

CITY CLOSURE INFORMATION

Most City administrative offices, libraries, and facilities will be closed from Monday, December 23, 2019 through Wednesday, January 1, 2020. Offices will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2020.

\$150 Rebate

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**High Efficiency
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\$150 Rebate**

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Most City offices and facilities will be closed or hold special hours during the holiday season.

Facilities Open for Business

- Marina, Harbor, and Waterfront Offices
- Police and Fire Stations
- Public Parking Lots
- Recreation Facilities: Golf Club, Los Baños Pool, Carrillo Gym, Carrillo Recreation Center Ballroom.

Note: Many recreation facilities have special hours during the holidays. Please visit our City website at SantaBarbaraCA.gov for more information.

and so on. For questions regarding your specific pickup schedule, Christmas tree pickups, additional pickups, and other trash-related questions, please call MarBorg at (805) 963-1852.

Building & Safety Plan Check and Inspections

Building permit related inspection services will be available all weekdays during the closure except Tuesday, December 25 and Tuesday, January 1. For building permit inspections please call (805) 564-5492 per the inspection instructions in your permit packet. Building and Safety Division counter staff will not be available to accept or review building plans during the holiday closure.

Services Available

Police, fire and harbor patrol emergency services will be fully staffed throughout the office closure. The 9-1-1 emergency service will continue to dispatch calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Water, sewer, and trash bill payments can be mailed or left in the night drop box at City Hall or paid online at UtilitiesOnline.SantaBarbaraCA.gov. Payments will be processed and credited to accounts throughout the closure period. Cash payments will be accepted at the Cashier's Office at City Hall through December 20 or when offices reopen on January 2. Billing office staff will be available by phone December 23, December 24, December 30, and December 31 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at (805) 564-5343.

Repair requests will be monitored and resolved in order of priority during the office closure. Please call (805) 560-7505 to report damage or repairs needed for the following:

- Water or sewer main breaks
- Streets and sidewalks
- Street signs
- Water meters
- Traffic signals
- Trees
- Graffiti
- Street lights
- Storm drains

Public Works Permits

Public Works Inspection will be available all weekdays during the closure with the exception of December 25 and January 1. To schedule a Public Works inspection, please call (805) 564-5396. There will be no counter staff available to accept or review plans during the holiday closure. Please call (805) 564-5383 for emergency public work construction permits on December 23, 30, or 31.

Fire Prevention

Fire Prevention staff will be available with the exception of December 25 and January 1. Please contact them at (805) 564-5702. Issues requiring immediate assistance from the Fire Department please contact the Combined Communications Center at (805) 897-2410.

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Trash and Recycling

Pickup of trash, recycling, and yard waste containers following a weekday holiday will be delayed one day. Normally scheduled pickups from December 25 to January 3 will be delayed by one day. For example, if your regular scheduled service day is a Monday, your service day will be Tuesday,

RAIN ON, SPRINKLERS OFF

Get a Free Rain Shut-Off Sensor for Your Sprinkler Timer



Rain shut-off sensors automatically turn off your irrigation system during rain, City water customers can receive a free rain sensor with an Irrigation Evaluation appointment.

Prepare your landscape for rain with a free rain shut-off sensor. Watering is prohibited during and 48 hours after rainfall; a rain shut-off sensor can help you by interrupting your sprinkler timer's watering schedule, if rain is collected in the device. When the collected rainwater has evaporated from the device, scheduled irrigation resumes.

The rain shut-off sensor is easy to install: simply connect the two wires from the sensor to the wiring terminals labelled as "RS or SEN" in your sprinkler timer and install the device in an area where it will collect rainfall-such as the eaves of your house. Rain shut-off sensors work best for short periods; for extended rain periods it's best to turn sprinkler timers to the "off" position.

Santa Barbara water customers can reduce their winter water consumption by an average of 16 percent with a free rain shut-off sensor; larger properties with water meters dedicated to irrigation can save even more - 36 percent on average.

City of Santa Barbara water customers can call Water Conservation at (805) 564-5460 to schedule a free Irrigation Evaluation and receive a free rain shut-off sensor. To learn more about rain sensors, visit SantaBarbaraCA.gov/RainSensor.

CHANGES TO WATERFRONT PARKING RULES



New changes to Waterfront parking rules take effect December 1 with the sale of the 2020 annual parking permits.

Recently, Waterfront parking has experienced an unprecedented parking demand, which has limited public access to the coast. Based on input from public workshops, the City Council approved changes to parking regulations that will affect vehicle size limits and spe-

cific types of vehicles in 2020. Among the changes are vehicle size limitations for the purchase of annual parking permits. Annual parking permits will not be issued to any vehicle that exceeds one or more of the following size limitations: 1) 22 feet long; or, 2) 90 inches high; or, 3) 82 inches wide. In addition, annual parking permits shall not be issued to buses, vehicles not licensed for travel on public highways, recreational vehicles, motorhomes, house cars, campers, and vehicles used for commercial purposes unrelated to maritime or ocean uses. These regulations will take effect with sale of 2020 Annual Parking Permits beginning on December 1, 2019. For more information, visit: SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Waterfront.

CITY CELEBRATES HISTORIC OLIVE GROVE CENTENNIAL



The City recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of the planting of olive trees at Mission Historical Park honoring those who gave their lives in WWI.

The City, along with the Garden Club of Santa Barbara, celebrated the planting of five olive trees at Mission Historical Park recently. The trees mark the centennial of the first olive trees planted there in 1919 to honor those who gave their lives in World War I.

"This planting is a wonderful way to enhance the olive grove," said Jill Zachary, Parks and Recreation Director. "Mission Historical Park's rich history is something we honor, and we hope locals and visitors will enjoy learning about the grove and the park itself."

Mission Historical Park, a 10.5-acre state and local historic landmark, contains many points of interest, as it was once part of the lands attached to the Santa Barbara Mission. The Franciscan Fathers sold a portion of the park to the City of Santa Barbara in 1928, while the remainder of the park was donated by the Franciscans in 1948.

The lower portion of the park, directly across from the Mission, contains the A. C. Postel Memorial Rose Garden with over 1,500 rose bushes. The upper portion, beyond the lawn area, contains walking trails and the ruins of Mission water systems, including a reservoir that was part of the municipal water system until the mid-1980s. The original olive trees in this area were planted in 1891.

In addition to the five olive trees, the Garden Club also funded a new interpretive sign, for installation in the coming weeks near the intersection of East Los Olivos Street and Alameda Padre Serra. The sign will serve as a useful guide to park visitors, denoting ruined structures and their original uses, and providing a brief history of the olive grove. The Parks and Recreation Department relocated the original plaque commemorating the 1919 planting so it can be easily seen when visiting the grove.

In collaboration with the City of Santa Barbara and the Garden Club of Santa Barbara, Karl Hutterer, Jones Land Use Planning, Don Olson, Jaime Pierce, Kim True, and Waters Land Surveying, Inc. contributed to this project.