



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Monday, August 21, 2023 at 5:00 PM

94 N. Washington Street, Sonora, CA 95370

(209) 532-4541

AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sonora City Council will have their regular meeting on Monday, August 21, 2023, at 5:00 PM in the City of Sonora Council Chambers located at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370.

THIS MEETING IS PHYSICALLY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING AT:

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81193397821?pwd=UGdrRTcyaFFac3o0b2JQK2FmMTRyUT09>

Dial: (669) 444-9171

Meeting ID: 811 9339 7821

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE COMMENTS.

THIS MEETING WILL BE LIVE STREAMED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT www.sonoraca.com.

Written comments can be submitted to be included as part of the administrative record; they will not be read during the meeting. All comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the day of the noticed meeting and can be submitted to the City Clerk at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370, or via email to tskelly@sonoraca.com.

CLOSED SESSION - 4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation - Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section § 54956.9: One (1) Potential Case; Doug White, City Attorney, Melissa Eads, City Administrator.

2. Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code §54957); Consultation with: Aimee New, Fire Chief; Melissa Eads, City Administrator.
3. Conference with Real Property Negotiations, Government Code Section § 54956.8
Property: 136 Columbia Way, Sonora, CA, Tuolumne County 95370 Agency Negotiators: Doug White, City Attorney, Melissa Eads, City Administrator.
4. Conference with Real Property Negotiations, Government Code Section § 54956.8
Property: 326 N. Washington Street, Sonora, CA, Tuolumne County 95370 Agency Negotiators: Doug White, City Attorney, Melissa Eads, City Administrator.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

OPEN SESSION - 5:00 PM

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

CITY CLERK'S REPORT ON AGENDA POSTING

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

*The public may address the Council on any item of public interest not otherwise on the agenda that is within the jurisdiction of the City. No action may be taken. Matters to be addressed may be referred to City Staff or placed on a subsequent meeting Agenda. Speakers are limited to a three (3) minute presentation. If participating via Zoom, please raise your hand using the Raise Your Hand feature or dial *9 (*6 to unmute).*

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be voted on in one motion unless a Council member or member of the public has a question or wishes to discuss an item. In that case, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

5. Consider approval of disbursements in the amount of \$184,334.87 for payroll, including employee salaries, employer and employee taxes, retirement contributions, miscellaneous voluntary employee deductions, holiday pay, and other adjustments, including retro-pay; Tracy Skelly, Administrative Services Officer.
6. Waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 892 - Chapter 15.28, Signs, Amendment; Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director.
7. Waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 893, Amending Title 2, Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.16 Salaries, and adds Section 2.16.100 to 2.16.102 City Council Compensation; Chris Gorsky, Administrative Services Director.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Consider approval of the 40th Annual Historic Downtown Sonora Christmas Parade on Friday, November 24th at 6:00 p.m. sharp.

Consider adoption of Resolution No. 08-21-2023-A, authorizing the closure of State Route 49 (Washington Street and Stockton Road), along with certain other City Streets, and designating "No Parking" locations for the 2023 Christmas Parade and for the Trolley stop.

Request the Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem represent the City in the Christmas Parade.

Release the three-hour parking restrictions from Monday, November 13, 2023, through Tuesday, January 2, 2023, within the downtown corridor, which includes all streets within Zone A; this does not apply to trailer parking. Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director.

9. Consider adoption of Resolution No. 08-21-2023-B approving the reallocation of CDBG Program Income funding for the activities included under CDBG Grant Agreement #22-CDBG-PI-00009; Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director.

MONTHLY REPORTS

10. Receive the Sonora Administrative Services Department monthly report for June 2023; Christopher Gorsky, Administrative Services Director
11. Receive the Sonora Community Development Department Report for July 2023; Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director.
12. Receive the Sonora Fire Department monthly report for July 2023; Aimee New, Fire Chief.
13. Receive the Sonora Police Department monthly report for July 2023; Turu VanderWiel, Police Chief.
14. Receive the Sonora Public Works Department monthly report for July 2023; Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director, Michael Lagomarsino, Public Works Supervisor.

COMMUNICATIONS

15. Tuolumne Fire Safe Council Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update Flyer.
16. Email and Pictures to Tuolumne County regarding Homelessness Crisis.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Administrator at City Hall (209) 532-4541, meads@sonoraca.com. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting (28 CFR 35.102-35.104 ADA Title II).

Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the City Council after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Administrator's Office at 94 N. Washington Street, Sonora, CA 95370 during normal business hours (8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays). The agenda and supporting public documents are also available on our City website www.sonoraca.com listed under the agenda/minutes link on the Government page.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023
TO: City Council Members
FROM: Tracy Skelly, Administrative Services Officer
SUBJECT: Disbursements in the amount of \$184,334.87 for payroll

RECOMMENDATION

Consider approval of disbursements in the amount of \$184,334.87 for payroll, including employee salaries, employer and employee taxes, retirement contributions, miscellaneous voluntary employee deductions, holiday pay, and other adjustments, including retro-pay.

DISCUSSION

This payroll was the first (1st) payroll of the month, which was an expected amount.

This payroll is the 3rd payroll of 26 for FY23-24, we would have expected to expend 11.53% of the budgeted amount. In total, we have expended 9.58% of the Salaries and Wages for the FY 23-24 budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

Disbursements are part of the approved FY23-24 Budget.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Ordinance 892 – Chapter 15.28, Signs, Amendment

RECOMMENDATION

Waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 892.

DISCUSSION

This is the second reading of Ordinance No. 892, an ordinance which amends the Sonora Municipal Code as follows:

Amending Section 15.28.04, Exemptions, of Title 15, Buildings and Construction.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

ORDINANCE NO. 892

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA AMENDING SECTION 15.28.04, EXEMPTIONS, OF TITLE 15, BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION, OF THE SONORA MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, the purpose of Chapter 15.28, Signs, is to establish procedures for regulating signs including type, size, location, and construction standards; and

WHEREAS, signs should serve primarily to identify the general nature of an establishment or to direct attention to a project, activity, place, person, organization or enterprise; and

WHEREAS, the existing sign exemptions in Section 15.28.040, Exemptions, does not allow temporary non-commercial signs on public property; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the proposed ordinance amendment is to provide for erecting temporary non-commercial signs on City public property during local, state, or federal election cycles.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF SONORA CITY COUNCIL DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 15, SIGNS.

