

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

From: Henry Garcia, City Manager

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Administration

Council Candidate Workshop

I hosted the Council Candidates Workshop on Thursday, October 4. Each Department Head participated and presented information about the operations and organization of their department. The candidates received handbooks that included information about the City, the Council/City Manager form of government, organization chart, summaries of department missions and accomplishments, information on the approved FY 2012-13 City budget and Capital Improvement Program, and the work program for 2012-13. Six candidates and several members of the public attended the Workshop.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

Important Election Related Dates

- Voter Registration Deadline The last day to register for the November 6, 2012 is fast approaching October 22, 2012. You may register on-line at: http://registertovote.ca.gov/
- Voter Registration forms are available at City Clerk's office, City Hall, Senior Center, Library or Conference & Recreation Center, and may be conveniently submitted at those designated sites.
- Vote-by-Mail Ballot Applications (formerly absentee ballots) Applications for Vote-by-Mail Ballots (formerly absentee ballots) may be submitted in person or by mail October 8 30, 2012
- Vote-by-Mail (formerly absentee ballots) ballot dropoff boxes are located at City Hall and Library for your convenience. Vote-by-Mail ballots may be turned in, before the polls close, at any polling place in the jurisdiction.

Vote-by-Mail Drop off Locations

https://maps.google.com/maps/ms?msid=2051544238
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• Early Voting

Information may be accessed by clicking the following link:

http://www.election.co.riverside.ca.us/docs/20121106 EV.pdf • Sample Ballot and Polling Place Locator http://www.election.co.riverside.ca.us/voterinformatio n/root1106/pollplac.htm

• Easy Voter Guide http://www.election.co.riverside.ca.us/docs/20121106 EVG en.pdf

• November 6, 2012 – Election Day - The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

If you should have any questions, please call the City Clerk's Department at 413-3001 or the Registrar of Voters Office 486-7200.

All web links are provided by the County of Riverside's web page with the exception of the link to "Register to Vote" which is provided on the Secretary of State's web page.

Additional Resource: http://www.voteinfo.net/

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Administration

Albertson's Store Re-use

SuperValu Inc., the parent company of Albertson's has announced that it will close the Albertson's store at the NW corner of Pigeon Pass and Ironwood, as part of the closing of 19 stores in Southern California-including five in the Inland Empire region (Moreno Valley, Norco, Jurupa Valley, Ontario & Victorville). Best guess is the Albertson's in Moreno Valley will close sometime in November-with a closing by at least December 1.

Barry Foster participated in five meetings at the recent ICSC (International Council of Shopping Centers Council) event in San Diego, about reuse opportunities for this 60,000 S.F. building that is the anchor for the 10-acre Pigeon Pass Plaza. SuperValu Inc. is the owner of the building/property that has the Albertson's store and Mark Frost-Ironwood Plaza LLC is the owner of the rest of the neighborhood shopping center. Meetings at ICSC in San Diego included talking to the Real Estate Director for SuperValu-Albertson's and Mr. Frost about reuse possibilities for the Albertson's building at Pigeon Pass Plaza. Barry also met at ICSC with representatives of two grocery store companies that have expressed interest in the Albertson's store reuse opportunity, including one

with a promising short-term possibility for a successful deal structure. Keep your fingers crossed as this possible transaction takes shape because the potential grocery store user would be a really nice fit for this location. Barry Foster will continue to work hard on this possible deal.

New Leasing Team for Stoneridge Towne Centre

Present Value Properties, based in Orange County has been retained by Weingarten Realty to act as the new real estate brokerage team for Stoneridge Towne Centre. Texas based, Weingarten Realty is the managing owner of Stoneridge Towne Centre at the SE corner of SR60 and Nason Street. Barry Foster met with officials from Present Value Properties and Weingarten Realty at ICSC-San Diego to discuss a marketing strategy and a variety of possible users for Stoneridge Towne Centre. A focus for Present Value Properties will be leasing shop space in the Main Street area, along with procuring a tenant(s) to reuse the 45,000 S.F. former Best Buy anchor space.

