



City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

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**April 15 - April 21 Special Weekly Edition of
Sebastopol Community Newsletter**

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25% MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTION IN SEBASTOPOL:
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UPCOMING BUDGET MEETING - APRIL 25TH

Another important budget meeting is coming up on April 25th. The public is invited to join the meeting via Zoom. See the Meeting Page link for the meeting agenda and Zoom info.

FY22-23 Budget Discussion #4

Date: Monday, April 25, 2022

Time: 9:00 AM

[Meeting Page](#)

Have a say in how your tax dollars are spent!



PG&E VIRTUAL WILDFIRE SAFETY WEBINAR - MAY 4



PG&E hosts online [webinars](#) throughout each year for anyone who is interested in learning more about their Community Wildfire Safety Program. These virtual gatherings allow community members to learn more about wildfire safety and emergency preparedness, meet with PG&E representatives, ask questions and share feedback.

Wildfire Safety Regional Webinar - Sonoma, Marin

Date: May 4, 2022

Time: 5:30 p.m.

[Join Webinar](#)

Toll-Free Attendee Dial-In: 1-888-324-7503

Conference ID: 7363271

THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL NEEDS YOU!



Help Design Sebastopol

Apply Today for an Opening on the Design Review Board

City of Sebastopol Design Review Board/Tree Board

The City has One Opening in Category C - a person **not** in subsection A or B of this section.

A. Two persons, at least one of whom shall be a licensed architect and at least one of whom shall be a licensed landscape architect.

B. One person who may be any of the following: architect, landscape architect, building designer, building contractor, landscape contractor.

[Job Notice](#)

[General Application](#)

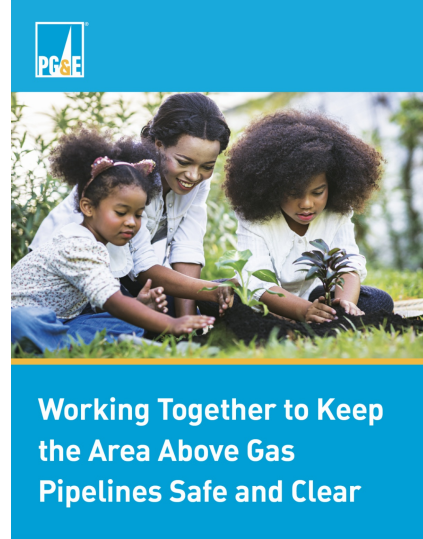
DEADLINE: April 26, 2022

Applications and further information are available at the City of Sebastopol Planning Department, 7120 Bodega Avenue, Sebastopol, CA 95472. For questions please contact Associate Planner John Jay at 707-823-6167 or jjay@cityofsebastopol.org.

**PG&E PERFORMING ONGOING GAS SAFETY
VEGETATION WORK**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is performing ongoing gas safety vegetation work and our communities can help keep the area above and around the gas transmission pipeline safe.

It's important to keep the area above a gas transmission pipeline clear of structures, trees and brush, as they can block access in an emergency or for critical maintenance work. These types of items can also damage the pipe and potentially cause corrosion which can lead to leaks. That's why, as part of their commitment to safety, PG&E regularly inspects the area above and around the pipeline and partners with customers to address any items that pose a safety concern.



**Working Together to Keep
the Area Above Gas
Pipelines Safe and Clear**

The community can help keep the pipeline safe by:

- Calling 811 before starting a digging or landscaping project so any underground utilities can be marked.
- Monitoring and reporting any suspicious activity near pipelines.
- Following the guide to safe landscaping when deciding where to install new trees and plants.
- Ensuring structures are installed at least 14 feet away from the pipeline.

Visit the City's website [here](#) for more information and resources.

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH FREE ORGANIC COMPOST



Compost builds healthy soil and helps retain water!

The Sebastopol Climate Action Committee and the City of Sebastopol will be hosting an Earth Day Organic Compost Giveaway on Sunday April 24, 2022. This free event is open to home and school gardeners from the Sebastopol to Occidental area.

Home and school gardeners are invited to come to the compost pick up site with shovels, gloves, a tarp and a car with containers or a pick-up truck prepared to load their own compost. Volunteers will be on hand to assist with parking at the compost site. People in need of loading help should let the onsite volunteers know they will need assistance.

Gardeners throughout Sonoma County are encouraged to attend compost giveaways in their closest town. Zero Waste Sonoma, along with cities and local groups are planning events throughout much of the county to aid in getting compost into gardens for spring. Check compost on the Zero Waste Sonoma calendar at <https://zerowastesonoma.gov/calendar>.

