

March 9, 2017

Community Update by Pat Milos Community Development Director



The City has several Public Works related projects of significance that are currently under way. These are the Vista Chino Street Improvements Project, the Date Palm Bridge over the Whitewater River Project, the City Wide Striping Project and Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements. Once completed, these upgrades will improve the safety, efficiency and comfort of motorists and pedestrians.

The Vista Chino Street Improvement Project commenced the 1st week of the year in the northern portion of the City. The contractor on the project is recycling and rehabilitating the pavement, constructing drainage improvements, sidewalks, ADA ramps and installing new traffic striping. The total project costs are estimated to be \$3.6 million. Funding for the project includes a \$1 million grant from the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians. Additional funding is from Gas Tax, Measure A, and Assessment Districts.

Vista Chino is one of the primary transportation corridors in the area and, as such the corridor is relied upon by the public and others for commerce, residential, regional circulation and other uses. When this project is completed, the community will enjoy a newly repaved two mile stretch of roadway from the west City limits at the Whitewater River to Date Palm Drive.

To date, the contractor on the project has base paved and concreted all the outside lanes (24' closest to the curbs) on the north and south sides of the street from Landau Blvd. to Date Palm Drive. Next week the contractor is planning to "flip the traffic" to the newly base paved outside lanes and work on the interior lanes from Landau Blvd. to Date Palm Drive. This work will take approximately four weeks with the interior concrete work and base paving being completed.

By mid-April, the contractor should be working on the western portion of Vista Chino, from the west City limits at the Whitewater River to Landau Blvd. The contractor is expected to follow the same program as on the east portion of Vista Chino, with removal and restoration of the outside lanes first then, when those lanes are completed, the Contractor will again “flip traffic” and move their work into the interior lanes. Once all base paving and concrete work are completed in mid-May, the Contractor will take 6 to 7 days to apply the “cap” (wearing course, which in this case will be a rubberized product) on the entire project which will provide a smooth and quiet ride for motorists. Subsequent to this work the striping, crosswalk and legend marking will take place during graveyard hours. Final completion of this project is scheduled for June.

Date Palm Bridge over the Whitewater River Project is now being solicited for construction bids. Bids will be publically opened for this approximately \$18 million project on March 21, 2017 at City Hall. The contractor selected for the project will be required to widen the bridge width to accommodate 6 lanes of vehicle traffic, rehabilitate the existing bridge deck, replace deficient portions of the existing structure, add sidewalks, matching medians, railings and improve and widen approaches from Gerald Ford Drive to Perez Road.

The Date Palm Bridge, built in 1981, is a four-lane bridge, approximately 757 feet long and 56 feet wide. The purpose of this project is to provide congestion relief in order to improve both regional and local traffic flow, as well as improve the structural safety and operation of the bridge. Included in the widening of the bridge will be sidewalks and bicycle lanes and an undercrossing that will accommodate the regional bike and NEV path when constructed.

Additional improvements will include the construction of scour countermeasures within the Whitewater River Channel for the existing and new pier foundations, channel slope protection, repairs to the cracks in the concrete girders, pier walls, installation of a new bridge deck with an epoxy type injection, retrofit of the existing girders and the installation of cable restrainers for stabilization of the bridge during a seismic events.

The Project cost is estimated to be \$18.0 million and is 97% funded by a Federal Highway Administration Grant (FHWA) and a Coachella Association of Governments (CVAG) regional share funding, leaving the City's portion at approximately \$700,000.

Construction is expected to commence in May or June of this year and will be completed within 18 months. During this construction period a northbound and southbound lane of traffic will always be open for the driving public as well as a pedestrian crossing.

A Citywide Arterial Striping and Pavement Marking contract was approved by the City Council in February of 2017 and work will be starting in a few weeks. Cal-Stripe, Inc. will provide arterial street striping, crosswalk and pavement marking throughout the City. This year's contract will replace long lines (centerlines, lane lines, shoulder lines) on various arterial streets throughout the City and crosswalks and legend marking at various locations. Included in the work will be the removal of old striping that does not conform to current codes. Most drivers will not be impacted by the work as a majority of the work will be completed between the hours of 10:00 pm and 5:00 am. All streets will remain open to traffic with temporary lane closures as needed.

