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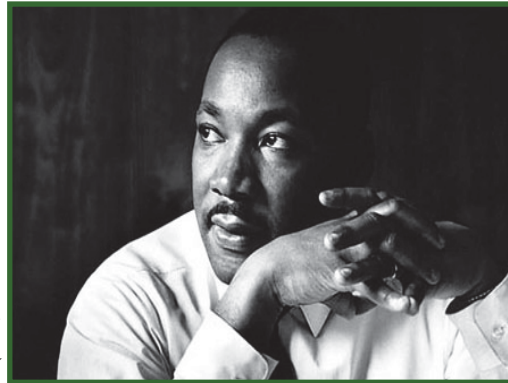
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## Martin Luther King Community Celebration

### Annual Event Celebrates Unity Among Community Members

With close to 400 participants in attendance, the City of Paso Robles hosted the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration on Saturday, January 14, with a community march and event in the Flamson Middle School auditorium that focused on the theme, *Unity Matters We Cannot Walk Alone*.

has not included a march since 2010, and event organizers were excited to include it as part of the celebration. Once at Flamson, a commu-



“This free event commemorates the birthday of a great American leader, and his lifelong journey for equality, freedom, peace and a better tomorrow,”

nity celebration featured a keynote address by Pastor Donald Wesson of the New Hope Church in Santa Maria. Paso Robles High School sophomore Haley Castillo read her winning essay entitled, ***It is Time to Make a Change*** and the Paso Robles Youth Arts Foundation presented a dramatic skit entitled, “The Mask We Wear.” Artwork created by local elementary school students following the theme of the event

was on display with the winning entries printed on event buttons.

Event Sponsors include the Paso Robles REC Foundation, Paso Robles Unified School District, the City of Paso Robles, Coast Hill Federal Credit Union, the Second Baptist Church of Paso Robles and the Optimist Club.

The purpose of the Martin Luther King, Jr. committee is to promote remembrance and to celebrate the life and message of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The committee strives to educate, empower and strengthen the community and create, among people of all ages, background and abilities, a heartfelt desire to move closer to Dr. King’s vision of a unified community.

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said event organizer Sharon Williams of the celebration that has been celebrated for over 30 years. “King’s work and message inspired a generation and will continue to inspire a nation with celebrations like ours that begin on a community level.” The march to Flamson Middle School was led by the Paso Robles High School jazz band and attracted a crowd of over 130 people. The event

## Martin Luther King Community Celebration - Continued



### 2017 Winners of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Art Contest

Winners were awarded a medal and all participants received a letter of recognition from the State Assembly Office from Field Representative Stephen Heter.

#### Thought Provoking Entry

First Place : Tala Ashton, Georgia Brown  
 Second Place: Chloe Railsback, Georgia Brown  
 Third Place: Jayden Ruiz, Kermit King

#### Creative Entry

First Place : Rylinn MacDonald, Winifred Pifer  
 Second Place: Kalani Gaviola, Kermit King  
 Third Place: MacKenzie Ruppe, Almond Acres

#### Relevant to the Theme Entry

First Place: Josselyn Ruiz, Bauer Speck  
 Second Place: Sofia Cortes, Winifred Pifer  
 Third Place: Angelina Bogdon, Kermit King

#### Honorable Mention Entries

Nataly Fuentes, Virginia Peterson  
 Serenity Wulfing, Georgia Brown  
 Tiffani Santoro, Pat Butler  
 Vanessa Verduzco, Winifred Pifer



### 2017 Winners of the Martin Luther King, Jr. High School Essay Contest

The top 11 essay finalist are listed below with the top three receiving a monetary award and trophy.

#### Award Winners

First Place: Haley Castillo  
 Second Place: Emily Eras  
 Third Place: Kara Bullard

