

City Manager's

Weekly Update – November 22, 2019

City News You Need to Know

Series 2019 Sewer Collection Revenue Bond Rating

ON NOVEMBER 12TH, COUNCIL AUTHORIZED THE SALE of Sewer Collection Revenue Bonds, Series 2019, to help finance much needed improvements to the City's sewer pipelines, pump stations and force mains. Staff submitted the bond documents and other related economic and financial information to Standard & Poor's rating agency for their consideration, and the Bonds have received a rating of AA+. Currently, the City has six bidders signed up for the bond sale. The City's financial advisor, PFM, has indicated that both Treasury and Municipal Bonds are currently down a few basis points further, so the outlook for the bond sale is positive. The City and the Belmont Joint Powers Financing Authority intend to sell the bonds by competitive sale in December. With that sale timeframe, the City and the Authority will receive proceeds of the bonds shortly thereafter.



The following table summarizes the sources and uses of the bonds as presented to the rating agency. As now contemplated, the bonds may be sold at a premium, yielding just over \$21 million, of which \$20 million will be available to fund the improvements. The balance will be used to establish various reserves that will be a condition of the sale, or to fund the issuance of the bonds. The bonds are estimated to have a maximum true interest cost of around 3%.

HIGHLIGHTS

Council/Commission Meetings

Nov 26 – [City Council Meeting](#)

- Belmont Sports Complex Turf Project
- Sign Ordinance Introduction
- Solid Waste Rates
- Discussion e-cig sale/distribution Ordinance
- Safe Firearm Storage in Residence

Dec 3 - Planning Commission Meeting

Dec 4 - Park and Rec Commission Meeting

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Sources:	
Bond Proceeds:	
Par Amount	\$17,095,000.00
Premium	4,257,481.25
Total	\$21,352,481.25

Uses:	
Project Fund	\$20,000,000.00
Debt Service Reserve Fund	1,111,000.00
Cost of Issuance	205,656.00
Underwriter's Discount	34,468.90
Additional Proceeds	1,356.35
Total	\$21,352,481.25

California's State Auditor Ranks the Fiscal Health of over 470 California Cities - Belmont Ranks in Top Tier



Late last week the California State Auditor issued a press release ranking over 470 California cities' fiscal health. As part of the State Auditor's high-risk local government audit program, a process has been established for determining whether a local government agency is at risk of fiscal distress. The Auditor will launch its most comprehensive analysis of cities and has made public a website with the rankings. Staff is pleased to report that Belmont has been ranked in the top "green" tier, indicating a low risk of fiscal distress and that no further monitoring by the State Auditor is necessary. For more information on this, please see the website: https://www.auditor.ca.gov/bsa/cities_risk_index

City of Belmont's Local Minimum Wage Increases in January 2020

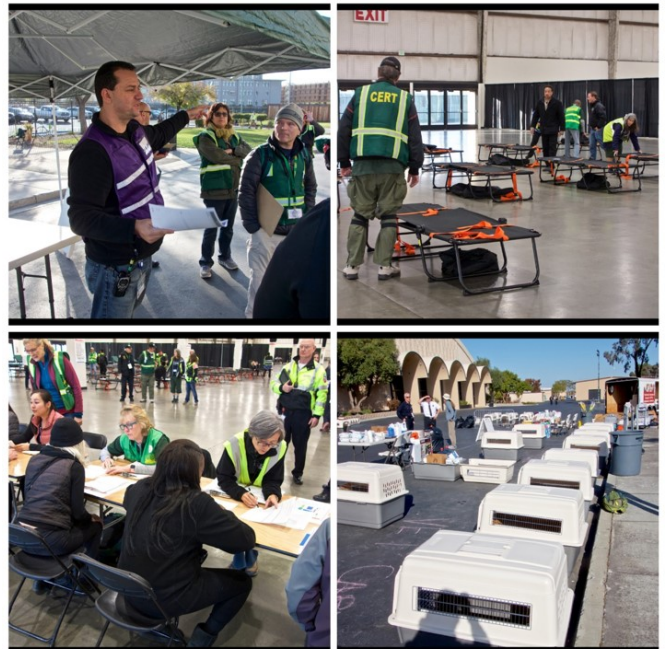
CITY OF BELMONT MINIMUM WAGE IS \$15.00 PER HOUR Effective January 1, 2020. Employers who are subject to the Belmont Business License Tax or who maintain a facility in Belmont must pay to each

employee who performs at least two (2) hours of work per week in Belmont, minimum wages not less than \$15.00 per hour.

The minimum wage requirement set forth in the Belmont Minimum Wage Ordinance applies to adult and minor employees who work two (2) or more hours per week (tips not included). Beginning January 1, 2021, the Belmont minimum will be \$15.90, and annually thereafter the Belmont minimum wage will be adjusted based on the Regional Consumer Price Index. For further details please visit the City's Minimum wage website page

City Staff and Volunteers Participate in Disaster Shelter Exercise

This week, Belmont Recreation Staff and San Mateo Consolidated Fire CERT Volunteers participated in an emergency shelter exercise, involving multiple San Mateo County first responders including SMCFD, SMCo. Health, Red Cross and other CERT Teams. The exercise involved setting up a simulated shelter for people and pets at the San Mateo Event Center in response to a hypothetical disaster.



