



# the Monarch Press

City of Goleta Newsletter

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### Enjoy a Safer Goleta: New Fairview Signal

School children, cyclists, and community members celebrated the completion of the signal at the corner of Fairview Avenue and Berkeley Road. City staff was able to secure grant funding from the state for this project.

 We are now on Facebook. Find us at:  
[www.facebook.com/CityofGoleta](http://www.facebook.com/CityofGoleta)

## Do You Know the Way to San Jose?



### SAN JOSE CREEK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The time has finally come to begin construction on the San Jose Creek Capacity Improvement and Fish Passage Project.

It is an important project for the City and is particularly important to those who live and work in Old Town.

In the past, Old Town has experienced flooding when heavy rains have exceeded the capacity of the creek. The widened creek channel—the first part of the project—will be able to handle a 100-year flood event. In practical terms, a “100-year” storm event has a one in one hundred or 1% chance of happening in any given year. The current flood channel was only built to withstand a 25-year flood event.

It is important for you to know what the impacts and effects will be during the project. The City is committed to providing regular impact updates.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What is the San Jose Creek Capacity Improvement Project?

It is a project that will increase the capacity of the San Jose Creek channel to handle a 100-year storm event and will remove a significant portion of Goleta's Old Town from the flood plain. It will also include a fish passage component to allow endangered steelhead to move upstream.

#### What exactly will be done?

This project consists of two phases. The first phase is the widening of the existing concrete flood control channel from Hollister Avenue south to the drive-in theater. The second phase will replace the existing Hollister Avenue Bridge over San Jose Creek, widening it to accommodate the channel below.

#### Is it really needed?

There is no question as to the necessity of this project for the Old Town area. Living in a flood plain presents a danger and an additional cost for those who live and work within it.

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Visit [www.SanJoseCreekProject.com](http://www.SanJoseCreekProject.com) for updates.

## A Future Neighborhood Park for Old Town

Goleta Old Town residents can look forward to new active, recreation space in their neighborhood in the coming years. Earlier this summer the City Council agreed to purchase a four-acre parcel of land near the corner of Hollister and Kellogg Avenues. Over the next six to nine months the City will host workshops for community members and residents to provide input on the types of facilities and recreational activities that should be part of this park. Once this process is completed, a design will move forward for approval and then fundraising will begin.

It has long been a desire of the City to provide additional park space in Old Town to add to the three existing

active recreation spaces at Nectarine Park, Armitos Park and the Goleta Valley Community Center. Monies from Park Development Impact Fees and the City's Redevelopment Agency provided the opportunity the City needed to purchase this land. The City is also pursuing grant funding for this and other open spaces.

#### Tell us what you'd like to see.

Soccer fields, a skate park, play equipment, or an obstacle course? Look for notices of public workshops on the City's website or email your input to Claudia Dato, Management Analyst, City of Goleta, [cdato@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:cdato@cityofgoleta.org) or call 805.961.7554.





## All About City Hall

 (805) 961.7500

 [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org)

 Channel 19: Goleta TV

## Goleta City Council

Mayor	Margaret Connell
Mayor Pro Tempore	Edward Easton
Councilmember	Roger S. Aceves
Councilmember	Michael T. Bennett
Councilmember	Paula Perotte
City Manager	Daniel Singer

## City Council Meetings

Held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 1:30 pm and 6 pm

Televised live on Channel 19. Live-streamed video on [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org).

Replayed Wednesdays and Saturdays 10 am and 5 pm.

## Mayor's Office Hours

By appointment, contact Mayor Connell at 961.7539 or via email at [mconnell@CityofGoleta.org](mailto:mconnell@CityofGoleta.org)

## Goleta City Hall

130 Cremona Drive, Suite B  
Goleta, CA 93117

961.7500 tel 685.2635 fax

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 5 pm

Closed Friday

## Permit & Design Center

**Planning Division** 961.7543

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

Friday, 8 am – 12 noon

**Building Division** 961.7552

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday only

8 am – 3 pm

Closed Wednesday and Friday

## Useful Phone Numbers

Public Information 961.7508

Parks Reservation 961.7531

Public Works Request 961.7570

Building Inspection Request 961.7550

Code Enforcement 961.7556

Anonymous Tip Line 961.7574

## Tips from Our Community Resource Deputy Greg Sorenson



People often ask whether they should file a police report for what may appear to be a non-emergency or a “small thing.” Many believe that because they don’t have any information on a suspect, the person won’t be caught. Or, they don’t think there’s any traceable evidence which would lead to the identification of a suspect. Or, they question whether what happened is even a crime. For example, it might have been something stolen from their car, or vandalism, or they might have been a target of fraud via the telephone or internet. I want to emphasize that if you are a victim of any crime (even if you aren’t sure it is a crime), you should report that incident—no matter how small or seemingly inconsequential.

