

SAN RAMON CITY REPORT



Fall 2022

San Ramon's Municipal Election - November 8, 2022

The City of San Ramon will hold an election on November 8, 2022. All residents will vote for a Mayoral candidate. Residents in District 2 and 4 will each vote for one City Council candidate. The following residents have qualified as candidates. Their names are listed as they will appear on the ballot per the Secretary of State's random alphabetical order. All candidates have voluntarily subscribed to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices.



Mayor

Sabina Zafar
David E. "Dave" Hudson
Dinesh B. Govindarao

City Council District 2

Mark Armstrong
Sara Lashanlo

City Council District 4

Marisol Rubio
Heidi Kenniston-Lee

To find what district you live in, please go to: www.sanramon.ca.gov/findyourdistrict

The City Clerk's Office encourages all new residents to register to vote. You need to re-register to vote when: you move (even within the city), change your name, or change your political party affiliation. Voter Registration forms are available at City Hall and the public libraries or you can register online at www.registertovote.ca.gov/. The Contra Costa County Elections Department website, www.cocovote.us has complete information on voter registration, poll locations, and election results. The last day to register to vote is October 24, 2022.

Ballots will be mailed to every registered voter. Voters can sign up to receive notifications about when their ballot is mailed, received, and counted by visiting WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov. Detailed information on the vote by mail process in Contra Costa County can be found at www.cocovote.us/registration-and-voting-options/how-vote-by-mail-works/.

Please register and vote! Remember—Voting is your right and your responsibility.

Outdoor Ballot Drop Boxes Open 24/7

San Ramon has two secure permanent ballot boxes located in the city.

Ballots should be marked using blue or black ink and placed into the return envelope. The envelope must be signed and sealed. Without your signature, the ballot cannot be counted. Postage is not necessary when dropping your ballot in the box. Ballots must be postmarked by Election Day or returned to a drop box before 8:00PM on Election Day.



You can return your ballot via a secure outdoor drop box, open 24/7 at the following locations:

- San Ramon Community Center - 12501 Alcosta Blvd
- Dougherty Station Community Center - 17011 Bollinger Canyon Road

Sports Fields: Opened or Closed?

As we approach the fall months, this brings back the potential for rain that can lead to sports fields being closed. You can find out about the current status of sports fields by using a free text, email, and digital subscription service here: www.sanramon.ca.gov/sportsfields. Information is updated regularly to keep field users informed as to the status of fields, particularly during inclement weather. When there are changes to the status of a sports field condition, a notice is sent out by text or email at 2:00PM,



Mondays through Fridays, and by 8:00AM on Saturdays and Sundays.

The sports field conditions can also be found on the City's website. For visiting teams who would like

to find out if the sports fields are open or closed but do not want to subscribe to E-SanRamon Updates, visit this link: <https://sanramon.ca.gov/sportsfield>.

Please enjoy San Ramon's terrific Sports Fields!

Crow Canyon Road Widening Project – Construction Update

DeSilva Gates Construction is making good progress with the construction of the Crow Canyon Road Widening Project, which will add one additional driving lane in each direction on Crow Canyon Road between Alcosta Boulevard and St. George Road.

Substantially complete work includes median demolition and median reconstruction. The next phase of work consists of roadway widening



to the north and south and repaving all lanes. Construction activities will continue to impact traffic, with lane closures and traffic delays. Please use care when driving through the construction zone.

A construction speed limit of 30 mph will be in effect and enforced. Residents, commuters, businesses, and bikers will be encouraged to use alternate routes, such as Bollinger Canyon Road and Dougherty Road, to avoid construction impacts and minimize delays.

Project completion is expected by the end of 2023.

For additional information, please visit: sanramon.ca.gov/CrowCanyonWidening

Let's Do Our Part & Be Water Smart

Now in Year Two of a State-wide drought emergency, the City of San Ramon has continued to utilize several water management strategies to conserve water and comply with voluntary and mandatory drought restrictions imposed by the State of California and our local water providers. These strategies can



be adopted by homes and businesses throughout San Ramon to help conserve our valuable water resources.

Some of the strategies include:

- Creating a water budget with a 15% reduction goal
- Replacing overhead spray sprinklers with bubbler sprinklers

- Utilizing cycle and soak irrigation to limit runoff and water waste
- Transitioning to more drought tolerant tree and plant species
- Limiting outdoor irrigation to occur between 9:00PM and 6:00AM

Both potable water and recycled water are limited in supply and by implementing smart water strategies, we can meet our drought requirements and protect the environment.

Citywide Bicycle Network Improvements Underway!

As part of the Citywide Bicycle Network Improvements and Enhancements Project, the City has begun a new project, adding bike improvements such as Sharrows, buffered bike lanes, and green conflict zones.

