

City Manager's Update

Tuesday, November 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

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

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Do you really want to look back on your life and see how wonderful it could have been had you not been afraid to live it?
– Caroline Myss

ALBERTSON'S SHOPPING CENTER UPDATE – ALDI SUPERMARKET AND TJ MAXX / HOMEGOODS SET TO REPOPULATE THE SHOPPING CENTER, WHICH WILL BE REBRANDED AS MONROVIA LANDING, CITY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED BUILDING PLANS FOR THE FACILITY UPGRADES

In a bit of exciting news, this past week, the City received confirmation that Aldi Supermarket and TJ Maxx / Homegoods are tentatively set to repopulate the former Albertson's Shopping Center. The redevelopment of the site has been a long time coming, and our Community Development Department staff has been working very hard and very closely with the shopping center's new ownership group (Warner Pacific) to facilitate the reestablishment of the facility.

To that end, this past week, the City's Development Review Committee (DRC) formally approved a façade remodel for the shopping center, which is being rebranded and renamed to be called, "Monrovia Landing." The newly reimagined shopping center will feature an Aldi Supermarket and TJ Maxx / Homegoods store, and of particular note, the developer agreed to preserve the plane mural currently located on the building! Also of note, the DRC also issued initial approvals this past week for the Conditional Use Permits that Aldi Supermarket will need for their beer / wine sales, as well as their shopping cart containment plan.

The reimagined Monrovia Landing shopping center will see the existing Michael's store moving next to O'Reilly Auto Parts. There will be a small addition of approximately 2,300 SF to the west of the existing facility to give O'Reilly's Auto Parts a larger façade, and when everything is completed, the current concept plan breaks down the tenants as follows:

- O'Reilly's Auto Parts – 6,700 SF
- Michael's – 23,100 SF
- Aldi Supermarket – 23,400 SF
- TJ Maxx / HomeGoods – 43,000 SF
- Vacant future tenant space - 20,100 SF

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It is important to note that to date, only a soft demolition permit has been issued, and the City has not yet received any building plans for our plan check process. In addition, the Warner Pacific development team has been a non-committal regarding construction timeframes / opening dates, however, now that the tenant mix has been finalized, staff expects that we should be receiving some concrete dates in the near future. As soon as we have additional information, we will be certain to share the news!

MONROVIA RENEWAL STREET WORK IN SOUTHWEST PROJECT AREA SET TO START DECEMBER 5, 2016!

It's hard to believe, but in a week, major street work in the Southwest project area of our overall Monrovia Renewal infrastructure improvement initiative is set to begin! The construction team at Sully-Miller Contracting Company is currently planning to begin roadway pulverization for all streets in the Southwest project area on December 5, 2016, that are planned for reconstruction. The impacted streets that will be reconstructed in the Southwest area include:

- Cherry Avenue – from Alta Vista to Myrtle
- Chestnut Avenue – from Monterey to Myrtle
- Cypress Avenue – from Alta Vista to Myrtle
- Highway Esplanade – from Huntington to Chestnut
- King Street – from Monterey to Mayflower
- Maple Avenue – from Mayflower to Primrose
- Montana Street – from Magnolia to Myrtle
- Olive Avenue – from Mayflower to the western end of the cul-de-sac
- Primrose Avenue – from Huntington to Central
- Walnut Avenue – from Mayflower to Myrtle

Also, please keep in mind that the above listing of streets are not the only roads planned for repair in the Southwest project area! There are other streets that will be maintained as part of the overall Monrovia Renewal project, just with a different repair treatment.

If you would like any additional information on what you can expect during street repairs associated with the Monrovia Renewal project, please visit us online at the following link:

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

When you navigate to that website, you will be able to find 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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CONSTRUCTION NOTICE
SOUTHWEST SECTION—4TH 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.

NOTES

- Temporary parking restrictions will be posted at least 72 hours prior to work
- On-Street Parking will be available nightly unless otherwise posted
- 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?

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www.cityofmonrovia.ca.us/monroviarenewal

Also, 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)

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- Southeast Blue Streets (Cape Seal)
- Southeast Yellow Streets (Slurry Seal)

FREE FAMILY PORTRAITS AT THE FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY STREET FAIR ON DECEMBER 2, 2016, FROM 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. AT CHARLIE'S HOUSE!

As you may be aware, on the first Friday of each month, Raw Inspiration, the new operators of our renowned Friday Night Family Street Fair (Street Fair) event, coordinates a variety of special events. We are excited to announce that this coming Friday, December 2, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., our Street Fair event producer has developed a special pop-up event that will take place at Charlie's House in Old Town (430 South Myrtle Avenue). To celebrate the holiday season, Raw Inspiration has partnered with Charlie's House to offer FREE FAMILY PORTRAITS that evening! A photographer named Greg Bell will be doing the portraits, and the team at Charlie's House is putting together a special holiday themed photo set!

- FREE FAMILY PORTRAITS
 - Friday, December 2, 2016
 - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 - Charlie's House (430 South Myrtle Avenue)

We hope that you enjoy this special opportunity to have a family portrait taken as we get ready to launch fully into this holiday season!