### HERE ARE A FEW REASONS WHY A PERSON SHOULD REPORT A CRIME:

#### *First, think globally.*

It’s hard for a person who might have had a stereo stolen out of their unlocked car to think about the big picture of what might be happening in and around their neighborhood. But if the crime isn’t reported, law enforcement will not have the statistics of crime-related incidents in your area. This can help with future targeted enforcement, as well as help with identifying crime trends. More importantly, there may be a trend of car burglaries in your area that you are unaware of and reporting your stereo theft may be a missing piece of a puzzle the detectives need to get closer to catching the suspect.

#### *Secondly, don’t assume there’s no traceable evidence to be collected.*

A deputy may be able to lift a fingerprint off of an area in the car, such as the dashboard. The print may match a known person who has a history of auto burglaries. Even if the responding deputy cannot find fingerprints, or any other sort of evidence, the information about the item stolen (i.e. make, model, serial number) may help in getting the item recovered in the future. When an arrest is made on another burglary some of the items found in that location do end up being traced back to those mundane theft reports

that were generated months (even years) earlier. In these cases, not only might victims get their items back, they also have the satisfaction of knowing that the person responsible was caught.

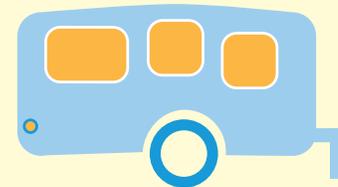
#### *Finally, never think you’re “bothering” law enforcement by filing a report.*

If you don’t think your crime is important, or if you’re not sure if a crime even occurred, call us anyway. Let a deputy come out and determine if a crime was committed. We are here to serve you and your help is vital in keeping Goleta safe.

## On the Agenda

Do you own a recreational vehicle? Are you concerned about the number of oversized vehicles in your neighborhood?

The Council will be considering an ordinance to regulate on street parking within the City limits and wants to hear from you. Look for more information on the proposed ordinance and how and when to voice your opinion to the Council on the City’s website at [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org).



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# All About Our Budget

Just as you might create a budget for your personal finances, the City Council sets a budget that is a complex document with revenues, expenditures and line-item balance sheets. Beyond the spreadsheets, is also a statement of the Council's goals and priorities for the community in the coming years. This current two-year budget is no exception in that it demonstrates Goleta's fiscal health and long-term stability, project priorities, levels of service, and Council initiatives.

## Below are highlights of some of the many initiatives the two-year budget provides for:

- An earmark of half a million dollars toward additional street maintenance—above usual funding levels;
- An increase in police funding by an additional \$785,000 over the next two years (this, unfortunately, still resulted in the reduction of two full-time positions with potentially further reductions in the 2012-2013 budget year due to excessive cost increases);
- Making close to \$170,000 of ongoing support commitments to other community organizations, including Girsh Park, the Goleta Valley Historical Society, an afterschool Junior High School program, and the Safe Route to Schools education program;
- \$20,000 from Measure A monies for school crossing guards around our elementary schools;
- One-time technology allocations which will provide for the replacement of an obsolete phone system at City Hall, upgraded financial system software, and a permit tracking system to better serve the public;
- The addition of some new personnel in the area of street maintenance, the planning and permitting counter, and the City Attorney's department to enhance services to our community;
- And notably, over \$35 million in various Capital Improvement Projects.



As a whole, while the budget was a challenging one for the City Council, involving many difficult decisions, the City continues its history of stable and sound fiscal planning while maximizing services to our community.

To view a complete and comprehensive copy of the City's adopted budget, go to [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org).

## San Jose Creek FAQs

CONT'D FROM FRONT COVER

### Who is paying for it?

The City of Goleta is footing the majority of the bill with other funds coming from the County of Santa Barbara's Flood Control. Grants were also received from the Department of Fish and Game, Proposition 84 and the Goleta Valley Land Trust for the fish passage component.

