City Manager’s Office
The City Council newsletter is an ongoing publication to better communicate updates on the work behind the scenes, across City Departments, to our City Council. The newsletter is organized by Department. Please note that this newsletter is a snapshot of projects and programs and does not encompass all of the wide-reaching work occurring in our City organization. For more information, please contact the City Manager’s Office at (650) 991-8127.

E-Waste Collection for City Departments
The City Manager’s Office, in partnership with Republic Services, hosted an electronic waste collection for City Departments from September 9 to 11 and collected five gaylords (or boxes) of e-waste that will be recycled domestically. The amount of e-waste was higher than usual due to a citywide Windows 10 upgrade that rendered some computers obsolete.

Climate Change Convening: Building Health, Economic and Social Resiliency to Climate Change
Climate Ready SMC Collaborative is a program to bring together leaders across sectors and jurisdictions to foster collaboration and collectively find solutions to make San Mateo County climate ready. The last in a series of six convenings was held on September 25 to better understand how factors such as geography, education, and economic and social context impact the ability of residents, workers, infrastructure and businesses to adapt to climate change impacts. The convening also debuted initial mapping of social vulnerability indicators, showcased model approaches to building community resilience and identified pathways to implement solutions in our county. Stephen Stolte has attended all six convenings and will continue to be involved by serving on a regional committee.
Crafternoon Delight Captivates at John Daly Library

The Library launched its newest program at John Daly Library, Crafternoon, in September. Library Assistant Jess Lee planned and led the program. For the launch, Jess wanted to teach community members how to find and download 3D print files. John Daly Library received a 3D Printer from the Pacific Library Partnership on long-term loan and many patrons were excited to print but didn’t know how to get started. Last Friday’s Crafternoon offered participants a hands-on session to guide them.

Crafternoons will be an ongoing library program open to families with older children, who are looking to take on more challenging projects. Crafternoons will take place on the last Friday of each month from 3:00 to 4:00pm at John Daly Library (unless otherwise noted). October’s project will be a whimsical craft just in time for the upcoming Halloween festivities.

Pilipinx Lit Night Comes to John Daly Library on October 9

In partnership with San Mateo County Poet Laureate, Aileen Cassinetto, the John Daly Library is proud to host Pilipinx Lit Night, a night that celebrates Filipino-American authors, writers and poets located in and from San Mateo County. Speakers include Abigal Licad, Beverly Parayno, Jasyon Bayani, Rashaan Alexis Meneses and students from Jefferson and Westmoor High Schools. This event is free and will be held at the John Daly Library on Wednesday, October 9, from 6:00 to 7:30pm.

The Library Board of Trustees will also be on hand prior to and after the event to introduce themselves to the community, answer questions and gather feedback.

Music, Dance Highlight Latinx Heritage Month Celebration

Daly City kicked off National Latino Heritage Month with the annual outdoor celebration at City Hall on Saturday, September 15. Performers from Jefferson High School, Mission High School and Grupo Danza Colibri dazzled the crowd with colorfully choreographed dances. Musical headliner Suzanna y su Orchestra Adelante closed out the event with a lively set of Latin salsa.
The day started with a touching presentation to Daly City resident Jorge Argueta, who was surprised when Mayor Buenaventura proclaimed Saturday, September 15, Jorge Argueta Day in Daly City. Argueta is a native of El Salvador and renowned author of children’s books.

Throughout the entire day, the line for Al Pastor Papi’s tacos and burritos was steady with people – prompting Papi himself to declare that he couldn’t wait to come back to next year’s Latinx celebration. Click here for the recap video of the day.

**Count Down to Kasayahan sa Daly City**

Kasayahan sa Daly City is less than two weeks away – Saturday, October 12. The line-up of entertainers has been finalized and staff is anxious to host Daly City’s largest community gathering of the year. Folks are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets for a prime spot on the grass to enjoy the entertainment featuring One Vo1ce, Gabe Bondoc, Melvin Sings and Maddie B.

The most convenient place to park for Kasayahan is the south garage at DC Station, 2001 Junipero Serra Blvd. The second level of the parking garage has a pedestrian exit that leads to the entrance of Marchbank Park. The festivities start at 11:00am and will continue until 4:00pm.

