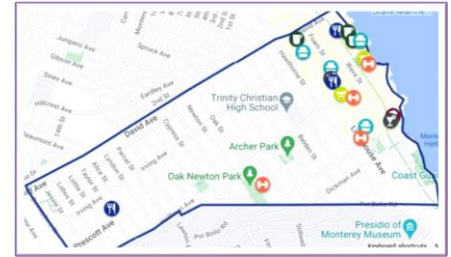


New Monterey

Neighborhood Association News

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In the Community

March 15th

NMNA Town Hall Meeting
Meet Council Member Dr. Barber

RHNA Requirements for Monterey
Hilltop Park Center
871 Jessie Street, 7pm

March 27th

NMNA Board Meeting
2023 NCIP Project Review
With Chinyere Ogbonna

March 31st

City of Monterey Housing Surveys Close 3/31. Take the survey here:
<https://monterey2031.mysocialpinpoint.com/>

- IMPORTANT -
TOWNHALL MEETING
Wednesday, March 15th, 7- 9pm
Hilltop Park Center, 871 Jessie St

Presentation and Q&A with City Staff regarding:

- State and County Mandated housing requirements for the City of Monterey
- RHNA Regional Housing Needs Assessment
- Zoning for 3,654 additional housing units
- Revisions to City of Monterey's
 - General Plan
 - Land Use, Safety and Housing Elements

Learn – Discuss – Express your needs with Council Member Kim Barber

Housing Surveys can be found here:
<https://monterey2031.mysocialpinpoint.com>

Surveys Close March 31st

March 27th NMNA Meeting to Feature Review and Discussion of NCIP Projects

Our March 27 meeting is an important meeting because on March 30 the NCIP Committee will begin a series of meetings in preparation for selecting a set of projects from all over the City to recommend to the City Council for funding.

At the March 27 NMNA meeting we will review the list of proposed NCIP projects for New Monterey. Based on input from those in attendance, from project proposers and from our NMNA NCIP Committee member, Chinyere Ogbonna, we will make recommendations to Chinyere. (Continued Next Page)

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT by Timothy Barrett

This message was written on battery power as Monterey has endured another in a series of storms that left the entire Peninsula without electricity. A day after the storm, an overview of the City revealed trees fallen across roadways, businesses closed for lack of power, lakes overflowing and windswept sand across beachfront roadways. Nature has again demonstrated the awesomeness of the place in which we live, and shown a silver lining in our concern for our neighbors; the ways in which we've cooperated on streets with no traffic lights, and in the small gestures we've shown each other. Thanks go out to our many emergency service workers and to our Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Volunteers. Information about CERT classes can be found in the P. 4 Side Bar of this newsletter.

Even during power outages, there are a number of front burner issues that NMNA is tracking. Among them are the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) and the Neighborhood and Community Improvement Program. RHNA is requiring the City of Monterey to zone for 3,654 new housing units. The zoning process is known as Monterey 2031. We invite our neighborhood to join NMNA, Council Member Dr. Barber and City Staff for a presentation and discussion during a special community meeting at 7pm on March 15th at the Hilltop Park Center. You'll be able to meet Dr. Barber, be informed and share your thoughts. Also, [Please click here to take the Housing survey.](#)

NCIP REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued from Pg.1) By Bob Evans

NCIP is short for the Neighborhood and Community Improvement Program, established in 1985 by the Monterey City Council. In 1998 the voters approved Measure B, now a part of the City Charter, which states that at least 16% of Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) is set aside to fund residential neighborhood improvements. Each year residents may submit proposals for improvement projects by February 15.

If you have a pet project or are a project proposer or might be impacted by a project or just want to know more about NCIP, attend March 27, 7 PM at Hilltop Community Center.



Bob Cat

By Howard Fosler

We were visited three days in a row by a young, lithe hungry bobcat. He is in the vicinity of Grace and Prescott looking for something to eat. Feeding him is not a good idea. Seeing him is astonishing.

Community Wildfire Survey

The city of Monterey wants to hear from you. Fill out the Fire Survey at the link below.

[Click Here to take the Survey](#)

Social Committee Report

Arleen Hardenstein

The NMNA Social Committee has met once and brainstormed a variety of social events to have fun in our neighborhood! Stay tuned!