The striping work will be completed as a moving operation. Marking material is applied to the pavement through equipment attached to the work trucks driving along the street; the vehicles also have arrow boards and warning lights informing drivers to change lanes and/or slow down. Once completed City motorists will have new pavement markings to reference, thus enhancing driving safety within the City.

The **Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements Project** is currently out to bid. Bids from contractors for the Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements are due at City Hall on Tuesday, March 14th by 2:00 PM.

This Project will provide for the total rehabilitation of the pavement on the residential streets generally located south of Ramon Road, north of Corral Road, between Date Palm Drive and Cathedral Canyon Drive. The specific streets planned for improvement are Canyon Vista Road, Monte Vista Road, Aurora Vista Road, Desert Vista Road, Cielo Vista Road, Rancho Vista Road and Via Olivera. Included in this project are four (4) alleys that intersect the aforementioned streets within the same location.

The awarded contractor will be required to remove and replace approximately 291,000 square feet of asphalt in this project. Staff anticipates this project will be completed before the end of June 2017. This Project is estimated at \$750,000 and will be funded via Community Block Grant Development Funds and Assessment District Funds.

Overall the City has worked diligently to make the construction traffic as smooth as possible on the projects that have started and has made a few adjustments during the construction to make travel as expedient as possible.

We do appreciate the patience of the motorists during construction and assure you that your safety as well as the safety of the construction workers is our primary focus.

We realize that we have created some short term inconveniences, but we are confident that the resulting improvement in the road surface will have been worth it.

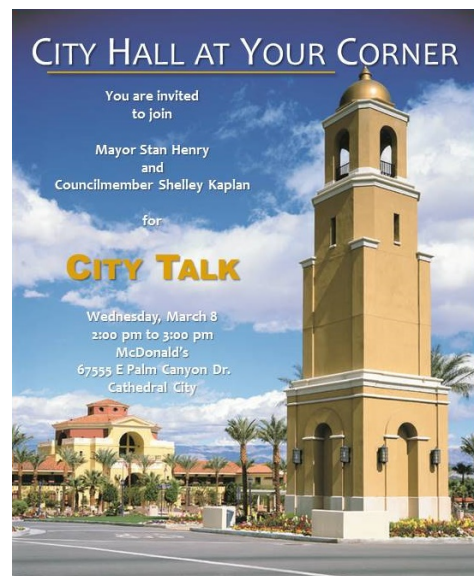
Thank you for your patience as we strive to move the City forward.

News

"City Hall at Your Corner" - March 8th at 2 pm

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2nd Saturday Art Walk on Perez Road

2nd Saturday Art Walk on Perez Road Brand New Event - Starts Saturday, March 11th! Every 2nd Saturday, come to Cathedral City's Art & Design District for "2nd Saturdays Art Walk on Perez Road"



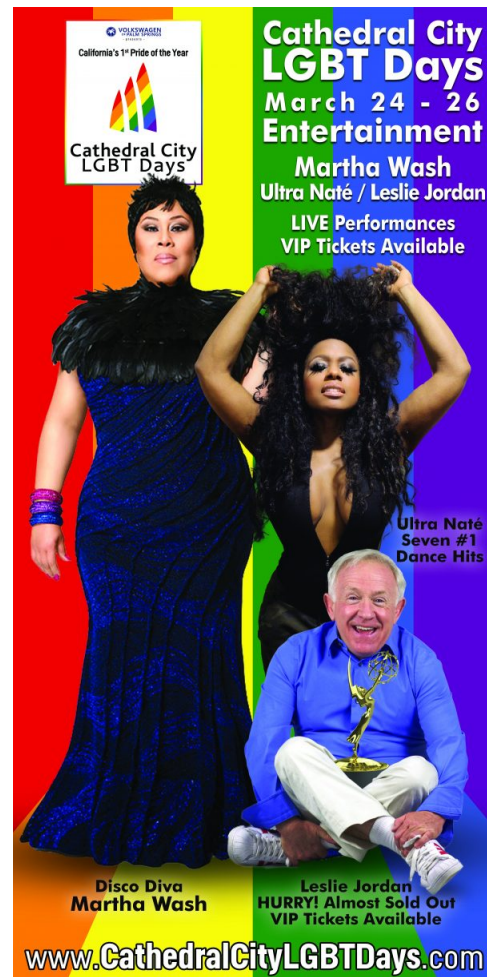
from 5 pm to 8 pm where you will discover special art exhibits, museum quality art as well as cultural art to brighten your soul, meet ...

