



THE CITY OF POMONA

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: JAMES W. MAKSHANOFF, CITY MANAGER *jm*
SUBJECT: WEEKLY REPORT – Thursday, January 6, 2022

ADMINISTRATION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING REMINDERS

+ City Council Teleconference Meeting: Monday 1/10/22

Closed Session 5:30 p.m.
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

+ City Council Teleconference Meeting: Monday 1/24/2022

Closed Session 5:30 p.m.
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

All public meetings are currently taking place via Zoom Webinar and agendas are posted on our [website](#).

COVID-19 and VACCINATION UPDATES

For updates regarding vaccination and resident and business resources, please see our COVID-19 section at the end of this report on our [COVID-19 resources page](#).

CITY HALL HOURS

In light of the recent and significant surge in COVID-19 cases, City Hall will **close from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. effective Tuesday, January 4, 2022**. City Hall regular hours will be:

Monday to Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The purpose of this closure is to reduce the number of people coming into City Hall, without closing down completely.

CITY CLERK

CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS- UPCOMING MEETINGS

All meetings are via ZOOM Webinar:

- January 11, 2022 Phillips Ranch Assessment District Oversight Committee – 5:30 p.m.
- January 12, 2022 Planning Commission – 7:00 p.m.
- January 13, 2022 Board of Parking Place Commissioners (VPD) – 6:00 p.m.

All public meeting agendas are posted on our [website](#)

LIBRARY

WIFI HOTSPOTS AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT!

The Pomona Public Library has 12 Wifi Hotspots available for checkout. Limit one per patron account, due in 7 days, with 2 renewals allowed if nobody else is waiting. Thank you to the CARES Act Bridging the Digital Divide project, along with the California State Library and the Southern California Library Cooperative, for making this possible. Please contact us with any questions at **909-620-2043** or library@pomonaca.gov

PLANNING

LATEST HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION DECISIONS AND APPEAL DATES LISTED BELOW:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC) AGENDA ITEMS

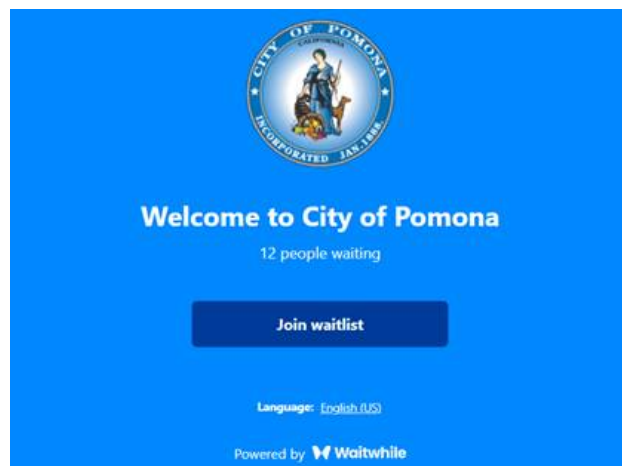
| | Project Description | HPC Decision | Appeal Ends |
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| Kevin Boyle 347 E. Pearl Street CC District No. 1 (Call for Review of Minor Certificate of Appropriateness) | A Call for Review of Minor Certificate of Appropriateness (MINCOA 17137-2021) for the replacement of seven non-original louvered windows with non-original vinyl material on a property located within the Lincoln Park Historic District. | MINCOA 17137-2021 Denied January 5, 2022 | January 25, 2022 |

PUBLIC COUNTERS MOVE TO ONLINE WAIT LIST – PILOT PROGRAM

On Thursday, January 6th all of the public counters on the first floor (Finance, Code Compliance, Building & Safety, Planning and Public Works) moved to a digital platform for customer queuing. The goals of this pilot program are to: 1. Provide better customer service; 2. Manage lobby capacity and improve contactless services; and 3. Collect and track data on wait times, number of customers and peak assistance times.

Visit Pomona’s virtual wait list here:

<https://app.waitwhile.com/welcome/cityofpomona>



PUBLIC WORKS

PARKS AND FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

The City of Pomona received a \$250,000 grant from the County of Los Angeles for the creation of the Parks and Facilities Master Plan. This plan will guide current and future park and recreation development based on community-wide input. It will include recommendations for upgrading, expanding, or renovating existing parks and recreation facilities as well as evaluating recreation and programming needs. There are several ways you can get involved. In the upcoming months, there will be several Community Meetings. In addition, you can stay up to date and participate in a survey by visiting the website at: <https://arcg.is/qHubSo>. The Spanish version is located at: <https://arcg.is/1Lf48Ko>. You can learn more about this important project and also provide important feedback through the survey that is provided on the website.

