

## FEBRUARY 21, 2020

### Upcoming

- Saturday, February 22, 10:00 AM - [Community Wildfire Protection Plan Workshop](#) - City Hall
- Sunday, February 23, 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM - [One-Day Special Flex Vote Center for 2020 Presidential Primary Election](#)- City Hall
- Monday, February 24, 6:30 PM - [Regular City Council Meeting](#) - City Hall
- Monday, February 24, 6:30 PM - [City Council - public hearing about district-based elections in Malibu](#) - City Hall
- Monday, February 24, 6:30 PM - [City Council - final design hearing about temporary skate park](#) - City Hall
- Tuesday, February 25, 1:00 PM - [LA County Fire Department Informational Lecture](#) - Senior Center, City Hall
- Wednesday, February 26, 11:15 AM - [Relax Through Coloring - Senior Center workshop](#) - City Hall
- Wednesday, February 26, 7:00 PM - [Malibu Library Speaker Series with interfaith activist and author Mohammed AL Samawi](#) - Malibu Library
- Thursday, February 27, 10:00 AM - [Senior Center February Excursion: Skirball Cultural Center](#) - Departs from City Hall (\$40, lunch included)

### DISTRICT-BASED ELECTIONS

On October 28, 2019, the City received a letter sent by the Law Offices of Milton C. Grimes claiming the City's at-large system of voting violates the California Voting Rights Act. On January 12, 2020, the Council declared its intent to place a binding initiative on the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election ballot for the public to choose whether the City should change from an at-large system of voting to a district-based system. The City will hire a demographer and bring back to the Council for approval a schedule to conduct public outreach and hold public hearings to first obtain public input regarding composition of the districts and to consider district boundaries and later to provide input on draft district maps and the proposed sequence of elections.

**Public Hearings:** All members of the public are encouraged to participate in the public hearings scheduled at City Hall on February 24, March 5, March 12 and March 26. [Visit the District Elections webpage](#) for additional information.

### MARCH 3, 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION

In March 2020, the County will move away from a precinct-based model to the Vote Center model made possible through the California Voter's Choice Act. This will create an 11-day period of voting and will allow voters to vote at any Vote Center in the County during that period. There will also be a new fully accessible Ballot Marking Device with a modern touchscreen that still produces a paper ballot for security. [Look up all of the Vote Centers in LA County](#). Vote by Mail ballots can be mailed back (postage paid),

dropped at a Vote Center, or dropped at any drop-off location. [Vote by Mail drop-off locator](#).

## **MALIBU VOTE CENTERS - REMEMBER TO VOTE EARLY!**

### **11-Day Vote Center**

(Former) Juan Cabrillo Elementary School  
30237 Morning View Drive, Malibu, CA 90265  
Saturday, February 22 - Monday, March 2, 2020, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Election Day, Tuesday, March 3, 2020, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

### **1-Day Flex Vote Center**

Malibu City Hall  
23825 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu CA 90265  
Sunday, February 23, 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### **Four-Day Vote Center**

Michael Landon Community Center at Malibu Bluffs Park  
24250 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, CA 90265  
Saturday, February 29 - Monday, March 2, 2020, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Election Day, Tuesday, March 3, 2020, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

## **MALIBU REBUILDS - DEADLINES**

The City Council approved several measures to assist fire victims with rebuilding. There are important timelines to pay attention to. Please contact the Fire Rebuild Team at [acruz@malibucity.org](mailto:acruz@malibucity.org) or call 310-456-2489 to discuss any questions or concerns you may have. Like-for-like and like-for-like +10% fee waivers – City Council approved refunds and fee waivers through June 30, 2020. [See FAQs](#).

Rebuilding non-conforming structures – To rebuild non-conforming homes and structures without having to bring the structure into compliance or seek variances, property owners must apply with the Planning Department by November 8, 2020. Extensions may be requested. Contact the Fire Rebuild team for details.

## **MALIBU REBUILDS - 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](mailto: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](#).

## **MALIBU REBUILDS - FIRE REBUILD STATISTICS**

Visit the City's [Woolsey Fire rebuild statistics web portal](#) to see the latest rebuilding progress.

## **TEMPORARY SKATE PARK DESIGN**

The City Council will review the Final Design for the Temporary Skate Park at the Regular meeting on Monday, February 24, 6:30 PM at City Hall. The [staff report is available on the City's web page.](#)

## **TEMPORARY SKATEBOARD PARK SURFACING PROJECT**

Staff released the construction bidding specifications for the temporary skate park surface and fencing this week. The project will prepare the site for the temporary skate park by completing minor grading, laying asphalt on a portion of the parcel, and installing fencing. The project is estimated to take four weeks to complete. Bids for the project are [due by March 10](#), and the Council is expected to award the construction agreement at the regular Council meeting on March 23, 2020.

