

Newsletter

City of Palos Verdes Estates Newsletter Summer 2015 Edition



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Mandated Water Use Restrictions effective June 1st



Following the Executive Order by Governor Brown on April 1st calling for a mandatory statewide water use reduction of 25%, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) released draft regulations proposing that cities on the Peninsula including the City of Palos Verdes Estates (City) reduce water use by 36% beginning June 1, 2015 and reevaluate the percentage reduction in February 2016. In order to achieve state-mandated water use restrictions imposed by the drought, CalWater has filed "Schedule 14.1: Water Shortage Contingency Plan" with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Schedule 14.1

provides household and business water budgets, waste penalties, and enforcement measures to reduce water use in its districts. The following measures will be mandated to all residents and businesses on the Palos Verdes Peninsula starting **Monday, June 1st:**

Water Budgets

- All consumers, both residential and business, will be given an **individualized** water budget, that is the amount of water they may use each month without incurring higher costs.
- The water budget will be based on the units of water (*CCF) that an individual customer used in 2013. *CCF (centum cubic feet) equates to 100 cubic feet or 748 gallons of water. The amount of water budgeted for each

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**City Hall Will Be Closed
On Friday, July 3rd,
In Observance Of
Independence Day.**

Regular City Council meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Regular Planning Commission meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Effective July 2015, the Parklands Committee meets the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m., and the Traffic Safety Committee meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Meetings are held in Council Chambers - 340 Palos Verdes Drive West. All agendas for City Council, Committee and Commission meetings are posted on the City Hall bulletin boards and the City Website at least 72 hours before the meeting. For more information call City Hall at (310) 378-0383; Fax: (310) 378-7820.

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customer for the following month will appear on the water bill beginning with their full June bill. A minimum water budget is established for single-family residential customers. That means these customers' budgets will not be below a specified threshold, regardless of 2013 water use.

- A drought surcharge will be applied to each CCF used above a customer's allotted budget that month. The surcharge will be \$9.54 per unit (CCF) exceeded.

Water Budget Appeals

A customer can file an appeal to have his or her monthly water budget increased (i.e. for health and safety reasons, business or economic needs, additional

guests at home and significant long-term water savings already achieved. Appeal procedures are available at www.calwater.com/appeal. A dedicated CalWater Call Center is now available at (844) 726-8579.

Water Banking

Customers will be able to bank unused units of water from their monthly water budget for use in future months. Should a customer exceed their monthly budget, any banked units of water will be applied to the overage prior to any surcharge being assessed. Banked units are available for future months only.

Water Use Restrictions

- Landscape irrigation will be limited to no more than three days per week.

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Welcome, PVE City Council

As many City residents know, and witnessed firsthand at the PV Golf Club on March 18th, three new members of the City Council were sworn into office. Please visit the City website to read more about each member of the City Council at www.pvestates.org under the City Government tab. They were sworn into office and then began the business of choosing a new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore.

A fourth seat on the City Council was then vacated on April 14, 2015; the City Council reorganized again and a new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem were elected among the four

remaining Council members. On May 12, after an open application/selection process, the Palos Verdes Estates City Council once again became a full and complete five-member body.

Many exciting initiatives and projects are on the horizon, and although three members are new to City Council life, they all come to the City Hall with years of professional experience and public service credits. They have already begun to demonstrate their eagerness and enthusiasm to serve all Palos Verdes Estates residents by attending homeowners' association meetings and community events.

The Mayor and City Council will be addressing some very important matters that center on the delivery of essential core municipal services expected by all City residents--trees, infrastructure, stormwater and water conservation, technological advances, enhanced community outreach, and renewal of the Fire/Paramedics Special Parcel tax to name a few.

Come to a public meeting, take the opportunity to witness this firsthand, and say hello to your City Council members who may also be your neighbor.



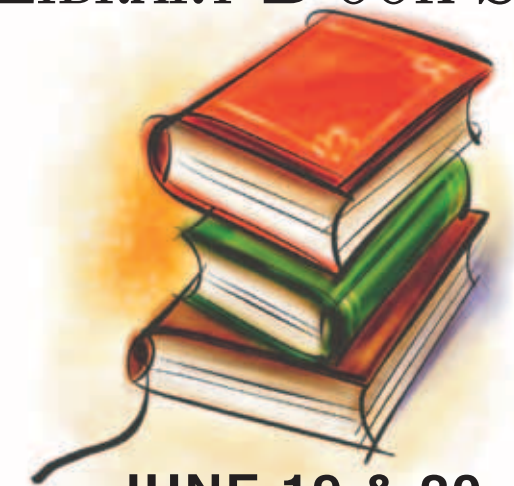
CITY HALL in your Living Room... with Coffee

