



The Town of Corte Madera's Newsletter for August 10, 2018

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Message from the Town Manager

Dear Corte Madera Residents:

Did you know that the Town of Corte Madera has several disaster trailers available for residents to use if a disaster were to occur. Thanks to the Corte Madera Emergency Preparedness Fund managed by the Corte Madera Community Foundation, the trailers were purchased and are dispersed in neighborhoods to serve as a nucleus to communities in the event of a disaster.

There are two large trailers that are fully-equipped: one is housed at Neil Cummins School and will serve the greater needs of Madera Gardens and the second one is at Cove School and will serve the greater needs of Mariner Cove. There are also four additional 5 X 8 mass casualty trailers that are mobile ready. They can be taken anywhere they are needed or they can remain stationary, depending on the situation. The trailers are full of items like blankets, first aid supplies, cots, water, emergency generators, flashlights, sleeping bags, tents, maps of neighborhoods, communications stations, etc. These trailers are maintained by trained volunteers usually associated with a Neighborhood Response Group (NRG) and can be called into service as need be or they can remain stationary as a gathering point during an evacuation.

Thanks to the contributions made to the Corte Madera Emergency Preparedness Fund, our Town continues to grow in preparation for a disaster. We could not be more thankful for the support of the Community Foundation. If you wish to learn more about their mission and how they have helped the Town prepare for disasters, [please click here](#). Stay tuned for next



week's third announcement on emergency preparedness.

Sincerely,

Todd Cusimano
Town Manager



Chili Cook-Off and Music in the Park

Come one, come all to a fun day of food and music sponsored by the Corto Madera Chamber of Commerce, The Town of Corto Madera and City of Larkspur.

Submit your favorite Chili recipe for the Cook-Off or come by to taste, then enjoy music by the Billy Martini Show.

Chili cook-off and music begin at 12 noon. Bring your family and friends and join in this fun community event at CM Town Park. Go to: www.cmparksandrec.org for more

information and to register for the Chili Cook Off -only 20 applicants accepted or call 415-927-5072

*Due to limited personnel the baseball game has been cancelled.



Managing Concerns About Falls

The Corto Madera Library invites you to the award-winning eight session fall prevention program for people age 60 or older whose fear of falling limits their social and physical activity.

Class size is limited to 15 participants and registration is required.

Mondays, August 13 - October 8, 2018 (No class on September 3rd due to Labor Day Holiday)

Learn safe and simple exercises to promote strength, flexibility, and balance, and problem-solving strategies to

address habits and behaviors in this free class. For more information or to register, contact Beverly Winsor at 415-993-2557 or injuryprevention@maringeneral.org

Sponsored by Marin General and Corto Madera Library.



The Third Wednesday Speaker Series: DRIVING AS WE AGE

Age-Friendly Corto Madera, Twin Cities Village, Corto Madera Parks and Recreation and Age-Friendly Solutions, Sponsors of The Third Wednesday Speakers Series present... **Driving As We Age.**

Worried about your driver's license renewal? Wondering if you should still be driving? Many people value driving as a mark of independence. The rules of the road and your

hearing, vision and reaction time have changed since you learned to drive. Learn how to tune up your driving skills and get helpful hints to pass the license renewal exam. This

presentation will provide valuable information and help you continue to maintain your driving privilege as long as you are safe to do so.

The presenter for this Speaker Series will be Jerrod Sieberg, DSM 1, Senior Driver Ombudsman, Northern California Region, DMV.

The presentation will be held on Wednesday, August 15th from 1-2:30PM at the Central Marin Police Authority Community Room, 250 Doherty Drive in Larkspur. [To view the event flyer, please click here.](#)



The Corte Madera Community Foundation's Summer Sundays

The Concerts at Piccolo Pavilion starting at 5PM

FREE concerts remaining in series:

- **August 12** Bubba's Taxi (Classic Rock) www.facebook.com/BubbasTaxi
- **August 19** Tim Hockenberry Trio (Pop/Rock) www.timhockenberry.com
- **August 26** Danny Click and the Heck Yeahs (Americana/Folk) www.dannyclick.com



Public Notice: MEASURE TO BE VOTED ON AND NOTICE TO VOTERS OF DATES AFTER WHICH NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST A TOWN MEASURE MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN CLERK

Notice is hereby given that a General Municipal Election is to be held in the Town of Corte Madera on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, at which time there will be submitted to the voters the following measure:

