

Update Sunnyvale News From Your City Manager

February 6, 2020

Pedestrian Timing Changes at Fremont Avenue/Bobwhite Avenue-Manet Drive

The City has modified the traffic signal operation at the intersection of Fremont Avenue at Bobwhite Avenue-Manet Drive to improve pedestrian safety. The changes involve activating a Leading Pedestrian Interval which allows pedestrians crossing at the intersection 5 to 7 seconds of walk time prior to vehicular traffic receiving the compatible green light. This allows pedestrians to get further into the intersection ahead of vehicular traffic therefore increasing visibility of pedestrians in the



intersection. Pedestrian safety is a shared responsibility of all users of the roadway system and this is a tool that the City is using to improve safety and encourage more people to walk. For more information please contact the Public Works Department at 408-730-7415.

Joint Fire Academy Graduation

On Jan. 31, four new Sunnyvale officers graduated from the Santa Clara County Joint Fire Academy. After 16 weeks of intensive training and instruction in structural and wildland fire fighting, rescue systems, forcible entry, ladders and wellness these four officers will continue their training in either the emergency medical technician course or apparatus driver and pump operator training in pursuit of their goal to become public safety officers. It is an exciting time for these new officers, the department



and the community as we look forward to them successfully completing all their training and serving alongside us. For more information contact captain Craig Anderson, canderson@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month

On Jan. 30, Sunnyvale DPS partnered with Santa Clara County's Law Enforcement to Investigate Human Trafficking Task Force (LEIHT) to fight human trafficking. As part of the statewide "Operation Reclaim and Rebuild," Sunnyvale and LEIHT conducted operations at a Sunnyvale hotel to end human trafficking. The goals in the Sunnyvale operation were to identify and arrest exploiters that were involved in the facilitation of prostitution and human trafficking activities and rescue and provide

resources to the sex workers (victims) by connecting them to human trafficking advocates. Advocates from Santa Clara County and YWCA were on scene as an integral part of the operation.

A total of five victims were contacted with four of them seeking the assistance of advocates. The operation resulted in two arrests, which included an arrest for human trafficking, pimping and pandering. DPS will continue to partner with LEIHT and other law enforcement agencies in an on-going effort to combat human trafficking. For more information, please contact Captain Dan Pistor at dpistor@sunnyvale.ca.gov.



NOVA Workforce Review Released for January

On a monthly basis, NOVA produces a <u>Workforce Review</u> report that aggregates data from the recently released <u>State jobs report</u> for the NOVA eight-jurisdiction consortium. The January edition includes the



article titled, "How Even Stronger California Climate Policies Could Spark A \$7 Billion Economic Opportunity" that according to the California Energy Policy Simulator (EPS), California could fall short of its 2030 target of 40% emissions reductions below 1990 levels, unless a package of policies is instituted. EPS's six recommendations include a combination of strengthening current policies and new initiatives that would create \$7 billion in direct economic benefits and \$14 billion in health and climate benefits. The unemployment rate for the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metropolitan Statistical Area was 2.2 percent in December, down from 2.3% in November. The state unemployment rate was 3.7 percent in December, unchanged from November.

Silicon Valley Crime Stoppers

On Jan. 23, the Silicon Valley Crime Stoppers hosted their 4th Annual Law Enforcement Awards dinner. A total of 15 law enforcement agencies were recognized for their efforts in fighting crime across Silicon Valley. Sunnyvale DPS Lieutenant David Chong, Public Safety Officer Amy Pistor, and Public Safety Officer Robert Ramirez were among those recognized.

On Sept. 18, 2019, Public Safety Officer Amy Pistor, investigated a threatening social media post directed at Homestead High School. The suspected was located in San Jose a short time later. At the time of his arrest, the suspect was found to be carrying a loaded handgun, an extended 30-round magazine, pepper spray, and a knife.



On June 28, 2019, Public Safety Officer Robert Ramirez was assigned to investigate a criminal threat case at a local car dealership. Public Safety Officer Ramirez and Public Safety Lieutenant David Chong investigated this case and obtained an Emergency Gun Violence Restraining Order and served the order at the suspect's residence. Several registered and unregistered firearms were located at the residence and taken for safekeeping.

Recycle Right, We Are Here to Help!

At the beginning of each year the Recycling Program makes available handy resources to help Sunnyvale residents recycle right. The following information was mailed to each resident and is also available on our website; Sunnyvale Recycles Right -- your guide to what-goes-where in both single-family and multi-family homes and recycling's Nice Nine and Dirty Dozen flier -- a visual guide that lists nine items that are easily and commonly recycled, and twelve confusing items that seem recyclable, but in fact are not.