## **PERMANENT SKATE PARK**

The City Council will review the agreement with the selected design consultant for the Permanent Skate Park at the Regular meeting on Monday, February 24 at 6:30 PM. The staff report is [available on the City's web page.](#) The design process for the Permanent Skate Park is expected to begin in March.

## **SPRING RECREATION GUIDE**

The Community Services Department's [Quarterly Recreation Guide and City Newsletter](#) was mailed out to all Malibu homes this week! The newsletter features programs and events for the Spring 2020 season, including the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chumash Day Powwow, swim lessons, middle school sports programs, fitness for older adults, and much more. Register for all of the programs online at [MalibuCity.org/Register](#) or call 310-317-1364 for more information.

## **CHUMASH DAY VENDOR - APPLICATIONS NOW ACCEPTED**

The application process is now open for arts and crafts and non-profit vendors who are interested in participating in the City's 2020 Chumash Day Powwow and Intertribal Gathering on Saturday and Sunday, April 4 and 5. Applications are due by March 4. [Vendors may apply online.](#)

## **CITY MANAGER'S ROUND TABLE - MARCH 12**

All community members are invited to meet Malibu City leaders at the next City Manager's Round Table on Thursday, March 12, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at City Hall. Join City Manager Reva Feldman and Mayor Pro Tem Mikke Pierson for an informal round table discussion about priority issues affecting Malibu. Anyone is welcome to attend, ask questions, voice concerns, share ideas and get to know your city leaders personally over coffee and pastries. No RSVPs are necessary.

## **COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN SURVEY**

As part of the development of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), the City has launched an online survey in order to gather community input. [The survey is available online.](#) The City will hold the second of two community input workshops on

Saturday, February 22, 10:00 AM at City Hall. For more information about the CWPP, including background materials, visit the [Fire Safety web page](#).

## **METRO NEXTGEN BUS SYSTEM UPDATE**

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is in the process of updating the County's bus system including the 534 bus that currently serves Malibu. All of Metro's proposed bus service changes are [available for public review online](#). In Malibu, Metro is proposing to renumber the 534 line to 134, discontinue service to Cliffside Drive and Dume Drive due to underutilized service and modify the frequency of service. Metro will be conducting a meeting at Malibu City Hall on March 30, 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM to gather feedback on the proposed changes from the Malibu community. Community members can also email comments on the proposed changes to [nextgen@metro.net](mailto:nextgen@metro.net)

## **MRCA COASTAL ACCESSWAYS PUBLIC WORKS PLAN**

The Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority (MRCA) is proposing a Malibu Coastal Access Public Works Plan (PWP) for public beach accessways in Malibu. The PWP includes 17 publicly-owned sites along the coast in the City. The City is currently processing Coastal Development Permits for several of these projects. For additional project information and to review the environmental documents including the City's comment letters, please [visit the web page](#).

## **GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

The Guardrail Replacement Project consists of replacement of the damaged guardrails from the Woolsey Fire at various locations within the City. The contractor will be working on the project for the next few months. Locations: Encinal Canyon (between Avenida Del Mar and Avenida De La Encinal), Birdview Avenue (between Westward Beach Road and Bluewater Road), Wildlife Road (between Zumirez Drive and Selfridge Street), Latigo Canyon (between PCH and Ocean View Drive) Corral Canyon (PCH and Seabreeze Drive). The project is currently on hold pending approval of requested change orders from the County of Los Angeles.

## **CALTRANS STORM DRAIN REPAIRS ON PCH**

Caltrans will be performing storm drain repairs and debris removal in areas that were affected by the Woolsey Fire. Closures are weather permitting and subject to change. One lane of PCH will be open at all times.

## **ENCINAL CANYON WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works contractor will be installing waterlines, valves, and other appurtenant work near the streets of Vista Del Preseas, Avenida De La Encinal, Encinal Canyon Road, Via Vienta, and Vista De Los Ondas. Construction hours will be from 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Residents may experience minimal traffic impact and parking restrictions.