1. Section 15.28.04, Exemptions, of Title 15, Signs, of the Sonora Municipal Code shall be amended to include the following text in alphabetical order:

15.28.040 Exemptions

The following signs may be erected without obtaining a sign permit:

1. Temporary Signs, as follows:
 1. Christmas Tree Sales and Similar Uses. Temporary A-frame and I-frame signs may be used. Total number of signs per street frontage shall be one sign, not to exceed twelve square feet (12 sq. ft.) in area or six feet (6') in height.
 2. Grand opening signs, including banners, pennants, and streamers, are allowed temporarily for a period no longer than thirty calendar days (30-days) from the conclusion of the event. Grand opening signs as defined in Section 15.28.120 (C) of this chapter, shall not exceed fifteen square feet (15 sq. ft.) within the Historic Area and thirty square feet (30 sq. ft.) in area outside of the Historic Area.
2. Real estate signs not exceeding sixteen square feet (16 sq. ft.) in area and having a vertical dimension of not more than four feet (4') pertaining to the sale, lease, or rental of the property, as follows;

1. Not more than one (1) such sign shall be allowed upon each 100 feet (100') of street frontage in the Agricultural/Residential Zone (AR), Residential Estates Zone (RE), and Commercial Zone (C) districts;
2. Not more than one (1) such sign shall be allowed no matter the size of the parcel when located in any Single-Family Residential Zone (R-1), Limited Multifamily Residential Zone (R-2), and Multifamily Residential Zone (R-3);
3. Signs advertising the sale of lots within a subdivision shall be permitted on the subdivision property for a period of twenty-four (24) months from the date of beginning construction; provided, that when seventy-five percent (75%) of the lots in the subdivision have been built, all such signs shall be removed within thirty calendar days (30-days).
3. Signs for the purpose of directing traffic to a residential property for sale, not including new subdivisions, shall have an area on any face not greater than three square feet (3 sq. ft.) and limited to two (2) signs to any property and displayed only during the hours between eight a.m. and five p.m. (8:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.).
4. Street number and/or name signs not exceeding two square feet (2 sq. ft.) per sign for single-family or duplex structures and three-square feet (3 sq. ft.) per sign for all other uses. One (1) sign per street frontage and private parking lot shall be allowed.
5. Signs not exceeding twelve square feet (12 sq. ft.) in area and five feet (5 ft) in height, when placed upon work and during construction; provided, that not more than one (1) such sign shall be erected on the site. Such signs shall be erected for not longer than six months (6-months) and shall be removed thirty calendar days (30-days) after obtaining an occupancy permit for the structure.
6. Signs used exclusively for the posting or display of official notices by a public agency or official, or by a person giving legal notice.
7. Signs erected or maintained by a public agency or official or required by law to be displayed by a public utility for directional, warning, or information purposes.
8. Garage/yard sales signs, maximum of two (2) signs per property not exceeding three square feet (3 sq. ft.) in area, each posted consistent with Section 15.28.050(B). All signs are required to be removed immediately after the completion of the sale or end of day, whichever is first.
9. Signs bearing no advertising message and located on the site may be temporarily erected when necessary to facilitate circulation within the site or facilitate egress and ingress during a permitted special event or occasion.
10. Flags of any nation, political subdivision, or fraternal or religious organization, provided the pole height does not exceed twenty-four feet (24'), does not interfere with any overhead utility lines, and the vertical height of the flag is not more than one-fourth (1/4) the height of the pole. A sign application may be submitted for a flagpole higher than twenty-four feet (24') or a flag which exceeds one-fourth (1/4) the height of the pole where the applicant can show that the proposed flag and/or pole is consistent with the intent and purpose of this chapter.
11. Temporary signs and display posters in connection with an event may be displayed on the interior of a window with occupant or owner's permission. Such posters shall be removed within ten calendar days (10 days) after the conclusion of the event and no larger than eleven inches by seventeen inches (11" x 17") and cumulatively cover no more than fifty percent (50%) (twenty five percent (25%) in Historic Area) of total window area.

12. The removal and replacement of only the sign copy without increasing the area of conforming signs. The sign container, including the structural and electrical connections, shall remain unchanged.
13. Holiday greetings, decorations and displays, excluding advertising signs disguised as seasonal decorations.
14. Noncommercial signs, subject to the following:
 1. Signs shall be attached to a support structure.
 2. Signs shall not be located in any areas set forth in Section 15.28.050(J) of this Chapter, except as provided for in item 8 below.
 3. The placement of signs on private property without the owners' permission is prohibited.
 4. Temporary noncommercial signs also comply with applicable Department of Transportation requirements.
 5. General Commercial Zone (CG), C, and Limited Manufacturing Zone (ML) districts. Not to exceed sixteen square feet (16 sq. ft.) in area, six feet (6') in height, and no more than one (1) sign every one hundred lineal feet (100 LF) of property frontage.
 6. Tourist and Administrative Zone (CO) and R zone districts (R-1, R-2, R-3). Up to two (2) signs, each sign not exceeding three square feet (3 sq. ft.) in area and four feet (4') in height.
 7. AR and RE zone district. Not more than one (1) sign not to exceed six square feet (6 sq. ft.) in area and six feet (6') in height.
 8. Temporary non-commercial signs may be erected within a City of Sonora right-of-way or landscape areas, in compliance with Section 15.28.05(M), thirty (30) days before any local, state, or federal election and shall be removed within ten (10) days after said local, state, or federal election. Temporary non-commercial signs during this period shall be freestanding attached to a temporary support structure, and not affixed to any City structure, and shall not exceed 24" x 18" in size.
15. Window Signs, up to fifty percent (50%) (twenty five percent (25%) in Historic Area) of the cumulative area of all windows may be covered by window signs or graphics.
16. A-frame Signs during business hours. Subject to the following:
 1. Maximum dimensions and area: three feet (3') wide and four feet (4') in height, maximum twelve square feet (12 sq. ft.).
 2. Number per business: one (1).
 3. Location. May be placed in front of the business if conflicts with vehicle safety are not caused and compliance with the American with Disabilities Act is maintained.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 3. PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from and after its final passage and adoption, provided it is published in

a newspaper of general circulation at least within fifteen (15) days after its passage or a summary of the Ordinance is published in a newspaper of general circulation at least five (5) days prior to adoption and again at least within fifteen (15) days after its passage.

