



COMMUNITY UPDATE

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR CITY SALES TAX REVENUES

As was the case with many other cities around the country, sales tax revenues took a hit during the recent pandemic period. Fortunately, there are promising numbers forecasted showing an 11% increase in Walnut's sales tax revenue for this past fiscal year (2021-2022). With continued economic growth, economic development programs, and the community's support of local businesses, sales tax revenue should continue to see an upward trend in fiscal year 2022-2023. Now, more than ever, it is important to fuel up, eat, and shop in Walnut whenever possible.



WALNUT VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB PRESENTATION

On Monday, April 18th City Staff were invited to the Walnut Valley Women's Club General Meeting to give a presentation on new development(s) within the City. Senior Planner, Joelle Guerra, provided an overview of projects such as The Terraces (49 Acres), Los Colinas Townhomes (Francesca Project), the San Jose Hills Road Residential project, Lemon Creek Lofts, and various other updates related to economic development projects.



Senior Planner Joelle Guerra at the Women's Club General Meeting

SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

The City Council recently adopted an outlay of funds for American Rescue Plan Act money (approximately \$7 million) received from the Federal Government. \$550,000 has been earmarked to assist small businesses in the City of Walnut. A robust program is now being developed by the City's Community Development department in order to properly distribute these funds to eligible businesses. This is another step taken by the City Council to make sure that the city and its small businesses continue to thrive.



CITY COMMISSIONS VACANCIES

Applications for vacant seats on City commissions are now being accepted by the City Clerk's office. Serving on a City commission is a fantastic way to serve your community.

- The terms for all City commissioners are set to expire on June 30, 2022.
- The City Clerk's office is accepting applications for all City commissions.
- In order to qualify for the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, and/or Senior Commission, each applicant must be a resident over 18-years- old and legally registered to vote in the City of Walnut.
- Applicants for the Youth Advisory Commission (YAC) must be residents currently enrolled in high school and are required to complete the YAC supplemental application packet.
- Applications can be found on the City's website at <https://www.cityofwalnut.org/my-government/commissions-and-committees> and must be submitted to the City Clerk's office by Wednesday, June 1st at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact the City Clerk's office at (909) 348-0710 or (909) 348-0711.



MT. SAC CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Earlier this month, Mt. SAC hosted Councilmember Freedman, Walnut Valley Unified School District Superintendent Dr. Taylor and Board Member Layla Abou-Taleb, Rowland Unified School District Board Member Agnes Gonzalez, Mt. SAC Board of Trustee Gary Chow, and City Staff for a walking tour of the recently completed Hilmer Lodge Stadium renovations. Attendees also toured the Wellness Center, Gymnasium, and Aquatics Facilities, which are all currently under construction.

Councilmember Freedman has initiated regularly held joint meetings between the City and the School District(s) (Walnut Valley Unified, Rowland Unified, and Mt. SAC) with the goal of keeping an open line of communication and resource sharing to ensure the Community continues to be provided with the highest levels of service. A special "Thank You" to Gary Gidcumb (Senior Manager of Construction) and Jill Dolan (Director of Public Affairs) for facilitating the Walking Tour.



Group picture from the Mt. SAC Walking Tour



Construction progress



Inside the Hilmer Lodge Stadium

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY UPDATE

To keep the Community up-to-date with construction/permit activity within the City, Staff will begin providing monthly stats, which includes the number of, and type of, permits that have been issued.

If you are considering doing any type of work, and unsure if a particular home improvement project requires permit(s), please do not hesitate to contact the Community Development department at (909) 595-7543.



Permits Issued – March 2022

Permit Type/Number of Permits

Solar Systems	28
Electrical	51
Plumbing	18
Mechanical	6
Sewer	5
Building*	40
Total Issued	148

**Building permits include permits that were issued for new homes, room additions, remodels, Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU), new single-family homes, retaining walls, window/door replacements, and accessory structures (e.g. patios).*

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Senior Commission Meeting

Wednesday, May 4

Mother's Day Picnic in the Park

Friday, May 6

Wellness Workshop

Saturday, May 7

City Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 11

Agendas are posted 72 hours before the meeting on the web at cityofwalnut.org

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