This was excellent practice for staff and volunteers who would work in a shelter if needed in Belmont, and is part of our on-going emergency preparedness efforts.

SAN MATEO COUNTY

ANONYMOUS GUN BUYBACK


- December 14, 2019 -
9:30 AM to 2:30 PM

1000 SKYWAY ROAD, SAN CARLOS, CA


PLEASE TRANSPORT YOUR FIREARMS UNLOADED AND IN THE TRUNK OF YOUR VEHICLE

Up to \$100	Up to \$200
FOR HANDGUNS, SHOTGUNS AND RIFLES	FOR ASSAULT WEAPONS AS CLASSIFIED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA


PRESENTED BY
Citizens for a San Mateo County Gun Buyback




Redwood City Police Chief
Dan Mulholland



San Mateo County Sheriff
Carlos G. Solano



Belmont Police Chief
Tony Paala



102.9 KBLX
RADIO OLD SCHOOL

FUNDS ARE LIMITED & SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY
We reserve the right to limit the amount of funds an individual can receive regardless of the amount of firearms surrendered.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: (650) 363-4800



Holiday Poetry & Caroling

Join us for poetry readings, caroling, cookies, & hot cider

DECEMBER 3RD, 6-7:30PM
MANOR HOUSE, 10 TWIN PINES LANE




Holiday Events

BELMONT PARKS AND REC IS HOSTING SEVERAL EXCITING holiday events to celebrate the holiday season.

Want to get a head start on holiday gift shopping? Join us at the Holiday Craft Faire on November 23rd 9am to 5pm in Twin Pines Park.

Prefer a quieter evening of holiday caroling and poetry? Join us at the 2nd Annual Holiday Poetry and Caroling Night on December 3rd at 6pm at the Manor House in Twin Pines Park. This free event is co-sponsored with the Belmont Library.

Looking for Santa? Come to the Firehouse #14 at 911 Granada Street between 5:30 and 8pm on December 12th. It's also a toy drive, so please bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to those in need.



SANTA AT THE FIREHOUSE AND TOY DRIVE

Thursday, December 12, 2019 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Belmont Fire Station #14 - 911 Granada St. Belmont

FREE EVENT! PLEASE BRING AT LEAST ONE UNWRAPPED TOY FOR A CHILD IN NEED.

For more information please call 650-595-7441

Belmont Parks & Recreation Department
"Enhancing the Quality of Life for the Community"

Coats for Kids Drive

The City of Belmont proudly participates in Recology's annual Coats for Kids Drive. If you have any gently used or new coats that you would like to donate to a family in need, please drop them off at Belmont City Hall (One Twin Pines Lane, Belmont). A donation container can be found in the lobby.



Do you have new or gently used coats?

Recology San Mateo County is pleased to offer our Coats for Kids program, which will provide gently used and new coats of all sizes to families in need.



V.O.I.C.E.S.

After researching and contacting local nonprofits VOICES members elected to volunteer at Second at Second Harvest of Silicon Valley for their November service project. Working out of Second Harvest's distribution center, VOICES volunteers spent the night sorting, boxing, and preparing for shipment a variety of healthy drinks. All together they contributed to a volunteer workforce sorting over 12,000 pounds of food in one night. Going forward VOICES will continue to look for new projects to benefit their local community.



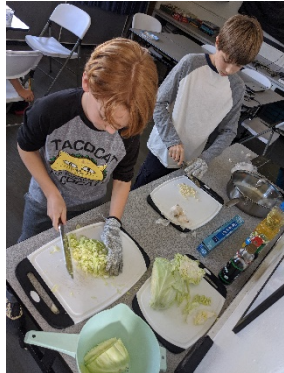
Y.A.C.

The Youth Advisory Committee kicked off the 2019/20 year by discussing important topics affecting youth and teens in Belmont. Members agreed to focus their efforts this year on increasing civic engagement in the community and increasing the YAC's voice in local government. Keep an eye out for upcoming YAC events in the Spring. They also elected officers for the year: Iman Sarsour- Presidetn, Maggie Pavao- Vice President, Tej Tummala- Secretary, Tram Phan- Historian.



After School Hideout!

Homework. Games. Yummy snacks made from scratch. Repeat. It's been another great week at The Hideout!



Construction Inspector on Board

Public Works Department gives a warm welcome to our new Construction Inspector, David Martinez, to the City of Belmont.

David comes from a diverse and well-balanced background. In the past, he has worked for the West Bay Sanitary District, Alameda County Water District, City of Palo Alto and the City of Oakland.