*Shall the measure to continue for four more years the special tax for paramedic and/or emergency medical services at the existing annual amount of \$75 per residence and per 1,000 square feet of floor area for nonresidential uses for fiscal years 2019-2020 through 2022-2023, with anticipated annual revenues of \$500,000, and with the appropriations limit increasing by the amount of the tax, be adopted? **YES or NO***

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Article 4, Chapter 2, Division 9 of the State Elections Code, the legislative body of the town, or any member or members thereof authorized by the body, or any individual voter or bona fide associations, may file a written argument to the Corte Madera Town Clerk, 300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, CA by August 20, 2018 at 5:00p.m., not exceeding 300 words in length, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument, for or against the Town measure, and comply with the requirements of Elections Code section 9287(e).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Town Council has determined that rebuttal arguments, as submitted by the authors of the opposing direct arguments, must be filed with the Town

Clerk by August 27, 2018 at 5:00p.m., and shall not exceed 250 words in length.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any ordinance, impartial analysis, or direct argument or rebuttal argument filed under the authority of the Election Code will be available for public examination in the Town Clerk's Office for not less than 10 calendar days from the deadline(s) for filing arguments and rebuttal arguments.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, the polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

If you have any questions about this ballot measure or the election process, please contact the Town Administration Office, at 415-927-5050 or Rebecca Vaughn, Town Clerk, at 415-927-5085. Information is also available on the Town's website: <https://www.townofcortemadera.org/562/Elections-Voter-Information>.

Rebecca Vaughn, Town Clerk August 8, 2018



Notice of Public Hearing

PROJECT NAME: Temporary Prohibition of Medical and Nonmedical Cannabis Businesses

PROJECT ADDRESS: Town-Wide

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, August 21, 2018

TIME AND PLACE: 6:30PM, Corte Madera Town Hall, 300 Tamalpais Drive

SUBJECT: Consideration of the extension of interim urgency Ordinance Nos. 971 and 972, Temporarily Prohibiting All Medical and Nonmedical Cannabis-Related Businesses From Locating And Operating in the Town of

Corte Madera For an Additional One (1) Year, Until September 18, 2019.

PROJECT CONTACT: Adam Wolff, Director, Planning and Building Department, awolff@tcmmail.org; 415-927-5064

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Corte Madera Town Council will hold a Public Hearing to consider extending Interim Urgency Ordinance Nos. 971 and 972, adopted by the Town Council at its September 19, 2017 and October 17, 2017 meetings, respectively, for another one (1) year, until September 18, 2019. The interim urgency ordinance temporarily prohibits all cannabis-related businesses from location and operating in the Town of Corte Madera pending the analysis and consideration of new zoning amendments and other regulations appropriate for this new industry. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65858(d), a report on the measures taken to alleviate the conditions that led to the adoption of Ordinance No. 971 may be accessed at the following link: <https://www.townofcortemadera.org/Archive.aspx?AMID=42>

The Planning Department has determined that the extension of this ordinance is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under: (a) Section 15308 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it is a regulatory action taken by the Town in accordance with Cal. Gov't Code §65858 to assure maintenance and protection of the environment; (b) Section 15060(c)(2) because it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; and (c) Section 15061 because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the adoption of the ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment since the ordinance prohibits physical changes for a specified period of time.

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- All interested persons are welcome to attend and to comment, in person or in writing, at the public hearing. You may also submit written comments prior to

- the public hearing by contacting the project contact (listed above).
- Town Council meetings are also streamed live and may be viewed at: www.townofcortemadera.org/623/Watch-Live-Video.
 - Staff reports are usually available by 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before the meeting and may be obtained from the project contact (listed above)
 - If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this NOTICE, or in written correspondence delivered to the Town of Corte Madera at, or prior to, the public hearing. All written responses will become part of the public record (Government Code Section 65009(b)).

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Planning Division at 415-927-5064. Notification two business days (the Friday before the meeting) prior to the meeting will enable the Town to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.



CONSTRUCTION PARKING AT THE VILLAGE

The construction of the lot north east of Nordstrom formerly known as the “gravel lot” and construction of the Restoration Hardware (RH) Gallery building have begun. Construction of the northeastern lot is anticipated to be substantially completed by November of this year. The first phase of the RH Gallery construction is scheduled to start on August 13th and entails the installation of test piles. An area of the Village’s eastern parking lot around the new building sight will be closed off for approximately 5 days, and will then reopened for a few weeks until the next phase of construction. The size of the construction area will vary with different phases of the project, however every effort will be made to minimize the inconvenience to the community and complete construction in a safe and timely manner.

