General Community Updates

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Now Accepting Applications for the Finance Advisory Committee

Interested in volunteering with the City of Palos Verdes Estates by serving as a member of the Finance Advisory Committee? The City is now accepting applications to fill 5 vacancies for a newly established Finance Advisory Committee scheduled to be approved by the City Council at its meeting on January 10, 2018.

Residents of Palos Verdes Estates are welcome and encouraged to submit an application. Terms will be two (2) years and staggered, and commencing in March 2018, the Committee will have quarterly meetings with additional meetings when requested by the City Council.

Click here to apply!

Winter 2017 Newsletter is Now Available!

The Winter 2017 Newsletter is now available and can be accessed HERE

This issue features:
• Strategies to address the budget shortfall
• Proposed ballot measure
• Establishment of Finance Advisory Committee
• Police department reductions
• Community partnerships
• Key upcoming dates

Stay Connected to the City

The City’s website is the official source for all City information on meetings, agendas, reports and background information. The City does not receive or monitor social media sites for comments or for receiving public reports and requests. NextDoor, other social media tools (such as Nixle), Neighborhood Watch e-blasts, and the City Newsletter are utilized to share some key information, such as event notification and general information, but residents are encouraged to monitor the City’s website (www.pvestates.org) for official and comprehensive information. To receive email notifications from the City, select SIGN ME UP to register on the City’s website at www.pvestates.org.

In an effort to have even greater outreach to residents, the City and Police Department maintain accounts on several social media platforms and post information on a regular basis.

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Chief of Police Appointed

Post Date: 01/11/2018 9:02 AM

Over the past several months, the City of Palos Verdes Estates has been very fortunate and appreciative to have two dedicated Captains, Anthony Best and Mark Velez, who have served expertly as Acting Police Chief over the past several months. They have provided exceptional leadership of the Police Department and have been integral to sustaining the quality of service and commitment of community policing that Palos Verdes Estates residents expect.

At this time, the City is now pleased and proud to announce that Mark Velez has been appointed the Palos Verdes Estates Chief of Police. Chief Velez started with Palos Verdes Estates Police Department as a Dispatcher-Jailer in 1989 while concurrently serving as a Reserve Officer in 1990-1991. Soon thereafter, and through the ensuing years, in recognition of his skills, education, and knowledge, Velez promoted through a variety of Police Department position to Captain. Chief Velez has earned his PhD in Public Administration from the University of Southern California and also holds a Juris Doctor degree from Southwestern Law School.

As Chief of Police for Palos Verdes Estates, Chief Velez will be focused on strengthening public trust and confidence in the Police Department, enhancing community safety and crime prevention programs, and providing the support and training of Police personnel. “I look forward to bringing 28 years of experience and a “can-do” approach to working in the community and with our excellent Police Department to achieve success and exceed expectations” according to Chief Velez. “This will include enhancing connections between the community and the Police Department, implementing smart innovations and technology to prevent crime and improve service, represent the City and achieve our goals of community policing,” says Chief Velez.
In selecting Chief Velez, I am impressed by his plans for implementing the policies, priorities and budget established by the City Council, addressing the current needs and fiscal situation of the City, his long-term vision for community policing, and commitment to working with our excellent women and men of our Police Department. Chief Velez is focused on building our volunteer programs, strengthening disaster readiness and response programs, addressing traffic issues, enhancing our crime prevention programs, and responding to the community impacts of past and future State legislation and propositions that threaten the safety and security of the public. Chief Velez recognizes the unique and special character of Palos Verdes Estates, and his strengths will serve the community well now and into the future.

The City conducted an internal, promotional recruitment for Police Chief and engaged a panel for evaluating the applicants. In making the appointment of Mark Velez as Chief, we are thankful to Captain Best for his continuing commitment and service to the forward progress of our Police Department.

The community is welcome to meet and congratulate Chief Velez at a reception in the Palos Verdes Estates Council Chambers on January 30, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Apply Today:

City of Palos Verdes Estates

Finance Advisory Committee

- Attend Quarterly Meetings
- Provide Budget Input and Recommendations to Council
- Prepare Long-range Financial Planning Forecasts
- Advise on Fiscal Issues Facing the City

The City is accepting applications to establish a Finance Advisory Committee. If you are interested in volunteering with the City of Palos Verdes Estates, please visit the City’s website or call (310) 378-0383

Apply by 4:00 p.m. on January 19th
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Business Applications Now Online

Post Date: 12/20/2017

At its December 11, 2017 Council Meeting, City Council approved an agreement with HdL Software, LLC to provide the City with business license processing services.

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In past years, the City has conducted its business license application processing manually at City Hall or through the mail. This has increased processing times for applications and payments and, in certain instances, required business operators to be present to apply for, renew, or pay for licenses.

Businesses will now receive electronic copies of their license from HdL Software LLC for easy and convenient mobile access. In addition, respective applicants will also receive a Business License Vehicle Tag from HdL.

For those businesses currently operating within the City, renewal notices have been sent out. Please note that payments are due by January 1, 2018 and will be considered delinquent if received on or after February 1, 2018.

