



City Manager's Update

September 9, 2022

As you may have heard, the City currently has two large projects under review for permits: the Vistra Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project located at 1290 Embarcadero and the residential subdivision of the 3300 Panorama property. As these projects make their way through the early stages of the permitting process, community members have expressed interest in better understanding how projects are reviewed by the City and how the public can engage and provide input on projects.

For most of us, the planning process is complex, and it isn't always clear how to express concerns, thoughts, and ideas to the City on projects. We would love to demystify the planning process for community members, as an informed citizenry is an engaged citizenry. With that in mind, and at the request of City Council, staff held a planning information session on August 10, 2022 to provide an overview of the planning permit process. For community members who were not able to attend, please link [here](#) for the video recording of the [presentation](#) and Q&A.

Community members can learn about current projects under review by visiting the [Planning website](#).

Lastly on the planning front, the City is hosting a Master Plan workshop for the Morro Bay Power Plant site on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at the Veteran's Memorial Building at 209 Surf Street from 6pm-830pm. The meeting agenda can be found [here](#). Thank you for staying engaged in these important efforts!

Sincerely,
Scott Collins
City Manager (scollins@morrobayca.gov)

COVID-19 Update

Our City staff and volunteers continue to coordinate with San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department, our County's EOC, helping our workforce, volunteers, and citizens to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The number of daily cases of COVID-19 has trended up slightly in recent weeks, with no changes to overall protocols.

The current California Department of Public Health face mask guidance strongly recommends but no longer requires individuals mask in indoor public settings or on public transit. Masks are still required for all individuals regardless of vaccination status in healthcare settings, homeless shelters, correctional facilities, and long-term care facilities. While the mask mandate has been lifted, folks may choose to continue to wear them. For those who have questions about which masks are most effective, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has a helpful [resource](#).

The COVID-19 testing sites in San Luis Obispo, Grover Beach, and Paso Robles are open Monday – Friday from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm, closed for lunch and dinner from 11 am - noon and 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. The Grover Beach test site is available those same hours Monday – Thursday (closed on Fridays). Learn more at <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/COVID-19.aspx>.

City Hall, the Shasta building (Community Development and Public Works) and the Harbor Office are opened with modified hours Monday through Thursday (8:00 am to 12:00 pm). The Police and Fire administration buildings will remain open during normal business hours. Recreation Services at the Community Center is open Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm and the Senior Center is open Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. City Council and advisory body meetings are holding hybrid meetings that allow members of the public to attend in-person at the Veterans Hall or view meetings and provide public comment via Zoom.

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. The County has a helpful webpage for [vaccine information](#).

Remember to [get tested](#) if you have upper respiratory symptoms, such as sniffles or sneezing, or if you think you may have been exposed. If you test positive, please isolate following the [CDC guidelines](#). If you haven't already done so, get your vaccine, and a [booster shot](#) if you are eligible. Thank you for doing your part to stay safe and healthy!

Employee Spotlight

CITY OF MORRO BAY EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Becka Kelly, Harbor Patrol Supervisor

Department: Harbor

Years Employed at City: 22 years

Ideal Place: On vacation anywhere with my family.

Best Part of Job: I hate to rub it in, but my job requires me to go to the beach and out boating each day. I realize I am very lucky!

Describe Your Work: Everything to do with waterfront, beach, bay, and ocean. I'd like to think it's split 50/50 with office and outside.

Fun Fact: Look up the atoll on Google called Lisianski. I did a 6-month stint there doing research on Hawaiian Monk Seals. Kind of like an episode of Survivor.

Police

National Night Out

August 2nd, the Morro Bay Police Department held their annual National Night Out community event. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community.