S Bar & Grill Opens

The new S Bar & Grill has opened at Lakeshore Village Marketplace in the Sunnymead Ranch community. The Lim family—who also owns Oishii Sushi & Teriyaki restaurant is anxious to start up S Bar & Grill, which will have a sports bar and grill concept that occupies a newly renovated space that previously was Boompa's Pizza. Please check out this new restaurant concept.

New Robertson's Facility



Construction is starting to move quickly on the new home for Robertson's Ready Mix (RRM). The majority of the underground work is complete

and the first of two new concrete batch plants is nearly finished. Look for the perimeter walls to go up soon and RRM officials are looking to pursue a temporary occupancy of the new facility on Old 215-just south of Alessandro Blvd. by November. Both the new facility on Old 215 and the existing facility on Day Street will operate concurrently for several months as RRM works the operational bugs out of the new facility on Old 215.

Business Spotlight

The Spotlight on Moreno Valley Business program seeks to increase the community's awareness of the many diverse businesses that operate in Moreno Valley. The businesses showcased at the October 9 City Council meeting were Z & M Tailoring and the Moreno Valley Unified School District.

The Business Spotlight program also wishes to alert you of some of the new businesses in the community. A few recent business openings include:

- **Boba Express**—New food restaurant operation that opened in September 2012 at the Food Court on the upper level of the Moreno Valley Mall. A specialty of Boba Express is flavored smoothie drinks with tapioca balls, In addition Boba Express has salads and wraps. The owner of Boba Express also operates a limited service Burger & Grill restaurant in the Food Court at the MV Mall that has been around for more than 4 years.
- Graphix Lab—Marketing and web site design business opened in September 2012 in Elsworth Plaza-at the SE corner of Elsworth and Alessandro. The new business is owned by a local resident who specializes in marketing promotional materials (flyers, stickers, t-shirts) along with customized web site design and search engine optimization.
- M&M Cleaners—A multi-service facility in the Sunnymead Towne Center that opened in September 2012 and offers a laundry facility, dry cleaners and alteration service at its location at the SE corner of Alessandro and Indian. The owner is a Moreno Valley resident.

Business Expo

The Moreno Valley Chamber of Commerce sponsored a Business Expo and Mixer on Thursday, October 11 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Moreno Valley Conference & Recreation Center.

Building & Safety Division

Development Update

The following is a summary of current development activities being worked on within the Building & Safety Division:

Certificate of Occupancy

- Dollar General
- o Traffic Division Public Safety Building
- o TJ Maxx/HomeGoods

• Temporary Certificate of Occupancy

- o Round 1 @ Moreno Valley Mall
- Harbor Freight Tool DC @ First Inland Logistics
- o Oasis Community Church
- o Starbucks @ Lakeside Plaza
- Edible Arrangements @ Lakeside Terrace

• Building Permit Issued-Under Construction

- Nandina Distribution Center IDS Real Estate Group
- Kaiser Permanente Medical Office Building
- Robertson's Ready Mix Concrete Plant
- Morrison Fire Station
- Hemlock Apartments Rancho Belago Developers
- Centerpointe Logistics Center Overton Moore Properties
- Rancho Dorado Apartment (Phase II) –
 Palm Communities
- McDonald's @ Moreno Valley Plaza

• Tenant Improvements Underway

- Moss GMC/Buick
- Moss Chevrolet
- Public Safety Building Expansion of Traffic Division
- Wizard's Party House Jump House
- Fitness 19 on Perris Blvd.
- Dollar Tree @ Lakeside Terrace
- S Bar & Grill
- Southern Illinois University
- P I Grill

• Plan Check Underway for New Buildings

- Inland Empire Global Logistics Center -Panattoni Development
- I-215 Logistics Center-Trammell Crow Co.
- Alere Property Group
- Family Dollar on Perris Blvd.
- O'Reilly Auto Parts on Perris Blvd.
- Graham Car Wash
- Westridge Commerce Center Ridge Property Trust

• Plan Check Underway for Tenant Improvements

- Chipotle @ TownGate Center
- Volkswagen of Moreno Valley

Code & Neighborhood Services Division

Neighborhood Clean-Up

On September 22, the Code & Neighborhood Services Division conducted a Neighborhood Clean-Up in the area of Adios Street, Sea Biscuit Street, Swaps Street, War Admiral Street and Acaro Street in Council District 3. A total of five free roll-off dumpsters were provided to residents for the disposal of debris, bulky items, furniture, miscellaneous refuse and landscape trimmings.

