



## *The Week in Review*

A Report from the City Manager – Vol. 9, No. 26 – July 29, 2016

The following is a summary of the significant events from the past week

**Police Department**      MPOA Softball Game: Members of the Manteca Police Officer's Association laced up their cleats to take on two Woodbridge Softball Teams at Del Webb Field. The police association trailed most of both games but was able to rally back and win the first game 22-18. The second game was a nail biter with the police winning 13-12. It was an enjoyable day for all who participated.



*Woodbridge and MPOA Teams*

Bank Robbery: On July 22, Officers responded to BBVA Compass Bank, 201 North Main Street, regarding a robbery. They arrived on scene and discovered the suspect, pictured below, had fled the scene. An investigation revealed the suspect entered the bank and approached a customer service representative. The suspect produced a note indicating it was a robbery and demanded cash. The suspect then showed the victim a firearm that was concealed in his waistband. The victim, fearing for her safety, handed the suspect an un-disclosed amount of money. The suspect took the money and fled the bank through the west doors. He was last seen walking Northbound in the west alley of North Main Street.



*Bank Robbery Suspect*

Bank employees believed the suspect was a male dressed to appear as if he was female. The suspect was described as a black male adult; 25 to 35 years of age, 6' 02" tall, large build, wearing a long black "wig". He was wearing blue scrubs, a white long sleeve shirt underneath, sunglasses and was carrying a black handbag with shoulder straps. Anyone with information regarding this robbery is asked to contact the department at 456-8101.

Stabbing: On July 23, Kaiser Hospital Manteca notified the police department that they had a 17-year-old male juvenile at the hospital suffering from stab wounds. Prior to the officer's arrival, the juvenile was transported by ambulance to a Modesto area hospital with possible life threatening injuries.

After contacting Kaiser Staff it was determined the stabbing occurred at an unknown location in Manteca. Officer Skrimager responded to the Modesto hospital where he was able to speak to the victim and determine the location of the stabbing to be in the 1200 block of Huntington Place. A crime scene was located at the location of occurrence and was processed. The victim was treated at the hospital and staff advised he was stable and his injuries were not life threatening. The victim advised that the suspect approached him while he was walking with friends. The suspect initially asked the victim a question and then assaulted him with a knife. The suspect fled the scene immediately after the assault. Anyone with information regarding this assault can contact Officer Skrimager at (209) 456-8401.

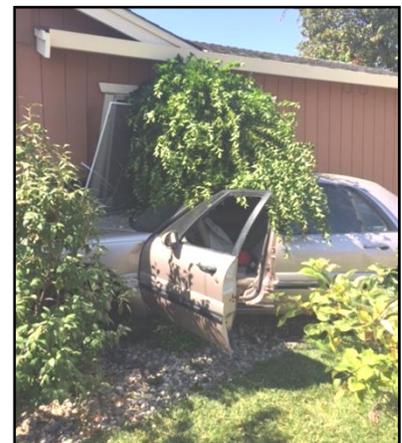
Rollover Traffic Accident with Damaged City Property:

On July 26, Officers responded to a rollover accident at Mt. Dew and East Louise Avenue. A vehicle was found on its roof with the driver having climbed out prior to our arrival. The driver's vehicle left the roadway striking the north curb of East Louise Avenue, a tree and sound wall. A city crew was called out to cut down an uprooted tree that was resting on the sound wall. The driver declined treatment and was not intoxicated. The driver heading eastbound on East Louise Avenue, apparently was attempting to eat while driving and lost control. The driver was identified as Hasibullah Ahrar, a 19-year-old Manteca resident.



*Rollover Accident at Mt. Dew and E. Louise*

Car Collides with Residence: On July 26, an Officer advised via radio that he needed a backup unit at the intersection of Walnut Avenue and Joaquin Street for a vehicle colliding into a house. The vehicle, a Buick LeSabre (CA# 4EYR024), collided into 116 North Walnut Avenue.



The driver was detained and medics were dispatched to the scene. There were no other occupants in the vehicle and one resident inside the damaged home was not

injured. The City of Manteca Building Inspector was called to the scene to inspect the damage to the residence.

The driver of the Buick was identified as Joseph Scott Deatherage (D.O.B. 09/05/87) from Ripon. He was transported by ambulance to Doctor's Hospital for treatment. Deatherage was cited and released for 23103 VC-(Reckless driving), 14601.2(a)VC-(Driving with a suspended license), and the observed traffic violations.

