

June 11, 2020

Community Update

by Mayor John Aguilar

Floyd Video

The sight of the video was sickening and it was difficult to watch the life leave Mr. Floyd as he calls out for his deceased mother. It was like no other experience I can honestly say I have ever had. Sadness, shock and frustration are what we all should be feeling regarding the death and treatment of Mr. Floyd by the four police officers. Too often, many other African American and minority victims have suffered at the hands of rogue law enforcement personnel throughout our country.



If ever there was a wake-up call for our local, state, and national leadership to refocus on our priorities of reinvesting in the communities who are suffering the most, this should be that time. It also painfully calls out for a review and change in how we recruit, train, and supervise our law enforcement personnel. We must reexamine our justice system and determine which reforms are in order to ensure that "justice for all" is applied equally regardless of race.

On behalf of our Cathedral City Community, our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of those victims and to those peaceful protesters across the Country who are mourning and paying their respect to another tragic loss in our nation.

NEWS



COVID-19 Information

Get the latest on Coronavirus Disease 2019



Business Support

Cathedral City Economic Development



Do Your Part as Businesses Restart

On Friday, more businesses are reopening as state, county and local COVID-19 restrictions are relaxed. This includes movie theaters, gyms, bars, hotels and motels, and professional sporting events (no audiences). These businesses are allowed to reopen as Riverside County has attestation protocols in place showing that the pandemic has not reached a threshold established by the California Department of Public ... [Read more.](#)

Nonprofits in Riverside County May Receive COVID-19 Grants Up To \$10,000

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors voted this week to set aside five million dollars to assist nonprofits in Riverside County with COVID-19 impacts. Each non-profit can apply for grants between \$2,500 and \$10,000 each. The application process will be administered by Inland Empire Community Foundation and begin on



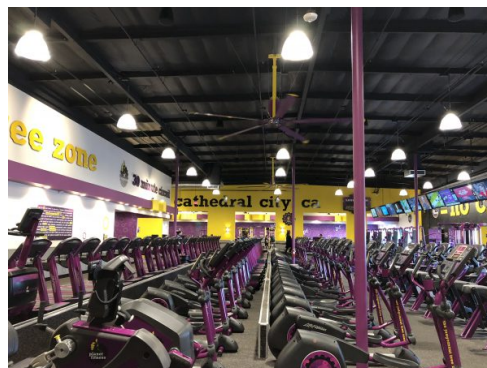


City Council Rescinds Emergency Order 2d Allowing Short-Term Lodging Facilities to Reopen Friday

The City Council voted unanimously tonight to rescind Emergency Order 2d, a prohibition on the marketing, rental or leasing of Short-Term Lodging Facilities, and allow these facilities to reopen in accordance to state guidelines on Friday, June 12, 2020. Governor Newsom announced on June 5 with an effective date of June 12 for the reopening of hotels, gyms and bars ... [Read more.](#)

Riverside County Approves More Businesses to Open on Friday

From Riverside County: As Riverside County continues to move to reopen its economy, county officials are announcing the types of businesses that may reopen Friday (June 12) as part of the state's additional businesses now included in accelerated stage two. Riverside County health officials emphasize, however, that as residents visit more places in the community, it is ever-more important ... [Read more.](#)



Free COVID-19 Testing at Library to Continue through End of July



Residents can call (800) 945-6171 to schedule an appointment to be tested for COVID-19 at the Cathedral City Library, 33520 Date Palm Drive in Cathedral City. The free testing will be for walk-in appointments made at least one day in advance and upon availability. The testing center at the library has been extended to the end of July ... [Read more.](#)

State of California Offers COVID-19 Guidelines as More Businesses Reopen

The State of California has put together COVID-19 reopening guidelines for a variety of businesses and industries. The guidelines are designed to create a safer environment by implementing new procedures and reduced capacities. As a business owner or customer, it is best that everyone follows these protocols so that the economy can slowly reopen. Doing your part will help keep ... [Read more.](#)



