



City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

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**November 11 - November 17 Special Weekly Edition of
Sebastopol Community Newsletter**

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25% MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTION IN SEBASTOPOL



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

City offices are closed Wednesday, November 23rd and Thursday, November 24th for the Thanksgiving holiday. City offices are regularly closed on Fridays.

JACK PICCININI NAMED SEBASTOPOL INTERIM FIRE CHIEF FOLLOWING RETIREMENT OF CHIEF BILL BRAGA

On Monday, November 14th, Sebastopol City Manager Larry McLaughlin announced the appointment of Jack Piccinini as interim fire chief upon the retirement of outgoing Fire Chief Bill Braga. Piccinini's first day will coincide with Chief Braga's last day, December 25. Born and raised in the Sebastopol area, Piccinini began his professional firefighting career when he joined the Santa Rosa Fire Department in 1974, the same year he graduated from Analy High School. His more than four decades of firefighting experience include 32 years as a battalion chief with the City of Santa Rosa from which he retired in 2016. He has also served as interim fire chief for Central Fire Authority, overseeing the Rincon Valley and Windsor fire departments and has served as a volunteer fire captain for the Sebastopol Fire Department since 1976.



City Manager Larry McLaughlin stated, "Jack's experience and familiarity with our department will make for a seamless transition after the retirement of Chief Braga. He's well known and respected for both his leadership and hands-on experience in Sonoma County and throughout the state in directing emergency

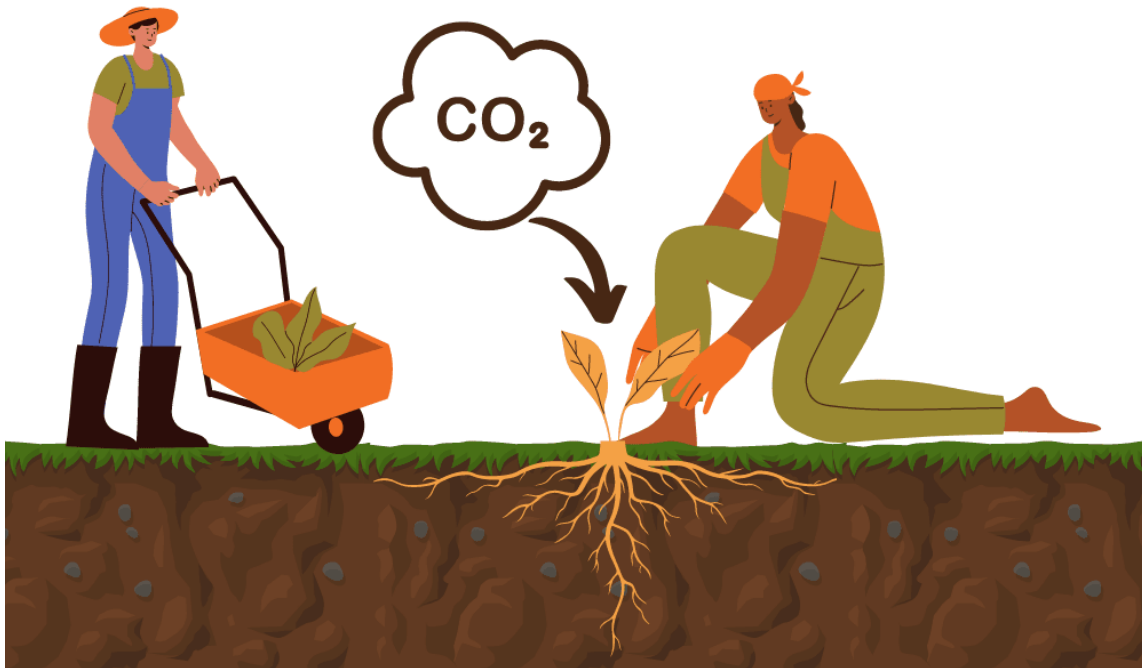
operations and fire suppression activities.”

WEST COUNTY TRAIL CLOSURE & TREE WORK ON 11/28



A section of the West County Trail (between Ellis Court and High School Road) will be closed on Monday, November 28 from 8:30am to 4pm for tree removal work. West Sonoma County High School District has been notified of the work. The work schedule will be adjusted around the school release time.

CARBON GARDENS: A DIRT SIMPLE SOLUTION TO CLIMATE CHANGE



Did you know you can help slow down climate change in your own yard through carbon gardening? [Daily Acts](#) and the [Russian River Watershed Association](#) have teamed up to show you how you can reduce the impacts of climate change, save water, increase wildlife habitat and so much more with simple landscaping practices. Check out their series of brief educational videos and related resources in both English and Spanish at dailyacts.org/carbongardens. Sonoma and Mendocino County residents who share their carbon gardening stories and photos with Daily Acts will receive a voucher for one free yard of organic compost, while supplies last, and be entered into a raffle for a bunch of exciting prizes!