### When will the project begin?

Construction will likely begin this fall. Pre-construction meetings are already underway.

### How long will it last?

The first phase is expected to take two years. The second phase, the bridge replacement, is expected to take an additional 18-24 months.

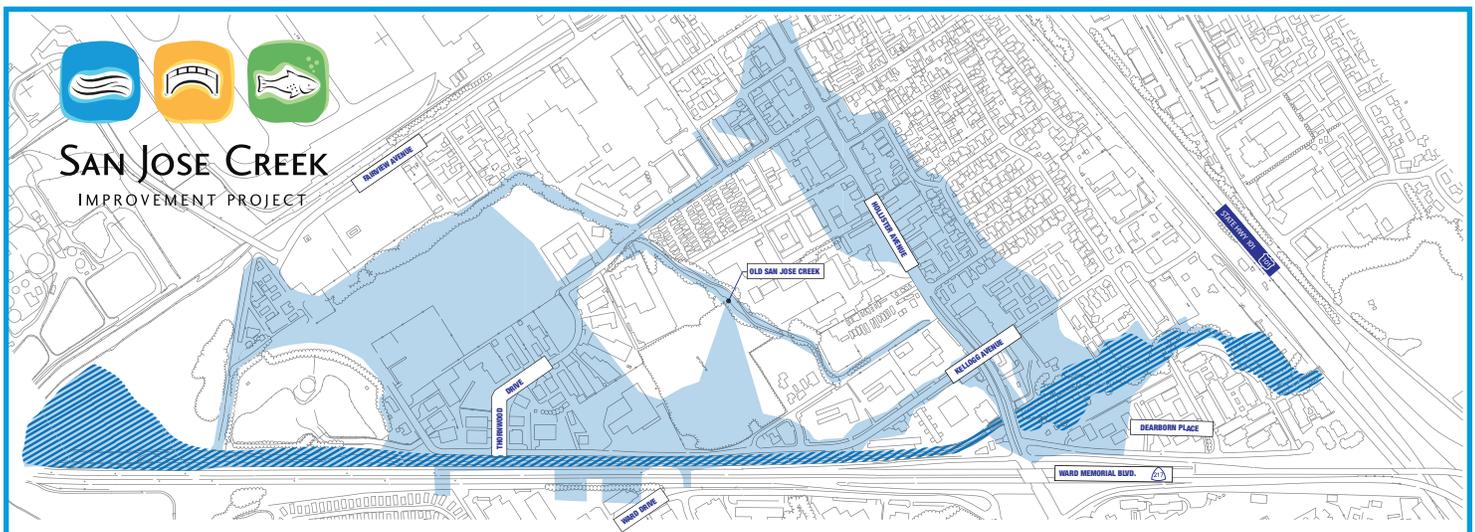
### What will be different when the project is completed?

The new bridge and channel will be designed to handle a 100-year storm event. With this designation, a significant portion of Goleta's Old Town will be removed from the flood plain. In addition, steelhead trout will have a means to move up the San Jose Creek.

To receive email updates, contact Valerie Kushnerov, Public Information Officer, at [vkushnerov@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:vkushnerov@cityofgoleta.org) or 961-7507.

### MAP LEGEND

The light blue area below represents the portion of Old Town Goleta that is currently located in the flood plain. Once the San Jose Creek Capacity Improvement Project is completed, many parcels will be removed. The remaining parcels are shown in dark blue.



## Mortgage Assistance Offered Through the New *Keep Your Home California* Programs



Above: An abandoned well on Ellwood Mesa.



Remediation phase begins.

### Well, Well...Well Done!

The City and the State of California (Department of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources) have completed the reconstruction phase of the **Ellwood Mesa Well Abandonment Project**. This project included reabandonment of three historic oil wells and destruction of five idle water wells and a ground water monitoring well on the Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve.

This beneficial project was initiated to address public safety concerns and to bring the property into compliance with state and local regulations. The City and its contractors will now proceed with implementation of additional native grassland and wetland restoration efforts. This project is another example of good stewardship in Goleta.

**Check out the Goleta community video on good stewardship on the City's website at [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org).**

In an effort to aid residents suffering from the current housing crisis, the **California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA)** has developed **Keep Your Home California**. Keep Your Home California is a combination of four programs that help low- or moderate-income California homeowners pay their mortgages and avoid foreclosure, or transition to new housing when foreclosure is unavoidable.

