

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

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Community Services

Annual Thanksgiving Lunch a Tremendous success - The Healdsburg Rotary Noon hosted the annual Thanksgiving Lunch for a record 85 senior citizens at the Senior Center on November 20th. Every attendee left with a raffle prize, some were wonderful gifts other prizes were hilarious gags. Thank you to Rotary Noon for a most memorable afternoon.



Holiday Drop N' Shops: December 2, 9, 16 - The holiday season is upon us and that means the return of our popular Drop N' Shop program. These 1-day events are the perfect opportunity for children ages 3-9 to enjoy a supervised day filled with holiday games, baking projects, and creative crafts while parents take care of holiday shopping or simply have a day to themselves. Holiday Drop N' Shops will take place on December 2, 9, and 16 from 10am-4pm at the Community Center. Families are welcome to register for one, two, or all three weekends as each day will have a different theme and scheduled activities. Pre-registration is required, so please visit <http://bit.ly/COHDropNShop> or call 431-3301 to sign-up.

Annual Senior Appreciation Dinner – Sunday, December 3rd - The 34th annual Senior Appreciation Dinner will take place this Sunday. Currently there are over 220 seniors signed up to dine, and an additional 50 for home delivery. This year will feature some additional special surprises for the participants including live music and more. Thank you to all the businesses, individuals and volunteers who have helped make this year's upcoming dinner a reality.

Planning

The Oaks at Foss Creek Subdivision - The Planning Commission held a workshop on November 28th to discuss the proposed revision to the subdivision design for the proposed project. The applicant, Doyle Heaton, presented a reduced density project which included 29 single family homes (previously 35), with a more traditional neighborhood design as directed by the Planning Commission at the last public hearing in September. The applicant will prepare a formal submittal to take to the Planning Commission and City Council in early 2018.

1337 Grove Street-The Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for a winery, tasting room and limited events at the subject property.

33 Healdsburg Avenue- The Planning Commission approved a Design Review application for a new solar shade structure in the parking lot of the subject property.

Citywide Design Guidelines - On December 5th at 6 pm there will be a joint meeting of both the Planning Commission and City Council to review the newly released Design Guidelines document. The updated document responds to input received from a year long process of workshops and open houses. The document is viewable on the Design Healdsburg website. <http://www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/787/Design-Guidelines-Update-Project>. The public is encouraged to attend and this meeting will conclude the public engagement phase. The

discussion also will include a review of proposed revisions to the Land Use Code in order to implement the Design Guidelines. There will be meetings in early 2018 for final adoption.

Public Safety

Structure Fire - Healdsburg, Geyserville, Cal Fire and Windsor fire departments, along with the Police Department, responded to a residential structure fire reported in a garage on Lavender Lane at approximately 10:00 AM. Captain Montanye reported a working structure fire in a garage. The occupant was evacuated but there were two dogs trapped in the garage in a cage that the owner could not get to.

Firefighters rescued the dogs. The pictures taken by Vern Losh, show Engineer Amanda Newhall supplying oxygen to the two dogs. Two fire sprinklers in the garage held the fire at bay until the firefighters could arrive on scene and extinguish the fire. When firefighters arrived, smoke was billowing out of the areas around the garage door and visibility was zero when Captain Mack Montanye entered the garage with his crew. The cause of the fire is the electric bicycle shown that is still smoking as it is brought outside to be cooled for the fire investigation.



Toy Drive Begins at the Fire Department - Toys for the holiday season can be dropped off at the fire department. Toys that are donated are distributed within our community. We are especially in need of toys this year for so many displaced families that have found shelter within Healdsburg. Please bring unwrapped toys or gift cards. There is always a shortage of gifts for the teenagers. Please no used toys.

Responsible Beverage Service Training - The Police Department is partnering with the County of Sonoma to provide training to local alcoholic beverage retailers on "responsible beverage service." The training will take place at the Healdsburg Community Center on Friday, December 1, 2017. Sergeant Nick Castaneda is coordinating.

Public Utility

Healdsburg Avenue Improvement Project -- Staggs Construction has begun work installing underground conduit and boxes along Mill Street. Staggs plans to complete the work within the roadway first to allow Bay Cities to pave portions of Mill Street.

Utility Pole Replacement - City Electric crews this week replaced another set of wood utility poles. These replacements help ensure the safe and reliability operation of the City's electric system.

Public Works

Healdsburg Avenue Improvement Project - Bay Cities is continuing with the installation of the 24" sewer line on Vine Street. They will be installing temporary pavement on East Mill Street on Friday December 1, 2017 and open the street to traffic. They are completing the installation of a storm drain on West Mill Street.



City Hall and West Plaza Parking Lots -These projects are on hold due to the rains and saturation of the site soils making grading operations infeasible.

Airport Lighting Project - The contractor has ordered materials. Upon delivery and verification of materials, the airport will be closed for 14 days to allow the contractor to complete the entire project.

Pardon Lane/Tayman Park Drainage Improvements - Staff is continuing to work with the golf course operator on an agreement regarding restoration of any damage that may occur to the golf course.