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Kermit King Student Council Tour

Department provided tours of the Public Safety Center and the Fire Station to the students.

Finally, the students were joined by Mayor Steve Martin and Director of Library and Recreation Services Julie Dahlen to participate in a staged Mock City Council meeting. Their sole discussion item was Library fines and the students were challenged to determine whether fines encourage the community to return their books in a responsible way or if the fines were too imposing and discouraged citizens from coming to the City Library. The Kermit King Student Council representatives were divided into two groups - one advocating for the fines and the other opposing. Each group had many intelligent speakers and the students collaborated and

Kermit King Elementary School Student Council came to visit City Hall on Friday, May 20, to participate in a Mock City Council meeting with Mayor Steve Martin.

Students were first treated to a tour of the City Library and story time by Adult Services Librarian Karen Christiansen and they were also given information about the Library Summer Reading Program, which encourages students to continue reading throughout their summer break and provides incentives to make reading fun.

Bill Pluma from the Paso Robles Police Department and "A Shift" Firefighters from the Emergency Services

discussed the agenda item at great length. In the end, the students provided helpful suggestions, valuable insight and great views on each side.

Student Representatives came up with several ways to better contact citizens whose library books were overdue by means of email and phone reminders, and discussed how taxes collected throughout the City could be used to better help the Library.

The Mayor and a four-student panel representing the "Council," listened intently to the public testimony from the student council representatives who spoke fearlessly at the podium. The panel then discussed and voted after comparing and contrasting the two opposing sides. The final vote was to unanimously keep the Library fines in place since they encourage the community to be responsible with Library books

and materials that they check out, with the addition that citizens should be contacted often and reminded to return their overdue materials in a timely manner.

Great job Kermit King Student Council. Our community is lucky to have such a bright future with students who actively participate in our City Government!

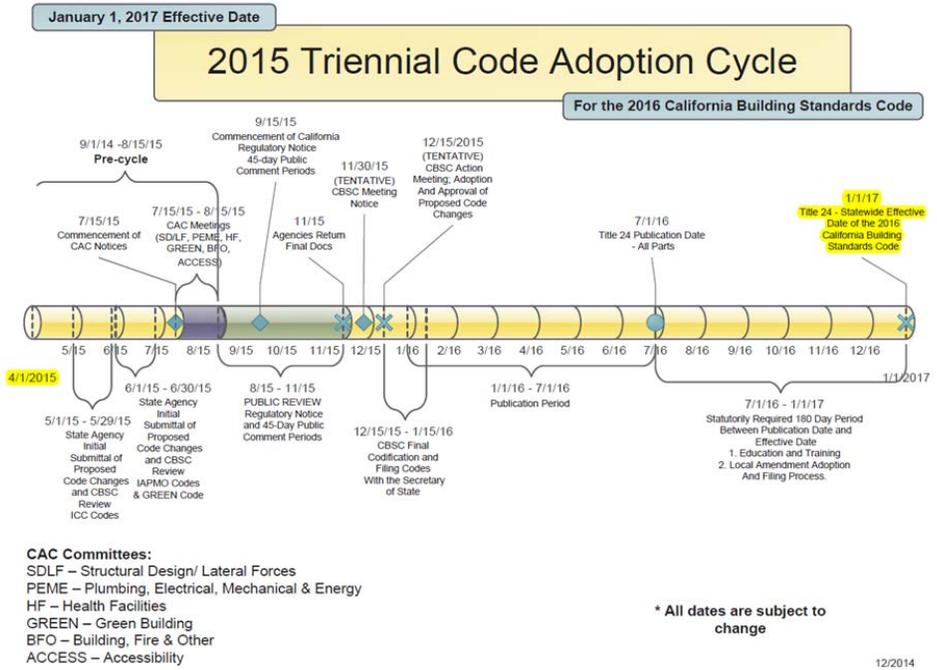


Building Liaison Committee Looking At Code Changes

On January 1, 2017, the 2016 California Building Code will go into effect. The new code is the product of a three-year code adoption cycle, during which model building codes are evaluated, modified, and adopted at the state level.