Gang Awareness Talk: Sergeant Beall and Officers May and Johnson, members of the police department's gang suppression unit, recently spoke to a group of children about the importance of education, staying out of trouble and being good citizens. The gang unit even found time to join the children in a game of bumper pool. I believe the kids won!



*Gang awareness talk*

Adoption: "Luna" is our pet of the week. She is two-year-old German Shepherd/Queensland Heeler mix. She is a very sweet girl that needs a new home and is available now. Please come down to the Animal Services, 115 East Wetmore Ave. and visit.



*One of many animals available for adoption*

**Fire Department** Long-Term Mutual Aid Response: An engine company from Manteca Fire Department responded on mutual aid to the Sand Fire near Santa Clarita Sunday night. By Wednesday afternoon, the crew was released from the Sand Incident and reassigned to the Soberanes Fire north of Big Sur. Our engine company joins over 3,500 other personnel assigned to this incident with 27,000 acres burned and only 10% containment as of July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you Wastewater Quality Control Facility: While responding to a grass fire on Wednesday afternoon Engine Company 242 became stuck in sand. After several attempts to dig out the engine, fellow city

employee Derek Perry and the WQCF front loader came to our rescue and pulled the engine out of the soft sand. We very much appreciate the teamwork.



*City Departments work together to free fire engine 242.*

### Del Webb Softball

Off duty firefighters accepted an invitation for a friendly game of softball on Thursday morning from Del Webb residents. The firefighters played against the Silver Sluggers and the Woodbridge Wolverines, winning both games. We appreciate the chance to interact with the community in a fun and competitive way.



*Firefighters vs. Woodbridge Wolverines*



*Firefighters vs. Silver Sluggers*

### Highlights of Incidents:

- *Vehicle Accident – Highway 120*

Firefighters responded to a vehicle accident on eastbound 120 west of Airport Way Friday night. Upon arrival, firefighters found two vehicles involved both with major damage. Firefighters blocked traffic to establish a safe working area and immediately began patient assessment. The “Jaws of Life” was used to remove the driver’s side door to rescue a victim who was pinned in a



vehicle. A total of three patients were transported to local hospitals.

- *Vehicle Accident – South Union Road*

Firefighters were dispatched to a vehicle accident on South Union Road at Wawona Street Monday afternoon. Upon arrival firefighters found two vehicles involved with one rolled on its hood. Firefighters began patient assessment; all people involved were assessed and cleared for injuries.



*Vehicle Accident – South Union Road*

- *Structure Fire – West Yosemite Avenue*

Firefighters responded to a report of a structure fire on West Yosemite Avenue Wednesday morning. Upon arrival, firefighters found a detached garage with light smoke coming from it. The occupant met with firefighters and indicated that the fire had been extinguished prior to their arrival. Firefighters checked for hot spots and assisted with overhaul operations.



*Garage Fire – West Yosemite Avenue*

- *Grass Fire – West Woodward Avenue*

Firefighters were dispatched to a grass fire on West Woodward Avenue near Airport Way Wednesday afternoon. Upon arrival, firefighters found approximately 1 acre of grass and brush on fire. Firefighters worked from the south side to attack the fire while others worked from the levee before extinguishing the fire. There was no dollar loss or exposures with this incident.



*Grass fire at West Woodward Avenue*

# Public Works

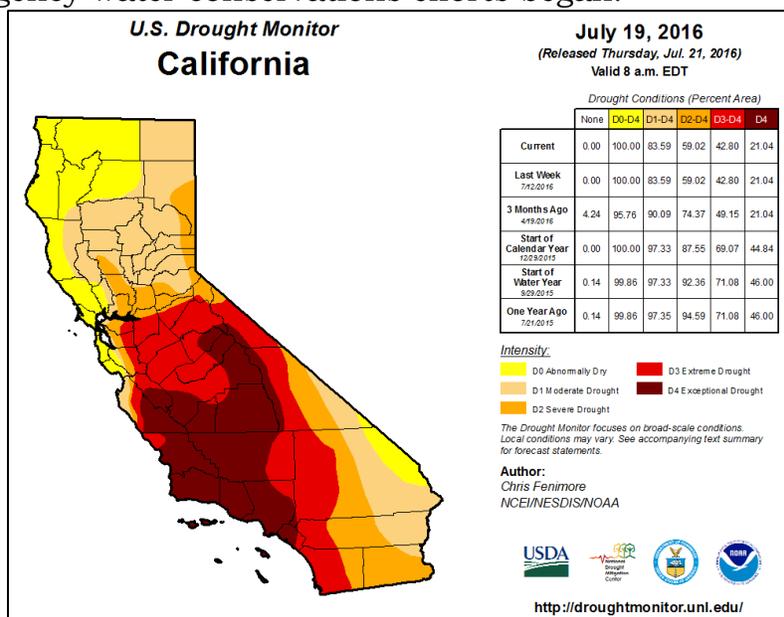
## Water Conservation:

Governor Brown orders continued water savings as drought persists. “Californians stepped up during this drought and saved more water than ever before,” said Governor Brown. “But now we know that drought is becoming a regular occurrence and water conservation must be a part of our everyday life.”

