



### **December 3, 2021**

It has been four years since I joined the Morro Bay City team and community; my how time flies! In the spirit of the winter holiday season, I wanted to say thank you and express my profound gratitude to the Morro Bay community, City Council and City staff for putting their trust in me to help lead the City. In my opinion (though it's certainly shared by many others) the best aspects of working for Morro Bay is the high level of engagement and volunteerism from community members. This community gives so much of itself to help others, to beautify our town, and to show up and participate in the City's decision-making process. That spirit is what makes us unique and strong, and is a source of great pride for myself and staff. Thanks to all of you who have shared your perspectives, ideas and concerns about the City with me. You have helped me grow into this role and I can't thank you enough.

We hope everyone is ready for the winter holiday season, and wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, Kwanza and Festivus! Below are several holiday events taking place in Morro Bay to help celebrate:

[Holiday Tree lighting](#) – Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3:30pm to dusk, City Park

[Breakfast with Santa](#) – Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-11:30am, Morro Bay Community Center

Morro Bay Rotary [Lighted Boat Parade](#) - Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm, Embarcadero

[Caroling with Cops](#) – December 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm – 9pm, throughout Morro Bay

Happy holidays and hope to see you there!

Thanks!

Scott Collins, City Manager

## COVID-19 Update

Our City staff and volunteers continue to work closely with San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department, our County's EOC, helping our workforce, volunteers, and citizens reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Unfortunately, the number of cases of COVID-19 in the county remain steady and may be increasing soon as a result of the new Omicron variant. As a result, the SLO County mask mandate remains in effect. Community members must wear masks indoors in public places where others are present. In addition, the County has set up additional COVID-19 testing sites, including Morro Bay Veterans Hall. Tests are available Monday – Friday from 7:00am to 7:00pm, closed for lunch and dinner from 11am-noon and 4:00-5:00pm. Learn more at [www.readyslo.org](http://www.readyslo.org) or call 1-888-634-1123 to make an appointment.

City Hall, the Shasta building (Community Development and Public Works) and the Harbor Office are opened with modified hours Monday through Thursday (8am to 12pm). The Police and Fire administration buildings will remain open during normal business hours. Recreation Services at the Community Center is open Monday – Friday, 9am – 1pm and the Senior Center is open Monday – Friday 9am – 4pm. At this time, staff is working closely with AGP Video to be able to provide for hybrid in-person/virtual City Council meetings in the near future. However, it is unknown at this time when in person meetings will resume. Per current regulations, all community members, regardless of vaccination status, are required to wear a mask inside City offices. We appreciate the community's continued patience with our phased re-opening.

Most of the current cases of COVID-19 are related to the Delta variant, which is spread faster than previous strains of the virus, and it is anticipated that the Omicron variant may spread faster than the Delta. It is particularly impacting unvaccinated individuals. As a result, SLO County and cities within the region, including Morro Bay, are encouraging members of the community to take advantage of vaccines and booster shots. The vaccines are safe, effective and free for all members of the community ages 5 and up. All three COVID-19 vaccines and boosters effectively prevent severe illness, hospitalization and death.

With the Delta variant still circulating in our region and a new one potentially on the rise, it is important for everyone to do their part to stop the spread. That means wearing a mask in public indoor settings as well as crowded outdoor settings. Stay at home if you feel sick. Get tested even if you have mild upper respiratory symptoms, such as sniffles or sneezing. If you test positive, please isolate following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines. If exposed to anyone with known or suspected COVID-19, please quarantine.

Most importantly, get vaccinated if you haven't done so already. Learn more at <https://www.emergencyslo.org/en/covid19.aspx>. Thanks for doing your part to stay safe and healthy!

## Police

### Police Operations

#### ✓ **Sergeant Promotion**

Detective Will Marvos was promoted to Sergeant on November 27<sup>th</sup>. The sergeant vacancy was the result of Sergeant Mark Matin's retirement from law enforcement. Will has over 15 years of consistent and credible law enforcement experience and will be a valuable addition to our supervisory team. Congratulations, Will!



MBPD officers conducted a two-week investigation culminating in the arrest of a Bay area resident, Matthew Farrington, who had been coming to Morro Bay to commit crimes at our local pharmacies. Collective work between officers and a local pharmacist resulted in the identification and arrest of the suspect.

