



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

February 8, 2024

To the Honorable City Council
of the City of Pasadena

Mayor and Councilmembers:

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

1. **Recreational Trails Program Grant Award:**

Koko Panossian, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services and the department are pleased to announce a grant award in the amount of \$500,000 for the Arroyo Trails Critical Linkages Project through the state of California Parks and Recreation Department's Recreational Trails Program ("RTP").

Grant programs such as the RTP help advance outdoor access by providing funds to local, state, federal, and nonprofit organizations to develop non-motorized recreation trails (paved, non-paved, and backcountry) and trail-related facilities projects as well as acquire trail corridors.

Parks, Recreation, and Community Services submitted the RTP grant application in June 2023 in partnership with the One Arroyo Foundation to construct two new multiuse trails and restore approximately 3.5 miles of multiuse trails, including stone terracing, foot bridges, guardrails, stairs, boulders, trailheads, and benches in the lower and central Arroyo.

A total of 56 applications were submitted and only nine were selected. The City of Pasadena was one of two grantees selected for the Los Angeles County area.

2. **Reports from the Department of Water and Power:**

The attached memorandum from Sidney Jackson, General Manager of Water and Power, provides information on the following topics: 2024 Educational Scholarship, "Water is Life" Art Contest, and the Annual Report.

3. **2024 Historic Property Contract (Mills Act) Program:**

Jennifer Paige, Director of Planning and Community Development, reported that in October 2002, the City Council created the Historic Property Contract program, under the auspices of the state of California Mills Act regulations. The program is a financial incentive that encourages the designation, rehabilitation, and protection of historic buildings. The benefit to the property owner may be a reduction in property taxes, while the benefit to the City is the preservation of a significant historic resource.

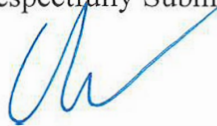
The program is conducted on an annual cycle with applications being released early in the calendar year and approved contracts being recorded with the County Recorder at the end of each year. Staff may approve up to a maximum of 20 new single-family residential applications and six non-single-family-residential applications (*e.g.*, multi-family residential, commercial, industrial, etc.) per year. There are currently 402 properties enrolled in the program.

On February 5, 2024, staff released the 2024 Historic Property Contract guidelines and application, which is posted on the City's website at www.cityofpasadena.net/millsact. Owners of designated historic properties that meet the qualifications outlined in the application guidelines may submit applications up to the deadline of Friday, May 31, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Property owners of eligible, undesignated properties may also concurrently apply for historical designation, and a Mills Act contract may be approved if the property is designated by the City Council by the end of the year. Questions about the program should be directed to the program manager, Stephanie Cisneros, Senior Planner, at 626-744-7219 or scisneros@cityofpasadena.net.

4. **Legal Advertisements and Public Notices:**

Attached is a memorandum from Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, which provides this week's submission of upcoming legal advertisements and public notices set for publication. In addition, the webpage for posting public notices and advertisements has been updated with the attached information and can be accessed from the City's home webpage at www.cityofpasadena.net. If you require additional detailed information on these legal advertising and public notices, please contact Mr. Jomsky at (626) 744-4709.

Respectfully Submitted,



NICHOLAS G. RODRIGUEZ

Assistant City Manager



PASADENA WATER AND POWER

MEMORANDUM

February 8, 2024

To: Miguel Márquez
City Manager

From: Sidney Jackson
General Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sidney Jackson".

Re: City Manager Newsletter Item

Pasadena Water and Power Announcements on Scholarship, Art Contest and Annual Report

2024 Educational Scholarship

Pasadena Water and Power ("PWP") is now accepting essays and applications for the 2024 Educational Scholarship. Each year, PWP honors two outstanding high school seniors in Pasadena with a scholarship to a two- or four-year accredited, post-secondary institution for the upcoming academic year. The first-place scholarship is \$5,000, and second place is \$2,500.

