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**Subject:** Please reconsider/stop tree removal proposed for Kentucky St.  
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Dear City Council and Public Works Director Bolt:

Please see tree removal proposed for Kentucky St, below.

There may be solutions to not cut down these trees... such as root barriers, trimming limbs.

Please require fully discussing with Tree Committee per the many innovations TAC members (most of us ReLeaf members too!) are able and eager to help with per our professional expertise plus our extensive outreach and research with leading Arborists, Urban Foresters, and other municipalities (vanguard "Cities of Trees" such as Chico, Burlingame, Larkspur, Palo Alto, etc.). BTW -- Palo Alto means "tall pine" in Spanish!!

City Council -- please ask that city tree issues start being run by Tree Committee so we can ensure we use all our City-community to save more trees.

Attached photo is example of the lengths they go to here in Spain to save a tree (poles and ropes visible to help sturdy a tree).

Please no more trees cut down. Please leverage Tree Committee to be helpful to meet our City goals.

Thank you!  
Taryn

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## COMMUNITY UPDATE

September 29, 2023

Happy Friday, Petaluma!

We hope you're enjoying the crisp fall mornings and the first taste this week of the coming rainy season! Here at the City, it's the perfect time to roll up the sleeves of our fleeces and buckle down to work. We have lots of updates for you in this issue of the Community Update, from crosswalks to cross-town connectors. Learn more about how you can get involved below!

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### AT A GLANCE

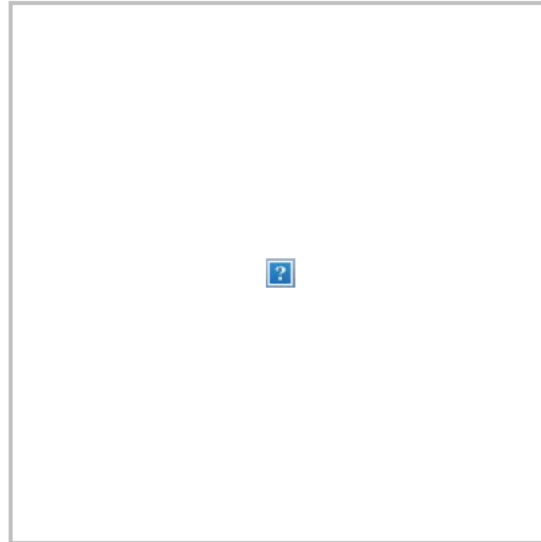
- Kentucky Street Crosswalk
- Skatepark Design Update
- Explore Ellis Creek
- Daily Acts Partnership
- Upcoming City Meetings

## KENTUCKY STREET IS GETTING AN UPGRADE

### Kentucky Street Crosswalk Improvements

The crossing in the middle of Kentucky Street is getting an upgrade!

Starting Monday, October 9th through the 19th, the City will have a team working to improve the sidewalk ramps around the crosswalk on Kentucky Street between Western Avenue and Washington Street. This is to help make the crossing easier and safer for people with disabilities. They'll take out the old ramp and put in a new one that's designed with safer slopes and yellow raised markers. The project will also coincide with the work a property owner is doing on a sidewalk nearby to remove cracks that can lead to tripping.



There are two trees near the curb ramps that we might need to remove. They're not native to our area, and they're causing problems – they're growing too close to a fire hydrant, branches are hanging too low, and the roots are damaging the sidewalk. We will plant new trees in their place and add root protectors and water bags to keep them healthy. While the team is working, some parts of the sidewalk and crosswalk might be closed off, and it might get a bit noisy. But when it's all done, walking downtown will be safer for everyone.

Remember the Pride Crosswalk? That colorful street art we all love? It's getting a fresh coat of paint to make it last longer! Renee HO from the local group, Amor Para Todos, is heading this up. She's teaming up with city experts to make sure the new paint sticks around. This will be done in a few months after the sidewalks are fixed, and when the weather is good for painting.

