



CATHEDRAL CITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 8, 2018

Community Update by Pat Milos, Community Development Director

New Gas Tax Dollars Working for You

On November 1, 2017, the new gas tax law (Senate Bill 1, Beall) went into effect that charges an additional twelve cents per gallon on gasoline purchased in California. It also imposes 50% of a \$0.20 per gallon increase in the diesel excise tax, and a new \$100 annual vehicle registration fee applicable only to zero-emission vehicles model year 2020 and later. All of these funds are dedicated to road maintenance and rehabilitation for state highways and local streets.



Under current conditions, the California Transportation Commission found that our roads statewide are rated on average at “fair/at risk” and those current road conditions cost Californians an average of \$762 annually on vehicle repair costs, according to the governor’s office.

Over the past twenty years, improvements in automobile mileage per gallon has dramatically improved with new technology. This is great for the environment as less gasoline is burned to reach your destination and great for consumers who purchase less gas. However, it also means that sales tax revenue from gas purchases has been significantly reduced and thereby creating a deficit in the amount needed to maintain our highways and roads. Senate Bill 1 was a measure to fill the gap between what is needed to fix the state’s deferred maintenance of its roads and available revenue.

The new gas tax revenue will also benefit local streets in Cathedral City starting as early as this summer. Cathedral City can expect to receive approximately \$900,000 more per year to repair our local roads from the new gas tax. Here is a list of priority projects that have been scheduled based on the City continuing to receive this new revenue:

CATHEDRAL CITY SB 1 PROJECT LIST

Proposed Project 1: Reconstruct intersection of Date Palm Drive and Dinah Shore Drive.

The pavement approaching and through the intersection has failed and will be reconstructed using Portland Cement Concrete (PCC). The stopping lanes of all four legs of the intersection will be reconstructed using PCC.

Location: Intersection of Date Palm Drive and Dinah Shore Drive in Cathedral City

Schedule for Completion: July 2018

Estimated Cost: \$800,000.

Proposed Project 2: Avenida Ximino Neighborhood Street Reconstruction. Much of the existing pavement on Avenida Ximino neighborhood streets has failed due, in part, to poor drainage. The project will reconstruct the streets and improve local drainage.

Location: Avenida Ximino between 30th Avenue and Vega Road, Susan Drive, Walker Avenue and Vega Road between Avenida Ximino and Avenida Juarez in Cathedral City

Schedule for Completion: Summer 2019

Estimated Cost: \$650,000.

Proposed Project 3: Construct new traffic signal at the intersection of Landau Boulevard and McCallum Way. This project will provide a signalized intersection near Mt. San Jacinto High School which gets significant pedestrian traffic from students. It was also the location of a pedestrian fatality in 2015.

Location: The intersection of Landau Boulevard and McCallum Way in Cathedral City.

Schedule for Completion: Summer of 2020.

Estimated Cost: \$400,000.

Proposed Project 4: Pavement rehabilitation on Whispering Palms neighborhood streets.

Location: The streets include Candlewood Drive, Shifting Sands Trail, Sky Blue Water Trail, Navajo Trail, and Pueblo Trail between Ramon Road and Avenue 33.

Schedule for Completion: Summer of 2020

Estimated Cost: \$1,400,000.

Proposed Project 5: Century Park Neighborhood pavement rehabilitation.

Location: The Century Park neighborhood is between Avenue 30 on the north and McCallum Way on the south and between Date Palm Drive on the west and Da Vall Drive on the east. The neighborhood includes 38 streets and specific streets selected for rehabilitation will be based on latest CPI.

Schedule for Completion: 2021

Estimated Cost: \$1,400,000.

Proposed Project 6: La Pasada neighborhood pavement rehabilitation.

Location: The La Posada neighborhood is north of Vista Chino and east and west of Avenida Marvilla. Streets include Santiago Road, Posada Road, Madrid Road, Riviera Road, Avenida Maravilla, San Martin Street, Calle Prado, La Madera Road and Tangelo Street. to be selected based on latest CPI.

