

CATHEDRAL CITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Community Update By Charlie McClendon, City Manager

Short-Term Vacation Rental Task Force is Hard at Work

Cathedral City is fortunate to have a group of hard-working residents and business owners serving on an ad-hoc task force to study the issues related to short-term vacation rentals (STVR) and to develop recommended solutions to present to the City Council. STVRs are defined as homes rented out on a short-term basis, less than 30 days at a time.



The task force was appointed earlier this summer and held

their first meeting on July 15. They divided into teams to study three specific areas of concern, which are regulations, enforcement and density. The study teams have each met at least once and individual team members are busy identifying issues that need to be corrected in Cathedral City, what is working in other cities.

The regulations team is reviewing the regulations that exist in the Cathedral City code and what gaps exist in our regulatory structure. Many cities have regulations in place that address identified issues and the team will be developing recommendations for new regulations to help mitigate any negative effects of STVRs on neighboring homes.

The enforcement team is reviewing current enforcement of the regulations in the Cathedral City Code. They are identifying holes in our enforcement efforts and what resources will be required to allow for effective code enforcement to occur. They are also reviewing what other cities do to ensure strong and consistent enforcement and will also develop recommendations for implementation.

The density team is evaluating the effects of clustering of STVR homes in specific areas. They are researching any studies that exist related to density and identifying solutions that have been implemented elsewhere.

The full task force met again on August 12 and each team provided an update on the work they are doing. They recommended conducting a survey of residents who live near STVR homes to get input from neighbors and the survey will likely be conducted in September. The task force will also be scheduling two community meetings to allow residents to have their voices heard on the topic. One will be held in September and another in October. Details will be provided as we get closer to the dates.

All the task force members are committed to their assigned tasks and to developing real solutions to the issues identified. I thank them for their work and look forward to the recommendations they develop, which will be presented to the City Council upon completion, likely in early 2020.



Cinema Diverse Returns to Cathedral City's Mary Pickford Theatre – September 27 & 28

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One Week to Go for the District 1 Special Election in Cathedral City

All 4,059 ballots have been sent to registered voters in Cathedral City's District 1 for the Special Election. This special election is a vote by mail only. As of August



16, 2019, just 883 ballots have been returned for voting. That equates to roughly 21% of the total ballots being returned. Voters in District 1 have just one more week ...Read more.

"Tejano Highway 281" Will Headline the 3rd Annual Tejano Music Fest in Cathedral City

With numerous awards under their belt buckle including "Tejano Music Awards –



Best New Artist-Group" of the year and "Tejano Music Hall of Fame", the "Tejano Highway 281" band will perform as the headliners at the 3rd Annual Tejano Music Presented by Libra crafted by HOTN, the



At the January 9, 2019, City Council Meeting, the City Council adopted Ordinance 821 which created the Cathedral City Historic Preservation Committee. This Committee shall consist of five (5) members who shall be appointed by the City Council. Two of the initial committee members shall be appointed to serve a two-year term and three of the initial members shall be ...Read more.

EVENTS

Two for Tuesday

Cathedral City residents can ice skate for halfprice on the first Tuesday of every month (excluding holidays) at Desert Ice Castle. Just bring proof of being a Cathedral City resident, such as an Driver's license, copy of a utility bill, or any other form of residential proof. Ages 3 years and up. The Time for Public Skate Available for "Two ...

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Cat City Drag Race by CCGBA

Help the CCGBA find the "Royal Highness of Cat City" during the ultimate Drag Race! Up to 15 contestants will compete for the best drag over the five week competition starting on Monday, September 9, 2019 through Monday, October 7, 2019. They will be scored by five judges including local celebrity judges on originality, themed outfit, personality, and performance. But ...Read more.

Back to School Bingo

The Cathedral City Senior Center and the Palm Springs Chapter of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence are cooperating to get more school supplies for Cathedral City elementary school students. They're particularly interested in having more back packs and other supplies like notebooks, pens, pencils, markers, etc. The collection boxes will be located in the Cathedral City Senior Center's Lobby at ...Read more.





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Tejano Music Festival 2019

Tejano PowerHouse Entertainment, City of Cathedral City and Diaz Enterprises invites you to the 3rd Annual Tejano Music Fest in Cathedral City featuring the best Tejano music, fiesta food and spirits on Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 5 pm to 11 pm at our new location, the Pavilion at Big League Dreams Sports Park in Cathedral City, California. You will enjoy our largest dance floor yet and the award winning Tejano musical groups, such as "Tejano Highway 281," "Grupo Artrapado," and "JR Gomez y los Conjunto Bandits," as well as local favorite, "Grupo Uniko."...Read more.

Bring the entire family for trick or treats, DJ music, hourly kids' costume contest, and an interaction with police and fire personnel and equipment.

More than 30,000 pieces of candy will be given away. A safe-communities, Halloween event featuring the Zombie bus and blood drive. Read more.







BALLOON FESTIVAL & FOOD TRUCK FIESTA NOVEMBER 22-24

6th Annual Cathedral City Hot Air Balloon Festival

The festival will bring more than 30 hot air balloons from across the United States and around the world to the Coachella Valley for a kaleidoscope of color, art, sound and enjoyment. It features balloon glows, balloon rides, LIVE musical entertainment, wine and beer garden, kid zone, food trucks, and much

more. For the latest information, go to www.HotAirBalloonFest.com Food ...Read more.

North Pole Village at Snow Fest

This annual event captures all the holiday spirit and places it at one location with a lit Main Street at Santa's North Pole, holiday music and carolers, Santa Claus, holiday tree lighting ceremony, a 20,000 Candy Cane Drop for Kids, Snow Bubble Play for Kids, children's bike



giveaways, free movie at the Mary Pickford Theatre, free ice skating passes to ...Read more.



America's Got Talent Singer Emily West will perform a full concert during this year's Snow Fest at the new CVRep Playhouse in Downtown Cathedral City on Saturday,







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