## **MRCA PORTABLE TOILET PROPOSED AT ESCONDIDO CANYON TRAILHEAD**

The Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority (MRCA) is proposing to install a portable toilet at the Edward Albert Escondido Canyon Trailhead near the end of East Winding Way ([see site map](#)), which will provide a second toilet for public use. MRCA will install story poles February 21 through March 2, 2020 to show the proposed location of the portable toilet. A Planning Commission public hearing will be scheduled and notice provided soon. For questions or comments, please contact the Case Planner Raneika Brooks at 310-456-2489, ext. 276, or at [rbrooks@malibucity.org](mailto:rbrooks@malibucity.org).

## **PARADISE COVE - ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT COMMENT PERIOD**

The City of Malibu Planning Department has Issued Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Paradise Cove Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade project. The project consists of an application for a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for the demolition of portions of a mobile home park wastewater treatment system, abandonment of a septic tank and installation of a new wastewater treatment system including a water recycling plant, electrical equipment on concrete pads, a new pipeline, construction of a new building housing sludge and disinfection equipment, and retaining walls. The project is required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Work for this project has been done without the benefit of permits. The City is currently processing the application filed by the property owners (The Kissel Company Inc. and Paradise Cove Land Company, LLC) to correct the permitting violation. The comment period on the environmental document is February 20 through March 20, 2020. Written comments can be submitted to [ludolph@malibucity.org](mailto:ludolph@malibucity.org) and by mail to City of Malibu Planning Department Attn: Lilly Rudolph, Contract Planner, 23825 Stuart Ranch Road, California 90265. A hard copy of the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration is available to view at the Planning Department public counter or [on the City's website](#).

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## **CIVIC CENTER WAY STORM DRAIN REPAIR PROJECT**

This project consists of repairing the existing 84-inch storm drain on Civic Center Way located just east of the Civic Center Water Treatment Facility. Project bids are due on February 14, 2020. The award of the construction contract is scheduled for City Council on March 9, 2020. Construction is estimated to take two to four weeks to complete. During construction, Civic Center Way will be closed.

## **LOWER RAMBLA PACIFICA UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT**

This project consists of undergrounding the existing overhead utilities in the Lower Rambla Pacifica neighborhood. Staff has received funds from the property owners to start this project. The City has received a project cost estimate from Southern California Edison. Staff is reaching out to the other overhead utility companies to obtain their cost estimate to place their facilities underground.

## **CITY-OWNED TREE INVENTORY**

The City's tree maintenance contractor is currently conducting a tree inventory. All trees within the City's right of way are being evaluated. A tree maintenance work plan will be created after the evaluation is completed. The tree inventory and evaluation will be completed by the end of February.

## **CORAL CANYON PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

This Caltrans project consists of installing a new pedestrian signal near Malibu Seafood on Pacific Coast Highway. Caltrans has provided the City with project plans and has conducted two community meeting regarding this project. Staff has submitted comments to Caltrans regarding this project.

## **POINT DUME HEADLANDS PROJECT**

Trail rehabilitation at Point Dume State Beach (29300 Cliffside Drive) started on January 15, 2020 and is estimated to be completed by April 27, 2020. As the work will primarily be completed with hand tools, the City Manager has authorized extended work hours. For more information, please contact the case planner, Richard Mollica, Assistant Planning Director, at [rmollica@malibucity.org](mailto:rmollica@malibucity.org) or 310-456-2489, ext. 346.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW BOARD - APPLICATIONS NOW ACCEPTED**

The City of Malibu Planning Director is now accepting applications for one appointment to the Environmental Review Board from qualified professionals with technical expertise in one or more of the following areas of expertise: conservation biology, biogeography, botany, ecology or closely related field that would involve expertise on biological resources, habitat and/or conservation. For more information about this appointment, please review the [public notice](#). The deadline to submit an application is Tuesday, February 25 by 5:30 PM. Application forms are available at City Hall or by fax or email if requested from the City Clerk at 310-456-2489, ext. 228, or [cityclerk@malibucity.org](mailto:cityclerk@malibucity.org).

## **APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 GENERAL FUND GRANTS**

Non-profit organizations that benefit the Malibu community are invited to apply for the City's General Fund Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Applications are accepted now through Tuesday, March 31, 2020 by 5:00 PM. The application form, application instructions and information about the program are available on [the Grant page](#).

## **FREE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS CLASSES FOR SENIORS & PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

As part of ongoing efforts to enhance community-wide disaster preparedness, the City offers a free course on disaster preparedness for seniors and people with disabilities or mobility issues on Tuesday, March 3, 8:30 AM at City Hall. Participants aged 55 or older who complete the class will receive a free emergency preparedness kit (photo ID required). To register or for more information, visit [the Eventbrite page](#) or call 310-456-2489 ext. 368 or email [skaplan@malibucity.org](mailto:skaplan@malibucity.org).