SECTION 4. CERTIFICATION OF COUNCIL ADOPTION AND APPROVAL. This Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 7th of August, 2023, and passed and adopted as Ordinance No. 892 at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 21st of August, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT OR ABSTAIN: _____

Mark Plummer, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Tracy Skelly, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Douglas L. White, City Attorney

Publish: The Union Democrat, Sonora
_____, 2023



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Chris Gorsky, Administrative Services Director

SUBJECT: Ordinance 893 City Council Compensation

RECOMMENDATION

Waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 893.

BACKGROUND:

This is the second reading of Ordinance No. 893, an ordinance which amends the Sonora Municipal Code as follows:

Amending Title 2, Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.16 Salaries, and adds Section 2.16.100 to 2.16.102 City Council Compensation.

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no impact to the General Fund in Fiscal Year 2023-24. The increase will be effective for all council members after the beginning of a new term in office for any council member, which will be on or after July 1, 2024. The total impact for future fiscal years will be an annual increase in City Council Compensation from the current annual amount of \$7,800 to \$13,650, or an annual change of \$5,850.

ATTACHMENTS

- **Ordinance 893 City Council Compensation**

**THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SONORA**

ORDINANCE NO. 893

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA, CALIFORNIA,
TO BE PLACED IN TITLE 2 ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 2.16
SALARIES, ADDING SECTION 2.16.100 TO SECTION 2.16.102, CITY COUNCIL
COMPENSATION, OF THE SONORA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH CITY
COUNCIL COMPENSATION AT TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY
CENTS (\$262.50) PER MONTH FOR THE MAYOR AND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTEEN
DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS (\$218.75) PER MONTH FOR
COUNCILMEMBERS.**

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 36516 provides for enactment of an ordinance and amendment's thereto setting a salary for each Member of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 36516 provides that cities may increase the salary of councilmembers five percent for each calendar year from the date of the last adjustment; and

WHEREAS, SB 329 amends Government Code section 36516 to increase the maximum amount of salaries identified in the schedule. For cities up to and including 35,000 in population, the salary for each council member has been increased from \$300 per month to up to \$950 per month; and

WHEREAS, At the last census the City of Sonora had a population of 5,067 allowing for a maximum council member salary of \$950 per month; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 36516.5 allows for an increase in compensation for the entirety of the Council "whenever one or more members of the city council becomes eligible for a salary increase by virtue of the council member beginning a new term of office." The new term of office for newly elected council members (after the March 2024 election) will begin on July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, based upon the allowable annual percentage increases authorized by State law, the City Council is desirous of adding Section 16.100 to Section 16.102, City Council Compensation, to Title 2, Administration and Personnel, to provide that compensation for City Council Members shall be two hundred sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$262.50) per month for the Mayor and two hundred eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$218.75) per month for all other Councilmembers effective once a new term

of office for a newly elected council member begins, on or after July 1, 2024, in accordance with Government Code Section 36516; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF SONORA CITY COUNCIL DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Chapter 2 Title 16, ADDING. Section 16.100, City Council Compensation, of the City of Sonora Municipal Code shall read as follows:

Section 16.100 The compensation for the Mayor of the City of Sonora shall be two hundred sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$262.50) per month and the compensation for all other City Council Members shall be two hundred eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$218.75) per month.

Section 16.101 Any City Council compensation increase requires an updated ordinance to be considered in an open session of at least two regular meetings.

Section 16.102 The increase will be effective for all council members after the beginning of a new term in office for any council member, which will be on or after July 1, 2024.

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT OR ABSTAIN: _____

Mark Plummer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy Skelly, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Douglas L. White, City Attorney

Publish: The Union Democrat, Sonora
_____, 2023



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: 40th Annual Historic Downtown Sonora Christmas Parade

RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve holding the 40th Annual Historic Downtown Sonora Christmas Parade on Friday, November 24th at 6:00 p.m. sharp
2. Adopt Resolution Number 8-21-2023-A, authorizing the closure of State Route 49 (Washington Street and Stockton Road), along with certain other City Streets and designating “No Parking” locations for the 2023 Christmas Parade and for the Trolley stop.
3. Request the Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem represent the City in the Christmas Parade.
4. Release the three-hour parking restrictions from Monday, November 13, 2023 through Tuesday, January 2, 2023 within the downtown corridor, which includes all streets within Zone A; does not apply to trailer parking.

DISCUSSION

Planning is underway for the City’s 40th Annual Christmas Parade. The City has been responsible for organizing and staffing this family-friendly event since 1996. This very special and popular City event has become an annual tradition with so many local families and visitor with thousands lining the parade route. Historically, the number of festive entries range from 65-75 and the parade lasts approximately one hour

The parade will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. from the Red Church and end at Restano Way. Parking in the downtown area will be allowed until 4:00 p.m. on parade day after which parking along the parade route will be restricted to safely accommodate the parade entries and pedestrians. Tuolumne County Transit will be providing trolley service from the Junction Shopping Center to Lyons Street. This service will be available from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and is free to the public.

FISCAL IMPACT

Costs associated with the Christmas Parade have been included within the 2023/2024 budget.

