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City Council Reviewing Applications to Fill Vacant Council Seat

At a December 14th special Council Meeting, the City Council took the first steps to filling the recently vacated Council seat caused by the unfortunate passing of Councilmember Eric Reed. The Council decided to appoint someone for the remaining term, which runs until November 2018. By the close of the application period on January 8th the Council had received 10 applications from qualified residents.

At the Council Meeting on January 9th the Council considered the applications and determined that it would be appropriate to interview the top 4 candidates and then make an appointment for the remaining term. The residents that are being considered are: *Amir Kaspi, Julia Mates, Thomas McCune and Craig Michaels*. The appointment is required to be made by February 6th (60 days from when the seat was vacated).

SamTrans Board Wants You to Participate in Transportation Survey

The San Mateo County Transit District Board of Directors voted unanimously in support of seven policy goals that will guide the effort to prioritize the county's future transportation investments.

The Goals were developed in consultation with a broad coalition of city and county staff, local employers, transportation advocacy groups, and a wide range of other community organizations and leaders involved in the [Get Us Moving San Mateo County](#) public engagement effort. Get Us Moving is a District-led effort designed to collect public feedback and better understand the community's priorities for transportation funding.

The adopted Get Us Moving Goals are:

- Relieve traffic congestion countywide
- Invest in a financially sustainable public transportation system that increases ridership, provides quality transit options for everyone, embraces innovation to create more transportation choices and improved travel experience, and aligns with the SamTrans Business Plan.
- Prioritize environmentally sustainable transportation solutions
- Promote economic vitality and economic development
- Maximize opportunities to leverage investment from public and private partners
- Enhance safety and public health
- Invest in repair and maintenance of existing and future infrastructure

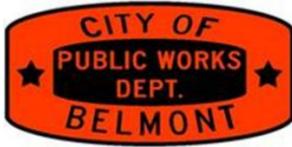
The Board is considering placing a measure on the November 2018 ballot to fund congestion relief efforts throughout the County, and the feedback collected through the Get Us Moving effort will help inform how those revenues would be invested.

In addition to the collecting feedback from community stakeholders, Get Us Moving also includes efforts to engage the broader public through public events, community meetings, social media interaction and a dedicated website designed to provide County residents with a voice in the process to create a plan for the investment of potential new transportation revenues.



San Mateo County is a great place to live, but traffic is worse than it has ever been. Solutions are available, but we need your help to prioritize and develop a plan that gets San Mateo County moving. Completing this simple and fun survey below will provide us with critical feedback about your priorities for transportation improvements.

[TAKE THE SURVEY ☆](#)



PUBLIC WORKS WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

First significant storm of the season goes easy on Belmont

- Public Works, along with the Fire Department. Public Works and Fire Department removed a fallen tree from westbound Ralston and redirected traffic until roadway was clear.
- Staff cleaned approximately 100 drain inlet tops throughout the city.
- From midnight through 4:30 pm on January 8th, rain totals from our rain gauges show the following rain totals:
Hiller pump station 1.09 inches of rain
Naughton 1.52 inches of rain



For more information call Public Works at 650-595-7425



Message brought to you by the Public Works Storm Division



Sewer Division Weekly Highlights

- Assisted Storm Division with post-inspection and cleaning of storm hotspots and drain inlet tops throughout the City. *(Pictured)*
- Video inspected 3,742 lineal feet of sewer main.
- Performed preventative maintenance on 11 sewer pump stations.
- Assisted Storm Division to obtain estimates to replace line at Ralston Storm Pump Station.



For more information call Public Works at 650-595-7425



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Adopt-A-Drain Program



Give some love to your neighborhood this season. Be a community hero and help prevent water pollution and localized flooding.

Adopt your storm drain before the rains arrive.

Visit Belmont.gov/adoptadrain to get started today!

Have you already adopted one? Send us your photos and videos to pworks@belmont.gov and we'll highlight your efforts!