Please contact Phil Boyle, Senior Planner at 415-927-5067 or pboyle@tcmmail.org if you have any questions.

SMART FEST: August 18, 2018

The Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) invites you to celebrate an incredible first year of service. They are celebrating with a free community festival and free train service!



The SMART FEST will feature Free admission to SMART Fest, Free SMART train service on August 18 and 19, Free live music, Free activities for kids, Free SMART giveaways, Free parking at SMART lots at their Sonoma County Airport, Rohnert Park, Petaluma and San Marin Stations.

The celebration will take place on Saturday, August 18th from 10AM to 3PM at SMART Novato Hamilton Station at 10 Main gate Road.

To view the SMART Fest Poster, [please click here](#).

To view the free train service schedule, [please click here](#).

Terwilliger Trail Hike

Marin County Parks invites you to join a ranger for a hike

on the beautiful Terwilliger Trail at Stafford Lake Park. You'll enjoy stunning views of the Stafford Lake watershed from the upper sections of the trail. Along the way you'll discuss the rich natural and cultural history of the surrounding area.

This event is ideal for all ages. All skill levels are welcome and no experience is necessary. Dress in layers and wear sturdy shoes. Don't forget to bring water and snacks. No pets (except service animals) are allowed at this park.



For questions, please contact [Ranger Jeffrey Gerbic](#). Park entrance is waived for participants. This hike will take place on Saturday, August 11th from 9-11AM. Stafford Lake is located at 3549 Novato Boulevard. For more information, [please click here](#).

Girl Power! (10-14 years)

For parents of tween/early teen girls (10 – 14 years), this workshop focuses on the joys and challenges of raising daughters in our fast-paced, plugged-in world. Join Parents Place and build your awareness about the stressors faced by pre-teen girls, including body issues, friendships, bullying, and increasing academic pressures. Identify and cultivate your daughters' strengths, such as creativity, leadership, athletics, or activism. The workshop will give you practical tools to partner with your tween in creating greater independence and responsibility, while fostering trusting and clear communication with parents. With [Susan Byrd](#), LCSW.



This class will be held on Wednesday, August 15th from 7PM to 9PM at Parents Place Marin County, Dr. George Sugarman Swift Building, 600 Fifth Avenue in San Rafael.

The class is intended for parents of pre-teens and teenagers. The cost of the class is between \$45-\$75. To register or get more information, please click [here](#).

Parents Place is the Bay Area's leading family resource center. From everyday issues to challenges requiring specialized assessment, they help parents, caregivers and educators support children at all ages. Their experts offer parenting workshops, parent coaching & consultation, child behavior & school support, clinical & special needs services, parent/child activity groups, and child & family therapy. They are located in San Francisco, San Rafael, Palo Alto, San Mateo, and Santa Rosa. Join their community: www.parentsplaceonline.org.



Age-Friendly Intergenerational Center

For information on the August schedule or to view the program descriptions, please click on the following link: <https://agefriendlycenter.org> or call 415-991-4040

Town Manager and Councilmember Reports

- **Town Manager Todd Cusimano** mentioned that the Town Council Retreat will be taking place next week at 8AM. At the retreat, participants will be going over procedures and goal setting through the 2019 calendar year. An agenda for the retreat will be available to view in the [agenda center](#).
- **Sanitary District No. 2 (SD2) District Manager Peter Brown** commended the Department of Public Works Maintenance Crew and Engineers for all of their work. He briefly discussed the urgency for passing the Private Sewer Lateral (PSL) Ordinance. On that subject, he mentioned that he had about 50 different interactions with people and the majority of the interactions were supportive and understanding. He stated that SD2 has been working with individuals who have concerns with the PSL ordinance. Furthermore, he mentioned that SD2 will be coming back for a discussion on fee adjustments and finding ways to help the community.
- **Councilmember Bailey** gave thanks for the organization of National Night Out and thanked all first responders for their works with the fires.
- **Mayor Ravasio** attended a meeting for the Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (RVPA) and mentioned that RVPA's paramedic tax will be on the ballot in November. RVPA also authorized the purchase of a new ambulance.

Upcoming Town Meetings:

- **Flood Control Board Meeting:** Monday, August 13th at 6:30 PM in the Corte Madera Council Chambers. For more information, [please click here](#).
- **Planning Commission Meeting:** CANCELLED. For more information, [please click here](#).
- **Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC):** Thursday, August 16th at 6PM in the Corte Madera Council Chambers. For more information, [please click here](#).

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