The City Council meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at approximately 7:00 pm.

The Planning Commission meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm.

The Museum Board meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm.

The Arc & Site Review Committee meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 3:30 pm.

The Art & Cultural Commission meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

The Finance Advisory Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

The Commission on the Environment meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:00pm.

The Traffic & Parking Committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

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The City Council will host a workshop on July 20th at the New Brighton Middle School Multi-Purpose Room from 6:00pm - 9:00pm. The workshop will address the new General Plan.

The City Council in January appointed an eleven member General Plan Advisory Committee which has been meeting regularly.

An initial Community Workshop was held at Jade Street Park on a rainy Saturday morning in March. 120 community members attended the workshop and outlined key Issues and opportunities that the new General Plan should address.

An easy way to catch up on General Plan activities is to visit the City’s General Plan website at www.plan_capitola.com. The website provides access to the five community background “White Papers” that have been prepared, as well as meeting notes and audio files from of the past General Plan Advisory Committee (OPAC) meetings. The website offers a calendar of up-coming General Plan meetings and workshops as well.

**PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND**

The next big activity in the General Plan update process will be a workshop focused exclusively on future plans for the 41st Avenue Capitola Mall area. The workshop will be an opportunity to review, in detail, future urban design alternative scenarios for the area. Let your ideas be heard!

**GENERAL PLAN UPDATE WORKSHOP**

Wednesday July 20th
6:00PM to 9:00PM
at the New Brighton Middle School Multi-Purpose Room

**COUNCIL MEMBER INFO**

City Council meetings are held in the City Council Chambers, 420 Capitola Avenue.

For all other meetings, locations or for more information call 475-7300 or watch Cable Community Channel 8 scroll. Dates are subject to change.

**CALENDAR OF CITY MEETINGS**

Please email your comments or suggestions to lmurphy@ci.capitola.ca.us

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SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

In the event of an area-wide emergency, there are multiple resources to turn to in our community for notification beyond the radio or your TV. Reverse 911 has become a common name for the process of area notification by telephone from a communication center in the event of an emergency. When a notification message needs to be sent to a specific geographic area, a message will be recorded. A polygon of the notification area is drawn on a computer, or in other words, an outline is made in a mapping program. The program interfaces with a landline phone database to make those phone notifications to the area that is mapped on the program. Reverse 911 will call back if the line is busy during an initial call.

It is possible to get the same emergency notifications over a cellular phone or Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) phone systems. Simply go online to http://www.sccecc.org/, which is the Santa Cruz County 911 system. You must register your cell phone or VOIP phone system in your name to “friend.” For more information on where to sign up for this service please contact Green Waste Recovery at 768-4754.

Emergency Notifications∗! and fill in the blanks. Your phone number will receive a call for notifications that regard the address you register. We are using Facebook and Twitter to pass on our messages to people who “follow” us on their smart device or the Internet. “Friend” us at “Capitola Police Department” and we will pass notifications to you or follow us on Twitter.

Knowing your neighbors and communicating with them may solve potential issues in the event of a disaster. We encourage you to know your neighbors. Understand how you can help each other in the event of an emergency.

“Friend” us at “Capitola Police Department”

PAID PARKING OPTIONS COMING SOON TO CAPITOLA VILLAGE

Parking meters along the Esplanade and San Jose Avenue will soon be replaced by 14 pay by space stations. These new pay stations will accept coins, dollar bills, and credit and debit cards for payment. The City will be numbering each parking space in the village which the user will then enter into the pay station. On screen directions will then guide the users to make payment. Payment for any space can be made at any pay station; additional time can also be added to any space from any pay station.

To add time, you will need to keep your receipt and enter a code on the receipt that will identify which space you paid for initially. The pay stations are solar powered, water proof, and the faces will be illuminated for nighttime operation. The two hour parking limits will remain in effect throughout the Village.

The City plans to eventually replace all the parking meters in the city with pay stations, ultimately allowing visitors parked in the Pacific Cove Parking Lot to pay for their parking in the village without having to return to their car.

CAPITOLA FLOOD UPDATE

In late March of this year, due to the historic amounts of rain, the underground pipe that carries water from Nobe Gulch Creek between Bay Avenue and Capitola Avenue failed, flooding the Pacific Cove Mobile Home Park and portions of Capitola Village. The pipeline failure caused significant damage to Pacific Cove Mobile Home Park and the Capitola Village, inundating homes and businesses. Residents were immediately mobilized to begin clean up our community. City crews worked long into the night, while residents and business owners, often with their own hand tools, hauled out mud and dried areas impacted by the flood. The City completed work to repair the failed drainage pipe and the Mobile Home Park was re-opened on April 29th.

During the flood the City’s Police Station was also inundated. The Department was immediately relocated to temporarily into trailers in the Pacific Cove Parking lot, just behind City Hall, and repairs to the Station were initiated. The City expected the repairs to the Police Station will be completed in mid-July.

The Council Chambers at City Hall were also slightly damaged but remain operational. Total damages to City buildings and infrastructure is expected to exceed $2 million. The City’s Emergency Reserve Fund and the Contingency Reserve Fund were used to cover those costs not directly covered by insurance. The City is working with its insurance carriers, and the State Department of Emergency Services, however it remains unknown how much money the City will ultimately recoup.

The flood brought Capitola residents and City staff together, who did an outstanding job organizing cleanup and assisting each other. Residents displaced at Pacific Cove were temporarily housed at the Capitola Inn and fed and clothed by local merchants and volunteers. These volunteers spent countless hours removing accumulated debris and mud.

In an effort to keep local businesses open, the City worked in partnership with Capitola-Sequel Chamber of Commerce to set up a tent in the Mercantile parking lot where businesses temporarily relocated while completing repairs to their buildings.

In light of the recent storm, the City is actively updating its emergency planning documents, and will be posting public input on the development of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. These documents identify known hazards and develop a strategy to mitigate them. Please go to the City’s website to find information on how to provide input and obtain information about this important process.

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