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Association of North Central San Mateo

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Update:

Sewer Capital Improvement Projects and 2017 Sewer Rate Increase Proposal

April 14, 2017

On March 28 and 30, the San Mateo Public Works Department held two community meetings to update San Mateo residents about the City's major, multi-year sewer capital improvement program, also known as the Clean Water Program. This program will upgrade our sanitary sewer system and the wastewater treatment plant, with the intent of eliminating sanitary sewer overflows (also known as SSOs) and improving the treatment process.

Rehabilitating, upgrading, and constructing strategically located segments of pipes, pump stations, underground temporary sewage storage facility, and the wastewater treatment plant will improve service reliability, align with the City's sustainability goals, and comply with regulatory requirements to protect the environment and public health for years to come. Construction has already begun on several critical projects, with more to come.

The meetings also covered the necessary sewer rate increases being proposed to help fund these much-needed improvements, along with ongoing sewer operations and maintenance, in our city's vital infrastructure. The first of the two meetings was held at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center.

The proposed rate adjustments will enable the City to:

- Fund capital investments and debt service for high-priority capital needs in Fiscal Year 2017-18. These high-priority capital projects include improvements to the sewer collection system and the wastewater treatment plant, including annual sewer rehabilitation, capacity, and reliability improvements and projects at the wastewater treatment plant to ensure responsive and functional facilities.
- Respond to increased regulatory requirements and issues associated with sanitary sewer overflow prevention, including construction of relief sewer lines and facilities necessary to prevent overflows during significant rain events as well as increased cleaning, inspection, and rehabilitation of the existing collection system.

Pay for the increases in annual operating and maintenance expense required to meet the City's regulatory permit requirements, fund increasing annual debt service requirements, and keep revenues aligned with the costs of providing wastewater service.

The rate proposal will be presented to the City Council on June 5 and 19. Notices are planned to be mailed to all city parcel owners in late April, allowing for a 45-day public review period

In the North Central neighborhood, the Clean Water Program is proposing to rehabilitate and replace approximately 4,000 feet of critical sewer mains, along with repairs to correct existing pipe defects. These projects are part of the overall strategy to reduce and eliminate sewer overflows during rainstorms, which have occurred in the neighborhood.

The Public Works Department will continue to reach out to the community with updates about the Clean Water Program. We encourage members of the public to visit the Program website at: www.CleanWaterProgramSanMateo.org to view answers to frequently asked questions about the program and the rate increases. The site also includes a calendar of upcoming events, latest information, and citizens can sign up for email notifications.

*Deryk Daquigan, Senior Engineer
Public Works Department*

PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, April 27

6:30 to 8:30pm

King Center

725 Monte Diablo

Guest Speakers:

Rick Bonilla, Deputy Mayor of San Mateo
Jennifer Martinez, Executive Director of Faith in Action
Susan Manheimer, Chief of Police of San Mateo

Light refreshments served.

Please be prompt.

Library Programs

For Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, the San Mateo Public Library will be holding different events at the Main Library at 55 West 3rd Avenue.

- Wednesday, May 3, 2017 from 7 p.m.-8 p.m.
Tomb Treasures: New Discoveries from China's Han Dynasty, Asian Art Museum
- Saturday, May 13th from 1 p.m.-3 p.m.
"Right of Passage," a documentary film about the Japanese-American redress and reparations movement
- Sunday, May 21st, 1:30 p.m.
Eth-Noh-Tec, Asian American Story Theater
- Sunday, May 28th at 2:00 p.m.
Young People's Concert, Students of instructor Sumi Nagasawa

Other Library events of interest include:

- Monday, May 1st, 7:00 p.m.
Music Program: Hermitage Piano Trio, Main Library
- Tuesday, May 9th
Frances Bohannon Nelson Children's Author Program, featuring Annie Barrows, Main Library, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, May 20th, 1:00 p.m.
Music Program: Young Chamber Musicians Concert, Main Library



Library Card Design Contest

The San Mateo Public Library is conducting a Library Card Design Contest to create three new designs that will be made available in September during Library Card Sign-Up Month. Three winners will be selected from the following categories: Children (up to age 12 yrs.), Teens (ages 13-17 yrs.), and Adults (ages 18 yrs. and above). Winners will receive an iPad (128GB) and cool library swag. Entries must be submitted to any of the three San Mateo Public Library locations no later than closing time on Wednesday, May 31, 2017.

Go to the Library's website at www.smplibrary.org or call (650) 522-7818 for more information about these and other events in May.

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Home Association of North Central San Mateo

JOIN NOW! As a member, you will receive a newsletter, attend informative meetings, and be represented at City and County meetings. You will also have the opportunity to meet your neighbors in a spirit of cooperation and shared interest. Please include your email address so we can keep you informed. Your email will not be shared with anyone and we use blind copy so others will not see your address.

Name: Mr. Ms. Mrs. _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____ Occupation/Interest: _____

Circle one: Homeowner - Renter - Business Property Owner - Associate Member (outside of North Central)

Do you want to be called prior to each meeting? YES NO

Basic Dues (\$10.00 /year/voting member or \$20.00/household; \$25/business) Dues: _____

Donation: _____

TOTAL: _____

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