The event provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. The Morro Bay Police Department was joined by the Morro Bay Fire Department, Morro Bay Harbor Department, Morro Bay Parks and Recreation Department, Officer Pipan and her K9 partner Zeus from University of Cal Poly Police Department, Morro Bay Neighborhood Watch, Morro Bay Lions Club, and 97.3 The Rock local radio station. Alberstons of Morro Bay kindly donated food for the event, and Coastal Cravings provided Hawaiian Shave Ice paid for by the Morro Bay Peace Officers Association. The event hosted over 400 community members at Cloisters Park in Morro Bay.



Morro Bay Police Department Receives Bronze Award from Lexipol

This month, the Morro Bay Police Department was awarded the Lexipol Bronze Award for excellence in law enforcement policy management. This award acknowledges and demonstrates the departments dedication to providing our community with the most

professional law enforcement service. Lexipol provides a full library of customizable, state-specific law enforcement policies that are updated in response to new state and federal laws and court decisions. Lexipol helps the Morro Bay Police Department enhance compliance, professionalism, and transparency. Lexipol is the leading provider of policy, training, and wellness support for first responders and government leaders, helping address public safety challenges and improve the quality of life for all community members. Lexipol serves more than 2 million public safety professionals in 8,100 agencies and municipalities across the United States.



MBPD Commended by California Department of Justice for Audit Results

In August, the Morro Bay Police Department underwent a records audit by the State of California Department of Justice, related to Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI). These audits are performed regularly to ensure agencies are adhering to the legal responsibilities related to CORI such as, access, authority, dissemination, data security, and destruction of records. Morro Bay Police Department Support Services Manager Bonnie Johnson met with and provided the correspondence related to the audit. The department was commended for its compliance in all areas reviewed by auditors and Bonnie Johnson was commended for her ongoing supervision and handling of CORI this important information.

Morro Bay School Resource Officer Welcomes Kids Back to School

Morro Bay PD School Resource Officer (SRO) Alex Gillespie begins his second full school year as the department's SRO. Over the course of the school year, Officer Gillespie is responsible for safety and security of the students at Morro Bay High School and Del Mar Elementary, juvenile investigations including Suspected Child Abuse Reports (SCAR), health and safety presentations, being a positive role model to students, and a resource for teachers and administration. Officer Gillespie is looking forward to another safe and successful school year.



Fire

The Fire Department responded to 186 incidents from August 1st through August 31st. Of those we responded to:

- 2 Fires
- 0 Explosion/overpressure/ Overheat (no fire)
- 113 EMS incidents
- 5 Hazardous Condition
- 20 Service Calls/ PSA
- 31 Good Intent/ Cancelled
- 15 False Alarms



Mutual Aid

The Fire Department has been participating in the Mutual Aid Response to fires in Northern California. Captain Michael Talmadge was assigned to the Six Rivers Lightning complex for two weeks as a Fireline Paramedic. After his return Engineer Michael Hoese was assigned to the same incident as a Fireline paramedic and has been there for one week.

Equipment

The Fire Department recently received two new Zoll cardiac Monitors purchased using ARPA funds. This new equipment ensures that all response vehicles have the latest 12-lead technology available for patient care. We also received a grant from Diablo Canyon Power plant through the nuclear Preparedness Program to purchase three additional hand-held radios.

Events

On September 11th at 08:45 a.m. the Fire Department will be hosting a brief 9/11 ceremony in front of Station the Morro Bay Fire Station at 715 Harbor St. Members of the community are invited to this event, which will last approximately 20-30 minutes.

In recognition of the 21st anniversary of the September 11th, 2001, terrorist attacks please join the Morro Bay Fire, Police, and Harbor Departments for a Patriot's Day service to honor the lives lost during those tragic events.

- Sunday September 11th, 2022 @ 08:45a.m. lasting approximately 30 minutes
- Location: 715 Harbor Street, Morro Bay, Ca 93442
- Event will be conducted outdoors in front of the Morro Bay Fire Station.