The Old County Road Utility Undergrounding District Project

Project Update (01-12-18)

Work continues on Old County Road (between Masonic Way and Harbor Blvd). The installation of additional high voltage vaults and their connecting underground conduits continues. Saw cutting and trenching work is in progress.

Old County Road (between Ralston Ave. and Harbor Blvd.) will have lane closures with flaggers onsite through next week due to the installation of high voltage vaults and underground conduits.

Construction work is scheduled to return on Masonic Way (between Granada St. and Old County Rd.) mid-January for pull cable installation and cutover to underground service. PG&E will send out notification when residences may experience 2-4 hour outages then. Masonic Way will have lane closures with flaggers onsite.

For questions regarding the PG&E work, please contact PG&E Customer Outreach Specialist Butch Harris at 408-282-7517, or email electricreliability@pge.com



For the latest Traffic Advisories in Belmont, click [here](#)



A message from the Office of Sustainability~

The **Office of Sustainability** is excited to announce upcoming free courses and events for 2018. Please see the information below.

Sustainability Academy Offerings

The County of San Mateo's [Sustainability Academy](http://www.smcsustainability.org) is a **no-cost** education and outreach program designed to raise awareness around sustainability and empower our San Mateo County community members with the knowledge and skills to promote resource conservation in their communities.

- **Master Resource Conservation Course**

February 8th-March 29th, 2018, Thursdays, 6:00-8:30 pm, 455 County Center, Room 405, 4th Floor, Redwood City
For additional information and to register, visit: <http://www.smcsustainability.org/climate-change/sustainability-academy/>

- **Exploring Sustainability Webinar Series**

The Sustainability Academy's webinars provide participants in San Mateo County with a general knowledge and practical skills for conserving resources in your home and work and promoting sustainability in your communities. Tune in to our lunch-time webinars to deepen your understanding of environmental topics and gain practical methods for reducing your carbon footprint.

Virtual Tour of an Energy Smart Home: January 24, 2018, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Composting Made Easy: February 28, 2018, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Water Conservation 101: March 28, 2018, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

For additional information and to register, visit: <http://www.smcsustainability.org/climate-change/sustainability-academy/>

Free Small Electronics Recycling Drop-Off Event for San Mateo County Residents

Saturday, January 27th, 2018, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

The Office of Sustainability is coordinating an **electronics recycling drop-off event** in January for San Mateo County residents. There are two drop-off locations:

- **San Mateo Superior Court (Northern Branch)**, Parking Lot, 1050 Mission Rd, South San Francisco
- **Ox Mountain Sanitary Landfill**, 12310 San Mateo Rd, Half Moon Bay

Residents must provide proof of residency in San Mateo County (e.g., driver's license, utility bill, garbage collection bill, etc.). Event will take place, rain or shine!

For additional information, including a list of accepted and unaccepted items for drop-off and event flyers (English, Spanish, and Chinese), please visit: <http://www.smcsustainability.org/events/free-small-electronic-recycling-drop-off-event-san-mateo-county-residents/>

4R's Grants Program

The Office of Sustainability is excited to roll out its [4R's \(Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot – Compost\) Grants Program](http://www.smcsustainability.org)! The Grants Program offers two tiers of funding: **4R's Grant (up to \$25,000)** and **Mini-Grant (\$1,000 to \$5,000)**.

Purpose: To help eligible entities create, implement, and expand programs that promote reuse, waste reduction, recycling, and composting or education about these environmental issues in San Mateo County

Who Can Apply: Eligible organizations include nonprofit organizations, schools, or government agencies located in San Mateo County. An individual on behalf of the organization (e.g., school) located in San Mateo County or serving San Mateo County can also apply for the Mini-Grant.