The Building Liaison Committee is working to identify upcoming major changes to the codes, where the attention of the group could help promote a smooth implementation of the state codes locally. The group has identified updates to the Energy Code as some of the significant changes.

In 2008, the State of California Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan was adopted and prescribed that new residential construction reach “zero net energy” by the year 2020. With each new code cycle, the California Energy Commission adopts more restrictive standards, intended to bring development closer to the “zero net energy” goal.



While the 2016 California Building Code will contain elevated standards for energy efficiency, they will not get us to “zero net energy.” The 2019 standards, which will be effective in January 2020, will take the final step towards “zero net energy” for newly constructed residential buildings in California.

WHAT IS ZERO NET ENERGY?

Zero net energy is a general term applied to a building with a net energy consumption of zero over a typical year. To cope with fluctuations in demand, zero energy buildings are typically envisioned as connected to the grid, exporting electricity to the grid when there is a surplus, and drawing electricity when not enough electricity is being produced.

- The amount of energy provided by on-site renewable energy sources is equal to the amount of energy used by the building.
- A ZNE building may also consider embodied energy – the quantity of energy required to manufacture and supply to the point of use, the materials utilized for its building.²⁹

State law allows for the City to adopt more restrictive building standards than those adopted by the state, with findings based on climatic, topographical or geological conditions. Historically, the City has adopted local amendments to the building code, which are codified in Title 17 of the Municipal Code.

The Building Liaison Committee is in the process of becoming familiar with changes to the state codes and reviewing the City building ordinance to identify elements that may need to be modified, added, or removed from the local building code, in conjunction with adoption of the new state code.

The Building Liaison committee consists of volunteer representatives of the local development community and Community Development Department staff, working together to provide safe buildings and exceptional service.

[Link to Title 17 of the Municipal Code](#)

Improving Our Drainage Ways - One Step At A Time...

Centennial Creek is a highly visible waterway flowing alongside a community greenbelt trail in Centennial Park. Centennial Creek primarily drains a large urban residential area and is one of many waterways that flows to the Salinas River. For years, our beautiful Centennial Creek was plagued with severe erosion and deep scouring, which led to damage to downstream property and sedimentation. In addition, the downward cutting creek erosion threatened to expose and undermine a City sewer line and manhole.

In 2014, the City partnered with the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District (RCD) to develop a project to restore a portion of Centennial Creek. The project was to achieve the following goals:

- Decrease the velocity of flow that is entering the creek from the conventional storm drain system
- Improve groundwater recharge by slowing and spreading the flow of stormwater runoff
- Restore and stabilize 400 feet of creek bank
- Improve vegetative health and density;
- Cover and protect sewer lines from erosion;
- Partially fulfill the requirements of the City’s Municipal Stormwater Permit by educating residents through restoration demonstrations and signage



The RCD applied for and received \$41,950 from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) – Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program. Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) provided \$30,000 as the basis for some of the grant. The City Council adopted a resolution to allocate \$28,000 of the Sewer Enterprise Fund to contribute towards the Centennial Creek Project on May 6, 2014. The Grant funding, in combination with funding contributions from the RCD, United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Partners for Wildlife Program, National Resources Conservation Service, and the City, allowed the project to succeed.



The RCD, City, and USFWS staff worked diligently to develop a project design that achieves the project goals as well as meets the grant criteria. The construction work began in early October 2015 to recontour, place rock structures, and hydroseed the 400-foot segment of the creek. The project took two weeks to complete and demonstrated success in the November and December storms.

As a final touch, over 20 volunteers (PG&E, RCD, City of Paso, NFWF, DFW, Paso Robles High School, and California Conservation Corps) donated their time and effort by planting 60 plants, installing educational signage, picking up trash, and participating in watershed education on May 13, 2016. The City continues to work with the RCD to restore our beautiful Centennial Creek greenbelt feature, which in turn, restores habitat, protects our City’s infrastructure, and improves our City’s drainage system for the benefit of the public.