To apply, students must write a minimum 500-word essay about a topic related to the utility industry. This year's essay prompt asks students to consider the benefits and challenges of electrification. Submissions must be received by April 5, 2024. Learn more about the scholarship program by visiting PWPWeb.com/Scholarship.

"Water is Life" Art Contest

All K-12 students who live within PWP's service territory are encouraged to submit artwork for the 2024 "Water is Life" Art Contest sponsored by PWP and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California ("MWD"). Each year, participating students submit artwork portraying a water-wise theme, along with a short message about water conservation. Both digital and hand-drawn or painted artwork are welcome! Submissions must be received by May 31, 2024.

To learn more about the art contest, including how to submit a piece, visit PWPWeb.com/ArtContest.

Annual Report

The PWP Annual Report gives the public a financial overview of the accomplishments, investments, and infrastructure upgrades in the previous Fiscal Year ("FY"). The latest report, covering FY 2023, is now available online.

In FY 2023, PWP proved to be reliable and resilient while having some of the lowest, competitive rates in Southern California. PWP was a leader in transportation electrification; replaced aging infrastructure; affirmed the safety and quality of its drinking water; and executed emergency readiness plans during Tropical Storm Hilary while supporting the City's Emergency Operations Center.

The FY 2023 Annual Report can be downloaded online at PWPWeb.com/AnnualReport.

For more information on PWP's ongoing programs and latest information, please visit PWPweb.com.



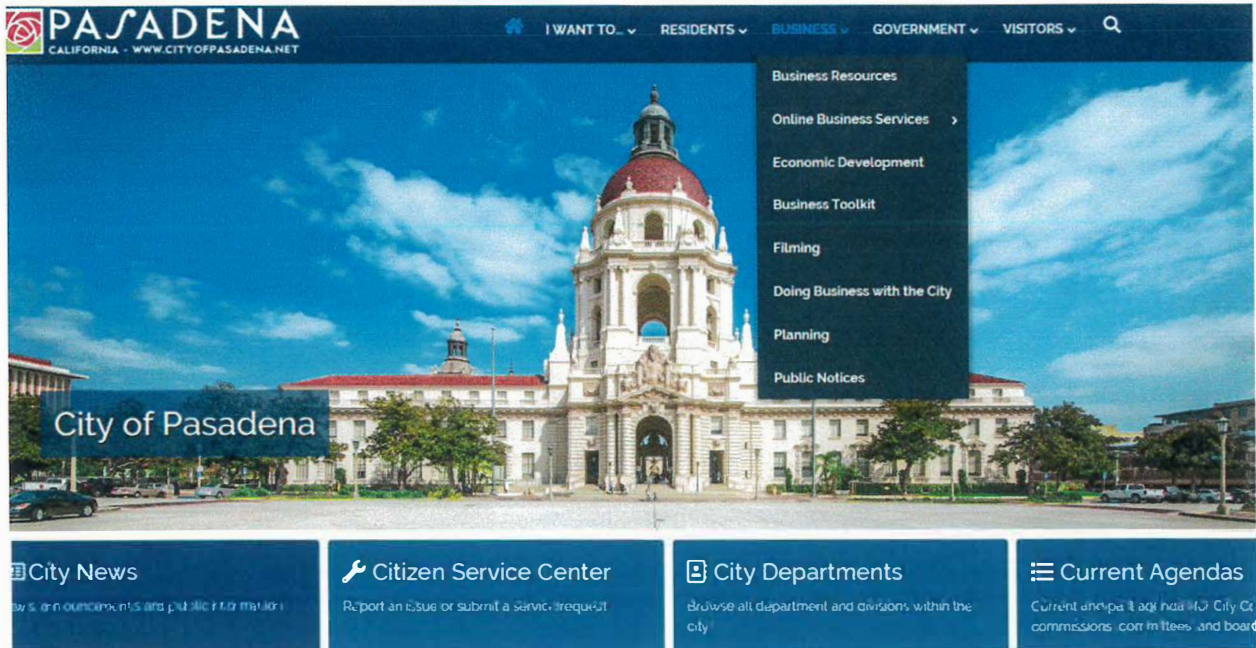
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Sandra Robles, Sr. Assistant City Clerk *SR*
DATE: February 8, 2024
RE: Legal Advertisements and Public Notices

Attached, please find this week's submission of upcoming legal advertisements and public notices set for publication.