Event Details:

Sunday, April 24, 2022

From: 10am – 1pm, shoveling will begin at 10am until the pile is gone

Location: 425 Morris Street Sebastopol (behind the Youth Annex)

Free 1/2 Cu.Yd. per household - self serve, come prepared with shovels, gloves, containers or truck (1/2 cu yd = ½ truck bed)

Contact:

For questions or to volunteer to help at the compost giveaway please email Sebastopolsinkscarbon@gmail.com or ClimateActionCommittee@cityofsebastopol.org

DEADLINE EXTENDED: SUBMISSIONS SOUGHT FOR SEBASTOPOL'S COMMUNITY SCULPTURE GARDEN



Support Person #1
Artist: Beth Hartmann



Zephyra
Artist: Sculpture Jam



Medallion
Artist: Briona Hendren

The Sebastopol City Council and its Public Arts Committee (PAC) invite Sonoma County-based artists to submit proposals for the new Community Sculpture Garden (CSG) located along the pedestrian walk between Ives Park's Calder Creek and the Sebastopol Center for the Arts. The CSG will eventually be comprised of eight sculptures. The first three sculptures were installed in January. Submission information may be found [HERE](#).

Submission Deadline EXTENDED to May 24th.

There is NO FEE for applying, NO INSURANCE FEES REQUIRED, no Jurying fee, and no other display fees.

Questions can be addressed to Kari Svanstrom, City of Sebastopol Planning Director: ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

An official Opening Day event is planned for the summer. Stay tuned!

UPCOMING MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (MYN) CLASSES

MYN Classes

Being prepared together

Classes are on Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm
Registration & Zoom link - sebastopolready.org/calendar

Upcoming Classes

May 18
June 15

Learn more about the MYN program and classes [HERE](#).

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neighbors helping neighbors

MYN

UPCOMING SEBASTOPOL NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNICATION UNIT (SNCU) TRAININGS

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SNCU Trainings

Radio use, best radio options and message protocols

Trainings are from 1:00-2:30 pm
Registration (limit 12) & location
- sebastopolready.org/calendar

Upcoming Trainings

April 24
May 28
June 26

Learn more about the SNCU program and trainings [HERE](#).

WATER CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK

Water savings are urgently needed. See the City's [Water Conservation page](#) for actions you can take to reduce water usage and check out these indoor and outdoor water conservation tips from the [Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership](#).

Here's this week's tip to help you reduce your water consumption:

- **Never pour water down the drain when there may be another use for it. Use it to water your indoor plants or garden. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.**

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ASK SLOW CAT!

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Will there be water restrictions this year?

ANSWER: As this historic drought continues, so too must our water conservation. The [resolution](#) passed on July 6, 2021 (Stage 2 Mandatory Compliance) is still in effect and calls for mandatory 25% reduction of water use. This resolution limits or prohibits a number of activities including outdoor irrigation, filling of swimming pools, car washing, and others. Learn more about our region's water resources and how you can conserve them [HERE](#).



Have a question about the town we all know and love? Want to know more about the history of Sebastopol? We want to answer your questions. Submit a question via email to by clicking the button below. We'll post answers in our weekly newsletter and on our Facebook page.

Submit A
Question

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Police Department

[Police Officer](#)

Deadline to Apply: Open 10/18/21 (Open and Continuous)

Public Works Department

[Assistant Public Works Superintendent](#)

Deadline to Apply: April 28, 2022

See the city [website](#) for additional information and requirements on these current opportunities to participate in the management and growth in our community.

COVID-19 INFO & RESOURCES

COUNTY OF SONOMA

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS

Free, convenient, confidential COVID-19 testing is available to all Sonoma County residents, regardless of document status

See the [SoCoEmergency Calendar](#) for a list of testing locations in the County.

See the [SoCoEmergency Testing](#) page for more information.

Although many test sites say “walk-ins welcome” health officials now do not want people with symptoms standing in lines for tests. They suggest staying home and trying to schedule a test. You can also order 4 free at-home tests per household. Find more information at <https://www.covidtests.gov>.

CITY NEWS

CITY MEETINGS

All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link.

Agendas for upcoming meetings can be found on the City website by clicking the “[Meetings](#)” link on the home page. Agendas will contain information about participating virtually in real time when this feature is available.

City Council Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First and Third Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 6pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before the meeting:
 - **For Items Not on the Agenda:** Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items not on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the virtual City Council meeting. All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
 - **For Items Listed on the Agenda:** Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items listed on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the agenda item during the virtual City Council meeting. **Email comments must identify the Agenda Item Number in the subject line of the email.** All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the

Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [City Council Meeting of May 3, 2022 @ 6:00 PM](#)

Planning Commission Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 6pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Planning Commission Meeting of April 26, 2022 @ 6:00 PM](#)

(NOTE: All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link. Information for meeting attendance can be found here: <https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx>)

Design Review Board Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First and Third Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 4pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Design Review Board Meeting of May 4, 2022 @ 4:00 PM](#)

Public Arts Committee Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 10:30am
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** There are currently no meetings scheduled.

Climate Action Committee Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 3:30pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Climate Action Committee Meeting of April 27, 2022 @ 3:30 PM](#)



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