The clean-up was successful and resulted in the collection of approximately 12 tons of debris.

Another Clean-Up event occurred on Saturday, October 6 within Council District 5. Dumpsters were provided to homeowners from portions of Chagall Court, Gerbara Street, Caspian Way, Gucci Drive, Dynasty Court, Aristotle Court, Protea Court, Diza Street and Kalamari Court.

Land Development Division

Development Update

The following represents a summary of the development activity being worked on by the Land Development Division:

• Grading Permits Issued

- Nandina Distribution Center-IDS Real Estate Group
- Kaiser Permanente Medical Office Building
- Robertson's Ready Mix Concrete Plant
- Morrison Fire Station
- Hemlock Family Apartments Rancho Belago Developers
- Centerpointe Logistics Center Overton Moore Properties
- Rancho Dorado Apartments (Phase II) –
 Palm Communities
- McDonald's @ MV Plaza
- I-215 Logistics Center–Trammell Crow Co.

Plan Check Underway for Grading Plans

- Inland Empire Global Logistics Center-Panattoni Development
- Alere Property Group
- Vogel Development
- Westridge Commerce Center
- Family Dollar and O'Reilly Auto Parts on Perris Blvd.

Neighborhood Preservation Division

Successor Agency & Oversight Board Update

On June 27, 2012 the California Legislature passed AB 1484 in an effort to make technical changes to the AB 26 (the Dissolution Act) based on recent experiences at the state and local level in unwinding former RDA activities. AB 1484 requires the Successor Agency to retain a licensed accountant for the purposes of determining the unobligated fund balances available for transfer to the taxing agencies. Two due diligence reviews are required, one related to housing assets and obligations and the other related to non-housing assets and obligations. This first accountant's report pertains

to the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund ("LMIHF"). On October 9, 2012, the Successor Agency reviewed and transmitted this report to the Oversight Board. The Oversight Board will receive the report and transmit it to the Department of Finance ("DOF") and the County Auditor-Controller ("CAC") by October 15, 2012. A non-housing review will be similarly conducted and is due by December 15, 2012.

The Successor Agency selected Lance, Soll & Lunghard, LLP to conduct the due diligence reviews to determine the unobligated balances available for transfer to taxing entities relating to housing and non-housing assets and obligations in order to ascertain unobligated cash or cash equivalent balances that would be available for transfer to local taxing entities. In general, the review confirmed that no unobligated LMIHF balances were available to transfer to other taxing entities.

On October 9, the Successor Agency reviewed and approved the results of the review and authorize its transmittal to the Oversight Board for final determination. As required by AB 1484, the Oversight Board must meet two times regarding the report: (1) On October 8, to receive the review and convene a public comment session, and (2) on October 15, at a second meeting to consider the public comments, approve and authorize the transmittal of the review to the DOF and CAC for final approval.

Within several months, Successor Agency staff will work with the Successor Agency and the Oversight Board to ensure that all requirements are met for unwinding the former RDA.

NSP Single-Family Residential Acquisition, Rehabilitation, and Rental (SFR-ARR) Activity

During the past few months, City staff and the NSP Development Partners have experienced a marked decrease in available vacant and foreclosed, bank-owned inventory. While the Development Partners and staff have made concerted efforts to identify units for inclusion into the NSP 1 and NSP 3 Programs as potential acquisitions, the opportunities are not as abundant as they have been in past.

A recent query run through CoreLogic RealQuest reported the number of current bank-owned REOs citywide at 363 units, as of mid-September 2012. The limited inventory has proved challenging as it relates to the meeting expenditure deadlines for the NSP 3 Program. Staff has been conducting frequent strategy meetings to identify alternate approaches to program administration to ensure meeting spending deadlines, as imposed by HUD.