Never been to City Hall? Has it been difficult finding the time to call the City? Are you interested in meeting and talking with your local officials? City Hall will now come to you. This year, as a new way to connect with the community, a Council Member, the City Manager, and the Chief of Police welcome the opportunity and your invitation to meet with groups of neighbors. The City team will share what is happening now or planned for the City in the future, talk about topics of interest, and answer questions. The outreach is envisioned as an informal living room conversation for about an hour or two on a weekday evening or midday during the weekend. "We'll make ourselves available and bring the coffee. As there are four distinct areas of our city - Valmonte, Malaga Cove, Lunada Bay and Montemalaga, we hope to have at least one meeting in each neighborhood on a quarterly basis and more often, if requested. This would be a great opportunity for residents to meet and talk with our City Management and a Council Member, and I appreciate residents' generosity of opening their homes for a conversation about City affairs," said the Mayor in reference to the program announced at the April 28, 2015 meeting of the City Council. If you would like to host and coordinate a "City Hall in your living room" conversation, please contact City Clerk Vickie Kroneberger at (310) 378-0383 to offer a date, time and location. We will be there, coffee in hand.

COUNCIL AGENDAS AVAILABLE

To enhance service to residents, City Council agendas are posted at City Hall, 340 Palos Verdes Drive West; the Golf Club Pro-Shop, 3301 Via Campesina; and Malaga Cove Library, 2400 Via Campesina, by the Saturday morning preceding the Tuesday evening City Council meeting. Agenda and staff reports are also available online on the City website at www.pvestates.org. If you are interested in receiving the Agenda via email, please subscribe; click on "Join E-News" on the home page.

MALAGA COVE LIBRARY BOOK SALE



**JUNE 19 & 20
JULY 17 & 18
AUGUST 21 & 22**

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- Do not apply water to outdoor landscape that causes any type of runoff.
- Do not use a hose to wash your motor vehicle unless it is fitted with a shutoff nozzle.
- Do not apply water to any hardscape (driveway/walkway).
- Do not use water fountains except where water is part of a recirculating system.
- Do not water your landscape during and within 48 hours after measurable rainfall.
- Do not fill or re-fill residential swimming pools or spas, except to maintain required operating levels or after structural repairs.
- Once CalWater notifies you of a water leak on your property, you have five business days to repair the leak.
- Eating and drinking establishments can only serve drinking water upon request.

Water Waste Violations

The following will be CalWater's enforcement procedures:

1. **First Reported Violation** – Written notice of violation will be given plus authority to install real-time water measurement device on the customer's meter, at the customer's expense.
2. **Second Reported Violation** – A second written notice will be given plus a \$50 surcharge fee.
3. **Third Reported Violation** – A third written notice will be given plus a \$50 surcharge fee.
4. **Fourth Reported Violation** – A fourth written notice will be given plus authorization to install a flow-restricting device on the violator's service line.

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City Council & Planning Commission Meetings Moving to Web Streaming



stamped' so you'll be able to watch what interests you by a simple click on the online agenda. The video will remain online for historical reference and ease of access by viewers at any time. This web upgrade aligns with an announcement from Cox Communications that they will no longer support Channel 35 and will discontinue rebroadcasting meetings beginning this Fall.

Do you want to know firsthand what actually took place at last night's City Council meeting? Do you want to hear what your neighbors' said about a planning application that affects your neighborhood heard by the Planning Commission?

City Council and Planning Commission meetings are going to be streamed to the City's website in our continuous efforts to connect with you! We are scheduled to launch this new feature in October. You will be able to view-and-hear public meetings 24/7 at your convenience via the City website rather than the limited opportunities provided on public access TV Channel 35. A new way to view meeting videos will be available on a next-day basis and 'time-

Responding to a City Council initiative to utilize advancing technology opportunities, City staff is working on website upgrades that will include new and intuitive ways to access City Hall. Our aim is to further enhance timeliness and transparency of public information. Look for a newer, fresher, and more user-friendly web experience in the coming months, providing better ways to stay connected to your City.

We recommend that you subscribe (see Join E-News on City Website home page at www.pvestates.org) to receive notices when meeting agendas are posted. Other City news via 'e-blast' can be sent to your In Box, such as when the new web streaming feature becomes available, is just a click away!

