

SAN RAMON CITY REPORT



Summer 2018

SB-1 Funds — How They Are Used

The City of San Ramon is now receiving and spending funds from the “California Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017”, otherwise known as “SB-1” (Senate Bill). SB-1 was signed by the Governor on April 28, 2017, and is a long-term transportation solution that provides new revenue for road safety improvements such as filling potholes and repairing local streets, highways, and bridges. SB-1 provides transportation investments in every community. It includes strict accountability provisions to reduce waste and bureaucracy, and dedicates all funds to transportation improvements. The California Department of Finance calculated that the average SB-1 cost to motorists is roughly \$10/month.

For FY 2017/18, the City is projected to receive roughly \$550,000 in SB-1 Funds for local street maintenance. The City will utilize these Funds in the Pavement Management Project 2018. SB-1 Funds represent approximately 10% of the construction costs for projects under construction



during summer 2018. For FY 2018/19, the City is projected to receive roughly \$1.43M in SB-1 Funds and over \$2M starting in FY 2019/20.

The City currently maintains close to 500 lane miles of roadway. It costs an average of \$185,000 per lane mile to maintain or rehabilitate an existing street. The estimated replacement cost of all of the City’s streets is \$653,821,000. The new influx of revenue from SB-1 provides needed funds to help keep up with the maintenance and repairs of our City streets. As the City ages and grows, more funding will be critical to preserve the high standard of our local roads. SB-1, with its annual average revenue stream, will go a long way to help keep San Ramon streets in good condition but will not be sufficient to prevent gradual deterioration. You can read more about how the City utilizes SB-1 funds and other funds to support roads at: www.sanramon.ca.gov/sb1.

Pavement Management 2018 Project

The Pavement Management Program was developed as part of a Citywide Program to provide street maintenance on an annual basis. By performing this maintenance frequently and systematically, the City minimizes higher long-term maintenance costs and maintains a higher quality throughout the life of the pavement. The scope of work for the annual Pavement Management Program is based on certain factors that include: roadway condition and age; repairs and preventative maintenance; and a geographic grouping of roadways.

From June to October 2018, the construction phase of the Pavement Management 2018 Project



(CIP 5560) will include two types of surface treatments on selected roads within the Twin Creeks area, plus street maintenance on Fostoria Way, Foxboro Way, and Kent Way, and sections of Albion Road and Bollinger Canyon Road. The project

also includes incidental work such as: raising and adjusting of utility covers and manholes to grade; replacement of survey monument frames and covers; crack sealing; pavement striping and markings; construction edge drains; replacement of concrete curb, gutter, and sidewalk; and construction and modification of concrete curbs.

What Drought?

Or, maybe a better question would be, "is the drought over?"

According to Governor, Jerry Brown in April of 2017 the answer is – yes. In Northern California, we have had above average or near average rainfall over the last 2 years. The rainy season has been later for the last 3 years, which helps sustain our plants further into the summer and helps extend the use of the water in our reservoirs, which are at or above the yearly average. Both EBMUD and DSRSD report that our water supplies are normal. So why worry?

The biggest reason is that no one can predict when the next severe drought will occur. Since 1976, there have been four drought periods. As of April 2018, despite the late season

rain, the Sierra snowpack at Phillips Station is only at 58% of normal. Also, groundwater levels, which supply 30% of our fresh water, have been declining, and it could take years of normal rainfall to recover.

As we rejoice in the rain over the last 2 years ending the drought, please keep in mind that another one will eventually follow. Consider this period as an opportunity to plan for the future and save a few dollars by continuing to conserve water and transitioning to more drought-tolerant landscapes. The City of San Ramon continues to implement turf conversion projects in an effort to plan ahead.



Landscape After Turf Replacement

San Ramon Trails Challenge – Time to Hit the Trails!

You and your family are invited to explore San Ramon's trails, witness the beauty of the San Ramon Valley and discover the health benefits of outdoor recreation this summer! The San Ramon Trails Challenge is a self-guided program that encourages participants to hike five local trails by September 2018.



The Trails Challenge is free, designed for all fitness levels, and all registered participants can receive the FREE 2018 Trails Challenge Shirt (while supplies last). You can hike on your own, with your dog, with family, with friends or with co-workers. To register visit www.sanramon.ca.gov/SRTrails.