WORLEY PARSONS CLOSES ARCADIA OFFICES, CONSOLIDATES STAFFING IN MONROVIA FACILITY AT 181 WEST HUNTINGTON DRIVE

This past week, staff learned about some great news for Monrovia! Worley Parsons, the international engineering, procurement, construction, and advisory firm, has finalized their future staff deployment decisions. Moving forward, Worley Parsons will be closing their facilities in Arcadia and relocating all of their staff to Monrovia at the 181 West Huntington Drive office building. This will result in 300 – 400 Worley Parsons staff moving offices from Arcadia to Monrovia, and adds 300 – 400 more individuals to our daytime population who will work, dine, and shop locally while in town! We are excited that Worley Parsons has made the decision to establish long-term roots here in Monrovia!

HISTORIC DEPOT PLAN CHECK PROCESS NEARING COMPLETION, PERMIT ISSUANCE EXPECTED TO OCCUR WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, STAFF LOOKING TO COORDINATE STATION SQUARE PARK IMPROVEMENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PLANNED CONSTRUCTION WORK

During the past several weeks, staff has been working closely with the team at Daylight Limited, LLC (Daylight) on making final adjustments to the building rehabilitation plans for the Historic Santa Fe Depot. Based on our current progress to date, we anticipate that final building plans should be developed within the next 2-3 weeks, and construction work should begin in late December 2016 / early January 2017.

As we have worked our way through the building plan review process, staff has also been interfacing closely with Daylight's construction team in an effort to fully coordinate the planned rehabilitation work. To that end, we have been holding off on development of City initiated improvements at Station Square in an effort to better synchronize our planned enhancements with the work that will be done at the Historic Santa Fe Depot. Moving forward, as part of our mid-year budget update, staff will be bringing forward for City Council consideration the establishment of a few new Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects at Station Square, including:

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- Electrical upgrades throughout Station Square to facilitate a variety of uses (including sound system / band connections at the new Band Shell)
- Station Square Park / Promenade site work to resolve turf, drainage, and irrigation issues
- Provide for mitigation to minimize the impact of the Historic Santa Fe Depot rehabilitation process, as the planned construction work will be difficult to facilitate in a public space, and large portions of Station Square will be impacted once the work begins

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to let me know!

SPECIAL REQUEST TO FILM IN OLD TOWN ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2016 APPROVED – ABC TV WILL BE FILMING A SEGMENT OF AMERICAN CRIME IN MONROVIA!

Just a quick note to let everyone know that ABC TV will be filming a segment of *American Crime* in Old Town **today, from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** Generally, the City discourages filming in Old Town during the holiday season, however, given that the request from ABC TV would not be impacting any streets in the area, the decision was made to facilitate and approve the request. The filming will be isolated to the side patio at Café Mundial, and we do not anticipate any impacts to Old Town.

The City's Old Town Film Liaison will be working to coordinate with the film company to ensure that merchants in the 500 block (east side) of Myrtle Avenue are comfortable with the arrangement, and to ensure that all filming guidelines are followed. If you're around town, you may want to swing by Café Mundial to see if you can catch a glimpse of Felicity Huffman and Timothy Hutton, who star in the ABC TV show, *American Crime*!

STATE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE OUTLINES NEW PROCESS FOR DISPOSAL OF FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY PROPERTY

Given the dissolution of redevelopment agencies in California in 2012, all of the real property owned by the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency (MRA) was transferred to the Successor Agency. Pursuant to that property transfer process, Monrovia, along with all other redevelopment agencies, was required to develop an overall Long Range Property Management Plan (LRPMP) that identified our future intentions for each of the properties.

Ultimately, the Successor Agency in 2013 formally adopted the LRPMP, and at the time, the City made the deliberate decision to designate all of the property formerly owned by the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency (except for the parking lot located north of City Hall on Lime Avenue) as "Retention of the property for future development" (Retention).

By designating all of the properties owned by the Successor Agency as Retention, the City committed itself to purchasing all of the properties formerly owned by the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency at some future point in time. At the time, the decision was made with the understanding that the State was allowing successor agencies to adopt amendments to their LRPMP to allow for the sale of property to parties other than the City. To that end, whenever the Successor Agency has sold property in the past, the transaction would always involve a step amending the LRPMP status of the property from Retention to "Sale of property at fair market value" (Sale).

The most recent Successor Agency property transaction that the City has engaged is the sale of six parcels located at the southwest corner of Myrtle Avenue / Huntington Drive to T.P. Heritage Inn of Monrovia, LLC, for the development of a Marriott TownePlace Suites hotel project. As part of that transaction, the Successor Agency also approved Resolution No. OB2016-04, amending the LRPMP to transfer the designation of the properties in question from Retention to Sale.

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Upon submitting Resolution No. OB2016-04 to the State Department of Finance, staff was recently notified that the property designation adjustment was being disallowed, as the State was instituting new rules and would no longer be allowing any amendments to LRPMPs. To that end, all of the properties that are still owned by the Successor Agency will have to be acquired by the City first, which means that prior to disposing of any Successor Agency properties, it will now be necessary for the City to technically "acquire" the parcels before the property can be further disposed or utilized.