If you have questions or concerns, contact Ken Eichstaedt, at 707-776-3672 or [KEichstaedt@cityofpetaluma.org](mailto:KEichstaedt@cityofpetaluma.org).

## SKATEPARK DESIGN UPDATES

### Lucchesi Skatepark Plan Approved by RMPC

On September 20, the Lucchesi Skatepark project team presented an update to the Recreation, Music, & Parks Commission at its regular meeting, focusing primarily on the latest version of



the [proposed concept plan](#).

Commissioners unanimously adopted the plan and referred it to the City Council for approval.

Meeting materials and a recording are available on our project webpage, [cityofpetaluma.org/skatepetaluma](http://cityofpetaluma.org/skatepetaluma), under "PROJECT UPDATES."

The project team is tentatively scheduled to **present the proposed Lucchesi Skatepark concept plan to City Council at its regular October 16 meeting**. Meeting details will be posted to the project webpage and shared via email when available.

Visit [cityofpetaluma.org/skatepetaluma](http://cityofpetaluma.org/skatepetaluma) to learn more and sign up to receive project updates.

## EXPLORE ELLIS CREEK

### Explore Ellis Creek During Shollenberger Closure

PG&E has plans to upgrade an important gas main underneath Shollenberger Park. The upgrade will make the gas main safer and more reliable for our community. Work will begin in October and is expected to last through December. During that time, the southern portion of Shollenberger Park will be closed to the public on weekdays with limited access during weekends.

Want to enjoy a walk in the wetlands while Shollenberger is closed? Head down the road to Ellis Creek Pond Loop at our Ellis Creek Water Recycling Facility. Located less than a mile from Shollenberger's main parking lot, Ellis Creek offers over 2 miles of trails and a wonderful array of birds and wildlife to observe. Signs directing Shollenberger patrons to the Ellis Creek Pond Trail will be posted throughout construction. Learn more about Ellis Creek [HERE](#).

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about the project and closures at Shollenberger Park.



## DAILY ACTS PARTNERSHIP

### Daily Acts: Land Resilience Partnership

Is there a place in Petaluma where you live, work or play that would benefit from the addition of rain gardens, greywater reuse systems, turf conversions, or planting habitat and shade trees?

Daily Acts is partnering with the Land Resilience Partnership to help Petaluma renters, homeowners, and businesses build climate and drought resilience, focusing on areas where there has been the greatest drought and flood related impacts.

A total of 150 sites will receive planning and design support, and 75 of those selected will receive materials support. If you're in Petaluma and you'd like to be considered as one of the project sites, learn more and [apply today!](#)

## UPCOMING CITY MEETINGS

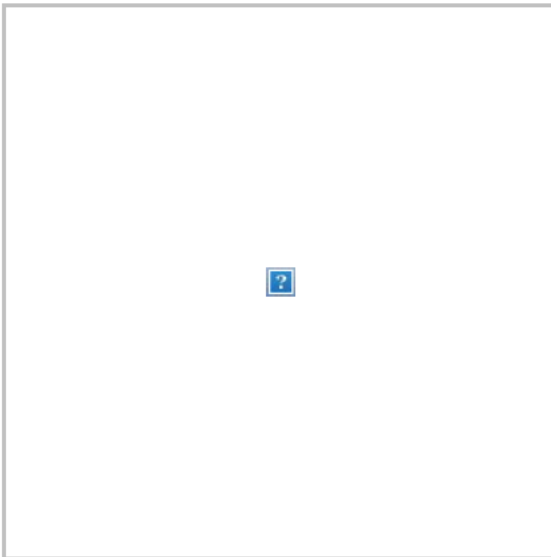
Our City staff is continually working to improve our community — whether it's making much-needed upgrades to our roads, redesigning community parks, or planning for the future needs of Petalumans — and your input is an essential part of our process! Read on for opportunities to have your voice heard (or simply learn more about) some projects that are currently underway.