Keeping a Tradition Alive - PVE Independence Day Celebration

The Old-Fashioned 4th of July Celebration will mark its 54th anniversary this year. Please keep the tradition alive and join us at Malaga Cove School on Saturday, July 4th. Listen to the amazing story of this year's Kenneth Norris Heritage of Freedom recipient, author and Olympian Cliff Meidl and the Van Dine Americanism Award recipient, educator and founding member of The Palos Verdes Peninsula High School Athletic Booster Club Carol Murin.

Come join the generations of PVE families for the many fun festivities of the day; apple-pie tasting contest, school essay contest, live music, children's bicycle parade, three-legged race, puppet show and more.

For activity information, essay contest criteria and complete bios of award winners, please visit www.pvJuly4.org. This event is free and open to all.

INTRODUCING A NEW MEMBER OF THE CITY'S TEAM; OPEN HOUSE ON JUNE 24 AT 7:00 P.M.



You are invited to an Open House on Wednesday, June 24th

HRGreen

at 7:00 p.m. as the City

of Palos Verdes Estates formally introduces its newest team member, HR Green, Inc. The City of Palos Verdes Estates (City) is entering into a contract with HR Green, Inc. (HRG) to provide building permit and inspection services, construction plan review and capital project engineering. Established in 1913, HRG is a consulting firm that has provided over 100 years of consulting service in the fields of building &

safety and engineering. Within California, HRG specializes in serving small to mid-size cities and provides cost-effective operations. The City looks forward to having HRG provide and serve the community with the City's continued high level of service and responsiveness for efficiency, service delivery, infrastructure management and sustainable development. HRG will be providing building inspections/plan check, public works inspections, City and traffic engineering, and advanced permitting/project tracking systems and information technology.

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Note: A "flow-restricting device" means valves, orifices, or other devices that reduce the flow of potable water through a service line, which are capable of passing a minimum of 3 CCF per person, per month, based upon the U.S. Census calculation of the average number of people in a household in the area.

5. **Subsequent Violations** – Authorization to discontinue water service.
6. **Egregious Violations** – Written notice given plus authorization to install a flow-restricting device if violation is not corrected.

CalWater will use its resources to educate its customers before having to issue violations or fines. The City of Palos Verdes Estates does not regulate the use of water nor enforces the State's conservation requirements; compliance with water conservation is the responsibility of CalWater. The City will support CalWater's efforts through the dissemination of information (www.pvestates.org), and of course, comply with conservation requirements. There is substantial information available on CalWater's website (www.calwater.com) for conservation strategies and available rebates.

TIPS FOR PERSONAL AND PROPERTY SAFETY

If asked, most adults would likely say that they do a pretty good job observing personal safety rules. After all, most people wear seat belts while driving or riding in a car, they lock their house at night, and rarely experience injury or loss from being unsafe. So why the fuss about public safety? Public safety encompasses so much more than the simple examples above.

You can do a lot to improve your safety by taking just a few steps. These safety tips seem like "no brainers" and you've likely heard them before, but these are examples that can improve safety for you and your family:

WHILE AT OR NEAR YOUR HOME:

- To avoid tripping hazards, do not walk while distracted with phone calls, text messages, or games.
- Do not wear music earphones while running as they prevent you from maintaining awareness of your surroundings through sound.
- Keep your doors locked, even while home. This prevents an intruder from walking in.
- Know who is at your front door before opening it. Do not answer your door if it is someone that you do not recognize. Call the police if you sense suspicious activity.
- If someone comes to your door and asks to use your telephone to call for help, do not let them in. Instead, call the police.
- If someone comes to your door and asks for a person by name who does not live there, you may have a burglar at your door. Known as "knock-knock burglars" these crooks knock to see if

someone is home. If no one answers they may break in. If someone answers they will ask for a name then pretend they are at the wrong house when you do not recognize that name. Call the police and provide a detailed description, vehicle if seen, and direction of travel.

- Give your home a "someone is home" look. Put radio and lights on a timer. Do not let delivered mail or newspapers stack up.
- Do not leave a key under the door mat or rock near the porch. Crooks look in these places.

WHILE OUT SHOPPING OR DINING:

- Keep personal belongings in hand or under your control while eating at a restaurant, or shopping. For example, maintain control of your keys.
- Clip or strap purse to your shopping cart and keep it closed.
- Do not leave purchased items in your car if you choose to keep shopping; use your trunk.

WHILE DRIVING OR PARKING:

- Keep your car doors locked while driving. Avoid leaving a purse on the front seat (opportunistic crooks have been known to reach in through an open car window or break the window and steal a purse while the driver is stopped at a red light).
- Have your keys in your hand as you approach your car and maintain awareness of your surroundings.
- Check the backseat and floor before entering your car.

