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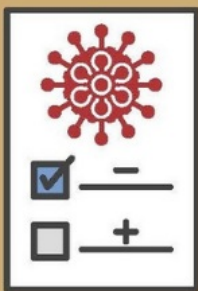
Please visit socoemergency.org for the most up-to-date information on the coronavirus crisis in Sonoma County.

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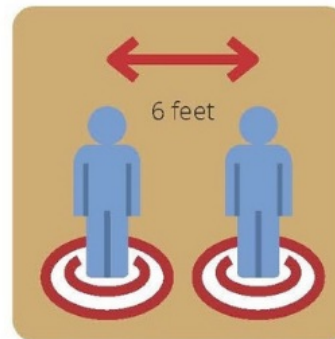
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GET TESTED



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



WASH YOUR HANDS



AVOID CROWDS



GET VACCINATED

DROUGHT EMERGENCY



Governor Gavin Newsom has declared a state of emergency in Sonoma and Mendocino counties due to drought conditions in the Russian River Watershed. Read the State of Emergency Proclamation [here](#).

Water savings are urgently needed. See the City's [Water Conservation page](#) for actions you can take to reduce water usage and check out these indoor and

outdoor water conservation tips from the [Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership](#).

CITY COUNCIL APPROVES WATER CONSERVATION RESOLUTION

At the May 4th City Council Meeting, the City Council approved the Resolution Implementing Water Waste Prohibitions and Water Conservation Measures: Stage 1 - Voluntary Conservation.

In order to achieve an overall system-wide reduction goal of 10 percent. All potable water customers of the City are requested to:

1. Apply irrigation water only during the evening and early morning hours to reduce evaporation losses.
2. Inspect all irrigation systems, repair leaks, and adjust spray heads to provide optimum coverage and eliminate avoidable overspray.
3. For irrigation valves controlling water applied to lawns, vary the minutes of run time consistent with fluctuations in weather.
4. Reduce minutes of run time for each irrigation cycle if water begins to run off to gutters and ditches before the irrigation cycle is completed.
5. Utilize water conservation rebate and giveaway programs to replace water guzzling plumbing fixtures and appliances with water efficient models.
6. Utilize City information regarding using water efficiently, reading water meters, repairing ordinary leaks, and how to make your landscape a water efficient landscape. See the City's Water Conservation web page [here](#).



For more information on the resolution click [here](#).

NO FIREWORKS IN SEBASTOPOL

Due to the extreme fire danger that they present, the Sebastopol City Council voted unanimously on May 4, 2021 that fireworks are no longer permitted to be sold or used within Sebastopol City Limits.



SEBASTOPOL COMMUNITY NEEDS SUMMIT - MAY 12



SEBASTOPOL COMMUNITY NEEDS SUMMIT

BROUGHT TO YOU BY:



THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL

The City of Sebastopol, in collaboration with local service clubs and Sebastopol's Community Vitality consultant CoMission, invite you to the [Community Needs Summit](#) on **Wednesday, May 12, 2021 from 4pm-7:30pm via Zoom**. Participants will be comprised of those who are currently addressing community issues and those who have the ability to support those efforts with either funds or volunteer time.

The goal of the summit is to publicly layout as comprehensive a picture as possible of significant local social, environmental, educational, and other issues. With this work, we will align supporters' interests where possible with those already doing good work, addressing new and existing issues with efforts that have been uncovered, identified or underutilized.

See the [Event Flyer](#) and Register [HERE!](#)

PUBLIC MEETING: CITY OF SEBASTOPOL GOALS & PRIORITIES VIRTUAL STUDY SESSION - MAY 19

May 19, 2021 - 9:30am to Noon

The Sebastopol City Council will hold a virtual study session to look at its [list of Goals and Priorities](#). This meeting is not intended to be an in-depth re-examination of the Goals and Priorities, but rather an overview to determine which items can be achieved quickly and which will take longer given the post-pandemic challenges that the community faces.



See the [City's Meetings page](#) for Zoom link and more details after May 13.

SEBASTOPOL BUSINESS OUTREACH MEETING - MAY 25



Join SPD Chief Kilgore on **Tuesday, May 25** at a meet and greet with Sebastopol businesses. This is an online event hosted through Zoom. Come stop by and say hi!

Date: May 25, 2021

Time: 1pm to 3pm

[Zoom Link](#)

BEARS? IN SEBASTOPOL?