Application Deadline: Wednesday, January 31st, 2018 @ 6pm

For detailed information on both tiers of grant funding, including application guidelines, requirements and application submissions, please visit: <http://www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/reduce-reuse-recycle/>

Green Business Program Volunteer Training

Saturday, January 20th, 2018, 10:00 am-12:00 pm, 455 County Center, Room 101, Redwood City

Interested in helping local small businesses become more sustainable? Join us at our **Volunteer Training** to discover how the [San Mateo County Green Business Program](http://www.smcsustainability.org) is helping businesses reduce their environmental impacts and save money, and what you can do to support the growing network of certified green businesses! Learn how to reduce your community's environmental impacts by informing small businesses about the Green Business Program

Volunteer Commitment: Attend the January 20th training and sign up for a one hour canvassing shift. Talk one-on-one with businesses in an area of your choice and complete the shift within one week of the training.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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NEW LEADERSHIP ELECTED BY MID-PENINSULA WATER DISTRICT (MPWD)

Dave Warden Advanced to President; MPWD Focuses on Infrastructure.

BELMONT, CA (January, 2018) – During the MPWD Regular Board Meeting in November, Dave Warden, an MPWD Board member since 2013, was elected president while Louis J. Vella, an MPWD Board member since 1999, was elected vice president.

Warden assumes the president's seat during the commencement of MPWD's 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which is focused on extensive upgrades to the MPWD's water delivery system. Warden comments, "MPWD has worked tirelessly for the past few years to bring these much needed capital infrastructure projects to our customers, including a joint agreement coordinating MPWD water system improvements with the City of Belmont's sewer replacement program. This comprehensive project is well-planned, well-financed, and its implementation will pay huge benefits to the community for the next 50 years and beyond." When asked what to expect now that ground has been broken on the improvements, Warden replied, "The MPWD is confident in meeting this challenge and looking forward to working together with customers along the way to keep the process running smoothly."

In response to other priorities for MPWD, Warden responded, "We recognize that the 5-Year CIP is currently the centerpiece of MPWD's strategic goals. However, MPWD remains as committed as ever to continuing quality customer service, exercising responsible fiscal policies, and cultivating our community outreach programs."

MPWD will also continue its commitment in 2018 to our environment as an active Bay Area Green Business. Building on recent accomplishments of adding more fuel-efficient vehicles in the service fleet, recycling old water meters, and assisting customers with water conservation methods, MPWD will soon be going paperless in its Operations department and offering new electronic communications to customers to reduce mailings.



Dave Warden and Louis J Vella



The Mid-Peninsula Water District Board meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at 3 Dairy Lane, Belmont, CA 94002. For a listing of all scheduled Board meetings for 2018, please visit MidPeninsulaWater.org/calendar

MPWD's 2017 Board of Directors represented by (from left to right) Dave Warden, President; Matthew P. Zucca, Director; Betty L. Linvill, Director; Louis J. Vella, Vice President; Al Stuebing, Director.

ABOUT THE MID-PENINSULA WATER DISTRICT: The MPWD has been functioning as a public utility since 1929, proudly providing service to the communities of Belmont and portions of San Carlos, Redwood City, and unincorporated San Mateo County. The District supplies water to 28,000 consumers within approximately five square miles. It is managed by a five-member elected Board of Directors and 18 full-time employees. For more details, go to the District's website at www.MidPeninsulaWater.org.

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MID-PENINSULA WATER DISTRICT (MPWD) STUDENT MENTORING PROGRAM A “PERFECT MATCH”

MPWD Teams Up With Local High School Student Exploring Career Future

BELMONT, CA (January, 2018) – During 2016/2017, the MPWD participated in Carlmont High School’s Biotech Institute (BTI) program in furtherance of its community outreach and public education. General Manager Tammy Rudock served as a leadership mentor to **Hunter Crawford-Shelmadine**, a Carlmont High School Junior. Hunter’s goal is to attend college and study marine biology. Tammy shared tours of MPWD facilities and operations with Hunter during the year, including introductions at a business meeting of the Harbor Industrial Association and the MPWD Board of Directors in early 2017. “It was a perfect match,” exclaimed Tammy that the MPWD was partnered with Hunter because of her



Hunter takes a guided tour of the Exbourne Tank Site during cleaning and maintenance with Operations Supervisor Mike Anderson, Lead Operator Rick Bisio, Water System Operator Ron Leithner, and General Manager Tammy Rudock.



