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Nevada City Newsletter

City Council Meetings

City Council Meetings will continue to be held virtually, however, there will be changes in 2021 to the process for public comment. The public will now be able to speak directly to the City Council during the meetings, rather than have to email the City and have their comments read by City Staff. Details about how to comment are still being developed, but will be posted on the City's website: <https://nevadacityca.gov/newsview.aspx?nid=5983>

Public Comment Process

Governmental meetings must follow certain protocol to ensure that no Brown Act violations are occurring. Although the Governor has issued Executive Orders that temporarily

suspend some requirements of the Brown Act, the City still has to follow certain processes. The public can comment on each item of any given agenda, when the Mayor opens the item for comment from the public.

Near the beginning of each meeting is a time for Public Comment on items that are not on the agenda. This is the time for the public to comment on things that are not already listed on the agenda for discussion. For example, if you would like to inform the Council about a fundraiser for your favorite non-profit organization and that fundraiser is not already listed as an item on the agenda, you may speak during this public comment time to tell them about it.

When you want to comment on an item that is on the agenda, that item will be presented (usually by City staff), the Council will have an opportunity to ask questions and then the Mayor will open the item to the public for comments. When it is your turn to speak, you will be limited to 3 minutes (sometimes when there are a lot of people who want to speak, the Mayor may limit it to 2 minutes). Once the Mayor closes public comment and takes this back to the table, you will NOT be able to comment on this item again.

If you have any questions about the process or a particular item on an agenda, please call City Hall at 530-265-2496.

City Hall Holidays

Jan 1: New Years Day

Jan 18: MLK Jr. Day

Feb 15: Presidents Day



NEW YEAR
FRESH START

City Hall Closures

City Hall is not currently open to the public, in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19. You may drop off payments or paperwork in the drop box located outside the front doors of City Hall. The front doors are unlocked during business hours, so that the public may

have access to the bathrooms, but the doors to the offices are locked. If you would like to meet with staff, please contact them directly. Here is a link to their contact information: <https://nevadacityca.gov/staff.aspx>

In addition, on the following Holidays, the public bathrooms will not be available and staff will not be working in City Hall:

- January 1
- January 18
- February 15



Thank you to our Volunteers and Donors



Although 2020 brought on many challenges, the City has many things to be grateful for including the many volunteers and donors who help to make Nevada City amazing.

Thank you to...

Kiwanis Club/Children's Festival for donating a water bottle

refill station for the picnic area, which will be installed in 2021.

Fire Wise Committee volunteers for your assistance with development of firewise programs, updates to the City's website and the "Adopt a Sliver" Program.

Trail Adoptees who keep an

eye on our trails and assist with maintenance, brush clearing and vandalism clean-up.



Fire Safety Committee & Adopt a Sliver Program

Although the tension around wildfire may have subsided a bit, now that we are getting some rain, the City has created a Fire Safety Committee. They are working diligently to develop programs that will help protect Nevada City from wildfire.

The Committee has made recommendations about updates to the City's website, so the public has access to fire safety information and they have developed an "Adopt a Sliver" program. Community members can adopt a sliver of land

owned by the City to assist with fire clearing maintenance. In addition the Committee is working on grant applications to secure funding for fire clearing activities. Contact the Division Fire Chief if you would like to get involved.

City website link for Fire Safety Information:

<https://nevadacityca.municipalalone.com/pview.aspx?id=20713>

Contact the Division Fire Chief to get involved with the Fire Safety Committee:

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Sugarloaf Trail Grant

California State Parks has made a recommendation to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to fund Nevada City's Sugarloaf Trail Project. The trail is a project being completed by Bear Yuba Land Trust (BYLT) and Nevada City

in partnership with the County of Nevada and 49er Rotary Club.

The City had to complete additional federal requirements and is anxiously awaiting to hear if we will be approved for funding from the FHWA.

If you are interested in volunteering on this or other City trail projects, please contact our partners at Bear Yuba Land Trust. (<https://www.bylt.org/support/volunteer/>)

Strategic Plan Update

On December 16th, the City Council, Planning Commission and City Staff had their Strategic Planning Retreat. Goals for the next 6 months were reviewed, updated and added to. Those goals are:

- Improve Citywide Infrastructure

- Improve Citywide Technology
- Improve and maintain fiscal stability and sustainability
- Improve safety & security of the City residents and visitors
- Improve communications

and alignment between the City Council, staff, residents & businesses

To view the details visit the City's website: <https://nevadacityca.gov/files/documents/121620SPGrid1317040516121720PM.pdf>

