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Agoura Hills... Gateway To The Santa Monica Mountains

STAY INFORMED: COVID-19 RESOURCES

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve and change it is important to know where you can find the most updated information pertaining to the City of Agoura Hills and Los Angeles County.

For updated health information, we urge our community to closely follow the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. LA Public Health provides updated statistics daily as well as the most up to date information regarding current closures and the reopening process. They can be found by calling 211 or by visiting their website at <u>www.publichealth.lacounty.gov</u>.

While City Hall and the Recreation & Event Center are closed, staff is working and will be answering the City's main phone line (818-597-7300) Monday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm and Friday 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Residents wishing to contact staff may do so using the following extensions or by direct emails available on our city website via the department's page:

- PLANNING: (818) 597-7339
- BUILDING SAFETY: (818) 597-7334
- PUBLIC WORKS: (818) 597-7329
- ALL OTHER CITY BUSINESS: (310) 597-7300

A agourahillscity.org

The City of Agoura Hills has a new website address. We can now be found at <u>www.agourahillscity.org</u>

This transition was made to help make our website more accessible and easier to find for members of our community. *Please note that all city email contacts have also transitioned at this time.* You can still reach us at our previous website and email addresses for the time being, but it is important to make the switch as this will not be the case forever!

Local Business Reopening Information

The Agoura Hills City Council is committed to helping our community businesses during the difficult times that many establishments are facing due to COVID-19.

The City has adopted a program that allows for commercial businesses to apply for temporary permits to expand their operations outdoors in order to remain open while practicing proper social distancing. For more information regarding programs that your business may be eligible for at the city, county, and state level please visit our dedicated business reopening page on our city website.

The page link below is frequently updated with resources to help businesses navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. *

www.agourahillscity.org/novel-coronavirus-information/local-business-information

City Council Meetings

These meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdayofeachmonthat6pm.Pleasenote that we are currently holding these meetings via Zoom Webinar until further notice. Meetings can be livestreamed by visiting our website at www.agourahillscity.org

August 26, 2020
September 23, 2020
September 9, 2020
October 14th, 2020

Nathan Hamburger CITY MANAGER

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After 14 years in the position of Assistant City Manager, Nathan Hamburger has been selected by the City Council to serve as the new City Manager.

Nathan has been involved in the operations of the City and was the lead staff person on the construction of the City's Recreation and Event Center as well as oversight of several of the City's infrastructure projects with Caltrans. He understands the history of the City and the goals established by the City Council which makes this transition a smoother one, even during the current health pandemic.

The City Council will continue to establish priorities and goals for the City and allow Mr. Hamburger the opportunity to implement them. There is also a strong team of employees working hand in hand with the City Manager, who continue to get a lot accomplished, even in these difficult times. Although City facilities are still closed to in-person activities, Nathan can still be reached at Nhamburger@agourahillscity.org or (818) 597-7300.

2020-2021 CITY BUDGET

The City Council adopts an annual budget that runs from July to June of the next year. The budget process for this fiscal year was completed and signed into effect at a City Council meeting on July 22, 2020.

This year presented a unique challenge to the city due the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Many of the City's most beloved programs and projects have been greatly impacted by current and recent events and because of this the budget looks much different this year than in years past. City staff has worked diligently to present a balanced budget that incorporates lost revenues while still working to complete projects to improve our community.

To view the recently adopted City Budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year you can visit our City Budget webpage on our website: <u>www.agourahillscity.org/department/finance-information-technology/city-budget</u>

PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND DO NOT GATHER IN PUBLIC PLACES

The City would like to remind our residents that many activities are currently not allowed in public areas around Agoura Hills such as parks and open spaces. Parks are open for walking, jogging, and similar activities with proper social distancing measures in place. Group gatherings and organized sports activities are not permitted at this time.

If you would like to report a violation of the current health order guidelines, you can do so by contacting the City's code enforcement officer at 818-597-7300.

Please remember that everyone in the community is encouraged to stay home and avoid non-essential travel if they are able to do so.

IF YOU MUST GO IN PUBLIC FOR ESSENTIALS, PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING BY: Avoiding gathering in groups, including at a friend's house, parks, restaurants, shops or any other crowded places. This applies to people of all ages; children too shouldn't have in-person playdates.

KEEPING AT LEAST 6 FEET AWAY FROM OTHERS.

Sign Up for Social Media

Find the City of Agoura Hills on social media! We use a host of social media platforms to disseminate important updates regarding the city. While much of our information is relayed across all of our platforms, we encourage our residents to follow us on all of our different outlets for the most up to date information regarding our city. Here's where you can find us:

Facebook – CityOfAgouraHills Instagram – CityofAgouraHills Twitter – @CityAgouraHills Youtube – CityofAgouraHills91301



Fire Hardening Your Home Fire season is upon us again in Southern California and now is a good time to take actions to help harden your home and create a more defensible space from wildfires.

Here are 5 no cost ways to create defensible space and protect your home from wildfires:

- 1 Regularly clean your roof, gutters, decks, and the base of walls regularly to avoid the accumulation of fallen leaves, needles and other flammable materials.
- 2 Ensure all combustible materials are removed from underneath, on top of, or within five feet of a deck.
- Bemove vegetation or other combustible materials that are within five feet of windows and glass doors.
- A Replace wood mulch products within five feet of all structures with noncombustible products such as dirt, stone, or gravel.
- 📃 Remove all dead or dying grass, plants, shrubs,
- U trees, branches, leaves, weeds, and pine needles within 30 feet of all structures or to the property line.

