



Corte Madera Chronicles June 19, 2020

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Temporary Outdoor Use and Temporary Operation Encroachment Permits for Local Businesses

The revised Marin County Shelter in Place Order allows certain businesses to gradually re-open. The revised Health Order permits outdoor dining and other outdoor business activities; however, many businesses in Corte Madera do not have existing permitted outdoor space available for conducting business.

The Town Council recently adopted an urgency ordinance allowing restaurants and other commercial businesses to provide outdoor business operations on private and public property following approval of a permit by the Town. The Town Council adopted this ordinance to provide assistance to local businesses by encouraging community members to patronize local restaurants and businesses in a safe way.

The Temporary Outdoor Use Permit and Temporary Operations Encroachment Permit allows for local restaurants and other businesses authorized under the County Health Order to use outdoor space, either on private or public property, to expand their operations and operate in compliance with social distancing requirements.

Please contact the Planning Department at 415-927-5064 or plcounter@tcmmail.org to learn more about these permits. Permit fees for both permits have been waived; however, a security deposit may be required with the Temporary Operations Encroachment Permit.

Additional information is available on the Town's website at:

<https://www.townofcortemadera.org/939/Temporary-Outdoor-Use-Permits>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN TOWN?

Father's Day Trivia Contest

SUNDAY, June 21 on Facebook

Who can play? Corte Madera Residents

How does it work? Questions will be posted on this FB Page Sunday 6/21 at 12:01am. Email answers to the 5 questions to Julie at the Corte Madera Chamber of Commerce before midnight.

How do you win? 10 winners will be drawn at random from the emails sent Sunday 6/21/20. No late entries & only one entry per family. All answers must be correct to win.

What are the Prizes? 10 winners receive a \$25 gift certificate to a Corte Madera business.

Why? For FUN, we love our Dads, and to support local businesses.



Father's Day Trivia on Facebook

The Chamber of Commerce created a 6-question trivia post to go live Sunday for 10 Corte Madera residents to win \$25 gift certificate to local businesses.

Happy Father's Day & Good luck.



Menke Park Outdoor Seating and Dining

In an effort to support local businesses and generate community activity in the Old Corte Madera Square area, the Town is utilizing two parking areas (containing 7 parking spaces) adjacent to Menke Park to create additional outdoor seating and dining opportunities.

This temporary program is intended to allow patrons of surrounding restaurants and businesses, and the community as a whole to enjoy activities such as eating and drinking, holding small group gatherings, or just relaxing in beautiful Menke Park in a socially-distanced manner. The program is intended to run through the summer months, Wednesday – Sunday from 10:30am to 8:30pm. For more information or to provide feedback, please contact Adam Wolff, Planning and Building Director, at awolff@tcmmail.org.

Free Chipper Weekend



The Town of Corte Madera is offering a FREE Chipper Weekend for Corte Madera residents.

This is an opportunity dispose of your brush, branches, and dead vegetation to create Defensible Space around your home and neighborhoods and overall, make our community safer. We want to be able to provide a "Fire-Safe" Community.

Chipper Weekend will be held at the Cove School on the following days and times:

- Saturday, June 27th from 8am to 4pm
- Sunday, June 28th from 9am to 3pm

For your safety and that of our workers, face coverings are required when dropping off material. Here are some regulations to note:

- Collection is for "GREEN" waste only. No lumber, appliances, trash, metal objects, batteries, hazardous waste, etc. will be accepted.
- Waste must be segregated by chippable versus non-chippable materials (French and Scotch broom, bamboo, vines and grasses are not chippable material).
- NO GARBAGE is allowed.
- Proof of Corte Madera residency is required. Anyone without an ID will be turned away. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Questions? Call the Town's Resilience Coordinator at 415-924-6362

Please make sure to share the [event flyer](#) with your friends and neighbors.



Independence Day Updates

We are disappointed to announce that the 4th of July Parade and Festival is cancelled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Every year we look forward to celebrating this holiday with everyone and we look forward to when we can enjoy the day again with all of you.