**Frightfully Haunted Pool Returns October 25**

There is no better way to get in the Halloween spirit than visiting the Haunted Pool. Staff from the Aquatics Division of the Department of Library and Recreation transform Giammona Pool into the scariest place in Daly City – for one night only, Friday, October 25. The $8 entrance fee covers admission to the haunted maze, recreation swim time, games on the deck and delicious treats. Come if you dare! Click here for a video teaser.
Upcoming Community Events

Sunday, October 6 – Fall Festival – Doelger Senior Center – 8:00am to 1:00pm
Wednesday, October 9 – Pssst! It’s Pilipinx Lit Night – John Daly Library – 6:30pm
Saturday, October 12 – Kasayahan Sa Daly City – Marchbank Park – 11:00am to 4:00pm
Friday, October 25 – Haunted Pool – Giammona Pool – 6:30 to 9:00pm
Friday, November 1 – Trunk or Treat – Westlake Park – 6:00 to 9:00pm
Department of Public Works

Preparation for Next Year's Slurry Seal Project – Digout Markings

With the summer behind us, Engineering staff started preparation for next year’s street slurry seal project, which will primarily include the Original Daly City and Civic Center neighborhoods. One of the first steps in the design phase is to identify localized defects in the pavement surface by marking what are commonly called “digouts.” Defects such as raveling (i.e., fine particles are lost from the upper layer of asphaltic concrete) and alligator cracking (a localized series of interwoven cracks), indicate damage to the pavement. Alligator cracking, in particular, indicates a failure existing underneath the pavement surface that will need to be repaired by “digging out” the area and repaving before the application of slurry seal. If the alligator cracking is not repaired, the defect could expand and become more costly to repair in the future. Typically, the corners of the area that will require digging up and repairing will be marked with white spray paint. It is not uncommon to see multiple areas marked for base repair work on a single street. These markings will often remain on the street until the repair work is completed during the annual slurry seal project or resurfacing projects.

Regulated Output (“RO”) Series Circuit Street Lighting Systems

Daly City currently owns and maintains approximately 3,200 streetlights, of which approximately 850 are powered by series circuits on what are known as high voltage Regulated Output systems, or in shorthand ROs. In the last couple of weeks, two ROs were non-operational. One RO was located in the Westlake neighborhood along John Daly Boulevard and the second RO was located in the Palisades neighborhood along Skyline Drive. Staff was able to restore one of the ROs and worked with PG&E to restore power to the remaining RO.

In a series system like the ROs found within Daly City, a single circuit links all the lights in a neighborhood together and any break in the circuit stops the flow of electricity to every light in the neighborhood. Each light in the series circuit becomes inoperable until the failure is identified and repaired. The series circuit streetlights are in 15 neighborhoods generally along John Daly Boulevard, Skyline Drive, Southgate Avenue and St. Francis Boulevard. The existing street lighting systems in these areas were installed in the 1950’s and 1960’s when the neighborhoods were developed. Streetlight outages in these neighborhoods are generally caused by equipment failure, transformer malfunction, accidents or damage from weathering and aging. Often times
the failure is on the PG&E side and PG&E staff need to make the necessary repairs. Due to the high voltage required to power the series circuits, maintenance requires extensive coordination with PG&E maintenance staff. As a result, series circuits have experienced long term service disruptions over large areas. When this occurs, staff diligently work with PG&E to return the lights to service as soon as possible.

Department of Water & Wastewater Resources

Administration

Staff reviewed a working hydraulic model of the water and wastewater systems of Daly City and the North San Mateo County Sanitation District. The model will assist staff in the decision-making process by illustrating the effects of changing conditions in systems and by displaying information about the pipe segments, pumping systems, valves, flow, pressure, water quality and much more.

