



Capitola Welcomes Our New Police Chief

Capitola swore in its new Chief of Police Terrence (Terry) McManus on Dec. 5. He joins us following a 30-year career with the San Diego Police Department, where he had a variety of specialized assignments in patrol, administration and investigations. Most recently an assistant chief, he oversaw the centralized investigations division, which includes homicide, robbery, gangs, financial crimes, narcotics, domestic violence, and more.

Chief McManus was born and raised in a law enforcement family in Vallejo. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of San Francisco in 1984, where he also played collegiate baseball. He is a 2011 graduate of the F.B.I. National Academy.

Chief McManus brings his passion for community policing, transparency in law enforcement, and the development of law enforcement leaders to his new role. He is also keenly interested in youth development through charitable events and organizations. His hobbies include outdoor activities and vacationing in Lake Tahoe with his three adult sons.



Chief McManus

City Welcomes New Council Member, Officials

In November 2016, City voters elected Kristen Petersen to join the City Council for her first four-year term and returned incumbent Council Member Ed Bottorff for another four-year term. Bottorff and Petersen join Michael Termini, Jacques Bertrand and Stephanie Harlan on the City Council.

Petersen previously served on the City's Historical Museum Board. She replaced outgoing Council Member Dennis Norton, who finished the maximum two consecutive terms.

In that same election Peter Wilk was elected to the role of City Treasurer. Wilk served on the City's Commission on the

Environment.

In December, Bottorff and Petersen were sworn in to office and the Council selected Stephanie Harlan as Mayor and Michael Termini as Vice Mayor for the next 12 months.

Also in the November election Capitola voters passed Measure F with 81 percent voting in favor. The measure extends an existing quarter-cent sales tax for the City for an additional 10 years. The City intends to use those funds to help rebuild the Wharf and other infrastructure on the beach, as well as maintain the current high level of police services.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Library Workshop
March 8

Garage Sale
April 22

Cleanup Week
April 24 - 28

Memorial Day
May 29
City Offices Closed

Independence Day
July 4
City Offices Closed

Capitola Car Show
June 10 - 11

Wharf to Wharf
July 23

Begonia Festival
September 1 - 4

Art & Wine Festival
September 9 - 10

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Progress Continues on Improvement Projects Throughout the City

Project	Funded	Designed	Constructed
Stockton Avenue & Esplanade intersection improvements	√	√	√
38th Avenue paving	√	√	√
Rosedale paving	√	√	√
Rispin/Peery ADA phase 1	√	√	√
McGregor Multi-Use Park	√	√	√
Jade Street tennis court resurfacing	√	√	√
Rispin Mansion Park	√	√	Out to bid
Paving on Monterey Avenue, Park Avenue & Kennedy Drive	√	√	Out to bid
Hill Street improvements	√	√	
Park Avenue Sidewalks	√	In progress	
Clares Street Improvements	Partially	In progress	

The City has wrapped up a number of major road paving projects. Park Avenue, Kennedy Drive and Monterey Drive have been reconstructed using an innovative pavement recycling approach called “Cold Inplace Recycling” (CIR).

CIR is considered the most environmental-friendly and cost-effective method among the various in-place pavement recycling techniques. In the CIR process, a portion of the existing asphalt is milled off, and the reclaimed material is mixed with recycling agents then spread and compacted to produce a base layer for the final new pavement. The environmental benefits of CIR over traditional paving include an estimated 62 percent savings in aggregate consumption, and a net savings in gas emissions, including 52 percent less carbon dioxide, 54 percent less nitric oxide/nitrogen dioxide, and 61 percent less sulfur dioxide.

A project to repave a portion of Stockton Avenue in the Village was completed last fall. The paving completes the new pedestrian sidewalk improvements. The final completed project includes new sidewalks, additional street lighting, a landscaped curb extension and seating area.

Historical Museum Will Present “The Nature of Capitola”

“The Nature of Capitola” will be the first ever exhibition at the Capitola Museum devoted entirely to the beauty and history of the town’s natural resources.

