

# DISTRICT UPDATE



CITY OF PASADENA | JUNE 1, 2021



## Welcome to District 7

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Dear Friends,

I hope you all had a wonderful Memorial Day weekend.

Pasadena vaccination sites continue to have a great amount of availability, including for children 12 years of age and older. You can check [MyTurn.ca.gov](https://myturn.ca.gov) to view a list of Pasadena and other nearby locations offering COVID-19 vaccinations and schedule a vaccine appointment. Almost 70% of Pasadenans (vs. 51% across California) are fully vaccinated and more than 82% have at least one dose (vs. 64% statewide).

While we are all looking forward to June 15th when the state will fully reopen, Pasadena will continue to maintain current requirements for face masks until then.

The City Council has begun operating budget hearings that will continue through June 21st, when the Council adopts a final budget for 2022.

Next week, the City Council is expected to present their district nominees for the Community Police Oversight Commission. The selection of an Independent Auditor should be finalized as well.

This week, our first Thursday monthly constituent coffee will take place via Zoom Thursday, June 3rd at 8:00 a.m.

If you would like to participate:



[South Lake Business Association](#)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6609721839>

Meeting ID: 660 972 1839

One tap mobile

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[Green Street Village](#)

**PASADENA ALIGNS WITH STATE AND MAINTAINS CURRENT MASK GUIDELINES**

Earlier in May, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released guidance indicating that people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 can resume some activities without wearing masks or physically distancing except where required by local law and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance. This statement of confidence in the efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines is welcome and supported by science.



[Playhouse Village](#)

On May 17, the state announced that existing face mask guidance remains in place until June 15. Pasadena has aligned with the state to maintain current requirements for face masks until June 15. This will allow a few more weeks for people who live or work in our city, students, and visitors to access vaccine, and to increase our overall community vaccination rates to keep our residents safer.

[Pasadena COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

It is important to note workplaces remain under Cal/OSHA masking and distancing requirements, which have not yet changed.

[Pasadena COVID-19 Vaccination Information](#)

When are masks still required?

- When indoors (except when in one's own home)
- When outdoors at crowded events or venues
- When not fully vaccinated, outdoors and unable to physically distance from others
- At businesses and worksites including retailers, restaurants, markets, offices, and schools
- When utilizing public transportation

When can I remove my mask?

- When outdoors and able to physically distance from others
- When eating or drinking while seated at table in a

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- restaurant, bar, or brewery dining area
- When receiving personal care services to the facial area such as barbering, waxing, massage, and electrology
- When fully vaccinated and outdoors (except at certain events or venues, including businesses and retail)
- When fully vaccinated and at a private event or gathering where all other attendees are fully vaccinated
- When fully vaccinated and gathering with unvaccinated individuals from only one other household who are not at high risk for severe COVID-19 disease

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## **CITY HOSTS COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON JUNE 2ND FOR THE 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT**



The City of Pasadena is currently undertaking the update of the 2021-2029 Housing Element. Pasadena is required to update the Housing Element every eight years to support continued progress toward meeting diverse community housing needs and to address regional housing production targets.

This Wednesday, June 2nd, residents may attend a virtual community workshop where participants will be asked to review, comment on, and recommend alternatives to housing programs that the City proposes to meet the community's housing needs over the next eight years. Discussion will occur in small breakout groups, with everyone coming together at the end to hear the ideas shared during the breakout sessions.

For information on how to attend, visit [Housing Element Update Workshop June 2, 2021](#).



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## **PASADENA DECLARES JUNE 4 "NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY"**

At their May 24 meeting, Pasadena City Council issued a proclamation declaring

Friday, June 4, 2021 'National Gun Violence Awareness Day' in Pasadena to honor and remember all of the victims and survivors of gun violence and support efforts to prevent gun violence.

National Gun Violence Awareness Day kicks off Wear Orange Weekend, an event held annually in honor of Hadiya Pendleton, a 15-year-old who was shot and killed in Chicago in 2013, just one week after performing at President

Obama's 2nd inaugural parade. Orange is the color that Hadiya's friends wore in her honor and is worn throughout the nation to raise awareness about gun violence.

The City of Pasadena encourages community members to wear orange June 4-6 in support of the gun violence prevention movement and to share photos on social media using the hashtag #WearOrange. Pasadena police officers will be wearing orange ribbons on Friday, June 4.

Many local groups are working together to encourage and support efforts to prevent gun violence and save lives, including San Gabriel Valley Moms Demand Action, Students Demand Action, Mothers of Murdered Children, and the All Saints Committee to End Gun Violence Contact the organizations directly for information on how to get involved.

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## **COUNCIL AWARDS CONTRACT FOR PARK IN THE PLAYHOUSE VILLAGE WITH CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN IN AUGUST**

After years of planning and multiple community workshops, a new park in the Central District is soon to be built! Last Monday, the City Council awarded the construction contract for the park to Act 1 Construction with work set to begin in August and completed next spring.

The project design includes the following park features:

- Central lawn area for recreation and community gatherings;
- Shade trellis structure and platform for socializing and staging of community events;
- Parking plaza with integrated stormwater management system;
- Accessible children's play area with natural play elements, rubberized play surface and shade structures;
- Off-leash dog run with delineating fence for big and small dogs;
- Mature tree plantings;
- New sidewalk along Union Street to integrate the pedestrian experience with the park;
- New two-stall restroom building with storage for park maintenance and user groups.

To see renderings of the park, click [here](#).

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## **LIBRARIES HAVE REOPENED**

As the City continues to evaluate the cost and course of action for Central Library, which was closed last month due to seismic concerns, other libraries have reopened. Hastings, La Pintaresca, Lamanda Park, Linda Vista, San Rafael and Santa Catalina Branch Libraries are open for limited in-person services. Allendale and Hill Avenue Branch Libraries are providing curbside pickup of Library materials Monday-Saturday 10 am to 6 pm. Right now, Hill continues to operate curbside as a satellite Central pickup location. As soon as an alternate location for Central Library is determined, the Hill Avenue Branch

will reopen.

For more information on Library services and hours, click [here](#).

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