

June 9, 2016

Community Update by Pat Milos Community Development Director

With summer upon us and our winter visitors gone, it is now an opportune time to commence road construction projects. The City Engineering Department has released the following list of projects you can expect to see in Cathedral City over the summer and early fall. It also includes future bridge improvement projects.



- 1. Date Palm Drive and Cathedral Canyon Drive Pavement Rehabilitation. CIP 8837.

This project will rehabilitate the pavement on Date Palm Drive and Cathedral Canyon Drive between East Palm Canyon Drive and Perez Road. The project will be advertised for bid on June 17th and bids will be opened on July 14th. The award package will be presented for Council action on August 10th and construction is estimated to start after Labor Day. The construction period is estimated to be twenty working days. This project is funded by Measure A and Gas Tax revenues.

- 2. Avenida La Paz and Avenida La Vista Pavement Rehabilitation. CIP 8655.

This project will rehabilitate the pavement on Avenida La Paz and Avenida La Vista between 30th Avenue and Vista Chino. FY 2016-2017 CDBG funds will be used, along with AB 88-3 funds to construct the project. Because the FY 16-17 CDBG funds will not be available until August or September, the project will likely be presented to Council for award in late September. Staff will advertise the project for bid in July and open bids in August, so it can be awarded once the CDBG funds are allocated to the City.

- 3. Cathedral City Whitewater Bike Path. CIP 7014 and 7015.

Final design on this project will be completed on June 12th. The project will be advertised for construction on July 10th and bids opened on August 9th. Because the project will be partially funded with AQMD mitigation funds through CVAG, the award package will be presented to Council at the September 28th meeting. Construction is anticipated to start on October 18th and ribbon cutting is preliminarily scheduled for February 24, 2017.

- 4. San Joaquin Drive Sidewalks. CIP 2517.

The construction contract will be awarded on June 8th and construction is expected to start after July 4th. Construction time is 20 working days and construction will be complete around August

5th.

- 5. Vista Chino East, CIP 8659 and Vista Chino West, CIP 8660.

These projects will rehabilitate the pavement on Vista Chino from the west City Limits at the Whitewater River to Date Palm Drive. A second feature of the projects will be the proposed construction of raised medians throughout the corridor. Staff is currently scheduled to meet with the residents that may be impacted by this construction on June 14th. The proposed improvements will be presented and written comments and questions will be solicited. Council authorized the award of the design contract to Albert A. Webb Associates at the May 25, 2016 meeting. Staff is currently working with Webb on design details. The project is scheduled for bid in late August and construction will be complete by Thanksgiving.

- 6. ADA Ramp Improvements. CIP 8946.

This project will reconstruct existing, deficient sidewalk access ramps on those portions of Vista Chino, 30th Avenue and McCallum Way that are in low-mod income areas recognized by HUD. CDBG funds will be used to construct these improvements. The project will be advertised in June with bids opened in July. The award package will be presented to Council for approval at the August 10th meeting.

- 7. Date Palm Drive Bridge Widening. CIP 8914

The design phase of the project is complete and signed construction documents are ready for bidding. The right of way phase will be completed by June 17th and a Request for Authorization (RFA) to construct will be submitted to Caltrans by June 24th. While construction funding is guaranteed for FY 2016-2017, and our June RFA will request early funding this fiscal year, there are no guarantees that Caltrans will be able to extend funding this year. If funding is available, the project could be advertised in October or November and construction could start in early 2017. If funding is not available this year, the project will be advertised in early 2017 and construction would begin late spring 2017. Construction is estimated to take thirteen to sixteen months.

- 8. Cathedral Canyon Drive Bridge. CIP 8919.

Staff has received and is currently reviewing the 100% design drawings. The right of way phase of the project is currently underway and lengthy negotiations with the BIA on tribal land and with the Cathedral Canyon Homeowners Association have extended completion of this phase into late summer. The project is scheduled for funding through Caltrans in FY 16-17 and construction is anticipated in late 2017.

- 9. Ramon Road Bridge. CIP 2500.

This project is being managed by the City of Palm Springs and will widen the bridge and Ramon Road from the bridge to San Luis Rey to six lanes. The design is currently at the 60% completion stage. Completion of design and right of way acquisition is anticipated in late 2017 with construction starting in 2018 and completion in 2019. The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians has agreed to fund the City's \$2.15 million share of the construction under the Tribal Transportation Program.

For more information as well as more specific details about these and other projects, please check our website, www.CathedralCity.gov. The website will offer status updates and any impacts to the motoring public. Please remember that with any construction project and the potential for correlating delays, it is advisable to keep your car's air conditioning tuned-up as it tends to help with patience. Be mindful of the cone zones and help keep our public works' employees safe so they too can go home after a hot workday, safe to their families.