#### THE PROGRAMS ARE:

**Unemployment Mortgage Assistance Program** aids unemployed homeowners who are in imminent danger of defaulting on their home loans;

**Mortgage Reinstatement Assistance Program** helps homeowners who have fallen behind on their mortgage payments due to a temporary change in household finances;

**Principal Reduction Program** provides lender-matched funds to reduce the principal owed on a mortgage for homeowners who are facing a serious financial hardship, are at risk of default, and owe significantly more than the home is worth;

**Transition Assistance Program** promotes community stabilization through financial assistance for Californians can no longer afford their home and need help transitioning to new housing after losing their home through a short sale or deed-in-lieu of foreclosure program.

To be eligible for these programs, homeowners must be experiencing a financial hardship that puts them at risk of default due to changes in household circumstance such as a death in the family, illness, disability, unemployment or loss of income.

#### OTHER REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

The mortgage is the first lien loan. The current, unpaid principal balance does not exceed \$729,750. The property is not abandoned, vacant or condemned. The property is owner-occupied, the borrower's principal residence, and located in California.

**For more information, including a list of participating servicers and an eligibility calculator, visit [KeepYourHomeCalifornia.com](http://KeepYourHomeCalifornia.com). You can also speak with a Keep Your Home California counselor who will help determine your eligibility by calling 888.954.KEEP(5337).**



### Get A Glimpse of Goleta Online

You can now catch a glimpse of Goleta online! Six one-minute videos are now on the City's website at [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org).

Click **'Goleta Video TourBook'** to watch different segments on life here in the good land.

Good stewardship, tourism and recreation, business, and education are some of the features you can find. Share these tastes of Goleta with locals and with those faraway to show the best of Goleta.



# Line 'Em Up!



## Watch and Learn

A short video on the automated trash pickup service is available online at [www.marborg.com/video.html](http://www.marborg.com/video.html). Of course, the staff at MarBorg is also available to answer any questions.

Call 963-1852 or visit their website at [www.marborg.com](http://www.marborg.com).

## Turn Your Old Trash (Can) Into A Treasure

Should you decide not to recycle your old trash can, consider using your old wheeled trash container as your rolling emergency kit. After a major disaster, the usual services, such as running water, refrigeration, and telephones, may be unavailable. Experts recommend that you should be prepared to be self-sufficient for at least three days. Store your household disaster kit in an easily accessible location. Put contents in a large, water-tight container (e.g. a large plastic garbage can with a lid and wheels) that you can move easily.

### YOUR BASIC EMERGENCY KIT SHOULD INCLUDE:

- Water – one gallon per person per day
- Food – ready to eat or requiring minimal water
- Manual can opener and other cooking supplies
- Plates, utensils and other feeding supplies
- First aid kit and instructions
- A copy of important documents and phone numbers
- Warm clothes and rain gear for each family member
- Heavy work gloves
- Disposable camera
- Unscented liquid household bleach and an eyedropper for water purification

## Trash Tutorial: Nine Things to Know

By now, you are enjoying the savings generated by the City's new solid waste agreement with MarBorg Industries. You should have your new trash, recycling and green waste cans in place.

### AS A REMINDER, HERE ARE SOME GUIDELINES ABOUT THE SERVICE:

- Bins should be placed 12 inches apart and away from parked cars or mailboxes.
- Wheels should be against the curb so the lid opens facing the street.
- Containers should be placed on the curb no sooner than 24 hours before they are serviced and should be removed from the curbside within 12 hours after they have been serviced.
- Batteries are now collected as well. To recycle your batteries, tape the ends of each battery with electrical, masking, or duct tape so that the battery poles are not exposed. Put batteries in a zip-top plastic bag. Place the bag on top of (not inside) your recycling container on your recycling collection day.
- Sharps containers are provided at no cost and can be delivered to your home by calling MarBorg at 963-1852. When you request this container, additional information regarding our sharps collection program will be provided.
- Unlimited green waste collection is available at no cost. Need another bin? Call MarBorg at 963-1852.
- Unlimited collection of electronic waste and large household appliances (also known as "white goods") such as a water heater or dishwasher is also available by calling MarBorg.
- Free bulky item pick up is available twice/year by calling MarBorg.
- Antifreeze, batteries, oil, paint (ABOP) and other household hazardous water (including e-waste) can be dropped off at the MarBorg recycling facility at 20 David Love Place in Goleta.  
Hours: Mon – Fri, 9 am – 4 pm and Sat from 9:15 am – 4 pm.