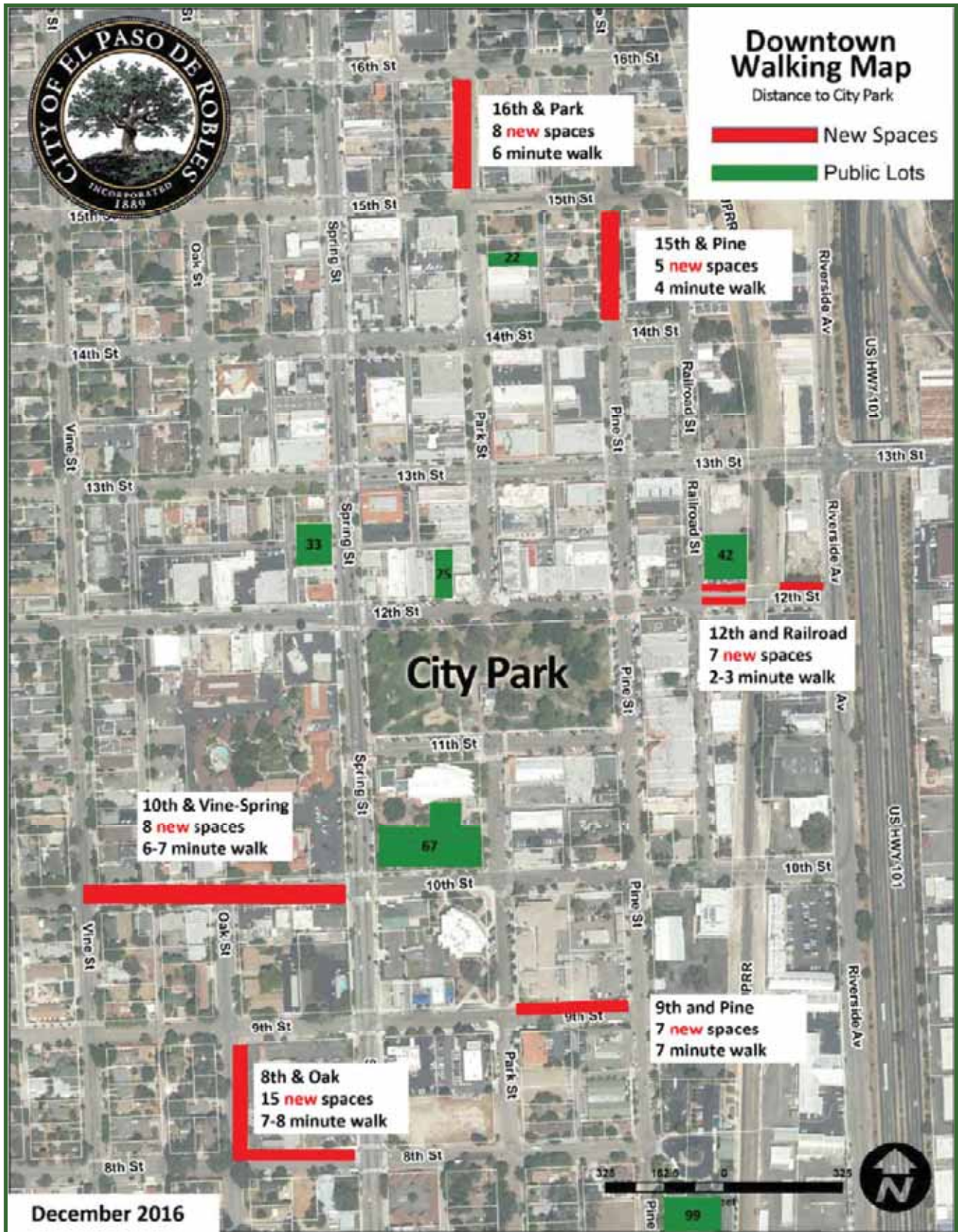
#### Top Finalist

Blakelee Adams	Damaris Hernandez
Kara Boatwright	Hannah Hocker
Samantha Cabreja	Seth Matthyse
Elaine Davis	Elizabeth Salvia





# City Adds Parking Spaces Downtown





## New Site Furnishings for Neighborhood Parks

Three City Parks – Oak Creek Park, Royal Oak Meadows and Turtle Creek Park – all benefitted from new and rehabilitated site furnishings in December 2016.

A Council-approved allocation allowed Parks maintenance staff, led by Nate Wyatt, to replace long-missing picnic tables and barbeques. Benches were rehabbed with new seating boards and paint. Pedro Sanchez, Lynelle Ramos, Lucas Abarca and James Taylor installed a total of 12 picnic tables, 3 barbeques and 7 benches.

Neighborhood residents reacted positively to the work and were seen using the tables before the project was complete - and it looks great, too!



