

# **City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter**

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## May 6 - May 12 Special Weekly Edition of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

Please visit <u>socoemergency.org</u> for the most up-to-date information on the coronavirus crisis in Sonoma County.

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## **QUICK FACTS**

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COVID-19 MASKING UPDATES: CLICK HERE

25% MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTION IN SEBASTOPOL: CLICK HERE



#### **UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS - MAY 16TH & 23RD**

Important budget meetings are coming up on May 16th and 23rd. The public is invited to join the meetings via Zoom. See the Meeting Page links for the meeting agenda and Zoom info.

FY22-23 Budget Discussion #8

Date: Monday, May 16, 2022

Time: 8:30 AM Meeting Page

FY22-23 Budget Discussion #9

Date: Monday, May 23, 2022

Time: 8:30 AM Meeting Page

Have a say in how your tax dollars are spent!



### **NATHAN SUTTON OF PUBLIC WORKS RETIRES**

The City of Sebastopol expresses sincere appreciation and gratitude to Nathan Sutton for his 22 years of dedication and commitment.



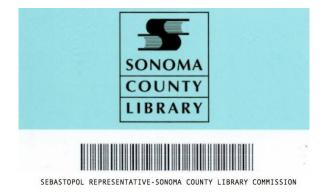
Congratulations on your retirement and we wish you the best and continued success in your retirement and future endeavors.

#### SONOMA COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION OPENING

Notice to the Community to fill Position on the Sonoma County Library Commission for a Representative from Sebastopol (Term Ends July 31, 2026)

The City of Sebastopol invites interested citizens to volunteer and apply to fill position as the City of Sebastopol Representative on the Sonoma County Library Commission - Term Ending Date - July 31, 2026

Applicants need not be a resident of the City but may be appointed from the City, Sebastopol Greater Area or any other location within Sonoma County.



The Commission generally meets monthly, with additional special meetings as needed. Each commissioner is liaison to a Library Advisory Board (LAB), attending LAB meetings and participating in an ex-officio capacity.

See the Sonoma County Library Commission Job Opening Description <u>HERE</u> Click <u>HERE</u> for an Application

All applications must be signed and shall be submitted to the City Administration Offices, no later than **May 30, 2022 by 4:00 pm**. Interviews before the City Council will be scheduled for a later date.

Applications and further information are also available at the City of Sebastopol City Hall, 7120 Bodega Avenue, Sebastopol, CA 95472; email: mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org or phone 707-823-1153.

#### CALLING ALL ARTISTS AND CREATIVE LOCALS

It's the Sebastopol Community Upcycled heArt Project The heArt Project is designed to educate and inspire by activating potential in affecting climate change. It is to be created through contributions from the community. This project will symbolize the interconnectivity of all life.

- The Central Art Piece will be a kaleidoscope of upcycled glass housed in a welded case.
- The supporting art pieces will be installed throughout town.



# Community artists are invited to create supporting pieces that will:

- explore innovative ways to address the environmental challenges we are currently facing.
- be curated from the abundance that already exists within our lives.
- utilize upcycled materials.
- specifically address subjects under the general category of climate change: water, air, solar, carbon sequestration, social inequities, our waste stream, and consumption.

Alongside the supporting art pieces will be a companion QR code that links the viewer to a website which will include information on: the makers of the piece, the topic of the piece, actions regarding the topic, and any recent news on local organizations working on a goal related to the topic.

Submissions accepted on a rolling basis for supporting art piece proposals.

For more information and the Art Piece Submission form click HERE.

Completed forms should be turned in to the Planning Dept. at Sebastopol City Hall or emailed to <a href="mailto:ClimateActionCommittee@cityofsebastopol.org">ClimateActionCommittee@cityofsebastopol.org</a>

#### **FIX-IT CLINIC AND REUSE FAIR - MAY 14TH**

Free community event with opportunities to get assistance with repair for simple clothing/textiles, lamps, and bicycle repairs, as well as a clothing swap, upcycled art, food, tours of Greenlynx, and the Children's Museum On-The-Go.

#### **Event Details**

**Date:** Saturday, May 14, 2022 **Time:** 11:00am to 3:00pm

Location: 3251 Santa Rosa Ave, Santa Rosa, CA 95407

Click **HERE** for more info.



MAY IS BIKE MONTH AND MAY 20, 2022 IS BIKE TO WHEREVER DAY!



Join the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition and thousands of folks throughout the Bay Area - in a host of cycling activities, challenges, and classes

throughout the month of May.

Visit www.bikesonoma.org/btwd/ for more information.

# SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNITY NEEDS SUMMIT - JUNE 14TH



Brought to you by the City of Sebastopol and the Sebastopol Service & Action Coalition

#### **Event Details:**

**Date:** Tuesday, June 14, 2022 **Time:** 4:30pm to 7:30pm

Location: West County High School Cafeteria, 6950 Analy Ave, Sebastopol

Want to do your part to help others in town? This is your opportunity to find just the right project that fits your skills and availability.

Does your Sebastopol-based non-profit or service organization need a helping hand?

Fill out the optional survey/RSVP form HERE if you'd like to let us know more about your organization's needs or how you'd like to help others.

Visit the City of Sebastopol's website **HERE** for information about last year's summit.