Schedule for Completion: 2022

Estimated Cost: \$650,000.

Proposed Project 7: Landau Alleyway.

Location: The alleyway is in the Panorama Neighborhood generally bounded between Vista Chino to the north and 30th Avenue to the south in between Landau Boulevard and Avenida La Paz. This alleyway provides access to residential garages and apartment parking. The alleyway is approximately one mile in length (100,136 sq. ft.).

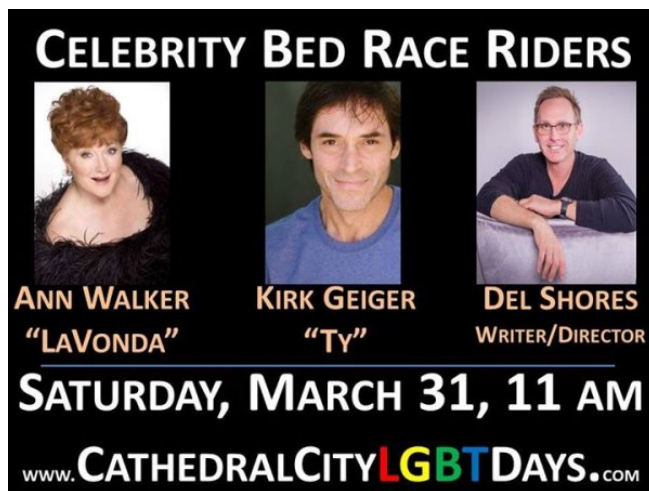
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News



The next City Council Meeting is set for March 14, 2018



Three “Sordid Lives” Celebrities Coming for Cathedral City LGBT Days’ Bed Race

Cathedral City LGBT Days’ Bed Race happens on Saturday, March 31st at 11:00 am in Downtown Cathedral City in front of City Hall. The Bed Race is our Pride Parade with a little drama and suspense. This year, the bed race will have a new “sordid”

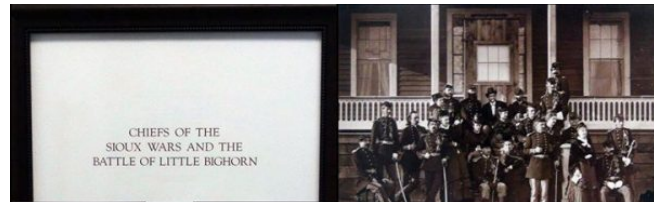
ingredient – ...

[Read more.](#)

Second Run of “The Sioux Wars: An Historic Exhibit” Opens This Saturday & Sunday

The Cathedral City Public Arts Commission (CCPAC) hosts a second run of the special photographic exhibit entitled, “The Sioux Wars: An Historic Exhibit,” this

Saturday, March 10 and Sunday, March 11, 2018 from 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm at the Cathedral City Cultural Arts Museum located ... [Read more.](#)



Mayor Henry's Video Update on the Emerging Cannabis Industry

Check out this video to learn more about the emerging cannabis industry in Cathedral City. Mayor Henry talks about the laws pertaining to use, the numbers of facilities, the revenue currently being generated and future growth projections. He also highlights the current cultivation center being built on Ramon Road. Here's the ... [Read more.](#)

2018 City Election Page Now Available

Do you know that Cathedral City will have an election on November 6, 2018 for three city council districts and one at-large city treasurer? It's true. A new election page has been created to help you through the process:

<http://www.cathedralcity.gov/government/election-2018> Cathedral City will hold a General Municipal Election on November 6, 2018. This is ...