Crime Prevention

Warmer weather and longer days lead to more activity in your neighborhood. Keep your home and property safe with the following information:

Peddlers/solicitors are prohibited in the City of San Ramon without a solicitors permit (San Ramon City Ordinance, B7-145- Required). Report solicitors by calling the non-emergency dispatch number at 925-973-2779. Permitted solicitors will be wearing a plastic ID badge authorized by the San Ramon Police Department.

While counterintuitive, always respond to visitors at your front door. This is a potential burglar's first contact. Burglars check to see if anyone is home by knocking or ringing the doorbell first. You do not have to open the door, but always acknowledge the person at the door. Failure to answer the door could lead a burglar to thinking no one is home, then attempt to break in while you are home. Video type doorbells are beneficial for answering the front door when you are away. The footage can also be used by the police department if necessary.

Make your home appear occupied. Lights-on timers, collecting mail/packages/newspapers promptly, and leaving radios or TV's on are all great deterrents. Should you leave for a long period of time, the San Ramon Police Department provides vacation home checks to all residents. All you have to do is fill out the form and turn it in prior to your time away. The form is available at: www.sanramon.ca.gov/patrolrequest

Your City Council Goals for 2018-19

Each year the City Council adopts an annual budget to govern the activities of the City. While many think of a budget document as a financial tool, it is in fact a policy document that reflects the priorities of the community as determined by the members of the City Council. So how does this happen?

First, each February, four months prior to budget adoption, the City Council conducts a goal setting workshop to determine the priorities for the upcoming year. The City Council first reviews and affirms the six core values that guide the City. These are:

1. Maintain a Safe and Secure Environment
2. Maintain a Secure Financial Base
3. Maintain Staffing/Resources to Provide City Services
4. Build and Maintain Quality Facilities and Infrastructure
5. Enhance Engagement and Communication with Residents and Business Community
6. Focus on Land Use Planning for Housing, Jobs and Open Space

Once affirmed, the City Council meets for several hours to discuss priority action items for the upcoming fiscal year. Resources are then allocated through the budget to meet these objectives. The City Council established the following goals for fiscal year 2018/2019:

- Evaluate service levels due to the new City Center and create an action plan to address impacts.
- Identify opportunities to alleviate congestion on major traffic corridors to enhance safety.
- Complete revenue and efficiency audits to optimize the use of City resources.
- Evaluate aging City facilities to determine the long-term viability of City assets.
- Systematically evaluate long standing policies and programs that affect ongoing expenditures.
- Seek to maximize local resources through technology investments, efficiency upgrades and staff optimization.
- Implement a succession plan that captures institutional knowledge from long-term City employees.
- Support the development of the Iron Horse Trail as both a premier recreation and mobility corridor.
- Advocate at a local and regional level for regional transportation improvements.
- Emphasize cultural outreach in the community by increasing support for multicultural events.
- Through the Parks Master Plan process, determine park development priorities for City owned parcels including the Wood Lot, Henry Ranch, and Crow Canyon Gardens/Mudds.
- Implement the adopted City Communication Plan to increase awareness and understanding of local issues.
- Prioritize housing growth in the City Core while preserving existing retail, commercial and open space.
- Advocate for the inclusion of an expanded Dougherty Station Library and the development of a retail center as components of the final build out for Dougherty Valley.
- Explore the development of a walking district with community partners that would support the emphasis on housing in the City Core.

You can read more about how the City Council and staff manage public resources by reviewing the City's annual budget at <http://www.sanramon.ca.gov/budget>.

Parks & Community Services 10 Year Master Plan Update Ready to Kick-off

The City is preparing an update to its citywide Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation Master Plan, which will explore community needs for parks and outdoor recreation, along with identifying implementation strategies and offering several opportunities for community involvement. The new Plan will establish a path forward for providing high quality, community-driven parks, trails, natural areas and outdoor recreation serving San Ramon.

