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San Leandro CONNECT Spring 2016

Message from Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter

As you may have noticed, San Leandro's streets are under construction. A large portion of San Leandro Boulevard has been re-paved and we have 17 more street segments that are on deck for rehabilitation this year. I'm hopeful you are as excited as I am to have renovated streets on which to ride our bikes and drive our cars. Thanks again to our local voters for supporting Measures HH & BB which have provided us with the additional funding needed to make these projects a reality.

Our Downtown is thriving as we activate our public spaces. In June, the Exploratorium Museum will install an interactive musical exhibit in Joaquin Plaza along East 14th Street. I'm also proud to announce that the City of San Leandro, in partnership with UC Berkeley's Center for New Media has been recommended for an award of \$50,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts to support the design and installation of an interactive pedestrian lighting project at Casa Peralta. The project will connect mass transit hubs through an engaging and safe walking experience.

Finally, in the coming months we will renew our focus on sustainability, climate change and resiliency to ensure that San Leandro does all it can to ensure the future of our planet. See you at the Cherry Festival on Saturday June 4th!

In Service,



Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter

Breakthrough Housing Compact Provides 25 Housing Units for Chronically Homeless



San Leandro Compact Press Conference

In March, Mayor Cutter announced the formation of the [San Leandro Compact](#) with representatives from the Rental Housing Association and Building Futures for Women and Children. The compact is the first step toward providing 25 housing units for chronically homeless individuals in the San Leandro area. The Compact was brokered by Mayor Cutter and Building Futures - an advocacy organization that will support the participants of the program, and the Rental Housing Association - a landlord association, that will coordinate with landlords providing the units. Studies have shown that housing chronically homeless individuals and families improves their health conditions and advances their opportunities to find

and hold a job. The Compact provides subsidized housing and a case manager to ensure that they pay rent on time and wrap-around services. Landlords will also receive support from *Welcome Home San Leandro* staff who will assist in resolving any concerns. The program is off to a great start - several people have already been housed and are reported to be doing well in their new living arrangements.

Sustainability in Action: Council Approves Contract with Climatec to Further City's Green Infrastructure

San Leandro has already implemented extensive energy upgrades that include lighting retrofits, new building management systems and smart irrigation clocks in our parks as recommended by the [City's Climate Action Plan](#), adopted in 2009.

San Leandro continues to forge ahead with additional sustainable practices and as a result, the City began work in 2014 to identify and implement new energy and water efficiency projects. Following a

competitive bidding process, the City Council recently approved the proposed \$5.2 million contract with Climatec, a Department of Energy certified Energy Service Company (ESCO).

As part of its agreement with the City, Climatec will guarantee energy savings resulting from the installation of an array of new projects and improvements, including:

- 4,730 Street Lights will be converted to new high-efficiency LED bulbs
- Street Light Monitoring and Dimming Controls

- High-Efficiency HVAC at City Hall, Main Library and Marina Community Center
- LED Interior and Exterior Lighting Fixtures throughout City-owned buildings
- Occupancy-based Lighting Controls
- Building Automation System Upgrades, and
- Weather-based Irrigation Clocks that will ensure efficient use of water supplies

The costs of the improvements are projected to be fully off-set by the savings derived from the reductions in energy usage, water and operating costs.

107th Annual Cherry Festival Set for Saturday, June 4th

The San Leandro Cherry Festival is a long-standing tradition celebrating our past, present and future! Many things have changed over the years but one thing that remains the same is the strong sense of community identity and pride the Cherry Festival brings to our City. This year we are adding more

food, more vendors and a new way to stay engaged and up to date with the festival. The day kicks off with a parade that begins at the corner of San Leandro Blvd and Marina Blvd at 10:00 am. The festival will then take place downtown from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. Featured musical guests will include [Jon B](#) and The Legendary Escovedo Family

Band featuring [Pete Escovedo](#). Special thanks to our event sponsors who support the festival to make it a reality.

To have all Cherry Festival related information at your fingertips, download the free *Cherry Festival App* and get updates on vendors and the entertainment schedule. The app is available in the Apple iTunes Store or Google Play store. Visit www.sanleandro.org/cherryfestival for more details.



Public Works Launches New Online Street Sweeping Map

Finding out when your street gets swept just got easier for San Leandro residents. The Public Works Department recently launched a new interactive street sweeping map on their [website](#). The new GIS-based online map allows users to enter their street address or

zoom into an area to see their scheduled street sweeping day. The user-friendly interactive map was produced in-house by the City's Information Technology Team.

Each month, Public Works crews sweep 180 miles of streets removing more than 7,000 cubic yards of debris each year. Street

sweeping services on residential streets are provided once per month and as often as three days per week in high-traffic areas like our downtown.

Help us be more efficient by removing vehicles from the street during scheduled street sweeping days, keeping the street clear of trash and debris, and removing concrete, metal, or wood ramp driveway approaches.

Summer is Almost Here! San Leandro Has Activities for the Whole Family

Summer brings open parks, pools, and day camps, representing a fun and busy season for the community, hosted by the Recreation and Human Services Department. Check out our [Summer Activities Guide](#) to see what summer 2016 has in store!