- Personal hygiene items, including toilet paper, feminine supplies, hand sanitizer and soap
- Plastic sheeting, duct tape, and utility knife for covering broken windows
- Tools such as a crowbar, hammer and nails, staple gun, adjustable wrench, and bungee cords
- Blanket or sleeping bag
- Large heavy duty plastic bags and a plastic bucket for waste and sanitation
- Any special needs items for children, seniors or people with disabilities. **Don't forget water and supplies for your pets.**

More information on becoming prepared can be found at [www.GoletaPrepareNow.org](http://www.GoletaPrepareNow.org).

## Celebrating a Better Link for West Goleta



The community celebrated the new overcrossing connecting Cathedral Oaks and Hollister Avenue earlier this summer. The new bridge replaced an old overcrossing which was constructed from reactive aggregate and identified by Caltrans as a bridge that needed to be replaced.

**“Take some time to visit this overcrossing and enjoy the great views of the ocean and the mountains.”**

About 70 local residents and representatives from other public agencies participated in the completion celebration for this important public project. Resident Tim Gausch drove the Mayor in his 1967 Ford Shelby Cobra AC and led the crowd in an inaugural walk/bike/rollerblade across the bridge. The old bridge was quickly demolished in the week immediately following the opening and landscape area plans are in the works.

### Shop for Your Kit

September is **National Preparedness Month**, and the **Goleta Partnership for Preparedness (GP4P)** will have volunteers and displays set up at a number of local grocery, drug and hardware stores to promote disaster preparedness.

The Goleta Prepare Now “Shop for Your Kit” campaign encourages shoppers to purchase emergency kit supplies as they do their regular shopping. Volunteers will also be available to help put together kits at the stores sponsoring this program. Displays will feature emergency preparedness information, materials, and emergency backpacks for sale. Volunteers will hand out reusable grocery store bags with preprinted information on what should be included in a basic emergency kit.

When disaster strikes, it's too late to become prepared. Don't miss this opportunity to prepare your family and your household.

**Find out specific dates and locations by visiting the website at [www.GoletaPrepareNow.org/shop-for-your-kit](http://www.GoletaPrepareNow.org/shop-for-your-kit). Keeping your family safe is a top priority.**

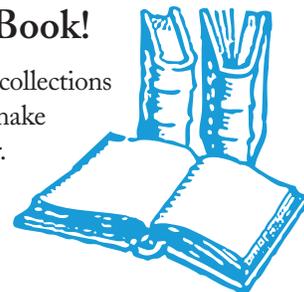
### Express Bus Service Coming to Goleta

SBCAG has partnered with MTD to offer a new express commuter bus service from Ventura County to Goleta called the **Coastal Express Limited**. It features shorter trip times and, for the first time, it will extend commuter bus service to large employers located on the west end of Hollister Avenue. Stops include Hollister at Nectarine, Aero Camino, Cremona and Palo Alto, with an additional stop at Castilian and Cortona.



### Help Yourself to a Good Book!

The Goleta Library is upgrading their collections to include a new technology that will make checking out materials easier and faster. A radio frequency identifier (or RFID) tag will be added to each book, audiobook, music CD, or video which will work with new and improved patron self-service checkout stations.

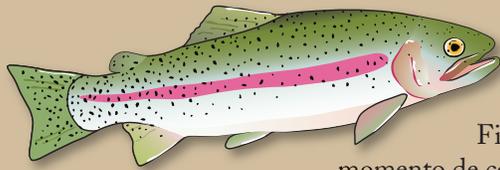


**For information on library services and volunteer opportunities, call 964-7878, email [volunteer@sbplibrary.org](mailto:volunteer@sbplibrary.org), or visit [www.sbplibrary.org](http://www.sbplibrary.org).**

Self-service checkouts are a great way for libraries to improve services to users. RFID tags enable faster and more reliable checkout of materials. They reduce the level of staff intervention needed and free up the staff to assist patrons with other needs, such as locating a book or DVD or providing informative and entertaining programs. RFID technology also makes the process more accurate and reliable. It allows patrons to checkout all types of materials as well as pay fines using the new self-service machines.