Business District Spotlight

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with live music by the Dave Holodiloff Celtic Duo at Bon Ton L'Roy's Lighthouse Smokehouse on Saturday, March 18 at 7pm. There will be a \$20 cover charge. For advance reservations, please call 831-375-6958.

MONTEREY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION ACTIVITY

By Joanne Crist

Recent City Council activity of note has included:

- a joint meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss 'Monterey 2031'. Monterey has been tasked with zoning to build 3,654 dwelling units to be approved by the State of CA by year-end. Sadly, we do not have the water available for this number of units. Most neighborhoods do not possess lots for 'infill' of new dwellings. The Community Development Department and Planning have identified eight locations where new dwellings may be built, including at the airport and at land owned by the City at Ford Ord. Find information on this critical project at haveyoursaymonterey.org. This includes three different types of surveys open to the public until March 31st.
- the February 21, 2023 'second reading' of the Personal Wireless Systems (PWS) ordinance, which will result in a complete revision of existing municipal code on this subject, was postponed to a meeting on March 2, 2023. The 'first reading' was passed by a vote of 4 to 1, with Kim Barber (our District council member) voting against accepting the ordinance.
- The March 2, 2023 City Council meeting was for the purpose of hearing the 'second reading' of the PWS ordinance. Once an ordinance has been read and approved by Council twice, it becomes municipal code. At the March 2nd meeting, numerous public comments were received, as well as questions posed to Kim Cole, Community Development Director, and outside counsel, by the members of the City Council.

The Planning Department was advised by City Council that they should incorporate public concerns into the ordinance to be passed, including 100' setbacks in R-1 and the Skyline Forest PC districts. The proposed ordinance, as read, was deemed to be the first reading of a new ordinance. A revised Ordinance, representing the second reading, should be ready within 6 weeks.

(Longer article available on request. Email to NMNAnewsletter@gmail.com)

Community Emergency Response Training (CERT)

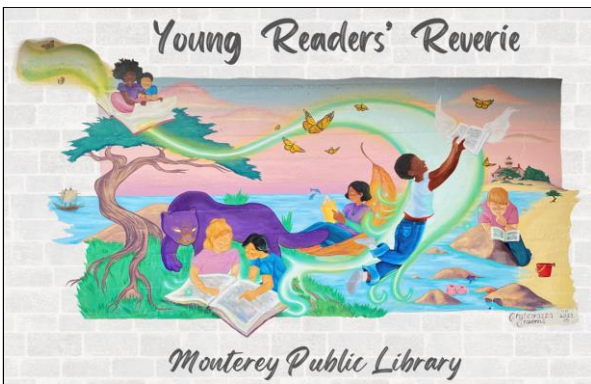
Monterey CERT is offering another class, starting Saturday April 1st. The class occurs over three consecutive Saturdays April 1st, 8th and 15th. Time each day is 8:00 A.M. to 5 P.M. To enroll, persons can reply to this email, training@montereycert.org

Suggest An Agenda Item

Any New Monterey residents who are NMNA members may suggest an agenda item for the NMNA Board to consider. Please submit agenda item requests to newmontereyneighbors@gmail.com

Board Meetings are held at 7pm on the fourth Monday of each month at Hilltop Park Center located at 871 Jessie St. Meeting Minutes may be viewed at Newmontereyneighborhood.org

Upcoming Meeting Date:
3/27/2023



By Roberta Myers

The Monterey Library second floor terrace patio boasts a beautiful new mural. It was designed and created by local artist Natalia

Corazza, founder of the local collaborative “La Neta Murals” and currently an artist mentor at the Youth Artists Collective in Monterey, where she previously studied.

Natalia's mural, “Young Readers' Reverie” expresses the transformative and multi-dimensional power of the written word. It is inspired by the stories, adventures, and values from our most beloved childhood books and novels.

The mural is a community effort supported by the MPL Friends & Foundation, the Sovereign family and other donors, as a tribute to the late Barbara Sovereign (1937 – 2021). Barbara was a lifelong reading specialist and Monterey Library volunteer. Brian Edwards, Library and Museums Director, said the patio is a place where everyone is welcome to engage and interact in a beautiful and inspiring setting.

Did you know that our Monterey Library is the first public library in California? Do yourself a favor and visit this historic and wonderful community resource at 625 Pacific Street. It is open Tuesdays through Saturdays 10 AM to 6 PM.

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