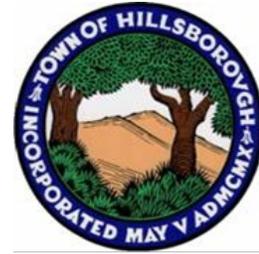


Town of Hillsborough

November 2016 Council Meeting

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[Automated License Plate Reader](#)

At the November 14, 2016, Hillsborough City Council Meeting, Captain Doug Davis gave a presentation on current crime trends, common criminal tactics and a profile of suspects believed to be perpetrating recent burglaries. Additionally, there was a discussion regarding steps the Police Department is taking to mitigate the recent increase in property crimes with collaboration of other town departments, regional law enforcement partners and the Hillsborough community.



The Mayor and the City Council would like to thank all the residents that shared their concerns and comments regarding the recent burglaries in our community. Your phone calls, emails and presence at the City Council meeting were appreciated.

The next step in the Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) project will be the placement of two ALPR-equipped traffic trailers which offer the benefit of a fixed location device with the flexibility of a mobile platform. The data obtained from the newly placed ALPRs will assist in determining possible future fixed ALPR locations.

It is important to remember that ALPRs are only a part of the overall crime prevention program. The Hillsborough Police Department encourages the use of home security cameras, alarm systems and reporting of suspicious activity. Please notify the Police Department if you have a street-facing camera so that we can contact you if a crime has occurred in your neighborhood.

The Hillsborough Police Department has responded to over 1,850 alarm activations this year with an average response time of 4 minutes and 46 seconds. Take advantage of this excellent response time by having your alarm directly monitored by the Police Department. Third party alarm monitoring companies can delay the Police Department's response time in excess of 13 minutes after alarm activation.

[Attached is the presentation](#) from the November 14, 2016 City Council meeting. Please feel free to contact Captain Doug Davis if you have any questions.

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Cessation of the Water Revenue Stabilization Charges

Water rates are being reduced with the December 2016 bills! The City Council thanks the residents for their significant efforts in conserving water during the drought, and now that water use has increased again, the revenues of the Town are also more stable. In response to this change in conditions, the City Council adopted a resolution to cease the Water Revenue Stabilization Charge. The Water Revenue Stabilization Charge was originally implemented by the City Council in January 2016 in order to ensure the water utility had adequate revenue to maintain the operation and maintenance of the water system during periods of reduced water consumption related to drought conditions, State regulatory requirements or periods of heavy rainfall. The charges were added to the existing Volumetric Charges. It is rare that residents see their rates decrease, and the City Council thanks the residents for their hard work during the drought.

The Water Revenue Stabilization Charges that will be eliminated from the rates of the Volumetric Charges by tier are as follows:

HCF	\$ Per HCF
0-10	\$1.60
10.1-25	\$1.89
25.1-50	\$2.17
50.1-100	\$2.60
Over 100	\$3.18

PG&E Pipeline Project

PG&E has started work on its Pipeline Safety Project which involves replacing and upsizing gas transmission pipeline segments of its Line 109 that parallels Hwy 280. If you have recently passed by Hayne Road and Golf Course Drive at the entry to the Town from Highway 280, you may have noticed significant clearance of vegetation and trees. This area, owned by the City and County of San Francisco (SFPUC), contains both PG&E underground gas transmission lines and overhead high voltage lines. Inadequate project notification was provided to the Town and our residents by PG&E. PG&E provided an update to the Town at the November 14th Council meeting to address its tree and landscape removal, future pipeline replacement project, and re-planting plan.



The City Council and staff raised concerns about the lack of notification provided by PG&E for the vegetation removal, and asked questions about the need for the pipeline replacement. PG&E representatives stated that the pipeline, built in the 1930s, is undersized and of insufficient diameter to allow for remote electronic inspection equipment to pass. PG&E's transmission lines are available via remote inspection for much of their alignments but the lines are constrained at certain locations, including Hillsborough. PG&E plans to replace the segments within the SFPUC - Town boundary starting as early as March 2017 with a goal of completion by October, 2017. PG&E has

not completed a replanting and landscaping plan yet, but confirmed it is seeking guidance from the Department of Fish and Wildlife and SFPUC. The Town has requested to be included in the decision making process as this location is a key and visible entry to the Town's western boundary. PG&E representatives apologized for not providing notification prior to the vegetation removal and they promised improved future communications and involvement with the Town.