Given this new ruling by the State, staff has been working to develop new procedures to facilitate the sale of Successor Agency owned property, and in December 2016, we plan on bringing forward several agreements to effectuate and finalize the disposition of several Successor Agency properties, including the properties for the Marriott Hotel Project and the southwest corner of Myrtle Avenue / Huntington Drive, and several properties located in the Station Square area. There are several moving parts related to this particular matter, so please feel free to let me know if you have any questions regarding this overall issue!

EWMP UPDATE MOVING FORWARD, PRELIMINARY REVISION FRAMEWORK DEVELOPED

Given our current stormwater clean-up requirements as mandated by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Monrovia has been leading a team to coordinate the process through which our overall EWMP plan will be updated. To that end, we have labeled our efforts as working to develop our "rEWMP," or revised-EWMP, and to date, we have been able to develop a conceptual overview regarding the projects that would be included in our rEWMP plan document.

Regarding that preliminary general framework for our rEWMP, based on work that staff and our consulting team at CWE have engaged in, we are currently thinking of coordinating five separate regional projects as part of our overall rEWMP plan, while also developing a series of alternative treatment projects. The attached document provides an overview of our current concepts (please note, we only have exhibits for 3 of the 5 regional projects), and the following summary outlines each of the proposals that we think (at this point in time) will be included in our rEWMP. Also, please note... we **do not** have any cost estimates developed, and the "Cost Impact" overview is a preliminary interpretation of the cost / complexity of each proposed project based on discussions with our consultants.

▪ **Peck Lake (Exhibit Available in Attachment)**

▪ *Proposed Project Background*

- This is the centerpiece of our overall rEWMP plan.
- The proposed project would establish the Peck Lake / Sawpit Wash natural treatment facility to create a "wetlands" facility on approximately 33.7 acres of land located just north of the Peck Lake facility.

▪ *Proposed Project Scope*

- The project involves the construction of a wetlands type project to treat stormwater coming from the Sawpit Wash into Peck Lake.

▪ *Cost Impact*

- This project is anticipated to be a high cost project.

▪ **Arcadia Wash (Exhibit Available in Attachment)**

▪ *Proposed Project Background*

- We are proposing to locate a pump station / diversion structure where the Arcadia Wash and Rio Hondo Wash meet.

▪ *Proposed Project Scope*

- Our plan would be to catch stormwater and pump that water back upstream
- This would allow us to catch downstream flows and divert the stormwater back upstream and into our existing watershed.

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- The stormwater diverted from this project could be run back through our proposed Peck Lake natural treatment facility.
- *Cost Impact*
 - This project is anticipated to be a low to medium cost project.
- **Bradbury Detention Basin (Exhibit Available in Attachment)**
 - *Project Background*
 - Currently, the Bradbury Channel spills into the Bradbury Detention Basin. That water then moves to the Bradbury Spreading Grounds through 2 existing 48-inch pipes.
 - In large storm events, stormwater overflows the Bradbury Detention Basin and runs directly into the Santa Fe Dam.
 - *Proposed Project Scope*
 - We are proposing to analyze this area to see how much stormwater is captured at this location.
 - In addition, as we assess the area, our conceptual plan would be to add additional pipes to the Bradbury Detention Basin to increase the capacity of stormwater movement into the Bradbury Spreading Grounds.
 - This would provide us with more control of the stormwater, more diversion capacity, and more ability to recharge the groundwater basin.
 - *Cost Impact*
 - This project is anticipated to be a low cost project.
- **Encanto Park Project (No Exhibit Available)**
 - *Proposed Project Background*
 - Encanto Park in Duarte currently has a storm drain that runs underneath the facility.
 - *Proposed Project Scope*
 - This proposed project seeks to establish an underground cistern at Encanto Park to capture stormwater, which could be used then for irrigation and / or infiltration purposes.
 - *Cost Impact*
 - This project is anticipated to be a low to medium cost project.
- **Irwindale / Manning Pit Project (No Exhibit Available)**
 - *Proposed Project Background*
 - Currently, the Irwindale Spreading Grounds is used to infiltrate stormwater back into the watershed.
 - The facility is located next to a mining pit called Manning Pit.
 - *Proposed Project Scope*
 - The proposed concept here is to turn the Irwindale Spreading Grounds into a settling basin, that would then connect to Manning Pit.
 - In this manner, we could capture more stormwater flow coming from the San Gabriel River watershed.
 - This proposed project is subject to further discussions with Azusa, Irwindale, and LA County.
 - This project would take some time before being feasible, given current mining operations at Manning Pit.
 - *Cost Impact*
 - Uncertain at this point in time. Based on descriptions of the proposed project, it seems as though this project would be a medium cost initiative.
- **Alternative Treatment (No Exhibit Available)**
 - As we assess the proposed regional projects, we have also taken into account that we need to analyze the need for alternative treatment processes in other areas of our EWMP group.
 - Alternative treatment processes include the establishment of targeted and directed distributed BMPs.
 - It is uncertain at this point in time how many alternative treatment projects we will need.

