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Celebrate Capitola's 75th Anniversary of Incorporation

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The City of Capitola invites you to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the City's incorporation during the **Wednesday, July 31st Twilight Concert**, featuring band Dulce (and free cake for those who attend) from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. at Esplanade Park.

In a fitting tribute, this celebration at the Esplanade Band Stand is in the same location where, in 1949, incorporation votes were cast at the then Capitola Ballroom. City staff from the Community Services and Recreation, Police, Public Works, and City Manager Departments will be present to connect with the community, answer questions about upcoming projects, and provide information on how to get involved in local government. The City is proud to have served the community for the last 75 years and looks forward to what the next 75 will bring!



August 6 is National Night Out!

Tuesday, August 6 from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. is National Night Out! This free, family-friendly event is a great opportunity to connect with Capitola Police and get to know those who serve you! Come to Jade Street Park for free food, drink, and community!

Be a Youth Liaison to City Council

Are you interested in positively impacting your community and connecting with youth and adult City of Capitola leaders? Are you a high school student who lives in Capitola? Apply for the City of Capitola Youth Liaison Program, a partnership between the City and United Way: Youth Action Network!

The Youth Liaison Program will build bridges between youth and local City Council members to ensure youth voices are heard and considered in local government decision making.

Apply online by August 30, click [here](#) for the application and more information.



Capitola Plein Air this October

The Capitola Art and Cultural Commission will host the 9th annual Capitola Plein Air event October 21-27. We are thrilled to invite artists to apply to participate in this exciting event. Immerse yourself in the stunning coastal landscapes, vibrant streets, and unique architecture of Capitola as you create your masterpieces in Plein Air 2024. To apply to be a participating artist, click [here](#).

Everyone is invited to watch as the selected artists transform the town into a living canvas. Get ready to be captivated by their masterpieces, as over 100 beautifully framed paintings will be on display for the one day competition, exhibition, and sale. You will have the opportunity to vote for the People's Choice Award.

So, mark your calendar for **Sunday, October 27th**, and head to New Brighton Middle School from 11:00AM to 4:00PM to be a part of this unforgettable event. Whether you're an art enthusiast, an aspiring artist, or simply looking for a day of inspiration and entertainment, Capitola Plein Air promises to be an experience that will leave you with a renewed appreciation for the beauty of art and the power of creativity.



Latest Council Action

The following is a summarized list of the action taken by City Council during the agenda of the **Thursday, July 25, 2024**, City Council meeting:

1) Youth Liaison Program- Council authorized the City Manager to approve an MOU and allocate \$1,300 to United Way for the program; Vice Mayor Brooks and Council Member Clarke volunteered to serve as liaison mentors.

2) Police Chief Recruitment Plan- Chief Dally has announced his intent to retire this fall after nearly 30 years of public service; Council approved an internal recruitment process for the Chief of Police position allowing for appointment in November 2024.

3) Dogs at City Parks and Capitola Beach- Staff presented current dog rules and regulations at City Parks and the Beach; Council asked that staff return with options for creating a fenced, off-leash, dog area in Noble Gulch Park and allowing on-leash dogs in Cortez Park.

4) Ballot Argument- Council adopted a resolution adopting an argument in favor of the City's sales-tax measure on the November ballot.

5) Ordinance Amending Municipal Code Section 2.04.275- Council voted against introducing an ordinance that would increase Council salary, beginning January, 2025.

6) City Council Appointments to City Advisory Bodies- Council appointed adult and youth members to the Historical Museum Board and the Finance Advisory Committee.

Next Council Meeting:
Thursday, August 22 at 6 P.M.

How to Run for Office



The General Municipal Election will be held on November 5, 2024, for the offices of two (2) City Council Members. The City Clerk will issue nomination papers to prospective candidates from July 15 to August 9, 2024 (CA Elections Code § 10220).

To obtain nomination papers, you will need to schedule a time to meet with the City Clerk during the aforementioned period. Please email jgautho@ci.capitola.ca.us (link sends e-mail) or call (831) 475-7300 for more information.



Join Our Team

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community while working with a great team? There are several opportunities to work for the City of Capitola. Click [here](#) to apply today!

Career/Full-time:

- Police Officer