WATER RESOURCES

LARGEST RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT IN U.S.

Pomona Choice Energy and CalChoice member cities are now receiving renewal power from Duran Mesa, which is one of the largest renewable power producing projects in the United States. Eastern Spirit Wind, which Duran Mesa is a part of, totals 1.05 MW of new wind power in New Mexico and will provide clean, renewable energy to California through long-term power purchase agreements with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, San Jose Clean Energy, East Bay Community Energy, California Choice Energy Authority and member cities, and international energy company Uniper Global Commodities. For more information on this record setting project, click the link below:

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/pattern-energy-completes-construction-largest-130000825.html>



COVID-19 RESOURCES

General (Updates are highlighted)

POMONA CONNECT

Through Pomona Connect, the City of Pomona is working to provide a hub for COVID-19 related updates and resources available to the community including vaccine events, rent relief information, food resources, volunteering and more. To find out more about the resources available to assist those in need, please go to [PomonaConnect.com](https://pomonaconnect.com) You can sign up for many resources directly, register for updates, find an event in your area to learn about resources in person, or learn how you can spread the word by volunteering. You can also contact Pomona Connect at (909) 620-2435. Reach out and connect with Pomona Connect!

TESTING

The Los Angeles County has expanded COVID-19 testing capacity to meet the surge in demand. Capacity expansion includes:

- Extended hours of operation at sites across Los Angeles County
- Additional week and weekend dates
- Additional mobile testing units in hard-hit areas

All services are free and can be accessed at <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/testing/>

Additionally, the County has relaunched the Holiday Home Test Collection Program with new guidelines to reach more people and make it easier to get tested. **Any LA County resident who is symptomatic or believes they were exposed to COVID-19 can order a home testing kit.** Home testing kits require swab collection to be mailed back for PCR test result. For additional information please visit: <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/hometest>

VACCINES

Every Friday @ WesternU Campus - 795 E. Second St.

Free walk-in clinics, no appointment required. Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines for all individuals aged 5 and above on Fridays. Details [here](#). For question vaccine@westernu.edu

Hendricks Pharmacy @ Royalty Pharmacy - 1902 Royalty Drive STE 110

For ages 5+. All three brands of the COVID-19 Vaccine available: Pfizer, Moderna, and Janssen (J&J). Boosters available. Flu shots also available. Info [here](#).

Friday, January 14th @ Westland Estate 1401 W 9th Street

No appointments necessary. For more information (909) 575-4212

The following websites provide up to date information on vaccines:

- LA County: [VaccinateLACounty.com](https://vaccinatelacounty.com) & [LA Co. Vaccination Appointments Site](https://lacounty.ca.gov/vaccination)
- California: [California COVID-19 Vaccine Plan](https://california.gov/covid-19/vaccine) & [VaccineFinder.org Site](https://vaccinefinder.org)

Vaccine Appointments in LA County

- **My Turn** (myturn.ca.gov) & CA COVID-19 Hotline 1-833-422-4255.
- **LA Co. Phone Appointments:** 833-540-0473, 7 days/week, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.





Pharmacy Vaccination Sites

| Provider | Registration Details |
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| CVS Pharmacy | cvs.com or call (800) 746-7287 Pomona Location: 150 W. Willow Street |
| Rite Aid | riteaid.com/california or call (800) 748-3243 Pomona Location: 2059 S. Garey Avenue |
| Walgreens | walgreens.com or call (909) 469-9534 (press "1") Must be a Walgreens Account Holder (can be created online) |
| Albertsons, Vons, Pavilions Pharmacies | Vons: www.vons.com/pharmacy/covid-19.html Albertsons: www.albertsons.com/pharmacy/covid-19.html |
| Ralphs Pharmacy (Kroger) | www.kroger.com/rx/guest/get-vaccinated |

CURRENT HEALTH ORDER/GUIDANCE SUMMARY

(publichealth.lacounty.gov)

8/28/21 – [Responding together at Work and in the Community](#)

| City of Pomona | County | County Public Health | Federal |
|---|---|---|---|
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| COVID-19 FAQ for City Services Department Directory (Make an appointment) | Health Officer Orders LA County Disaster Help Center (Tenant Landlord Business Non-Profit) | Vaccine Info Vaccine Appointments Citas para Vacunas (en Español) | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Travel Guidance |
| | | |  Unemployment MyTurn.ca.gov |
| | Call 2-1-1 & COVID-19 Case Info Line 1-833-540-0473 | Vaccine Appointments 1-833-540-0473 8:00 am – 8:30 pm 7 days a week | State of CA COVID-19 Hotline 1-833-422-4255 M-F 8 am – 8 pm Sa-Su 8 am – 5 pm |