This new express commuter service began service on August 29th and has a single park and ride location at the Ventura County Government Center in order to reduce travel times for passengers commuting to Goleta. Commuters can ride in comfort on charter style buses with high-backed seats and free, onboard WiFi.

**For more information, call 883-4276 or visit [sbmtd.gov/coastal](http://sbmtd.gov/coastal).**



## ¿Conoces el camino a San José?

Finalmente, llegó el momento de comenzar la construcción del Proyecto para la Mejora de la Capacidad del Arroyo San José. Este es un proyecto importante para la Ciudad y, particularmente, para aquellos que viven y trabajan en el Centro de Goleta.

Es importante que conozcas los impactos y los efectos del proyecto. La Ciudad se compromete a proporcionar información de manera regular.

También puedes visitar la página del proyecto [www.SanJoseCreekProject.com](http://www.SanJoseCreekProject.com).

## Preguntas Frecuentes

### ¿Qué es el Proyecto para la Mejora del Arroyo San José?

El Proyecto de Mejora a la Capacidad del Arroyo San José es un proyecto de la Ciudad de Goleta en conjunción con la Oficina de Control de Inundaciones del Condado de Santa Bárbara que incrementará la capacidad del canal del Arroyo San José. Este proyecto mejorará la capacidad del Arroyo para manejar una tormenta de las que se presentan cada 100 años, lo cual protege a una significativa parte de Goleta de la posibilidad de una inundación.

### ¿Qué es lo que se hará exactamente?

Este proyecto consiste en dos fases. La primera es ampliar el actual canal de concreto que controla las inundaciones desde Hollister Ave., hasta la propiedad en que se encuentra el Autocinema. La segunda fase reemplazará el actual puente ubicado en Hollister Ave., sobre el Arroyo San José, ampliándolo para que quepa el canal que será más amplio.

### ¿En realidad es necesario?

No existe duda alguna sobre la necesidad de este proyecto en el Centro de Goleta. Vivir en un lugar propenso a inundaciones representa un peligro y un costo adicional para aquellos que viven y trabajan en esa área. Si bien hemos sido muy afortunados al no tener inundaciones recientes, la capacidad del canal necesita ser incrementada para estar preparados para una inundación de las que se presentan cada 100 años.

### ¿Quién pagará la construcción de este Proyecto?

La ciudad de Goleta está poniendo la mayor parte del dinero junto con otros fondos que vienen de la Oficina de Control de Inundaciones del Condado de Santa Bárbara. Se recibieron también fondos del Departamento de Pesca y Juegos, de la Proposición 84 y del Fideicomiso de Terrenos del Valle de Goleta, para el componente del paso de peces.

¿Preguntas? Llame a City Hall 961.7500.  
Tenemos personal bilingüe. Queremos escuchar su opiniones.

### ¿Cuándo comenzará el proyecto?

Si no ocurre nada imprevisto, se planea que la construcción de inicio a principios del otoño. Habrá más información sobre las pláticas con el contratista una vez que se haya aprobado el contrato.

### ¿Cuánto tiempo durará?

La primera fase o la ampliación del canal, se espera que dure dos años. La segunda fase, el reemplazo del puente, se espera que dure otros dos años.

### ¿Cuál será la diferencia una vez que el proyecto esté terminado?

El Nuevo Puente y canal estarán diseñados para manejar una tormenta de las que se presentan cada 100 años. Por ello, una porción significativa del Centro de Goleta estará más lejos de las posibles áreas de inundación. Además, las truchas tendrán la posibilidad de nadar hacia la parte alta del Arroyo San José.

## Un Parque En El Centro de Goleta

Los residentes del Centro de Goleta podrán tener un espacio de recreación activa en su vecindario, en los años por venir. Durante el verano, el Concilio de la Ciudad acordó comprar un terreno de cuatro acres cercano a la esquina de Hollister y Kellogg Ave. Durante los próximos seis a nueve meses, la Ciudad llevará a cabo unos talleres comunitarios para miembros de la comunidad y residentes del área para que den su opinión sobre los tipos de instalaciones y de actividades recreativas que les gustaría que hubiera en el parque. Cuando este proceso haya terminado, el diseño pasará a la etapa de aprobación y después se deberán recaudar los fondos necesarios.



