



CITY MANAGER UPDATE

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Planning

Oaks at Foss Creek and RiverHouse residential development -- The Oaks at Foss Creek subdivision and related entitlements was unanimously approved at the public hearing at the March 13 Planning Commission meeting. The project includes 29 detached units (four of which are inclusionary) and three ADUs. RiverHouse, an innovative cottage-court subdivision with five detached units and three ADUs at 125 Kennedy Lane, was also unanimously approved. Both items will be scheduled for public hearing at a future City Council meeting.

Firearms sales -- A public hearing at a March 14 special meeting of the Planning Commission considered Land Use Code Amendment 2018-02 regarding firearm sales. There were 18 public speakers and the Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance revisions with minor modifications, including the exclusion of gun sales from the Downtown Commercial (CD) zoning district. A date for City Council public hearing has not yet been confirmed.

Community outreach on new Citywide Design Guidelines -- The Planning and Building Director gave an overview of the new Citywide Design Guidelines to the North County Council (local realtors group) on March 15 and invited regular collaboration with the local realtors and City Planning Department staff.

North Entry Area Plan Open House and Planning Commission Workshop -- On March 28, there will be an Open House at 5:30 p.m. for the public to comment on the land-use vision for the 32-acre site known as Quaker Hill. The Planning Commission workshop is also open to the public and will start at 7 p.m. Both meetings will take place in the City Council Chambers.

Public Safety

March 18 Fire Chiefs Town Hall -- Healdsburg Fire Department Chief Jason Boaz will join Geyserville Fire Chief Marshall Turbeville and Cloverdale Fire Chief Jason Jenkins in a series of town hall-style meetings to answer questions on the preparedness for the upcoming fire season and other emergencies. The first meeting will be held 4 p.m., Sunday, March 18, at the Geyserville Fire Station, 20975 Geyserville Avenue. The chiefs will give an overview of community emergency preparedness, followed by questions, and if time allows, a short presentation on managing vegetation around your buildings to create "defensible space."

Fido bags -- Thanks to the generosity of The Fetch Foundation, Healdsburg fire engines are now equipped with Fido Bags." These medical bags are designed specifically for the treatment of pets that sustain injuries during a fire or other emergency. The bags contain, among other things, supplies for administering oxygen, splinting broken limbs, treating burns and giving water. These are

all First-Aid measures that firefighters can perform on-scene before the pet can be treated by a veterinarian. The Fetch Foundation is a 501c3.



Stolen property recovered – Following an investigation by our HPD detective, staff served a search warrant in the City of Santa Rosa and recovered property stolen in a burglary from a Healdsburg business. A suspect was identified and arrested in connection with the burglary.

Public Works

Rail work installation complete; 4-way stop refinement – Railway line installation is now complete – a big milestone. With that done, the traffic pattern at the roundabout is being further refined. Starting today, for Bay Cities to pave a portion of East Mill to return the traffic pattern to roundabout flow, while constructing the circle:

- Signage, barrels, and cones have been adjusted to show a true 4-way stop at West Mill, Vine, and south/north Healdsburg Avenue.
- Vehicles traveling east on West Mill and South Vine CANNOT go north on Healdsburg Avenue via the circle. Instead, traffic on West Mill will have to drive north on Vine and make a right on Matheson to reach Healdsburg Avenue. Likewise, traffic traveling south on Vine must make a left on Matheson to reach Healdsburg Avenue.

Utility

Underground utility work – This work continues along Healdsburg Ave and Mill. Undergrounding work within the foot print of the roundabout is roughly 75 percent complete with the overall project status at 25 percent complete. The recent rains have slowed but not stopped the progress to underground these utilities.