



# MILPITAS MATTERS

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## MESSAGE FROM CITY MANAGER STEVEN G. MCHARRIS

September is National Preparedness Month (NPM). Launched in 2004, NPM is Federal Emergency Management Agencies' (FEMA) national annual preparedness outreach program. September was chosen as National Preparedness Month because the tragedies of September 11, 2001 highlighted the importance of always being prepared. Additionally, September is the peak of the Atlantic hurricane season and also the middle of fire season. The observance of National Preparedness Month (NPM) helps raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time. The national preparedness program encompasses prevention, protection, response, and recovery efforts to prepare the country for all hazards – whether terrorist attack or natural disaster. This year's NPM theme is "building a culture of preparedness." National Preparedness Month culminates on September 30th with National Preparedness Day, the national day of action.

In Milpitas, we have an Office of Emergency Management that takes the lead in Personal Emergency Preparedness. Some examples of our programs are: (1) Disaster recovery and relief efforts in cooperation with State OES and the Federal Emergency Management, (2)

Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services/RACES, a certificate program in FCC radio operations licensing. In the event of total communications failure (loss of Wi-Fi including text, phone and other electronic communications) during an emergency, RACES may be the only means of communicating during an emergency response; and (3) Community Emergency Response Teams/CERT), a program that offers education in Personal Emergency Preparedness, Fire Suppression, Hazmat and Terrorism Identification, Medical Response, and Search and Rescue. The Milpitas CERT program also include CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) and AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training. For more information, you may contact our Office of Emergency Management by calling (408) 586-2801 or emailing [OEM@milpitas.gov](mailto:OEM@milpitas.gov).

Whether September or any other time of the year, disaster can strike without warning. I encourage everyone to take necessary steps to stay informed and ready for any type of emergency (see Page 2 for emergency preparedness tips). Preparation could mean the difference between life and death. Having a plan has proven to be the best way to increase the odds for survival in unexpected situations. Let's all build a culture of preparedness.

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## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KIT/TIPS

After an emergency, you may need to survive on your own for several days. Being prepared means having your own food, water and other supplies to last for the initial days after the disaster. Having a disaster supplies kit prepared is essential. A basic disaster supplies kit could include the following:

- Water (one gallon per person per day for a week, for drinking and sanitation)
- Food (at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food)
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert
- Flashlight First aid kit Extra batteries Whistle (to signal for help)
- Dust mask (to help filter contaminated air) Plastic sheeting and duct tape (to shelter in place)
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties (for personal sanitation) Wrench or pliers (to turn off utilities)
- Manual can opener (for food)
- Local maps Cell phone with chargers and a backup battery

For more information, please click the following links (County Office Of Emergency Management) [here](#) and (Ready.Gov) [here](#).

## HOT WEATHER EMERGENCY KIT

Community members are encouraged to take safety measures to prevent heat related illnesses. Stay cool, and be sure to pack the right materials in your hot weather emergency kit. Make sure to have UV sunglasses, loose-fit clothing, extra sunblock, wide brim hat and be aware of local cooling centers.

Learn more about hot weather emergency kits [here](#).

## MILPITAS HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAM UPDATES

### **Community Workshop #3**

Come join us and learn more about the City's Housing Element! The Housing Element is part of the City's General Plan. Its purpose is to facilitate the production of a variety of housing types, at different income levels, to accommodate all households and family types. Cities are required by state law to update their Housing Element every eight years, and the City of Milpitas is now updating its Housing Element to plan for the City's projected housing needs during the next eight years between 2023 and 2031. Please register for the Tuesday, September 13, 6:00PM meeting by using the link [here](#).

### **Housing Draft Element Review Survey**

The City of Milpitas is in the final stages of updating its Housing Element, a part of the City's General Plan. This survey is an opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas about housing with the City, and ensure that this plan is a reflection of community voices and concerns. The survey should take just a few minutes to complete. Thank you in advance for your time! Link [here](#).

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### PREPARED IN 4 STEPS



1. Sign up for AlertSCC at AlertSCC.org
2. Make a plan
3. Build an emergency supply kit
4. Help family, friends and neighbors

PrepareSCC.org



**OEM OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

### HOT WEATHER EMERGENCY KIT



- Paper list of local Cooling Centers.
- UV sunglasses.
- Loose-fit clothing.
- Extra sunblock.
- Wide brim hat.

[www.PrepareSCC.org/HotWeather](#)



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## **Public Draft (Housing Element) Open for Public Review**

The City of Milpitas has officially released the public draft of the Housing Element. Your input is important for ensuring that the Housing Element reflects the values, needs, and priorities of the entire community. Share your thoughts [here](#).



## **MILPITAS SMART LAUNCH**

Milpitas SMART (*Simple Mobile Access to Reliable Transit*), an innovative partnership between the City of Milpitas, VTA, and RideCo that will provide a convenient, safe, and affordable local transit service for residents, workers, and visitors in Milpitas is now available! Anyone with a smart phone can use the app to travel from their home or work location to the Great Mall, Milpitas Town Center and City Hall, Milpitas Transit Center and BART, or any VTA light rail station. The service will operate Monday to Friday, 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, using minivans with ADA access and maximum wait times between 10 and 15 minutes. The regular adult fare will be \$2.50 per ride, and the City will offer a reduced fare of \$1.00 per ride for youth, disabled, and low-income populations.