#### ✓ **Cal Trans Highway 1**

On November 22<sup>nd</sup>, Cal Trans cleaned up the three encampments along both sides of the Hwy 1 near Morro Bay Blvd. MBPD staff had been receiving numerous complaints related to the encampments as they became more visible from the highway and from businesses along Quintana Rd. With the assistance from MBPD officers, Cal Trans cleared several encampments that were classified as level 1 removals for proximity to the highway as it was unsafe. MBPD continues to work with Cal Trans to address unsafe encampments along the highway.



## **Community Policing**

### ✓ **Pizza with the Police**

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, the department held its first ever Pizza with the Police event. Like Coffee with a Cop, Pizza with the Police is an opportunity for the officers to get out into the community and discuss any issues, concerns our citizens might have, or just simply have a conversation with the community and get to know each other. We would like to thank Pizza Port for hosting the event and providing the space and the very tasty pizza. The event was well attended by officers and community members. We had a great time and look forward to another Pizza event in the future.



### ✓ **Thanksgiving meal delivery**

It was our honor once again to participate in the Thanksgiving meal delivery. Thank you to the Lions Club of Morro Bay for putting on the event. MBPD Volunteers and Officers participated in the delivery of hundreds of meals to people in Morro Bay and at the Morro Bay Community Center.



## Fire

### Fire Chief Update

The Fire Department is hosting the annual Season of Hope toy and food drive now through December 17th. We are collecting non-perishable food items, as well as new unwrapped toys. There are collection bins in the front lobby of the fire station. The toys will be distributed by Operation Santa Clause, and the food will be distributed by the San Luis Obispo Food Bank. **KSBY will be at the Morro Bay Fire Department on Monday December 6th to broadcast live about the Season of Hope toy and food drive.** KSBY will be here filming from 5:00p.m. until 7:00p.m. to advertise the charitable donation event.



We have completed the interview process for a vacant entry level Firefighter position. We expect to be making a conditional job offer this week and hope to have the new recruit begin training in December upon completion of a background investigation.

The seasonal firefighter program has ended for 2021 and will resume around May of 2022. I would like to thank Grant Frempter, Riley Boughton-Proano, and Forrest Ringer for their hard work and dedication this season.

As another busy fire season comes to an end (hopefully), and I want to acknowledge the commitment by Fire Department staff to the state Mutual Aid system. Morro Bay Firefighters worked a combined 2,936 hours, committed to major wildfire incidents throughout the state, as well as crews covering at home during their absence.

### Training update

Engineer Watson will be completing two Hazardous Materials Specialist classes and Engineer Schechter will be joining him at the upcoming Rescue Systems 2 class. CPR training was provided for all Department personnel that needed to have their CPR certification renewed. The Reserve Firefighters will be completing their "Capstone" testing - Basic Skills Testing to ensure they are qualified to work shifts.



The entire department including the reserves completed:

- Forcible entry training
- Ventilation training
- Streets, Maps, Navigation, and response routes within the city
- Bloodborne Pathogen training

- High Angle Rope Rescue System training
- Structural firefighting evolutions including:
  - Laddering a multi-story building
  - Deploying a hotel pack in a multi-story building
- ✓ ALS protocol review
- ✓ MCI training

The water rescue personnel completed:

- ✓ Quarterly training

Miscellaneous training completed by Department personnel

- ✓ Aerosol Transmissible Diseases
- ✓ Harbor Fire Boat Operations
- ✓ Confined Space Training
- ✓ FDC Training
- ✓ Elevated Master Stream Training
- ✓ Ground Ladder Training
- ✓ Epilepsy Training
- ✓ Respiratory Emergencies Training
- ✓ Intubation Training
- ✓ Auto Extrication Training
- ✓ Workplace Stress Training
- ✓ Back Injury Prevention Training
- ✓ CA Local Agency Ethics (AB 1234) Training
- ✓ Assessing the Patient with Major Trauma Training
- ✓ Endocrine System Emergencies Training



## Fire Marshal Update

The MBFD annual fire safety inspection program is completed for this year. This Fire Inspection Program is the backbone of fire prevention in the City. Most inspections performed in the City are done by the Fire Marshal and the engine company personnel. To protect the community, the Fire Prevention Specialist and/or the engine companies conduct the inspections. These inspections cover general fire and life safety which includes exiting, fire extinguishers, storage, the updating of emergency contact information and enforcing other adopted codes and regulations. If installed, fire sprinkler systems and kitchen fire suppression systems will also be looked at for maintenance compliance. This year the fire department completed:

