



**CITY MANAGER  
COMMENTS**

September 19, 2022

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## **County Rescinds Health Orders, Urges Continued Vigilance Against COVID-19**

- Santa Clara County Health Officer rescinded the few remaining local public health orders related to COVID-19. County Public Health urges the community to stay vigilant against COVID-19; get vaccinated and boosted, wear face coverings indoors and around other people, and continue to test and avoid others if you have symptoms.

## **COVID-19 Testing Dates Continue in Palo Alto**

- Through a Santa Clara County/City partnership, testing opportunities continue at the Palo Alto Art Center on September 23 and October 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. Find more testing opportunities at [www.cityofpaloalto.org/testing](http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/testing).

# BE STORM READY

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- On Sunday, staff responded to several community calls for assistance, due to clogged storm drains and tree failures. With the rainy weather, it is always a good idea to be ready for future weather-related events.
- To prepare for the next storm, staff has pulled together some general tips and resources to help the community be storm ready. Go to the home page and click the news story for details. Some highlights include:
  - Stay informed by signing up for automated notifications at [alertscc.com](http://alertscc.com) and the Police Department's Nixle alerts
  - Utilize rain barrels, cisterns, and rain gardens to catch rainwater; rebates are available for Palo Alto residents and businesses
  - Attend an upcoming Rain Barrel Workshop on Sat. Oct. 1 from 10 – 11 a.m.

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# FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE ART CENTER

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- Join us at the Palo Alto Art Center for a special celebration of the *Fire Transforms* exhibition, curated by Rina C. Faletti.
- The exhibit runs from **September 17 - December 10** and focuses on fire as an issue of climate crisis.
- Artwork featured engages curiosity, wonder, and brings attention to fire's transformative power and its realities of destruction, creativity, and beauty.
- Friday Night at the Art Center is this **Friday, September 23** from **6 to 8 p.m.**

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# ONE WATER PLAN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

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- The City is developing a water plan that will evaluate existing water supplies to find alternate sources, define existing and future uncertainties and supply risks, and identify community needs and priorities.
- The “One Water Plan” is a key action within the Sustainability and Climate Action Plan.
- The Plan will serve as a long-term guide to better prepare for future uncertainties like multi-year drought, climate change, and more.
- Attend an upcoming community meeting on **Wednesday, September 28 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.** in person at City Hall or via zoom to learn more.



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# NOTABLE TENTATIVE UPCOMING COUNCIL ITEMS



## September 27\*

*Note that this meeting was rescheduled from September 26 in observance of Rosh Hashanah*

- S/CAP Update Goals and Key Actions, Advanced Heat Pump Water Heater Program and 2022 Green Building and Energy Reach Code Updates (Part 1)

## October 3

- Council Positions on November 2022 Ballot Measures
- S/CAP Update (Part 2)

**The October 10 City Council meeting is cancelled in observance of Indigenous Peoples’/Italian Heritage Day**

## October 17 and beyond

- Prescreening of 3400 El Camino Real Proposal (Creekside Inn)
- 2022 Green Building and Energy Reach Code Updates
- North Ventura Coordinated Area Plan (NVCAP) Refined Preferred Alternative
- Permanent Parklet Standards and Policies

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