Cal Poly Tour of 12th and 21st Streets

On May 6, 2016, Capital Projects Engineer Ditas Esperanza and Assistant Engineer Kristin O’Quest gave a tour of the 12th Street & 21st Street Projects to CalPoly students and their professor. The class is a graduate level class at CalPoly called “Sustainable Mobility,” taught by Dr. Robert Bertini.

The students toured the projects to get ideas for their class assignment: to design a street with “complete street” features; such as pedestrian and bike safety, storm water quality, and traffic calming.



Facelift for City’s Railroad Parking Lot

On Thursday and Friday, May 12 and 13, the Public Works Streets Maintenance crew worked to give the Railroad Parking Lot, at the corner of 12th and Railroad, a much needed facelift. Led by Tony Carminati, Bob Morrow, Tony Murillo and Justin Dowling crack sealed the lot, repainted all the parking stall lines, installed new handicap parking signs and repainted the light pole.

The Railroad lot is a key parking location for downtown merchants, customers and event participants.



Meet Recreation Instructor Harvey Hunt During Free Event

Paso Robles Recreation Services will be hosting a free evening event for community members to meet hypnotherapist Harvey Hunt on Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 PM at Centennial Park. A certified hypnotherapist for over 50 years, Hunt will be offering three summer sessions of his class *Improving Yourself with Hypnosis* through Recreation Services.



During the free event on Wednesday, May 25, Hunt will demonstrate the techniques of hypnosis and discuss the ways in which this natural state of selective focused attention can be used to help:

- Overcome Fears and Phobias
- Change Habits
- Battle Depression or Weight Gain
- Enhance Healing
- Boost Sports Performance
- Manage Pain

These classes are recommended for everyone ages 15 and older; especially students, anyone working in the medical field, or sales, marketing and management positions.

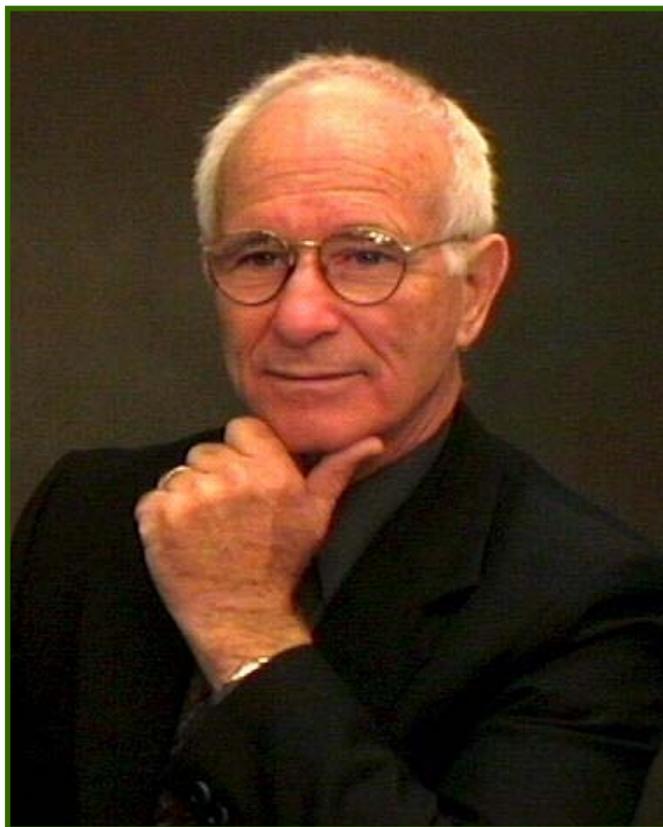
Hunt received his training by Omni Hypnosis Center and The National Guild of Hypnotists. During his years working in the field of hypnotherapy, he has helped many clients overcome personal issues, has held classes at the National Guild of Hypnotists as well as lectured to many groups on stress relief, motivation and other subjects related to the field of hypnosis.