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- Keep your valuables out of sight, under the seat, or in the glove compartment or trunk of parked cars.

ON THE TELEPHONE:

- Be wary of telephone surveys. Do not provide any personal information such as date of birth or social security number, or banking information, credit cards, or passwords.
- List only your first initial and last name in the telephone directory.
- If you receive a threatening or obscene telephone call, hang up. Contact the Police Department and make a report.
- Answering machines are useful in screening calls. Your outgoing message should not say that you are away from home.
- Be aware that many scams are conducted over the phone so be skeptical if you are offered a “too good to be true” offer or are asked personal questions.

PARKING AT HOME:

There are benefits to parking your car in a garage versus on the street, particularly with the narrow residential roadways we have in Palos Verdes Estates. Although not all residents have the option to do so, parking on your driveway or garage helps in many ways, as listed below:

1. Enables neighbors and police to more easily notice unfamiliar or suspicious vehicles.
2. Prevents collisions with cars pulling out of driveways because vision was partially obstructed.
3. Improved field of vision for motorists who will have more time to react to potential dangers from children who unexpectedly running into the street. Children will easily see approaching cars and can react accordingly.
4. Safer for bicyclists because they won't be forced to move into traffic lanes when approaching parked cars and passing motorists will have a wider margin to pass.
5. Street sweepers will not have to maneuver around parked cars.
6. Creates more space for drivers of large trash pickup trucks to park closer to the curb enabling other motorists to more easily pass.
7. Resale value of garaged cars are higher because of less deterioration of the exterior from the sun and weather.
8. Reduces vehicle thefts and break-ins.
9. Easier and safer to drive down narrow residential streets when vehicles approach each other from opposite directions.
10. Improved field of vision will allow police, fire and other emergency vehicles to travel faster and safer saving precious seconds to arrive at their destination.

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National Night Out – Tuesday, August 4th

On Tuesday, August 4th, residents across Palos Verdes Estates will turn on their porch lights, lock their doors, round up their kids, neighbors and friends and join a “National Night Out” Block Party. **National Night Out** enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community and provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Please plan on joining us on **Tuesday, August 4th from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** as the PVE Police Department, partnering with PVE Neighborhood Watch, will caravan with City officials, key City staff, and McGruff to visit block parties throughout the City.

The safety of our community depends on both law enforcement and the citizens they serve, working together to send a message to criminals that our Neighborhood Watch is an actively engaged one. Consider hosting an event or connect with another street to co-host an event. Plan early and contact Community Relations Officer McCullough at 310-378-4211 Ext. 2121 or mmccullough@pvestates.org if you plan on hosting an event. Caravan stops will be from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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Since 1985, the City has been under contract with Charles Abbott Associates (CAA) to provide these similar consulting services. CAA has been a valued partner over the years. The City's needs have changed and is moving forward with HRG by contract as a result of an open and competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process. The City and the community as a whole, thank CAA for its valued work and professionalism and wish the organization well in their future endeavors.

The City of Palos Verdes Estates, in conjunction with HRG, invites all residents to attend the upcoming Open House on Wednesday, June 24, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Palos Verdes Estates City Hall, 340 Palos Verdes Drive West. The purpose of this event is to allow HRG the opportunity to formally introduce themselves to the community and share their history, attributes, organizational structure, transition plan, methodologies, commitment to community, and future goals. In addition, this event will provide an opportunity for you to share your comments, questions and specific interests. RSVPs are not necessary but are encouraged for attendance.

We look forward to seeing you on the 24th. If you have any questions, please contact Administrative Analyst Joe Mendoza at (310) 378-0383 or email: jmendoza@pvestates.org.

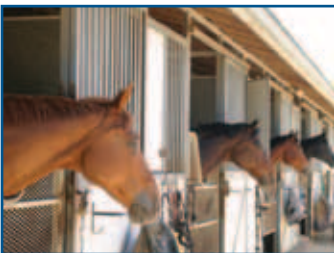
SUMMER PROGRAMS



PALOS VERDES BEACH AND ATHLETIC CLUB (PVBAC)

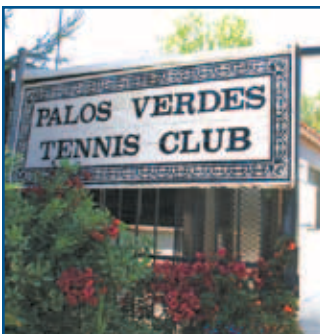
Swim lessons at the PVBAC pool begin in June. Sign-ups are underway. Club membership is not required.