### Climate Action Plan: Open House

Thursday, October 12, 4:30pm-6pm at City Hall (before the Climate Action Commission Meeting)

Join us for a community open house to learn more about the Blueprint for Carbon Neutrality, the City of Petaluma's Climate Action Plan, before it's presented to the Climate Action Commission. We'll have food trucks and childcare available, provided in partnership with Cool Petaluma!





## Learn More about the New Caulfield Bridge October 17

We're building a bridge, Petaluma! The Caulfield Bridge Crosstown Connector Project will create a new 500- foot moveable bridge (like the D Street bridge) over the Petaluma River connecting east and west Petaluma via Caulfield Lane to Petaluma Boulevard South.

This bridge will provide a safe, convenient route for people walking, bicycling, and driving across town and will help to reduce traffic congestion on existing crosstown connectors. We want to design the bridge in a way that best

serves the needs of the community.

### PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 17 TO:

- Learn more about the project
- Share your input on the bridge design
- Weigh in on overall look and feel (materials, colors, shapes, and art)
- Discuss amenities and bicycle/pedestrian accommodations
- Discuss accessibility components (benches, lighting, and bike lanes)

**WHEN:** Tuesday, October 17, 6pm – 8pm

**WHERE:** Petaluma Community Center, 320 N. McDowell Blvd.

Spanish interpretation is available upon request. To arrange for interpretation, please email: [caulfieldbridge@cityofpetaluma.org](mailto:caulfieldbridge@cityofpetaluma.org).

To RSVP and learn more about the project, please [click here](#) or visit the website [cityofpetaluma.org/caulfieldbridge](http://cityofpetaluma.org/caulfieldbridge).

## CAN'T MISS FALL COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Community Events

With so many exciting community events going on this fall, the City is now hosting a Community Events calendar with films, gatherings, and more hosted by our nonprofit and community partners. [CLICK HERE](#) to see what's going on in Petaluma and how you can get involved!

Have an event that you'd like to submit for consideration? The City promotes events from our direct partner organizations, like ReLeaf Petaluma, Daily Acts, and more.

Email [comms@cityofpetaluma.org](mailto:comms@cityofpetaluma.org) to find out if your event qualifies – and don't forget that the Downtown Association also hosts an event calendar at [visitpetaluma.org](http://visitpetaluma.org)!



## JOIN OUR PETALUMA TEAM!

The City of Petaluma is looking for talented people to join our team! Please click the links below for more information about our open positions.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a full list of career opportunities.

[Associate/Senior Civil Engineer](#)

[Risk Manager](#)

[Police Officer \(Current Academy Attendees & Graduates\)](#)

[Senior Administrative Assistant](#)

[Police Officer - Lateral](#)

[Senior Transit Planner \(Grants Management\) / Transit Planner II](#)

[Public Safety Dispatcher - Lateral](#)

[Utility Service Worker II](#)

Have questions about working for the City? Please reach out to [hr@cityofpetaluma.org](mailto:hr@cityofpetaluma.org).

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

The City of Petaluma is hard at work for our community. Please check out our upcoming meetings and click on the links below for more information:

[October 2, 6:30pm - City Council/PCDSA Regular Meeting](#)

[October 3, 4:00pm - Historic & Cultural Preservation Committee Meeting](#)

[October 4, 6:30pm - Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting](#)

[October 10, 6:00pm - Planning Commission Meeting](#)

**October 12, 6:30pm - Climate Action Commission Meeting**

**October 16, 6:30pm - City Council/PCDSA Regular Meeting**

**October 18, 3:30pm - Tree Advisory Committee Meeting**

**October 18, 6:00pm - Recreation, Music & Parks Commission Meeting**

Check for upcoming meetings, agendas, and how to participate on the City's meeting webpage: <https://cityofpetaluma.org/meetings/>.

## Help Get the Word Out

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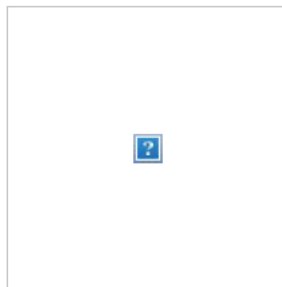
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