Collection System

The Collection Division repaired the 8-inch sewer lateral that receives flow from the Serramonte Library and Gellert Park Clubhouse at Gellert Park. The crews cut out a 4-foot section of vitrified clay pipe that was plugged with tree roots (see photos at left) and replaced it with a section of PVC pipe and returned the system to full operation.
Environmental Compliance

Environmental Compliance staff received a complaint through the City Manager's Office regarding an illicit discharge on Bellevue Avenue. Staff found a residential remodeling contractor applying stucco to the exterior of the house. The excess stucco was washed onto the driveway, sidewalk, curb, and gutter and eventually into the storm drain. The contractor was educated on BMPs for working with stucco and required to clean all affected areas utilizing dry cleanup methods.

Distribution System

Distribution System Operators repaired a galvanized iron water main on Cliffside Drive. Crews dug a hole approximately 2.5-feet deep to expose the main. The main was replaced with six feet of 1-inch copper tubing, brass nipples and 1-inch flex couplings. Residents were back in service in approximately 2.5 hours.
**Operations**

The Operations Division samples ocean water, monthly, near the wastewater treatment plant’s outfall pipe. This is the pipe that carries the final effluent (treated wastewater) from the plant and discharges it into the Pacific Ocean, below Fort Funston, approximately 2,500 feet from the shoreline at a depth of 50 feet. The State Water Board has established a standard to protect coastal waters from bacterial contamination, outlined in the District’s wastewater discharge permit. The permit requires testing of receiving waters (Pacific Ocean) for certain pollutants.

**Plant & Equipment Maintenance**

Plant and Equipment Maintenance team members Jonathan Fulgencio and Juan Carvajal are part of an entry team making repairs inside primary clarifiers 3 and 4 at the wastewater treatment plant. Inside the clarifier is a long trough that collects the floatable solids on the surface of the liquid. A gear that connects to a wheel above the clarifier roof that allows an operator to rotate the trough and dump the solids into a collection pipe broke due to the corrosive atmosphere inside the clarifier. The maintenance team fabricated a new mechanism and is installing it as part of this project.
Police Department
The Police Department responds to an array of incidences and crime in Daly City. This section will highlight only some of the most notable, recent cases. Did you know that PD publishes the *Crime Alert and Community Update Bulletin* online each week? Past issues are available on the PD website and are regularly posted to NextDoor.

**Arrest – Controlled Substance for Sale**

On Wednesday, September 18, an officer conducted a traffic stop at the Westlake Center. It was determined that the driver was on probation and gave consent to search the vehicle. During the vehicle search the officer found an ounce of methamphetamine and $3,600. The narcotics and the money were seized, and the suspect was arrested for related charges.

**US Bank – Bank Robber Arrested!**

On September 25, US Bank on Gellert was robbed by a subject who displayed a robbery note to one of the tellers. There was no weapon mentioned or seen. After fleeing the bank on foot, a Police Assistant received an alert on their phone of a lost or stolen license plate on a vehicle that was generated from an automated license plate reader (ALPR) parked on northbound Gellert by Serramonte Blvd. The Police Assistant broadcasted the license plate and was able to provide a description of the vehicle based on the ALPR return. Officers began to strategically set up on major thoroughfares and highway ramps. A detective who was responding to the area search from the station came upon the vehicle at the intersection of Junipero Serra and Washington. The detective confirmed the plates did not match the vehicle, and there was a single male driver that matched the description. Other officers began to respond to assist in contacting the driver, who was now traveling on Washington towards Sullivan. The suspect vehicle was stopped at a fresh red light at Washington and Sullivan when officers decided to box the vehicle in as they were concerned with the potential of a pursuit during busy traffic hours. Officers were able to detain the driver, who immediately admitted to the bank robbery. All supporting evidence of the robbery was in the vehicle. The arrested suspect matched the
description of a serial bank robber who was active in the Bay Area. The suspect had a criminal history of bank robberies and evading arrest. This was a fantastic arrest that only occurred because of the ALPR technology, and the efforts of the Police Assistant and the responding officers.

**Residential Burglary Suspect Identified with Pawn Store Technology**

The Daly City Police Department utilizes an online investigative system that cross checks pawn store transactions and information on stolen property that is entered by law enforcement agencies. By law, pawn stores are required to track items that are brought in to be pawned. If any of the entered items are recognized by the online system, the entering agency will get an alert. Recently we had two commercial burglaries by the subject in the photo on the right. Following the burglary, he was identified during a pawn store transaction, where he was trying to sell stolen items from our burglaries. The system provided the suspects name, his personal information and a photo at the time of transaction. Detectives are now working on obtaining an arrest warrant to take the subject into custody once located.