Harbor

Harbor Patrol statistics for **August 2022**:

- 70 bay patrols
- 141 land patrols
- 13 emergency responses
- 82 calls for service
- 27 assists of other agencies
- 36 enforcement contacts
- 10 Trainings
- 111 maintenance actions
- 4 weather warnings, and no hazardous bar warnings

Some of the noteworthy responses by the Harbor Patrol:

8/5/22

Harbor Patrol received a report from the beach Lifeguards of a climber on Morro Rock. Patrol tracked a 19-year-old female by boat all around the Rock, and guided Fire personnel to her hiding place on the southwest side. Attempting to evade capture, she was awarded a criminal citation for the trouble.

8/6/22

Patrol responded to calls for help near Grassy Island, where a kayaker was recovered from the shallows using a commandeered skiff. The unharmed kayaker and his belongings were brought aboard the patrol boat and transported ashore.

Later the same day, patrol responded to an overturned kayak in the bay with two people in the water. Both were taken aboard unharmed and transported back to the rental agency from which they originally set out.

And for the final capsizing of the day, Sheriff's dispatch sent Patrol south of the launch ramp to an overturned day sailor with two people sitting on the hull. The two were taken aboard with no injuries, and the vessel righted, dewatered and towed back to the Yacht Club.

8/17/22

Emergency search and rescue response to a call over VHF 16 of a vessel taking on water off Montana de Oro with three persons aboard. Luckily a nearby fishing vessel, the RENEGADE, had responded to the area and pulled the occupants of the 21' Bayliner off the boat and out of the water. When Harbor Patrol and Coast Guard arrived on scene, the vessel's stern was completely submerged, leaving only the cabin and about a foot of bow above water. Patrol was able to connect a tow line to the boat's trailer eye and begin dewatering it by towing it on a half-plane, thus drawing the water from the scuppers on the tow back to Morro Bay. The Coast Guard took the unharmed occupants from the Good Sam fisherman, while a second Patrol boat met the tow at the harbor entrance to come alongside and continue any necessary dewatering. A Coast Guard

crewman assisted with the dewatering, where it was concluded that the vessel had no leaks, but had taken a wave over the stern, causing the deck scuppers to be below the waterline, and thus began sinking. All were transported safely to the launch ramp.



8/19/22

A citizen came into the Harbor Department office asking for some gauze for her mother who had fallen nearby. Patrol proceeded to the victim on the embankment in front of the Coast Guard building and about to tumble down toward the water. Morro Bay Fire personnel took over care for the victim with substantial blood coming from her face. She was transported to Sierra Vista Hospital by ambulance.

Patrol responded to a phone call from a broken-down skiff just north of the Rock, with no GPS location or radio signal to home-in on and very poor visibility due to fog. In rough ocean conditions, the operator was taken onboard the patrol boat and towed back to the harbor.

39th Annual National Night Out, August 2, 2022

At the Cloisters Community Park, Harbor Patrol participated in the National Night Out, organized by MBPD. The evening was filled with learning, laughter and fun with our local community promoting police and public safety awareness partnerships across the United States. Yes, that is

your Harbor Director in the picture below floating in the dunk tank wearing a personal flotation device – safety first!



Annual Monterey FuelRun

On August 17th, after a scenic drive from Southern California on their way to Monterey, scores of exotic cars arrived on the Embarcadero at the **Great American Fish Company** for lunch and a photo op on the South T-Pier.



End of the Season-Lifeguards

As summer fades and kids are going back to school, the Beach Lifeguards will go back to weekends-only after the Labor Day weekend and run through the first weekend in October.



Eelgrass “Problem”

While excessive amounts of naturally shedding eelgrass in the bay is the sign of a healthy ecosystem and recovering eelgrass growth, and not necessarily be considered a “problem,” some days on the incoming tide we are finding the eelgrass to be an absolute show-stopper for Harbor Patrol to get their boats underway when the shed blades build-up feet thick horizontally and vertically. This has been an issue for many boatowners recently.