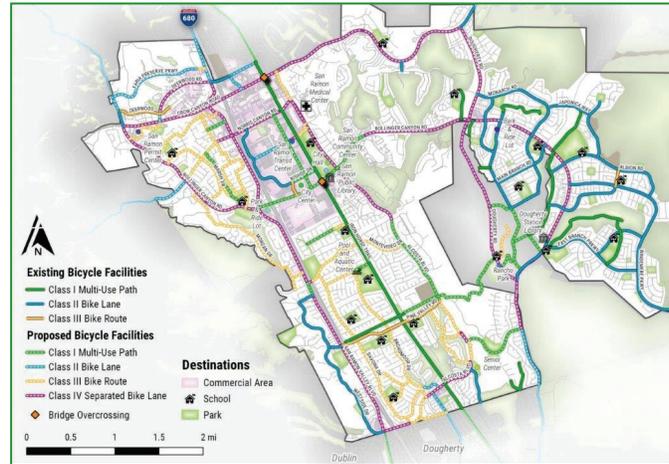
Citizen input is crucial to make sure program goals and priorities are consistent with community needs and desires. There will be several opportunities for you to participate, including public meetings and surveys. This process gives us an excellent opportunity to identify ways to best serve the recreational needs of our diverse community over the coming 5 to 10 years.

Visit our website www.SanRamon.ca.gov/parks and follow us on social media to stay up to date on ways to participate in the Master Plan process.

Bicycle Master Plan

On April 24, 2018, City Council approved San Ramon's first Bicycle Master Plan (BMP). The City's General Plan sets forth a blueprint for a system of bikeways in San Ramon. By creating the first Citywide BMP, the City builds on the General Plan with an evaluation of existing conditions and the development of a priority list of bicycle improvements that can include on- and off-street bicycle facilities.

The BMP is intended to be a planning tool and general strategy plan that establishes a long-range vision for cycling in San Ramon, which will evolve over time as needs change. The BMP focuses on recommendations that create a safe, continuous network of facilities that serve all residents; enhances bicycle use as a viable transportation alternative; closes gaps in the system; serves key destinations; reinforces bike safety education programs; and provides sufficient, conveniently located bicycle facilities.



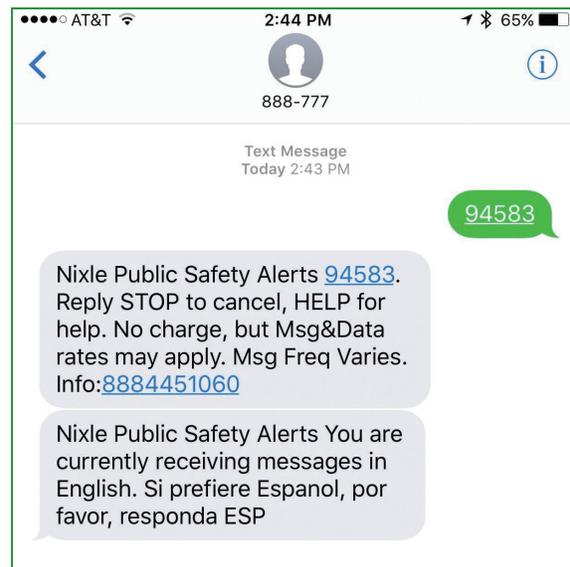
For more information on the BMP, contact the Transportation Division at (925) 973-2650 or visit the City's website at: www.sanramon.ca.gov/bikeplan

Emergency Preparedness

The City of San Ramon is continually working to improve our emergency preparedness should a critical incident or disaster affect the San Ramon Valley. One of the most important aspects of emergency preparedness is effective communication during a crisis. As a City, we have the capability to send mass communications through landline calling, emailing, text messaging, as well as the old-fashioned way, through AM radio broadcasts. On August 16, 2018, we will be conducting a test of our mass calling and texting capabilities. At 6 pm on August 16, 2018, landlines within San Ramon will receive an emergency notification test call from the City of San Ramon. At the same time, an emergency alert text notification will be sent to everyone who has registered for our emergency alert text notification system. In addition, we will also be emailing an emergency alert message and continually broadcast an emergency alert message on our emergency radio frequency (AM 1610).

If you would like to register for San Ramon Emergency Alerts via text message, simply text your San Ramon Zip Code (94582 or 94583) to 888777 and you will be automatically enrolled. To sign up for emergency alerts

via email visit www.sanramon.ca.gov/emergencyalert. If you have additional questions regarding the City of San Ramon's emergency communication plans, please contact Captain Denton Carlson, of the San Ramon Police Department, at dcarlson@sanramon.ca.gov.