In early October, staff met with the City's local HUD representative to devise strategies to enhance the performance of NSP 3. During the meeting with the HUD representative, staff was informed that the overall expenditure rate for all NSP 3 grantees nationwide is at 23%. It was discussed that nationally grantees are experiencing challenges with limited inventory, as well. Since receiving the NSP 3 grant, the City- through its Development Partners- has not been able to identify or acquire properties due to the lack of availability and the properties meeting the NSP 3 profile.

The recent shift in the inventory has become evident when comparing the performance of NSP 1 with that of NSP 3. Through the NSP 1 program, the City of Moreno Valley acquired 43 single family properties and has resold 38 of the properties to income-qualified households earning up to 120% of the Area Median Income. The resales for NSP 1 has generated almost \$3 million in Program Income.

Below is a synopsis of NSP1 Acquisition,

Rehabilitation, and Resale Activity:

| Total Properties Acquired: | 43 |
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| Properties on the Market (recently fell out of | 1 |
| escrow) | • |
| Properties with an Accepted Offer/ in Escrow | 5 |
| Properties Resold / Escrows Closed | 37 |

The City recently commenced its second round of acquisitions for the NSP1 Program with the kick-off the NSP3 Program, the drastic shift of the market and limited inventory has also affected the City's ability to successfully expend the approximate \$3 million in Program Income generated through the resale of the single-family properties. City staff and the Development Partners remain optimistic and continue to seek acquisition opportunities.

NSP Multi-Family Residential Acquisition, Rehabilitation, and Rental (MFR-ARR) Activity

On August 9, the City closed escrow on a four-unit multi-family property located on Allies Place which is within one of the City's targeted. Riverside Housing Development Corporation (RHDC) - a selected NSP Development Partner and City-designated CHDO- will fully rehabilitate and rent the units to income-eligible households earning up to 50% of the Area Median Income. As a result of years of deferred maintenance. the property is extremely dilapidated. The rehabilitation efforts will encompass major interior and exterior renovations including structural and cosmetic improvements. The rehabilitation was scheduled to commence fall 2012.





Pre-Rehabilitation Photos for Allies Place

RHDC recently approached the City to support a consolidation/refinancing plan that will convert the current financing of all of the projects managed by RHDC - totaling 44 units throughout Moreno Valley - to a 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC)/tax-exempt bond deal.

In response to RHDC's request, the City has procured the services of Keyser Marston Associates (KMA), an independent economist, to provide a third party, in depth analysis of the proposed financing. Upon determination of the viability, benefits, and risks of the refinance as proposed the City will proceed, at minimum, with the conveyance of the property - via a title transfer- to RHDC. Should the refinance be deemed viable and appropriate for the City, staff will assist RHDC with the refinancing, tax-credit and bond issuance processes.

Governor Vetoes Legislation Aimed at Helping to Replace Redevelopment

Governor Brown vetoed Senate Bill 1156 (Steinberg)also known as Redevelopment 2.0. This legislation would have created an economic development tool to help replace redevelopment funding. SB 1156 sought to allow local governments—including cities to create joint power authorities to finance projects within 'Sustainable community Investment Areas'. Governor Brown has also vetoed additional legislation meant to replace redevelopment by rejecting several Infrastructure Financing District (IFD) initiatives. In a veto message the Governor stated expanding the scope of IFD's would "likely cause cities to focus their efforts on using new tools provided by the measures instead of winding down redevelopment and this would prevent the State from achieving the General Fund savings assumed in this year's State Budget".

Affordable Housing Efforts Continue

Despite the demise of redevelopment, Moreno Valley continues to work on several projects aimed at producing more affordable housing opportunities in the community. Two major projects that will create a total of 157 affordable housing units are presently under construction in Moreno Valley including:

- Hemlock Family Apartments—78-unit apartment complex being developed by Rancho Belago Developers, on Hemlock Avenue, just west of Perris Boulevard.
- Rancho Dorado Apartments—79-unit apartment project being developed by Palm Communities (formerly Palm Desert Development Company) that will be the final phase of the Rancho Dorado Apartment complex, situated near the SE corner of JFK and Perris Boulevard.