Harbor Department Organizational Assessment

The Harbor Department has been providing full-service levels with less than a full complement of staffing below what it had at its peak in 2010. This in addition to having difficulty during and following the pandemic in recruiting and retaining qualified part-time Harbor Patrol Reserve Officer personnel. As such, the department and City is challenged to keep up with its workload and seek out opportunities to improve the waterfront. For these reasons a consultant, The Centre for Organizational Effectiveness (TCFOE) in San Diego, was contracted earlier this year to assist the City in evaluating the department's positions, staffing levels, duties, responsibilities and services in an effort to guide and assist the Harbor Department to achieve sustainability.

Since this spring, TCFOE has conducted research, interviewed City staff, stakeholders and other partners, and worked closely with Harbor Department personnel and other City staff on a plan to design the most effective organizational chart to carry the department into the next 20 years, in addition to focusing on departmental efficiencies and funding. It is anticipated work will conclude this winter, with the aim to begin implementation of the plan in concurrence with the FY 22/23 budget planning cycle.

Public Works

Utilities Division



Tank Update: The tank rehab project is continuing to move forward. Crews are finishing up Kings tank 2 (East tank) and Utilities staff will begin to fill and perform water quality samples on this tank next week. Work has begun at the front two Blanca tanks 1 & 2. These tanks are now empty and exterior work has begun. Attached are picture from inside these tanks. Sandblasting of the inside of this tanks will begin in the coming weeks followed by welding of spot repairs.

Ironwood break and repair:

On August 10, City Utilities staff was notified and found evidence of a water leak along a water main running on the 2400 block Ironwood Avenue south of Paula Street and north of Avalon Street. The City isolated the leaking line and made necessary repairs to the water system to stop the leak. The leak caused some displacement of backfill material under the roadway and surface damage to the roadway. Since the damage to the road is extensive, the City utilized an emergency contractor to help perform the road repairs. The road has now been repaired and pavement restored.



Water Board sanitary survey:

On August 31st the Division of Drinking Water performed a sanitary survey of the City's Water system. A sanitary survey is a comprehensive review and inspection to evaluate the adequacy of the water systems ability to provide safe drinking water. The comprehensive evaluation and inspection included: 1) inspection of State Water Tie-in connection, 2) Brackish Water RO treatment facility, 3) distribution system, 4) finished water storage tanks, 5) Well sites 6) monitoring reports, and data verification, 7) evaluated overall system management and operation, and 8) operator compliance with State requirements. The sanitary survey also included a visit to the new Water Reclamation Facility. The inspection went very well, and no violations were reported.

Maintenance Division

The City Maintenance Team is responsible for maintaining all the public restrooms on the Embarcadero and at the City Parks. The maintenance includes multiple daily cleanings as needed, stocking sanitary supplies, and emptying trash receptacles. Fortunately, and thankfully, the maintenance staff is always prepared to perform other maintenance tasks, such as repainting, when needed.



Engineering Division

The Engineering Division submitted for grant funding on two separate projects earlier this year and received word that both are being awarded! The first project was the submittal request for additional funds for Coleman Park Improvements that was applied for with the State of California Rural Recreation and Tourism Program (RRT), and the second was a submittal to San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) for their Community Betterments – Safe and Accessible Streets for All competitive grant program. Engineering is looking forward to advertising for initiating design on both projects in the near future.

The Coleman Park Improvement Project was recently awarded the state RRT grant in the amount of \$600,000 for the future design and construction. These funds will be used towards the creation of a trail, stage/plaza space, playground with an accessible play equipment option, an exercise station, non-invasive landscaping, educational panels, as well as supplementing the previously awarded Per Capita Grant to replace the former restroom with a 4 single-occupant restroom structure, drinking fountain and parking. This grant will also support the addition of potentially four cultural/historical installations at Coleman Park.