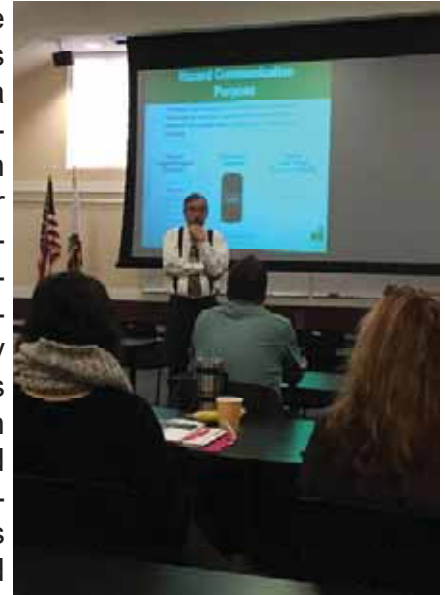
## Human Resource Trainings

### Liebert Cassidy Whitmore Training

On January 18, the Human Resources Division hosted two Liebert Cassidy Whitmore workshops for the Central Coast Employment Relations Consortium, which includes member agencies from throughout the County. The morning workshop, Risk Management Skills for the Front Line Supervisor, addressed practical steps supervisors and managers can take to reduce the risk of agency liability and to place the agency in a position to defend itself against challenges. The 63 attendees learned how to handle employee grievances, how to respond to harassment, discrimination and retaliation claims, and steps to avoid unfair labor practice charges. The afternoon workshop session, Case Study for Managing Illnesses or Injuries, was presented to 46 attendees. Through the use of hypothetical cases, the workshop taught participants how to identify which leave laws apply in each case, how to initiate and engage in the interactive accommodation process, and how to identify overlapping issues between leave laws and the workers' compensation system.

### CJPIA Training

On January 12, the Human Resources division organized a Hazard Communication training through the California JPIA for 16 of the City's employees. The workshop taught employees how to identify potential hazardous substances to which they may be exposed in the workplace. Additionally, participants learned how to read and interpret material safety data sheets (SDS), how to recognize primary and secondary storage labels, spill or leak procedures, personal protective equipment (PPE), and acute and chronic health hazards.



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## Beware! Water Customer Scam

It has recently come to our attention that, without the City's knowledge or consent, several third-party entities have set up bill payment sites accepting online payments for City of Paso Robles Water Customers. The City of Paso Robles does not endorse or recommend any third-party bill payment companies. Customers should use the City's secure payment website at <https://water.prcity.com>, or their own bank's website, to pay their water bill online.

Please be advised of the potential risk that some third-party bill payment sites may be fraudulent; they may not transfer payments on time or at all, and/or they may use the financial information you provide to your detriment. Please do not hesitate to contact the City's Utility Services Department at 805-237-3996 if you have any questions.



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**NOTICE**

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# After School Classes



## Tie Dye Mania

Make two shirts and a pillowcase using spiral, accordion, starburst and cluster techniques. A colorful snack will be served. Ages 8+ (Adults may attend free of charge with their child.)

\$27 + \$12 materials fee.

Monday, January 23 • 3:30-5:30 PM Centennial Park/Live Oak Room.

## Gotta Catch Them All!

### *An Introduction to How to Play the Pokemon® Cardgame*

Join us as we teach you how to build a deck, the rules of the game and how to battle. We will have decks pre-made for use during the workshop. If you'd like to bring your own cards, the last 15 minutes of the workshop will be reserved for trading. A Pokemon® themed snack will be served. Ages 8+ (Adults may attend free of charge with their child.) \$27

Friday, February 3 • 3:30-6:30 PM Centennial Park/White Oak Room.



## Duct Tape Accessories

Join us as we use duct tape to create pens, bows (or bowties), wallets and purses. These make great presents or additions to your wardrobe. A fashionable snack will be served. Ages 8+ (Adults may attend free of charge with their child.) \$27 + \$12 materials fee.

Thursday, March 16 • 3:30-6 PM Centennial Park/White Oak Room.

## Balloon Twisting Fun

Have you ever wondered how to create those cool balloon animals, hats and figures you see? Join us to learn how to do basic balloon twists to get you started. Participants will leave knowing how to make a sword, dog, flower, octopus and wand. Great class for teens looking to make extra money at birthday parties and special events. A fun snack will be served. Ages 8+ (Adults may attend free of charge with their child). \$27 + \$8 materials fee. Friday, March 31 • 3:30-5:30 PM Centennial Park/ White Oak Room.