Planning Division

Planning Commission

At their meeting of September 13, the Planning Commission took the following action:

• Recommended approval of the City's Energy Efficiency and Climate Action Strategy. Pursuant to Planning Commission review, the item has been scheduled for City Council review on October 9 in order to comply with the timeframes identified in the Federal Energy Efficiency Grant. The applicant is the City of Moreno Valley.

Administrative Approvals

- Plot Plan to establish a church in an existing commercial building at 24889 Elder Avenue. The applicant is Eduardo Cueto.
- Phasing Plan for the partially completed Aspen Hills Condominium project on Lasselle Street south of Iris Avenue to facilitate completion of the recreation center. The applicant is GID Moreno Valley LLC.
- Amended Conditional Use Permit to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 24875 Alessandro Boulevard. The applicant is AT&T Mobility.
- Amended Conditional Use Permit to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 12380 Quincy Street. The applicant is AT&T Mobility.
- Amended Conditional Use Permit to replace an existing telecommunications facility with a new one stealthed as a pine tree located at 23300 Cottonwood Avenue. The applicant is AT&T Mobility.
- Plot Plan to expand the leasing office at an existing apartment complex located at 24070 Fir Avenue. The applicant is Elwood and Scott Rich.
- Variance to allow the reduction of a side setback landscape area to accommodate final design for an overflow drainage line at an approved apartment complex under construction at 24742 Hemlock Avenue. The applicant is MV Hemlock LP.

- Plot Plan for an internet café located in an existing shopping center located at 23940 Ironwood Avenue. The applicant is Samir Taian.
- Plot Plan for modifications to an approved site plan for a retail building (Family Dollar) to be constructed at 15075 Perris Boulevard. The applicant is Kimley Horn and Associates.
- Plot Plan to establish a nail salon in an existing commercial building located at 22275 Alessandro Boulevard. The applicant is Jonathan Olguin.

Recent Case Submittals

- Change of Zone and General Plan Amendment related to a proposed single family subdivision on Cactus Avenue east of Moreno Beach Drive. The request would convert a portion of the site from R10 (Residential up to 10 units per acre) to R5 (Residential up to 5 units per acre).
- Plot Plan to establish a church in an existing commercial building located at 14420 Elsworth Street.
- Amended Plot Plan to add to an existing commercial building located at 24891 Sunnymead Boulevard.
- Sign Program Amendment for Moreno Beach Plaza to accommodate changes for a proposed health club (LA Fitness).
- Specific Plan Amendment related to establishing homeless shelters as a permitted use in the Moreno Valley Industrial Area. The amendment is necessary for Housing Element compliance.
- Municipal Code Amendment for variance amendments related to implementation of the Housing Element.

RPT Centerpointe West Project

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the RPT Centerpointe West Project was sent to responsible agencies and interested parties on September 21. Public notice was also sent to adjacent property owners and published in the Press Enterprise. A press release was posted on the City's website along with the DEIR documents.

The DEIR provides a full discussion and analysis of the potential environmental impacts identified in the Initial Study for the proposed project, most notably traffic, air quality and greenhouse gas emissions. The DEIR will be available for public review and comment until November 5, 2012. The comments received will be reviewed and responded to by the EIR consultant and reviewed by City staff and the City's peer consultant. The resulting document will be the Final EIR (FEIR). Once completed, the FEIR and project plans will be scheduled for review by the Planning Commission.

The RPT Centerpointe West Project includes a proposed 507,720 square foot expansion of an the existing Harbor Freight Tools warehouse at the northwest corner of Graham Street and Cactus Avenue, along with a new 607,920 square foot warehouse building at the northwest corner of Graham Street and Brodiaea Avenue and a new 164,720 square foot warehouse building at the northeast corner of Frederick Street and Cactus Avenue. The last building requires a zone change from Business Park – Mixed Use to Light Industrial.

Vogel Project

The Vogel/Sares-Regis Project was reviewed by the City Council at their meeting of September 25. The hearing was held in response to an appeal by the Sierra Club and attorney Johnson & Sedlack of the Planning Commission approval of the project. Subsequent to an extensive review of the project and environmental impact report, the City Council voted to uphold the Planning Commission's approval of the project. A Notice of Completion (NOC) was filed with the County Clerk on September 26, which commenced to 30 day period for the approval to be challenged through legal action by the appellant.