### Fire /Safety Inspections:

- ✓ Business= 313
- ✓ Hotel/Apartment buildings =52
- ✓ Commercial/Industrial=16
- ✓ Vacation rentals=55



- ✓ Initial inspection (residential)=4134
- ✓ Initial inspection (commercial)=251

The frequency of inspections is determined through the analysis of several factors including, but not limited to the use of the building or occupancy, the presence of fire protection systems and features, and special hazards or processes associated with the structure. Routine fire inspections are typically conducted by fire personnel Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm to allow for the observation of the occupancy under normal operating conditions. For more MBFD information, call (805) 772-6242 or Email [fireprevention@morrobayca.gov](mailto:fireprevention@morrobayca.gov).

## Harbor

### Recent Department Activity:

Harbor Patrol statistics for November 2021 were 15 emergency responses, 139 calls for service, 36 assists of other agencies, 47 enforcement contacts, 8 weather warnings, and no hazardous bar warnings.

11/5/21

Patrol responded to a report of two kayakers floating outside the harbor entrance, possibly in distress. One kayaker from Paso Robles was taken aboard and provided a safety lecture, while the second was followed back to their launch point at Coleman Beach.

11/14/21

Harbor Patrol provided water safety to the ~800 Morro Bay Triathlon participants. While no major incidents occurred on the water, five triathletes had to be pulled from the water because they were unable to overcome the conditions, and two participants in the kayaker/SUP category capsized and required assistance.



11/16/21

Patrol responded to the back bay with a Patrol vessel and Rescue Watercraft, and made access to the southerly sandspit access channel to where an adult and his four-year-old son were stranded by the tide. One Patrol officer made his way through the last 100 yards of mud to the sandspit and loaded the two on a mud rescue board. Both were transferred to the Patrol vessel waiting in the channel and transported back to the Harbor office.

Patrol responded to a reported kayaker fallen out his boat 100 yards from shore off Lucerne Rd in Cayucos. On scene, the kayaker



had spent about 20 minutes in the water and was first assisted by a Cal Fire rescue swimmer. Both were then loaded onto the Patrol vessel and transported closer to shore at the Cayucos Pier where Patrol paddled the kayaker in on a rescue board and brought his kayak to shore through the surf as well.

Both these incidents ended without injuries.

11/8/21

Two Harbor Department personnel attended the California Boating Safety Officers Association one-day training symposium at the Corinthian Yacht Club in Tiburon, CA. The day was filled with presentations on commercial derelict vessel removal, FAA and Mass Drone detection, Legal updates, Division of Boating and Waterways derelict vessel grant updates, and emerging communications technology and TSA Viper/Homeland Security updates.



The derelict fishing vessel *Lady Maxine*, which sunk on her mooring off the launch ramp this summer, was floated by the SLO County Sheriff's Dive Team and demolished on November 11 & 12 at the public launch ramp. While it was touch-and-go for a while and the ramp was closed for one day because the *Lady Maxine* wouldn't go quietly, eventually the equipment of Negranti Construction prevailed and she was hauled up and destroyed.



11/18/21

Staff went down to the Radon boatyard in Goleta to check on the progress of the department's refitting of Port San Luis's old patrol vessel to serve as Morro Bay's newest addition to the fleet to replace another, aging vessel. Significant structural changes to make the vessel more suitable for Morro Bay's uses were well underway, including raising of the cabin top to accommodate our taller personnel and changing the center hold to accommodate a new firefighting pumping system.



### **Offshore Wind Energy Power Generation Farm**

On November 12, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) issued a press release announcing the designation of the Morro Bay Wind Energy Area (WEA) offshore the central California coast and beginning the environmental review for the Morro Bay WEA, including Section 106 review under the National Historic Preservation Act. BOEM will host two virtual public scoping meetings; one on December 1, 2021 at 5pm, and one on January 5, 2022 at 9am. Additional information on those meetings can be found at the link below:

<https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/state-activities/morro-bay-wind-energy-area>

BOEM also announced it is seeking public comments as part of its environmental review. As such, the agency initiated a 60-day public comment period, which will be open until January 11, 2022.

