

# City Manager's

## Weekly Update – October 4, 2019

City News You Need to Know

### Belmont City Council Vacancy-Apply Online

**T**HE BELMONT CITY COUNCIL WILL BE ACCEPTING applications to fill a Vacant Council seat which has a term ending in November 2020.

Interested applicants must be registered to vote in Belmont and are required to submit an application on a form provided by the City along with a resume of education and experience along with a 400-500 word statement indicating the applicant's intent to apply and why they should be selected to fill the Council Vacancy.



Applicants can apply using the [online application](#) or the [downloadable application](#) forms and questionnaire available on the [City Council page](#) of the Belmont website ([www.belmont.gov](http://www.belmont.gov)) or at the City Clerk's Office.

Completed applications are to be submitted by 12:00 Noon on October 11, 2019 to the City Clerk's Office.

**For more information**, contact the City Manager's Office at 650-595-7408, or the Clerk's Office at 650-595-7413

### IMAGINE BELMONT'S NEW COMMUNITY CENTER

**I**MAGINE THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE held its fourth public meeting on Sept 26th to review preliminary site and building designs. The Committee preferred two building design options which will be further refined for presentation to the Planning and Parks and Recreation Commissions at a joint meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. More information is available at [www.Belmont.gov/bcc](http://www.Belmont.gov/bcc). TO receive email updates about the project, send a request to [communitycenter@belmont.gov](mailto:communitycenter@belmont.gov)

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Reminders:

- [@SMCFireDept OPEN HOUSE this Saturday 10 am - 1 pm at Fire Station 28 in Foster City](#)
- [Save the Music – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>](#)
- [Belmont Water Dog Run-Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>](#)
- [October 8- City Council Meeting adjourned to Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>](#)
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# MEETING NOTICE



## PARKING AND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

You are invited to attend the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee (PTSC) meeting to discuss potential traffic safety improvements. Topics consist of the following:

- Parking Restriction at Emmett Avenue and El Camino Real
- Parking Restriction at 439 Middle Road

For more information, call (650) 637-2998 OR e-mail [jlai@belmont.gov](mailto:jlai@belmont.gov)

Thursday, October 10, 2019 at @ 2:00 PM

City Hall - 1 Twin Pines Lane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor - EOC Conference Room

### Save the Music:

<https://schoolforce.org/events/save-the-music/>

SchoolForce's Save the Music Festival is the largest annual community event in Belmont and raises funds to keep our music programs in Belmont Redwood-Shores Schools by supporting SchoolForce, the Belmont-Redwood Shores Education Foundation.

Save the Music Festival



### Belmont Water Dog Run:

<https://belmontwaterdogrun.com/>



**BELMONT WATER DOG RUN**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH**

The Belmont Water Dog Run is a community run that supports awareness and increases funding for local education. Beneficiaries of the event are the Belmont Redwood Shores School District and the Carlmont Academic Foundation. Join this community event involving kids, parents, grandparents, stroller-brigades, furry-legged canine friends, and hundreds of runners and walkers.

## CA Earthquake Authority Brace and Bolt Program

**R**EDUCE RISK OF DAMAGE TO YOUR HOME during an earthquake. You may qualify for a grant from the California Earthquake Authority Brace and Bolt Program. This program provides a cash grant up to \$3,000 as an incentive to qualifying CEA policyholders. Once retrofit is complete, participants may qualify for up to a 25 percent discount on their insurance policy (after July 1, 2019). Visit their site to see if your home qualifies. Visit [CEA Brace & Bolt](#)



Join your neighbors, service organizations and businesses to reduce water pollution and minimize localized flooding.  
*Participating is easy!*  
Just sign-up, select a storm drain, and we'll deliver your start-up kit.  
Visit [Belmont.gov/adoptadrain](http://Belmont.gov/adoptadrain)

### *A Clean Community Is A Happy Community*

**T**HE CITY HAS A COMPREHENSIVE preventative maintenance program to inspect, monitor and maintain 1,400 of our storm drain inlets throughout the city. Regular scheduled street sweeping is in place, with enhanced sweeping during winter months. "No Dumping-Flows to Bay" storm drain placards are installed on every storm drain. The Belmont Public Works Department has also installed trash capture devices in 69 storm drains where litter activities have been an issue.

Sign up today: [Belmont.gov](http://Belmont.gov)

### WHAT IS ADOPT-A-DRAIN?

Any resident can adopt a drain in their neighborhood. Just fill out the [online form](#) and select an address location of the storm drain from the Adopt A Drain map that you would like to adopt. Once you have adopted a drain, be committed to keeping the top of the grate clear of leaves and trash. Report illegal dumping and drainage, and any backups that are coming from below the grate or if the inlet below the grate has trash. Staff will come out and remove the grate and clear any blockage.