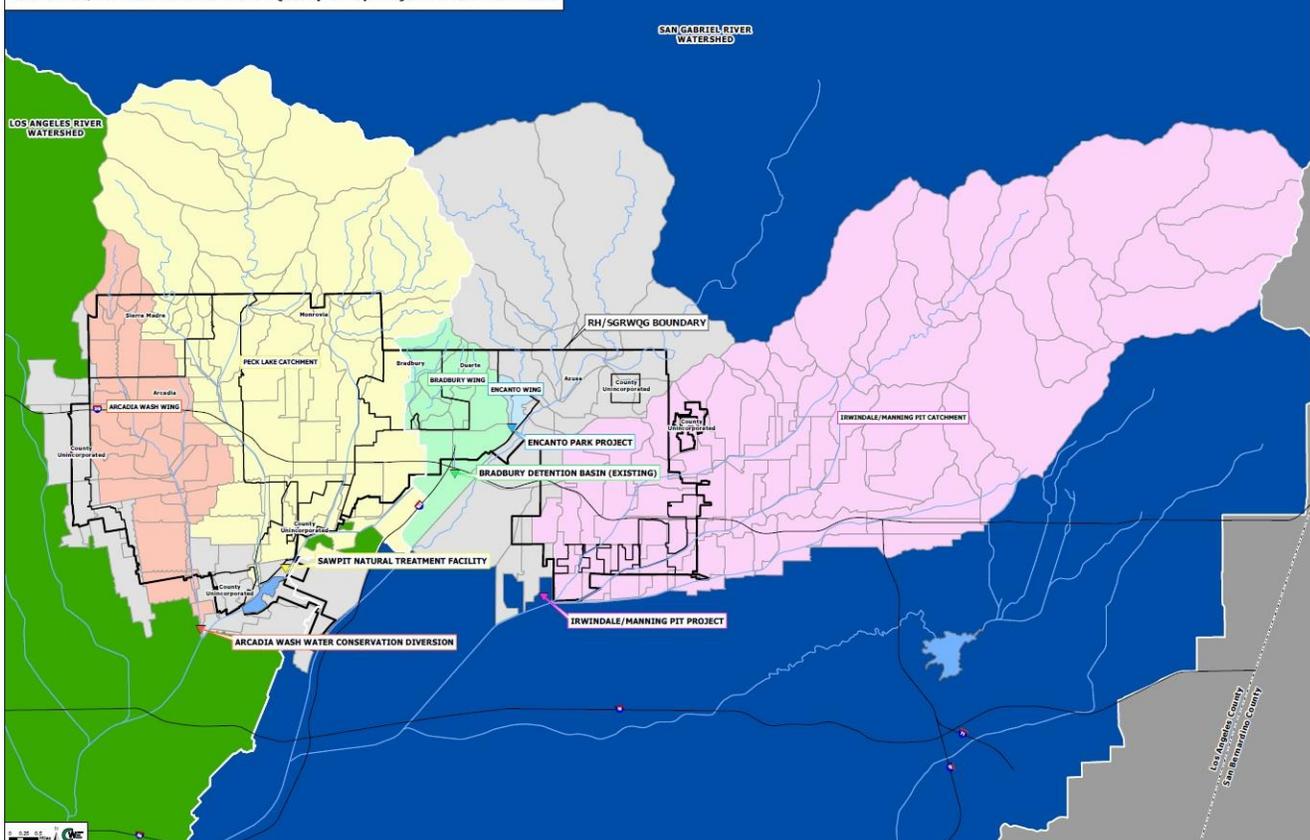
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Also, as part of our efforts we have also been keeping the Regional Board informed as to our progress, and as we get ready to launch into the real analysis of our rEWMP plan, we are scheduled to meet with the Regional Board staff on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 2 p.m. at their offices in Los Angeles to review our preliminary concept plans.