### **Harbor Advisory Board Vacancies**

Two Harbor Advisory Board seats are up for reappointment next year that the City Council will consider applications for appointment in January 2022. Those seats are:

- South Bay/Los Osos
- Member At-large

Citizens are encouraged to apply. In addition, at the first regular meeting in each year wherein newly appointed Members are seated, the Members shall elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson who shall hold office for a period of one year. After nominations are made, Chair and Vice Chair elections may be conducted. This will occur at the February 3, 2022 HAB meeting.

### **Lighted Boat Parade and Other Holiday Activity**

Again, this year, the Rotary Club of Morro Bay is the proud supporter of the Lighted Boat Parade to be held, weather permitting, on December 4<sup>th</sup>, starting 6:30 pm. While there is a negative tide on the 4<sup>th</sup> at approximately 4:30 pm, participants should be cognizant of and plan for, the tide rising during the parade. Harbor Patrol will have a vessel in the parade, as well as one standing by for safety response if needed.

The Rotary of Morro Bay is also planning to have Santa's House for the weekends of December 3rd, 4th, and 5th, and December 10th, 11th, and 12th. Hours for Fridays and Saturdays are 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm and hours for Sundays are 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Santa's House will once again be welcoming families at the giant chess board on the Embarcadero.



Thanksgiving week was definitely a week to be thankful for with lots of sunshine and warm offshore winds. This made for amazing beach and boating weather. Harbor Patrol had their busiest day on Thanksgiving itself with multiple tows of broken-down boats, a BUI case (boating under the influence) and impound of the subject vessel, and a CPR call for a patron in a waterfront restaurant.

Finally, with crab pots provided by the Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen's Organization, Harbor Department staff erected and lit the Crab Pot Christmas Tree on November 30 at the South T-Pier.



## Public Works

### **Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Program Update**

The City is making progress on all components of the [Water Reclamation Facility \(WRF\) project](#), with construction on the advanced treatment facility and the pipeline/conveyance system components of the project underway, advance study moving forward on the injection well system, and a recently secured Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) grant and low-interest loan funding. The City will experience increased costs on the overall project as a result of project modifications as well as unanticipated issues that delayed initial construction of the pipeline. These issues were discussed during the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget discussions. At this time, it is projected that the total WRF budget will be approximately \$145 million (with several million in contingency), compared to the original projected budget in 2018 of \$126 million. These increases, however, will not impact water and sewer rates for Morro Bay customers.

### **WRF Funding Update**

The City received approvals for a loan amount of \$61 million from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for its Water Infrastructure Financing Innovation Act (WIFIA) low-interest loan program. The City also secured a CWSRF \$61 million low-interest loan and \$5 million grant. Both loans were locked in with a near historic low interest rate of 0.9% or under, which will save the City and community over \$1,000,000 annually in debt costs compared to a conventional loan. That allows the City to maintain water and sewer rates that are on par or lower than our neighboring communities.

## WRF Construction Update (key items)

- Roundabout Microtunneling: The Microtunnel Boring Machine, which tunneled under the roundabout and ran into issues this summer, reached the receiving pit at Las Tunas and Butte.
- Pump Station A - Dewatering: Anvil (contractor for the pipeline component of the project) struggled for several weeks to control groundwater within their shored excavation at Pump Station A at the existing treatment plant. Anvil appears to have now addressed the problem and is currently excavating for the deep wet well structure and the 96" diameter underground storage tanks.
- Bike Path: Anvil began preparation work along the bike path. This involved vegetation removal, in compliance with the California Coastal Commission Development Permit for the WRF project. City Council has directed staff to develop a plan to replace the trees removed along the pipeline route.
- Council approved contract amendments for Anvil and the two firms responsible for archeological and cultural monitoring on the project (Far Western and Cogstone). The increases were necessary to meet requirements outlined by the Environmental Impact Report and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Increases were approved on October 12<sup>th</sup> (<https://www.morro-bay.ca.us/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/5762> Item C-1) to ensure impacts to these precious cultural and archeological resources are minimized.

## Utilities Division

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*State Water Shutdown Concludes:* Utilities staff ran the reverse osmosis (RO) facility for two weeks during the state water shutdown. During this time, the RO facility ran 24 hours a day and required night shifts for Utilities staff. The RO facility produced 10,651,056 gallons of water in the month of November. Currently, Utilities staff is performing preventative maintenance on the RO plant, including replacing prefilters, greasing motors, and changing oil. After this work is completed, staff will prepare the RO facility for future use by flushing and cleaning the membranes. The state water shutdown began on Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup> and concluded on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Maintenance & Operations

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*Skin Patch Repairs and Berm Fixes:* In addition to regular duties, maintenance performed several skin patch repairs and berm fixes around the City.