[Read more.](#)



Six Firefighters / Paramedics Graduate from CCFD Academy

On March 1st, the Cathedral City Fire Department held graduation ceremonies for six new Cathedral City firefighters / paramedics who recently went through the Cathedral City Fire Department Academy that trains firefighters on the policies and procedures in accordance to our fire

department. Family, friends, fire department personnel, City Council, and city ...[Read more.](#)

CVAG's Amazing Footage of the New CV Link Grand Opening

[Click to watch video](#)



Cone Zone Alert - WORK ON THE DATE PALM BRIDGE WIDENING PROJECT WILL CAUSE TRAFFIC DELAYS THROUGH MONDAY

Riverside Construction Company has just informed the City that beginning on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 and thru Monday, March 12, 2018 (excluding the weekend), motorists can expect intermittent traffic delays during daytime hours at the Date Palm Drive Bridge due to bridge ... [Read more.](#)



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 10, 2018 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 Jennifer Haessley or Andrea Del Valle at (951) 778-5003 [Read more.](#)

2nd Saturdays Art Walk on Perez Road

Every 2nd Saturday, come to Cathedral City's Art & Design District for "2nd Saturdays Art Walk on Perez Road" where you will discover special art exhibits, museum quality art as well as cultural art to brighten your soul, meet other like-minded people, and maybe get a little exercise going from art gallery to design gallery to art gallery. It will be ARTtastic! Art Walk on Perez Road

[Read more.](#)



March 20, 2018 11:30am to 1pm
Double Tree Hotel Cathedral City

State of the City 2018

The Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce presents the annual "State of the City."

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

The State of the City address begins at 12:30 p.m. and is free.... [Read more](#)



Movies in the Park

Gather the family, blankets and/or chairs for "Movies in the Park" located this season at the Downtown Festival Lawn, 68600 East Palm Canyon Drive (HWY 111) in Cathedral City. The free event, hosted by the Cathedral City Evening Rotary and sponsored by the City of Cathedral City, happens once a month on a Saturday evening every month between November and May, at 7:00 pm, except for the month of May, which begins at 8:30 pm due to daylight savings time...[Read more.](#)

4th Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days

The 4th Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days, presented by Volkswagen of Palm Springs, celebrates the lives, history, and wonderful accomplishments of the LGBT community has contributed to making Cathedral City one of the "most livable" cities in America and a testament to its perfect equality score by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. The festival provides an opportunity to recognize the strength in our diversity, appreciate our similarities, and stand united for the equal ... [Read more.](#)



Easter Kidapalooza

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

Stop Identity Theft Program

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.

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

- Your documents will be shredded on site – you will be able to witness the entire process.

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WHEN: 2017 **Saturday, October 7, November 4 and December 2**
2018 **Saturday, January 6, February 3, March 3,**
Read more: April 7 and May 5

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Cathedral City Senior Center's Chili Cook-Off

Come join in the fun, cook some chili, eat lunch, sponsor or donate items for the Silent Auction. The proceeds go to benefit the programs at the CC Senior Center which relies upon donations, gifts and grants for its funding. Help our seniors “THRIVE” and take part in the new and fun event.

Contact Bob@CathedralCenter.org or 760-321-1548 for details.

[Read more.](#)



Saturday, April 7, 2018
11:00am - 3:00pm
Cathedral Gateway Plaza
69026 E. Palm Canyon Drive,
Cathedral City 92234
Northeast corner of Date Palm & East Palm Canyon next to Big Lots



Benefiting



For more information to to compete, sponsor or attend please contact the Senior Center at 760-321-1548
Or Ralph Thompson at 562-276-3477

CHILDREN'S ART PARTY FOR CHILDREN AND ELDERS

The SCRAP Gallery and the Agnes Pelton Society hosts the Children and Elders monthly Art Party at the Simeon Den Gallery, 68895 Perez Road, Suite I-27 (across from Frankie's Italian Bakery) on the First Saturday of each month from 1-3 PM. Admission is free.



Participants create art pieces made of recyclable materials and also meet and work with a local guest artist, who will share his/her work as well as conduct an art making activity in their style discipline. Light refreshments,

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.

[Read more](#)

