



South San Francisco

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Construction Connection

This coming year will see several major projects start construction – many of which have been in planning for years. Some of the projects are highlighted below.

Genesis: The 16 story South Tower, next to Hwy 101, opened in 2008. Now a second tower is on the way! The new “North Tower” will be 22 stories high and more slender than the existing “South Tower”. Both towers will be renamed Genesis with interiors redesigned to accommodate small-to medium-sized biotechnology companies. Construction on the second tower will start in July 2016, with a grand opening expected in late 2018. (Rendering to the right.)



Real and Spruce. Over the next two years, a new mixed-use project will be built that includes 285 apartments and 220,000 sq. ft. of retail – including a new Safeway, Ross Dress-for-Less, a fitness club, and several shops and food retailers.

Britannia Cove: This is a major biotechnology campus under construction at the corner of Oyster Point and Veterans Blvd. There will be seven Research & Development buildings, totaling 884,000 square feet, and an AC Marriott Hotel, which will have 185 rooms.

180 S. Airport Blvd.: The now vacant lot on South Airport Boulevard where the old Hungry Hunter restaurant used to be is under construction. When completed, it will have a 5,500 sq. ft. retail building with Chipotle, Dunkin Donuts and Which Wich Superior Sandwiches.

Sares Regis Housing: Developers will tear down the closed Ford automobile dealership on Airport Drive in December 2016, making way for 272 residential living units and creating a vast improvement over the vacant buildings now on the site. This new development is expected to open in late 2018. (Rendering is below.)

Centennial Village: Demolition is expected to start soon on the old Safeway shopping center at El Camino



Upcoming Events

PUBLIC SAFETY TOWN HALLS

Police Chief Jeff Azzopardi and Fire Chief Gerry Kohlmann are holding two Town Halls in May. Meet the Chiefs and get your questions answered.

- **Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.** at the Municipal Services Building, 33 Arroyo Drive, South San Francisco
- **Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.** at Fire Station #61, 480 North Canal Street, South San Francisco

MEMORIAL DAY 2016 – A TIME TO HONOR HEROES

Join the City of San Francisco’s City Council at a special Memorial Day event on Monday, May 30, 2016, honoring the dedicated men and women who died serving our country. The day begins with a Pancake Breakfast at Fire Station #61, 480 North Canal Street from **7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** Starting at **9:30 a.m.**, a parade of people will depart Station #61 and walk to the **Eternal Flame Sculpture** for a **10:00 a.m.** special observance located at the Orange Memorial Park entrance (Orange Avenue at Tennis Drive).

SAVE THE DATES!

This year’s movie nights are scheduled for **June 17, July 22** and **August 19**, all starting at 8:30 p.m. This year’s movies are **Inside Out, Minions** and **Hotel Transylvania 2**. Stay tuned for more info!

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Lighting South San Francisco

Street Light Conversion

Last year the City of South San Francisco, with assistance from PG&E, converted 3,550 High Pressure Sodium (HPS) street lights to Light Emitting Diode (LED) fixtures. Why was this done? The answer is obvious:

- LED lights **save 1.3 million kilowatt hours of energy**, which is equivalent to the annual electricity consumed by 188 California households.
- LED lights **remove 677,600 pounds of CO₂** greenhouse gases from the atmosphere.
- LED lights save the taxpayers **\$190,100 in annual energy costs**.
- LED lights **reduce maintenance by 50 percent**, an estimated \$30,000 of savings annually.

LED lights are being installed throughout California and the United States. Even with the new LED street lights in South San Francisco, however, some areas of the City are too dark at night. The City Council is actively working to improve street lighting in South San Francisco, exploring solutions such as the use of a different LED light, installing new light arms on existing poles or adding completely new light poles. Your input and ideas are welcome in this process. By working together, we can keep South San Francisco a safe City!

Street Light Pilot Study

Residents recently raised questions about the new LED street lights installed last year in their neighborhoods. The City heard your concerns and in January began a pilot study with alternative LED street lights in the West Winston Manor neighborhood. Public Works installed different types of LED street lighting on Clifden Drive, Norwich Drive, Mansfield Drive, and Wicklow Drive,

with the goal of determining which LED street light is preferred by the residents of South San Francisco. Each light pole associated with this pilot study has a sign attached indicating which test light is installed, along with contact information for providing feedback.



The City encourages all residents to look at the lights and provide feedback via email at ssfstreetlights@ssf.net or by phone at (650) 877-8550.

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Pinefino: Developers will soon tear down the closed First National Bank building at 211 Airport Blvd. and build 69 residential units. The new development is expected to open in early 2018. (Rendering to the left.)

Rotary Senior Housing: The City has partnered with the South San Francisco Rotary Club to build 81 new affordable housing for senior citizens on Miller Avenue, across from the downtown parking garage. This new development is expected to open mid-2018.



Thinking Green

New Tree Ordinance Takes Effect

Tree enthusiasts take note! The City of South San Francisco recently adopted revisions to two of its existing tree ordinances. Specifically, Section 13.28 Street Trees and Section 13.30 Tree Preservation of the South San Francisco Municipal Code were updated to reflect the City's support of the environment and healthy urban forestry practices, particularly in light of climate change.

