



Buellton Buzz



A Note from Mayor Holly Sierra

Dear Neighbors,

Our City and the rest of the country are still dealing with COVID-19. Many of our local businesses have been hit hard by state and county regulations and smaller numbers of customers. Still, I'm so proud that our community has stepped up. We are making grocery runs for neighbors, filling food boxes and supporting local businesses the best we can. We had a 4th of July car parade and delivered a goody bag to residents. Our City, while we have cancelled the Buellton Bonanza, delivered delicious desserts from local establishments to all residents. These events are run by the City and numerous volunteers.

The news in Buellton is that the City has purchased the historic Willemssen property. We're using it as part of the summer recreation program. We truly needed the 20 acres below the house adjacent to our wastewater facility in case we need to make improvements mandated by the state. Construction is moving forward on Median 2 on Ave of Flags, and while Open Streets is postponed our City Manager is working on a Farmers Market to celebrate it's opening in October (pending conditions). Cal Poly has done a study of Median 3 and we're looking forward to input from the community on that project as well as the Willemssen property (off Dairyland and Valley Dairy). Our budget has just been completed and once again I'm proud that Council has stayed on top of our fiduciary responsibility even with a hit to our income from COVID-19. We've been able to keep all full time jobs at the City with no layoffs.

Volunteers are still needed at our Senior Thrift Shop and Senior Center where Pam Gnekow and crew are feeding the Valley. Food boxes still need continued support. Businesses in need can contact our City and the Buellton Chamber of Commerce for information regarding state and federal assistance.

It's important to take time for yourselves. I see more people walking lately, and it's important to keep moving. Watch a funny movie, find something to laugh about, celebrate the good moments and relax as much as you can. We need to keep our spirits up.

I can still be reached at hollys@cityofbuellton.com or leave a message at (805)252-2618. Wear your mask when out and about. The Santa Ynez Valley has had the smallest amount of COVID-19 cases in the county. Be safe!

November 3, 2020 Election

The City of Buellton will have a Mayor seat and two City Council Member seats open on the November 3rd ballot.

To run for Mayor or Council Member, you must be a registered voter and live in the City of Buellton. To take out candidate papers, please contact City Clerk, Linda Reid at lindar@cityofbuellton.com or 805-686-7424 to schedule an appointment. Nomination filing period is July 13 through August 7, 2020.

Obtain more information about the 2020 Election on the City's website at: <https://www.cityofbuellton.com/government/special-election-2020>



WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM??

Buellton's Public Works Department recently issued the City's Annual Water Supply report (June 2020). This report contains information on the City's various sources of drinking water and the status of those supplies. The relatively brief (9-page) report, which contains informative data and maps, can be found in the "Water" section of the City's Public Works webpage at: <https://www.cityofbuellton.com/departments/public-works.php>



We are updating our Land Use and Circulation Elements!

A General Plan is a city's blueprint for the community's vision of future growth. Buellton's General Plan covers things like where businesses and housing can go and what kinds, how we improve our transportation networks, where to put parks and public facilities, and how we conserve our natural resources.

- Community members are vital to this update!
- You can help to establish relevant goals, policies and programs that will guide decisions on the city's development for years to come.

Buellton's current General Plan spans from 2007 to 2025. This upcoming focused update to our Land Use and Circulation Elements will kick off a more comprehensive update of our General Plan over the next five years for the 2025-2045 General Plan.

Get involved (online) e-mail planning@cityofbuellton.com to be added to the e-mail list – you'll receive periodic information on ways to participate

Stay in the know: <https://cityofbuellton.com/departments/planning.php>

Questions? Call the Planning Department at 805-688-7474



The Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) project team invites you to provide your input on the **Santa Ynez River Trail Alignment Study**.

This year-long project explores possible alignments for a multi-modal trail connecting the cities of Buellton and Solvang. To participate, visit the interactive project website at the link below:

<http://arcg.is/0e8yGr>

Accessible July 15 – August 14, 2020



WATCH
for our fall programs...
we will continue
to adapt to changing
conditions!