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Cathedral City Celebrates Diversity during the 3rd Annual LGBT Days

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Upcoming Events

Day of the Young Child

Join the Consortium for Early Learning Services Eastern Region & Partners for the “Day of the Young Child” on Saturday, March 11, 2017 from 9 am to 12 pm. The event provides information from local resources and offers free snacks,



children's performances, entertainment, kids activities, special guests and more!

If you are interested in sponsoring or participating in the event, please contact Estella Briceno at (760) 863-2912 or esbricen@riversidedpss.org.

[Read more.](#)

Cathedral City Cove Art Party for Children & Elders

Children's Art Party for children and elders.

NEW Location this Month: The SCRAP Gallery and the Agnes Pelton Society hosts the Children and Elders monthly Art Party at the Cathedral City Art Gallery, 68895 Perez Road, Suite I-27 (across from Frankie's Italian Bakery) on the Second Saturday of each month from 1-3 PM. Admission is free. Participants create art pieces ...

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Antiques Appraisal Day at the Cathedral City Senior Center

Have you ever wanted to go to an Antiques Roadshow event? Are you ready to discover the value of your family heirloom? Join us on Saturday, March 18th, 2017 Where certified dealers and appraisers will be on hand to offer Their expertise, *Roadshow style*, at the Cathedral City Senior Center, 37-171 West Buddy Rogers Avenue. Appraisals on your items from 9am to 2pm ... [Read more.](#)



Treasures from the Attic: Antiques Appraisal Day

Hosted by the Cathedral City Historical Society and Cathedral City Senior Center

Saturday, March 18, 2017



Have you always wanted to go to an antiques road show event? Are you ready to discover the value of your family heirloom?

Join us **Saturday, March 18th 9 am - 2 pm.** Certified appraisers will be on hand to offer their expertise, *road show style*.

Cathedral City Senior Center
37-171 West Buddy Rogers Avenue
Cathedral City, CA 92234

General audience fee is \$10. Appraisals cost \$15 for one item (includes admission) with a limit of three items per person. Must be able to carry in your items. Items may include jewelry, silver objects, antiques & collectibles, small furniture, paintings and other artwork, art glass and art pottery. No coins or firearms. All appraisals are on a "first-come, first-serve" basis.

Free refreshments and restaurant "samplings" will be offered throughout the event.
"Classic cars will be on display in front of the Senior Center."







For more information or directions contact: 760-321-6577 (Cathedral City Historical Society) or 760-321-1548 (Cathedral City Senior Center).



STATE OF THE CITY

2017 ADDRESS & LUNCHEON

March 21, 2017 | DoubleTree Golf Resort | 11:30A

State of the City

The Cathedral City Chamber of Commerce presents the annual "State of the City" featuring remarks by Mayor Stan Henry and video captions by Councilmembers.

The lunch portion begins at 11:30 am. Tickets for the luncheon are available at www.CathedralCityCC.com

The State of the City address begins at 12:30 pm and is free to the public.

[Read more.](#)



25th Annual Senior Inspiration Awards Luncheon

25 th Annual Senior Inspiration Awards Luncheon to be held **Friday, March 24, 2017** at the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa in Palm Desert. This valuable event promises to be a tribute to our community's valuable volunteers who have continued their community involvement in their senior years

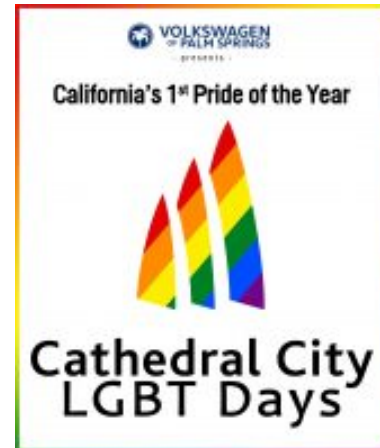
The Senior Inspiration Awards recognizes and honors 11 unsung heroes from each Coachella Valley city and the County of Riverside, who are role models to us all. This year's honorees are: ... [Read more.](#)

3rd Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days

California's first "Pride" of the year Come celebrate diversity at the Cathedral City LGBT Days, March 24-26, 2017 in Downtown Cathedral City as well as Cathedral City businesses. All non-ticketed events are free and open to the public.