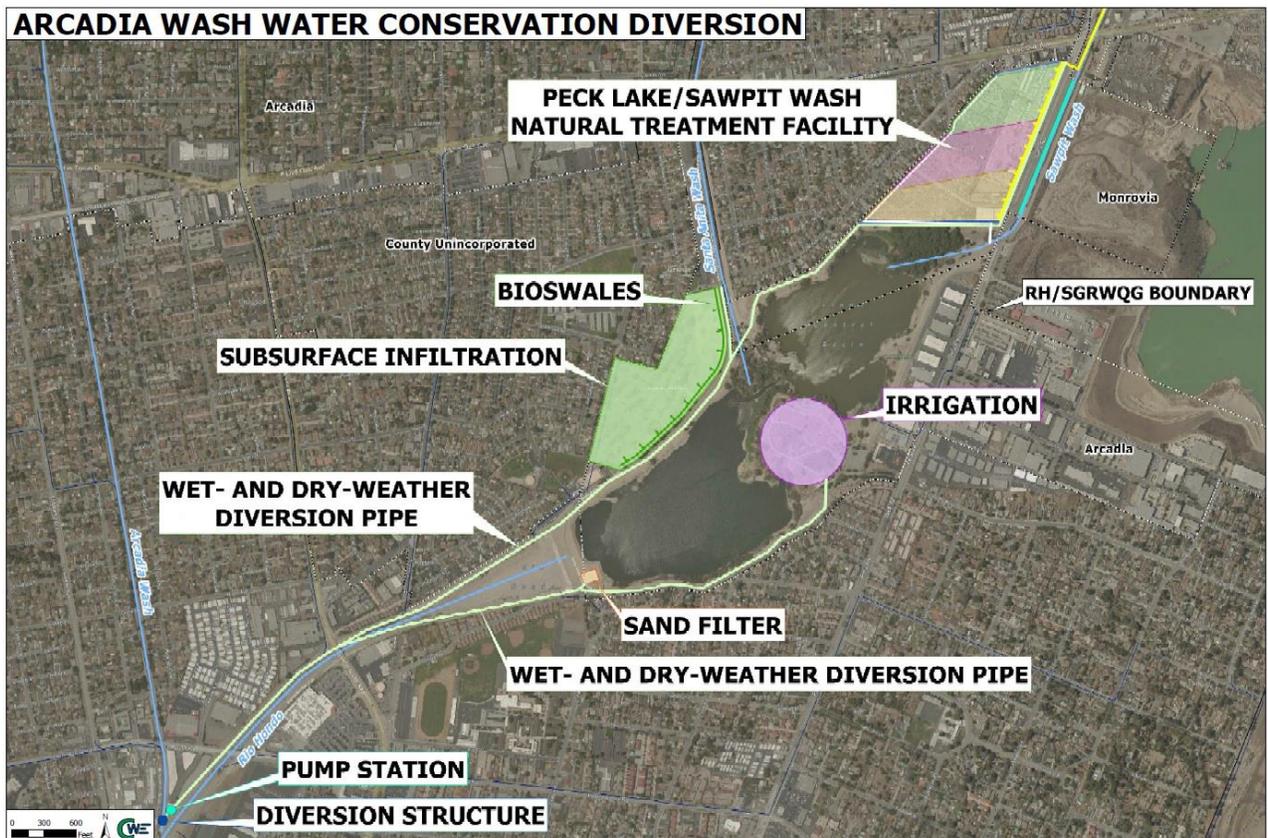
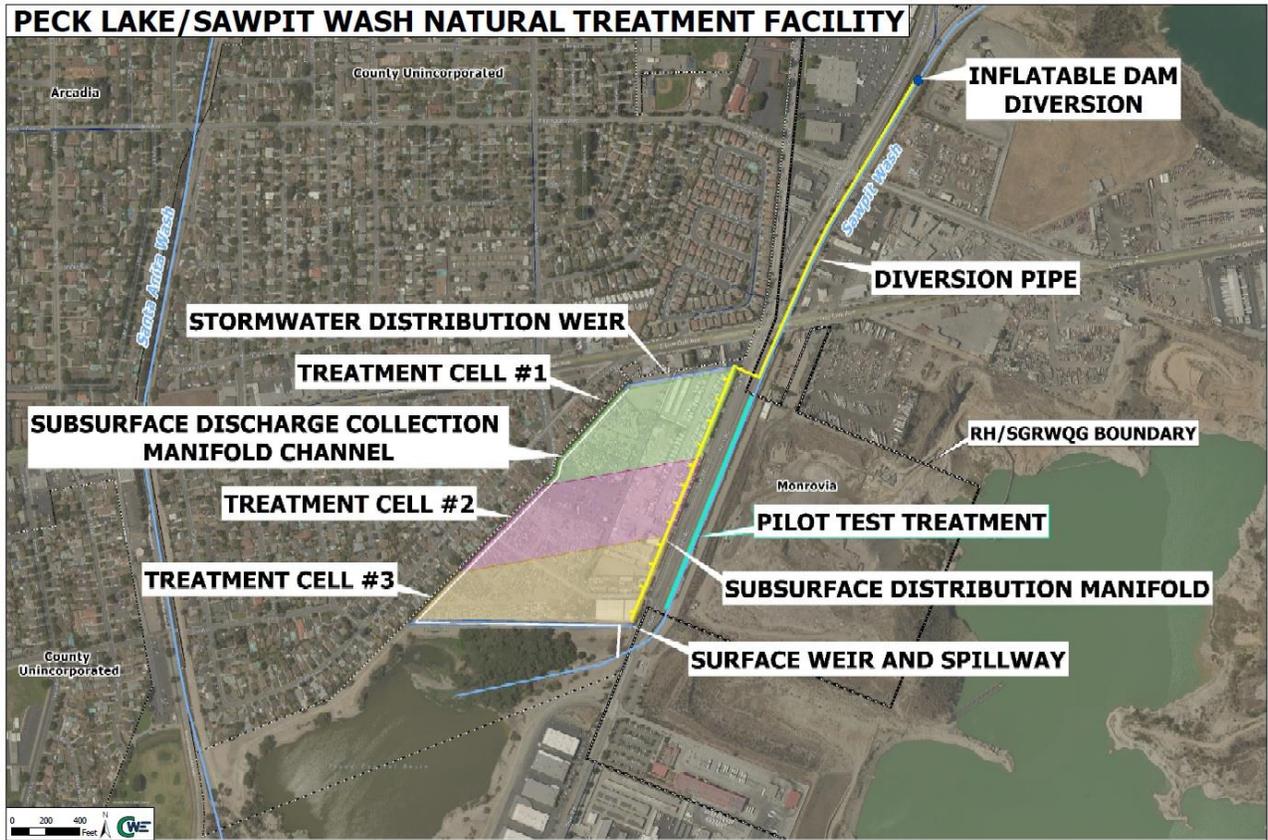
Summary of Project Catchment Areas within Group Area