**Arrest! Loaded Firearm, Possession of Narcotics and Domestic Disturbance**

On Friday, September 27, officers were dispatched to a Mission Street liquor store on the report of a possible domestic violence incident. It appeared that a male subject was holding a female against her will. Upon arrival, officers located the related vehicle and contacted the male and female seated inside. Officers had the occupants exit the vehicle to investigate the disturbance. An officer conducted a cursory
search of the male subject considering the circumstances, and while doing so felt what he thought was a concealed firearm in the subject's waistband. The subject was detained in handcuffs, and officers located a loaded handgun in his waistband area. The subject was arrested for possession of a controlled substance while armed, carrying a loaded firearm in a public place, false imprisonment and possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

North County Fire Authority (NCFA)

Cliff Rescues

Over the last week, NCFA has responded to three separate cliff rescues.

Training

NCFA conducted high angle rope/rescue training on September 19.

Disaster Preparedness Day

On September 21, NCFA and Daly City CERT members attended the 15th Annual Disaster Preparedness Day.
**Fog Fest**

On September 28, NCFA attended the Fog Fest parade while showing off current fire apparatus and antique vehicles.

![Fog Fest Parade Image]

**Fire Prevention Week**

Fire Prevention Week started on Monday, September 30. For the next two weeks, NCFA crews will be visiting local schools to teach students about fire safety and fire prevention.

**Judith C. Kelleher Award**

NCFA EMS Battalion Chief Matt Powers was honored with the Judith C. Kelleher Award on September 30 at the Emergency Nurses Association’s Emergency Nursing Conference. This award, named after one of ENA’s co-founders, honors a member of ENA who has consistently demonstrated excellence in emergency nursing and has made significant contributions to the profession and to ENA.
Department of Human Resources

Recruitment and Retention Efforts

During this period, staff opened the following recruitment:

1. Senior Water/Wastewater Operator (Promotional)
2. Account Clerk I/II

During this period, staff administered the following examinations:

1. Police Officer/Trainee Interviews

New Hire

Jan Maligaso, Police Officer

Events

Classic Car Show

On Saturday, September 21, the Daly City Firefighters hosted a classic car show at Serramonte Mall where numerous classic cars were on display.
Arts & Culture Commission Opening Reception

On Thursday, September 26, the Arts & Culture Commission hosted a reception for two Bay Area artists, Inidra Urrutia and Juan Carlos Mendizabal, in the City Hall rotunda.

Employee Wellness

We held our monthly Chair Chi session on September 25 and had a great turnout of 10 participants!
**Upcoming Events**

October 17 — Flu Shot Clinic

October 24 — 11th Annual Employee Service Award BBQ

October 31 — 1st Annual Employee Halloween Extravaganza

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**Flu Shots**

Provided by Kaiser Permanente

*Who:* All Employees

*When:* Thursday, October 17, 2019

9:00am – 11:00am

*Where:* Training Room

*Cost:* FREE for the first 40 Employees

(employees do not need to be Kaiser members)

Please RSVP by 5:00pm on Tuesday, October 15th

with Karen at: kmong@dalycity.org or x8729

Please ensure to complete the Consent/Declaration form on-site prior to your shot

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**11th Annual Employee Service Award BBQ**

Thursday, October 24, 2019

City Hall Plaza

11:30am — 1:30pm

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**1st Annual Employee Halloween Extravaganza**

Thursday, October 31, 2019

City Hall Rotunda

1:00pm - 2:30pm

Come and show off your best costume!

**Contests:**
- Best Department
- Best Fair/Group
- Best Solo
- Overall Best in Show

**Prizes:**
- Snacks
- Games
- Photo Booth
2020 Cal-PERS Health Benefits
Open Enrollment Period
September 9th through October 4th

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To ensure a health plan is offered in your area, conduct a Health Plan Search by Zip Code.

For questions, please contact Human Resources at (650) 991-8229.