Dear Tammy,
I cannot thank you enough for everything you have done for me this past year. From the job shadow, to helping me with my resume, to helping me connect with a marine biologist, you have done so much for me and exceeded my expectations. I am so glad that you were my mentor this year and I am so happy that we are going to stay connected. The whole mentor program has been so beneficial to my experience this year and I cannot wait for more to come. Thank you so much and I'll talk to you soon!
Sincerely,
Hunter

interest in a water-related career. Tammy and Hunter occasionally met over breakfast for ongoing support, mentoring, and progress reporting.

“Hunter’s energy is limitless and she is an extremely bright and productive young person,” added Tammy. Hunter replied that she “really enjoyed” getting to know more about local water supply systems, the California water industry, and potential opportunities for her as a future marine biologist.

The Mid-Peninsula Water District has been active in community outreach for more than 60 years and continues this tradition today with school programs, mentoring, and hands-on workshops. For more information or opportunities, please contact Administrative Specialist Jeanette Kalabolas at JeanetteK@MidPeninsulaWater.org or 650-591-8941.

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Twin Pines Community Center Calendar

For all Parks and Rec activities click here [Parks and Recreation](#)

Twin Pines Senior & Community Center					January 2018	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
<p>Center Closed for New Year's Day</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 Beginner's Japanese 9:30 Walking Group 10:30 Chinese Mahjong 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 Classic Movie 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:45 Strength Training 9:00 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 New Movie</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Singing Group 9:30 Canasta 10:00 Rosen Method Movement (S) 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Blockbuster Movie 12:30 Bridge 1:00 Art Group</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 Chair Yoga with Katherine! 10:00 Hot Chocolate & King's Cake 10:00 Mindful Meditation 11:00 Mandarin Class 12:00 BINGO 1:00 Chinese Mahjong</p>		
<p>8</p> <p>9:00 Bread Program 9:30 Video Exercise 10:00 Ukulele Sing Along 10:00 Italian Chat 10:00 Spanish Chat 11:00 Tai Chi (R) 12:30 Tai Chi (R) 1:00 Book Club 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 French Chat</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00 Beginner's Japanese 9:30 Walking Group 10:00 English Conversation 10:30 Chinese Mahjong 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 Pedro card game 12:30 Foreign Film 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8:45 Strength Training 9:00 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Spanish Class 10:15 Yoga For All (R) 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 New Movie</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Singing Group 9:30 Canasta 10:00 Rosen Method Movement (S) 11:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 11:30 Jan Birthday Lunch (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Blockbuster Movie 12:30 Bridge 1:00 Art Group</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:30 Chair Yoga with Katherine! 10:00 Mindful Meditation 11:00 Mandarin Class 1:00 Chinese Mahjong 1:00 New Year's Dance!</p>		
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<p>29</p> <p>9:00 Bread Program 9:00 AARP Smart Driver 9:30 Video Exercise 10:00 Opinion Exchange w/ Jim Dunbar 10:00 Stamp Collectors 10:00 Italian Chat 11:00 Tai Chi (R) 12:30 Tai Chi (R) 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 French Chat</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9:00 Beginner's Japanese 9:30 Walking Group 10:00 English Conversation 10:30 Chinese Mahjong 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 Classic Movie 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group</p>	<p>(S) = Activity requires Signing Up (R) = Activity requires Registration at Parks & Rec office (blank) = Activity is drop-in</p>			<p>*Activities are subject to change. Please call 595-7444 to confirm.</p>	

Belmont Library

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