The project is a proposed 1,616,133 square foot warehouse/distribution building on a 71-acre site located at the southwest corner of Perris Boulevard and Grove View Road in the Moreno Valley Industrial Area. The proposed project is consistent with the Specific Plan for the industrial area and does not require any land use changes or variances.

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Animal Services Division

<u>Girl Scout Troop #40782 Donates Pet Supplies to the</u> Moreno Valley Animal Shelter

On September 18, 2012, Girl Scouts from Troop #40782 donated dog and cat food, water and food bowls and pet toys to the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter. Troop Leaders,



Jessica Parker and Norma Travieso, assisted the girl scouts in gathering donations throughout the community for their troop project of providing a variety of items for the stray animals at the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter. Pictured from left to right in the photo are Crystal Veloz, Jasmine Garcia and Jessica Luvano. The Girl Scouts

were excited to be able to visit the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter and make their donation in person.

Walgreens Pet Adoption Event Proves Successful

Walgreens
located at 16020
N. Perris Blvd.,
on the corner or
Perris & Iris,
invited the
Moreno Valley
Animal Shelter to



participate in the launching of their Balance Rewards Program on Saturday September 22, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This community event offered a variety of services to the community from flu shots to complimentary giveaways, as well as pet adoption services provided by the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter. Lead Animal Care Technician Dorathy Haun, along with shelter volunteer, Barbara Hamilton (Capital Projects), set up for this off-site pet adoption event in front of Walgreens and successfully adopted all six dogs taken to this event. Pictured are the dogs waiting to be adopted by their new owners. In an effort to stimulate adoptions and create public awareness that the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter offers pet adoption services, off site adoption events are held as often as possible. Another off-site pet adoption event was "Pet in the Park Adoption Day" held on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at Community Park from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This community event was organized through the Parks & Community Services Department. The event featured a dog costume contest (Halloween theme) and weenie dog races, along with a variety of vendors who participated in the event.

Treasury Operations

New State Legislation Levying a \$1 per Business Tax on All Businesses

SB-1186: On September 19, 2013, the Governor signed into law SB-1186. This bill among other things adds a \$1.00 tax per applicant for both new and renewed business licenses. This bill goes into effect beginning January 2013 and leaves little time for cities to implement in time for their calendar year renewal cycles. City lobby groups were notified of the legislation in mid-August and were caught by surprise that the bill was so quickly adopted and without the ability to provide input. The fee is intended to support the increased compliance of disability access and construction related accessibility requirements and will fund the Disability Access and Education Revolving Fund. Cities throughout the state are still in the process of determining how to implement and manage this new tax to local business. The City of Moreno Valley will add this tax to the fees collected for all new and existing businesses applying for a business license in 2013.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Operations

Volunteer Reserve Firefighters Training

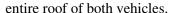
On Saturday, September 22, Moreno Valley Firefighters presented a training session to our Volunteer Reserve Firefighters on vehicle extrication safety and techniques at the Moreno Valley City



Yard. This training provides valuable knowledge to our Reserve Firefighters who are then better able to assist with the extrication efforts of any trapped passengers in a vehicle that has been involved in a traffic collision.

Two salvaged vehicles were donated by Tom's Towing for use in the training exercise. Firefighter II Paramedic Dan Treiman from Sunnymead Ranch Fire Station 48 presented a basic review of the equipment carried on our City fire engines and fire trucks. He also reviewed the Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE Standard Operating Guidelines for auto extrication with the Volunteer Reserve Firefighters.

The City Reserves were broken into two groups where they received more in-depth instruction on our equipment and its capabilities. The Reserves (under direct supervision) were able to articulate and demonstrate their ability to remove doors using spreaders as well as cut and ultimately remove large vehicle sections and components, which included the





At the conclusion of the training each Volunteer Reserve was placed in formation and presented with their badges which were pinned on them by Fire Department personnel. There was a great sense of pride and accomplishment by all those who attended the vehicle

extrication safety and technique training.

