

## COMMUNITY UPDATE

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### City Manager's Office

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**City Hall Closed in Observance of Memorial Day:** City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day. City Hall will reopen on Tuesday May 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. Any e-mail or phone calls received on Monday will be returned on Tuesday.

**Telecommunication Outage Report provides Key Recommendations:** After the October 2017 wildfires, a telecommunications outage survey was released to the public by the North Bay/North Coast Broadband Consortium, documenting the widespread communications loss during the catastrophic disaster. The survey received over 3,700 responses in the 3-county region (Sonoma, Mendocino, and Napa) collecting significant data that includes residential comments to the CPUC with details of their personal experiences. Using the survey data, a Telecommunication Outage Report was created, presenting key findings and a list of recommendations directed towards the CPUC and State officials, County officials, and residents. This report is the first of its kind and is intended to discover solutions to increase our emergency preparedness by improving public and private governance over telecommunications infrastructure and services.

Links to the report and appendix are below.

[2017 Firestorm Outage Report](#)

[2017 Firestorm Outage Report Appendix](#)

**The Strategic Sonoma Action Plan:** The Sonoma County Economic Development Board (EDB) developed [Strategic Sonoma](#) a five-year economic development strategy for Sonoma County. The purpose of Strategic Sonoma is to bring the community together around a shared vision for Sonoma County, identify and prioritize Sonoma County's economic development issues and opportunities, and reevaluate the county's clusters of opportunity. The strategy and plan will focus the county's economic development efforts into areas that provide the greatest opportunity for the County. The Strategic Sonoma Action Plan sets the economic priorities for Sonoma County over the next five years. The plan is a culmination of a year-long stakeholder process, and provides an economic roadmap for helping Sonoma County gets back on its feet after the 2017 wildfires. It identifies six key priorities - Fire Recovery, Housing, Workforce and Education, Business Diversification, Sustainability, and Transportation. The EDB has developed a survey to solicit your input on draft of Strategic Sonoma. Here is the link to the survey:

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

### Finance and Administration

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**Sports Camp at City Park:** The Administrative Service Department received a Park Reservation application from Dan Turek on behalf of First Baptist Church for a week-long Sports Camp at City Park, from July 9 – 13, 2018. Approximately 80 young people are expected to attend. The Special Event Permit from the Police Department has been reviewed and signed addressing amplified music. The insurance requirements have been met. Administrative Staff member Sandy Dersham anticipates issuing approving the park reservation.

### Community Development

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**Recruitment for Planning Commissioner:** Deputy City Clerk Linda Moore placed a Notice of Vacancy for the Planning Commission in the Cloverdale Reveille this week. To be considered for the position, an interested party must submit an Application for Appointment to the City of Cloverdale. Applications are being accepted until June 15, 2018 and should be submitted to City Hall, attention David Kelley, City Manager. A copy of the application can be found on the City's website at the address below:

<http://www.cloverdale.com/application>

**Use Permit Application Submitted:** An application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a light manufacturing use within an existing commercial building located at 840 N. Cloverdale Boulevard was filed with the Community Development Department this week. North Coast Millworks and Construction (primarily a cabinet and woodworking business) will be leasing a portion of the building and performing tenant improvements to necessary to turn the space into a cabinet making and woodworking space including construction/installation of new counter space, a small office area and installation of electric table saws and sanding equipment.

**Demolition of Former Service Station in Downtown Cloverdale:** I reported last week that Kurt Kelder, Kelder Engineering recently purchased the former service station at 235 S. Cloverdale Blvd. and that his demolition contractor Advanced Earthworks will be on the site tomorrow to initiate demolition activities. The demolition activities were completed this week and a temporary construction fence was installed around the site. What a difference!



Before



After

## Police

**California Police Chief Magazine:** On Tuesday, 5/22, Chief Cramer found out that he and his command staff will grace the Spring 2018 cover of *California Police Chief Magazine*, expected to be published within a few weeks. The magazine is published quarterly and is read by 330+ current California police chiefs and countless retired CA police chiefs. Chief Cramer's career and cancer journeys are highlighted in an article entitled, "I Cuffed Cancer". Chief Cramer is overwhelmed by the positive coverage his journey has brought to law enforcement and the City of Cloverdale.



