



Mayor's Update



Happy Friday SSF!

Let me be the first to greet you a Happy Halloween! Our Police Department provided some [helpful tricks](#) to keep your holiday full of treats. □

Also coming up is election day! Tuesday, November 5, 2024 is the last day to register in person. Check your registration status on [California's election website](#).



Presidential General Election - 2024 Vote Center



LIBRARY | PARKS & RECREATION CENTER
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
901 Civic Campus Way

Library Community Room, 2nd Floor

2024

VOTE CENTER



Voting Hours:

Monday - Friday | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
October 7 - November 4

*Closed on Monday, October 14 for **Indigenous People's Day**

Saturday - Sunday | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
October 26-27 and November 2-3

Tuesday | 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM
November 5 ***Election Day***

The Library Parks & Recreation Center is now open as a 2024 Vote Center! Cast your vote on the 2nd floor in the Library Community Room. You can also drop off your mail ballot in the ballot box located outside next to the building's parking lot. Other ballot boxes can be found in the front of City Hall and the City Hall parking lot.

Learn More

About Measure W – Business License Tax



Have you heard of the **NEW BLT?**

The Business License Tax (BLT) Measure updates the City's existing business tax with a progressive structure largely based on the number of employees. If approved by voters, it would result in smaller businesses paying a nominal increase and larger businesses paying a more significant increase. The measure was approved unanimously by the South San Francisco City Council on July 24, 2024, and it will appear in your November 2024 ballot as Measure W.*



*Measure W referenced here is Measure W – Business License Tax Measure, which will be on the November 2024 ballot. This is different from Measure W - a local sales tax that was approved by South San Francisco voters in November 2015.

Learn more about Measure W - Business License Tax with this [FAQ](#). This measure affects businesses only, not residents.

Learn More

Minimum Wage Notice



South City Minimum Wage Increases January 1st



**The City of South San Francisco
Minimum Wage rate is \$17.70 per hour
effective January 1, 2025**

visit www.ssf.net for more information

On January 1, 2025 the City of South San Francisco's minimum wage will adjust by the 2024 Consumer Price Index and increase to \$17.70/hour.

Whether you're an employee or an employer, it's essential to promote fair compensation for everyone in our community!

[Learn More](#)

City Council Recap

- At this week's meeting, the City of South San Francisco is recognizing November 1, 2024 as [Extra Mile Day](#).
- City council meetings are now available

to livestream on our [YouTube channel](#). Catch the next meeting live or watch the replay.



The Facts About Linden Park

COMING SOON!
A NEW PARK AT LINDEN & PINE

This brand new park is being built in partnership with the South San Francisco community. Scan the QR code to learn more about the project, and see the design concepts residents helped influence.

CHECK OUT THE DESIGN CONCEPTS INFLUENCED BY YOUR NEIGHBORS!
Scan the QR Code for more details.

The Facts

- Safety First**
Thorough testing: Keeping our children and families safe is our top priority. Groundwater and soil were thoroughly tested to ensure they meet safety standards. The County confirmed the area is deemed safe for public use in 2021.
- Green Space for Everyone**
Community Benefits: This park will provide a safe and enjoyable space for families, children, and everyone in our community. It promotes health, recreation, and community connection.
- Environmental Improvements**
Restoration Efforts: The City has been proactive in planting trees, soil testing, and cleaning up the park. All contaminated soil has been removed.

What to get excited about

- A plaza
- Playground
- Lawn area
- Public art
- Performance space
- Seating and picnic areas

Fun Facts

Congressman Kevin Mullin announced a \$2.2 million dollar check on behalf of the State of California in Sept. 2022 to fund a new park in Old Town.

The City's goal is to ensure every resident is within a ten-minute walk of a park and to provide three acres of park space for every 1,000 residents. Old Town is next!

Got ideas?
Email them to park@sf.gov

The next outreach events will take place Jan - Feb. 2024. Sign up for our mailing list below to get notified!

TO HONOR THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND THE HISTORY OF THE COMMUNITY

Join our mailing list

www.sfgov.org/projects

This week's Council meeting included an update on the Linden Avenue Park project. I encourage you to visit our project page to learn more about the history, goals, and progress we've made in partnership with the community to develop a park that meets the needs of our neighbors. A video of the presentation will be available soon.

[Learn More](#)

[Read the New Blueprint Buzz](#)

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Engineering Project Updates and Insights



2024 Fourth Edition

Don't Trash the Bike Lanes
Keep Our Bike Lanes Clear and Safe!

Why It Matters:

When you put your trash cans in the right place on garbage day, you're helping to keep cyclists safe. You're also making it easier for more people to choose biking as a safe and eco-friendly way to travel around our city.

Obstructing bike lanes with trash cans or anything else is dangerous and illegal under California Vehicle Code (CVC):

CVC 21211(b)
"No person may place or park any bicycle, vehicle, or any other object upon any bikeway or bicycle path or trail, as specified in subdivision (a), which impedes or blocks the normal and reasonable movement of any bicyclist unless the placement or parking is necessary for safe operation or is otherwise in compliance with the law."