A **Sharrow** is a traffic control device for use along bicycle routes where there are no bike lanes and the traffic lane is too narrow for the bicycles and automobiles to ride side-by-side safely. The bicycle stencil indicates where bicyclists are expected to position themselves for safe travel on the roadway. *Please share the road and be courteous to all road users!*

The City will install Sharrows at the following locations:

- Broadmoor Drive between Alcosta Boulevard and Montevideo Drive
- Norris Canyon Road between Bollinger Canyon Road and Twin Creeks Drive
- Fostoria Way between Iron Horse Trail and Crow Canyon Place
- Executive Parkway between Iron Horse Trail and Camino Ramon

Buffered Bike Lanes were recently installed on Deerwood Road between San Ramon Valley Boulevard and Deerwood Drive. A Buffered Bike Lane is a dedicated space for bicyclists, which provide greater separation from an adjacent traffic lane. When paired with Green Conflict Zones that mark where motorists and bicyclists share the space before making a turn, the bike facility provides conspicuity and adds comfort for riders. The City will install Buffered Bike Lanes and Green Conflict Zones in the following roadway segments this fall:

- Alcosta Boulevard between Crow Canyon Road and Vera Cruz Drive
- Bishop Drive between Executive Parkway and Norris Canyon Road
- Bollinger Canyon Road between Canyon Lakes Drive and Dougherty Road (South)
- Dougherty Road between Crow Canyon Road and Bollinger Canyon Road (South)

All of the above enhancements account for 23 miles of bicycle infrastructure improvements to the network this year.

Iron Horse Trail crossings at Montevideo Drive and Pine Valley Road – The City recently installed push button poles, additional push buttons on the right side of the trail, microwave sensors to detect pedestrians and bicyclists approaching on the trail that activate the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons, LED lights that illuminate the crosswalk when activated, and STOP signs with embedded LED flashing lights to notify bicyclists they are required to stop.



Celebrate Fall With These Free Special Events in October

This October, The City is offering a variety of complimentary community events for the whole family! The first event to kick off the month is Culture in the Community on Sunday, October 16, from 10:00AM - 2:00PM. Watch as the San Ramon Central Park and Amphitheater come alive with multicultural performances, music, art, children's activities, and food from around the world.

Next, the Scarecrows are returning to San Ramon Central Park for the 3rd Annual Scarecrow Scavenger Hunt, Friday, October 21st through Halloween Day! This family-friendly scavenger hunt allows players to engage in missions via the Goosechase smartphone app as you attempt to find the spooky and silly scarecrows. Download the free app and earn points as you have a great time completing the missions.

For more Halloween fun, head over to Forest Home Farms on Saturday, October 29, from 11:00AM - 2:00PM, for Trick or Treat on the Farm! Explore the historic property while searching for treat stations and participating in fall farm activities. Participants are encouraged to come in costume for this trick or treating adventure.

These community events are offered free to the community and do not require registration. Just show up and have a great time! To find out more about these exciting upcoming community events and others offered throughout the year, please visit: www.SanRamon.ca.gov/events.

Alameda County Industries (ACI) Route Reviews Coming This Fall

During Fall 2022, ACI staff will be performing a randomized scan of the container contents set out for waste collection service to address State regulations. SB 1383, California's Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy, is a multi-faceted state mandate that requires residents and businesses to place recyclables, organics, and garbage in the correct curbside containers.

Not sure where items go? Check out: sanramonsort.com to find these answers, and if you need signs or additional resources please visit: sanramonrecycles.com.



**Put the right things,
in the right spot**

To ensure the San Ramon Community is doing its best to achieve our landfill diversion goals, staff in hi-visibility safety vests

will conduct brief inspections of a handful of sites before service, and will reach out to the identified businesses and residents who would benefit from educational support. This will be a brief inspection, fewer than 5-10 minutes per location. These route reviews will be performed for one week in October, and will be repeated annually.

For more information on SB 1383, please visit ACI of San Ramon's website at: alamedacountyindustries.com/alameda/commercial/sb1383/.

Door to Door Pick-Up for Difficult-to-Dispose Materials

Household Hazardous Wastes, also known as HHW (paint, electronic waste, batteries, fluorescent lamps, and cleaning chemicals) are among the most challenging materials to dispose safely. In California, it is illegal to dispose of these types of wastes in the trash, down the drain, or to bury them in the backyard.



The City has contracted with Clean Harbors to offer a convenient door-to-door HHW collection program for San Ramon residents. Contact Clean Harbors directly to make an appointment to have HHW collected at your doorstep.



To arrange a convenient pick-up of your HHW, contact Clean Harbors at (800) 433-5060 or visit their website at: cleanharbors.formstack.com/forms/san_ramon_door_to_door_program.

After your appointment is confirmed, you will receive a collection kit in the mail.

If the only HHW in your home is leftover or unused paint, and you don't want to wait for an appointment, check out "re:source" at: resource.stopwaste.org, the City's newest guide for disposing of HHW, recyclables, bulky items, and many other types of materials. Paint retailers in San Ramon will take back paint for no charge. It is important to dispose of HHW correctly in order to prevent it from harming our health, Alameda County Industries (ACI) truck drivers, and polluting bodies of water.

