance and gets quarterly updates on the project. The Council also established an Oversight Committee to monitor progress and spending that meets on a quarterly basis.

### ❖ What's going to happen to trees causing sidewalk damage?

Every effort will be made to keep trees in place. Only trees that are diseased or dying will be removed, and new trees will be planted elsewhere to replace them.

### ❖ How can I stay up to date on what's happening?

Visit [www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal](http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/monroviarenewal) and subscribe to receive e-mail updates! If you have questions, call Public Works at (626) 932-5575 or e-mail [monroviarenewal@ci.monrovia.ca.us](mailto:monroviarenewal@ci.monrovia.ca.us).

Updated: 7/14/2016



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## **SGV COG EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MEMO FOR NOVEMBER 2016**

Attached to this email for your review and consideration is the SGV Council of Governments Executive Director's Memo for October 2016 that was received this past week. Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions regarding the correspondence.

**Oliver Chi**

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**From:** Phil Hawkey <phawkey@sgvcog.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 14, 2016 3:44 PM  
**To:** 'Phil Hawkey'  
**Subject:** SGVCOG Executive Director memo

November 14, 2016

To: SGVCOG Governing Board

From: Phil Hawkey, Executive Director

Re: Executive Director Memo for November

The next SGVCOG Governing Board meeting is Thursday, November 17. In advance of the meeting I am providing an update on the following issues:

1. **Measure M is approved by the voters:** The transit sales tax increase was approved by 69.8% of the vote. According to results on Metro's web site (see the following link: <http://thesource.metro.net/2016/11/11/city-by-city-and-subregion-results-of-measure-m-vote-thus-far/>) the San Gabriel Valley approved Measure M by 67.08%. Some of the highest percentage results in the SGV were from the following cities:

- Alhambra 71.47%
- Azusa 70.39%
- Baldwin Park 77.40%
- El Monte 75.83%
- Irwindale 75.14%
- La Puente 74.14%
- Montebello 74.35%
- Pasadena 71.95%
- Rosemead 72.68%
- South El Monte 75.46%
- South Pasadena 71.44%

It is interesting to note that in two other regions where the COGs voted to oppose Measure M, Gateways Cities voted 68.73% in support and South Bay cities voted 64.67%.

Approval of Measure M means that a new era is beginning for the SGVCOG. The SGVCOG will be responsible for guiding the expenditure of about \$3.3 billion in funding for programs and projects in the SGV over the next 40 years. With the passage of Measure M and the funding that will be available to the SGV important decisions will need to be made by the SGVCOG in the next few months on how the COG can best manage these funds and implement the projects. The issues currently being evaluated in the ACE/Large Capital Projects Ad Hoc Committee will have a big influence on the future configuration of the SGVCOG. It is anticipated that the report of the Ad Hoc Committee will be presented to the Governing Board at its meeting on January 20, 2017.

# City Manager's Update

- L.A. County Park Funding Measure Approved by Voters:** The L.A. County parks levy was approved by 73.5% of the voters. This is a 1.5 cent per square foot tax on developed structures that will generate about \$6.1 million in annual revenues to SGV cities. See the attached chart that was assembled in August that compares revenues from the current parks funding levy with prior L.A. County parks funding.
- Sustainability Grant Applications:** The SGVCOG is working with various cities to submit five grant applications to SCAG under their sustainability funding program: 1) Arrow Highway Complete Street Plan 2) Ramona Corridor Master Plan, 3) Bike Friendly Business District Expansion, 4) Greenway Network Implementation Manual, 5) First/Last Mile Station Planning.. Attached is a summary of the grant applications. For more detail on these grant applications, please contact Marisa Creter at [mcreter@sgvcog.org](mailto:mcreter@sgvcog.org).
- Quiet Zones on Metrolink lines:** Several cities have started to meet to begin to assemble information about the federal legal requirements involved in creating quiet zones along the Metrolink lines crossing through the SGV. Creating a quiet zone would allow Metrolink trains to travel through communities without blowing their horns. It is estimated that the cost per crossing will be about \$1 million which will pay for the installation of required safety equipment and the purchase of the required insurance. An information session is being scheduled with Metrolink officials and representatives from Orange County who will talk about their experience in creating quiet zones. The tentative date for this Quiet Zone meeting is December 6<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at Baldwin Park City Hall. An announcement of the final arrangements for the meeting will be sent out later this week.
- Merry Mingle December 8 at 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.:** The annual holiday event for the San Gabriel Valley will be Thursday afternoon, December 8, at the San Gabriel Valley Corporate Campus, 4900 Rivergrade Road, Irwindale. The SGVCOG and the SGV Economic Partnership are co-sponsors of this event.
- Governing Board Cancelled for December:** For many years the SGVCOG has not held a Governing Board meeting in December. An item on the agenda for the November 17 Governing Board would again cancel the December meeting.

## **WASHINGTON, D.C. UPDATE FROM TURCH AND ASSOCIATES**

The latest update from our federal lobbying firm of Turch and Associates has been included as an attachment for your review. This most recent report provides an overview of how Congress is proposing to coordinate FY 2017 spending decisions, earmarks, and leadership elections for the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress. A copy of the update can be accessed by clicking on the following link:

<http://cityofmonrovia.org/citymanagersoffice/page/washington-dc-legislative-updates>

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT SEMI-WEEKLY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT**

The most recent Police Department semi-weekly neighborhood watch report for the period November 10 – 13, 2016, has been included for your review and reference. A copy of the report can be accessed by clicking on the following link:

[http://cityofmonrovia.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/police/page/947/11\\_neighborhood\\_watch\\_report\\_november\\_7-9\\_2016.pdf](http://cityofmonrovia.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/police/page/947/11_neighborhood_watch_report_november_7-9_2016.pdf)

# City Manager's Update

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,  
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