Sebastopol has been in the news due to multiple sightings of one or more bears in and around town and some very clever (and pun-laden) social media posts by Sebastopol Police Services.

Here's some helpful info from Sebastopol PD and our friends at the [California Department of Fish and Wildlife](#). When bears start moving into populated areas, we all need to do what we can to deter them from coming back. So, if you live in the areas where the bear has been spotted, which in Sebastopol would be the Lynch RD/Pleasant Hill RD/Robinson RD area, here are a few things you can do to help our friend stay wild:



- Bring in any pet food from outside
- Empty bird feeders
- Bring trash inside
- Make sure BBQ grills are clean or brought inside

Essentially, we want to remove any food source so that the bear will move on to a more natural menu.

For more information on being Bear Aware, check on this link: <https://wildlife.ca.gov/Keep-Me-Wild/Bear>.

TAKE THE SEBASTOPOL TEMPORARY PARKLET PROGRAM SURVEY!



SEBASTOPOL TEMPORARY PARKLET PROGRAM SURVEY

In an effort to better serve our community during the pandemic, Sebastopol applied for and

received permission from Caltrans (which is responsible for Highways 12 and 116) for the temporary installation of several parklets (outdoor seating areas adjacent to the sidewalks in the parking lane of the street) in the downtown area. We would like to hear from community members about whether or not they would like the parklets to continue.



Survey results will be shared with the City Council to help inform their decision-making process about the future of parklets in Downtown Sebastopol.

This survey will end on May 28.

[Take the Survey](#)

THE LAGUNA PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE IS NOW IN PLACE!



When the seasonal floating bridge goes up, summer can't be far behind. Public Works installed the bridge on May 5, 2021, and re-opened the Laguna Meadowlark Field trail system. The Laguna de Santa Rosa Wetlands Preserve is ready and waiting for pedestrians and bicyclists to enjoy the outdoors.

Social distancing rules apply, so be sure to bring a face covering and put it on if you cannot maintain a distance of at least 6 feet between you and anyone who isn't a member of your household.

The bridge is accessed behind the Little League field at the Community Center. Dogs are allowed if kept on leash at all times. [Trail Map](#)

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF SLOW CAT'S TREASURE HUNT!

Congratulations to the winners of Slow Cat's Treasure Hunt

Wilder Morgan - Age 5
Luia Sailer - Age 6 3/4
Wiley Braden - Age 13

Artists Patrick Amiot and Brigitte Laurent
(creators of our giant Slow Cat safety mascot)

are hard at work on mini-trophies for the three winners.

Thank you to everyone who entered!



Wiley Braden, Age 13, winner in the 10 and up category

COUNTY ALIGNS WITH NEW CDC GUIDANCE ON MASK WEARING



The U.S. Centers for Disease Control on Tuesday, April 27, issued new [guidance](#) for mask wearing for some relatively safe activities, especially for fully vaccinated individuals. Gov. Gavin Newsom said in a [statement](#): “After reviewing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s masking recommendations, and with science and data as our guide, we are moving to align California’s guidance with these common-sense updates. While more than half of Californians 16 and older are partially or fully vaccinated, many others are still not vaccinated, and the threat of variants remains.

We need to remain vigilant and continue public health prevention measures – like wearing masks when appropriate and getting vaccinated – but the light at the end of this tunnel has never been brighter.”

People are considered fully vaccinated two weeks or more after they have received the second dose in a 2-dose series (Pfizer or Moderna), or two weeks or more after they have received a single-dose vaccine (Johnson and Johnson).

The CDC says everyone can engage in the following activities without wearing masks:





























- Walking, running, hiking or biking outdoors alone or with members of their household, except in certain crowded settings.
- Attending small outdoor gatherings with fully vaccinated family and friends.

The CDC says the fully vaccinated can engage in the following activities without wearing masks:

- Attending small outdoor gatherings with a mixture of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people.
- Dining at outdoor restaurants with friends from multiple households.

And all adults should wear masks and stay six feet apart in large public spaces like outdoor performance or sports events.