Questions? Email SebastopolSummit@gmail.com

# PG&E PERFORMING ONGOING GAS SAFETY VEGETATION WORK

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is performing ongoing gas safety vegetation work and our communities can help keep the area above and around the gas transmission pipeline safe.

It's important to keep the area above a gas transmission pipeline clear of structures, trees and brush, as they can block access in an emergency or for critical maintenance work. These types of items can also damage the pipe and potentially cause corrosion which can lead to leaks. That's why, as part of their commitment to safety, PG&E regularly inspects the area above and around the pipeline and partners with customers to address any items that pose a safety concern.

#### The community can help keep the pipeline safe by:

- Calling 811 before starting a digging or landscaping project so any underground utilities can be marked.
- Monitoring and reporting any suspicious activity near pipelines.
- Following the guide to safe landscaping when deciding where to install new trees and plants.
- Ensuring structures are installed at least 14 feet away from the pipeline.

Visit the City's website here for more information and resources.

# Working Together to Keep the Area Above Gas Pipelines Safe and Clear

# DEADLINE EXTENDED: SUBMISSIONS SOUGHT FOR SEBASTOPOL'S COMMUNITY SCULPTURE GARDEN



Support Person #1
Artist: Beth Hartmann



Zephyra
Artist: Sculpture Jam



Medallion

Artist: Briona Hendren

The Sebastopol City Council and its Public Arts Committee (PAC) invite Sonoma County-based artists to submit proposals for the new Community Sculpture Garden (CSG) located along the pedestrian walk between Ives Park's Calder Creek and the Sebastopol Center for the Arts. The CSG will eventually be comprised of eight sculptures. The first three sculptures were installed in January. Submission information may be found HERE.

## **Submission Deadline EXTENDED to May 24th.**

There is NO FEE for applying, NO INSURANCE FEES REQUIRED, no Jurying fee, and no other display fees.

Questions can be addressed to Kari Svanstrom, City of Sebastopol Planning

Director: ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

An official Opening Day event is planned for the summer.

Stay tuned!

## **UPCOMING MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (MYN) CLASSES**

#### **MYN Classes**

Being prepared together

Classes are on Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm Registration & Zoom link - sebastopolready.org/calendar

#### **Upcoming Classes**

May 18 June 15

Learn more about the MYN program and classes **HERE**.





# UPCOMING SEBASTOPOL NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNICATION UNIT (SNCU) TRAININGS



#### **SNCU Trainings**

Radio use, best radio options and message protocols

Trainings are from 1:00-2:30 pm Registration (limit 12) & location - sebastopolready.org/calendar

## **Upcoming Trainings**

May 28 June 26

Learn more about the SNCU program and trainings **HERE**.

#### WATER CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK

Water savings are urgently needed. See the City's Water Conservation page for actions you can take to reduce water usage and check out these indoor and outdoor water conservation tips from the Sonoma-Marin Saving

#### Water Partnership.

Here's this week's tip to help you reduce your water consumption:

 Wash your pets outdoors, in an area of your lawn that needs water. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.



#### **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**



Police Department Police Officer

Deadline to Apply: Open 10/18/21 (Open and Continuous)

See the city <u>website</u> for additional information and requirements on these current opportunities to participate in the management and growth in our community.

## **COVID-19 INFO & RESOURCES**

# **COUNTY OF SONOMA**

# **COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS**

Free, convenient, confidential COVID-19 testing is available to all Sonoma County residents, regardless of document status

See the **SoCoEmergency Calendar** for a list of testing locations in the County.

See the **SoCoEmergency Testing** page for more information.

Although many test sites say "walk-ins welcome" health officials now do not want people with symptoms standing in lines for tests. They suggest staying home and trying to schedule a test. You can also order 4 free at-home tests per household. Find more information at <a href="https://www.covidtests.gov">https://www.covidtests.gov</a>.

## **CITY NEWS**

#### **CITY MEETINGS**

All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link.

Agendas for upcoming meetings can be found on the City website by clicking the "<u>Meetings</u>" link on the home page. Agendas will contain information about participating virtually in real time when this feature is available.

#### **City Council Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: First and Third Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 6pm
- Livestream Link: http://bit.ly/sebcctv
- To submit comments before the meeting:
  - For Items Not on the Agenda: Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items not on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the virtual City Council meeting. All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
  - For Items Listed on the Agenda: Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items listed on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the agenda item during the virtual City Council meeting. Email comments must identify the Agenda Item Number in the subject line of the email. All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: City Council Meeting of May 17, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

#### **Planning Commission Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 6pm
- Livestream Link: http://bit.ly/sebcctv
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to <u>ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</u>
- Next Meeting: Planning Commission Meeting of May 24, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

(**NOTE:** All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link. Information for meeting attendance can be found here: <a href="https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx">https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx</a>)

#### **Design Review Board Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: First and Third Wednesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 4pm

- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: Design Review Board Meeting of May 18, 2022 @ 4:00 PM

#### **Public Arts Committee Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: First Wednesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 10:30am
- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to <u>ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</u>
- Next Meeting: There are currently no meetings scheduled.

#### **Climate Action Committee Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 3:30pm
- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to <u>ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</u>
- Next Meeting: Climate Action Committee Meeting of May 25, 2022 @ 3:30 PM