## Solid Waste & Recycling

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*Holiday Recycling Guides:* The winter holiday season is upon us. It means gatherings with family and friends, decorations, gifts, and holiday food. At the end of those gatherings, gift giving, and holiday eating, you may be wondering, “how do I dispose of my holiday tree?” or “is this wrapping paper recyclable?” Check out the San Luis Obispo Integrated Waste Management Authority’s recycling guide for holiday items at [www.iwma.org/use/holiday](http://www.iwma.org/use/holiday) to see if it should go in the recycling bin (blue), greenwaste bin (green), or the garbage bin (grey). In addition, check out Morro Bay Garbage’s website, [www.sanluisgarbage.com/schedule](http://www.sanluisgarbage.com/schedule), for information on how to properly dispose of trees after the holidays are over. Lastly, a reminder that Morro Bay Garbage will not be collecting garbage, recycling, or greenwaste on Christmas day, but will be resuming its regular collection schedule the next week and will be picking up on New Year’s Day. For more information on what goes in what bin, call the garbage company at (805) 543-0875.



## Engineering

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*City Engineer Retirement:* Rob Livick will retire as the City Engineer at the end of this year on December 30, 2021. He has served the City of Morro Bay for over 15 years in both the City Engineer and Public Works Director role. His accomplishments include construction of the Morro Creek bridge and bike path, the Fire Station reconstruction project, the Morro Bay Boulevard/Quintana roundabout, and oversight of the WRF project. During his time with the City, Rob a friend and colleague to many both internally at the City and in the community. He will be missed for his dedication to the City’s infrastructure, engineering expertise, and sense of humor. He plans to focus on studying music, performing music locally, and continuing his lifelong passion for cycling.

## Administration (Finance and IT)

The City's Administrative Services team is continuing work on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 audit, preparing clarifying updates to the City's procurement policy for Council consideration, and continuing to pursue systems improvements to deliver services such as utility billing and business license administration as effectively and efficiently as possible given existing resources.

On the heels of the recent Council goal setting session, unfunded pension liabilities will be a key focal point in the months ahead. Staff is preparing to lead the Citizens' Finance Advisory Committee and City Council through educational and policy discussions regarding CalPERS and OPEB (other post-employment benefits) liabilities prior to next year's budget cycle.

The City Hall public counter remains open to the public Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm or by appointment, and staff is always reachable by phone at 805-772-6201 (Monday – Friday, 8:00 am -5:00 pm).

## Recreation

### Administration

#### **Facilities**

Morro Bay Community Center and Veterans Building are open and ready for reservations! Our parks and facilities are now bustling with classes, activities, and other reservations such as birthday parties, and celebrations. Currently we are hosting COVID-19 testing at the Vet's Memorial Building and anticipate their services will be offered through March 2021.

#### **Events**

We are very excited to host upcoming Holiday Festivities such as Holiday Tree lighting, Breakfast with Santa, and the Lighted Boat Parade. In January, the Winter Bird Festival flocks into town. We are thrilled to show off our beautiful estuary and our many feathered residents. Soon our surf competition season will start with a number of contests on the books. We are anxiously awaiting the World Surf League, a professional surf contest, that puts our little town on a worldwide stage.

MORRO BAY INVITES YOU TO OUR

Annual  
**HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING**  
Celebration!

FRIDAY  
DEC. 3RD 3:30 PM - DUSK

AT CITY PARK IN MORRO BAY

COME ENJOY  
HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES,  
HOT CIDER, COOKIES,  
AND SAY HELLO TO SANTA!



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**OUTDOOR BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

EVENT INCLUDES SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 4TH  
8:30AM - 11:30AM  
Morro Bay Community Center  
1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay, CA

- PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH HOT COCOA BAR
- ENTRY IN THE ELF WORKSHOP WITH
  - CRAFTS AND GIFT MAKING
  - COOKIE DECORATING
  - FACE PAINTING
  - MINI GINGERBREAD HOUSE STATION
- PHOTOS WITH SANTA

**\$10 per Ticket**  
Includes a Pancake Breakfast made by our local Kiwanis Club and a Trip to The Elf Workshop

\*\*\*Preregister by December 3rd\*\*\*

Scan here to Register and Search "Breakfast"




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## Seniors

Activities and classes continue to hum along at the Senior Center as more and more seniors get comfortable participating with others. The Rovers program hosted their November trip, and 40 seniors enjoyed a tremendous sunset cruise on the Chablis and were rewarded with a classic Morro Bay sunset! Our new series highlighting health issues for seniors continues next month with a presentation on the benefits of Meditation.