Help Save the Salton Sea with a Specialty Auto License Plate

According to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Salton Sea is the largest inland lake in southeastern California. However, the Salton Sea is beginning to dry up and this has severely impaired the air quality and wildlife habitat, as well as

increased the salinity of the Sea, resulting in the continuing loss of aquatic life. California can restore ...

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Shakespeare in the Rotunda - A Big Hit

More than 80 people including most of the City Council came to the Civic Center Rotunda this past Saturday evening to watch Cathedral City High School students perform an abridged version of William Shakespeare's play, "Romeo and Juliet." Although the crowd endured temperatures soaring past 100 degrees, all left very pleased having watched these gifted, young actors improve their talents. ...



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Cathedral City to Hold Public Review of Roadway Improvements for Vista Chino

Cathedral City to Hold Public Review of Roadway Improvements for Vista Chino The City of Cathedral City will hold a public review of the design concepts for its Capital Improvement Program for Vista Chino roadway from the east bank of the Whitewater River

Channel to Date Palm Drive. Residents will have an opportunity to provide input on the design that ...

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City of Cathedral City
Public Review Notice
Vista Chino East and West
Roadway Improvements

Notice is hereby given that the Cathedral City Engineering Division will hold a Public Review Meeting on the following:

DATE AND TIME OF MEETING
June 14, 2016 at 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

PLACE OF PUBLIC REVIEW MEETING
Cathedral City Civic Center
Council Chamber, 3rd Floor
68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero

PROJECT
The City's design concept for the Capital Improvement
Department (CIP) improvements of the Vista Chino



City of Cathedral City Public Workshop Notice Proposed Community Park

Notice is hereby given that the Cathedral City Engineering Division will hold a Public Workshop on the following:

PROJECT
The City Engineering Division will present the grant funded Cathedral City Whitewater Bike Trail as it will be constructed and is requesting public input for potentially developing a community park, parking lot and community center on the City-owned properties contiguous to the Bike Trail Project.

APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE
John A. Corella, P.E. – City Engineer

REQUEST
City Staff is requesting public comments for a potential park, parking lot and community center on City owned properties contiguous to the proposed Cathedral City Whitewater Bike Trail within the Dream Homes Community area of Cathedral City. The Bike Trail Project is grant funded, while the potential park, parking lot and community center concepts are not currently funded. The comments received from this meeting will be used to assist in the development of the concepts to be used to solicit for grant and/or capital improvement project funding.

DATE AND TIME OF MEETING
June 13, 2016 at 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

PLACE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP
Agua Caliente Elementary School
Multipurpose Room
30-800 San Luis Rey Drive
Cathedral City, CA 92234

For further information, contact:
John A. Corella, P.E., City Engineer
68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero
Cathedral City, CA 92234
(760) 770-0327

LOCATION
East of San Diego Drive and West of the Whitewater River Channel in the Dream Homes Community.



NOTE: In compliance with the Americans with Disability Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Engineering Division at (760) 770-0349. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable accommodations to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28 CFR 35.104 ADA TITLE II)

Public Workshop Scheduled for a Proposed Community Park in the Dream Homes Neighborhood

Public Workshop Scheduled for a Proposed Community Park in the Dream Homes Neighborhood The City of Cathedral City will hold a public workshop on Monday, June 13 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Agua Caliente Elementary School, Multipurpose Room, 30-800 San Luis Rey Drive, Cathedral City to receive input from residents on a proposed community park to be ...

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Ready, Set, Grow Your Business

What is "READY, SET, GROW YOUR BUSINESS!"? READY, SET, GROW YOUR BUSINESS! is an intense, strategic growth program with the goal of helping existing entrepreneurs take their business to the next level. Participants will attend a minimum of 12 workshops, work individually with a business counselor for at least two hours, and write a modified business plan. Who is eligible? ...

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PARKS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMISSION VACANCY

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VACANCY CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY The City of Cathedral City announces a vacancy on the Parks and Community

Events Commission with a term to begin immediately upon appointment ...

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Upcoming Events

Cuisine & Art Tuesdays

Every Tuesday in July, 4pm-9pm



Cuisine & Art Tuesdays

Back by popular demand!

“Cuisine & Art Tuesdays” - A
Delectable Dining & Art Experience
Every Tuesday in July

Go to where the interior designers
from around the globe go while they
visit the Coachella Valley, the
amazing art and décor galleries along
Perez Road in ...

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City Hall at Your Corner

Have an issue you would like to
speak to your city councilmembers
about or learn what is happening in
Cathedral City? Then join us for “City
Hall at Your Corner” hosted by two
member of the City Council. “City Hall
at Your Corner” is scheduled once a
month through November 2, 2016 at
various locations throughout the City
and at ...