Business Information

BEST PRACTICES TO PREVENT COVID-19

[Guidance for Businesses and Employers](#)

RESOURCE PAGES

- **LA County Business Info** (Layoff Aversion, etc.) – Click [here](#).
- **Disaster Help Center** – (833) 238-4450 or disasterhelpcenter@lacounty.gov & follow @LAHELPCENTER
- **LA County Consumer & Business Affairs (DCBA)** – (800) 593-8222 & follow @LACOUNTYDCBA
- **WDACS/LACBIZDEV** – Follow @LACBIZDEV
- **LeaseUp Initiative** (Rent to tenants w/ subsidies) – (323) 428-4742 & leaseupla@epath.org. See [Landlord FAQ](#).

FREE BUSINESS PERMITS – ACTIVATE POMONA

FREE Activate Pomona permits are designed to aid business economic recovery. All interested entities may inquire and apply at bit.ly/activatepomona and (909) 620-2191.

Community Information

CA RENT RELIEF PROGRAM NOW OPEN!

At the end of this month, California's eviction protections will expire. Eligible tenants applying for California's COVID-19 Rent Assistance program before September 30 can't be evicted, even if their application is still pending. Get more information, check eligibility and apply at HousingisKey.com today or call 833-430-2122 and press 4 for help in Spanish.

WATCH & SHARE! – VACCINATE WITH CONFIDENCE – Q&A w/ DR. M. HELLEN RODRIGUEZ

The Pomona COVID-19 Action Committee invites the public to watch an informative recorded session, answering many questions regarding myths and doubts that the public may have about the COVID-19 vaccine. Dr. Rodriguez from the Pomona Valley Hospital and Medical Center share fact-based information to help everyone make an informed and confident decision regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. Watch on YouTube in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) and share with your community!

EMERGENCY BROADBAND BENEFIT PROGRAM

The [FCC's Emergency Broadband Benefit](#) will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute \$10 to \$50 toward the purchase price. The Emergency Broadband Benefit is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

IMPORTANT EMERGENCY BROADBAND BENEFIT PROGRAM UPDATES

Congress recently created the Affordable Connectivity Program, a new long-term, \$14 billion program, which will replace the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program. This investment in broadband affordability will help ensure we can afford the connections we need for work, school, health care and more for a long time.

Households enrolled in the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program as of 12/31/21 will continue to receive their current monthly benefit until 3/1/22.

More information about actions current Emergency Broadband Benefit recipients will need to take to continue receiving the Affordable Connectivity Program benefit after the transition period will be available in the coming weeks. The FCC is seeking comment on the changes enacted in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and will be adopting rules for the Affordable Connectivity Program. Please stay tuned for additional updates.

APPLY NOW– FEDERAL COVID-19 FUNERAL REIMBURSEMENTS

FEMA is accepting applications for financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020. Please call 844-684-6333 (TTY: 800-462-7585) or visit the [FEMA website](#) for eligibility and the checklist for documents –such as official death certificate, receipts, etc. If you are eligible for funeral assistance you will receive a check by mail, or funds by direct deposit, depending on which option you choose when you apply for assistance.

AT-HOME & FOOD RESOURCES SUMMARY

-*FREE At-Home Activities* (DIY & Foodie Friday Recipes) - bit.ly/cityofpomonayoutube
-*FREE Virtual Community Center Classes* – bit.ly/virtualcommunitycenterclasses
-*FREE Food Resources* - [Pomona Resources](#) | [County Resources](#) (CalFresh) & at 2-1-1.
-*FREE Wi-Fi Locator* - Dial 2-1-1- or visit findwifi.lacounty.gov!