ATTACHMENTS

- ❖ Resolution 8-21-2023-A

Resolution Number: 08-21-2023-A

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA,
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF HIGHWAY 49
AND CERTAIN CITY STREETS AND PARKING LOTS TO ACCOMMODATE
THE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN SONORA CHRISTMAS PARADE AND OTHER
RELATED HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

WHEREAS, the City will be holding the Historic Downtown Sonora Christmas Parade on Friday, November, 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. sharp; and

WHEREAS, the parade route will start at Washington Street/Highway 49 and Elkin Street and continue along Washington Street ending at Restano Way; and

WHEREAS, several streets and other city facilities will need to be closed for the event; and

WHEREAS, the City must obtain an encroachment permit from Caltrans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sonora that the following streets and parking lots will be closed Friday, November 24, 2023, as indicated below:

The following street closures shall commence at 4:00 p.m. and continue until 8:30 p.m., or until the parade is finished.

1. School Street between North Washington and Snell Street.
2. Snell Street between N. Green Street and Bonanza between N. Washington and N. Green St.

The following parking lot closures and no parking locations shall commence at 3:00 p.m. and continue until 8:30 p.m., or until the parade is finished.

1. The Sonora High School parking lots located on School Street.
2. City Parking Lot at Snell/Wyckoff Streets, including the bus parking spaces on Snell Street.
3. School Street, between Snell Street and N. Washington Street/ SR 49.
4. East side of Snell Street, between Wyckoff Street and N. Washington Street/ SR 49.

The following parking lot closures shall commence at 4:00 p.m. and continue until 8:30 p.m., or until the parade is finished.

1. The Fire Museum parking lot on N. Washington Street.

2. The Fountain Parking Lot, across from the Sonora Opera Hall to be used for ADA accessible parking only.
3. The first floor of the Terzich Parking Lot to be closed.
4. Second floor of the Terzich parking lot to be used for ADA accessible parking and viewing only.

The following street closures shall commence at 5:30 p.m. and continue until 8:30 p.m., or until the parade is finished.

1. N. Washington Street/ SR 49 between Elkin and Stockton Road.
2. S. Washington St. between Stockton Road and Hospital Road.
3. State Route 49/Stockton Road between S. Washington Street/SR 49 and 70 W. Stockton Street (Yoshoku Restaurant).
4. The following streets between Washington Street/ SR 49 and Stewart Street: Dodge Street, Jackson Street, Bradford Street, Theall Street, Church Street, Gold Street, William Street, Lytton Street and Restano Way.
5. The following streets between Washington Street/ SR 49 and Green Street: Dodge Street, Yaney Street, Jackson Street, Bradford Street, Linoberg Street and Church Street. Toby Street between S. Washington Street and McGowan Street.
6. Lytton and Bulwer Streets between S. Washington Street and Olive Street.
7. June Street between S. Washington and Church Street.
8. Wyckoff Street between N. Washington Street (SR-49) and Snell Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no parking will be allowed at the following locations on Friday, November 24, 2023 as indicated below:

The following no parking locations shall commence at 4:00 p.m. and continue until 8:30 p.m., or until the parade is finished.

1. N. Washington Street/SR 49 between Elkin Street and Toby Street.
2. State Route 49/Stockton Street between Washington Street and 70 W. Stockton Street (Yoshoku Restaurant).
3. Elkin Street between N. Washington Street/ SR 49 and Shepherd Street.
4. Stewart Street between Elkin Street and Dodge Street.
5. Church Street between N. Washington Street/ SR 49 and June Street.
6. The following streets between N. Washington Street/ SR 49 and Stewart Street: Elkin Street, Dodge Street, Jackson Street, Bradford Street, Linoberg Street, Theall Street.
7. The following streets between S. Washington Street and Stewart Street: Church Street, Gold Street, William Street and Lytton Street.
8. The following streets between N. Washington Street/ SR 49 and Green Street: Dodge Street, Yaney Street, Jackson Street, Bradford Street, Linoberg Street and Toby Street between S. Washington Street/ SR 49 and McGowan Street.

9. Lytton and Bulwer Streets between S. Washington Street and Olive Street.
10. June Street, commencing at Church Street and extending south 100 yards.

The following no parking location shall commence at 3:00 p.m. and continue until 9:00 p.m. (For trolley stop location)

1. North side of Lyons Street between Stewart and Shepherd Street. (2 spaces)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Sonora that all of the above is hereby approved, subject to all conditions as required by the California Department of Transportation.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED as a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Sonora, California, at a regular meeting of said City Council held on August 21, 2023 by the following:

AYES: _____

NOES : _____

ABSENT: _____

Dated: August 21, 2023

Mark Plummer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy Skelly, City Clerk



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Reallocation of Program Income Funding under CDBG Grant Agreement #22-CDBG-PI-00009

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 8-21-2023-B approving the reallocation of CDBG Program Income funding for the activities included under CDBG Grant Agreement #22-CDBG-PI-00009.

DISCUSSION

Under Resolution No. 04-18-2022-B the City Council authorized the submittal of CDBG Grant Applications to utilize the City's existing Program Income to fund four activities for the Sonoma Fire Department. These activities included a Type 3 Engine, a Type 6 Engine, self-contained breathing apparatuses (SCBA), and a diesel exhaust removal system. The Resolution included the following funding allocation for the activities:

Activity	Original Amount Requested
Type 3 Fire Engine	\$409,516.82
Type 6 Fire Engine	\$318,229.77
Breathing Apparatus System (SCBA)	\$174,869.03
Exhaust Removal System	\$143,360.81

The activities were approved by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and combined under Grant Agreement, #22-CDBG-PI-00009. Some recent conditions have occurred which affect the activities funded under this grant. The Fire Department has recently been awarded a Regional AFG Grant which will fund some of the SCBAs thus not all of the CDBG funding will be needed. Additionally the Fire Chief will be purchasing built in exhaust systems that attach directly to the fire engines instead of replacing the drive thru hose system currently at the fire station. This will reduce the cost for this activity as well.