Catchment	Total Catchment Area (acres)	Catchment Area in RH/SGRWQG (acres)	Percent in RH/SGRWQG	Percent of RH/SGRWQG
Arcadia Wash Wing	5,736	4,935	86%	19%
Bradbury Wing	2,856	1,994	70%	7%
Encanto Wing	189	189	100%	1%
Irwindale/Manning Pit Catchment	36,655	4,510	12%	17%
Peck Lake Catchment	23,537	9,961	42%	38%
Alternative Treatment	20,662	4,763	23%	18%
Total:	89,635	26,352	-	100%

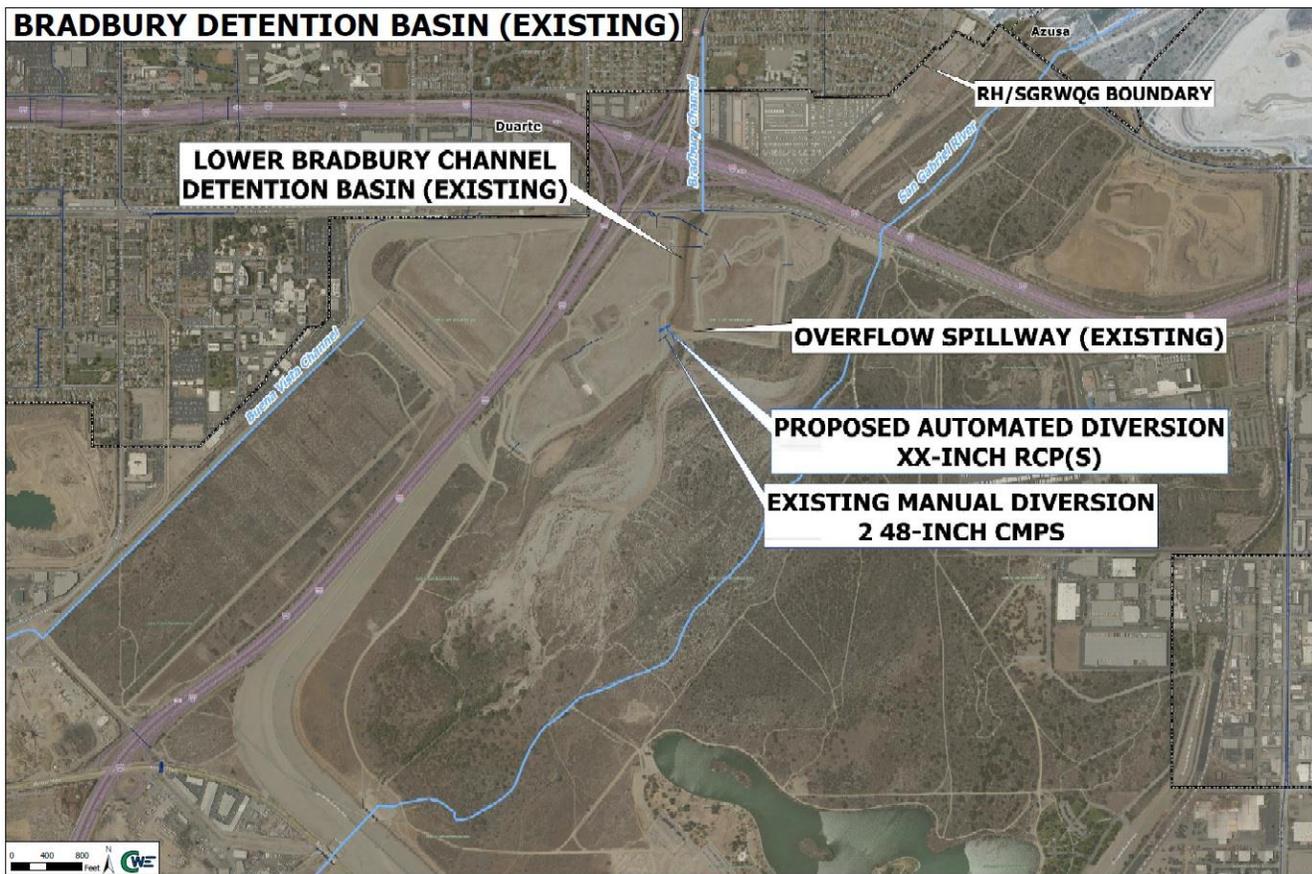
Rio Hondo/San Gabriel River Water Quality Group Projects and Watersheds



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CUB SCOUT PACK 66 LEARNS ABOUT RECYCLING, SET TO TOUR ATHENS SERVICES MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY ON NOVEMBER 30, 2016!