Sessions are Tuesday – Friday, during daytime hours, beginning June 16th with the final, third session ending August 14th. Lessons are provided for children of all skill levels beginning as early as age 6 months. This is a lesson program only – no recreational swimming is available. PVE resident cost is \$180 per session. Spaces are filling up, so contact the PVBAC at (310) 375-8777 for more information or to enroll now!



PALOS VERDES STABLE

The Palos Verdes Stable horse camp program will be offered from June through August for children ages 4 and up. Sessions run Tuesday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Campers learn the fundamentals of safe riding skills and physical care of the horse, while increasing their self confidence. Cost is \$275 for PVE residents. For more information, contact 310-634-3103 or visit www.palosverdesstables.com.



PALOS VERDES TENNIS CLUB (PVTTC)

The PVTTC will offer a four week long summer workout session for Juniors (Ages 8-16), intermediate to advanced levels from June 22nd through July 31st. The sessions will be from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Cost is \$200 per session.

Also, as a reminder the Club offers year-round Junior Workouts from ages 4 and up. (Quick Start to Advanced).

Club membership is not required for any of these junior programs. For more information, and to sign up, please visit the PVTTC website at www.pvtennisclub.com, or call Head Pro Pedro Alipio, at (310) 658-0307.

PVE-CARES Updates



PVE-CARES (Palos Verdes Estates- Care, Assistance, Resources, Education and Socials) is a unique

program created by the PVE Police Department to assist in “Caring for Those Who Cared for Us.” Celebrating 10 years of service, PVE-CARES recently unveiled a new logo. Any PVE resident age 65 and older, or any “dependent adult” age 18 to 64, may register for PVE-CARES. A dependent adult is defined as anyone with physical or mental limitations that restrict one’s ability to carry on normal activities or to protect rights. For more information, please contact Community Relations Officer McCullough at 310-378-4211 Ext. 2121 or mmccullough@pvestates.org. The program is free and it’s easy to register.

PVE-CARES is pleased to announce the following upcoming events for you to mark on your calendar:

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Chaussee’s Big Band
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Lunada Bay Park

Thursday, September 10, 2015

Doctor’s Talk featuring Doctors from the South Bay
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Palos Verdes Golf Club

Friday, October 23, 2015

10th Annual Senior Health Fair
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Neighborhood Church



INFORMATION FROM SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER

Water Conservation and Energy Efficiency Rebates for Your Home

With the Governor’s recent Executive Order regarding the drought, that we must save more water, it is a great time to remove all or a portion of your lawn with the West Basin Municipal Water District’s Turf’s Up Turf Removal Program at \$2 per square foot. California Water Services customers qualify. There are a variety of California native drought tolerant plants that can make for a beautiful substitute for your lawn. Funding is limited and it’s first-come, first-served. Pre-qualification is required. Please visit, www.socalwatersmart.com or call 888-376-3314.

If you would like be included on the interest list for a FREE rain barrel, or FREE California Friendly Landscape Workshop, or FREE Weather Based Irrigation Controller Exchange, just call South Bay Environmental Services Center (SBESC) at 310-371-4633. If you just can’t wait for the free rain barrel program to start, you can find the list of qualifying models to purchase on the www.socalwatersmart.com website and apply for the \$75 rebate.

For those with swimming pools, SCE has pool equipment rebates. When replacing pool equipment, consider

installing an energy-efficient, variable-speed pool pump and motor. SCE rebate is up to \$200. Make sure the pool pump appears on the list of qualifying products that can be found at www.sce.com/rebates.

As a good investment now and for more energy savings in the long term, consider replacing your 10 years old or older clothes washer, dishwasher and refrigerator with ENERGY STAR®-qualified models. Take a look at the SCE website www.sce.com and SoCalGas website www.socalgas.com for home rebates.

For those of you who may have friends, neighbors or a family member that could use assistance with utility bills and or medical allowance, contact the Energy Savings Assistance Program through www.socalgas.com and search “ASSISTANCE” or www.sce.com/ESAP.

South Bay Environmental Services Center, a program of South Bay Cities Council of Governments is open Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to assist with questions about rebates or to let you know what special programs may be available for PVE residents.. The SBESC can provide an expert speaker about water and energy for your club or organization. Call 310-371-7222 or visit www.sbesc.com.

