

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

August 3, 2018



City Manager's Office

Community Conversations – The City conducted its first public Community Conversations event on Thursday at Summer's Market. Between 35-40 residents attended the event, at which the City Manager and Department Directors gave updates on City programs and projects. Community members then asked questions on a range of topics such as affordable housing, street paving and the “walkability” of Healdsburg. New Assistant City Manager Joe Irvin, who will start his first day at the City on August 6th, also attended the event. The City is partnering with Corazón Healdsburg for the next Community Conversations, which will be held at the downtown plaza on September 20th.



CDC Moves to City Hall – The Planning and Building, Public Works and Utilities departments moved into the newly expanded City Hall today. The CDC, located at 435 Allan Court, is now closed. Starting Monday, August 6th, please go to City Hall, located at 401 Grove Street to access these departments.

Community Services

August 14th Celebration of Latino Art & Music – The Community Services Department, in partnership with Corazón Healdsburg, is excited to announce the return of Latino Art & Music night on August 14th as part of the Tuesdays in the Plaza Concert series. The event will include live music and dance from Los Cenzontles Cultural Arts Academy. Interactive art pieces from artist Martin Zuniga will also be on display. For more information, go to: [facebook/healdsburgcommunityservices/events](https://www.facebook.com/healdsburgcommunityservices/events)

After-School Program Moving; For-Pay Option – We will move our After-School Education and Safety Program (ASES) to the Healdsburg Elementary School and Fitch Mountain campuses this fall. Doing so will eliminate the need to transport participants and put ASES staff in closer contact with teachers for the homework-help portion of the program. In addition, recent changes to ASES grant rules will allow us to create a for-pay option; this is currently in development. Staff will spend the remaining two weeks of summer decorating the rooms for the students' return and undergo training in preparation for the new school year.

Arts Weekend a Success – The Healdsburg Center for the Arts, in partnership with the Community Services Department, hosted the Arts Festival held July 27th-29th in Plaza Park. The weekend was filled with lights, performances, community engagement, and artists' creations. The festival, which had been on hiatus since 2013, was well attended and event organizers will build on the momentum for a return event next summer.



Community Events Calendar – <http://www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/336/Special-Events>

Public Safety

Strike Team Deployment Update – Healdsburg Engine 6361 deployed last week to the Carr Fire in Shasta County and recently moved to help battle the River Fire in Mendocino County. The engine is staffed by Engineer Justin Potter, Firefighter Hector Madrigal, Firefighter Jonah Brem, and Firefighter Dean De La Montanya. As of Friday morning, the fire has burned 41,512 acres with 50 percent containment.

Red-Flag Warning – The National Weather Service has issued a red-flag warning for Lake and Mendocino Counties until 11 p.m. tomorrow (Saturday). This red-flag warning does not affect Healdsburg or any part of Sonoma County. We will notify the public if the situation changes.

August 7th National Night Out – National Night Out is a nationwide annual event to raise crime prevention awareness, strengthen neighborhood spirit and unity, and foster community-police partnerships. Healdsburg Fire has been asked to participate in this event that will be held on behalf of the Eden Housing, 40 West Grant Street (Foss Creek Court) from 4-7 p.m. on August 7th. An engine crew will be on site so residents can get a closer look and interact with firefighters.

Public Works

Roundabout Construction Update – This Saturday, there will be intermittent closures of southbound Healdsburg Avenue, northbound Vine Street and Mill Street west due to construction work on several of the roundabout median islands ahead of final paving. This work will occur between 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. In addition, this coming Monday and Tuesday (August 6th-7th), between 8 p.m. — 6 a.m., we will close North/South Healdsburg Avenue, East/West Mill Street, and Vine Street to vehicular traffic so the contractor can perform final paving. For more information, go to www.healdsburgaveimprovements.com and click "Construction Updates" for our latest newsletter.