

March 15, 2018

## Community Update by Tami Scott, Administrative Services Director

### Understanding the Budget Process:

The City Finance Department prepares a biennial budget for Council adoption every two years. The budget, simply put, is a policy document. The document reflects and supports City Council policies and is the primary tool to accomplish their goals. The current biennial budget, adopted May 2017, for Fiscal Year End 2017-2018 & 2018-2019, is developed with a primary focus to achieve City Council's goals established annually in January during the City Council's Goal Setting Workshop. Departments share their accomplishments and develop objectives focused on achieving these overarching Council goals, which in January 2018 were centered around:



- Quality of Life
- Economic and Community Development
- Housing and Homelessness
- City Infrastructure
- Community and Business Relations

As projected revenues are finite, the policy decisions are how to best utilize those resources to meet the needs of the community. The budget must be built from attainable revenue projections, while at the same time identifying fair and accurate expenditures. In developing a budget, the primary component is to determine the costs associated with operating our City. Since we are a service organization (and we don't make widgets), the primary expense is the City's labor force serving the residents and businesses of Cathedral City. In addition, there are operating components (such as materials, supplies) necessary to better serve the Cathedral City community. In addition to the City Council, the City has five primary operating departments: City Management, Administrative Services, Community Development, Police and Fire.

We begin the analysis in January of the year the budget is prepared. For example, the six-month budget preparation cycle began for the FY 2017/2018 and FY 2018/2019 Biennial Budget in January of 2017. We start by developing estimates for various revenue and expense elements. In February, the department narratives, consisting of department goals, objectives in meeting Council goals, and department accomplishments are reviewed and updated. In addition, a draft 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Plan is prepared. In refining the CIP, existing and new projects are identified, along with their scope, funding/expense needs, and associated timelines. In March, City Management and City Council review the budgeted revenues and expenditures. During the month of April, there are two Study Session Discussions to review the budget

workbooks along with any questions from the City Council. The first session in April is dedicated to the General Fund (primary financial backbone in operating the City) and the second April session is devoted to the ancillary financial elements of the budget known as the Special Revenue Funds, Internal Service Funds, and 5-Year CIP Plan. The proposed budget is then presented to City Council during the first Council meeting in May for review and the final budget is generally presented to the City Council either the second meeting in May or the first meeting in June for adoption, ensuring we meet the requirement to have an approved budget prior to the start of the City's fiscal year on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Principals of budgeting and financial statements of the City are governed by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and Industry requirements set forth by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The City of Cathedral City participates in GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award program for the City's Biennial Budget. The City has received this prestigious award for six (6) consecutive budget cycles covering the past eleven (11) years to include the FY 2017/2018 and FY 2018/2019 Biennial Budget.

Preparing the budget is a demanding and time-consuming effort for all involved in the process. This is especially true considering the competing priorities and continued workloads of staff and the budgetary challenges facing the City. "Teamwork" among City Council, staff and our citizens and business community is the backbone to creating this policy document. This same "teamwork" continues to be an essential ingredient in ***Moving Cathedral City Forward***.

## News



### The next City Council Meeting is set for March 28, 2018

## Easter Kidapalooza Returns Sunday, April 1st – 25,000 Eggs!

Honda of the Desert presents Easter Kidapalooza featuring 25,000 Easter Eggs on Sunday, April 1, 2018 from 12 noon to 3:00 pm. Bring the kids to Cathedral City's Town Square Park in front of City Hall for an event that is all about Kids. Schedule of Activities: From 12 (noon) to ... [Read more.](#)



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## Upcoming Events



### 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](http://www.gcvcc.org)

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



   
Proudly Present the Annual  
**STATE OF THE CITY**  
ADDRESS | LUNCHEON  
TUESDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2018  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM PDT

DoubleTree Hotel  
67967 Vista Chino, Cathedral City

Join Mayor Stan Henry for Mayoral Roundtable Discussions with:

Tom Davis, Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Mr. Harold Matzner  
Sameer Bhatia, Planet Fitness  
Brent Ogden, The Crossings at Bob Hope  
Duncan Gordon, Sunniva, Inc.  
Hunter Gillman, Atomic Budz  
Bernard Steimann, Lean Green Industries  
Damon Rubio, D'Place Entertainment  
Ron Celona, CVRep

**Tickets Available:**  
\$55 Single Seat – Member Price  
\$65 Single Seat – Non Member Price  
\$580 Table Sponsor – 8 Seats

Register Online at [gcvcc.org/](http://gcvcc.org/)

Limited free seating is available to the public, lunch not included.  
Must RSVP to [info@gcvcc.org](mailto:info@gcvcc.org) or 760-347-0676