Our city Tree Ordinance, which took effect in April, includes tree-friendly practices such as:

- Re-forestation of trees lost to removal, disease, and age;
- Encouragement of private and public tree planting;
- Protecting residents and property from potential harm from falling branches and trees; and
- Enhanced maintenance of City-owned trees and supportive maintenance of privately held trees by residents and local businesses.

Spread the Word!

Please help the City spread the word that a tree removal permit is required to remove or prune (cut off more than one-third of a tree's crown or root mass) any tree which is designated as a "Protected Tree." Residents who would like to file a tree removal or pruning permit, have questions, or would like to know more are encouraged to call the Parks Maintenance Division at (650) 829-3837.

Thinking of adding a tree? You can also review new city resources for tree health and stewardship online: <http://www.ssf.net/392/Trees>

Community Choice Energy

South San Francisco has joined Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE), a new energy consortium composed of all cities in San Mateo County and county government, which enables the purchase of electricity directly from energy providers instead of going through PG&E. This new program will allow us to purchase energy from renewable sources, thereby reducing greenhouse gas and combating global warming, and likely result in slightly lower monthly electric bills. Peninsula Clean Energy is governed by a local Board of Directors, which includes as a board member South San Francisco Vice Mayor Pradeep Gupta, with City Manager Mike Futrell as the alternate board member.

Although Peninsula Clean Energy will purchase the electricity, PG&E will still deliver the electricity to homes and business using existing transmission and delivery lines. PG&E will also still handle all trouble calls, issue and collect monthly utility bills and offer the same rebate and assistance programs currently available. Under California law all residents and businesses will be automatically enrolled in Peninsula Clean Energy. You can, however, opt to stay with PG&E as the source for your electricity if you so desire.

What's Next?

Residents will receive multiple notices starting in July 2016 with information about Peninsula Clean Energy, and information on how to stay with PG&E, if you so choose. The launch of the program will start in October. Check out the City website for more information and regular updates at www.ssf.net.

How Does Community Choice Energy Work?



Peninsula Clean Energy purchases electricity from renewable energy sources.



Utility companies deliver energy, maintain lines and bill customers.



Customers benefit from affordable rates, local control, and clean energy!



Measure W Update

Thank you to the citizens of South San Francisco for demonstrating your faith in City Council and City Staff through the passage of Measure W. During our outreach, community feedback resulted in the following priorities for funds raised through Measure W:

- Police operations and 9-1-1 dispatch center that is seismically safe;
- Public safety, gang prevention programs, and fire safety services;
- Public works, including street maintenance and pothole repairs; and
- Parks and Recreation and Libraries, including educational and recreational after-school programs for youth and teens; and safe, accessible programs for seniors and disabled residents.

What We've Done

Since the passage of Measure W, we have been hard at work exploring ways to deliver on our promise to effectively and efficiently use Measure W funds to improve South San Francisco. The City Council has conducted three study sessions this year, thoroughly analyzing numerous options for addressing the priorities expressed by our residents. From this work, a plan has emerged to build a new Police Operations and 9-1-1 Dispatch Center, and a new combined Library and Community Center, on publicly owned land located at the intersection of El Camino Real and Chestnut Drive, on either side of Antoinette Lane. This location is in the heart of South San Francisco and easily ties into Centennial Trail, making it convenient for our residents. This new civic campus will improve public safety and offer learning and recreational opportunities to meet the needs of our diverse community.

What's Next

This four-to-five-year project is still in the planning stages and your input is needed before going forward. We encourage you to attend the Mayor's **State of the City Address** and **Measure W Town Hall**, scheduled for **Tuesday, June 14, 2016, beginning at 6:30 pm at the Municipal Services Building, 33 Arroyo Drive, South San Francisco.** During this meeting, Mayor Mark

Addiego will deliver his State of the City address, sharing a vision for the future, followed by a presentation on Measure W projects, including the proposed civic campus, timeline for construction, and more. The public will have an opportunity to comment on the Measure W plan. **Come and hear more about where South San Francisco is going and help shape plans for the future!**

Get Involved!

If you cannot make the meeting on June 14, there are many other ways to provide input or participate in the process. To ensure financial accountability and transparency, the City Council is forming a Measure W Citizen Oversight Committee. Recruitment for Committee members will begin this summer. To provide ideas or comments on the Measure W plan you can email us at CityInfo@ssf.net or call us at (650) 829-6619. The City website, www.ssf.net, will have regular updates on Measure W and information on how you can get involved. Through your active participation you can help improve your street, your neighborhood and your city!

State of the City/Measure W Town Hall

When: June 14, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Where: Municipal Services Building
33 Arroyo Drive, South San Francisco





Five-Year Paving Plan Made Possible by Measure W



Measure W’s promise to “maintain streets and fix potholes, including at least \$18 million in street maintenance and pothole repair,” is being delivered to the citizens of South San Francisco in the form of a Five-Year Paving Plan, covering the maintenance and repair of 138.9 miles of city streets.