On November 7, 2016, Cub Scout Pack 66 participated in the City of Monrovia's Household Hazardous Waste demonstration at Vineyard Church. The Cub Scouts learned about pollution, recycling, and household hazardous waste, and they had such a terrific time, that they requested additional opportunities to learn about recycling processes!

Our Public Services team responded to their enthusiasm and the Cub Scouts have been invited to participate in a tour of Athens Services' Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in the City of Industry on November 30, 2016. The MRF is a state-of-the-art facility that can process 5,000 tons of mixed material each day with virtually no noise or odor impact to the surrounding community. The operations for the MRF are fully enclosed and utilize forced air circulation with carbon filters to assist in odor control. Cub Scouts who participate in the tour will learn how trash is sorted, why trash is sorted, and what happens to the sorted trash at the MRF. Cheers to tomorrow's leaders in learning how to take care of our environment!

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 25% increase in crime activity. There are a variety of reasons for this increase, and as our Police Department has analyzed the data, we believe that the increase in crime is attributable in large part to new laws that have been adopted in California, including AB 109 and Proposition 47. And now, with Proposition 57 having recently been approved, an additional

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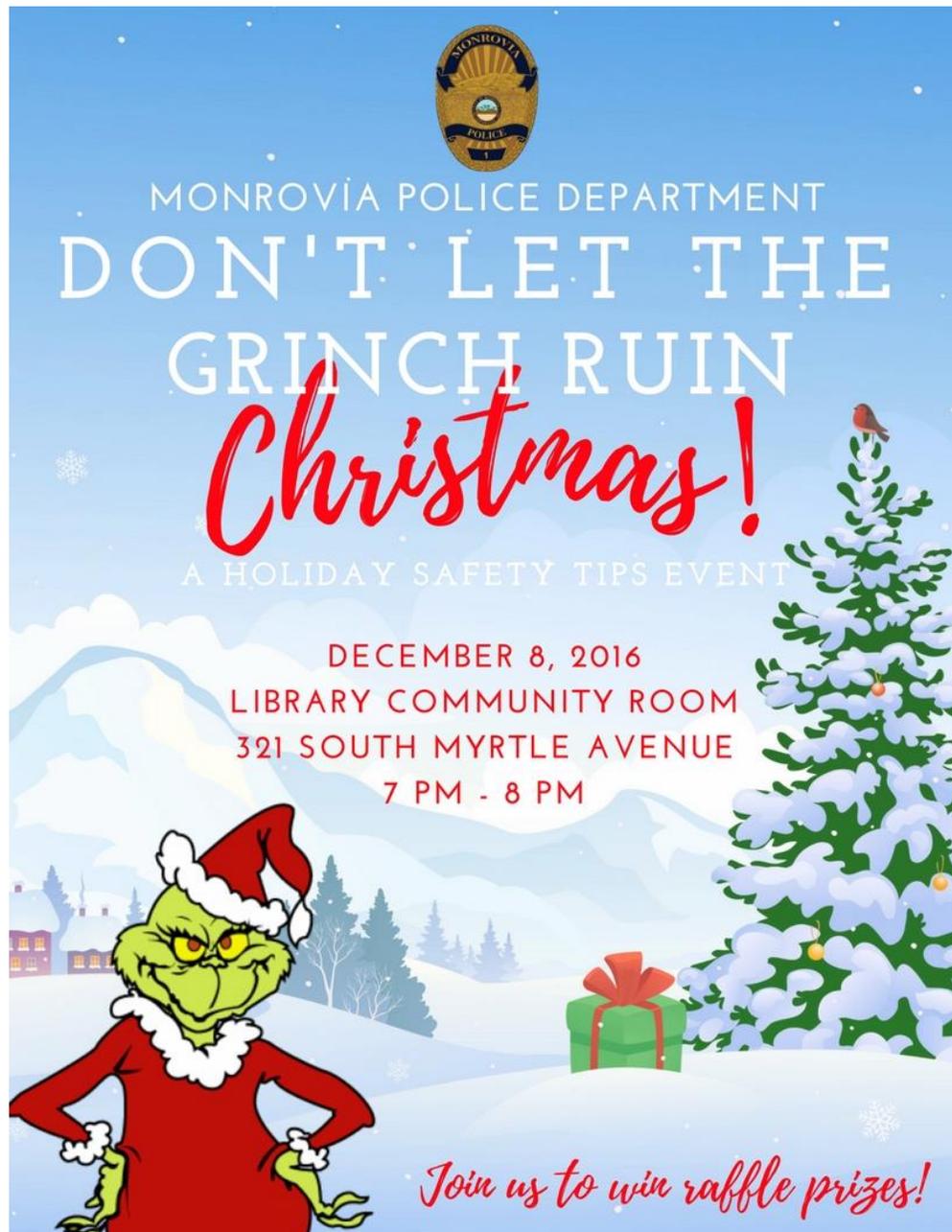
10,000 incarcerated individuals will be released from prison during the next few months, which could further negatively impact crime rates.

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!"

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!

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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!

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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
 - 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
 - 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 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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SOS Survival Products is partnering with **Monrovia Fire & Rescue's Disaster Preparedness Division** to help the residents of Monrovia prepare for any disaster.