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11. Safer for walkers, joggers and dog walkers because most of our streets have no sidewalks.
12. More street parking available for guests, postal service, construction workers and other delivery vehicles.

As you can see, there are numerous simple steps people can take to improve their safety and decrease the likelihood that they will suffer damage, loss, or be the victim of a crime. As you go about your business, please be mindful of the simple steps that can be taken to improve safety and thus quality of life.

The men and women of the Palos Verdes Estates Police Department are truly committed to this community and encourage our residents to call the police to investigate suspicious vehicles, persons, or circumstances, to resolve noise complaints, parking violations, speeding cars, or other quality of life issues.

Lastly, the police facility is not generally open to the public; however, with a simple phone call the police department staff will gladly arrange a tour to any PVE resident or school group. For a tour, contact the Community Relations office at 310-378-4211 Ext. 2121.



Rules and Courtesies for Dog Owners

As you enjoy your pet, we ask that you be a mindful neighbor by following the tips below:

- Scoop your poop! Clean-up after your dog. It is unlawful to leave your dog's waste on private or public property. Cleaning up after your dog reflects your consideration of others.
- Your dog(s) must remain leashed or within a secure fenced area at all times. Be aware that it is unlawful for any animal to freely stray in Palos Verdes Estates. This is also a great way to protect your dog from any dangers.
- Prevent pet boredom. It is unlawful for owners to leave their dog barking for an excessive amount of time at the disturbance of others. Excessive barking is often the result of boredom or anxiety. Take time each day to walk your dog, and play or teach them new tricks.
- Make sure your dog is wearing its dog collar and I.D. tags with current vaccination information.
- Be aware of other peoples' space. Keep your leashed dog close to you and stay alert to others using pathways, parks, sidewalks, etc. Your leash should have slack but should be short enough to prevent your dog(s) from contacting or jumping on passers-by.

Dog License Renewal/Annual Dog Vaccine Clinic

PET VACCINATION & MICROCHIP CLINIC

THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2015 5:30pm-7:30pm

Cat Owners: Please try to come at the beginning of the clinic!

PALOS VERDES ESTATES CITY HALL (parking deck)

340 Palos Verdes Dr. West, Palos Verdes Estates, CA

For clinic and other pet health care information, visit www.SCVVC.com. For pet licensing, adoption, and ordinance information, call (877) 872-9738 or visit www.animalcare.lacounty.gov.

• Pet owners must be at least 18 years of age to participate • All pets must be on leashes or in carriers • Only healthy & non-pregnant animals will be vaccinated • Vaccines listed below may change based upon availability • License Renewal Notice or Prior Rabies Certificate required in order to receive a 3-year Rabies vaccine; otherwise the vaccine will be good for 1 year

Notify the veterinarian prior to vaccinating if your pet has ever had a reaction to vaccine, or if your pet has recently shown any sign of illness or could be pregnant.



Bring prior vaccine records if possible

CASH or CREDIT CARD ONLY for all veterinary services



DOG VACCINES: Rabies \$7, DHPP or DAP \$19, Bordetella or Bordetella w/Parainfluenza \$14, Lyme \$22

CAT VACCINES: Rabies \$7, Purevax Rabies (Non-Adjuvant) \$20, FVRCP \$18, FELV \$21

MICROCHIPS for Dogs & Cats: \$28

Deworming & Flea Control Products available (prices depend on pet's weight)

DOG LICENSING & RENEWALS

The County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care & Control will be available at the clinic to issue new dog licenses and renewals.

Please bring proof of prior rabies vaccination & proof of sterilization (if applying for a new license to receive the discounted fee).

Cash or Checks are accepted for licensing. Fees: \$24 for unaltered dogs, \$12 for altered dogs, \$6 for service dogs.

Optional cat licensing is also available. Fees: \$10 for unaltered cats, \$5 for altered cats. Licenses are valid for one year from issuance.

Fire Prevention

Hot temperatures, high winds, dry plants, and trees coupled with California's historic drought, can significantly increase the chance of a fire. The Los Angeles County Fire Department wants to enhance fire safety by educating our residents of the dangers of fire hazards.

Residents should be aware of the following safety measures:

- Regularly clean roof surfaces and gutters of pine needles, leaves and branches to avoid accumulation of flammable materials.
- Reduce the Fuel Zone. Clear your private property of all dry vegetation, weeds and debris that may fuel a potential fire.
- Remove branches of any tree extending within 10 feet of the flue opening of any interior or exterior stove or chimney.
- The roof, and any exterior structure on your property, should be constructed of non-combustible or fire resistant materials. Contact the City Building Official at (310) 378-0383 if you have questions about your structure.
- Install smoke detectors and test them monthly. Be sure to change the batteries at least once a year.
- Smokers Beware. Never smoke in bed, or when you are sleepy. Appropriately extinguish and dispose of cigarette butts.