So what’s the plan? To get the job done, South San Francisco has constructed a variety of maintenance and rehabilitation strategies such as:

- Implementing slurry seals, which consists of using asphalt that is easily spread to fill voids, cracks, and eroded areas;
- Conducting surface reconstruction, such as overlays, which consists of grinding the existing two inches of asphalt and installing a new two-inch layer of asphalt pavement; and
- Focusing on streets assessed to be in “very poor” or “poor” condition, while making sure other streets do not deteriorate.

The City will continue to survey streets and update their condition into a Pavement Management Program. This not only helps determine a multi-year road rehabilitation and maintenance program but also develops a preventative maintenance program for City streets

and selects the most cost-effective repairs for a certain budget. In addition to pavement management, the City will also install handicap curb ramps as needed at intersections, and bicycle safe grates on catch basins along designated bicycle routes. Look for updates regarding street construction in the near future.

Grand Avenue Library Update

The Grand Avenue Library, a Carnegie Library constructed in 1917, is undergoing renovation, including construction of a new study/quiet reading and meeting room, and a new outdoor program space, plus improvements to technology infrastructure, plumbing and restroom facilities, electrical, heating and air conditioning, flooring, signage, paint, furniture, and ADA accessibility –all to make the “new” Grand Library a safe, comfortable and durable facility for many years to come. A *Grand Reopening* of the Grand Avenue Library is scheduled for Fall, 2016. Our dedicated library staff looks forward to welcoming patrons and visitors to a beautiful new space. For more information and pictures on our exciting project, please go to www.ssf.net/grandlibrary.

The Main Library, 840 W. Orange Avenue, is open for business and welcomes your questions and requests at (650) 829-3860.





Public Works in the News

Public Works at Your Service!

Thanks to El Nino, the March storms have put California on the road to recovery from the drought. South San Francisco's Public Works Department has worked hard to prepare for the rainy season, which it weathered very well. Public Works prepared by doing the following:

Since January 1, 2016 —

- 115,638 feet of sewer mains cleaned using high-pressure water.
- 2,100 catch basins inspected with over 27 cubic yards of debris removed...that's more than a full garbage truck load worth of trash removed from our drainage system!
- 45 potholes and roads repaired using 32 tons of asphalt.
- Over 5,000 sandbags given to the public, with another 5,000 sandbags made and ready for emergency use.

While the wet weather may be behind us, the South San Francisco Public Works Department asks that you remain vigilant and always prepare for the next heavy rain. Residents should prepare and monitor storm drain system surges, and report problems as soon as they are seen. Even when in doubt, make the call. Public Works is available to help. (650) 877-8550.






Stay Informed with the SSF Projects Map

Have you ever seen construction crews working on the street or you saw a new building going up and wondered what was happening? You can now find the answer with just a few clicks, thanks to a new online tool called the **SSF Projects Map!**

A comprehensive and easy-to-use map is available online now at <http://construction.ssf.net>.

The free map displays all the major construction projects planned or under construction in the City, so you're never out of the loop. This handy, at-a-glance view of a city-wide map highlights major new developments in red and City projects in blue, along with a list of both types for reference.

The SSF Projects Map offers in-depth features including overviews of all project activities, associated properties by project, forecasted completion dates, fiscal impact, photo renderings, status updates, and more. The information is updated on a regular basis to keep the community informed of the exciting and significant quality-of-life enhancements occurring in South San Francisco.



Construction Update Map

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Click on the interactive projects map to see where planned or under construction development projects are located in the City of South San Francisco. For detailed information, please click on the project icon located on the map or the title of the project located under the list of projects

Development Projects

Projects planned or under construction by private developers and builders, including residential, commercial, and mixed-use development.

Stay Connected with The City

There are many ways to stay connected with the City. Sign up to receive weekly alerts about what is going on in the City and County as well as get in-depth information on new construction projects.

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Stomp Out Abandoned Vehicles!

Abandoned, inoperable or dilapidated vehicles are an eyesore and degrade the quality of life in South San Francisco. To support a cleaner, safer community, the City's Municipal Code prohibits such vehicles, specifically stating "A vehicle which is inoperable, dilapidated, abandoned, registered with the DMV as Planned Non-Operational (PNO) or has an expired license plate cannot be parked where it is visible from the street. California law does not grant property owners the authority to park the vehicle in the driveway, even if it is covered with a tarp." (SSF Municipal Codes 8.48.110, 8.48.160)

If you own an inoperable vehicle, you have options:

1. **Store your vehicle in the garage;**
2. **Donate your vehicle** – running or not, you can donate to a local auto dismantler or to a non-profit organization for a tax deduction;

3. **Sell your vehicle** – vehicle owners can utilize free local classified ad services or free internet classifieds to reach a larger audience of potential buyers.

If you see an abandoned, inoperable or dilapidated vehicle, report it to the City by calling (650) 829-3939, or through the City's mobile app, **Engage SSF**, and the City will investigate and have the vehicle removed if it is in violation.

Dilapidated vehicles, litter, dumped trash, graffiti and abandoned shopping carts are not welcome in our city. Keep South San Francisco clean!