

Cotati Connection

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City Council Approves 6th Consecutive Balanced Budget



On June 23, the City Council approved the new annual budget after several public meetings, including a strategic planning meeting and two budget study sessions. The City Council approved the 6th consecutive balanced budget, with significant on-going investments in our infrastructure, while continuing to maintain a 25% reserve in the General Fund. In addition to the new Police Officer added last year after the voter approval of Measure G, this year the budget includes restoration of the City's Recreation Program. So look for more on that soon!

There's a drought on. Turn the water off.



Effective May 12, 2015, the City Council adopted a continuation of the existing 20% mandatory water conservation stage, and put into effect new emergency regulations required by the State. All customers are required to limit irrigation to 2 days per week on ornamental landscapes. Even numbered addresses can irrigate on Wednesday and Sunday. Odd numbered addresses can irrigate on Tuesday and Saturday. No customer can irrigate during or 48 hours after measurable rainfall. Restrictions will remain in place until March 1, 2016 or until further notice.

Why Did my Orange Street Light Turn White?

To reduce maintenance and reduce power bills, the City is currently replacing older orange high pressure sodium street lights with white LED lights. The new white lights may look a bit brighter, but this is primarily due to the change in color. LED lights run much longer than the orange lights before they burn out and use much less energy, saving the City both on maintenance and electric costs. In fact, the cost of the change pays for itself by cutting our electric bill.

Upcoming City Meetings

CITY COUNCIL

July 28th 7:00pm
August 11th 7:00pm
August 25th 7:00 pm

PLANNING COMMISSION

July 6th 7:00pm
July 20th 7:00pm
August 3rd 7:00pm
August 17th 7:00pm

DESIGN REVIEW

July 2nd 4:30pm
July 16th 4:30pm
August 6th 4:30pm
August 20th 4:30pm

Upcoming Community Events

FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays 4:30 - 7:30 pm
June - August
www.localharvest.org

KIDS DAY PARADE

July 11
cotatikidsday.org

COTATI ACCORDION FESTIVAL

August 22nd & 23rd

Cotati Wants You to Get Engaged This Summer!

The City of Cotati makes it easy to engage in local government with our new Meeting Portal on the web at www.cotaticity.org. Agendas are easy to read and calendars tell you when your City Council and other boards are meeting. You can subscribe to agenda emails now to keep up-to-date and check out the webstreaming of City Council meetings coming soon!

Local Eagle Scout Candidate Heads Up Volunteer Team to Beautify La Plaza Bandstand



A volunteer crew headed up by Eagle Scout candidate and Cotati citizen Jacob Smith prepped and painted the La Plaza Park bandstand over two weekends this past May. The project was organized by Jacob as part of his Eagle Scout service project. Jacob and his crew did a great job, and the bandstand looks better than ever, just in time for summer fun at the park.

Old Redwood Highway Gateway Project

Thanks to a grant and matching Measure G funds, this summer you will see a lot of activity on Old Redwood Highway. When this project is complete, we will have continuous sidewalks on both sides of Old Redwood Highway between La Plaza and Highway 116, new safer pedestrian crossings at key locations, safer bike lanes at Highway 116, and new streetlights, landscaping, benches, and bus shelters. Thank you for your patience while this important community project is being constructed!



Cator Basketball Court

Thanks to Measure G, the City is finishing work to re-surface the basketball court at Cator Field. The basketball courts will be open for play by mid-July, so bring your basketball and come play.



Don't be afraid to report suspicious activity.
Call the Cotati Police Department 707-792-4611