The official launch event will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022. For more information, visit [SMART](#).



## **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS (REACH CODES) INPUT MEETING**

The City of Milpitas welcomes your input on proposed amendments (Reach Codes) to the 2022 California Green Building Standards Code (CalGreen) to promote green development in Milpitas. Emphasis will be on proposed changes to the Code regarding Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and All-Electric requirements for newly constructed buildings. Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) staff and City staff will be on hand to answer questions. The City of Milpitas is looking forward to receiving your input and would like your attendance. For any questions, please contact Bill Tott 408-586-3263.

Meeting Date and Time: September 14, 1:00 – 2:00 pm via Zoom.

Link [Here](#).

Teleconference: 1 669-900-6833  
Meeting ID: 837 748 1561  
Passcode: 333

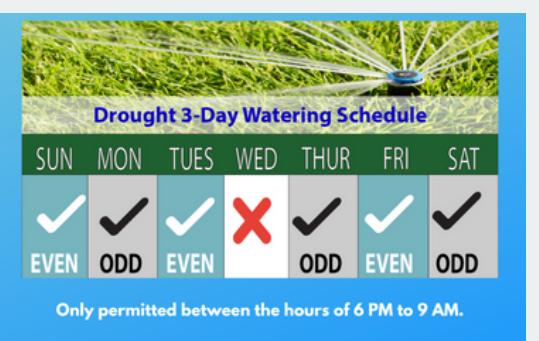
## **COMMON WATER WASTE VIOLATIONS**

If you notice water being wasted in our community, let us know by filing a report with the MyMilpitas app or by calling us at (408) 586-2666. The City will investigate and follow up with responsible parties with educational materials regarding the current drought situation. By reporting water waste, you can do your part in helping our community stay up to date with our water use restrictions.



## **3 DAY WATERING SCHEDULE REMINDER**

Help Milpitas save water by doing your part and adhering to your watering schedule! Visit [savewatermilpitas.org](#) for more information on our current water use restrictions.



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## COMMUNITY MEETING ON THE PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT

You're invited to a community meeting on the proposed general plan amendment at Interstate 680 and Pecten Ct. Learn more about the proposal that would change the 2040 General Plan Land Use/Transportation Diagram designation from Public/Quasi Public to Heavy Industrial. No demolition, construction, landscaping, or other site improvements have been proposed at this time.

Meeting date and time: September 19 from 6:00-7:30 PM.

Learn about the project and community meeting [here](#). Learn about giving public input [here](#).

## INTRO TO GARDEN DESIGN FREE WEBINAR

Are you looking for inspiration or need help preparing your landscape plans? Join the Intro to Garden Design webinar on Thursday, September 15 at 5:30 PM.

Visit <https://dailyacts.org/upcoming-events/> to register for the event!

## JOIN THE DIY LAWN BUSTER WORKSHOP

Learn how to convert your traditional high-water use turf to a drought tolerant landscape! The workshop consists of an online presentation and an in-person hands-on session here in Milpitas to go over the conversion process. All participants at the hands-on training will receive 50% off plants purchased at Our City Forest's Community Nursery in San Jose. Visit [here](#) to learn more and register for the event!

Friday 9/23 from 6-7PM on Zoom and Saturday 9/24 from 9:30AM-12:30PM in Milpitas (exact location to be provided via e-mail).

## 4 FREE COMPOST BAGS FOR MILPITAS RESIDENTS

Calling all Milpitas residents – come get your 4 FREE bags of compost on Saturday, October 22nd, just in time to supplement your soil for fall/winter planting. Full of nutrients, compost is great for your garden, plants, trees, and potted plants because it improves aeration, drainage, and water and nutrient-holding capacity. Instead of using fertilizer, using compost puts organic resources back into the soil. Come rain or shine! Bring a photo ID that shows your Milpitas address, along with a signed waiver. One coupon limit per household. For a copy of the waiver, visit: <https://www.milpitassanitation.com/community/>

## ELF JR MUSICAL AUDITIONS

Young performers ages 8-18 are invited to audition for Milpitas Community Theatre's upcoming holiday show, Elf Jr., with shows December 7-11 and a special appearance at the City's annual Tree Lighting event. Auditions are September 26 and 28 at the Milpitas Community Center, with time slots available 4-7 p.m. each day. Participation fee is \$130 residents, \$155 nonresidents. Income qualified households participating in the Milpitas Assistance Program may use their discount toward this program.

For more information, visit [here](#) and to reserve an audition time click [here](#).



FREE Online Webinar



### Intro to Garden Design

Join Daily Acts and Valley Water to learn more about the components needed to create a beautiful, water-efficient garden!

September 15  
5:30 PM  
Zoom



Register for the webinar at [dailyacts.org/upcoming-events/](https://dailyacts.org/upcoming-events/).