Once you have signed up, you or your family will be recognized on our Adopt-A-Drain page and receive an Adopt-A-Drain starter kit.

@SMCFireDept

OPEN HOUSE

Saturday  
10 am - 1 pm at  
Fire Station 28 in Foster City

# OPEN HOUSE

Sat. October 5, 2019 @ 10am - 1pm

All Belmont, Foster City, and San Mateo residents are invited to participate in this fun and free family event! Come see your SMCFD Firefighters in action!



Demonstrations:

- 10:30 AM Fire / Rescue Demo
- 11:30 AM Fire / Rescue Demo
- 12:30 PM How Firefighters get into their gear - fast!

### Highlights include:

- ❖ Fire Engines!
- ❖ Police Cars!
- ❖ Public Works Truck!
- ❖ Tour the Fire Station!
- ❖ Family Fun!
- ❖ Live Demonstrations!
- ❖ Learn About the Fire and Police Departments!
- ❖ Meet the Public Works Robot!
- ❖ Blood Pressure Checks!
- ❖ Fire & Crime Prevention!
- ❖ Emergency Preparedness!
- ❖ Free Snacks!\*
- ❖ Build a mini First Aid Kit!\*

\*while supplies last

The Fire Station is located at 1040 E. Hillsdale Blvd, Foster City.

Parking is available at City Hall - 610 Foster City Blvd, Foster City.

For more information about the Open House, call 650-522-7963.

*This event is sponsored by the San Mateo Consolidated Fire Department.*



## 2019 Fire Code Update Public Outreach

THIS WEEK FIRE MARSHAL ROBERT MARSHALL from the San Mateo Consolidated Fire Department held the second of two community outreach meetings held in Belmont, on the proposed 2019 Fire Code Update. The meeting covered how the proposed fire code changes would affect people in Belmont, and also touched on evacuation route planning that is currently underway. The updated Code will go before the City Council for ratification at the October 22, 2019 meeting.

## PROJECT UPDATE

### 2019 Pavement Maintenance Project – Phase I, (Measure I)

The contractor is working on restoration work. The project is anticipated to be fully complete by 10/18.



If temporary street closures are necessary during restoration, flaggers will be onsite to enable through traffic.

For any concerns, please contact the Public Works Department at 650-595-7425.

More information and updates can be found on the [Public Works Project webpage](#):

Further information on the City's Street Improvement Program can be found at: [www.belmont.gov/BelmontPavement](http://www.belmont.gov/BelmontPavement)

### 2019 Storm and Sewer Repair Project

The 2019 Storm and Sewer Repair Project has completed major work at the following locations:

- Ruth Ave along Malcolm Ave
- Fairway Dr near Notre Dame Ave
- Continentals Way near Lyall
- Coronet Blvd near Ewell Rd
- Semeria Ave

Major work on Lincoln Ave approaching completion. Work on San Ardo Way is in progress and is expected to be complete by the week of 10/14.

The contractor is scheduled to move towards sewer lines at Coronet Blvd near Kimmie Ct & Coronet Blvd near Ralston Ave between 10/14 and 10/22.

A notice from the City and a notice from the Contractor will be sent out to residents within the vicinity of the construction work as scheduled work approaches.

As some roadway will be trenched, the road will need to be closed to through traffic in both directions during working hours. No overnight road closure will take place. No parking will be allowed during full road closure.

Single lane closures will be required at some locations during working hours. No parking will be allowed on closed side of the street. Through traffic and driveway access will be maintained when possible. If you have any special access needs during the pavement operations, please contact us for accommodations. Please note the time, date, and location of the Temporary No Parking on the street and plan to park accordingly. The Temporary No Parking signs will contain the most updated parking restriction information.

For any concerns, please contact the Public Works Department at 650-595-7425.

More information and updates can be found on the Project webpage here:

<https://www.belmont.gov/Home/Components/FacilityDirectory/FacilityDirectory/419/696>

### Ralston Avenue Corridor Improvement Project Segments 1 and 2

The bicycle path through Twin Pines Park has been paved and the railing has also been installed. Once the path has the striping and signage installed, it will be open to the public. Work will continue along Old County Road between Masonic Way and Ralston Avenue as well as El Camino Real between Ralston Avenue and Emmett Avenue.



### TRAFFIC ADVISORIES

#### Mid-Peninsula Water District – Notre Dame Water Main Project Update

Hopefully by the end of October 11<sup>th</sup>, the new water main will be connected to the distribution system. Which leads us to the following schedule:

The Contractor continues to work on the service laterals near Valley View Ave. Beginning on October 7<sup>th</sup>, the contractor will be focusing at the intersection of Notre Dame Ave and Valley View Ave getting ready to connect the new water main to the system.