**FREE CATHEDRAL CITY MOVIES IN THE PARK**

Presented By: Cathedral City Evening Rotary

 <b>Nov. 25th</b>	 <b>Dec. 30th</b>	 <b>Jan. 27th</b>
 <b>Feb. 24th</b>	 <b>Mar. 24th</b>	 <b>Apr. 21st</b>
 <b>May 19th</b>		

Bring the Whole Family!  
For more information,  Like us on facebook.  
CathedralCityMoviesInThePark

Bring Your: Chairs, Blankets, Family & Friends

Spread The Word!  
Meet Us At: **Festival Lawn Cathedral City**

\*Movies subject to change due to availability

### 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.](#)

**VOLKSWAGEN of PALM SPRINGS** Presents

California's First Pride of the Year  
**CATHEDRAL CITY LGBT DAYS**  
March 30-April 1, 2018

**FEATURING:**

- Thea Austin - Formerly of SNAP!
- New York Drag Legend - **Lady Bunny**
- Delta Work of RuPaul's Drag Race
- Mariachi Arcoiris de Los Angeles - The world's first LGBTQ mariachi band
- David Hernandez - FINALIST from American Idol
- Musical performance by **Corday**
- Aurora Sexton - female Illusionist
- Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus
- Keisha D
- Jeremiah Clark
- Modern Men Chorus

**FREE FESTIVAL EVENTS**

**Del Shores**  
Performing his one-man show "Six Characters In Search Of A Play" at the Mary Pickford Theatre

**Bed Race 11am March 31**

**CATHEDRALCITYLGBTDAYS.COM**

**Sponsors:** Desert Hot Project, PTEPLAY, 9et, Carriage, PRIDE, ecoc, LAMAR, V palm springs, MONTAGE, Mary Pickford Theatre, Victoria's ATTIC, THE WESTIN, THE CENTER, DPA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, DODGE, THE BARBERS, ROOST, MIKE THOMPSON'S, QUICK CHECK, EISENHOWER HEALTH, TRUNKS, GED, The Desert Sun, DGC, INDEPENDENT, PROMOTIONS, Standard, Cambridge, BUD LIGHT, JIM BEAN, HORNITOS.

**Honda of The Desert**

**EASTER Kidapalooza**

Sunday, April 1, 2018  
12 noon - 3 pm

**Easter Egg Hunt For the Kids**  
**25,000 Easter Eggs**  
**BOUNCE HOUSES**  
**@ TOWN Square Park**

- Kid Zone
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Bicycle Give Away
- Photos with the Easter Bunny

**Sponsors:** Frazier, ACE Hardware, Cathedral City, renova.energy, QUICK CHECK CAR WASH.

**Special appearance by the EASTER BUNNY**

## 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.](#)

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

**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.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
CALL (760) 770-0369  
EMAIL [dpressgrove@cathedralcity.gov](mailto:dpressgrove@cathedralcity.gov)

**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.
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**Cathedral City**  
DiscoverCathedralCity.com

[Read more.](#)

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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](mailto:Bob@CathedralCenter.org) or 760-321-1548 for details.

[Read more.](#)

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## COOK OFF

**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

\$20 for Chili Tastings and lunch

Benefiting  
**CATHEDRAL CITY SENIOR CENTER**

For more information to to compete, sponsor or attend please contact the Senior Center at 760-321-1548  
Or Ralph Thompson at 952-276-9477





## 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, games, and entertainment.... [Read more.](#)

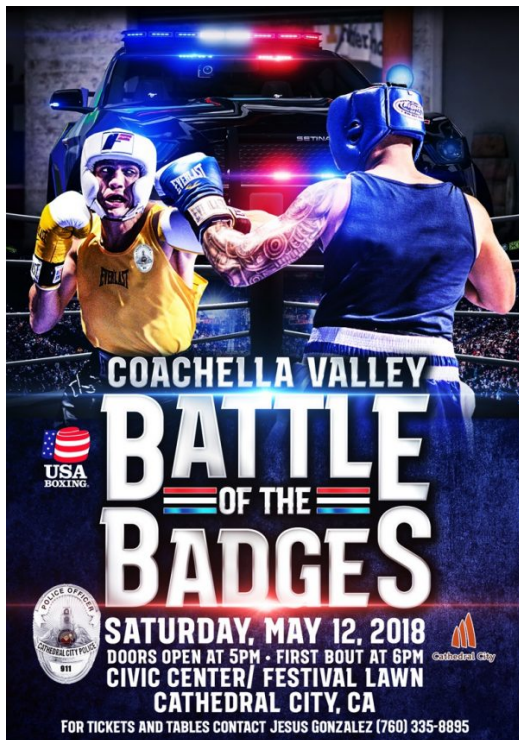
## 2nd Saturdays Art Walk on Perez Road

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!

[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.

[Read more](#)