Register at [www.prcity.com/recreationonline](http://www.prcity.com/recreationonline) or in person at Centennial Park, 600 Nickerson Drive Monday through Friday noon - 5 PM. Call Recreation Services at 237-3988 for more information.

**Sponsored by Paso Robles Recreation Services**

## 2017 Listening Sessions

# Senior Friendly Communities

**PUBLIC NOTICE:**  
Your Ideas Needed

### Community input is sought to create "Senior Friendly" communities

and ensure that limited federal monies are meeting the priorities of senior citizens and caregivers through the work of the Area Agency on Aging.

*Here's your opportunity to attend and share your ideas and comments!*

It is important that we hear from senior citizens and other interested persons about the priorities as we attempt to have a 'senior friendly' community. These are difficult times and we need to be sure we are on the right track.

Annually the Area Agency on Aging prepares a Draft Area Plan which presents proposed allocation of monies by the Area Agency on Aging to address the needs of senior citizens in greatest social and economic need in the two county region. This year it is important to look at our funding priorities and ensure they lead us to a senior friendly community.

Public comment on the Draft Area Plan can be provided at either a public hearing or in writing to the Area Agency on Aging office by January 31, 2017. Copies of the Draft Area Plan will be available at the local libraries and the Area Agency on Aging office by January 9, 2017. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearings. Persons needing accommodation must contact the Area Agency on Aging by January 9, 2017.

### 2017 Dates

#### Wednesday, January 18

beginning at 10 a.m. at the Ludwick Center

864 Santa Rosa Street

**SAN LUIS OBISPO**

#### Tuesday, January 24

beginning at 2 p.m. at the Senior Center

270 Scott Street

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# Library Celebrates 100-Book Donation



*Those attending the ribbon cutting were given first pick of the titles to check out. .*

The public was invited to a celebratory ribbon cutting in the Library on Friday, January 20, in recognition of this year's *Giving Tree* success. Thanks to the efforts of the Paso Robles Library Foundation, 100 new books were purchased, making this year's *Giving Tree* campaign the most successful ever.

The *Giving Tree* is an opportunity for



*Foundation member Sally Martinus and library volunteer Jean Hayward enjoy our freshly decorated Giving Tree.*

community members to choose a title from the library's wish list and purchase it for the library's book collection. If desired, the new title can be dedicated to a loved

one with a book plate on the inside cover before being made available to the public.

This year's *Giving Tree* featured fiction and non-fiction bestsellers and award winners for children, teens, and adults.

"It is so gratifying to be able to contribute these terrific new books to our library's collection. We really appreciate the community's support for our *Giving Tree* this year," enthused Jan York, Foundation President.

The Paso Robles Library Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the library's commitment to excellence in library service. Over the years, through contributions large and small, the Foundation has made possible the creation of new collections, expansion of many of your favorite library programs and activities, and modernization of furnishings throughout the library.



*One young community member making her choice.*

So check it out—with so many new titles, there is truly something for everyone's reading tastes.





## Police Department Employee Recognition

At the City Council meeting on December 20, Chief Robert Burton recognized three PRPD detectives and a department volunteer for their work on a series of armed robberies.

During the period of September 12 through November 22, 2016, seven businesses in the City of Paso Robles were the victims of armed robberies. In addition, there were several other similar robberies throughout the county during this same time frame.

Patrol officers handled the initial investigations on all of these incidents, and then detectives from the Investigations Bureau assumed responsibility for the follow-up work. These investigations were very time consuming and involved all members of the bureau collaborating within their work group and with outside law enforcement partners. Due to these collaborative efforts and information from the community, detectives were able to positively identify the four suspects responsible for three of the robberies in our jurisdiction. Detectives were then able to ensure two of those suspects were safely taken into custody to face prosecution for their crimes, and the other two suspects, already in jail on unrelated crimes, had charges filed against them by the District Attorney's Office based on our investigations.