For all information, [CLICK HERE](#)

[Read more.](#)



Movies in the Park

Gather the family, blankets and/or chairs for "Movies in the Park" located this season at Ocotillo Park, 33300 Moreno Road in Cathedral City. The free event every month at 7:00 pm, except for

the month of May, which begins at 8:30 pm due to daylight savings time.

You are welcome to bring snacks or non-alcoholic drinks, but you can also purchase them from the movie organizers at the park's concession stand. Great Family FUN!

[Read more.](#)

The City of Cathedral City

Stop Identity Theft Program

FREE!

To help STOP identity theft and as a service to its residents, the City of Cathedral City is hosting FREE Document Shredding Events. The Shredding Events are the first Saturday of the month October thru May each year.

WHEN: 2016 **Saturday, October 1, November 5 and December 3**
2017 **Saturday, January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1 and May 6**

TIME: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Arrive early – once the shredding truck is filled to capacity the event will end.

LOCATION: 68-510 East Palm Canyon Drive

EXAMPLES OF DOCUMENTS:

- Legal documents
- Medical records
- Financial statements
- Accounting files/records
- Personnel files
- Payroll records
- Bank statements
- Tax records
- Contracts
- Receipts/invoices
- Cancelled checks
- Photographs
- Credit card documents

TIPS:

- You do not need to remove paper clips, staples, file folders, report covers, envelopes or binder clips from your documents.
- You can bring your documents in boxes or plastic bags.

RESTRICTIONS:

- Limited to Cathedral City **RESIDENTS** only.
- Be prepared to show proof of residency or bring this postcard to the event.
- Limit 5 banker sized boxes per resident or household.
- **No businesses allowed.**
- Remove all trash items from your boxes or bags!
- Items like pens, pencils or regular household trash cannot be shredded.

YOU'RE NOT LIMITED TO THE ITEMS LISTED – BRING ALL YOUR SENSITIVE DOCUMENTS.



MORE:

- Your documents will be shredded on site – you will be able to witness the entire process.
- Arrive early – once the shredding truck is filled to capacity the event will end.
- This is a free event – there is no charge to shred your documents.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CALL (760) 770-0369
EMAIL dpressgrove@cathedralcity.gov

OR VISIT THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT
www.cathedralcity.gov
(UNDER DEPARTMENTS SELECT THE
RECYCLING, TRASH & ENERGY PAGE)

Cathedral City

Shred Event - Stop Identity Theft

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CATHEDRAL CITY 🏰 CALIFORNIA

APRIL 1ST 2017

Red & Black Royal Caviar Festival

MASQUERADE 7pm
* ROYAL CAVIAR FAMILY FESTIVAL from 2 PM – 5 PM !

Family Festival: Caviar Tasting included, Gourmet Food, Bar, HUGE PRIZES & FUN COMPETITIONS for Families & Kids, Magicians and Acrobats, Show-Acts, D.J., Live Music, Dance, Little Mister and Little Miss Popular, Great Food & Great People.

* MASQUERADE PARTY 18+ from 7 PM – OPEN END !

CAVIAR FESTIVAL 2pm
Dresscode: Red & Black preferred eg. Venetian Costumes and Masks.

Evening Party Adults only: Caviar Tasting included, Bar, Gourmet Food Catering, HUGE PRIZES & FUN COMPETITIONS (Mister and Miss Red & Black Royal Elegance, Mystery Prince Search, Mister and Miss Popular), Entertainment Acts and a FUN NIGHT TO MEET GREAT PEOPLE ... [Read more.](#)



Fight the Bite 5K and Community Resource Fair

The “Fight the Bite 5K and Community Resource Fair” is organized by the Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and aims to raise awareness about:

- the dangers of mosquito-borne diseases in the Coachella Valley
- future threats from invasive mosquito species recently detected here
- tips on what can be done to prevent mosquito breeding and mosquito bites ... [Read more.](#)

Easter Kidapalooza

Bring the kids to Cathedral City's Town Square Park in downtown for an event that's all about Kids! From 12 (noon) to 3:00 pm, kids will enjoy the fun of multiple bouncy houses around Cathedral City's Fountain of Life area.

At 12:30 pm - there will be an Easter Egg Hunt with 10,000 eggs! ... [Read more.](#)



Battle of the Badges Boxing Event

Come watch police officers and firefighters box in the main ring on the Lawn Festival in Downtown Cathedral City. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. 1st boxing match starts at 6:00 p.m.

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