Family Fun Recreation Swim
Join us for afternoons of fun on July 15th, 22nd, and 29th. Bring a picnic lunch, your suit, a towel and be ready to play in our pool. The cost is only \$3 per person for the first 250 people who pre-register, or \$5 at the door. Space is limited.

The Family Rec Swim Pass saves you money and time. Family Rec Swim passes are

good for City-sponsored recreational swims beginning May 28, 2016 through October 2, 2016. As a family pass holder, you can avoid the lines on hot days and enter the facility 10 minutes before Rec Swim begins. Family passes are available for \$225 for residents, or \$250 for non-residents. Early Bird prices are \$200 for residents, or \$225 for non-residents, available through May 27, 2016.

Free Outdoor Movie Nights

July 6 – Shaun the Sheep @ Halcyon Park
July 20 – Inside Out @ Washington Manor Park
August 10 – The Good Dinosaur @ Siempre Verde Park
Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks!



Youth

Our traditional day camp located at Chabot Park will be relocated for two summers to Roosevelt School due to the seismic upgrade project at Chabot Dam. Despite the new location, the City will continue to host *Camp Hooty Hoo* filled with the same great

adventures. Owl campers will enjoy discovering nature & science, hiking, arts & crafts, singing, field trips and many more daily activities.



Summer Adventures Day Camp will engage campers with games, sports, field trips and arts & crafts projects based on a new theme each week.



Teens

The Teens Recreational and Interactive Program (T.R.I.P.) will focus on providing San Leandro teens an environment in which to build friendships while developing

essential social skills and self-esteem through fun and adventurous experiences.

Teen Take Over will host 'pop-up' events in various locations just for teens.

Seniors

Celebrate the 5th anniversary of the San Leandro Senior Community Center on Thursday, July 14th from 1:30-3:30pm.

The Senior Community Center offers a variety of classes aimed at adults 50 and over. Enjoy dance, Tai Chi, Wii bowling, ceramic and many more exciting classes! Take a look at the course offerings in the Summer Activities Guide for detailed information.

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City Re-Dedicates Water Treatment Facility to Celebrate \$53 Million Investment



entrance plaque. The project was funded by a loan from the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Water State Revolving fund, along with proceeds from the Water Pollution Control Plant Enterprise Fund, totaling \$53 million. The project was the culmination of 11 years of planning and design. Construction began in 2011 and was finalized in 2015. The

On April 11th, the City Council re-dedicated the Water Pollution Control Plant to commemorate the completion of the largest infrastruc-

ture project in San Leandro's history. Over 70 attendees toured the facility and participated in the unveiling and dedication of a new

upgrades were essential to keep up with increasing regulatory requirements, and include a new pump station, mechanical bar screen, grit removal, primary clarification equipment, and a three-million gallon wet weather diversion storage tank. To learn more about the facility, visit the [WPCP webpage](#).

Coming Soon: Free Residential Recycled Water Filling Station

This summer, the City expects to complete the installation of a new Residential Recycled Water Filling Station, which will be able to provide up to 100 gallons of recycled water for residents to use for landscaping and gardening. City staff will provide residents with free permits and training. Local residents will be able to simply drive up, fill their water containers, receive non-potable water stickers and drive away.

New Play Structures at the Dog Park!

Six new pet play structures were installed in early April of this year by Public Works at the Dog Park located south of Marina Park, along the Shoreline Trail. The City invested \$5,000 in the new amenities that include three new structures in the small dog area and three in the large dog area. Bring your furry friend next time you're in the Marina!



Large Dog Area



Small Dog Area

Get Registered! City Launches New Online Portal for Recreation Programs

On April 21st, the City successfully launched a new online registration system called ACTIVE Network that allows customers to register and pay for programs, sign up for memberships and rent facilities. The Recreation and Human Services Department

encourages users to register as soon as possible so that they can sign up for their preferred programming.

New customers or those with accounts in the existing system can register through a dedicated website: www.sanleandrorec.org. Registration is easy and takes only a few moments to complete. ACTIVE Network allows users to search for programs by keyword, age, day, time and location. If a program isn't open for registration, users



SLPD Receives Award for Innovative Use of Social Media

The San Leandro Police Department recently received an award of excellence in the “Most Effective Social/New Media” category from the California Association of Public Information Officers (CAPIO). SLPD was lauded for its social media campaign and community outreach efforts connecting with Chinese communities in San Leandro, the Bay Area, and around the world through its Weibo internet site and smartphone app. SLPD now has more than 220,000 followers on Weibo.

Weibo, which translates to “micro blogging,” is one of the most popular websites in China, with more than 500 million subscribers from around the world. The China-based social media site is similar to Facebook and Twitter and is used by 30% of internet users.



Inspired by SLPD Captain Edward Tracey, who lost a battle with cancer in April 2015, SLPD launched their Weibo platform in October 2014. San Leandro became the first law enforcement agency in Northern California and second in the state to use Weibo to communicate with Chinese-speaking people. Please join us in congratulating our Police Department!

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City of San Leandro

Mission Statement

We, the employees of the City of San Leandro, are dedicated and committed to serving the citizens of this community. We strive at all times to achieve the highest professional standards, to communicate a vision for the future and to enhance the quality of life for every citizen.

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