In addition, the webpage for posting public notices and advertisement has been updated with the attached information, and can be accessed from the City's home webpage: www.cityofpasadena.net (see illustration below)



Please let me know if you have any questions.

**PUBLIC NOTICE BY THE CITY OF PASADENA
OF A SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING BY THE CITY COUNCIL
RELATING TO A SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT
TO THE 5-YEAR (2020-2024) CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

This is an amendment to the 5-Year (2020-2024) Consolidated Plan , the 2019 Annual Action Plan, and 2023 Annual Action Plan for the City of Pasadena to reallocate \$160,386 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) funding made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), \$31,729 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) annual allocation, and revisions to accomplishment goals in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan. This action if approved is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15061(b)(3).

Action Plan Amendment

Description	Implementing Agency	Location	Action
<u>Pasadena Food Pantry</u> Provides funding to address food insecurity related to COVID-19.	First United Methodist Church of Pasadena	500 E. Colorado Blvd.	Funding Increase CDBG-CV \$40,000
<u>Pasadena Food Pantry</u> Provides funding to address food insecurity related to COVID-19.	National Day Laborer Organizing Network	1030 S. Arroyo Parkway #106	Funding Increase CDBG-CV \$20,000
<u>Pasadena Food Pantry</u> Provides funding to address food insecurity related to COVID-19.	First African Methodist Episcopal Church of Pasadena	1700 N. Raymond Ave.	Funding Increase CDBG-CV \$70,386
<u>Pasadena Food Pantry</u> Provides funding to address food insecurity related to COVID-19.	Foothill Unity Center, Inc.	191 N. Oak Ave.	Funding Increase CDBG-CV \$30,000
<u>HMIS</u> Database to collect client-level information and produce required reports on project performance.	City of Pasadena, Department of Housing	649 N. Fair Oaks Ave #202	Funding Increase ESG \$31,729

5-Year (2020-2024) Consolidated Plan Amendment

5-Year (2020-2024) Goal Program Year Period	Current Goal Accomplishment	Amended Goal Accomplishment
Housing	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 60 Housing Units	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 35 Housing Units
Public Services	Public service activities: 1,250 Persons Assisted	Public service activities: 6,000 Persons Assisted
Public Facility Improvements	Public Facility Activities: 25,000 Persons Assisted	Public Facility Activities: 75,000 Persons Assisted
Homeless Overnight Shelter	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1250 Persons Assisted	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 125 Persons Assisted

The Pasadena City Council and Housing Department are vitally interested in improving and increasing communication with Pasadena citizens in the area of housing, community development, and economic development. This amendment is available for a public review starting February 8, 2024 on the Housing Department website at: <https://www.cityofpasadena.net/housing/>. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than March 4, 2024, to the following:

City of Pasadena
Housing Department
Attention: Randy Mabson, Program Coordinator
649 N. Fair Oaks Blvd. #202
Pasadena, CA 91109

The public hearing will be held at the following location and time:

City Council - Public Hearing
Monday, March 11, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
Pasadena City Hall – City Council Chambers
100 N. Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91109

During the meeting and prior to the close of the public hearing, members of the public may provide public comment. Please refer to the agenda when posted as to whether the hearing will be held electronically or in person, and how to provide public comment. If you challenge the matter in Court, you may be limited to raising those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing, or in written correspondence sent to the City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

MIGUEL MÁRQUEZ, City Manager
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