Overall, this was an excellent class that provided each of the Reserves with practical, hands on experience. We would also like to thank the City Staff who made it possible for the Fire Department to store the vehicles at City Yard and provided access to the facility.

Public Relations

Several special education students from Towngate Elementary School visited Towngate Fire Station 6 on Friday, September 21. All of the children received a tour of the fire station that included a static display of the fire engine as well as a brief demonstration of the equipment that is carried on the truck.

On Monday, October 1, CBS News interviewed Moreno Valley Battalion Chief Mike Smith as part of a news story on the intense heat that we have been experiencing in Southern California. Video footage for the news story was filmed throughout the City including shots of Box Springs Mountain, teenagers walking home from school, and Sunnymead Ranch Fire Engine 48. To view the CBS news story, please visit http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/video /7789147-extremeheat-broils-inland-empire/

Significant Events

- On September 20, units from the Moreno Valley Fire Department as well as Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE responded to a residential structure fire in Sunnymead Fire Station 2's primary response area. Upon arrival Firefighters found moderate to heavy smoke issuing from the front door and roof line of a single family residence. An aggressive interior attack was made by the firefighters which confined the fire to the kitchen and living room area. The interior of the home suffered severe smoke damage. A total of five fire engines, one truck company, one breathing support, and one Chief Officer were committed to the incident. Units from Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE provided coverage of the open fire stations in the city during the time of this incident in order to provide emergency fire and medical response to all other 9-1-1 calls.
- On September 21, College Park Engine 91, Towngate Engine 6, and the Moreno Valley Police Department responded to a report of a vehicle versus a pedestrian at the intersection of Climbing Rose and Scarlet Sage Way. Upon arrival, Fire Department personnel located a seven year old child who had been struck by a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. Pediatric advance life support measures were immediately initiated by Fire Department Paramedics and continued enroute to the hospital.
- On September 25, units from the Moreno Valley Fire Department, Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE, and the Moreno Valley Police Department responded to a residential structure fire in the primary response area for Towngate Fire Station 6.

The first arriving engine company found heavy smoke issuing from the roof of the residence. An aggressive interior attack confined the fire to a restroom and a portion of the attic. The home was occupied at the time of the fire and the residents were able to escape unharmed. An aggressive salvage operation was coordinated with the fire attack team to limit damage to the residents' belongings. A total of five fire engines, one truck company, one breathing support, and one Chief Officer were committed to the incident. Units from Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE provided coverage of the open fire stations in the city during the time of this incident in order to provide emergency fire and medical response to all other 9-1-1 calls.

• On September 30, Towngate Fire Engine 6 responded to a report of a traffic collision at the intersection of Alessandro Boulevard and Meridian Parkway along with Riverside City Engine 13 as the exact jurisdiction for the accident scene could not be determined from the 9-11 call. Engine 6, along with AMR, arrived on scene in front of Farmer Boy's Restaurant and located a vehicle that had a single occupant trapped inside. The patient had no complaint of pain, but was delayed in responding to questions. The Firefighter Paramedic from Engine 6 entered the vehicle and provided advance life support care with the assistance of the AMR crew members who remained outside of the vehicle. The Fire Apparatus Engineer utilized the extrication equipment from Engine 6 to remove the driver's side door in order to provide better access to the patient. Upon arrival of Riverside Engine 13, command of the incident was transferred to Riverside City. The final outcome of the patient is unknown at this time but she is expected to recover from her injuries.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

The Human Resources Department is actively engaged in the annual Open Enrollment Period for employee benefits. Staff has provided on-site assistance in numerous work locations, in addition to scheduling meetings to provide tailored assistance to individual employees.

The Employee of the Quarter program is in full swing, with nominations being sought for employees who have excelled in their service to City residents and internal customers.