To apply, renew or pay for a business license, please visit: https://palosverdesestates.hdlgov.com/

Any questions regarding licensing can be directed to the Business Support Center by calling (310) 341-2571 or through e-mail at Support@hdlgov.com

Return to full list >>
Following the failure of Measure D in March 2017, the City Council adopted multiple strategies to address the $5 million budget shortfall (25% of the City’s operating budget). The strategies included:

1) Reducing the general citywide budget.
   The 2017-18 fiscal year budget included one-time and temporary reductions of $1,271,733, fund transfers of $1,529,246, and use of fiscal reserves in the amount of $1,471,078.

2) Completing an independent, neutral expert evaluation of the costs, operations, value, benefits and efficiencies associated with having a locally controlled Police Department.
   The study was completed in September 2017 and, in addition to the previous budget reductions, the City Council approved an additional $580,000 in Police Department reductions.

3) Completing a “User Fee Analysis” to identify opportunities for full cost recovery of planning, building and construction services that are provided by the City.
   A public hearing to adjust fees is scheduled on January 10, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

4) Conducting community meetings to improve communications and engage residents.
   Four community conversations were held in October 2017 in partnership with the Davenport Institute of Pepperdine University. The City is implementing transparency technology and pursuing additional measures to strengthen its community relations.

5) Establishing a Finance Advisory Committee to provide the City Council with recommendations for maintaining the City’s fiscal health and viability.
   Applications for the Committee are currently being accepted. They are available by calling (310) 378-0383 or at www.pvestates.org.

6) Conducting an evaluation of the non-safety operations of the City through an independent, neutral expert to evaluate costs, efficiencies and service levels.
   The study is scheduled for presentation to the City Council on January 23, 2018.

7) Presenting to voters a new ballot measure to maintain the City’s current services, and in particular retaining its own local and community-based police department.
   At its meeting on January 10, 2018, the City Council will consider calling for an election on April 10, 2018.

Proposed Ballot Measure to Pay for Police Services in April 2018

At the October 10 and December 11, 2017 meetings of the City Council and concurrent with receiving broad community input through letters, phone calls, emails, and numerous community meetings, the City Council has discussed a potential ballot measure to address the City’s current fiscal situation stemming from the loss of 25% of revenue. On January 10, 2018, the City Council will consider calling for an election on April 10, 2018 for a 9-year parcel tax with a simplified formula that will generate approximately $5 million that can only be used to pay for the Palos Verdes Estates Police Department. The City Council meetings and presentation slides can be found by visiting the City’s website at www.pvestates.org under “Meetings & Agendas.” For more information, please visit the City’s website at www.pvestates.org or call (310) 378-0383.
Establishment of a Finance Advisory Committee
The City Council is establishing a Finance Advisory Committee comprised of five residents with a financial background. Members of the Finance Advisory Committee will serve two-year terms and meet four times a year for the purpose of:

- Providing input and recommendations to the City Council regarding budget reconciliation, including actual revenues and expenses at the Departmental level;
- Consulting and working with City staff in the preparation of long-range financial planning forecasts; and
- Advising and assisting the City Council on fiscal liability matters facing the City and other fiscal matters referred to the Finance Advisory Committee.

Applications from residents who are interested in serving on the Finance Advisory Committee are being received through January 19, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. Applications are available on the City’s website at [www.pvestates.org](http://www.pvestates.org) or by calling the City Clerk’s Office at (310) 378-0383.

Police Department Reductions
Following the Police Operations Study conducted by Lewis-McCravy Partners and a thorough analysis of the study’s recommendations, the following reductions will be made in the Police Department:

- Elimination of two Service Officer positions that support Dispatch and Jail functions.
- Elimination of one Sergeant position assigned to training and personnel functions.
- Elimination of one Patrol Officer position and the canine unit.
- Reduction in employer’s share of pension contributions.

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Fountains and Lights - Community Partnerships
The City of Palos Verdes Estates thanks you, our residents and businesses, for your generous and continuing support for maintaining the special character and quality-of-life of our community.

During this holiday season, and in particular while the City conscientiously works to fund traditional programs and services in innovative and alternate ways, we appreciate the donations that have provided for lighting Lunada Bay Plaza and Malaga Cove Plaza holiday trees. With additional donations being received, Neptune fountain and Lunada Bay fountain will also soon be operational.

We are also very appreciative and thankful for the many volunteers who dedicate themselves to the City. To those on Committees and to those serving the City in other capacities, thank you.

Upcoming Dates

For more information, please call (310) 378-0383 or visit [www.pvestates.org](http://www.pvestates.org).
Hazardous & E Waste Collection Event

The City of Palos Verdes Estates will hold its annual FREE Hazardous & E-waste collection event in partnership with its waste hauler, Athens Services.

Date: Saturday, February 3, 2018

Location:
Palos Verdes High School
Parking Lot
600 Cloyden Road

Time: 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

- Hazardous Waste includes paint (oil and water based), solvents, pesticides, car and household batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, pool chemicals, cleaners, oil, and other hazardous materials

- Electronic Waste includes TV's, printers, DVD players, computers, etc.