No registration is necessary for the free event on Wednesday, May 25. For more information or to register for Hunt's three night *Improving Yourself with Hypnosis* class June 13, 14 and 15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. follow this link: https://apm.activecommunities.com/prcityrecreation/Activity_Search/16155

To learn more about this class, contact Harvey Hunt at 434-2171 or via email at Harvey@HarveyHunt.com.

Two additional opportunities to meet Harvey Hunt during a free instructor evening are scheduled for Tuesday, June 21 and Monday, July 25, both from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Improving Yourself with Hypnosis classes will also be held June 27-29 and August 3-5.



Pickleball Tournament Draws Players From Five States

Pickleball players from as far away as Hawaii, Arizona, Utah and Oregon came to Paso Robles Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15, to take part in the 3rd Annual Paso Robles Pickleball Tournament at Centennial Park. During the May 3 City Council meeting, Mayor Steve Martin declared May 9-14 as International Pickleball Week in Paso Robles. The tournament, hosted by the Paso Robles Pickleball Club in partnership with Paso Robles Recreation Services, was the grand finale to the week-long celebration. During the two-day tournament, 135 players and participants were awarded over 100 gold, silver and bronze medals in men's, women's and mixed doubles categories. The tournament was conducted in accordance with USA Pickleball Association (USAPA) rules and regulations.

Following the first day of pickleball competition, 44 players and their guests enjoyed a special tasting room dinner hosted by Calcareous Vineyard in conjunction with the tournament festivities. With seventy-five percent of the participants visiting from outside Paso Robles, many players and their families found lodging at the LaQuinta Inn, which was the official host hotel for the tournament.

Local media outlets including local NBC affiliate KSBY-TV covered the event. Click here to view KSBY's coverage of the tournament:

<http://www.ksby.com/story/31978973/pickleball-tournament-kicks-off-in-paso-robles>



Police Department Changes in the Investigations Bureau

Tony Ruiz



After completing his four-year assignment as a detective, Officer Tony Ruiz has rotated out of the Investigations Bureau back to Patrol. While assigned as a Detective on the Special Enforcement Team (SET) in 2013-14, Tony participated in investigations that resulted in:

The recovery of:

- over 320 grams of heroin
- over 580 grams of methamphetamine
- over 20 grams of cocaine
- over 1,000 grams of marijuana

The seizure of:

- over 30 firearms
- over \$23,000

While assigned as a general crimes detective from 2014-16, Tony was the lead investigator on the following notable cases:

2014:

- Burglary case with one suspect arrested and 3 assault rifles recovered
- Gang related assault with a deadly weapon case where 2 suspects were arrested
- Narcotics sales case with one arrest and 8 grams of heroin seized

2015:

- Armed robbery case with lone suspect arrested

2016:

- Narcotics sales case with one suspect arrested, recovery of 17 grams of heroin and 7 grams of methamphetamine and \$9,000 seized

Tony was an invaluable asset in the bureau, due to his dedication to service, his professionalism, and his extensive contacts throughout the community and in law enforcement circles. Thanks for all of your hard work, Tony, you will be missed!

Ricky Lehr



Rotating into Tony's 'general crimes' detective spot is Officer Ricky Lehr. Ricky transitioned to this spot from his assignment as a detective on the Special Enforcement Team (SET). Ricky has done a great job, working with fellow SET Detective Eric Azarvand, focusing on gang and narcotics issues as well as special problems. Ricky was also tasked with management of the department's 'Major Crime Registrant' program, which keeps track of persons convicted of sex crimes, arson and narcotics offenses. Ricky will maintain responsibility of this program for the time being until we get his replacement into the SET position. Ricky's experience as a SET detective will allow him to hit the ground running in his new general crimes investigations assignment, and he is already working hard with new cases.