Choosing Safer Activities

	Unvaccinated People	Your Activity	Fully Vaccinated People
		Outdoor	
Safest		Walk, run, roll, or bike outdoors with members of your household	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated family and friends	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people	
Less Safe		Dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households	
Least Safe		Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	
		Indoor	
Less Safe		Visit a barber or hair salon	
		Go to an uncrowded, indoor shopping center or museum	
		Ride public transport with limited occupancy	
Least Safe		Attend a small, indoor gathering of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people from multiple households	
		Go to an indoor movie theater	
		Attend a full-capacity worship service	
		Sing in an indoor chorus	
		Eat at an indoor restaurant or bar	
		Participate in an indoor, high intensity exercise class	

Get a COVID-19 vaccine



Prevention measures not needed



Take prevention measures

Fully vaccinated people: wear a mask
Unvaccinated people: wear a mask, stay 6 feet apart, and wash your hands.

- Safety levels assume the recommended prevention measures are followed, both by the individual and the venue (if applicable).
- CDC cannot provide the specific risk level for every activity in every community. It is important to consider your own personal situation and the risk to you, your family, and your community before venturing out.

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SONOMA COUNTY STAND-BY VACCINATION SIGN UP

Eligible residents are invited to sign up on a County stand-by list to be notified when vaccine appointments are imminently available in Sonoma County.

Some clinics have open appointments in the next two days. The county will review all sign-ups and will give priority

to those residents who are at higher risk of contracting COVID based on key indicators and those who are more likely to experience the most severe outcomes of the virus.

All appointments are dependent on vaccine availability at clinics in Sonoma County. Note that the form is in both English and Spanish. [Stand-by form](#)



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VACCINATION AVAILABILITY

Eligible residents are invited to sign up on a County stand-by list.

All appointments are dependent on vaccine availability.

RESIDENTS 16+ YEARS OF AGE ARE NOW ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINES



COVID-19
VACCINATIONS
IN SONOMA
COUNTY



Vaccine appointments can be made by visiting myturn.ca.gov or by calling the **COVID-19 Hotline at (707) 565-4667**.

[SoCoEmergency.org](https://www.socoemergency.org)

Sonoma County residents 16+ years of age are now eligible for COVID-19 vaccines at several county clinics and pharmacies across the county. Appointments are necessary and vaccines are provided at no cost. Appointments can be made via <https://myturn.ca.gov> or by calling the COVID-19 Hotline at **(707) 565-4667**. Staff is available to assist in English and Spanish. <https://t.co/Hd2i9mF9yR>

COVID-19 FINANCIAL RELIEF

American Rescue Plan

All funding programs below will be administered by the Small Business Administration (SBA).

Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program (EIDL)
[Click here for more information](#)

Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG)
[Preliminary Application Checklist](#)
[FAQ](#)

NEW: Community Navigator Pilot Program
[Click here for more information](#)

Targeted EIDL Advanced Grant
Status: Eligible applicants contacted by SBA
[Click here for more information](#)

CA Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program
[Click here for more information](#)



SPRING HOUSING PRESENTATIONS

Spring Housing Presentations



City of Sebastopol

Spring 2021



The Sebastopol Planning Commission will be hosting a series of presentations on innovative housing models in the Spring of 2021. Please join us for these informational sessions to learn more!

Links to meetings will be available the Thursday prior to the meeting at:

<https://ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx>

MidPen Housing

May 11, 2021

MidPen was the developer for the teacher housing project in San Francisco's Sunset District <https://www.sfexaminer.com/the-city/more-teacher-housing-projects-in-the-works/> Ali Gaylord, Director of Housing Development – North Bay, will present.

Eden Housing

May 25, 2021

Eden Housing is an affordable housing developer and operator based in Hayward, California. They have partnered with cities throughout the Bay Area, including communities in Healdsburg, Petaluma, and Marin. Andrea Osgood, VP of Real Estate Development and Nick Randall, a Sebastopol resident, will present. www.edenhousing.org

MAY IS BAY AREA BIKE MONTH

PRESENTED BY  METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 



May is National Bike Month, created by the League of American Cyclists in 1956 to promote the benefits of bicycling and encourage more folks to give it a try.

Bike to Wherever events include; a virtual pre-Bike to Wherever Day bike clinic; Safe Cycling classes; and Bike to Wherever Day Energizer Stations on Friday May 21st. For more information, visit bikesonoma.org/btwd or contact Cherie Barnett at 707-545-0153 or cherie@bikesonoma.org.

SONOMA COUNTY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

As of April 19, 2021, the County of Sonoma has started providing support to households impacted by COVID-19 through the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP).

The program will provide payment assistance for tenants who are behind on rent and utilities. ERAP additionally provides options for landlords to participate and receive financial assistance. This program is open to all County residents, regardless of immigration status, who are renters or landlords requiring rental assistance. Any community member can apply with any organization on this list regardless of where in Sonoma County they reside.