Expect delays on Valley View Ave the entire week of October 7th.

Work hours continues to be from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

Further updates can be found at [www.MidPeninsulaWater.org/traffic](http://www.MidPeninsulaWater.org/traffic)

#### Hallmark & Sherborne Drive Area

The contractor for Verizon-MCI, will be starting work in Hallmark Drive and Sherborne Drive area. This work includes directional boring for new conduit for fiber optic and installation of junction boxes in the sidewalk areas.

Work will start at the end of Hallmark Drive to Leigh Drive starting Monday, October 7, thru Friday, October 11, 2019.

Work hours are from 8am-5pm Monday-Friday. Traffic control will be in place in the work zones. Most of the construction will be on the shoulder of the roadway. Please drive safely through construction zones.

### Parks

Parks maintenance was busy this past week with Fall landscaping tasks at many sites throughout Belmont. At Twin Pines Park, seasonal grasses and ornamental flowers were mowed. In these landscape beds, the cuttings remain and serve as mulch. A benefit of this mulching is that the seed heads remain in the landscape and will sprout next spring, renewing the colorful burst of flowers around the Manor Building and Senior Center.

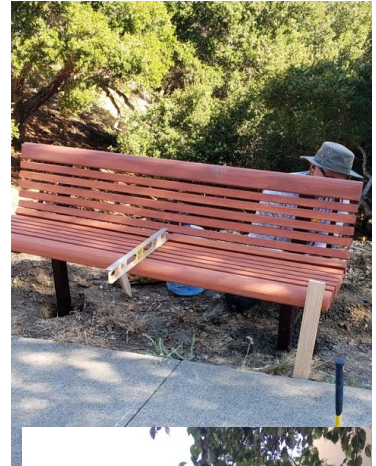


Trees were pruned for balance and general health. Ornamental shrubs were pruned along 6th Avenue. Other general maintenance items included minor planting around the Twin Pines park office and pressure washing

around the exterior of the Twin Pines Senior

Community Center. Weeds and shrubs were cut back at the Sports Complex.

A new bench was installed along Hallmark Drive near Comstock Circle in a rest area. Final touches were added to the Hallmark Drive parklet, with the installation of new signage and doggie bag dispenser. General landscaping work was also completed. Trees were trimmed back from the roadway along Hallmark Drive for vehicle clearance.



Vandalism was removed from the play area at O'Donnell Park. Other notable work included gate repairs and minor adjustments to the play structures and swing apparatus



### Free Fall Tree Give-away

Help us preserve the City's tree canopy! The City is providing up to 30 trees to Belmont residents. Only a few spots remain on our sign up list! Go to [www.belmont.gov/register](http://www.belmont.gov/register) to sign up.

(650) 595-7441 | [parksrec@belmont.gov](mailto:parksrec@belmont.gov)

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**FREE** Fall Tree Give-Away

Apply by 10/31 at [www.belmont.gov/register](http://www.belmont.gov/register)

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Thirty 15-gallon trees available. Priority given to new applicants.

## Belmont Community Learning Center

Belmont Community Learning Center students enjoyed a Petting Zoo with farm animals. Many thanks to the BCLC PTO for sponsoring this educational enrichment activity.



## The Hideout

It's homework season!! Students worked together to complete their assignments on Monday. The rest of the week was a bit more relaxed. Students made mixed fruit smoothies and homemade chicken noodle soup, made stress (reduction) balls as an art activity and will end the week with an obstacle course. Is your middle schooler looking for a place to hang out after school? The Hideout is a free, supervised program at Barrett Community Center. All are welcome.



### Pickleball

There's still time to sign up. We're hosting a FREE Pickleball Try It Day at Alexander Park on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Bring a friend and come check out this exciting new sport!

BELMONT PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

# IT'S PICKLEBALL TIME!



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16  
12:45-1:45 PM  
ALEXANDER PARK  
**GRADES: 5-8**

Register for free at [www.belmont.gov/register](http://www.belmont.gov/register) by 10/14. RSVP required. Class code #3139  
Equipment provided.



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BELMONT PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS



# ADULT PICKLEBALL "TRY IT DAY"

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
ALEXANDER PARK  
AGES 18+  
ALL LEVELS WELCOME

Register for FREE at [www.belmont.gov/register](http://www.belmont.gov/register) by 10/14. RSVP required. Class code #3140  
Equipment provided, but bring your own if you have it!



