AUGUST 23, 2019

UPCOMING
- Sunday, August 25, 7:00-9:00 AM Cars and Coffee
- Monday, August 26, 6:30 PM City Council Meeting
- Tuesday, August 27, 6:30 PM Cultural Arts Commission Meeting
- Wednesday, August 28, 9:00 AM Environmental Review Board Meeting
- Wednesday, August 28, 3:30 PM Public Works Commission Meeting
- Wednesday, August 28, 7:00-9:00 PM Malibu Library Speaker Series: Alfie Kohn
- Friday, August 30, and Monday, September 2 Labor Day Holiday – City Hall closed

SKATE PARK
At the City Council Special Meeting on August 21, the Council approved the use of the Crummer/Case Property adjacent to Malibu Bluffs Park as the location for a new permanent 12,500-square foot skate park. The Council also approved a temporary skate park on the property, giving local skaters a place to skate during the design and construction of the permanent park.

EVACUATION PLANNING UPDATES
The City and the LA County Sheriff’s Department hosted a Tabletop Exercise on August 20 at City Hall as part of the City’s efforts to enhance planning, coordination, communication and response among all of the agencies involved in evacuations during a disaster impacting Malibu. Participating agencies included City of Malibu, LA County Sheriff, Fire, Office of Emergency Management, Public Works, Lifeguards, and Beaches & Harbors, CHP, Caltrans, Santa Monica Police & Traffic Management, Ventura County Sheriff, National Park Service, California State Parks, and Topanga Coalition for Emergency Preparedness.

The City recently hired a traffic consultant to provide up to date traffic data and analysis to help create a more detailed evacuation plan. The study is scheduled to be completed by October 31, 2019.

City Public Safety staff and representatives from Los Angeles County Sheriff and Fire Departments will meet on August 26 to discuss and identify evacuation zones, which will be incorporated into the City Emergency Operations Plan.

The first set of updates to the City’s Mass Evacuation Plan will be provided to the City Council on September 9. Additional improvements will be brought to the City Council as they are completed.

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH
The City will be holding multiple community events including:

- September 4 – Disaster Notification System Test (Malibu east end)
- September 4 – Public Safety Commission Presentation on Public Safety Power Shut-Off (PSPS) Preparedness
- September 5 – Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training - The seven-week course will be held from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at City Hall. Register online.
- September 11 – Disaster Notification Test (Malibu central east)
- September 11 – Preparing for Fire: Malibu Residents Share Their Experiences
CERT TRAINING

The seven-week course will be held Thursday evenings, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM, at City Hall starting on September 5. To register, go to the Eventbrite page. Completing the course is the first step toward becoming a member of the official City of Malibu CERT Team.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION STATIONS

In preparation for possible power outages when the Santa Ana winds are blowing, the City has established a program utilizing Emergency Information Stations. These stations will consist of large sandwich boards placed in key locations across the City where staff can post printed emergency information updates during power or cell phone service outages. The community is invited to see a demonstration of the Emergency Information Stations on Saturday, September 14, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM at City Hall. Staff from the City’s Public Safety Office and members of the Malibu CERT Team will be there to answer questions, receive feedback, and provide emergency preparedness information.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP FOR SENIORS

An Emergency Preparedness Workshop designed for older residents will be offered on Saturday, September 14, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and on Wednesday, September 26, from 3:00 to 4:00 PM, at City Hall. Participants 55 and older who attend the class will be eligible to receive a free emergency backpack that includes basic supplies. To register for either class, go to the Eventbrite page.

FIRE REBUILD STATISTICS ONLINE PORTAL

The City has created an interactive online portal that shows statistics on Woolsey Fire rebuilding activities in an effort to keep the community and partner agencies updated on the rebuild progress. The information is updated daily, and tracks progress of all of the various types of permits related to rebuilding Malibu homes destroyed in the fire, and it plots rebuild projects on an interactive map.
WWD29 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FEE WAIVERS FOR WOOLSEY FIRE REBUILD PROJECTS

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved County Waterworks District 29 (WWD29) water infrastructure improvement fee waivers for customers, including Malibu residents, who were displaced by the Woolsey Fire and are rebuilding their homes, as long as they are seeking a similarly-sized water service. For additional information, contact Mr. Nima Parsa at WWD29 directly at 310-317-1389 or nparsa@dpw.lacounty.gov.