Manteca residents have responded to the call to conserve water during the drought by dialing back sprinkler running times, replacing lawns with water efficient landscapes, fixing leaking faucets and installing more efficient toilets and washing machines. The City of Manteca has banned clearly wasteful practices such as hosing off sidewalks, driveways and other hardscapes. While the severity of the drought has lessened in some parts of California after winter rains and snow, the current drought is not over. For the fifth consecutive year, dry conditions persist in many areas of the state, with limited drinking water supplies in some communities, diminished water for agricultural production and environmental habitat, and severely depleted groundwater basins. The Governor’s executive order calls for long-term improvements to local drought preparation across the state, and directs the State Water Resources Control Board to develop proposed emergency water restrictions for 2017 if the drought persists.

California droughts are expected to be more frequent and persistent as warmer winter temperatures driven by climate change reduce water held in the Sierra Nevada snowpack, resulting in drier soil conditions. Recognizing these new conditions, the executive order directs permanent changes to use water more wisely and efficiently, and to prepare for more frequent, persistent periods of limited supply.

Manteca is prohibiting wasteful practices, such as washing automobiles with hoses not equipped with a shut-off nozzle and watering lawns in a manner that causes runoff into the gutter for more than 5 minutes. These prohibitions have been in place since emergency water conservations efforts began.



## **The Yosemite Avenue: Main Street to Cottage Avenue Improvement Project**

Design and preparation of the environmental document is underway for the Yosemite Avenue: Main Street to Cottage Avenue Improvement Project (CIP # 13028) by PSOMAS.

Yosemite Avenue, formerly a State highway, consists of two and four lane segments, between Main Street and Cottage Avenue. This segment of Yosemite Avenue is roughly separated into three sections: a two-lane roadway with parking in the Downtown area, two lanes with a median east of N. Lincoln Avenue, and four lanes east of Washington Avenue. There are a variety of businesses along this corridor and residential properties that back up to Yosemite Avenue between South Powers and Cottage. Manteca High School is located along the south side between South Sherman and South Garfield. Curbside parking is allowed on some segments in the Downtown area and off street parking is accommodated at some businesses toward the east end of the project limits. The majority of the pavement is in poor condition with signs of surface cracking and pavement depressions likely due to subgrade failure.

The project proposes to resurface and/or reconstruct the pavement along Yosemite Avenue between Main Street and Cottage Avenue. The improvements include the installation of new traffic loops and curb ramp upgrades to meet current ADA standards. There is a variety of striping and pavement delineation along the entire corridor. As part of the pavement resurfacing and reconstruction, new striping and pavement delineation will be installed to provide consistent and uniform channelization.

## **Parks and Rec**

Community Events: Tickets are on sale now for the Senior Center's next Friday Night Bingo event, to be held August 5 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Each \$10 ticket includes event entry and one six-pack of bingo cards; additional bingo packs will be available for \$5 each at the event. There is limited space available, so buy your tickets early. Open to ages 18 and older.

### Senior Services:

- The Senior Center will host the next monthly Potluck Dinner on Thursday, August 18, at 5:00 p.m. Seniors ages 50 and older are asked to bring a dish (enough to feed eight people) and their own plates and flatware. Brookdale-Manteca will be providing the dessert. For more information, call the Senior Center at 456-8650.
- Tickets for the August 15 Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo event are on sale now at the Senior Center and will be available until sold out. Each \$8 ticket includes entry and a dinner of spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, beverages and dessert. Bingo is played after the dinner. Bingo six-packs are available for \$5 each. You must be at least 50 years old to attend this event, and you must purchase a dinner ticket to play bingo. For more information, call the Senior Center at 456-8650.

### Aquatics Programs:

- Open Swim – Lincoln Pool, 245 S. Powers Ave., is open for the summer season. Come cool off during public swim hours through August 7: Monday through Friday from 1:00-4:30 p.m., Friday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m., and Saturday-Sunday from 12:00-6:00 p.m. After August 7, the pool will be open Saturday and Sunday, August 13-14 and August 20-21 from 12:00-6:00 p.m. Pool entry is free for children under age 4; \$2 for youth ages 4-17 and seniors ages 62 and older; and \$3 for adults ages 18-61.
- Swim Lessons – Group and private swim lessons began June 6. Registration is now open for the next session, beginning August 1. All classes are subject to space availability. Swim lessons fill quickly, so don't delay registering.