Did you know that lawn conversions can be **easy and cost effective?**



Join the DIY Lawn Buster Workshop to learn how to plan and complete your project on your own! Attendees will receive 50% off their plant purchases at Our City Forest's Community Nursery in San Jose.

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## AUDITIONS

**Ages 8-18**

Registration fee: \$130 residents, \$155 non-residents, \$5 processing fee  
Milpitas Community Center (457 E. Calaveras Blvd)

**September 26, 28**

## PERFORMANCES

Milpitas Community Center (457 E. Calaveras Blvd)

**December 1, 7-11**





For questions, please contact Vince Collantes at [vcollantes@milpitas.gov](mailto:vcollantes@milpitas.gov) or (408) 586-3204.



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## DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

**Lantana**, 1675 S. Milpitas Blvd., a 5-story, 216-unit multifamily residential with commercial development. To allow an earlier start of operation, a temporary occupancy permit for the development was issued. See the below picture.



**Sango Court Apartments**, 355 Sango Ct., (2) 4-story residential buildings of wood modular construction above first floor concrete podiums with a steel bridge connecting the two buildings providing 102 affordable housing units by Resources for Community Development. The below picture shows the progress on the first floor of form work installation.



**Citizen**, located at Great Mall. To allow an earlier start of construction, a temporary permit for the retail store was issued.

**KLA**, located at 3 Technology Dr. To allow an earlier start of construction, a temporary permit for tenant improvements at the existing facility was issued.

## BUILDING PERMITS AND OCCUPANCY

*Building permits were issued to the following:*

**SAPPLE Inc.**, for tenant improvement at this existing facility located at 260 S Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$6.6M.

**KLA Plus**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for tenant improvement at its new 2-story office building located at 620 N McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$4M.

**Apple**, SWE for tenant improvement to convert existing unoccupied space to R & D lab space at their facility located at 1021 Yosemite Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$2M.

**Summerhill Apartments**, for grading and site improvement for the second mixed use building consisting of 361 units with total of 694 multi-family units residential with commercial development located at 1500 Centre Pointe Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$1.06M.

**McCarthy Center Holding LLC**, for tenant improvements on 2nd floor by adding seven multi-tenant suites to make it market ready for future tenants to move-in at their existing facility located at 860 N McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$978,937.

**Kaiser Permanente**, for tenant improvement at its existing facility located at 611 S. Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$550,000.

**McCandless Park**, phase 2 for site improvement of a new 4-acre city park includes sports field located at 1650 McCandless Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$500,000.

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**Littlefuse Inc.**, for reroofing at their existing facility located at 1590 Buckeye Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$327,280.

**Larson Packaging Company**, for site improvement includes a new secondary point of access (site driveway) to provide vehicular access located at 1000 Yosemite Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$300,000.

**Renesas Electronics**, a semi-conductor manufacturing company, for tenant improvements at their existing facility located at 933 Murphy Ranch Rd. at an estimated construction cost of \$227,499.

*Building permit applications were submitted by the following:*

**Pinnacle Townhomes**, for grading & site Improvement for 56 unit's townhome-style condominiums with 24 ADU's residential development located at 1752 Houret Ct. at an estimated construction cost of \$17.8M.

**BD Life Sciences**, a biotechnology company, for tenant improvements at their new facility located at 135 N McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$15M.

**BD Life Sciences**, a biotechnology company, for site improvements at their new facility located at 155 N McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$1.8M.

**Duke Realty**, for grading for future new construction of 1-story warehouse building with offices located at 475 Sycamore Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$1M.

**Gold's Gym**, for tenant improvement of a new fitness center located at 301 Jacklin Rd. at an estimated construction cost of \$800,000.

**DSF7 Amazon-Milpitas Delivery station**, for tenant improvements for their existing warehouse distribution center at the McCarthy Creekside buildings located at 707 & 907 N McCarthy Blvd at an estimated construction cost of \$720,000.

**Sherwin Williams**, for tenant improvement includes installation of storage racks at their new facility located at 1006 S Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$276,860.

**Headway Technologies**, designer and manufacturer of recording heads for high performance hard disk drives, for tenant improvements at their facility located at 463 S Milpitas Bl. at an estimated construction cost of \$250,000.

## BUILDING PERMITS AND OCCUPANCY

*The following businesses have received final inspection and are now open for operation:*

**CRST Specialized**, a transportation company located at 887 Wrigley Wy

**Nanowatt INC.**, an engineering design company located at 1900 McCarthy Blvd.

**Dragon Auto**, a ceramic coating business located at 36 Winsor St.

**Fat Fat Cat LLC dba 3CATEA**, a new bubble milk tea shop located at 1777 N Milpitas Blvd.

**Bae Sales INC**, a manufacturing business located at 1900 McCarthy Blvd.

**Exertus Financial Partners & Insurance Agency**, a new insurance office located at 830 Hillview Ct.

**Racket Supply**, a sporting good wholesale showroom located at 354 Fairview Wy.

**Bao's Studio**, a new salon located at 200 Serra Wy.

**Oright Technology USA Inc.**, a general office for technology consultation business relocating from Fremont to 830 Hillview Ct.

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## WAYS TO CONNECT WITH US



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