Construction of the Ofelia Bringas Memorial Bridge Begins Monday

A project that has been in the works for years will begin on Monday, June 15th, the construction of the Ofelia Bringas Memorial Bridge that will eventually span across the Whitewater Wash on Cathedral Canyon Drive. Ames Construction, Inc. was awarded the \$26.7 million contract to build a new 650 foot-long, 4-lane all-weather bridge with a bike lane and a ... [Read more.](#)

BAYANIHAN DESERT TO HOST FIRST VIRTUAL TOWN HALL ON CORONAVIRUS

Online event will identify issues such as food deserts and racial disparities plus steps to take to

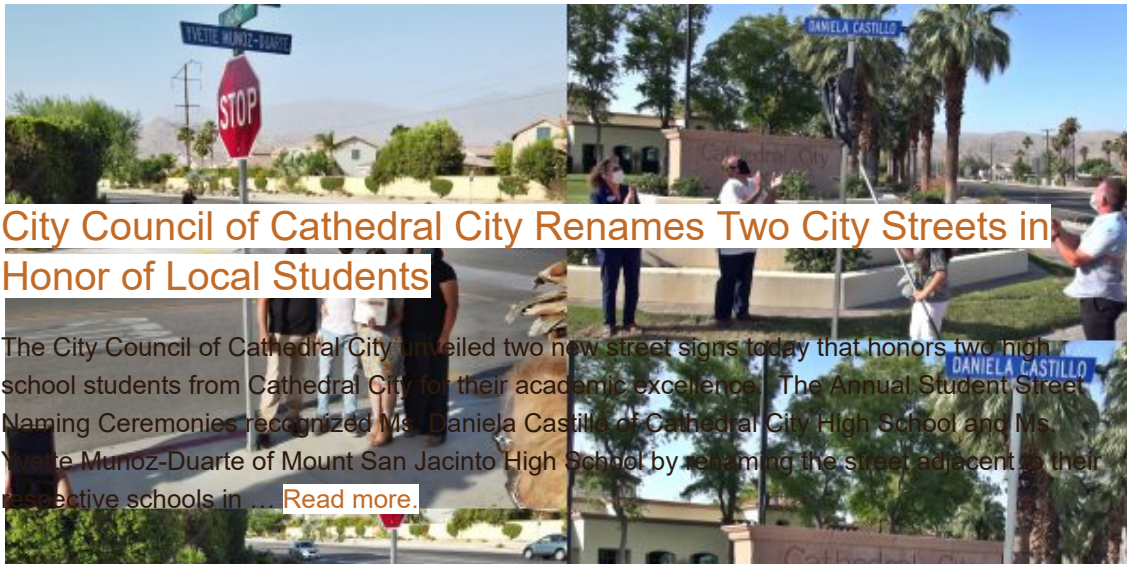
mobilize and encourage community care.

Bayanihan Desert will host Building Bayanihan in the Time of Covid-19, a virtual town hall to share information about the novel coronavirus (Covid-19) on Friday, June 12, 2020 from 4pm to 5pm. The event will be live ... [Read more.](#)



Connect Cathedral City - Four Potential Projects

We're excited to share "Connect Cathedral City", a joint initiative between the City and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) to support projects that enhance the local and regional connectivity of bicycle, pedestrian, and low-speed electric vehicle (LSEVs) facilities. Take a look at four upcoming projects that aim to create safer and better opportunities for you to walk, ride ... [Read more.](#)



City Council of Cathedral City Renames Two City Streets in Honor of Local Students

The City Council of Cathedral City unveiled two new street signs today that honors two high school students from Cathedral City for their academic excellence. The Annual Student Street Naming Ceremonies recognized Ms. Daniela Castilla of Cathedral City High School and Ms. Yvette Munoz-Duarte of Mount San Jacinto High School by renaming the street adjacent to their respective schools in ... [Read more.](#)



West Nile Virus Found in Mosquitoes in Cathedral City

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EVENTS



Cathedral City Postpones Special Events Until Further Notice

The Governor has issued a Stay at Home Order and the Riverside County Public Health Officer has issued social distancing orders through June 19, 2020. The City of Cathedral City will suspend all special events until further notice. [Read more.](#)



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