The SLOCOG Community Betterments grant of \$490,000 will increase the scope and effectiveness of the City's budgeted project for ADA Accessibility and Safety Upgrades at the Quintana and Main Street signalized intersection. Portions of the project idea were identified in 2011 Bike and Ped Plan and the city acquired CDBG funding for adding new pedestrian push buttons for the hearing impaired. The proposed improvements and enhancements to the intersection include:



- Upgrade of curb ramps and abutting sidewalks to current ADA standards as required by City's ADA transition plan
- Install updated audible push buttons and ped heads compliant with ADA and current Caltrans and City standards
- Explore and implement signal modifications for bicycle detection, bicycle crossing or push buttons from Class II facilities to existing Class 1 path on the north side of intersection

- Upgrade traffic signal software / timers / and other equipment as needed for safety upgrades including addition of Opticons sensor or potential installation of cameras in lieu of loop detectors
- Striping improvements including crosswalks, bicycle conflict striping and buffers, and delineators for addressing level of stress for bicycle users
- Pavement restoration in intersection to accommodate new ADA ramps, signal upgrades, new loop installations, pavement markers, safety and bicycle features

Administration

Public Works New Administrative Technician:

The recruitment process for a new Public Works Administrative Technician was completed and the Department welcomed Gina Arias to the team in late August. Gina has spent the past 8 years working for the Community Development Department so she's familiar with the Public Works team and will be able to hit the ground running. Once she gets up to speed, Gina will be overseeing the day-to-day administrative duties for the Engineering & Administration, Consolidated Maintenance, Streets, and Transit divisions, in addition to working on special projects.

Transit Summer Youth Ride Free Program:

August saw many students heading back to school and with summer winding down, that meant the Youth Ride Free program completed another year of providing free fixed-route rides to K-12 students. The annual Summer Youth Ride Free program is put on by Morro Bay Transit, SLO Transit, Paso Express, SOCO Transit, and the RTA. During the summer months, students were able to ride fixed-route transit buses for free, no pass required. About 200 rides were provided on Morro Bay Transit this summer.



Water Reclamation Facility

FBV continues to circulate clean water through the WRF in anticipation of startup on October 4, which has provided ample time for Morro Bay operations staff to train on WRF operations and equipment and plan future routine maintenance activities. The biological treatment process membranes and reverse osmosis membranes were delivered in August and will be installed in mid-September. Paving and landscaping has been completed, and construction “punchlist” items are being resolved in anticipation of construction completion by January. Completion and full WRF operation will be completed in advance of the State regulatory order deadline of February 2023.

WRF - Conveyance

Anvil Builders is making excellent progress getting the pipelines and pump stations ready for WRF startup on October 4. Above-ground piping and electrical equipment is being installed at both pump stations and the electrical connections will be made in early September. Completing the electrical connections will allow Anvil to begin testing the pumps and pump controls and overall pump station operation, which is a major project milestone. The pipe bridge was set in early August and bridge piping installation will be completed by the end of September, which will complete all pipeline installation and move the project into closeout activities and restoration and paving. The City is anticipating that the bike path will reopen in early October and the project be fully completed in early 2023.



Recycled Water Facilities

The area surrounding the pilot injection well was cleared of underbrush in August, and the well driller has begun mobilizing equipment to drill the well. The pilot injection tests will begin in September once the pilot well has been completed, which will allow the hydrogeologists to enhance the computer model of the groundwater basin and confirm injection rates. After modeling has progressed, the City can move forward with design of the full-scale injection system.

Administration (Finance and IT)

Utility Discount Program

The City has created a water and sewer utility discount program in which low-income customers who qualify for assistance through PG&E's Customer Care Program can also receive a 10 percent discount from the City of Morro Bay. Eligibility for Morro Bay's Utility Discount Program must be renewed annually. Open enrollment for this program occurs in July each year, but residents can still apply if they qualify. More information is available on the City's website at: <https://www.morrobayca.gov/840/Low-Income-Utility-Discount-Program>.