Bollinger Canyon Road Widening Project Construction Update

The Bollinger Canyon Road Widening Project from Market Place to the I-680 Freeway continues to make progress toward completion. The completed project will provide additional capacity improvements by adding additional travel lanes and adding/expanding turn lanes to accommodate new development and the General Plan buildout.

The north side of the roadway has been widened and crews are now working in the center of the roadway behind concrete barriers to install new streetlights and medians. The final phases of work will include modifying the traffic signals, landscaping the new medians, microsurfacing the roadway, and restriping.



Bollinger Canyon Road will be open at all times during construction. The majority of work will take place during daytime hours behind concrete barriers, but construction work requiring extensive traffic control/lane closures will occur at night or on weekends. Please expect delays when driving on Bollinger Canyon Road and be careful when driving through construction zones. Construction is expected to be completed by fall 2018 in coordination with the timing of the opening of the City Center Bishop Ranch Project.

Please visit the City's webpage for project updates at: www.sanramon.ca.gov/bollinger

Let's Go Out and Play!

Playgrounds offer a great place to keep kids busy and active, as well as develop their social skills...and at times negotiation and sharing skills.

Public Works recognizes the need for safe, well maintained areas for children to play, which is why Playground Inspections are conducted regularly at all Parks. Each component is inspected, from the slides and swings to the nuts and bolts, in order to make necessary maintenance repairs.

Here are ways you can assist to keep our playgrounds safe for your child and others:

- Dress Appropriately – Dress for weather conditions and ensure proper shoes are worn on the play surface. Children should never be barefoot. Tennis shoes, properly laced, provide the best traction; avoid sandals, flip flops, and boots, which provide less secure footing. Avoid jackets or hoodies that have drawstrings as these could cause strangulation or other injuries.

- Use Equipment the Way it is Intended – Do not allow children to climb up slides, stand on rails, or climb posts on the outside of tube slides or tunnels.

- Play Nice – Teaching children to play nice improves playground safety. Sharing equipment helps children to get along with others, minimizing pushing and shoving matches, which are dangerous on a playground.

- Adult Supervision – Children should always be supervised by an adult. Ensure younger children stay away from play structures or equipment they are not ready for, and do not walk in front of swings, zip lines, or other similar areas.





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JULY – AUGUST 2018 EVENTS

JULY

July 4
Run San Ramon 10K/5K*
San Ramon Central Park



July 4
Independence Day
Celebration

Featuring: Foreverland –
Michael Jackson Tribute
San Ramon Central Park



July 8
Summer Concerts in the Park
Featuring: Majestic – Journey Tribute
San Ramon Central Park

July 15
Summer Concerts in the Park
Featuring: Aja Vu – Steely Dan Tribute
San Ramon Central Park

July 20
Summer Outdoor Movie:
Zootopia
Dougherty Valley Aquatic
Center



July 20
Senior Summer Barbecue*
Alcosta Senior and Community Center

July 22
Summer Concerts in the Park
Featuring: Petty Theft – Tom Petty Tribute
San Ramon Central Park

July 29
Summer Concerts in the Park
Featuring: The Groove Doctors
San Ramon Central Park

AUGUST

August 1
Middle School Back to School Party
San Ramon Olympic Pool

August 5
Summer Concerts in the Park
Featuring: The House Rockers
San Ramon Central Park

August 10
Summer Outdoor Movie: Finding Dory
Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center

*These events require registration or ticket purchase.

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

County Connection Summer Youth Pass

511 Contra Costa has partnered with County Connection to offer FREE Summer Youth Passes. Passes are offered on a first come first serve basis while supplies last, and are limited to three per household. The passes are valid from June 1, 2018 – August 31, 2018. For more information, visit: <https://511contracosta.org/youthpass/>.

The Summer Youth Passes will also be available for sale at the following City locations: www.sanramon.ca.gov/commute

Contact Information

City Council

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- Building 973-2580
- Business License 973-2510
- City Clerk 973-2539
- Economic Development 973-2554
- Human Resources 973-2523
- Engineering 973-2670
- Passport Services 973-2539
- Parks & Community Services 973-3200
- 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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