Detective Azarvand, Detective McGuire, Chief Burton, and Detective Lehr (Volunteer John Taylor not pictured)

Detectives McGuire, Lehr and Azarvand, along with volunteer John Taylor, all went above and beyond in conducting these demanding investigations. The successful outcome of these investigations would not have been possible without their diligent and painstaking efforts. Their dedication to duty, tenacity, and spirit of teamwork are in keeping with the finest law enforcement traditions and reflects great credit upon each of them individually, their work group, and the entire Paso Robles Police Department.

## Dispatcher Lori Morgan Retires

Lori was born and raised in Paso Robles and graduated from Paso Robles High School. After graduating High School, Lori worked various office jobs and volunteered for different agencies. One fateful day Lori was told that she should be a 9-1-1 Dispatcher. Lori took the suggestion to heart, took two weeks' vacation and put herself through the dispatcher academy. Only wanting to work for an agency in her home town of



Paso Robles, Lori waited for an opening at Paso Robles PD. It didn't take long for Police Chief John Nelson to hire Lori as a Public Safety Dispatcher. Four Chiefs and 22+ years later, the rest is now history.

On Thursday, December 29, 2016, Dispatcher Lori Morgan signed off police and fire radios for the last time. She takes with her not only years of knowledge and history, but a bright smile and witty sense of humor. She will be missed and we thank her for keeping our City, Police Officers and Emergency Services Personnel safe all these years.

## City Council Highlights - January 17, 2017

**Barney Schwartz Park Playground** – Endorsed the design of new playground equipment to be installed at the lower portion of Barney Schwartz Park (BSP), replacing well-used 15-year old equipment. The project is being funded through the REC Foundation's Dale Schwartz Memorial Endowment Fund, adding to a long list of other projects at BSP that the non-profit has previously funded (e.g. BBQ pavilion, shade structures, trail mile markers, lighting maintenance, and parking lot paving).

**9-1-1 Radios** – Authorized entering into an agreement with an independent firm who specializes in public safety communication systems to conduct a needs assessment and replacement plan for the City's aging 9-1-1 system. The goal is to replace the current system prior to April, 2018.

**Tennis Court Repairs** – Approved a contract to repair and resurface eight public tennis courts (four at Centennial Park and four at Sherwood Park) with funds budgeted in this fiscal year.

**ADA Transition Plan Update** – Authorized conducting self-evaluations and inspections, and developing updates to the City's ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Transition Plan to identify appropriate levels of accessibility compliance for City facilities, parks, sidewalks, programs, services, and activities. The City will be working with an expert firm, Disability Access Consultants, to perform this work.

**Drainage Way Maintenance** – Authorized a contract with the California Conservation Corps for annual maintenance of the City's drainage ways system (river, creeks, ditches, basins) to minimize potential flood risks to properties and infrastructure. Maintenance activities will involve a combination of hand tools and small equipment, mainly in the dry season.

**Parking Agreement Amendment – Affordable Housing** – Approved an amendment to a 1975 parking agreement that will enable the continued successful operation of a 44-unit low-income senior and non-elderly disabled persons housing facility near the downtown. The agreement allows the continuation of a parking reduction for the property to assure the retention of affordable housing units in the community.

**Destino Paso Resort Hotel** – Approved amendments to a 291-room hotel project previously approved in 2009. The 291-rooms have been reconfigured into four main building footprints across the Airport Road property. Hotel amenities will include restaurant, bar/lounge, ballroom and outdoor patio areas. Traffic mitigation for the project will include payment of Traffic Impact fees that will help towards future construction of a planned "parallel route" of access between Airport Road and Union/Golden Hill Roads to reduce impacts to the Airport Road/HWY 46E intersection.

**Formation of Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)** – Took the first steps towards compliance with the state's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) which requires local management of groundwater resources through the formation of Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs). The boundaries of the newly formed GSA is coterminous with the City limits where it overlies the Paso Robles Sub-basin. Portions of the southern end of the City are excluded that overlie the Atascadero Sub-basin as designated by the Department of Water Resources. The City intends that this GSA will work cooperatively with other GSAs to prepare and implement a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) by the year 2020 as required by SGMA.

**Impact Fee Reduction – Second Units** – Adopted policies that will eliminate sewer and water connection fees for secondary residential units per recently enacted state law. Consistent with the recommendation of the Housing Constraints and Opportunities Committee, the Council aligned the waiver of water and sewer connection fees with secondary unit types and definitions contained within the City's Uptown/Town Centre Specific Plan and for second units in all residential zones.

**Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)** – Received and filed the CAFR for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. The CAFR represents the independently audited year end results for FY 2015-16 and is prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures (GASB). For the financial details, the full document can be located on the City's Administrative Services Department's Webpage and at this link:  
<http://www.prcity.com/government/departments/adminservices/pdf/cafr/CAFR-2016.pdf>

**Estrella Correctional Facility Re-Use Report** – Received a status report for the potential strategic reuse of the Estrella Correctional Facility (aka "Boys School") located on Airport Road. Multiple public agencies and non-profit organizations have indicated an interest in their partial use and repurposing of facilities on the 155-acre site. The types of reuse of the site thus far noted are: CalFire Facility, Commercial Development, Educational & Sports Facilities, Ethanol Production Plant, Farmworker Housing, Homelessness Services Facility, Local Workforce and Low-income Housing, Maintenance Facility and Solar Power Installation. The City Council authorized City staff resources to continue exploring site re-use options and to evaluate the level of interest by the State to surplus the property.





MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
16 <b>City Offices and Library Closed</b>	17 <b>6:30pm City Council Meeting</b>	18	19 <b>6:30pm Airport Commission Meeting</b>	20 <b>7:00am City Council/ Planning Commission Breakfast</b>
23	24 <b>6:30pm Planning Commission</b>	25 <b>6:00pm Planning Commission/ Housing Authority Interviews</b>	26 <b>6:00pm Planning Commission/ Housing Authority Interviews</b>	27
30	31 <b>6:30pm Short-Term Rental Task Force</b>	1	2	3 <b>Paso Robles Hosts Mayors Meeting</b>  <b>Mid-State Fair Board of Directors Dinner</b>
6 <b>6:30pm City Council Meeting</b>	7	8	9	10
13	14 <b>6:30pm Planning Commission</b>	15	16	17 <b>7:00am City Council/ Planning Commission Breakfast</b>

**Weekend and Upcoming Activities:**

**January 21 - Women's March (SLO)**

**January 24 - TPRA Community Partnership Annual Mixer**

**February 11 - Paso Robles Chamber of Commerce Annual Gala**

**February 20 - City Offices Closed for Presidents' Day**



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**[www.travelpaso.com](http://www.travelpaso.com)**  
**for more information**  
**about weekend events.**

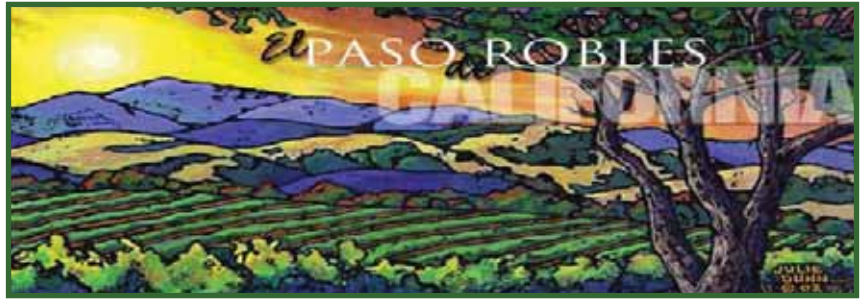


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January 19, 2017

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### **Public Notice**

## **City Council Workshop**

## **Review of Draft Short-Term Rental Ordinance**

The Paso Robles City Council has requested options for managing Short-Term Rentals (also referred to as "vacation rentals") within the City.

As part of this process, the Paso Robles City Council authorized the City Manager to appoint a citizens' Short-Term Rental Task Force to examine the issue of short-term rentals. The Task Force consisted of seven (7) members, representing all sides of the Short-Term Rental issue and was responsible for developing a comprehensive recommendation for Council's consideration.

The Short-Term Rental Task Force's recommended draft ordinance will be presented at the workshop with public comment and City Council discussion. The City Council will not take any formal action on the Draft Ordinance but may refer it to staff, the Short-Term Rental Task Force or Planning Commission for additional review.

**Draft Short-Term Rental Ordinance Workshop**  
**Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Chamber**  
**1000 Spring Street**  
**Paso Robles, California**

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this Workshop and will be given an opportunity to speak. Copies of the draft Short-Term Rental Ordinance will be available on the City's website at [www.prcity.com](http://www.prcity.com).

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