Business Tax Certificates

The City of Morro Bay requires all organizations operating within the City limits to have a current business tax certificate (commonly referred to as a business license). Business Tax Certificate rates changed as of July 1, 2022. Applications for new business licenses and renewals of current business licenses can be processed online at morrobay.hdlgov.com, by email at MorroBay@HdLGov.com, or by U.S. mail (City of Morro Bay Business Support Center; 8839 N. Cedar Ave #212; Fresno, CA 93720). For Customer Support, call (805) 339-2649. Updated rates and more information can be found at <https://www.morro-bay.ca.us/82/Business-Licenses>.

Key Links:

- Adopted Budget for FY 2022-23: <https://www.morro-bay.ca.us/827/Budget>
- Fee Schedule for FY 2022-23: <https://www.morro-bay.ca.us/DocumentCenter/Home/Index/96>

City Clerk



November 2022 General Election

On Tuesday, November 8, 2022, the voters in Morro Bay will elect a Mayor for a 2-year term and (2) Council Members for 4-year terms. The filing deadline for these offices has closed. View a list of candidates [here](#). Please visit the [City website](#) for more information and contact the City Clerk's office at cityclerk@morrobayca.gov or (805) 772-6205 to make an appointment to pull nomination papers.

The Harbor Infrastructure Act Citizens Initiative

The Harbor Infrastructure Act Citizens Initiative, Measure B-22, will also be on the November ballot for consideration by Morro Bay registered voters. Information regarding this ballot measure, including the City Attorney's Impartial Analysis, and arguments for and against the measure can be found [here](#).

Administration

Facilities

Morro Bay Community Center and Parks are open and ready for reservations! Our parks and facilities are now bustling with classes, activities, and other reservations such as birthday parties, celebrations, and the like. We are looking forward to the upcoming Avocado Margarita Festival, which will be in dual locations – Tidelands Park and The Rock Parking Lot. Come out and for some fun, sun, guac and margs!

Events

We are excited to bring back our 8th Annual Trick or Treat event in Downtown Morro Bay. This event will take place on Saturday, October 29th from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. This year there will be a map of participating businesses in the downtown areas and booths on Morro Bay Blvd.



8TH ANNUAL MORRO BAY Trick-or-Treat

Saturday, October 29th 2:00 - 5:00pm

USE **MAP** TO TRICK - OR - TREAT MORRO BAY BUSINESSES!

MAP PICK UP 2:00 AT:
MAIN ST. AND MORRO BAY BLVD.
LOOK FOR THE CITY RECREATION TABLE

COME JOIN THE FUN!

WHITE CAPS BAND
HAUNTED TROLLEY
BOUNCE HOUSE

PHOTO BOOTH
CANDY
FACE PAINTING

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE CITY OF MORRO BAY RECREATION SERVICES, MORRO BAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 97.3 THE ROCK AND ALL BUSINESSES ON THE MAP!

The poster features a bright orange background with black and white text and graphics. At the top left is a silhouette of a witch on a broom. At the top right are three logos: the City of Morro Bay seal, the Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce logo, and the 97.3 The Rock logo. The main title 'Trick-or-Treat' is in a large, dripping font. Below it, the date and time are listed. A small map icon is shown next to the text 'USE MAP TO TRICK - OR - TREAT MORRO BAY BUSINESSES!'. A pumpkin is on the left and a ghost is on the right. The event activities are listed in two columns, separated by a black cat silhouette. At the bottom, there is a line of text giving special thanks to the organizing entities.

Seniors

As summer comes to an end one would think that activities might slow down at the Senior Center. Not true here as the Fall is chocked full of all of our activities as well as a full contingent of Cuesta Emeritus classes. In August we had more than 3000 participants taking part in our programs!