ATTACHMENT

1. Upcoming Pomona Events

UPCOMING POMONA COMMUNITY EVENTS

| Date | Event | Time | Details | Location |
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| Housing Rights Center Daily Events | Housing Rights Workshop, Clinics and Live Q&A | Various | Visit their Facebook page for more info. | facebook.com/HousingRightsCenter |
| Tri-City Wednesday/Thursday | Virtual Gardening | Various | Join TCG/ Tri-City to practice mindfulness. Learn how gardening and nature can have a positive impact on mental health and wellness. | Contact (909) 623-6131 to learn how to participate |
| Community Resource Center | Free On-Demand Classes | ----- | Fitness and Exercise (Yoga, Zumba, etc.), Nutrition and Healthy Cooking, Health Education, and Children's Classes. New classes will be available each week. | https://www.youtube.com/act ivehealthyinformed |
| Inter Valley Health Plan | Virtual Vitality Classes | Various | Join Inter Valley for free and informative live classes. RSVP for login info. | https://www.ivhp.com/vitality |
| WesternU Every Friday | Vaccination Clinic | 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. (age 12+ clinich) 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. (ages 5-11) | Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines for all individuals aged 5 and above Free walk-in clinics. No appointment required. Details here . For questions, vaccine@westernu.edu | WesternU Campus 795 E Second St. |
| Hendricks Pharmacy | Vaccination Clinic | Make appointment | For ages 5+. All three brands of the COVID-19 Vaccine available: Pfizer, Moderna, and Janssen (J&J). Boosters available. Flu shots also available. Info here . | Royalty Pharmacy 1902 Royalty Dr. Suite 110 |
| Pomona Chamber 2 nd Wednesday | Networking at Noon | 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Join Pomona Chamber to learn about the latest trends and community happenings. | Metro Ale House |
| Pomona Chamber Last Friday of the Month | Coffee Connections | 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Pomona Chamber of Commerce invites you to come out and grab a cup of coffee and join in networking with businesses and community leaders | Starbucks 101 W Mission Blvd |
| DPOA Every 2 nd Saturday | Downtown Pomona Artwalk | 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. | Art vendors, food, music, craft vendors and more. | 119 W 2 nd St. |
| City of Pomona Ongoing | Virtual Community Center | Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Community Services staff is available to answer your questions and help register you for FREE community classes in their virtual space on Zoom. You may also reach them at (909) 620-2324. Check out classes and register online at bit.ly/virtualcommunitycenterclasses . | Zoom with our Staff: bit.ly/virtualcommunitycenter |
| NAACP Tues, Wed & Fri. | COVID-19 Testing | 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Tues. 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Wed/Fri | If you think you or someone in your family has COVID-19, call 909-620-0433 to make an appointment. Anyone with symptoms should be tested ASAP. | NAACP – Solidarity Center 1460 E Holt Ave. (entrance 2 Room 6) |
| County of Los Angeles | COVID-19 Testing | Mon – Sat 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. | COVID-19 Testing. Appointments only . | Fairplex Gate 17 |
| San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center | COVID-19 Testing | Mon - Thurs 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | COVID-19 Testing. Register here . | 75 Rancho Camino Dr. |
| Saturday, January 8 | Mobile Clinic Vaccine Event | 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Family welcome, walk-in accepted. For ages 5+, Boosters also available. Info here . | The Village at Indian Hill Entrance 1 |
| Monday, January 10 | City Council Meeting | 7 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda here: bit.ly/pomonaagendas . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at Pomona Live Streaming . | Via Teleconference Zoom Login on Agenda (No public meeting location) |

UPCOMING POMONA COMMUNITY EVENTS

| Date | Event | Time | Details | Location |
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| Thursday, January 13, 2022 | Community Needs Meeting | 6:30 p.m. | All residents are invited to join a Community Needs meeting to share your thoughts on the most important community needs. These meetings will assist in identifying the City's needs and funding priorities for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. | ZOOM https://zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 699 111 5589 By phone (253) 215-8782 |
| Sunday, January 16 | 40 th Annual Celebration MLK Project | 6 p.m. | 40 th Annual Celebration Pomona Inland Valley MLK Project honoring Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. | Virtual |
| Monday, January 17 | CITY HALL CLOSED | ----- | In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | ----- |
| Monday, January 17 | Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast and Tribute | 8 :30 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Join J.E.T.M.A.C. Inc. to recognize DR. King's legacy for justice, equality and freedom for all. | Ontario Airport Doubletree Hotel |
| Monday, January 24 | City Council Meeting | 7 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda here: bit.ly/pomonaagendas . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at Pomona Live Streaming . | Via Teleconference Zoom Login on Agenda (No public meeting location) |
| Saturday, June 18 | 32 nd Annual Pomona Valley Juneteenth Jazz and Arts Festival | TBD | A full day of live entertainment, food vendors, arts and craft vendors, fun for the kids, networking, VIP reception and health fair. | Ganesha Park |