Jardines de carbono: La tierra como aliada contra el cambio climático: ¿Sabías que puedes ayudar a frenar el cambio climático desde tu propio patio utilizando la jardinería de carbono? [Daily Acts](#) y la [Russian River Watershed Association](#) se han aliado para mostrarte cómo reducir los impactos del cambio climático, ahorrar agua, incrementar los hábitats de la fauna silvestre, y mucho más, a través de prácticas sencillas de paisajismo. Revisa su serie de videos breves educativos y los recursos relacionados a partir del 7 de noviembre en dailyacts.org/jardinesdecarbono. Los residentes de los condados de Sonoma y Mendocino que compartan a Daily Acts sus historias e imágenes de jardinería de carbono recibirán un cupón para una yarda de compost orgánico gratis, hasta agotar existencias, ¡y entrarán a una rifa para un montón de premios geniales!

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING EVENT AT THE TOWN PLAZA

Date: Thursday, December 1, 2022

Time: 5pm to 8pm

Come on out and enjoy music from The Analy High Jazz Band, The Love Choir & The Peacetown Children's Choir & a performance from The Sebastopol Ballet. There will be hot chocolate, cookies, and popcorn, and lots of fun activities for the kids. Santa will arrive on his Fire truck at 7 PM. Please join us for this wonderful community event.



Photo by Laura Hagar

FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT AT IVES PARK

THE SEBASTOPOL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE PRESENTS...

**FAMILY
MOVIE
NIGHT**

FEATURING...
ELF!

FREE!

Friday,
December 2nd

@ Ives Park
Mr. Music & holiday trivia 6:30
Showtime 7:00

- Beer, Wine, Soda & water
- Hot dogs (vegan option)
- Popcorn & Candy

For more information/events:
find us on Facebook @sebastopolchamber or our website sabstopol.org

Date: Friday, December 2, 2022

Time: 6:30pm

Bring a low chair, blanket and the whole family to the Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce's Family Movie Night at Ives Park, Friday December 2. The fun begins at 6:30pm with Mr. Music (AKA Santa), followed by a showing of Elf on the giant outdoor screen. Wine, beer, soft drinks, hot dogs (with vegan option), and popcorn will be available for purchase. **Entry is free.**

SHOP LOCAL FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The closer you shop to home, the further your money goes. When you buy local, significantly



more money recirculates in local communities. When you shop at locally owned, independent businesses more money is kept in the community because local businesses often purchase from other local businesses, service providers and farms. Buying locally helps grow other businesses as well as our region's tax base. Local independent businesses invest 3 times more money back into the local economy than non-local businesses.

Not only does shopping local help other businesses in the community, it helps fund other important services. A whopping 53% of our city's budget comes from sales and other (non-property) taxes. Sales tax revenue is a guaranteed funding source for essential city services, including public safety, code enforcement, parks and landscaping, streets pavement and other essential services.

ZERO WASTE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

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WASTE DURING THE HOLIDAYS PRESENTED BY RECOLOGY

Inspiring ways that you can practice a zero-waste holiday season



Reduce
Reuse
Rethink
Recycle
Rot



Sat. Nov. 19, 11:30am
Central Santa Rosa Library
Sat. Dec. 3, 11:00am
Sebastopol Library
Wed. Dec. 7, 6:00pm
Rohnert Park-Cotati Library



This program is in English.



Want to host a low-waste holiday this year? Attend the December 3rd Zero Waste Holiday workshop present by Recology at the Sebastopol Library!

Date: December 3, 2022

Time: 11am

Location: Sebastopol Library, 7140 Bodega Ave.

Learn more [HERE](#).

SEBASTOPOL BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE OPENINGS

[City of Sebastopol Planning Commission](#)

The City has One Opening on the Planning Commission.

[General Application](#)

DEADLINE: November 28, 2022

[City of Sebastopol Climate Action Committee](#)

The City has openings for the following positions:

- 1 Business Representative
- 1-2 Youth Representatives (ages 17-23)
- 3 Seats - Climate Group/Climate or Sustainability Background

[General Application](#)

[Youth Application](#)

DEADLINE: November 28, 2022

[City of Sebastopol Design Review Board/Tree Board](#)

The City has Three Openings as Follows (Term Ending Dates: December 31, 2022):

- One Opening in Category A - Licensed Landscape Architect
- One Opening in Category B - One person who may be any of the following: architect, landscape architect, building designer, building contractor, landscape contractor.
- One Opening in Category D - Alternate

[General Application](#)

DEADLINE: November 28, 2022

TOUR ADU PREFAB UNITS!

Tour model prefab ADUs from [prefabADU](#) and [Connect Homes](#), plus meet and talk to other housing professionals.