Weekly Street Sweeping in the Fall

San Ramon public streets will be swept weekly starting October 2022 through January 2023



In order to remove fall leaves, street sweeping on public residential streets will be increased from two times a month to four times a month service starting October through January. The City would like to remind residents to keep their streets clear of cars and other obstructions on regularly scheduled street sweeping days. This will assist the street sweeper in removing leaves and debris that tend to gather closer to the curb areas. To find out your regularly

scheduled street sweeping day, please visit the street sweeping map on the City's website: sanramon.ca.gov/stsweeping. During the fall, just refer to the day of the week on the map. For example, if your street is normally swept "1st & 3rd Monday" on the map, during the fall it will be swept every Monday, except when there are five (5) Mondays in a month. Residential streets are swept between 7:00AM and 5:00PM. To contact our street sweeping vendor (Contract Sweeping Services) with any questions, please call

(888) 837-9337, or call the City at (925) 973-2800.

To prevent flooding and protect our creeks, remember "Only Rain Down the Drain." Do not place leaves from your property in the street and never put motor oil or garbage down a storm drain. Please contact our garbage service contractor (ACI) at (925) 380-9480 if you need a second green organics cart, motor oil recycling jugs, or extra garbage tags. To report illegal dumping or contamination of storm water, please contact Public Works at (925) 973-2670.

Commuter Incentive Programs in San Ramon



The City of San Ramon, in concert with 511 Contra Costa encourages our residents to make a change from a drive-alone commute to carpooling, vanpooling, taking transit, bicycling, walking, and working from home. Whether you make the change one day a week or five days a week, driving less can make a difference by reducing traffic congestion and air pollution! Please visit the 511 Contra Costa website, 511contracosta.org, and

you can decide which options best fit your particular travel needs.

Do you need a place to meet your carpool, vanpool, or the bus? The City of San Ramon has three Park & Ride Lots located at the San Ramon Transit Center (7051 Executive Parkway), the Bark & Ride (1120 South Wedgewood Road), and the Bollinger Park & Ride (5500 Bollinger Canyon Road). These Park & Ride Lots offer parking on a first-come, first-

serve basis to meet your carpool or vanpool or to take public transit.

Contact the Public Works Department - Transportation Division for more information at (925) 973-2650, or visit: sanramon.ca.gov/commute_options.

Funding for the 511 Contra Costa Programs and Incentives are provided by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) and the Contra Costa Transportation Authority.

Bird Eco-Friendly Scooters and Bikes Now Available In San Ramon!

An eco-friendly transportation option has come to San Ramon! E-scooters and e-bikes are rolling out this fall. San Ramon, in concert with Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA), has developed a micromobility pilot program. And as a result, Bird Rides, Inc. has been chosen to provide electric



transportation for San Ramon. The e-scooters and e-bikes can be used to replace gas-powered car trips when going to the store, meet up with friends, explore the community, and take many other daily trips.

Bird will offer a number of features and benefits to riders in San Ramon. Staff will be providing more public outreach and additional information to the community as we implement this new and exciting pilot program, so stay tuned!



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FALL EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Oct 1
Oktoberfest
*presented by the San Ramon Historic Foundation**

Oct 1
Jazz Concert featuring Tony Lindsay
*presented by the San Ramon Library Foundation**



Oct 8
Monarch Trail Loop Hike

Oct 14
San Ramon Symphonic Band Concert*

Oct 16
Culture in the Community



Oct 21-31
Scarecrow Scavenger Hunt



Oct 29
Trick or Treat on the Farm



NOVEMBER

Nov 5
Holiday Boutique
*presented by the San Ramon Senior Center Foundation**

Nov 5
Jazz Concert featuring Roger Glenn Latin Jazz Quartet
*presented by the San Ramon Library Foundation**



Nov 12
Windemere Ridge and Rolling Hills Trail Loop Hike



Nov 19
Lady K and the Kings of Swing Concert *

DECEMBER

Dec 3
Bah Humbug! 5K Run/Walk & Kids Dash*



Dec 3
Jazz Concert featuring Clairdee*
presented by the San Ramon Library Foundation



Dec 10
Holiday on the Farm

Dec 16
San Ramon Symphonic Band Concert*

Dec 17
Community Chorus Holiday Concert

*These events require registration or ticket purchase.

For more information, please visit: www.SanRamon.ca.gov/parks or call (925) 973-3200.

Contact Information

City Council

- David E. Hudson, *Mayor*
- Sridhar Verose, *Vice Mayor*
- Mark Armstrong, *Councilmember*
- Scott Perkins, *Councilmember*
- Sabina Zafar, *Councilmember*
- City Council 973-2530
- City Manager 973-2530

Department Services

- Building 973-2580
- Business License 973-2510
- City Clerk 973-2539
- Economic Development 973-2554
- Engineering 973-2670
- Human Resources 973-2523
- Parks & Community Services 973-3200
- Passport Services 973-2539
- Planning 973-2560
- Police 973-2700
- Public Services 973-2800
- Transportation 973-2650

Facilities

- Alcosta Senior & Community Center 973-3250
- Dougherty Station Community Center 973-3200
- Dougherty Station Library 973-3380
- Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center 973-3335
- Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center.. 973-3343
- Permit Center 973-2574
- San Ramon Community Ctr & Central Park . 973-3200
- San Ramon Library 973-2850
- San Ramon Olympic Pool 973-3240

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