See the [Tenant and Housing Resources](#) page on the City's website for more information, FAQs, and links to apply.



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EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

*Have you been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic?
Do you need help with rent and utilities?*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR CITY BUDGET MEETINGS

Public Meeting

June 1, 2021
Tuesday After 6pm

City Council Budget and Street Lighting Assessment District Hearings.

Public Meeting

June 15, 2021
Tuesday After 6pm

City Council Adoption of Final Budget and the Street Lighting Assessment District.

COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION

Information on vaccines and the availability of vaccination appointments in our county changes rapidly.

Please visit [Socoemergency.org](https://socoemergency.org) for the most current updates.



YOUR CITY NEEDS YOU!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC MEETINGS



DURING THE PANDEMIC

Attend One City Council Meeting per Month.

Public participation is the cornerstone of our community. One impact of pandemic restrictions on public gatherings is that it's easier than ever to attend City Council meetings virtually and make your voice heard. These meetings typically take place the first and third Tuesday of each month and begin at 6:00 PM. Here's how to log in and participate. <https://bit.ly/3tVZF4K>

Click image for new infographic on how to participate in virtual City Council meetings.



ASK SLOW CAT!

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: I was wondering if the house on Libby Park is owned by the city of Sebastopol. If so, is it rented? and how can I find out what are the plans for it?

ANSWER: The building next to the pond in Libby Park is called the Garzot Building. It is operated by the Sebastopol Community Cultural Center and has historically been used for preschool and after-school programs.



It is available until July 1 for rental for short term events that are allowed under COVID regulations. After that, the Garzot will again be used as a school. For more information or to inquire about renting, please contact SCCC@seb.org.

Have a question about the town we all know and love? Want to know more about the history of Sebastopol? We want to answer your questions. Submit a question via email to by clicking the button below. We'll post answers in our weekly newsletter and on our Facebook page.

Submit A Question

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS FOR MAY 10 - 16



COUNTY OF SONOMA

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS

Free, convenient, confidential COVID-19 testing is available to all Sonoma County residents, regardless of document status

Monday, May 10

Molecular Matrix @ Foundry Wharf, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
625 2nd St., Petaluma

Alexander Valley Healthcare, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
6 Tarman Dr., Cloverdale (DHS)

Center for Spiritual Living, 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
2075 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Alliance Medical Center, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
1381 University Ave., Healdsburg (DHS)

Tuesday, May 11

A Place to Play Park, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
2375 W 3rd St, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Burton Avenue Recreation Center, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
7421 Burton Ave, Rohnert Park (DHS)

Coddington, 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
1000 Coddington Center (near Suite 101) Santa Rosa (DHS)

Petaluma HC - Rohnert Park, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
5900 State Farm Dr., Rohnert Park (DHS)

Wednesday, May 12

Petaluma Valley Baptist, 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
580 Sonoma Mountain Parkway, Petaluma (DHS)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
8400 Old Redwood Hwy, Windsor (DHS)

Boyes Hot Springs Park and Ride, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Hwy 12 & Thompson Ave, Boyes Hot Springs (DHS)

Wednesday, May 12

Sonoma Valley Community Health, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
601 Agua Caliente Rd W, Sonoma - St. Leo's (DHS)

Santa Rosa Town Center, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
2835 Santa Rosa Ave, Santa Rosa, (DHS)

Thursday, May 13

Redemption Hill Church, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
2100 Petaluma Hill Rd, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Santa Rosa Community HC, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Vista Campus 3569 Round Barn Cir., Santa Rosa (DHS)

Vintage House Senior Center, 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
264 1st St E, Sonoma, 95476 (LHI)

Friday, May 14

Andy's Unity Park, 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
3399 Moorland Ave, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Vintage House Senior Center, 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
264 1st St E, Sonoma, 95476 (LHI)

Bayer Farm, 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
1550 West Ave, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Saturday, May 15

Molecular Matrix @ Foundry Wharf, 9 AM - 2:00 PM
625 2nd St., Petaluma

Sunday, May 16

Molecular Matrix @ Foundry Wharf, 9 AM - 2:00 PM
625 2nd St., Petaluma

We are now offering Department of Health Service (DHS) pop-up testing, as well as testing opportunities with LHI, and Molecular Matrix

- DHS: Make an appointment @ sonomacounty.fullslate.com or call (707) 565-4667.
- LHI: Call (888) 634-1123 or make an appointment @ lhi.care/covidtesting.
- Molecular Matrix: Make an appointment @ molecularmatrix.com/covidtesting.

