

April 2026

Public Works Department Activity Report

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Noteworthy Information:

- **City Engineer Update.** The contract for City Engineering Services with Moe Engineering was approved by City Council on April 7, 2026. John Moe officially assumed the role of City Engineer on May 1, 2026.
- **Water Master Plan Update.** The Water Master Plan was presented to the EFOC on April 28, 2026, and the finalized plan was presented to City Council at the May 5, 2026 meeting.
- **Sewer Master Plan Update.** City Council approved the contract for the Sewer Master Plan on April 21, 2026. Contract execution and the project kick-off meeting are anticipated in early May.
- **Flood Resiliency Master Plan.** The consultant completed hydraulic modeling and spot inspections of the City storm drain system during April. Preliminary recommendations are anticipated in May.
- **Burbank Farm ADA Path and Restroom Facility Project.** Construction is substantially complete, and the contractor is currently addressing punch list items.
- **Caulder Creek Storm Drain Project.** Staff initiated the permitting process with resource agencies for clearing the storm drain from Ives Park to the Laguna in anticipation of construction beginning later this summer.
- **Bodega Avenue Bike Lanes and Rehab Phase 2.** Paving work began during the final week of April, with project completion anticipated in May 2026.
- **Bodega Guardrails Project.** Staff is coordinating with PG&E regarding relocation of the gas line to avoid conflicts during construction.
- **Citywide Digouts and Repairs Paving Project.** Final design and project specifications were completed by the end of April. The project is scheduled for solicitation in May, with contract approval anticipated by City Council in June.
- **Sebastopol Cultural Community Center Plan.** Staff worked with the consultant to finalize the current list of repair items and incorporate them into the design process.
- **Pedestrian Crossings on Highway 116.** Staff finalized the design for crossings at Burnett Street, Keating Avenue, Hutchins Avenue, and Walker Avenue, and submitted the plans to Caltrans for final approval.
- **Well 4 Replacement Project.** Staff initiated the Well 4 Replacement Project, including evaluation of financing options, permitting, and preparation for a test well at the proposed site to inform project design. The test well is anticipated in June 2026.
- **Morris Street Sewer Pump Station Repair Project.** Staff held a kick-off meeting for the necessary repairs to the wastewater pump station and established a schedule to complete design, bidding, and construction of the CIP project by the end of September.
- **Fence Replacement at Ives Park.** The contract for fence replacement was executed in April. Following execution, the contractor encountered procurement issues due to global supply chain delays. While only a portion of the fence materials could be procured, the contractor has agreed to honor the original contract pricing and manufacture the remaining panels in-house. Unfortunately, this has delayed installation, which is now anticipated by the end of May.
- **Miscellaneous Public Works Activities.**
 - Completed renovations of the men's restroom at Ives Park and began renovations on the women's restroom.
 - Completed repairs at Well 4.
 - Supported the Apple Blossom Festival.
 - Installed the Micah's Hugs distribution box.
 - Initiated a vegetation management program around fire hydrants.
 - Continued replacement of VFDs at the Morris Street Pump Station.
 - Responded to customer service requests regarding water, sewer, streets, and sidewalks.