As you are aware, the City has entered into an agreement to purchase the Type 6 Fire Engine and staff is getting ready to issue the RFP to purchase the Type 3 Fire Engine. Fire Engines, when purchased, do not come fully equipped and staff has met with HCD to see if the additional funding could be allocated for this equipment. The revised cost for the activities are shown below:

Activity	Original Amount Requested
Type 3 Fire Engine	\$556,008
Type 6 Fire Engine	\$354,540

Breathing Apparatus System (SCBA)	\$32,000
Exhaust Removal System	\$35,000

The attached Resolution, prepared with the assistance of HCD staff, will allow the use of these funds to equip the Fire Engines and provide the flexibility needed to move funds between the activities.

FISCAL IMPACT

The projects are included within the City's 2023-2024 FY Budget and funded under the existing Grant Agreement. There will be no General Fund dollars used for these activities.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution 8-21-2023-B

Resolution No: 08-21-2023-B

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REALLOCATION OF CDBG PROGRAM INCOME FUNDING FOR THE ACTIVITIES INCLUDED UNDER CDBG GRANT AGREEMENT #22-CDBG-PI-00009

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sonora as follows:

WHEREAS, under Resolution #04-18-2022-B the City Council authorized the submittal of CDBG Grant Applications to utilize existing Program Income in the purchase of a Type 3 Fire Engine, Type 6 Fire Engine, SBCA Systems, and an Exhaust Removal System for the Sonora Fire Department, along with funding amounts for each activity; and

WHEREAS, said Resolution included the following activity/funding breakdown; and

Activity	Original Amount Requested
Type 3 Fire Engine	\$409,516.82
Type 6 Fire Engine	\$318,229.77
Breathing Apparatus System (SCBA)	\$174,869.03
Exhaust Removal System	\$143,360.81

WHEREAS, the City's activities were approved by the Department of Housing and Community Development, combined and included under CDBG Grant Agreement #22-CDBG-PI-00009; and

WHEREAS, the Sonora Fire Department has received an AFG Grant to fund a portion of the SCBA systems and desires to utilize the additional funding towards equipping the Type 3 and Type 6 Fire Engines; and

WHEREAS, the City will be purchasing built in exhaust systems for the fire engines instead of replacing the existing drive thru hose system currently at the fire station which will also reduce the cost of this activity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE SONORA CITY COUNCIL has reviewed and hereby approves the reallocation of funding for the approved activities under CDBG Grant Agreement #22-CDBG-PI-00009 as follows:

Activity	Revised Amount
Fire Engine and Equipment	Not to exceed \$1,046,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby approves the use of Program Income in an amount not to exceed \$1,046,000 for the activities as identified above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Administrator, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to act on the City's behalf in all matters pertaining to the Grant Agreement, including entering into, executing and delivering the Grant Agreement and any subsequent amendments thereto, Funds Requests, reporting forms, and other program supporting documentation as may be required by the State of California from time to time in connection with the grant application.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED as a Resolution by the Sonora City Council at a meeting held by the City Council on the 21st day of August, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

Dated: August 21, 2023

Mark Plummer, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Tracy Skelly, City Clerk



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Chris Gorsky, Administrative Services Director

SUBJECT: Administrative Services Department Report for June 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the Administrative Services Department Report for June 2023

DISCUSSION



Administrative Services

The Administrative Services Department provides a wide range of comprehensive support services which include: accounting, finance administration and reporting, budgeting, audit, compliance, treasury management, payroll, human resources, recruitments, accounts receivable, local tax collection, accounts payable, procurements, business license management, risk management, information technology for the City.

Monthly Report to the City Council

June 2023

Highlights of General Fund Revenues:

	Current Period	YTD	FY22/23 Budget	% of Budget
Property Tax	\$ 38,050	\$ 1,409,844	\$ 1,374,800	102.5%
Sales Tax	\$ 345,473	\$ 3,450,446	\$ 3,325,100	103.8%
Measure Y	\$ 324,838	\$ 600,163	\$ 600,000	100.0%
Transient Occupancy Tax	\$ 56,608	\$ 579,819	\$ 550,000	105.4%
Cannabis Public Benefit Fees	\$ 61,817	\$ 635,347	\$ 585,000	108.6%
Building Permits	\$ 11,000	\$ 146,104	\$ 141,500	103.3%
Business Licenses	\$ 2,001	\$ 128,603	\$ 120,000	107.2%

Highlights of General Fund Expenditures:

	Current Period	YTD	FY22/23 Budget	% of Budget
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 760,671	\$ 6,699,421	\$ 7,337,800	91.3%
Operating Expenditures	\$ 214,020	\$ 2,294,553	\$ 2,444,650	93.9%
Transfers	\$ 550,000	\$ 646,135	\$ 659,500	98.0%

Total Number of Checks/DD Processed:

A/P	YTD	H/R	YTD
141	1,582	105	1,210

Business License Activity:

Licenses Issued

Current Month Zone A	Current Month Zone B	YTD Zone A	YTD Zone B
0	2	28	153



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Rachelle Kellogg, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Community Development Department Report for July 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the Community Development Department Report for July 2023

DISCUSSION

In addition to the day-to-day operations of the Department, staff completed the following items:

HOUSING ELEMENT – Staff began review and drafting the Program Accomplishments section for the Housing Element Update. This includes reviewing all current Programs within the existing 2019-2024 Housing Element to site all activities completed under the existing Programs and also to determine if the Program is to be continued, deleted or modified in the 2024 – 2029 Housing Element. Staff also began drafting the Goals, Policies and Program section for the new Housing Element. This includes compliance review for State mandates. The stated Programs are what will be implemented to achieve the identified Goals and Policies which reflect housing needs within the City. These may be modified as staff and consultants conduct additional public and agency outreach. This section will also be modified, if required, following the Department of Housing and Community Development Department's review.

WASHINGTON-STOCKTON TRANSIT PROJECT – Construction activities continue on the Transit Project. Staff continues with project oversight, submittal reviews, coordination with Caltrans and various other agencies. There is a lot of staff time involved in the oversight of this project.