Outside of working, David has plenty of hobbies to pass the time. Born and raised in Oakland, he is a fan of the Oakland Raiders, A's, and the Golden State Warriors. He enjoys playing chess and reading books.

Help us extend a warm welcome aboard to David!



A Clean Community Is A Happy Community

Belmont Adopt a Drain Program



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

The 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. Visit Belmont.gov/adotadrain.gov

Project Update

Ralston Avenue Corridor Improvement Project Segments 1 and 2

Construction will continue along El Camino Real between Ralston Avenue and Emmett Avenue. No work will be performed on the 28th or 29th of November. The median is currently being completed and the widened sidewalk on the east side of El Camino is being constructed. Lane closures are expected to complete this work.



Shoreway Road Sewer Project

November 25 -November 29

8 AM – 5 PM

The contractor will be paving next Monday, November 25, through Wednesday, November 27.

Shoreway Road will be CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC during construction hours 8am-5pm Monday-Friday with detours posted.

Traffic will be detoured through Redwood Shores along Twin Dolphin Drive during construction hours. During the evening hours, one traffic lane will be reopened utilizing temporary traffic signals along Shoreway Road.



TRAFFIC ADVISORIES

Hallmark Project

November 25 – November 27

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

The contractor for Verizon-MCI, will be continuing work in the Hallmark/Sherborne Drive area. This work includes directional boring for new conduit for fiber optic and installation of junction boxes in the sidewalk areas. The contractor continues to encounter difficult soil conditions (rock). The contractor has submitted an updated construction schedule that will be strictly adhered to moving forward to complete the project in a timely fashion prior to the holidays.

This week's work will continue from the end of Hallmark Drive to Leigh Drive continuing Monday, November 25th, thru Wednesday, November 27, 2019. Work hours are from 8am-5pm Monday-Wednesday. 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.

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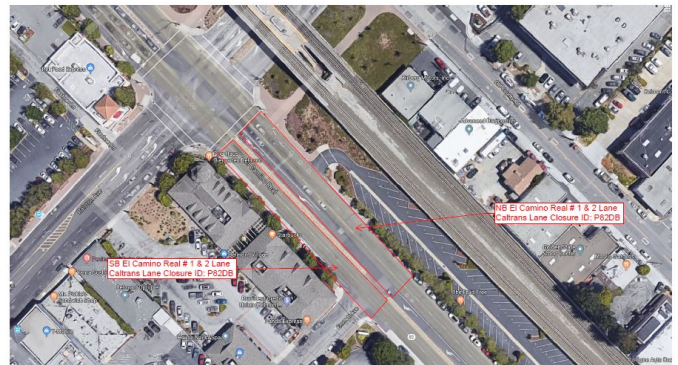
November 18 – November 22

Lane closures will be from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM

1 & # 2 Lane on El Camino Real (NB) at from Ralston Ave to Emmet Ave

1 & # 2 Lane on El Camino Real (SB) at from Ralston Ave to Emmet Ave

Traffic control will be in place.



Tahoe Drive Area Improvements Update (Yosemite, Muir, Tioga)

November 25 – November 27

8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

The contractor will be working on Yosemite Drive / Muir Way and Muir Way / Tahoe Drive on November 22 getting ready for the following week. On November 25, the contractor will be working on Tahoe Drive between Lassen Drive and Bryce Court doing a water main connection.

No work will be performed on Thursday, November 28 – Friday, November 29 in observation of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Work will resume in the area on Monday, December 2 on Tahoe Drive.

During construction hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, motorists can expect one lane traffic control and possible

delays through this area. In addition, please be aware of heavy equipment, construction personnel, and increased noise levels. Access for residents and emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times. Should you have any questions, please contact the District Inspector Rick Bisio: 650-222-0428

 **REIMAGINE SAMTRANS**

Reimagine SamTrans Survey and Upcoming Virtual Town Hall

SamTrans launched *Reimagine SamTrans*, a transformative study that will examine each route in the SamTrans bus system in light of changing travel patterns.





Take the Reimagine Survey: Whether you ride the bus, drive, walk, bike or other we want to hear from you. Share your vision for a future SamTrans network. Visit <https://www.reimaginesamtrans.com/survey> to take this fun short survey. Survey closes December 31, 2019.

Learn about the project and ask question: SamTrans is hosting an online Virtual Town Hall on Monday, December 9 starting at 1 p.m. You can register [here](#) for the live viewing. The video will remain on the San Mateo County Transit District YouTube channel for later viewing as well.

Join Our Team-City of Belmont Employment Opportunities



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

-  Public Works Director
-  Building Attendant - Park and Recreation
-  Police Dispatcher (Entry Level Candidate)
-  Preschool Teacher

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Which Wich Superior Sandwiches

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1000 El Camino Real, Belmont
Contact: (650) 232-7876
Mon-Sun: 10am - 9pm



KEEPING IT BELMONT RESTAURANT OF THE WEEK
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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

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