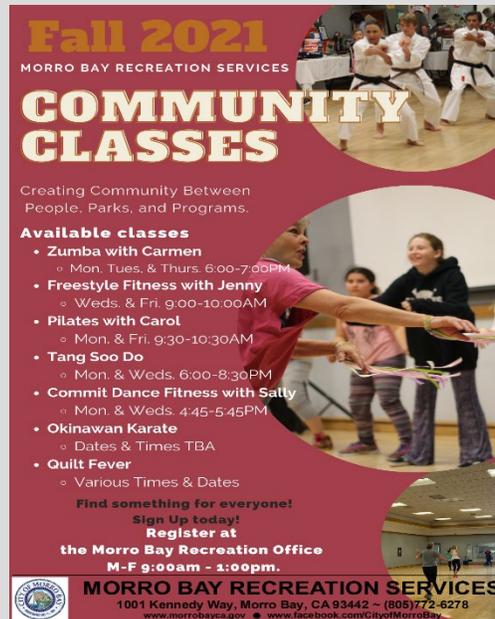


Many seniors volunteered to help serve food at the Community Center for Thanksgiving and Morro Bay Active Adults (MBAA...55+) is again partnering with Recreation Services to help at

the Holiday Tree Lighting and Breakfast with Santa.

## Classes

Our Fall Community Classes will continue until December 23<sup>rd</sup>, and then will take a break during the Holidays. Our Winter Community Classes will begin on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.



**Fall 2021**  
MORRO BAY RECREATION SERVICES

# COMMUNITY CLASSES

Creating Community Between People, Parks, and Programs.

**Available classes**

- **Zumba with Carmen**
  - Mon, Tues. & Thurs. 6:00-7:00PM
- **Freestyle Fitness with Jenny**
  - Weds. & Fri. 9:00-10:00AM
- **Pilates with Carol**
  - Mon. & Fri. 9:30-10:30AM
- **Tang Soo Do**
  - Mon. & Weds. 6:00-8:30PM
- **Commit Dance Fitness with Satty**
  - Mon. & Weds. 4:45-5:45PM
- **Okinawan Karate**
  - Dates & Times TBA
- **Quilt Fever**
  - Various Times & Dates

**Find something for everyone!**  
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**Register at**  
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## Aquatics Programs

### Pool

The Morro Bay Aquatic Center Winter programs were in action earlier this month! However, the pool is closed undergoing yearly maintenance. This is a crucial part of maintaining our beautiful facility and limit the number of last-minute maintenance issues resulting in unforeseen closures. This maintenance window is from November 29<sup>th</sup> through December 15<sup>th</sup> at which time we will jump right back into regularly scheduled programming. Sunday Private and Semi-Private lessons are going strong. Adult Programs will remain the same – we are currently offering Lap Swim, Master’s Swim, and Aqua Aerobics – which are a big hit and in high demand as a safe workout.



We are committed to keeping the public safe and keeping the Aquatics Center open.

For more information, please visit our Aquatics page.