Go to sosproducts.com to receive **10% OFF** your purchase.

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MONROVIA IS THE PLACE TO BE FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES SET TO TAKE PLACE THROUGHOUT 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:

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 – Judging Takes Place December 5, 2016

- 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!

- 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 Kattywampus
- New Year's Eve On Myrtle Avenue
 - Saturday December 31, 2016 in Old Town from 6:00 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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

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

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!

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- 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 get ready to welcome Christmas and the New Year!

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

Can you believe that the holiday season is now here?!?! 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 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!



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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. In addition, a copy of the application has been included as an attachment to this email! The contest judging will take place on Monday, December 12, 2016, and award winners will be recognized during the City Council meeting on Tuesday, December 20, 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

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

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2016 HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING Contest

CATEGORIES

BEST STILL DISPLAY: Decorations with no movement

BEST OUTDOOR DISPLAY: Overall outdoor decorations

BEST WINDOW DISPLAY: Decorations visible on or through a window that can be seen from the street

MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF LIGHTING: Outdoor lighting display

BEST DECORATED OUTDOOR TREE: Holiday tree must be in front of the residence

BEST NEIGHBORHOOD EFFORT: Street(s) with many homes decorated in a similar theme

SNOWMAN AWARD: Best display using one or more Snowmen

CHILDREN'S CHOICE AWARD: Best display that depicts a youthful theme

SANTA'S WORKSHOP AWARD: Best depiction of Santa's Workshop in decorations

HOLIDAY SPIRIT AWARD: Most festive display

JUDGES AWARD: Given by contest judges

TIM MCKEEHAN "BEST OF THE SEASON" AWARD: Best overall holiday display in the city

CONTEST GUIDLINES

- Contest applications are due by Friday, December 2.
- Judging will take place on Monday, December 5, after 5:00 p.m.
- Decorations must be visible from the street as judges will not exit the vehicle to view decorations.
- Addresses of all entered homes will be included on the Holiday Home Decorating Contest map.
- Winning homes will display a decorative yard sign for their award category.

Public Services Department
Contact: Tobi Scrugham
119 West Palm Avenue
Monrovia, CA 91016
626.256.8237

APPLICATION

Awards will be given in the categories listed. One home for each category will be selected. Entrants are automatically entered into the Tim McKeehan "Best of Season" Award. Application is also available online at cityofmonrovia.org. The contest takes place on Monday, December 5. Award winners will be recognized at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, December 6.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Any specific comments regarding the entry:

I would rather be notified by:
PHONE **E-MAIL**
(for the night of judging)



I, DO **DO NOT**
give permission for the City of Monrovia, Department of Public Services to include my address on a Holiday Decorating Contest Map and to photograph or videotape my home for publication by the City of Monrovia and KGEM Studio. I understand that only my address (not name, phone number or any other personal information) will be publicized. Maps will be available to the general public at the Monrovia Community Center, Monrovia City Hall, Monrovia Chamber of Commerce and on-line on at www.cityofmonrovia.org.

Applicant Signature

Date _____

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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:

- 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 a.m.

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

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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

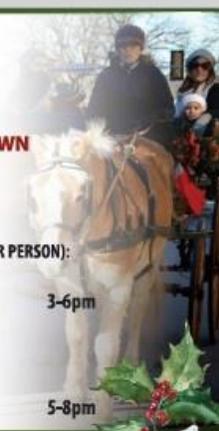
Saturday Dec 10 12pm-3pm
Saturday Dec 17 10am-12pm

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

SPONSORED BY MOTAB AND KIWANIS OF MONROVIA
Sunday Dec 4 - 11 - 18 Library Park 3-6pm

HOLIDAY WAGON RIDES (\$2 PER PERSON):

SPONSORED BY MOTAB AND THE CITY OF MONROVIA
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 1-2:30pm
Kattywompus

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 Cafe
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 from 3:00 p.m. to 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

SPONSORED BY
MONROVIA OLD TOWN MERCHANTS • KIWANIS CLUB OF MONROVIA • THE CITY OF MONROVIA

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.

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- 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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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

119 WEST PALM

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COMMUNITY CENTER
MONROVIA

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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:

- **Candy Cane Hunt – Daily beginning December 1 – 29 during Library Hours**
 - During the month of December, look for pictures of hidden candy canes among the bookcases at the Library. Find them all and receive a candy cane treat to enjoy
- **Art Time Holiday Drawing Class – Thursday, December 1, 2016, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
 - Using the Gluck Method, students will receive step-by-step directions on how to draw and paint with charcoal pencils and pastels. Students start with simple shapes and then add 3-dimensional effects to create a life-like finished product. Introductory drawing class for ages 5-12 will take place in the Library Community Room. Class size is limited to the first 30 students registered at cityofmonrovia.org/library.
- **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. – 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. – 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. – 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. – 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.**

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- 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!

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.



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. 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!

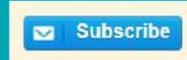
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Sign Up for E-mail Updates!

Step 1: Visit 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 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.

Updated: 7/14/2016

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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City Manager

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