This Fall is especially exciting as we launch the first ever **TUNES AT TIDELANDS** concert series. This free event comes after years of speculation and planning and will become a reality on Thursday, September 22. We are fortunate to have secured Unfinished Business which most feel is the best Oldies band on the Central Coast. It should make for a memorable Thursday evening for the seniors of Morro Bay. The four part concert series will continue until October 13.

TUNES AT TIDELANDS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND
5:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

Featuring Free Live Music From:
Unfinished Business
A Classic Oldies Band

Food Truck
Beer and Wine Booth
Beverage Discount for MBAA...55+ Members

Bring your chairs and old friends for a rocking good time at Tideland Park!
Please do not bring outside food or drink into the venue.

Morro Bay Active Adults (MBAA...55+) is proud to sponsor this free senior designed concert series.
Food and drink proceeds will benefit MBAA...55+.

First of a four concert series!
Bring your MBAA...55+ membership card to receive your beverage discount.

Classes

Our Fall Community Schedule is out and we invite all the community to come out a try a class.



Fall 2022
Morro Bay Recreation Services

COMMUNITY CLASSES

Creating Community Between People, Parks, and Programs.

Available classes

- **Zumba with Carmen**
 - Tues. & Thurs. 6:00-7:00PM
- **Freestyle Fitness with Jenny**
 - Weds. & Fri. 9:00-10:00AM
- **Pilates with Carol**
 - Mon. & Fri. 10:00-11:00AM
- **Tang Soo Do**
 - Mon. & Weds. 6:00-8:30PM
- **Commit Dance Fitness with Sally**
 - Mon. & Weds. 5:00-6:00PM
- **Open Floor with Shelley Kilcoyne**
 - Wednesday 6:30-8:00PM
- **Okinawan Karate**
 - Tues. & Thurs. 6:30-8:30PM
- **Quilt Fever**
 - Various Times & Dates

**Find something for everyone!
Sign Up today!**

**Register at
the Morro Bay Recreation Office
M-F 9:00am - 1:00pm.**

 **MORRO BAY RECREATION SERVICES**
1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay, CA 93442 ~ (805)772-6278
www.morrobayca.gov • www.facebook.com/CityofMorroBay

Aquatics

The Morro Bay Aquatic Center wrapped up our summer programming! We are excited to be able to provide a positive safe environment to learn and improve swim skills, get exercise, work on rehabilitation, and participate in fun aquatic games and activities. This summer the aquatic staff provided Group, Private and Semi-private lessons to 892 participants. Monday Recreation swim with kid's camp participants saw 315 participants. Lap Swim had 2856 swimmers this summer and Aqua Aerobics saw 679. August and the start of high school athletics brought a schedule change for early morning programming – for lap swim we switched from Monday, Wednesday and Fridays to Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Master's swim had 32 participants and if you haven't checked it out it's a great way to get in a workout and improve your technique to start your day. This is also a great way to train for the swim portion of the upcoming Ironman! Masters will be held Tuesday/Thursday's mornings and Friday afternoons!

Looking forward we are excited to announce the return of the Floating Pumpkin patch. Save the date October 30th!



Sports

The last session of the Junior Guards program wrapped up on August 12th. In total, the four sessions throughout the summer saw 224 kids go from newcomers to certified “Junior Lifeguards”. Each session was two weeks long with each day focused on a variety of beach activities and educational lessons. Participants learned all about the Morro Bay beach environment, fundamentals of first aid life-saving protocols, and all about the many facets of Junior Guard culture. Kids in the program also enjoyed surfing, boogie boarding, and playing at the beach. Coordinators Sierra Emrick and Connor Bradley were both thrust into their roles for the first time and stepped up to ensure the quality experience the “JG” program is known for was delivered to the Junior Lifeguards. The season ended with an epic party at the Vets Hall complete with hamburgers, hotdogs and the Shane Stoneman Band rocking the hall!