Nick Bier-Stanberry



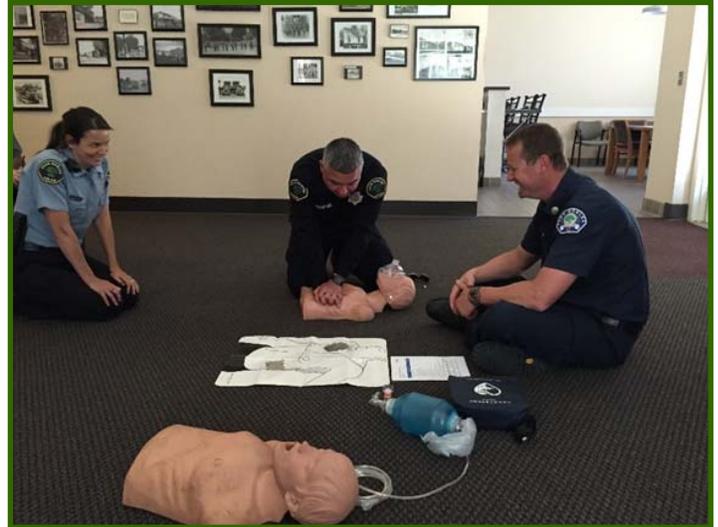
The Department is happy to announce that Ricky's replacement in the SET assignment has been selected after an internal recruitment. Officer Nick Bier-Stanberry will be moving up from patrol to the SET assignment as soon as staffing allows, and we anticipate that to occur in the fall. We look forward to good things from Nick!

EMS Week and Hands Only CPR

EMS Appreciation Week

As part of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week, the San Luis Obispo County EMS Agency recognized several individuals for their contributions in teaching High Performance CPR to numerous EMTs and Paramedics countywide.

ES Firefighter Paramedic Charles Brown was part of the instructor cadre recently recognized at the last SLO County Board of Supervisors meeting for his contribution with the ambitious plan to train every field-level provider. FF Brown also provided this valuable training to all ES staff.



Hands Only CPR

Each month, 15 people in San Luis Obispo (SLO) County die from sudden cardiac arrest; however, a new method of CPR is resulting in significant increases in survival rates. Through the support of local county health organizations, the educational movement “Save a Life SLO” was created to bring awareness of the new Hands-Only CPR method to SLO County residents and provide training to groups and individuals throughout the county.



Hands-Only CPR can be remembered by its three simple steps: call 9-1-1 immediately, begin pushing hard and fast in the center of the chest without giving breaths, and continue until help arrives. The body maintains enough oxygen to keep vital organs healthy for several minutes if circulated through proper chest compressions. By calling 9-1-1 and beginning Hands-Only CPR immediately, bystanders can significantly increase a person’s chance of survival.



To learn more about Hands-Only CPR or to schedule a training demo, please visit www.SaveALifeSLO.org.