CITY ENGINEER PROCUREMENT – Staff completed and released the Request for Qualifications for On-Call Professional Engineering Services. The selected firm will serve in the capacity of the City Engineer and provide ongoing professional engineering services on an on-call basis. Due to the fact that the City may be utilizing Federal and State Transportation funds for projects overseen by the firm, the RFQ process was very extensive and demanded a lot of staff time in its preparation. Proposals are due on or before 4 p.m. on Friday, September 22, 2023. There are several Caltrans' requirements which must also be complied with during the selection process and they must approve certain financial documents and exhibits before the City can award a contract. Staff anticipates awarding the contract by November 2023.

CDBG PROGRAM ACTIVITIES – The City's Program Income grant activities, under Grant Agreement #22-CDBG-PI-00009, include a Type 3 Engine, a Type 6 Engine, self-contained breathing apparatuses (SCBA), and a diesel exhaust removal system. The City has executed a Purchase Agreement for the Type 6 Engine which should be arriving soon and is preparing to release the RFP for the Type 3 Engine. Some recent conditions have occurred which affect the activities funded under this grant and thus a reallocation of funds to the various activities needed to occur. Staff met with HCD staff for direction as to how to proceed. Documents have been drafted for consideration by the City Council and if approved will be submitted to HCD.

MONTH OF JULY 2023	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT		CITY OF SONORA 94 N. WASHINGTON ST. SONORA, CA 95370	
NAME	LOCATION	TYPE	VALUATION	FEES
NEW RESIDENTIAL		TOTAL UNITS _____		
SUBTOTAL _____				
CDBG REHABS		TOTAL UNITS ____0__		
SUBTOTAL ____0__				
COMMERCIAL		TOTAL UNITS ____0__		
SUBTOTAL ____0__				

ALTERATIONS & ADDITIONS		TOTAL UNITS <u> 6 </u>		
	674 GOLDEN GATE CT	SHED STORAGE- ATTACHED TO THE HOUSE	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 141.15
	59 N WASHINGTON	INSTALL NEW SINKS FOR NEW BUSINESS	\$ 300.00	\$ 290.50
	525 DRAGOON CIRCLE	RES SOLAR, 8 MODULE TESLA BATTERY	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 464.07
	397 E BALD MOUNTAIN RD	ELECTRICAL PANEL UPGRADE	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 149.10
	381 MORNINGSTAR DR	NEW HEAT PUMP	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 348.40
	42 COLUMBIA WAY	4.0 KW ROOF MOUNT SOLAR	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 324.06

DEMOLITIONS		TOTAL UNITS ____0__		
NAME	LOCATION	TYPE	VALUATION	FEE
				\$
SUBTOTAL _____				
MISCELLANEOUS REPAIRS				

NUMBER OF PERMITS	VALUATION \$	FEE
14	331,632.00	6,692.13

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED	20
TOTAL VALUATION	368,132
SUB TOTAL OF PERMIT FEES COLLECTED	8409.51
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT FEES COLLECTED	0
TOTAL TRAFFIC FEES COLLECTED	0
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FEES COLLECTED	0
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION FEES COLLECTED	0
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED	8409.51

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED	150
TOTAL VALUATION	\$ 5,101,478
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT FEES COLLECTED	\$ 4,950
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FEES COLLECTED	\$ -
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION FEES COLLECTED	\$ -
TOTAL TRAFFIC MITIGATION FEES COLLECTED	\$ -
TOTAL PERMIT FEES COLLECTED	\$ 81,228



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Aimee New, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Fire Department Monthly Report – July 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Receive Fire Department Report – July 2023

DISCUSSION

Fire Department Monthly Report – July 2024

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

1. City of Sonora Fire Department responded to 153 calls for service in July 2023.
2. Sonora City units responded to emergency calls as follows:

111 - Building fire	5
142 - Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	3
143 - Grass fire	2
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	19
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	72
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	4
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	9
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1
413 - Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1
510 - Person in distress, other	1
522 - Water or steam leak	1
553 - Public service	3
554 - Assist invalid	5
600 - Good intent call, other	1
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	10
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	2
651 - Smoke scare, odor of smoke	4
711 - Municipal alarm system, malicious false alarm	2
730 - System malfunction, other	4

733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	3
Total Incidents	153

3. Monthly dollar loss in the City, resulting from fire: 0
4. The average response time during the month: 4:33
5. Automatic or mutual aid given: 37



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Turu VanderWiel, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT – SONORA POLICE DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the Sonora Police Department monthly report for July 2023.

DISCUSSION

The attached summarizes activities for July 2023.

	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022
Total Incidents	1,293	1,445	1,323
Calls for Service	882	949	825
Officer Initiated	411	496	498
Total Arrests	40	42	83
Felony Arrests	8	7	10
Misd. Arrests	32	35	73
Total Reports	116	126	165
Parking Citations	18	45	30
Moving Citations	8	12	28
Domestic Violence	4	2	1
Larceny Invest.	14	9	20
Total Collisions	37	35	34
Collision Invest.	17	17	13

	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022
Homeless Activity	107/24	116	132
Animal Calls	35	46	44
Public Intox. / UID	7	2	17
DUI Arrests	2	0	6
Total Phone Calls / 911 Calls	2,292 / 362	2,317/467	2,418/358
Average Per Day	74	77	78
Vehicle Releases	3	4	2

*Homeless Activity tracking requires additional manual inputs; the actual number of associated incidents will typically be higher than the reported number.