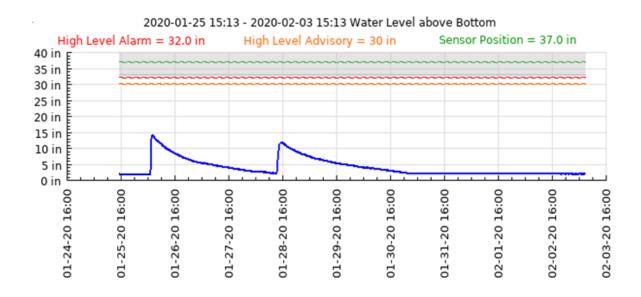
The goal of these resources is to help every Sunnyvale resident, from the savviest recycler to someone figuring out where to start. Each properly recycled household item, whether it's a catalog, plastic bottle or food scraps, helps the City get closer to our zero waste goals. Thank you all for doing your part!

Sewer Smart Expansion on Sanitary and Storm Manholes

The City owns and maintains over 310 miles of sewer main lines, including 1,200 homes served in Cupertino. Under federal and state regulations, sewer lines must be regularly cleaned and repaired to prevent sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).

To enable the City to better respond to these overflows, the Environmental Services Department (ESD) has expanded the use of Hadronex SmartCover monitoring systems, as shown below. The SmartCover system is a web-based technology that provides real-time remote sewer overflow monitoring, via a satellite communications system. SmartCover units are installed on the underside of existing manhole covers and can be moved to various locations, as monitoring needs change.

ESD has installed nine such devices on storm manholes to monitor water levels during storm events. This technology has been shown to drastically reduce the number of SSOs and expansion of this system will enable the City to respond to these locations before a manhole starts overflowing.



New Drinking Fountain at Sunnyvale Golf Course

Following the City of Sunnyvale's commitment to sustainability, new drinking water fountains with bottle fillers have been installed at the Sunnyvale Golf Course. The water bottle feature displays how many plastic water bottles are being saved by using the fountain. Another fountain will be installed at the Sunken Gardens Golf Course after the renovation of the bathrooms and golf shop. For more information please contact the Golf Operations Manager at 408-730-7592.



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Celebrate Black History Month

Visit the Library's Black History/Black Futures Month display to find works written by and about figures in Black history, culture and politics; past, present and future. Also, join us for:

Women in Black History Scavenger Hunt

Monday, Feb. 1 through Saturday, Feb. 29, all day - Children's Room - Ages 6 and up Stop by the Children's desk and pick up a clue sheet to find and learn about prominent Black women. Participants who complete the Scavenger Hunt will receive a prize! Limited to one prize per person while supplies last.

Black History Bingo

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 3 to 4 p.m. - Library Program Room - Ages 8 and up Visit the Library to play Bingo and learn more about notable individuals who made history.

House of Samba

Sunday, Feb. 23, 2 to 3 p.m. - Library Program Room - All ages (8 and under must be accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver)

Master Percussionist James Henry captures the imagination of children of all ages using music, rhythm, percussion instruments, and drums. Registration is not required. Generously sponsored by the Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library.

Monthly Film Group: I Am Not Your Negro (2016)

Monday, Feb. 24, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Library Program Room

This film explores the history of racism and the civil rights movement in the United States. An Academy Award nominated documentary, it is based on the writings of James Baldwin and his friendships with Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X and Medgar Evers. This film is part of the Library's Monthly Film Group, where patrons can watch and discuss independent and foreign films. The group meets every fourth Monday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Downtown Specific Plan Update Community Workshop

Please join us for a Community Workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Washington Park Building, 840 W. Washington Ave. City staff and the consultant team will provide an overview of the Draft Downtown Specific Plan and environmental document to residents and other stakeholders. The workshop participants will be able to ask questions and provide input on the presented materials. For

more information, please contact Michelle King, Principal Planner, at mking@sunnyvale.ca.gov or 408-730-7463.

Plaza Del Sol Conceptual Design Review

The community is invited to a public outreach meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. at the Washington Park Building to review conceptual designs for potential improvements to Plaza Del Sol, located next to the Caltrain Station along Evelyn Avenue. Three conceptual designs will be available for review. Please join us as we continue to refine ideas for this important public space. For more information please contact the Parks Department at or 408-730-7506.



Moffett Park Specific Plan Update Community Workshop

Join us for a Community Workshop on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 4 p.m. at Detati Digital Marketing Office, 265 Caspian Dr. in Sunnyvale. City staff and the consultant team will present the overview of the process and potential future changes to the land use and transportation options in the area at this first community workshop for the Moffett Park Specific Plan Update process. The workshop participants will have opportunities to learn about the process and provide input on the future changes on the land use and transportation plan. For more information, please contact Michelle King, Principal Planner, at mking@sunnyvale.ca.gov or 408-730-7463.

Outreach Meeting for Proposed Single Family Homes at 606-608 West McKinley Ave.

A Community Outreach Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. at 606-608 W. McKinley Ave., Sunnyvale. The meeting, hosted by the applicant team (Gladysinv LLC), will provide community members an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed project. The proposed project is to replace the existing duplex at 606-608 W. McKinley Ave. with two, two-story single family homes. For more information, contact Mary Jeyaprakash, Associate Planner, at mieyaprakash@sunnyvale.ca.gov or 408-730-7449.

SUNNYVALE IN THE NEWS

Local Car Break-In Spree Case Makes Progress

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