Consider This:

California law is clear: nothing is allowed to block bike lanes, including vehicles with flashing lights. It's not only dangerous — it's illegal. Trash cans, cars, and other objects in bike lanes are risky for cyclists, especially at night. It is harder for cyclists to see obstacles when it's dark, and dark-colored objects can blend into the shadows, making them almost invisible. This can cause cyclists to swerve suddenly, which can lead to accidents involving not just cyclists but also pedestrians and drivers.

Let's Partner for Safety:

The City is committed to making our streets safer with new bike lane striping and pedestrian improvements. But we can't do it alone. We need you to help by making sure your trash cans don't end up in the bike lanes.

Remember: Clear bike lanes = safer streets for everyone!



Place cans along the curb—keeping bike lanes clear for cyclists.



Placing cans in the bike lane blocks cyclists and creates a safety hazard.

Unlock the blueprint.
Scan the QR code for instant access to detailed project insights.

SCAN ME



Let's all do our part to keep our city bike-friendly and safe for all.

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[Learn More](#)

UPCOMING SSF & LOCAL EVENTS

DIY Trick-or-Treat Bag Decorating □



Get into the Halloween spirit with our DIY Trick-or-Treat Bags program at the Grand Avenue Library (306 Walnut Street)! Design and decorate your own trick-or-treat bag with stencils and paint. All ages are welcome, and all materials will be provided (until supplies last). Come have fun and get ready for Halloween!

[Learn More](#)

□ Halloween at Historical Plymire-Schwarz House



The Plymire-Schwarz House (519 Grand Avenue) is decorated and glowing for All Hallows' Eve. Come by Saturdays (1-4) to visit our haunted halls (admittance is free) or take a walk one evening to enjoy the spooky sights and eerie unknowns in candle-lit rooms peering

DID YOU KNOW?

The Plymire-Schwarz House was South San Francisco General Hospital?

out of the window. They will be handing out candy on Halloween night so be sure to stop by for a sweet treat - no tricks!

[Learn More](#)

This colonial revival style house at 519 Grand Avenue was originally at the northwest corner of Grand and Spruce Avenues. It was built in 1905 by Doctor Harry Garritson Plymire. While he saw patients in the Martin Brick Block (corners of Grand and Maple Avenues) this proud building served as his private residence as well as his offices. In 1913, Dr. Plymire converted this house to "South San Francisco General Hospital" - the first hospital between San Francisco and San Mateo. Learn more from our friends at the [Historical Society of South San Francisco!](#)

Save the Date: Thanksgiving Fun Run



51st Annual Thanksgiving Fun Run

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Oyster Point Park Phase 2C Ribbon Cutting

Saturday, November 23, 2024

9:00 a.m. Ribbon Cutting

Oyster Point Marina

Race will begin after the ribbon cutting

New Amenities Include:

- Dog Park
- Upgraded pathways
- Site lighting
- Upgraded picnic area
- Seating
- Improved landscaping
- Fitness equipment



Activities:

- Ribbon cutting
- Light refreshments
- Post race awards
- Mobile adoptions with Peninsula Humane Society

Register for the race on-line at www.ssf.net/rec-catalog Click on "Special Events"
For information on Oyster Point 2C visit www.ssf.net/parkprojects or call 650-829-3800
Additional event details will be updated at www.ssf.net/pandevents.

The 51st annual Thanksgiving Fun Run will take place on **Saturday, November 23, 2024**, after the ribbon-cutting of the new Oyster Point Park Phase 2C at **9:00 a.m.** Whether you are looking for challenging competition, an excuse for an enjoyable family stroll along the beautiful Bay Trail, or a convenient route, this race is for you!

[Registration now open](#) (select "special events")

Ages / Fee

Youth (12Y & under): Free

Teen (13Y - 17Y): \$6.00

Adults (18Y & up): \$10.00

T-Shirts \$20. Deadline to order a shirt is October 31st at 5:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

Other Upcoming Events

Get involved in community! Below are some of the events covered in last week's Newsletter and other major highlights. Check out our [City Calendar](#) for more opportunities to plug in!

- November 2: [Holiday Boutique & Makers' Faire](#)
- November 23: [Thanksgiving Fun Run](#)
- December 7: [Santa Comes to Town](#)

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Win \$250 Gift Card for Sharing Your Feedback on the 101



The San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) wants to hear about your experience traveling near the 101 Corridor and learn what improvements are most important to you. Your input will help develop the **101 Corridor Connect: US 101 San Mateo County Crossings Improvement Implementation Plan (Active 101)**.

Active 101 aims to identify priority crossing and corridor improvement needs to enhance conditions for people walking, rolling, biking, and using transit along US 101.

You can share your feedback using an [online mapping tool](#) to tell the TA which active transportation improvements are most needed near US 101. Enter for a chance to win a \$250 gift card.

Stay informed with other City communications! Sign up to receive newsletters from the Library and Parks & Recreation, or get notifications about the Shuttle, construction, and Police bulletins by signing up on the [City website](#).

Yours in service,
James Coleman
Mayor of South San Francisco



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