*The Larceny Investigation category reflects only those incidents where an investigation is conducted and a case report is generated. The actual number of larcenies is considerably higher.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact on the General Fund

Crimes by Area Monthly Report **July 1, 2023 – July 31, 2023**

Area 1 Reports:

Violent Crimes:

- 1 – Felony False Imprisonment with Violence (with misdemeanor domestic violence)
- 1 – Misdemeanor Corporal Injury to a Child
- 1 – Misdemeanor Battery on a Person

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 1 – Felony Business Burglary
- 7 – Misdemeanor Business Burglaries (Shoplifting)
- 1 – Recovered Stolen Vehicle Reported by CHP Sonora Area
- 1 – Misdemeanor Petty Theft from a Business Location

Area 2 Reports

Violent Crimes:

- 2 – Felony Criminal Threats (one including arrest for attempted arson and violation of a domestic violence restraining order)
- 1 – Felony Domestic Violence
- 2 – Misdemeanor Domestic Violence (one including misdemeanor battery on a police officer and misdemeanor assault with less lethal weapon)
- 1 – Misdemeanor Violation of a Domestic Violence Order
- 1 – Misdemeanor Obstruction of Justice (including misdemeanor battery on a police officer)

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 1 – Misdemeanor Business Burglary (Shoplifting)
- 2 – Misdemeanor Petty Theft from Vehicle
- 1 – Petty Theft by Use of Access Card

Area 1 Monthly Report July 2023

Neighborhood Watch:

ELKS HILL:

- No updated activity.

SONORA KNOWLES:

- No updated activity.

Cases For discussion:

23-737- On 7/3/23, Officers responded to a residence for the report that a disgruntled boyfriend crashed the victim's vehicle into her friend's residence where the victim was hiding from the boyfriend. Officers found that a vehicle collided with the residence but the suspect was gone. Officers located the suspect, 43-year-old Sonora resident Thomas Markey, at his residence and arrested him for charges which include criminal threats, violating a domestic violence protective order, and violation of probation. Throughout the investigation, the officer learned Markey intentionally vandalized the victim's home and poured an accelerant throughout the residence with the threat to burn the house down. Additional charges of felony vandalism and distributing flammable material were added against Markey.

23-820- On 7/25/23 Officers were dispatched to suspicious subjects loitering about a vehicle in a private parking lot. Officers contacted 19-year-old Sonora resident Jaden Krupp at the vehicle. Officers discovered Krupp was in possession of an expandable baton as well as drug paraphernalia and fentanyl. Krupp was also found to have a local misdemeanor warrant and was arrested for the offenses.

Recruitments:

- 4 Full-time Police Officers
- 1 Full-time Dispatcher
- 1 Part-time Dispatcher
- 1 Homeless Outreach Coordinator

Training:

- One Corporal and one CSO attended High Risk Missing Person training
- One Officer attended Crisis Intervention and De-escalation Training
- One Corporal attended Active Shooter/ Use of Force training
- One CSO and one command staff attended Property and Evidence training

Range:

- Firearms training and qualification was scheduled for August

Respectfully Submitted,

Sgt. Chris Johnson

Area 2 Monthly Report July 2023

Neighborhood Watch:

MYERS HILL:

- No updated activity.

NORTH STEWART:

- No updated activity.

HIGHLAND VIEW:

- No updated activity

Case(s) for discussion:

23-810-On 07/23/2023, at approximately 8:30 pm, Sonora PD officers were dispatched to 262 Mono Way concerning a domestic violence call. The incident involved a male and female who were initially engaged in a verbal altercation. The argument continued to escalate; resulting in the female removing a Taser from her purse and tasing the male. The female was arrested for domestic violence and assault with a stun gun

23-731-On 07/2/2023, at approximately 1249 hours, Sonora PD officers responded to a criminal threats call located at the Gold Country Gas station. The suspect was involved in a verbal argument with an employee who asked him to leave the property. The suspect refused to leave and then threatened to burn down the gas station. Officers arrived on scene and after conducting an investigation, they arrested the suspect for making criminal threats.

Field Training Program:

- We have one Reserve Officer in the Field Training Program.

Investigations:

- Sonora PD detective has authored another search warrant for an elder abuse case where the victim was defrauded out of approximately \$22,000.00.

Property and Evidence:

- No updated activity

Fleet:

- Fleet has been fully integrated with Enterprise Fleet Management for all Sonora PD vehicles.

Reserves/Volunteers:

- 2 volunteers have cleared backgrounds and will be added to the volunteer pool.
- 2 applications for volunteer positions have been submitted and are awaiting to be assigned to an officer for backgrounds.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sgt. Eric Nygard



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Mike Lagomarsino, Public Works Supervisor

SUBJECT: Public Works Department Report for July 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the Public Works Department Report for July 2023

DISCUSSION

For the month of July 2023, the City of Sonora Public Works Department performed the following activities:

Events

- Placed banners above Washington Street for upcoming events.
- Closed street and helped with traffic control on Lyons Street for vegetation fire.
- Conducted backhoe training.
- Staff attended first amendment training.

Streets

- Spent several days potholing City Streets.
- Removal of miscellaneous signs and flyers throughout the City.
- Loaded and hauled three pay piles throughout the City.
- Returned numerous shopping carts to businesses abandoned on City streets.
- Continued with citywide weed spray program.
- Weed wacked several curbs and sidewalks throughout the City.
- Continued annual street curb painting on City streets.
- Made repairs to several street signs throughout the City.
- Performed roadside trash removal.
- Spent several days removing leaf piles throughout City.

Facilities

- Relocated office furniture in City Hall.
- Installed new display cases in lobby at Police Department.
- Washed windows at City Hall.
- Cleaned light fixtures in lobby at Police Department.
- Repaired toilet at Opera Hall.
- Replaced rain gutter down spout at Police Department.
- Installed NO PUBLIC ACCESS signs around Public Works facility.
- Replaced door lock/handle in lobby at Police Department.

Parks/Landscapes/Parking Lots

- Pruned landscape at Restano Way, Mono Way and Stewart St.
- Monthly inspection of playground equipment at Rotary Park.
- Removed downed tree limb in bowling alley lot.
- Continued annual parking stall striping in City parking lots.
- Installed decorative rock in landscape near Historic locomotive on Stockton Street.
- Pruned vegetation in the fountain lot landscape.

Storm Drains

- Assisted contactors with City drain inspections.
- Installed no trespassing signs for Sonora Creek Bridge.

Cemeteries

- Performed annual weed spraying at Mountain Shadow and Old City Cemetery.
- Daily check of messages at Mountain Shadow and returned calls as needed.
- Daily cleaning of irrigation filters during irrigation season.
- Marked out plots as requested by Funeral Home as needed.
- Set headstones as requested by Funeral Home.
- Mow and edge lawns weekly during spring and summer months.