SoCoEmergency.org

COVID-19 & HEALTH UPDATES

SONOMA COUNTY IN THE ORANGE TIER

Sonoma County moved into the orange tier as of April 7th, allowing more businesses to reopen or expand operations indoors.



See the full [Press Release](#) for what moving from the red tier into the orange tier for the county means.

For more information, visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/> and SoCoEmergency.org.

LEGAL AID OF SONOMA COUNTY IS HERE TO HELP PEOPLE IMPACTED BY COVID-19

If you have employment questions, benefits questions, tenant protections questions, or any other legal issues related to the pandemic, please contact Legal Aid of Sonoma County. Visit their website [here](#) for more information.



NEED HELP WITH ESSENTIAL RESOURCES?

Visit the [2-1-1 Free Referral Service](#) website if you have questions or needs.

For additional assistance, resources, and help with essential needs, see the [SoCo Emergency](#) resources webpage.

UTILITIES & ESSENTIAL CITY SERVICES WILL CONTINUE

Click [here](#) for information on Utilities and how to reach City Departments.

CREDIBLE SOURCES FOR COVID-19 UPDATES

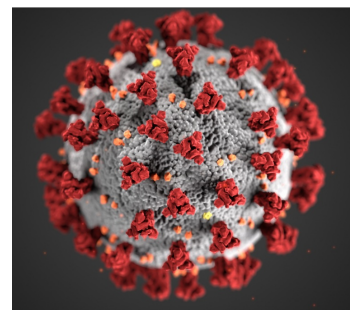
[California Department of Public Health](#)

[County of Sonoma Department of Health Services](#)

[SoCo Emergency Page](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

[World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)



EMERGENCY SAFETY & PREPAREDNESS

FIRE SEASON IS COMING! HARDEN YOUR HOME!

Fire Chief Bill Braga and CalFire want to remind us that fire season is coming.

Now is the time to harden your home

and property to better withstand wildfire.

See [readyforwildfire.org](https://www.readyforwildfire.org) for more information.



Use fire-resistant building materials to protect your home from wildfires.

SIGN UP FOR ALERTS

Make sure that you have signed up for:

[SoCoAlerts](#); and

Nixle Alerts (either [online](#) or by texting your zip code to 888777)

It is important to register for both types of alerts. If you receive Nixle alerts, read them thoroughly and click on any links.

Text Fire or Fuego (for Spanish) to 211-211 for updates.

More information on alerts may be found [here](#).

KNOW YOUR ALERTS

The City of Sebastopol uses multiple notifications and warning systems to make sure emergency alerts are delivered to the people who need the information.



Emergency Alert System (EAS) - No Registration Required

National public warning system that will interrupt local broadcast tv and radio programming to provide an alert in the event of a large-scale emergency.



Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) - No Registration Required

Urgent alerts sent as text-like messages to your mobile phone based on your location (you will only receive notification if you are in the area of the emergency). WEAs have three alert categories– Imminent Threat, AMBER, Presidential. You must keep the factory settings on to your WEA- capable phone to receive a WEA.



SoCoAlert - Registration Required

Emergency notification service providing Sonoma County first responders the ability to alert residents by landline or mobile phone, text message and email about imminent threats to life and property in specific impacted areas. Register all addresses that you'd like to receive alerts for (work, child's school, etc.). You don't have to be in the location of the emergency to receive alert.

Must register at SoCoAlert.com OR call (866) 939-0911, press "0" at the menu, ask operator for assistance with registering for SoCoAlert.



Nixle - Registration Required

Community information service managed by Sonoma County Fire District and Sonoma County Sheriff's Office. Community messages are sent to email, and for critical emergencies, Alert messages are sent via text message and email (notifications are NOT delivered by phone call). Customize your settings at nixle.com to control which types of notifications you receive. Must register at nixle.com or text your zip code to 888-777



Local Radio and Television

Local news broadcasters to provide updates during an emergency. Tune radio to 1350 AM, 103.5 FM, 100.1 FM, 89.1 FM (bilingual), 98.7 FM (Spanish); watch preferred local TV news channel.