DATES:

Saturday, November 19 - 11:30 am to 4 pm

Wednesday, November 30 - 1 to 5 pm

LOCATION:

Crosswalk Community Church Napa

2590 1st Street, Napa, CA 94558

Visit <https://napasonomaadu.org/aduevents> for more information and to RSVP.



EVENTS LOCATION:

Crosswalk Community Church Napa
2590 1st St, Napa, CA 94558

Napa Sonoma **ADU**

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

A local nonprofit
here to help
you ADU



Connect Homes Unit | 460 SF

Tour Prefab ADUs!

FOUR DATES ONLY:

- Sunday, Nov 6 from 11:30 am - 4 pm
- Wednesday, Nov 9 from 1 - 5 pm
- Saturday, Nov 19 from 11:30 am - 4 pm
- Wednesday, Nov 30 from 1 - 5 pm

Learn the ABCs of ADUs plus meet reps from:

- Napa Sonoma ADU Center
- Local Government
- Villa
- Inspired ADUs
- Connect Homes
- Hybrid Prefab Homes
- prefabADU
- JPW Development Co.
- Napa Design Partners
- IT House
- Mayberry Workshop
- Windwood Designs
- Searchlight Lending
- HPP Cares
- Redwood Credit Union



Hybrid Prefab Homes | Unit on-site at events will be 740 sf

prefabADU | 150 SF

For more info on which units and reps will be present for each event, please go to napasonomaadu.org/aduevents

Napa Sonoma **ADU**

Napa
Valley
Community
FOUNDATION

COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
SONOMA
COUNTY

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL RECRUITING MAYORS & COUNCIL MEMBERS ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY CLERK

The City of Sebastopol has been tasked with searching/recruitment for a Mayors & Council Members Association of Sonoma County Clerk.

The focus of the Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association (MCA) has been the exchange of ideas among fellow elected officials - both by educational presentations and by providing an opportunity to network with

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peers. The MCA Board of Directors (Board) also makes appointments to select regional bodies, as well as serving as the City Selection Committee for Sonoma County, as required under Government Code §50270. The MCA Board and General Membership meetings are held quarterly, per the current by-laws. The MCA also has a Legislative Committee.

- [Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association Clerk Position](#)
- [Agreement for Professional Services - City of Sebastopol MCA Clerk](#)

WATER SAVINGS THAT WILL MAKE YOU ENJOY WASHING THE DISHES

Join City of Sebastopol's Water Upgrades Save program to save water and money right away!

Our qualified contractor installs water and energy efficient upgrades like high-efficiency toilets, showerheads, and aerators. You start saving right away!

City of Sebastopol customers are saving an average of 20 percent on annual utility costs when they upgrade! ¹



Follow the steps below:

1. Visit www.waterupgradessave.org to enroll.
2. Schedule a free home assessment to learn about your potential water savings.
3. Choose your upgrades including high-efficiency toilets, showerheads, and aerators.
4. Schedule your installation with a qualified program contractor.
5. Begin saving water and money right away.

Enroll now at www.waterupgradessave.org

¹Actual savings will vary based on measures installed and customer water use.

FALL/WINTER WATER CONSERVATION TIP

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-Marin Saving Water Partnership](#).

Here's a fall/winter tip to help you reduce your water consumption:

- During this historic drought, the North Bay region has been working hard to save water. This fall and winter, it's especially important that we all continue to conserve and one of the best things we can do is take a break from outdoor irrigation. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.



CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Police Department

[Police Sergeant](#)

Deadline to Apply: December 8, 2022 at 11:59pm

[Police Captain](#)

Deadline to Apply: November 30, 2022 at 11:59pm

See the city [website](#) for additional information and requirements on these current opportunities to participate in the management and growth in our community.

COVID-19 INFO & RESOURCES

COUNTY OF SONOMA

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS

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

See the [SoCoEmergency Testing](#) page for testing information.

CITY NEWS

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 December 6, 2022 @ 6:00 PM](#)

Planning Commission Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 6pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Planning Commission Meeting of November 22, 2022 @ 6:00 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 kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Design Review Board Meeting of December 7, 2022 @ 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 kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Public Arts Committee Meeting of December 7, 2022 @ 10:30AM](#)

Climate Action Committee Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 3:30pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Climate Action Committee Meeting of November 23, 2022 @ 3:30 PM](#) has been **CANCELLED**.



COMMUNITY NEWS

SEBASTOPOL COMMUNITY CULTURAL CENTER'S UPCOMING CONCERT SERIES



Check out the Sebastopol Community Cultural Center's (SCCC) upcoming concert. All concerts are held at the SCCC and ticket prices vary.

- **December 10** - A Solstice Celebration with Mamuse

Visit the SCCC website [HERE](#) for more info and to buy tickets.

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