## Youth Sports

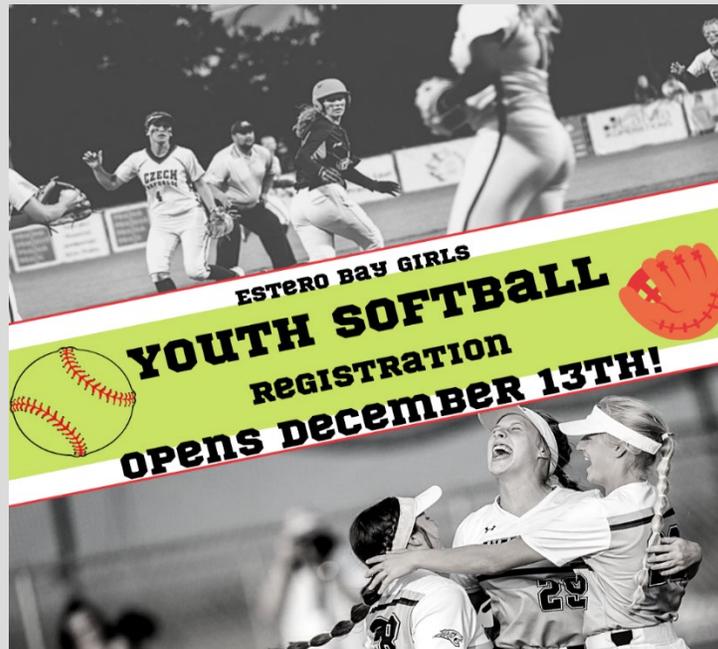
The Estero Bay Youth Soccer Season concluded on November 13 with our End of the Season Tournament. Soccer teams in the Under 10, Under 12, and Under 14 divisions participated in the tournament held in Morro Bay and Los Osos. The Estero Bay Youth Soccer League was responsible for the tournaments in multiple divisions. We hosted a 9-team tournament for the boys under 10 division at Lila Keiser Park and a 5-team boys under 12 division tournament at Morro Elementary field. Teams were given a chance to play until their teams lost, or until their team was crowned champion of all the teams in Morro Bay, Los Osos, and Cambria.

As the recreational soccer season wrapped up, we presented the opportunity for coaches to continue with soccer by creating “All-Star” teams. These teams are different in nature from our recreational program, as the purpose is to put your best foot forward and to compete in tournaments. We were able to garner enough interest to have 2 all-star teams represent our soccer league – a girls Under 10 division team and boys Under 12 team. We wish the teams the best of luck in the upcoming “South Bay Shootout” in Los Osos on December 11/12.

Basketball season is now underway, and teams have been assigned and coaches and players are hitting the courts to prepare for the season. We settled at 35 teams for 2nd through 8th graders and have over 240 players who will be hooping with the Estero Bay Youth Basketball League. Teams are hard at work sharpening their skills before games begin on January 8th. We are preparing for a one-of-a-kind **outdoor** basketball season!

We will begin our girls’ softball registration on December 15th for the 2022 season. Players in the “Coast Softball League” area (Morro Bay, Los Osos, Cayucos, and Cambria) will have a

chance to play in their local league after not having the ability to do so in 2021. We look forward to a triumphant return to play in 2022 for the Coast Girls Softball League.



## Youth Services

### **Kids' Club**

Kids' Club was open extra hours the week of November 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> for Teacher Conference Week -Minimum Days. We celebrated National Take a Hike Day at Del Mar Park and Mickey Mouse's Birthday with extra fun Disney crafts and games.

Over Thanksgiving Break, Youth Services hosted "Holiday Hangout Thanksgiving Break". We had an exploration day, a Friendsgiving Feast, and we ended our week with our first Flag Football Turkey Bowl. Youth Services collaborated with Youth Sports to host our first ever mini sports camp. Ken Zink, our new Sports Supervisor, came out and did a mini flag football lesson and then the two teams played a game against each other. Stay tuned for more Youth Services/Youth Sports collaborations!

Kids' Club will be closed from December 23<sup>rd</sup> – January 9<sup>th</sup> for Winter Break. Youth Services will host two different Holiday Hangouts during that time.



**Rockies Teen Center and Teen Action Committee**

Rockies Teen Center has remained closed since March 13th, 2020. It will remain closed this school year.

# Community Development



**News:** The City will be restarting review of the Draft Zoning Code at the Planning Commission meeting of December 7, 2021.

The City is developing stock accessory dwelling unit (ADU) plans that will be made available to the public free of charge. The draft ADU plan designs will be reviewed by the Planning Commission at their December 21, 2021 meeting.

## Planning Division Activity

### Planning Commission:

Nov. 2, 2021: 405 Elena St.; 362 sq.ft. addition to a nonconforming home.

ACTION: Approved

Nov. 16, 2021: 365 Driftwood; addition to a nonconforming home including addition of a second unit.

Action: Approved

## Planning Permits

- Use Permits = 4
- Coastal Dev. Permits = 4
- Min/Maj mod. = 3
- Total Permits = 11**

Fees collected = \$35,139

## Code Enforcement

New Cases: 6

Closed: 5

Open: 1

Ongoing: 6

## Building Division Activity

- Permits Issued = 24
- Valuation = \$624,566
- Fees Received = \$32,372
- # of Inspections = 156
- New Permits = 10