Hi/Lo Sirens

Sebastopol police cars and fire department vehicles are outfitted with new Hi/Lo sirens, a different sound than traditional sirens. This European-style, 2-tone siren will only be used in an emergency to alert residents within specific areas of the need to evacuate.

Other Ways to Stay Informed

Sebastopol Police Dept. 
Sebastopol Fire Dept. 
City of Sebastopol  



More information on emergency alerts and notifications at SoCoEmergency.org

Thank you to the City of Santa Rosa for sharing their graphics.

**FOR NON-EMERGENCY SUPPORT
FOR FIRES IN SONOMA COUNTY
DIAL 2-1-1 OR TEXT "FIRE" TO 211-211**

**PARA AYUDA CON LOS INCENDIOS EN EL CONDADO
DE SONOMA QUE NO SEA DE EMERGENCIA,
MARQUE 2-1-1 O MANDE UN MENSAJE DE TEXTO
CON LA PALABRA "FUEGO" AL 211-211.**

FREE + AVAILABLE 24/7 GRATIS + DISPONIBLE 24/7



Get Connected. Get Help.™



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CITY NEWS

SEBASTOPOL WEBSITE EN ESPAÑOL

In an effort to better serve members of the Sebastopol community for whom Spanish is their primary language, Google Translate has been added to the City of Sebastopol website.

REGULAR CITY BUSINESS CONTINUES

Administrative Services:

- Administrative Service staff are available by phone or email for questions. Please email customerservice@cityofsebastopol.org; or call **707-823-7863** and leave a message and someone will respond to you.

Building Department:

- The Building Department is open and operating regular office hours - Monday - Thursday 7am to 5:30pm, Closed 12pm to 12:30pm.
- The Building Department is located inside the Fire Station.

City Manager's Office:

- City Hall is closed, but staff are available by phone or email for questions. Please email info@cityofsebastopol.org; or call **707-823-1153** and leave a message and someone will respond to you.
- City staff encourage the public to keep up with news and updates by following the City's [Facebook](#) page and checking out Council videos.

Engineering Department:

- The Engineering Department is open and operating regular office hours - Monday to Thursday 7am to 5:30pm. The Engineering Department is located in the Public Works office. Please note signage on door with instructions for safe interaction with staff.

Fire Department:

- The Fire Department is open and continuing to provide fire response and

emergency services as usual.

- The Fire Department lobby is open during normal business hours Monday - Thursday 7am to 5:30pm, Closed 12pm to 12:30pm.

Planning Department:

- The Planning Department is (virtually) open Monday - Thursday 7am to 5:30pm (Closed 12pm to 12:30pm) and continues to accept applications. Staff is available via email or phone (707-823-6167). Planning is accepting new applications; please contact staff for instructions for submittals. Click [here](#) for details.

Police Department:

- Lobby is open to the public. For non-life-or-safety-threatening situations, we encourage the public to call the 24/7 police non-emergency line at **707-829-4400**. As always, in the event of emergency, call **911**.
- [Sebastopol Police Log April 26 - May 2](#)

Public Works Department:

- The Public Works Department is open and operating regular office hours - Monday to Thursday 7am to 5:30pm. Please note signage on door with instructions for safe interaction with staff.
- Water and sewer utility systems continue to be monitored and maintained.

CITY MEETINGS

All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link.

Agendas for upcoming meetings can be found on the City website by clicking the "[Meetings](#)" link on the home page. Agendas will contain information about participating virtually in real time when this feature is available.

City Council Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First and Third Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 6pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before the meeting:
 - **For Items Not on the Agenda:** Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items not on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the virtual City Council meeting. All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
 - **For Items Listed on the Agenda:** Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items listed on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the agenda item during the virtual City Council meeting. **Email comments must identify the Agenda Item Number in the subject line of the email.** All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [City Council Meeting of May 18, 2021 @ 6:00 PM](#)

Planning Commission Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 7pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Planning Commission Meeting of May 11, 2021 @ 7:00 PM](#)

(NOTE: All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link. Information for meeting attendance can be found here: <https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx>)

Design Review Board Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First and Third Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 4pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to amontes@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Design Review Board Meeting of May 19, 2021 @ 4:00 PM](#)

Public Arts Committee Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 10:30am
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to amontes@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Public Arts Committee Meeting of June 2, 2021 @ 10:30AM](#)



GENERAL INFO



Check out the Sebastopol Area Senior Center's weekly and monthly virtual classes and workshops!

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