CITY FEE WAIVERS FOR WOOLSEY FIRE REBUILD PROJECTS

On June 24, City Council approved waiving fees for residents who are rebuilding their homes destroyed in the Woolsey Fire. The 100% fee waivers apply to “like for like” and “like for like” plus 10% projects to rebuild primary residences between November 8, 2018 and June 30, 2020, and applies retroactively to all eligible people who have already paid permitting fees. For additional information, including how to apply for fee waivers, visit the Fee Waiver Information Page or contact Aundrea Cruz at ACruz@malibucity.org or call 310-456-2489, ext. 379.

REBUILD CONSULTATIONS

The fire rebuild team is available for complimentary one-on-one consultations about any fire rebuild project. Contact Aundrea Cruz at acruz@malibucity.org to set an appointment or drop by City Hall and a team member will meet with you as soon as possible. For ideas about how to get started with your project, visit the Rebuild Page, where you can view Rebuild options and find all related Forms and Handouts.

PASSPORTS FOR WOOLSEY FIRE VICTIMS

Through the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018, victims of the November 2018 California wildfires who lost a valid passport, or lost an expired passport and citizenship evidence, may be eligible to have some or all of their passport fees waived. For more information, visit https://travel.state.gov.

MALIBU SMART WATER CONSERVATION

The grass lawn replacement rebate for Malibu residents has increased to $5 per square foot, the highest in the state. The increased incentive is part of the Malibu Smart water conservation program offered by the City of Malibu, County of Los Angeles and West Basin Municipal Water District. Some grass removal restrictions have been waived for residents whose properties were impacted by the Woolsey Fire. To apply for the fire exemption, call 888-376-3314 or apply online. Residents of Malibu are also eligible to receive incentives for smart irrigation technologies, which can be controlled by a smart phone and identify leaks before they become costly and wasteful. Malibu Smart also offers free water conservation concierge service for certain customers, water audits and workshops. To learn more, visit the Malibu Smart website.

CLEAN BAY CERTIFIED RESTAURANTS

The City’s 2019-2020 list of Clean Bay Certified restaurants includes 39 local establishments that have taken extra steps to demonstrate their commitment to clean water and sustainability. The program, started in 2008 by The Bay Foundation, recognizes food establishments that integrate sustainability and ocean-mindedness into their business practices. The full list can be found on the City’s website.

DARK SKY ORDINANCE

The compliance deadline for gas stations is October 15, 2019. The compliance deadline for all other non-residential properties is one year later on October 15, 2020. The compliance deadline for all residential properties is October 15, 2021. For more information, visit the Dark Sky Ordinance page.
LA COSTA PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS
This project consists of installing a hybrid pedestrian traffic signal located adjacent to the La Costa Beach Club on PCH. The contractor completed the installation of the two new signal poles, and will be installing the new striping and signage, and performing the electrical work. The proposed striping work will require ongoing lane closures in both directions. However, the majority of the remaining work will be performed along the shoulder area.

ESCONDIDO SLOPE STABILIZATION PROJECT (CALTRANS)
The Escondido Slope Stabilization Project consists of making structural repairs to the retaining wall on PCH near Escondido Beach. The contractor is nearing the completion of the project and is currently working on the raised center median. The median and final striping will be completed the week of August 26, and project completion is expected the first week of September.

PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY RESURFACING PROJECT (CALTRANS)
Caltrans is resurfacing PCH from the McClure Tunnel to Cross Creek Road. The subcontractor (All American Asphalt) is making the necessary pavement repair work along project limits with work being performed at night. Slurry seal treatment will be applied to the existing asphalt beginning on September 22.

SAVE THE DATES
- September 10 - Firescaping Workshop at City Hall. Participants will learn about landscaping techniques to help protect your property from wildfires.
- September 21 - Turf Replacement Workshop at City Hall. Participants will learn how to remove their lawn and create a water wise landscape. For more information or to RSVP, visit the website.
- September 28-29 - Los Angeles County will host a mock election event for residents to try out the new voting equipment that will be used starting in 2020. For more information on the new voting system and processes, including how to participate in the mock election, visit VSAP.lavote.net. View all upcoming events on the City's calendar page.

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFPS) CURRENTLY OUT FOR BID
RFP for Malibu Lagoon State Beach Coastal Geomorphology and Hydrology Study - Closes September 5
RFP for Outdoor Warning Siren System Planning Study - Closes September 13
To see all open bids or to sign up to receive notifications when bids are posted, visit the Bid page.

E-NOTIFICATIONS
The City maintains a robust e-notification system so the community can stay informed about all of the City's activities. Sign up to receive messages by text or email on the City's e-notifications page.

See Past City Manager Updates
For questions or comments, contact the City Manager at RFeldman@MalibuCity.org.