City Council Highlights

- Scheduled June 21, 2016 as the public hearing date for renewal of the Tourism and Lodging Promotions Business Improvement District (BID). The two percent (2%) per room night assessment is collected from hotel guests and remitted monthly to the City who holds and accounts for these funds separately, and then used only for the purposes of tourism and lodging promotion efforts. The use of these marketing dollars are guided by an annually approved marketing plan and its implementation is overseen by the Travel Paso Robles Alliance (TPRA) who are an advisory committee to the City Council. Each year, a marketing report of the previous year's marketing activities is released and made available for public review. This "look back report" along with a Marketing Plan and Budget for the following year's marketing activities, are taken into consideration in the renewal process. These reports are now available for public review at City Hall, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, or on line at www.prcity.com
- Supported the City teaming up with the SLO County Flood Control District in applying for grant funding to construct sedimentation basins in and around the western portion of the City to help reduce flood hazards during severe rain storms. The construction of these basins will provide multiple benefits to the City by reducing mud and debris in the City's storm drain system, reducing the potential for flooding, reducing the potential for public and private property damage, and also to help and allow for groundwater recharge. This cooperative approach with the Flood Control District will provide an opportunity to fund the design and construction of the sediment basins with grant money, and the City would undertake long term maintenance of the basins. The Board of Supervisors are expected to provide their direction on grant application participation at their meeting of June 21, 2016.
- Approved a 119 room Marriott Residence Inn hotel project at Union Road, just west of Barney Schwartz Park. The hotel project is also located close to the intersection of Union Road and Highway 46 East, and as a result, much of the Council discussion focused on traffic generation and traffic circulation solutions at this intersection. A detailed environmental evaluation of the project was conducted and a series of conditions were applied to the project to mitigate identified project impacts to the community, including the project contributing to the future installation of an interchange by dedicating needed right of way through the project property. The project is 4-story in design and the City Council authorized an exception to the zoning code's 50 foot height limit to allow for an architecturally enhanced roof line, improving the building's overall appearance. The City Council also allowed for removal of an 11-inch oak tree, which will require the developer to plant replacement oak trees.
- Took the first formal step to invest in renovations at Larry Moore Park for the benefit of the entire community by accepting the park in the City-wide park system, effective July 1, 2016. Instead of Larry Moore Park being a neighborhood park, it will now be a community park, maintained by and programmed for youth sports activities by the City. The Council also signaled its commitment to provide funding during the upcoming budget process for necessary park renovations that will bring the park into proper condition for public use. The renovations will focus on the restrooms, playground area, and the landscape parkway along Riverbank Drive. Future opportunities for the park will include the phased construction of two lighted youth baseball/softball playing fields along with off street parking and other park amenities. Construction of those expanded amenities are not proposed at this time; a more detailed proposal with traffic analysis, design details, and funding options will return to the City Council for future consideration. The Council indicated their desire to see design features incorporated into a future project that would slow traffic speeds within the Riverbank neighborhood (traffic calming).
- Adjourned to a great series of community events and festivals that include:
 - * Wine Festival in the Downtown Park, Thursday May 19th through Sunday May 22nd
 - * Great Western Bicycle Rally at the Paso Robles Event Center, Friday May 27th through Sunday May 29th
 - * Paso Robles ARTSFEST in the Downtown Park, Saturday May 28th
 - * Paso Robles Olive Festival in Downtown Park, Saturday June 4th

There are lots of great things happening in Paso Robles!

-Meg Williamson, Assistant City Manager

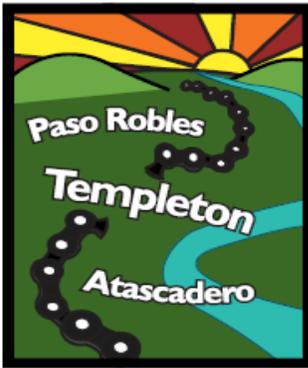
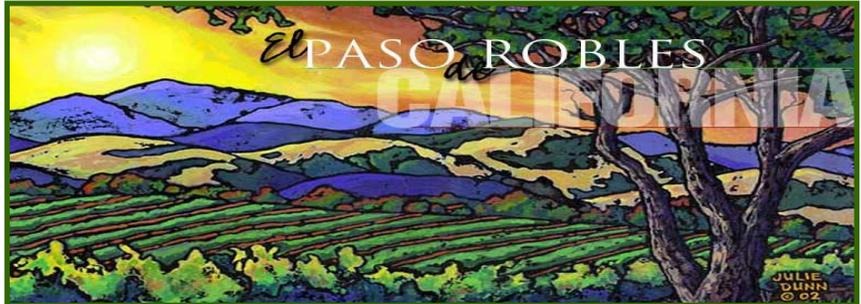


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May 22nd

10:00am - 3:00pm



Templeton Community Park

Group Rides!

Events

**FREE Bike
Event
Activites**

**Tri Tip BBQ
All Day**

Group Rides <i>See website for details</i>	10:00am	Kid's Face Painting
Live Music	12:00pm	Santa Maria Style Tri-Tip BBQ \$10.00
Kid's Bike Decoration Contest	12:00pm	<i>Advanced BBQ tickets may be purchased at Best Bike Zone or K-Man Cyclery, or at CycleDeMayo.com</i>
Kid's Mini-Bike Ride	12:30pm	
BMX Bike Stunt Show	1:00pm	