**Sheriff's Office No Longer Servicing Other Agencies' Warrants:** Chief Cramer received information from Sheriff Giordano that the Sheriff's Department will no longer be servicing other agencies' warrants, including Cloverdale. What this means to the police department is that every one of our arrests that goes to warrant (because the defendant did not show up for court) must be entered into the County & State (when appropriate) systems by our staff. This is another example of smaller agencies being required to take on additional essential responsibilities because a larger agency decides they no longer can afford to handle the task. Chief Cramer has his Technical Services Manager Linda Webb setting up training for this unforeseen & inconvenient transition. Chief Cramer also reached out to the other Sonoma County law enforcement chiefs to gauge their reaction, especially how it may affect the small agencies.

**Department Birthdays:** On Sunday (5/20), both Officer Carlos Nunez and CSO Teresa Hegarty celebrated their birthdays.

**Chief Cramer Provides Letters of Congratulations:** Chief Cramer wrote personal letters of congratulations to the two City Council Student Liaisons ~ Everett Conway and Sami Santana.

**Screening of Solo-A Star Wars Story:** Chief Cramer, Sergeant Parker, & Sergeant Segobiano hosted police department employees & their families in an early screening of Solo-A Star Wars Story at the Clover Theatre. Sergeant Parker organized the event with the cinema owner in an effort to continue boosting morale. Approximately twenty people attended the event & enjoyed another thrilling Star Wars movie.



**American Lung Association Grade:** The American Lung Association State of Tobacco Control (2018) grading was released back in February, but Chief Cramer wanted the community to know that Cloverdale raised its overall tobacco control grade from “F” to “C”; its Smokefree Outdoor Air grade from “D” to “A”; its Smokefree Housing grade from “F” to “C”; and received 5 bonus points for Emerging Issues. Cloverdale still received an “F” grade for Reducing Sales of Tobacco Products, but the City never planned on banning the sales outright.



## Public Works & Engineering

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**Weekly Water Production:** This past week in the Water Department we produced 9.025 million gallons of water. Our peak day this past week we produced 1.349 million gallons.

**Water Department Staff Maintain Clover Springs Reservoir Path:** Water Department Staff focused on vegetation management around the Clover Springs Reservoir access road. Water Department staff typically mow the edges of the road a few times per year.

**Annual Water Valve Exercising and Hydrant Flushing Program:** The Water Department Staff is preparing to start the annual valve exercising and hydrant flushing program.

## Parks & Recreation

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**Preparation for Friday Night Live:** In preparation for Friday Night Live, the Parks and Rec Department focused maintenance work this week on landscaping within the downtown corridor. Parks staff performed additional weed abatement, tree pruning and hedging to present the best appearance of the Plaza and Downtown Cloverdale.

**Irrigation Repairs at the Cloverdale Library and Vintage Meadows:** At the library, irrigation repairs were needed near the flagpole, street side. We also pruned and hedged multiple bushes, some of which effects visibility when making turns out of library. In addition, while parks staff was performing their weekly irrigation inspections in all our City Parks, they found two significant irrigation leaks At Vintage Meadows Park. Necessary repairs were accomplished.

**Preparation for the Annual Memorial Day Veterans Ceremony:** The Streets crew aided by the con crew, performed weed abatement at the Cemetery in prep for the annual Memorial Day Vets ceremony. The work ensures that the Cloverdale Cemetery is well maintained in respect for the Veterans that served our great nation.



**Port Circle Sidewalk Maintenance:** Hector Galvan adjusted his Friday Maintenance schedule to investigate a service request on Port Circle that involved encroachment of weeds onto the public sidewalk. Parks Maintenance staff mowed and raked all the vegetation that was encroaching the sidewalk right way. Attached are some before and after pictures. The resident who submitted the request provided the following response on Saturday:

Thanks to each of you for your rapid response to this issue. Such a coordinated effort-impressive. A group of us ran into Hector on our walk. He encouraged us to let the city know when there was a situation that needed to be addressed. Thank you, Hector, for fitting it into your busy schedule; it looks so much better. Made my day.

**Before****After**

**Snack Shack at City Park Receives a New Roof and Paint Job:** The City of Cloverdale contracted with Todd Lands Construction to replace the roof on the Snack Shack at City Park as well as make other minor improvements include painting the building and adding a new window. Todd Lands completed the work on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. The improvements were sorely needed to address deferred maintenance and will help to support Cloverdale Little League's use of the building during the baseball season.