In the case of a fire, the following tips may save your life:

- Set a family plan and ensure all members know what to do in the event of a fire. Establish a floor plan with at least two ways of escaping each bedroom/bathroom.
- To reduce the risk of breathing in smoke or gases, practice staying low to the ground when escaping.
- Feel all doors before opening them. If a door is hot, find another way out.
- In a fire, time is critical. Don't waste time getting dressed and searching for valuables. Just Get Out!
- If your clothes catch on fire- Stop, Drop to the ground, and Roll.

For more information on fire safety awareness, please call: Fire Station #2 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at (310) 373-6539 and ask for the Captain on duty.

Opportunities To Get Involved In Your City



PVE-CARES
for our seniors

The following community programs are available to you:

- **PVE Disaster District Program (DDP)** The City of PVE has developed a comprehensive community based disaster preparedness and response program. The program is designed to increase disaster readiness and survivability at the neighborhood level during a disaster. For more information go to www.pvestates.org.
- **PVE Neighborhood Watch (NW)** Crime Prevention starts on your block. Neighborhood Watch Volunteers are the eyes and ears of the Police Department; neighbors looking out for neighbors and neighbors reporting suspicious activities and crimes to the police. Volunteering as a Block Captain or Area Coordinator you can make a difference in connecting your neighbors and ensuring vital information from the Police Department is distributed. For more information go to www.PVENW.org.
- **Neighborhood Amateur Radio Team (NART)** allows volunteers to explore their ham radio skills. During an emergency, communications are vital. Join over 50 Ham Radio Operators who make up NART. Teams will work in partnership with the Police Department and DDP to provide vital radio communications when it's needed most.
- **PVE-CARES** offers many resources to help senior residents prepare to stay safe and independent in their own homes. As a volunteer you can make a difference in a Senior's (or Dependent Adult's) life by making home visits, or telephone calls or sending birthday greetings and helping with our social and educational events throughout the year. To complete an application to volunteer please contact the PVE-CARES Coordinator at (310) 378-4211 Ext. 2121.
- **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** is funded by the Los Angeles County Fire Department, and offered free to residents. CERT training is comprised of 21 hours of personal safety and survival techniques, fire suppression, and medical first aid to teach you to become your own first responder in the event of an emergency. CERT classes are offered several times throughout the year at various locations and varied time slots. Go online at www.cert-la.com.

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Parkland Rangers and Volunteers in Patrol Support



Volunteers In Patrol Support (VIPS) and Parkland Rangers (PRs) are individuals who provide a minimum of 12 hours of their time per month to assist the Palos Verdes Estates Police Department by performing non-hazardous duties that do not require the exercise of peace officer powers.

Listed below are some examples of tasks these volunteers may perform.

- Watch for and report criminal activity
- Report safety hazards
- Conduct school security checks
- Conduct business district security checks
- Make vacation house checks

- Patrol parks, parklands and bluffs
- Report vandalism and graffiti
- Act as a resource of community information (directions/map assistance)
- Conduct traffic control and crowd management during community events or disasters
- Search for missing persons
- Deliver material, property or documents to other police agencies or locations
- Post "No Parking" signs or barricades for special events
- Remove hazards/clear pathways in Parklands as directed by authorized City Staff
- And much more

For more information on any of our programs, please contact Community Relations Officer McCullough at 310-78-4211 Ext. 2121 or mmccullough@pvestates.org.

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provide your name, phone number and/or email address, in order for me to follow-up with you with any questions or a status report.

Once a resident files a complaint, what happens next?

When code violations are verified to exist, a written notice of correction is delivered to the occupant, violator and/or property owner. My goal in correcting a code violation is to work with residents/business owners to achieve voluntary compliance so it can take time to see and achieve results. Ultimately, as a last resort, legal action is an option.

What is a "Public Nuisance"?

Per the City's Municipal Code (PVEMC 8.48.010), a public nuisance is anything which may be designated as annoying or offensive to the senses, detrimental to property values, and community appearance. It can also be defined as land or buildings which are dilapidated, unsafe, dangerous, unsanitary, cluttered with weeds, trash/debris, abandoned vehicles, machinery or equipment, or are a menace or hazard to life, limb, safety, health, morals, property values, aesthetic standards or the general welfare of the City. In cases where a home occupant appears unable to care for him/herself as evidenced by a hazardous situation, we will outreach to social service agencies to provide assistance.

