

COMMUNITY UPDATE

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City Manager's Office

Health Action Meeting 7/9/19: Cloverdale's chapter of Health Action met this week to discuss a number of topics highlighted below:

1. **Vine Ridge Assisted Living** is set to open September 2nd. In advance of opening, they will conduct a job fair, this Saturday at the Cloverdale Senior Center from 10:00-2:00. They will be recruiting for several positions at all levels.
2. **Vintners Foundation Grant:** The Cloverdale Health Action Chapter was awarded a \$19,000 grant from the Vintners Foundation. The grant was issued for the promotion of a healthy community. After several meetings to discuss how to best use the grant, it was decided the proceeds would be given to the St Peter's Church to assist with their Tuesday outreach program. St Peter's serves over 100 people every Tuesday morning with food, clothing, and assistance in navigating essential services. One such service is assistance with applying for "Seasons of Sharing" rental assistance grants. Anyone in need of short-term rental assistance should go to St. Peter's Church on Tuesday morning to see if they qualify for a Seasons of Sharing grant.
3. **Street Medicine Program:** Reach for Home is initiating a Street Medicine program to serve homeless individuals in need of medical attention but who are reluctant to seek help. The program will bring doctors, nurses, and mental health professionals to locations where homeless people are living. The exact dates services will be offered in Cloverdale are unknown at this point, but the program is expected to start in the next few weeks.



Legislative Update: The Assembly Committee on Local Government passed SB 5 (Beall, McGuire, Portantino) with a 5-0 vote. SB 5 establishes a state partnership with cities and counties to provide an ongoing, sustainable and accountable source of funding that will help build affordable housing to address the housing shortage and homeless crisis.

"In communities throughout the state, cities simply do not have enough affordable housing available to low- and very- low income households. We need more supply and to do that, we need ongoing and sustainable funding," said Carolyn Coleman, executive director of the League of California Cities. "SB 5 creates a much-needed partnership between the state and local governments by providing cities and counties the resources we need to help fund the construction of affordable housing for those particularly vulnerable to homelessness."

Finance and Administration

New Budget: The finance team has been busy this week closing out the 18/19 fiscal year and verifying that all 19/20 fiscal year budget and fee information has been inputted into the software system. This process will ensure a seamless transition from one fiscal year to another. The budget has been completed and the audit for FY 18/19 is set to begin soon.

Community Development



Concept Design for Skate Park.

Skate Park Design Committee Meeting: The second meeting of the Skate Park Design Committee is scheduled for August 7th at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall Conference room. Vince Onel of Spohn Ranch, the City's design consultant, will walk participants through the preliminary design. Vince is seeking feedback in order to finalize the design.

Building Permits Issued in June: In June the City issued 27 building permits, with a total valuation of \$473,918. Notable permits include a complete remodel of a home on Commercial Street and garage conversion to an AUD.

Thyme Square Area Development Coordination: Public Works Director Mark Rincon and Assistant City Manager Kevin Thompson, met with the Cloverdale Unified School District's design team to discuss the construction of a new gymnasium at Washington School. The meeting centered around project development of the skate park, the school district gym, and the Alexander Valley Wellness Center seeking opportunities for coordinated the installation of infrastructure to serve the projects.

Plans for New Single-Family Residence Submitted: The property owner of 107 Orion Court has submitted plans to construct a single-family residence on this lot within the Sunrise Hills II subdivision. When the subdivision was approved in 2005, a condition of approval required that the plans for a future home to be located on this particular property be brought before the Planning Commission for review. The application package is being reviewed by City staff for compliance with applicable regulations and will be placed on an upcoming Planning Commission agenda once the staff review process is complete.

Planning Commissioner Recruitment: Recruitment for Planning Commission seat will begin soon. Please direct any interested parties to Kevin Thompson.