JUNIOR

Lifeguards

Estero Bay Youth Soccer league signups are finished, and the season will start on September 10th. In total, we have 18 teams playing here in Morro Bay. The Under 6 and under 8 divisions will play all game here in Morro Bay along with teams from Cambria. The Under 10 and Under 12 teams will play in combination with South Bay Soccer League (Los Osos). The under 14 division will play all throughout SLO County. The season will culminate in an end of season tournament for U10, U12, and U14 divisions. We are excited to kick off the season here in Morro Bay!



Youth Services

Kids' Camp

Kids' Camp came to an end on August 12th. This was a busy summer! Coming back after COVID, families were excited to get their kids signed up for a summer of fun and adventure. Kids' Camp ran for 8 weeks, and we provided care for 102 children in this community. Youth Services partnered with SLCUSD to offer care for Del Mar Elementary's Summer School students. We also partnered with the SLCUSD Food Services to offer healthy snacks for all campers and the Morro Bay Aquatics to provide mini swim lessons and free swim every Monday for 8 weeks. This summer we visited 5 local parks and 2 local beaches, as well as many local businesses. We want to extend a big thank you to Pizza Port for their donation of a pizza party for all campers and our City's emergency service departments who provided presentations for the campers.

This summer we had a staff team of 32 members, 15 of whom were high school students. High school students are titled Counselors in Training, and they spend the summer shadowing the counselors and getting individualized training on how to be successful employees for their future. We look forward to next summer!

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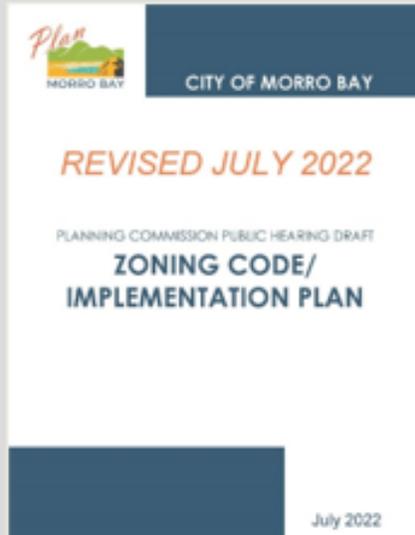
Kids' Club

The 2022/23 school year began on August 18th and we have 70 students registered for Kids' Club this school year. We have a staff team of 12 members that will be completing their California State Licensing requirements this next month, which is required for our operations. The team has done an excellent job helping all students transition into the new school year!

This school year we are partnering with the SLCUSD to provide care for Extended Day TK/K students. We have 38 TK/K students signed up and offer care M-F from 8:25-9:25AM and 1:30-2:50PM. We also provided evening care for Del Mar Elementary's Back to School Night on Tuesday, August 30th with 36 students attending.



Community Development



News:

1. Zoning Code Update: The City's Planning Commission held its first adoption hearing for the draft Zoning Code update on August 16, 2022. The PC is scheduled to continue review of the draft Zoning Code at their September 6, 2022 meeting at 6pm at the Morro Bay Veteran's Memorial Building located at 209 Surf street.

2. The City will be holding a community workshop for the Vistra/Morro Bay Power Plant site from 6pm to 8:30pm on Wednesday September 14, 2022, at the Veterans Memorial Building, 209 Surf Street.

Planning Division Activity

Planning Commission:

August 2, 2022: Cancelled

August 16, 2022

Planning Commission reviewed the adoption draft of the zoning code update.

Action: continued to September 6, 2022

Planning Permits

- Coastal Dev. Permit = 6
- Sign Permit = 1
- Min/Maj. Mod. = 2
- Total Permits = 9**

Fees collected = \$16,333

Code Enforcement

New Cases:	9
Open:	7
Closed:	2
In Process:	19

Building Division Activity

- Permits Issued = 52
- Valuation = \$2,493,629
- Fees Received = \$272,640
- # of Inspections = 400
- New Permits = 15