



**CITY MANAGER
COMMENTS**

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Bay Area Health Officials Recommend Actions to Stay Healthy for the Holidays

- Last week, Health Officials from 12 Bay Area counties shared a news announcement encouraging the public to take simple steps to protect yourself and community health.
- With a COVID-19 surge, high levels of flu and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), healthcare systems are being strained and impacting families.
- Public Health officials recommend getting vaccinated against flu and COVID-19, stay home if you're sick, wear a mask in indoor public spaces, get tested, and get treated, if needed.
- Read the news release at bit.ly/SCCHolidayHealth.

Federal Government Offers 4 Free At-Home Test Kits

- Every U.S. household is eligible to receive up to four free test kits again this winter.
- Shipments begin this week.
- Visit www.covid.gov/tests to order yours today.

BE CYBER SAFE, KNOW THE SIGNS

- It's important to be vigilant when opening emails and clicking links.
- Unfortunately, phishing attempts and other fraudulent emails are more frequent today.
- Please note that official emails from the City of Palo Alto typically end with **@cityofpaloalto.org** though there are limited exceptions such as surveys or polls.
- Overall, be careful when clicking links in emails, and if you ever doubt what is included in an email, contact the appropriate department or City official to double check its legitimacy.



Find tips & information to spot the signs of a scam on the home page, then click “News”

SHOP & EAT LOCAL WITH HOLIDAY PROMOTIONS



CELEBRATE THE SEASON *in Palo Alto*



- A great way to support Palo Alto's community experience and economic vibrancy by shopping and eating local!
- Celebrate the season by visiting Palo Alto restaurants and shop local for family and friends' holiday gifts.
- Check out local events, and over 40 new holiday promotions to help you with holiday gifts & local dining.

NOTABLE TENTATIVE UPCOMING COUNCIL ITEMS



January

- January 9: Council Reorganization Meeting
- January 23: Long Range Financial Forecast
- January 28: City Council Retreat

February 6 and beyond

- February 6: Shuttle Service Study Session
- February 13: Mid-Year Budget Review
- Gas Powered Leaf Blowers Enforcement
- Parklets Update
- Economic Development Study Session
- Buena Vista Mobile Home Park Study Session

No Council meeting on January 2 and January 16 in observance of holidays

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