### Recreation Programs:

- Youth Baseball - Youth Baseball for ages 7-14 began June 14 and runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The program is going into the final week and is held at Northgate Softball Complex; there are more than 70 participants enrolled.
- Tiny Tots – Tiny Tots Indoor Soccer for ages 3-6 begins July 30 and will run for five Saturdays at the Neil Hafley School gymnasium. There are more than 40 participants enrolled.

### Field Rentals:

- Rudy Rodriguez with All World Sports will host a boys' baseball tournament this weekend, July 30-31, at Northgate Softball Complex.

Little People's Creative Play and Mommy and Me: The City offers a structured learning program Mondays through Thursdays for preschool-aged children, 3½ to 5 years old (Creative Play), and a parent participation class on Friday mornings for toddlers 18 months to 3 years old (Mom/Dad and Me). Creative Play allows children to work on motor skills and socialization, while learning the alphabet, numbers, shapes, colors and songs. Parents may enroll their child for one day a week, or a combination of days. There are daily craft projects, along with a snack, sharing and story time. Mom/Dad and Me is a stepping-stone to Creative Play and requires parent participation.

Kids' Zone Programs: The City offers State-licensed child-care programs for parents who need care for their children before and after school hours. Kids' Zone is for children in kindergarten through 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and is currently offered at nine Manteca elementary schools. Before-School program begins at 6:30 a.m. and runs until the start of the school day. KinderZone is designed for morning kindergarten students and runs from kindergarten dismissal until 3:30 p.m. After-School program runs from regular school dismissal until 6:00 p.m. Participants receive help with homework, enjoy healthy snacks, have time for free play, and engage in crafts and organized games. Kids' Zone is gearing up for the start of the new school year next week; the parent handbook and application materials are available on the Parks and

Recreation website ([www.mantecagov.com/parks](http://www.mantecagov.com/parks)), or may be picked up in the office, 252 Magnolia Ave.

Summer Day Camp: The Parks and Recreation Department once again offered a Summer Day Camp program, which wrapped up on July 29. Camp was held Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at Neil Hafley Elementary School. There were weekly themes, camp visitors, outside play, good-natured competitions, arts-and-crafts projects, themed workshops focusing on music, dance, science, technology and more, plus a weekly field trip. This final week's theme was "Camp Rewind" and campers enjoyed a field trip to the Antioch Water Park.

## Community

### Development

Building Safety Week in Review July 18-21: The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 199 inspections during the week, and the Community Development Department assisted a total of 167 people at the counter. The division issued 88 building permits, which included Commercial Demolition, Electrical Service Changes, Fence/Wall, Fire Alarm, Commercial Fire Sprinkler, HVAC Replacements, Miscellaneous Plumbing, Patio Covers, Photovoltaic, Residential Remodel, Residential Reroof, Single-Family Dwellings, Wall Sign, Swimming Pools, Commercial Tenant Infill, and Water Heaters. A total of 26 new project applications were accepted and, of those, 12 were issued immediately. A total of 14 submittals were held for plan check. They are: Addendum, Residential Addition, Commercial Coach, Residential Fire Repair, Garage, Master Plan, Miscellaneous Plumbing, Single-Family Dwellings, Swimming Pool Master Plan, and Commercial Tenant Infill.

## Human Resources/

### Risk Management

New Employees: The City of Manteca welcomed five new employees in July. Joining the City's team this month are:

- Kyle Cadigan, Firefighter
- Michael Kuesthardt, Meter Reader, PW/Water
- Meghan Matthews, Administrative Assistant I, Parks & Rec
- Elena Reyes, City Manager
- Jesse Rubio, Parks Maintenance Worker I, Parks & Rec

The City also celebrated one promotion for the month of July:

- Rick Cox, Water System Maintenance Worker I, PW/Water (*formerly Meter Reader*)

Please help us in welcoming our newest employees and congratulations to Rick on your promotion!

# City Manager's Office

## Coming up Next Week:

- The next City Council meeting will be held on August 2, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. The complete agenda, along with agenda reports and attachments, are available to the public on the City Clerk's website at <http://www.ci.manteca.ca.us/CityClerk/CouncilVideos.aspx>
- City offices will be closed Friday, August 5 as part of the 9/80 flex work schedule. Offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Have a great weekend!