Buelltonrec.com

**Keeping Buellton Beautiful
Keeping Buellton Beautiful – Parking of trailers,
boats, dumpsters and other vehicles without self-
propelled power- Parking Restrictions (BMC**

10.01.030): For those trailers and other vehicles without self-propelled power that seem to be parked on the curb forever, the applicable code is: *No person shall park a trailer, boat, dumpster or other vehicle without any means of self-propulsion for more than twenty-four (24) consecutive hours in any seventy-two (72) consecutive hour period, in any location on any residential highway, street or alley.* If you have any questions please contact Ben Hernandez, City Code Enforcement Officer at 686-7423 or benh@cityofbuellton.com.



Household Hazardous Waste Round-Up

Where: The Buellton Wastewater Treatment Plant
79 Industrial Way, Buellton

Time: 9 am – 1 pm

Dates: Saturday August 1st & Saturday Nov. 6th
Residential Bulky Items – Pick Up

Large bulky-item clean-ups can be scheduled up to **four** times per year and are available on the **FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH**. Please call to schedule by the Friday before the scheduled clean-up. To schedule a bulky item pickup **Call 805-963-1852**

Alert our Marborg customer service representative if you have bulky items, electronic items or both.

**GARAGE
SALE**

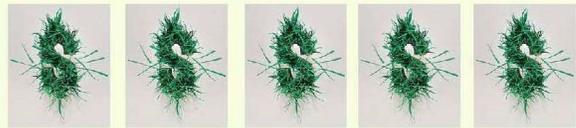
**Buellton
Garage Sale Day!
Saturday,
September 5, 2020**

Have you been cleaning out those closets, drawers and cabinets? Here is your chance to sell your stuff or pick up some treasures! Buellton Recreation would like to invite all residents to hold a garage sale, on Saturday, September 5th. Non-profit groups, such as the Senior Center and Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) are also invited to participate. If you would like to participate in the Buellton Garage Sale Day contact Buellton Recreation for an application at 805-688-1086. There is a \$5.00 entry fee that will be used to pay for advertisements in local and Central Coast Newspapers. A Buellton Garage Sale Directory of all participants, their addresses, and items for sale will be posted on the buelltonrec.com website.

NEW “BUELLTON BEAUTIFUL” LANDSCAPE REBATE PROGRAM

Update to Buellton’s “Landscape Rebate Cash for Grass Program”

APPLY NOW!



The City of Buellton is excited to announce that the newly-expanded “Buellton Beautiful” Rebate Program is now accepting applications! Improve the landscaping in the front yard of your home or business while also improving water efficiency!

The updated program offers more flexibility and additional opportunities for participation! Now being offered to both Buellton residents *and* businesses, the newly-expanded program offers the following opportunity. Don’t miss out!

\$2.00 rebate per square foot of improved landscaping

Maximum of \$1,000 for eligible residential or commercial properties

Applies to front yards or setback areas visible from the street

Existing front yard does not need to have living landscaping

Applications must be approved in advance of work being started

All Buellton residents and business tenants/property owners are encouraged to apply! The City Council has allocated \$25,000 toward this program for Fiscal Year 20/21. Apply Now! Available funds will go fast!

Additional restrictions apply. For further details on the program, please visit the City’s website www.cityofbuellton.com or contact the Planning Department at 805-688-7474.



Due to the low probability of rainfall in the summer, we forget about pollutants discharging to the City’s storm drain system and ultimately, to our local creeks and the Santa Ynez River. Summertime runoff from yard irrigation, draining chlorinated pools/spas, personal car washing, etc. can be detrimental to aquatic life. You can help reduce these types of flows by inspecting your irrigation to be sure you’re not overwatering or have a broken sprinkler or line. Pools and spas should always be dechlorinated prior to discharge. If you need to wash something outdoors or power wash a building, route the wash water to an area where it can soak into the ground or use a wet-vacuum to vacuum up the water and dispose of it to the sanitary sewer. Car washes can be used to clean your vehicles. These actions can also save water, which is a bonus! If you see large volumes of water flowing in a gutter or to a storm drain, you can report it by following the directions on the City’s website: <https://www.cityofbuellton.com/departments/stormwater-management-program.php>

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