Police



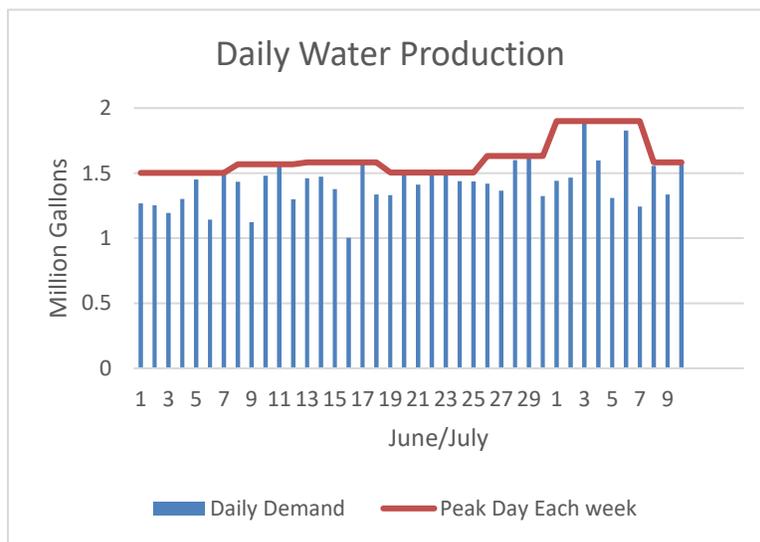
Police Department Running Awareness Campaign: On Saturday the 6th, Tabitha Cornish, a law enforcement advocate, along with Officer Mora of the Cloverdale PD, completed a run honoring fallen Police officers. Her and her family run 1-mile each day for each of the officers who have died this year. Last Monday they started at Windsor PD, where Deputy Larry Matelli ran 1-mile to represent the very first fallen officer, Joseph Shinnars. In addition to Cloverdale, they have run in Cotati PD, Petaluma, Sebastopol, Sonoma County Sheriff’s Office, Rohnert Park PD, Healdsburg PD, Santa Rosa PD, Marin Sheriff’s Dept, San Rafael PD, Novato PD. This effort is not a fundraiser, Ms. Cornish, a mother, is trying to teach her kids to always to respect and honor our heroes, and bring awareness to the honor, integrity, courage, and commitment Police Officers bring to the job. We thank Ms. Cornish, and Officer Mora, and encourage them to continue support of our fallen heroes.

Public Works & Engineering

Special Meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee: A special meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee met this week to discuss ways to remove the rubber mulch currently installed at all four city parks. The direction was to seek ways to reduce the initial cost estimate. Staff is seeking ways to do so and will report back at the next subcommittee meeting on July 23rd.

Sewer Repair Completed: The City’s contractor MSI completed their slip line and sewer main repair this week. The work was completed on Washington, School, and West 1st Streets. Additional sewer repair projects will commence this fiscal year.

Water Use Report:



City of Cloverdale Water Department staff monitors daily water production at the Water Treatment Plant including daily demand and peak daily production. Daily production for the past week ranged from a low of 1.244 Million Gallons Day (MGD) to a high of 1.9 MGD. June total Distribution system demand was 41.696 MG compared to June 2018 total distribution system demand of 45.915 MG. The decrease in June demands is most likely contributed to the late rains allowing delays in starting irrigation systems.

City wide lead and Copper Sampling is scheduled for July 17, 2019. Every three years the City is required to conduct sampling for lead and copper in our system. The 40 samples are taken from customer's taps at locations approved by the State. The results are then submitted to the State.

Well #14 Repairs Continue: Well#14 sustained some damage in last winter's flooding event. Some of the specialty parts needed for repairs, have long lead times, resulting in some minor delays completing the repairs. Well #14 is still operational if needed in an emergency capacity.

Water Department Staff is working with vendors to schedule annual maintenance as services for our chlorine system, backup generators, interior reservoir inspections, and water treatment plant meter calibrations.

Parks & Recreation

Park Maintenance Continues: Parks Dept. maintenance carries on this week, with additional clean-up required along the downtown Blvd and at the Plaza from Friday Night Live. The downtown corridor plant replacement project is underway. An irrigation main line at the City Library was tackled, which ended up being more involved and took more time to repair than expected. Furber Park was prepped for a summer camp.

Downtown plant replacement began by removing dead and struggling plants. This was followed by installing a weed barrier to minimize herbicide spraying in the future. Next, we add a special soil mix to encourage thriving plants. Lastly, plants and shrubs are laid out and installed, with a final layer of mulch to retain moisture. Next week we will begin the tree placement in the raised stone planters. This project is spread out over the next several weeks to avoid conflict with all other scheduled and daily maintenance.



To repair an irrigation leak at the library, staff had to tunnel beneath the sidewalk being careful to avoid breaking the concrete. Once located, it was discovered that a section of the main line had collapsed. Necessary repairs were made, and irrigation has returned to the regular schedule. All front shrubs were pruned to increase signage and vehicle visibility.

Lastly, all City parks were mowed to a designated height to accommodate a week-long soccer camp that took place at Furber Park. The camp is host to kids from ages 4-12 and began on Monday.