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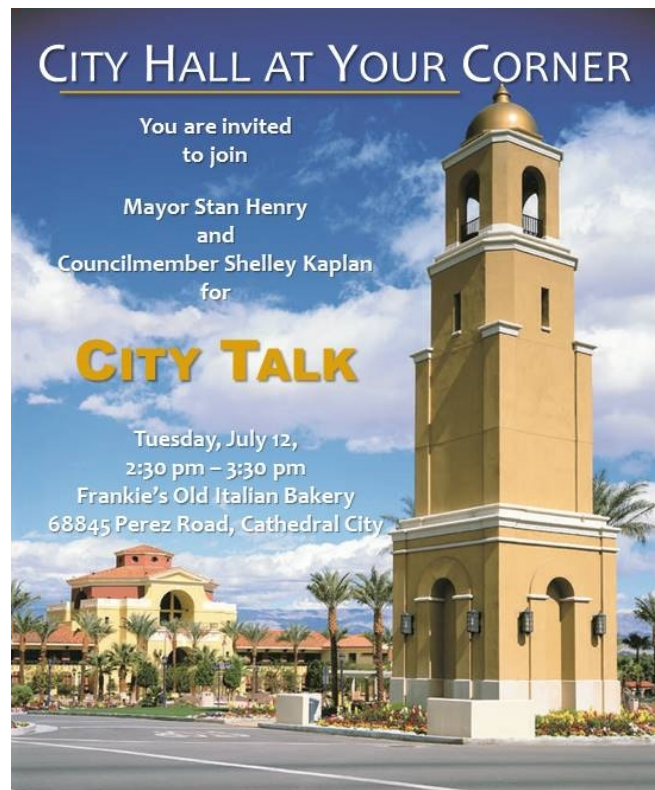




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CATHEDRAL CITY COVE
FREE Artmaking

2nd Saturday of each month 1-3PM
The Cathedral Center
37-171 W Buddy Rogers Ave.
INFO: 760-459-3564

Patrocinadores: Agnes Pelton Society y SCRAP Gallery

Children's Art Party

Children's Art Party for kids and seniors. This is a free artmaking workshop sponsored by Agnes Pelton Society and the Scrap Gallery. 2nd Saturday of each month from 1pm - 3pm at the Cathedral Center, 37171 W Buddy Rogers Avenue.

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Nine Cities Challenge Blood Drive

The 2016 Nine Cities Blood Drive Challenge is on! Coachella Valley communities are going head-to-head to collect the most LifeStream blood donations to assist local hospital patients and save lives! The summer is the most challenging time of year for hospitals to maintain ample blood supplies for emergency and everyday needs. Your help at this time is especially critical! Round ...

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CATHEDRAL CITY COACHELLA DESERT HOT SPRINGS
INDIAN WELLS INDIO LA QUINTA
PALM DESERT PALM SPRINGS RANCHO MIRAGE



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FallFest

KevaWorks, the promoter of the Tamale Festival in Indio, visited the Cathedral City Balloon Festival in February and decided that they wanted to start a new annual event for the Coachella Valley called



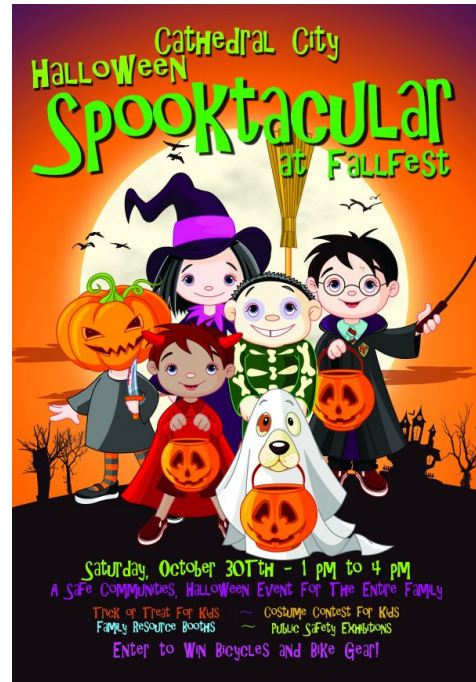
FallFest. It will be a family-friendly, community event that will take place October 20-30, 2016 in Downtown Cathedral City. FallFest will include a full carnival, complete with ...

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Halloween Spooktacular at FallFest

Trick or Treat, Meet Your Fire and Police, and Win a Bicycle with a Cool Seat at Cathedral City's Spooktacular on Halloween The Cathedral City Police Department, Cathedral City Fire Department, City of Cathedral City's Special Events and many non-profit organizations bring to you the Halloween Spooktacular at FallFest, Sunday, October 30, 2016 from 1-4 pm. The event will occur downtown ...

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Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Cathedral City is proud to sponsor the 4th Annual "Dia de los Muertos" featuring: mariachi bands folkloric dancers an art contest for middle and high school students a children's craft area supervised by SCRAP Gallery information tables food vendors This year, an altar will be constructed that focuses on the 4 families who founded Cathedral City in the late ...

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