Fleet

- Replaced side brooms on street sweeper.
- Replaced battery on truck # 7.
- Replaced City seals on several vehicles.
- Transported truck #9 to Sierra Motors for service.
- Greased street sweeper.
- Transported truck# 2 valley for installation of new sand spreader.

Miscellaneous

- Daily unlock and service all public restrooms.
- Garbage collection twice a week in all City parking lots, landscapes, and parks.
- Monthly fleet vehicle inspections.
- Twice weekly run street sweeper early morning on rotating street schedule throughout the City.
- Put out Farmers Market no parking signs weekly.

FISCAL IMPACT

None



COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

August, 2023 Update

Please check out the website for the CWPP. If you were unable to attend a public workshop, we invite you to [complete the survey form on the Home Page](#). The survey input period closes on September 8. Your input is needed. Help us help you.

CWPP.tuolumnefiresafe.org

A plan for communities in Tuolumne County

A CWPP is a collaborative, community driven framework that outlines local priorities for wildfire risk mitigation. It provides strategies to minimize negative wildfire impacts, manage forest health, restore ecological balance, and increase response and suppression capabilities.

Get involved, help identify risks, develop actions, set priorities

Thank you for your help and support.



We all have a stake: homeowners, businesses, agencies, tribes, government, developers, services, landowners, agriculture, community groups, infrastructure, etc.

From: asegerstrom@sonoraca.com <asegerstrom@sonoraca.com>

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2023 12:13 PM

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Cc: jbrandon@co.tuolumne.ca.us; khaff@co.tuolumne.ca.us; akirk@co.tuolumne.ca.us; rcampbell@co.tuolumne.ca.us

Subject: Fwd: Mirror, Mirror on the Walkway, What Town is the Filthiest of Them All.

Dear Tuolumne County Administrator and Supervisors,

The rather stark attachments below show examples of the excrement and filth the homeless deposit in around the City of Sonora. While the City represents just 10% of the county's population, we struggle to keep up with the issues the preponderance of the county homeless bring to our streets. The impacts of homelessness directly affect our general fund. To date, we receive no state or federal support to address the health impacts on our community, not to mention the secondary impacts to tourism and lack of business investment we are realizing as a result. (Note the photo of vomit on the newly installed YARTS/bus stop outside the Lumberjack Hotel.)

We need county assistance in our efforts to maintain a clean and safe community. Our City infrastructure can no longer bare a huge proportion of the burden of the County homeless crisis. We have direct evidence that we are losing visitors and businesses. Visit Tuolumne County has informed us that journalists opt out of opportunities to tour here because of the prevalence of homeless. We also have grave health concerns as evidenced by these photos, and are hearing of worse: for example, men washing their genitals in drinking fountains in the courthouse park.

The City of Sonora is doing our part to combat and ease homelessness. We ask that you assist by passing our ordinances and allowing enforcement. In addition, we ask that you negotiate an equitable tax share agreement so the City can begin to mitigate the impacts that desired County growth and services has and will have on our community.

Speaking as a City Council member, I fear we are reaching a social and economic tipping point that will take both the City and the County years to reverse and recover from.

Best regards,
Ann Segerstrom
Mayor Pro Tem
City of Sonora



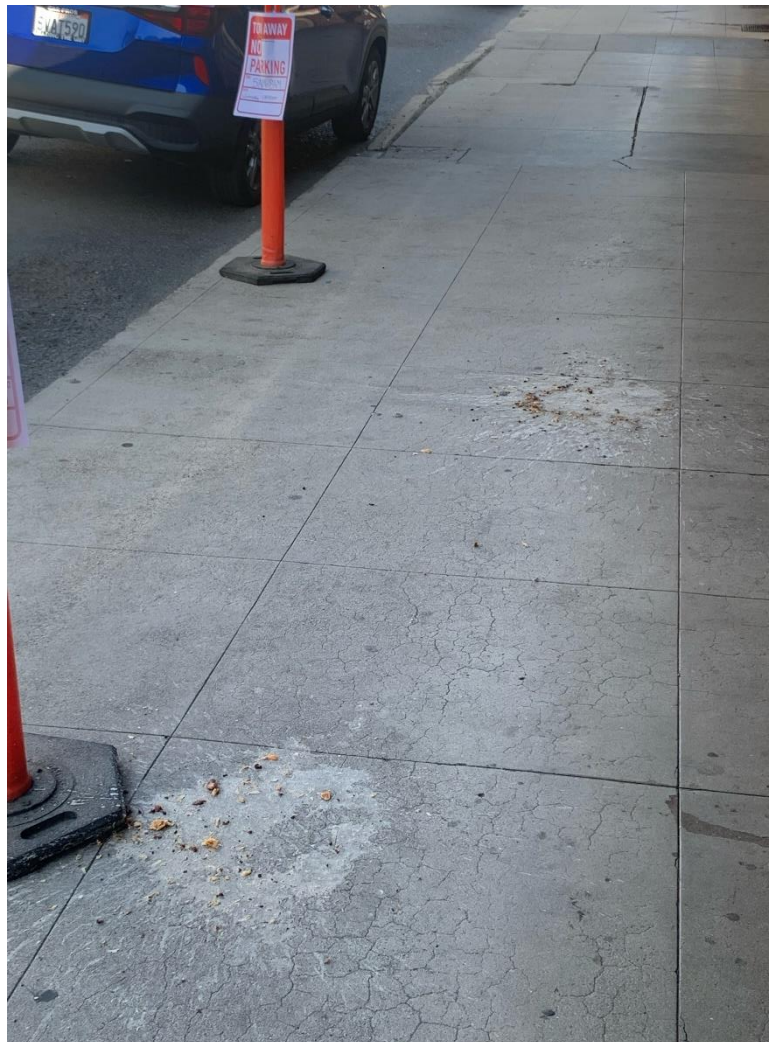


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