Desde hace mucho tiempo, la Ciudad ha querido darle un parque adicional al Centro de Goleta para aumentar uno a los tres espacios recreativos que ya existen en Nectarine Park, Armitos Park y en el Centro Comunitario del Valle de Goleta. El dinero para pagar el costo de la compra vino de las Tarifas para el Desarrollo de Parques y de la Agencia de Desarrollo de la Ciudad, dando a Goleta la oportunidad de comprar este terreno. La Ciudad está solicitando donativos para éste y otros espacios abiertos.

**Dinos lo que quieres que haya en el parque:** Campos de futbol, un parque para patinar, juegos para niños o un pista con obstáculos para correr.

Busca los avisos sobre los talleres para el público en la Página de Internet de la Ciudad o envía tu opinión a Claudia Dato a [cdato@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:cdato@cityofgoleta.org) o llama al 805.961.7554.



## City Government Meetings

All meetings held at City Hall and are available to watch live on Channel 19 and at [www.CityofGoleta.org](http://www.CityofGoleta.org)

### City Council

1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month

Meets at 1:30 pm and 6 pm

- September 6
- September 20
- October 4
- October 18
- November 1
- November 15
- December 6
- December 20 *cancelled\**

Televised live on **Channel 19**.  
Replayed on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10 am and 5 pm.

### Planning Commission

2nd and 4th Monday of the month

Meets at 6 pm in the City Council Chambers

- September 12
- September 26
- October 10
- October 24
- November 14
- November 28
- December 12
- December 26 *cancelled\**

Televised live on **Channel 19**.  
Replayed on Tuesdays and Sundays at 10 am and 5 pm.

### Design Review Board

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month

- Meets at 3 pm
- September 13
- September 27
- October 11
- October 25
- November 8
- November 22 *cancelled\**
- December 13
- December 27 *cancelled\**

Televised live on **Channel 19**.  
Replayed on Thursdays and Fridays at 10 am and 5 pm.

\*Cancelled due to holiday closures

## ECRWSS Postal Customer

### Creek Week: Help Keep Goleta Clean

Creek Week will kick-off again with **Coastal Cleanup Day** on Saturday, September 17, and runs until Sunday, September 25. Clean-up events will be held in Goleta.

Community members interested in participating in Creek Week activities should contact Everett King at 961-7565 or [eking@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:eking@cityofgoleta.org).

### On the Rails

This year, the South Coast Railroad Museum brings together two popular events—**Depot Day and Goleta Railroad Days**—the weekend of September 17-18.

Event attractions include train rides, children's interactive area, live steam exhibition, music, food, and more.

For more details and to purchase tickets, visit [www.GoletaRailroadDays.org](http://www.GoletaRailroadDays.org).

### Fiddlers' Convention

Celebrate the 40th anniversary of the **Old Time Fiddlers' Convention** and Festival at Rancho La Patera and Stow House from 10 am to 5 pm on Sunday, October 9. Music, food, and fun times for all.

Visit [www.FiddlersConvention.org](http://www.FiddlersConvention.org) for ticket prices and additional details.

### Runners Take Your Mark

The **Santa Barbara International Marathon** kicks off at Dos Pueblos High School on Saturday, November 12 at 7 am. Runners will wind their way around Los Carneros, Hollister, and back to Cathedral Oaks toward Santa Barbara. Some road closures and/or delays will be in effect between 6 and 10 am.

For information, visit [www.SBIMarathon.com](http://www.SBIMarathon.com).

### CITY HALL HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Veterans Day – Nov 11

Thanksgiving Holiday – Nov 24 and 25

Christmas and New Year's –  
December 23 through January 2

### Holiday at the Ranch

Don't miss a beautifully decorated Stow House at the annual **Holiday at the Ranch** event on December 10 and 11.

Photo opportunities abound with Santa Claus, tours of the beautifully decorated Stow House, crafts and cookie-baking for the kids, and live holiday music.

For more information and ticket prices, visit [www.StowHouse.com](http://www.StowHouse.com).



Don't miss the **20th Annual California Lemon Festival** in Goleta on October 15 and 16. You will find delicious food and a variety of entertainment and activities throughout the weekend. The Classic Car and Street Rod Show, as well as "Safety Street," will provide fun for the whole family.

Visit [www.LemonFestival.com](http://www.LemonFestival.com).