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THE HIDEOUT PRESENTS

# FRIDAY FRIGHT NIGHT



CALLING ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS!  
PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPOOKY  
OUTDOOR MOVIE!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2019  
5PM - 7:30PM  
MOVIE START TIME 5:30 PM  
BARRETT COMMUNITY CENTER, Room E  
650-595-7441



[WWW.BELMONT.GOV/YOUTHTEENS](http://WWW.BELMONT.GOV/YOUTHTEENS)  
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## Join Our Team-City of Belmont Employment Opportunities



Check the [City's Website](#) for more info on:

- ✚ City Clerk/Communications Coordinator
- ✚ Building Attendant
- ✚ Police Dispatcher (Entry Level Candidate)
- ✚ Police Dispatcher (Lateral Candidates) Police Officer (Entry Level-Lateral)
- ✚ Preschool Teacher

## Make the Connection Find Out More



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## #dinebelmont

The Belmont Chamber of Commerce project dinebelmont, introduces a new "Restaurant of the Week" each week for foodies of all kinds to enjoy and help out the local Belmont community. When enjoying the restaurant of the week or any in town, take a picture of your favorite dish and post photos using #dinebelmont on social media apps; join the # community and see what others are saying about their favorite dishes. Search #dinebelmont in Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook.

### Wendy's



#burgers #chickensandwiches #frosty #fries  
698 Ralston Avenue, Belmont Contact: (650) 594-0400  
Sun-Sat: 9:30am-12:00am

**KEEPING IT BELMONT** RESTAURANT OF THE WEEK

**#dinebelmont**

SAVOR  
SIP & SOCIALIZE

post photos with your favorite items  
using #dinebelmont on social media

ENJOY and follow us NOW for more restaurants of the week and general information on Belmont restaurants

#dinebelmont and @dinebelmont





October 3, 2019

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## Caltrain Board Signs Off on Business Plan Service Vision

Caltrain's Board of Directors voted to adopt a long term 2040 Service Vision today, defining an ambitious plan for growing service over the next 20-plus years. The [Caltrain Business Plan's 2040 Service Vision](#) sets a target for the railroad that ensures [Caltrain](#) can continue to meet the growing mobility needs of the region while making the best use of the many projects and investments planned and under construction along the corridor.

Under the 2040 Service Vision, Caltrain service would evolve to look very different from what the railroad operates today. Caltrain currently operates five trains per hour during peak commute times, and over the last 15 years, ridership has more than doubled to nearly 65,000 daily riders. The 2040 Service Vision calls for fast and frequent service to be the standard on the line every day, all day. Service during peak hours would grow to a minimum of eight trains per direction per hour, with all day express service every 15 minutes, and increased off-peak and weekend services. The vision would also expand the corridor's capacity by an additional four trains per hour in each direction to connect Peninsula communities with statewide high-speed rail service. The vision also includes end-to-end, electrified service from Gilroy to the Salesforce Transit Center in San Francisco, with four trains per hour, per direction between Blossom Hill and Tamien Stations; and two trains per hour, per direction between Gilroy and Blossom Hill Stations.

By 2040, this increased service, frequency, and longer trains, would allow ridership to almost triple to 180,000 daily riders. Ridership growth of this magnitude would eliminate 825,000 car trips and

110 metric tons of carbon emissions every day, and would put an estimated 5.5 lanes worth of commuter traffic onto Caltrain instead of the region's highways.

Caltrain's 2040 Service Vision also prepares the railroad to expand and integrate into a regional rail network that includes the planned extension to the Salesforce Transit Center in Downtown San Francisco, integration with a potential renewed rail service across the Dumbarton Bridge and the rebuilding of Diridon Station in San Jose. In addition to preparing Caltrain for a future shared corridor with high speed rail, the vision also acknowledges that a number of adjacent and connecting systems are engaged in long term planning of their own. In recognition of opportunities presented by a second Transbay crossing, expanded service to Monterey County, and the potential growth of Altamont Corridor Express and Capital Corridor services, the vision also includes a commitment to work with the region to better define and be prepared for even higher levels of service on the corridor, and to work with the Board to periodically reaffirm the vision as needed.

Caltrain intends to accomplish these goals through incremental development of corridor projects and infrastructure, including an improved signal system, station modifications such as platform lengthening and level boarding, improved maintenance and storage facilities, and a series of short, 4-track stations that allow express trains to overtake locals.

The 2040 Service Vision is possible thanks to Caltrain's ongoing work to transition the service from diesel operations to high-performance electric trains. In 2017, Caltrain secured full funding to complete the electrification of the Caltrain corridor. Electrification is under way and will be complete by 2022.

For more information, visit <https://www.caltrain2040.org/>.