For more information, please contact City Hall at (310) 378-0383 or Athens Services at 888-336-6100

This event is for Palos Verdes Estates residents only Please be sure to bring proof of residency!
Collection Time
To ensure your trash is collected, please make sure your barrels are accessible by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day. Your barrels must be within the limit of 45 lbs.

Office Hours: 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Monday-Friday)
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Saturday)
TOLL FREE: (888) 336-6100

Www.AthensServices.com

Hazardous Waste
This service is also available upon request on service day. A fee does apply. Please call (888) 336.6100 to schedule.

Please do not place hazardous materials or electronic (E-Waste) into your trash. Most paints, paint thinners, cleaners with acid or lye, pesticides or herbicides, brake fluids, anti-freeze, motor oil, oil filters and other petroleum derivatives and solvents, expired pharmaceuticals, home-generated sharps, household batteries and car batteries, pool chemicals, and fluorescent light bulbs are considered hazardous waste and petroleum derivatives such as motor oil and solvents are considered hazardous waste. Most televisions, cell phones, computer monitors, keyboards, printers, etc. are considered E-Waste.

State and Federal laws require special handling for these wastes and for proper disposal. Take the listed items to any of the FREE Hazardous Waste Roundup.

For more info visit the County of Los Angeles Department Public Works website at www.cleanla.com or call their (888) Clean-LA hotline.

Container Information
Containers must be provided by residents. Capacity must be between 32-35 gallons. The contents of your containers are processed through the Material Recovery Facility where all viable recyclable materials, such as paper, plastics, glass, wood, metals, and others are sorted, baled, and transported to recycling facilities. This process is necessary in order to meet the strict State mandate of AB939 which requires that 50% of the City’s waste stream be diverted from landfills.
Turf Removal Class

Learn how to remove your turf and successfully convert your landscape to a native or drought-tolerant plant palette.

This class will cover the following topics:

- Design Considerations
- Irrigation Systems
- Removal of Existing Grass
- Planting
- Soil Preparation
- Garden Maintenance

West High School, 20401 Victor St.
Torrance 90503 in Cafeteria 5

Saturday, January 27, 2018
9 a.m. – Noon

Register Online or Call!
SBESC.com/Calendar
(310) 371-7222

Space is limited! Snacks Provided!

In Partnership with:
THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER
South Bay Cities Council of Governments
Help Conserve Water with a Free Rain Barrel

By collecting and using rainwater in your garden you can be more water efficient. Rain barrels also help reduce the amount of water that flows into storm drains and waterways.

Learn how to Register

🌐 www.westbasin.org/rainbarrels
📞 (310) 371-4633

Registration Required
Participants must meet eligibility requirements and register in advance. Rain barrels are distributed on a first come, first served basis. No walk-ins will be allowed. Registration does not guarantee a rain barrel.

Distribution Events

Saturday, January 20, 2018
8AM – 12PM
West Los Angeles College
9000 Overland Ave.
Culver City, CA 90230

Saturday, February 10, 2018
8AM – 12PM
West Basin Municipal Water District
17140 S. Avalon Blvd.
Carson, CA 90746

Saturday, March 17, 2018
8AM – 12PM
Lawndale High School
14901 S. Inglewood Ave.
Lawndale, CA 90260

Saturday, April 7, 2018
8AM – 12PM
Mira Costa High School
1401 Artesia Blvd.
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Saturday, May 19, 2018
8AM – 12PM
Darby Park
3400 W. Arbor Vitae St.
Inglewood, CA 90305
Programs to enhance your life through self-care, wealth management, health care, and more. Programs are free and open to the public.

January - February 2018

Balance, Mobility & Fall Prevention
Tuesday, 1/16 at 1:30 - 2:30 PM
Wednesday, 2/7 at 1:30 - 2:30 PM
Peninsula Center Library - Community Room

Teen Tech 4 Seniors
Saturday, 1/20 at 10 AM - 12 PM
Peninsula Center Library - Community Room

Feldenkrais
Tuesday, 1/23, 2/20 at 10 AM - 12 PM
Peninsula Center Library - Community Room

Diabetes & You
Tuesday, 2/6 at 10 AM - 12 PM
PV Golf Course
3301 Via Campesina

Heart Health and Park Walk
Saturday, 2/17 at 10 AM - 1 PM
Hesse Park
29301 Hawthorne Blvd

This project was supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Questions? Call Laura Ishizaka 310-377-9584 ext. 215
## West Basin Municipal Water District

### Rainwater/Greywater Classes & Workshops

Register to attend a free two-part Rainwater/Greywater Class and Workshop

*Attendance to both class and workshop are required to receive incentives*

**Learn About:**
- The Benefits, Ordinances & Guidelines of using Rainwater & Greywater
- Laundry-to-Landscape System How-To

**Qualify For:**
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**Register Now**
- [www.westbasin.org/greywater](http://www.westbasin.org/greywater)
- (310) 371-4633

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