



CITY MANAGER UPDATE

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City Manager's Office

April 22 Fitch Mountain Fundraiser & Hike -- The Community Foundation Sonoma County is partnering with the City of Healdsburg to hold this Sunday's Fitch Mountain Forever Fundraiser & Hike at Villa Chanticleer. Family activities begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by a BBQ, at 1 p.m. presentation, and a hike at 2 p.m. Join us on this Earth Day as we celebrate the preservation of 173 acres of open space at the top of Fitch Mountain and the transfer of this preserve to the City. Tickets are still available by going here: <http://www.fitchmountainfund.org/apr-22-fundraiser/>.

April 23 City Council Special Meeting -- The City Council will convene a special meeting at 5 p.m., Monday, April 23, to consider alternatives to closing Plaza Street to accommodate the proposed new downtown location of the Farmers Market on Tuesdays, May 28 - August 29. The alternatives include partial closure of Plaza and Center Streets; full closure of Plaza Street between 3 p.m. and 9 p.m.; and locating the Farmers' Market on Plaza Street between Center and East Street. In addition, Council will consider waiving the prohibition of alcohol consumption on city streets from 5-8 p.m. during the Tuesdays in the Plaza concerts.

Discussion on Growth Management Ordinance -- At the City Council regular meeting on April 23, at 6:00 p.m., Council will discuss options to develop language for a Growth Management Ordinance amendment that will help open opportunities for rental and workforce housing.

Community Services

Junior Giants Program -- Registration is open for our 2nd annual Junior Giants Program, a free, non-competitive, co-ed baseball program for kids ages 5-13. Junior Giants works with local agencies, families and volunteers to help youth learn the basics of baseball while discovering essential life skills. We also have gloves and other baseball equipment for children who don't have their own!



Tee-Ball League -Our Tee-Ball league is officially in full swing! This Wednesday marked the first day of games, giving our little sluggers their first chance for in-game action after a few weeks of practice. Our Tee-Ball league features almost 50 kids across six teams. Teams meet twice per week, on Mondays for practice to learn new skills and take part in drills, and on Wednesdays to play games. All games and practices take place at the Healdsburg Community Center.

Planning

The Oaks Subdivision at Foss Creek -- On April 16, the City Council approved a General Plan Amendment, Zoning Map amendment and Tentative Map request to create a single-family subdivision which includes 3 ADUs.

125 Kennedy Lane -- On April 16, the City Council approved a tentative map request to subdivide the property to create an infill cottage-court type of housing development with ADUs. The Planning Commission will hold a workshop on May 1st at 5 p.m. to discuss the Design Review and Variance proposal prior to it coming to the Commission for a public hearing this summer.

Mill District -- On April 24, the Planning Commission will consider a Tentative Subdivision Map to subdivide the property into seven parcels and a request for a Conditional Use Permit, Historic Demolition Permit and a Heritage Tree Permit to construct a proposed mixed-use development within the CHAP Area Plan.

Montage Resort Fire Sub-station -- On April 24, the Planning Commission will consider a Design Review application to construct a fire sub-station on the Montage Resort site, formerly known as Saggio Hills.

Public Safety

Salud! Health & Wellness Expo -- On Saturday, April 14, Healdsburg police officers attended the Health & Wellness Expo at the Community Center. Officers interacted with community members and had the opportunity to show off their patrol vehicle to many children who learned about what it takes to operate an emergency vehicle and experience the feeling of sitting in the driver's seat.

Public Works

Roundabout Update -- Construction continues to progress. The contractor is building the perimeter of the circle, which will necessitate short-term traffic detours while concrete is being poured.

Parking Lot Work -- The contractor is making progress on the work along the tracks adjacent to Grove Street, and the lot north of City Hall is nearly ready for pavement.

Utility

Cost-Effective Equipment Replacement -- To treat the City's wastewater, the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) relies on a complex series of processes and equipment. Over time, this equipment requires the repair and replacement of a series of specialized parts. This week, Utility staff repaired and replaced the wear bars in the drum screens. Factory-purchased replacement parts cost roughly \$872. However, City staff developed an alternate solution for \$163. This is another example of City staff providing cost-saving solutions to help maintain low utility rates.