What are the regulations regarding the placement and/or storing of recreational vehicles, trailers and boats in the City?

Per the City's Municipal Code, recreational vehicles (RVs), trailers and boats must be parked or stored in a fully enclosed garage or fully screened from public view. If you see an RV, boat or trailer located on private property, please

contact the Code Enforcement Division. If they are located on the public street, please call the PVE Police Department at (310) 378-4211. (PVEMC 8.40.080)

My neighbor's dog(s) bark all the time, what can I do?

Animal control, ranging from a barking dog to obtaining a dog license is handled by the City's Police Department. Please contact the PVE Police Department at (310) 378-4211.

Are chickens and exotic animals allowed as pets in Palos Verdes Estates?

Palos Verdes Estates does not permit chickens, other types of poultry, nor exotic animals (with the exception of exotic birds not prohibited by federal and state law) on residential property. If you have questions regarding the types of pets that are permitted, please contact the Code Enforcement Division. (PVEMC 6.04.020)

What are the permitted times for commercial operations (i.e. construction and leaf blower activity) in the City?

Approved commercial operating hours are 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday; 7:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Friday and 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. Commercial operations are prohibited on Sunday. To file a complaint regarding commercial operations outside of these designated hours, please call the PVE Police Department at (310) 378-4211. (PVEMC 8.28.030 & 8.28.040)

If you have any questions, comments, or would like to meet with me, please call me at (310) 378-0383 Ext. 2223 or email ehall@pvestates.org. Thank you.

Q & A with Code Enforcement Officer Ellisa Hall



We are pleased to welcome Code Enforcement Officer Ellisa Hall who started with the City in December, 2014. During her short tenure, while familiarizing herself with the community, she is already making a difference. Utilizing prior experience with the City of Newport Beach and specialized training, Ms. Hall's primary duties for Palos Verdes Estates are the prevention, detection, investigation,

and enforcement of the City's municipal codes/ordinances that address public nuisance, public health and safety, business activities, and encroachments into public rights-of-way and parklands. In a recent conversation with Ms. Hall, she shared the following:

Why is code enforcement important to a community?

Perhaps the most visible role I have as the Code Enforcement Officer is my work with residents to eliminate public nuisances. I try to work as collaboratively as possible to achieve compliance with the Municipal Code. How effectively I perform my job can have a major impact on the neighborhood, property values and community image. Code Enforcement supports and enhances quality of life, while working to keep aging buildings, homes and properties from becoming eyesores.

What are some of the main issues/complaints that the Code Enforcement Officer investigates?

Enforcement is based on the available time, resources, and priorities. I typically respond and investigate complaints involving alleged violations pertaining to:

- Substandard properties
- Encroachments on public property
- Housing code violations (broken windows, peeling paint)
- Zoning regulations (illegal dwelling units, home businesses, wall and fence heights)
- Building code violations (unpermitted construction)
- Public nuisances (overgrown vegetation, storage of trash and debris)
- Inoperable and abandoned vehicles on private property
- Sign placement
- Outdoor lighting
- Recreational vehicles (motorhomes, boats, and trailers) on private property

How would a resident report a code violation?

If you would like to file a complaint or have questions regarding conditions in your neighborhood, please call me at (310) 378-0383 Ext. 2223 or email ehall@pvestates.org. You are asked to provide the address of the property in question and a specific description of your concerns. Lastly, please

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In Memoriam



Former Mayor and Councilmember John E. Flood passed away on April 27, 2015; he was 85 years young. A resident for over 38 years, he first served the City as a volunteer on a financial advisory committee and the Roessler Pool Committee, which led to the restoration of the pool and facility that ultimately became the PV Beach and Athletic Club. He was elected to the City Council in March 1999 and was re-elected in 2003. Mr. Flood served as the City's Mayor in 2001-02 and again in 2006-07. He and his wife, Dorothy, also with many years

of community and City service to her credit, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last November. Not long after Mr. Flood's retirement from Council, Mr. and Mrs. Flood moved to Washington State to be near their daughter, Beth, and extended family. Upon Mayor Flood's departure from City service, he concluded his remarks with a befitting quote from Dr. Seuss: "How did it get so late so soon? December is here before it's June. It is night before it's afternoon. My goodness, how the time has flown." We honor the service and contribution of former Mayor John Flood to the City and community of Palos Verdes Estates and extend our sincere condolences to Mrs. Flood and their entire family.

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