Stay safe and please contact the Chamber office if you have any questions. 415-924-0441 or chamber@cortemadera.org

Notice of Public Meeting on the Town Hall Remodel and Addition

On June 23, 2020, at 7pm via videoconference only, the Corte Madera Planning Commission will hold a Study Session to conduct a second preliminary review of the proposed Town Hall Remodel and Addition Project. This Study Session will focus on responses to the comments received by members of the public and the Planning Commission at the first Study Session, held on April 28, 2020, where the preliminary project design was presented. Modifications to the preliminary project design include changes to roof forms, building height, window placement and exterior materials, among others. Staff will be seeking confirmation from the Planning Commission that the proposed changes adequately respond to comments and direction. New project plans and images will be posted to the Town Hall Project Webpage (<https://www.townofcortemadera.org/867/Town-Hall-Project>) with the staff report for the Study Session by June 19, 2020. On the project webpage you can also find additional

information about prior public meetings and workshops, staff reports, presentation materials, and information regarding moving the project design forward in the wake of COVID-19-related fiscal impacts. Please read the [public meeting notice](#) for complete information, including how to join, participate and provide comment remotely. If you have any questions, please use the projects contacts listed on the notice.



Register for Summer Camp Today!

Do your kids love Summer Playground? We do! [Camp 2020](#) is a modified version of Summer Playground. Summer programming looks a bit different this year, but it is sure to be a blast! Learn more about both in-person and virtual camp here and register today. Camp 2020 begins Monday, July 6.



Virtual Recreation Classes, not sure they're for you?

Give them a try. We have a variety of classes available now and coming soon. We understand how difficult the isolation of sheltering in place has been for our families. To help our community, we have worked diligently to find quality, highly engaging instructors to offer a variety of wonderful educational experiences. We Have 4 Art Classes, Hip Hop, Magic, Tinker Tech, and Theater classes from Shakespeare's Treachery to The World of Fairy Tales. Explore, Learn & Grow! It's time to try something new! [16 New Zoom Classes for Kids from Cooking to STEM](#)

Virtual Classes for Adults coming soon. [Learn more](#) about SIP Wine & Trivia Nights with Zinz Wine Bar, Mixology and Barfly Bar Snacks with Dr. Inkwel & Taste Catering, and watercolor classes.

Wondering what Parks and Recreation Amenities are Open & Closed in Corte Madera & Marin County? We agree that there is a lot of information to reference. We have done our best to consolidate info [here](#). Want more places in Marin to access? Explore [Shelter in Place Location Updates by Area](#).



COVID-19 Housing Assistance Fund

The Corte Madera COVID-19 Housing Assistance Fund was created through a partnership between the Corte Madera Community Foundation and the Town of Corte Madera. This \$75,000 fund is intended to assist Corte Madera residents who are currently experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 and the necessary health and safety precautions to comply with shelter-in-place orders issued by the County of Marin and the Governor of the State of California.

This relief fund would be used to assist qualified applicants with paying a portion of their rent or mortgage payment for their primary residence. For complete details on eligibility and deadlines for submitting your application, please click [here](#).

Community Chat with the Mayor and Town Manager

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Please join Mayor Eli Beckman and Town Manager Todd Cusimano for this week's virtual Corte Madera Community Chat. This Chat will take place on Tuesday, June 23rd from 11am-12pm through videoconference, using Zoom webinar. You can join the Chat beginning at 11am using this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/y7chqd8d> (webinar ID: 910-7929-1529). No pre-registration is needed, just click on the link beginning at 11am, or any time after, to join in.

For complete details on how to participate, please click [here](#).

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN & AROUND MARIN

COVID-19 Status Updates

The status updates includes updated COVID-19 activity. Click [here](#) to read all of the details.

High School Elections Ambassador Program

The Marin County Elections Department, League of Women Voters, and Marin County Office of Education are once again joining forces to organize the 2020 ***High School Elections Ambassador Program***.

Since 2018, Student Ambassadors from high schools across Marin County have served as a crucial link between the Elections Department and their peers. These student ambassadors work to empower their classmates to become engaged in the election process.

If you know any student volunteers who might be interested in learning more about, or participating in their non-partisan program, please ask them to reach out to Megan Stone, at mstone@marincounty.org or (415)473-6444.

UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

- **[Monday, June 22, 2020: Central Marin Police Council Special Meeting](#)** - Begins at 6:00pm and will be held via teleconference only.
- **[Tuesday, June 23, 2020: Planning Commission Meeting](#)** - Begins at 7:00pm and will be held via videoconference only.



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