Capitola’s history is inextricably tied to the natural landscape. The town began as “Camp Capitola” because of the wonderful beach—which remains our biggest attraction. Without the beach, the town may never have been founded. While some features, such as the waves, beach, and cliffs remain timeless, Capitola’s fauna and flora have changed dramatically. Prior to the 1880s, Capitola was mostly open fields. There were hardly any trees, except for patches of native live oaks along Soquel Creek and Noble Gulch.

Certain bird species depend on such open space. In the early 1900s, flocks of bluebirds fluttered through the fields, meadowlarks chirped from the fence posts next to cow pastures, and families of quail scurried through the grass. With urbanization and the planting of trees, these birds disappeared from Capitola, but others arrived to replace them. Mockingbirds, robins, and crows are among the newcomers.

Even long-time residents are sure to learn something new through this exhibition. The opening reception for “The Nature of Capitola” will be Saturday, March 25, at noon. The Museum’s regular hours starting March 4 are Thursday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. The exhibition will remain up through next December.



Capitola salmon catch, 1927

City Moves Forward on Designs for New Library

Schematic designs for the new Capitola library are currently being developed and reviewed. This work has included a review of the projected programs and services to be provided at the library and related size requirements by the Santa Cruz Public Libraries staff. Based on their recommendations, the City Council has reduced the size of the building from 12,800 square feet to 11,700 square feet. Members of the public can review the current schematics at a workshop on March 8. The City Council will be holding a public hearing on the plans on March 23.

The new library will include space for a large children's area, a community room, adult reading lounges, group study areas, teen areas, small meeting rooms, and electronic homework rooms. As shown on the graphics, the library will



also include outdoor patios that tie into the existing playground and pedestrian access from Clares Street.

The project architect, Noll and Tam, developed an interesting roof and ceiling plan that will provide simple roof lines and a dynamic ceiling that allows natural light throughout the building.



The new library will replace the temporary modular building on Wharf Road.

Recreation Classes Offer Residents a Variety of Choices

The City of Capitola Recreation Department offers classes for people of all ages. Meet new people in a safe, non-threatening environment, try new activities, get in better shape, relax, explore the arts, develop work-related skills, and just plain have fun! Classes are affordable, convenient, and enjoyable, and we are proud of our highly qualified, professional instructors.

Our entire brochure can be viewed online at cityofcapitola.org/recreation, or give us a call at 475-5935 or 475-6115 for a catalog, prices, and registration information. Check out our Facebook page, facebook.com/capitola.recreation, for updates, instructor profiles, class photos and information about events around Capitola.

A Clean Creek and Bay Start with Neighborhood Storm Drains

During the winter it is especially important to keep pollution from washing down the storm drains. Please do your part to limit common sources of pollution:

- Dispose of pet waste in biodegradable plastic bags and throw them in the trash
- Limit use and apply minimal amounts of herbicides and pesticides during winter months
- Keep cars maintained
- If you see someone dumping anything into a storm drain, please report the incident immediately by calling the Capitola Public Works Department at 475-7300.



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Work on Zoning Code Update Continues

The City of Capitola has been working on a comprehensive update to its Zoning Code for the past two years. The Zoning Code regulates how land may be used; controls the type, size, and height of buildings; and establishes standards for design, parking, signage, and other matters of local importance.

The objective of the Zoning Code update is to promote high quality design, protect neighborhood character, and comply with current legal standards in a manner which is easier to understand, administer, and enforce. The updated zoning code will also implement the goals, policies, and actions of the recently adopted General Plan Update.

Through 2016, the City has hosted 37 public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council to review the draft Zoning Code. Public Hearings resumed in January and are expected to continue

through the spring. Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearing and share their ideas.

The draft Zoning Code, supporting information, and a schedule of public hearings can be found on the City's website.

Important Phone Numbers

Capitola residents facing an immediate emergency involving danger to life or property should always call 911, but for other concerns police can be reached at the following:

Non-emergency dispatch: 471-1141

This number can be used to request a patrol car for issues that do not require immediate response, such as reporting abandoned vehicles.

Police administration: 475-4242

Use for parking permits, records, etc.