For more information regarding fire hardening your home please visit Cal Fire's informational website at <u>www.readyforwildfire.org</u>

Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) How to be Prepared

When there are potentially dangerous weather conditions in fire-prone areas, Southern California Edison may need to call a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) event.

This event may temporarily shut off power to your neighborhood to prevent their electric system from becoming the source of an ignition. Turning off power to the community is not something that is taken lightly, but PSPS events are one of the ways to better ensure the safety of the public.

Follow these tips in case of potential power shut offs during COVID-19.

- Install surge protectors to help safeguard electronic equipment
- Familiarize yourself with your home's utility boxes (electricity, water and gas) and how to turn them off; keep the proper tools handy
- Frequently back up important work and files on your computer
- Learn how to manually open your automatic garage doors or gates

- Keep the gas tank in at least one car half full
- If you have a portable gas generator, identify an outdoor location where you can safely use it during a power outage - never use it indoors
- Make a safety preparedness plan for your family, including a list and location of the above items and a plan for how pets will be cared for.
- Be prepared to meet the special needs of any infant, elderly, or disabled people in your household

Build your own safety kit with the following items: FIRST AID KIT: In addition to the usual items, also include prescription medications.

BOTTLED WATER

FLASHLIGHTS & BATTERIES

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD: Choose items that don't require cooking or heating

SPECIAL-NEEDS ITEMS: This includes items for infants, the elderly, or the disabled

BATTERY-OPERATED RADIO: To access news reports

NON-CORDLESS PHONE: To plug in during power outages

EARTH QUARE PREPAREDNESS

Earthquakes can happen without warning and can result in severe damage to property, roads, and infrastructure.

It is important to be ready and the best time to prepare for any disaster is before it happens.

Make an emergency plan today and practice it.

- Practice Drop, Cover, and Hold On with family and coworkers.
- Secure heavy items in your home like bookcases, refrigerators, televisions and objects that hang on walls. Store heavy and breakable objects on low shelves.
- Create a <u>family emergency communications</u> plan that has an out-of-state contact. Plan where to meet if you get separated.
- <u>Make a supply kit</u> that includes enough food and water for at least three days, a flashlight, a fire extinguisher and a whistle.
- Consider obtaining an <u>earthquake insurance</u> <u>policy</u>. A standard homeowner's insurance policy does not cover earthquake damage.
- Consider making improvements to your building to fix structural issues that could cause your building to collapse during an earthquake.

More information regarding disaster preparedness can be found at <u>www.ready.gov</u> **

More information regarding the PSPS events can be found at SCE's website: www.sce.com/safety/wildfire/psps

RecFlix: Virtual Recreation Center

The Department of Community Services is launching a new at-home, virtual enrichment program, both after and before school, to support parents and students that need a safe, local way to engage in fun and creative, at-home activities.

RecFlix will be a platform that exposes school age children with enrichment classes, including physical fitness, art, theater, homework help, and other creative classes from 10am-5pm daily. This program will be a subscription service available to the community for just \$99/child per month, and will grant access to over 30 different activities each week.

We hope to market this to parents and businesses as a way to have fun, creative activities available for families that don't have access to in-person programs, and need their children to be engaged during the school days while parents work remotely, or at their regular locations. Community volunteers, contractors, and employees of the City will facilitate these programs. Schedules will be updated weekly.

Link for registration will be available next week! RecFlix is coming soon!

Please contact the Department of Community Services at (818) 597-7361 for enrollment or more information.

For More Information on Events or Services, check the City of Agoura Hills' website at www.agourahillscity.org

Who, What & Where...

City Hall	(818)	597-7300
City Hall Fax		597-7352
Mayor ILLECE BUCKLEY WE	BER	597-7372
Mayor Pro Tem DENIS WEBER		597-7371
Councilmember CHRIS ANST	EAD	597-7375
Councilmember DEBORAH KLEIN LOPEZ		597-7373
Councilmember LINDA NORTHRUP 597-7374		
Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce	(805)	370-0035
Animal Control - LA County		991-0071
Building & Safety		597-7334
Building & Safety Inspections	(866)	701-3365
Business License		597-7328
City Clerk		597-7303
Code Compliance (Residential)		597-7335
Code Compliance (Commercial)	597-7335
Dial-A-Ride		707-2005
Disaster Response Team		597-7302
Engineering/Public Works		597-7322
Graffiti		597-7355
Parking Citations	(800)	553-4412
Human Resources		597-7306
Planning & Community Development 597-7339		
Recreation Center		597-7361
Senior Center		597-7361
Emergency Info HOT LINE		597-7301

AGOURA HILLS CITY HALL 30001 Ladyface Court Agoura Hills, CA 91301 (818) 597-7300

NOTE: City Hall is currently closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff is still reachable via phone or email at this time.

RECREATION & EVENT CENTER 29900 Ladyface Court Agoura Hills, CA 91301 (818) 597-7361

NOTE: The Recreation & Event Center is currently closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff is still reachable via phone or email at this time. LOST HILLS SHERIFF'S STATION 27050 Agoura Road, Agoura, CA 91301 (818) 878-1808

FIRE DEPARTMENT LOCAL DISPATCH (818) 889-1122

AGOURA HILLS LIBRARY 29901 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, CA 91301 (818) 889-2278

NOTE: All LA County library locations are closed at this time. Curbside services are available. For more information, visit <u>www.LACountyLibrary.org</u>.

AGOURA HILLS /CALABASAS COMMUNITY CENTER 27040 Malibu Hills Road, Calabasas, CA 91301 (818) 880-2993

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