MotiVate Wellness: The City's employee wellness program remains extremely active, with the following activities taking place:

- September's Lunch & A Movie program drew the largest audience to date, as moviegoers took a brief trip to "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel." Screenings take place over two days, to correspond with the employee lunch hour.
- CPR training has been scheduled for Public Works field staff, as well as other interested employees. This session, conducted courtesy of the Fire Department's Office of Emergency Management, marks a return to a program suspended in recent years due to budget restraints. A waiting list has already formed for the next class!
- Women's Health Month began with information on health issues provided to all City employees.

Talent Management: Robust recruitments are underway for several positions in the City workforce. Recruiting and/or selection processes are focused on the following openings:

- Animal Care Technician FTC-Internal, Animal Services. Closed 9/27/12. Interviews pending.
- Laborer-PT/Temp, Maintenance & Operations (214 applicants). Closed 9/27/12. Applications being screened, interviews pending.
- Management Assistant-Internal, Public Works. Closed 9/27/12. Interviews pending.
- Sr. Electrical Engineer (33 applicants). Closed 9/6/12. Selection pending.
- Animal Care Technician PT/Temp, Animal Services (199 applicants). Closed, additional candidate interviews scheduled.
- Animal Services Assistant (480 applicants). Closed 8/23/12. Interviews conducted, 2nd round pending.
- Parks Maintenance Worker Parks & Community Services (379 applicants). Closed 9/6/12, interviews conducted, selection pending.
- Animal Control Officer-PT/Temp (228 applicants).
 Closed 7/26/12. Candidate selected, recruitment closed.
- Senior Office Assistant (Internal) CEDD-Code & Neighborhood Services. Candidate selected, recruitment closed.
- Administrative Assistant (Internal) CEDD-Code & Neighborhood Services. Closed 9/7/12. Candidate selected, recruitment closed.
- Recreation Aide Sports Official (106 applicants).
 Closed 8/23/12. Interviews conducted, 2 candidates selected, recruitment closed.
- Recreation Aide Sports Programs (141 applicants). Interviews conducted, 3 candidates selected, recruitment closed.

Facilities Division

All City Hall staff members were provided with an update regarding projects to replace floor substructures and/or coverings over the coming months. The update also assisted employees in preparing their work areas for the renovation period and beyond.

The Facilities Division has contracted through the Public Works bidding process with R.I.C. Construction to renovate the Annex #1 building across from City Hall. Work began on October 1st and is scheduled for completion by February 11, 2013. The renovation will provide a new roof, all new HVAC and interior work areas. Staff from Technology Services, Special Districts, Facilities and Moreno Valley Utility will move from a leased facility at the south end of the complex once the renovation is complete. MVU's customer service lobby will be located on the east end of the building facing Frederick, giving it a prominent presence on the corner of Frederick and Calle San Juan De Los Lagos.

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Special Events

On October 13 the Moreno Valley Arts Commission and Parks and Community Services will hold its fifth annual Artober Fest, a free family-oriented day-long celebration of the arts. The day long celebration will attract more than 1,300 participants to the Conference and Recreation Center to view numerous types of art, including photography, pottery making, jewelry, oil and water color artists, sculptors, etc. This exciting event will feature 35 exhibitors and more than 300 performers, which will perform on three different staging areas.

YouthFest '12 was held on September 8 at Community Park. Despite the warm temperatures, the event was full of local residents, who joined 60 community youth-based businesses and organizations for complimentary festivities as they gathered information regarding youth programs available in the community. The annual event also featured a DJ, raffles, emergency vehicles available for public tours, and dance/music performances. Staff would like to thank all of the community organizations that attended, as well as the helpful student volunteers from Moreno Valley and Vista Del Lago High Schools.

The fall and winter Movies in the Park will begin on October 25 at 6:30 p.m. inside the Conference and Recreation Center's Gymnasium. Local residents will be welcome to enjoy Monster House, as well as themed

decorations and activities. Additional movie nights are planned for November and December.

Staff is busy creating a special themed Haunted House to be held at the Cottonwood Golf Center on selected dates in late October for those who dare to be scared. City employees are invited to attend a private viewing of the event on October 24 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. City employees are needed this evening to wander the spooky maze to assist staff in preparation of the public opening. Attend if you dare...

The Senior Community Center will be holding its 20th Anniversary of the Senior Community Center on December 12 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This event will be an open house with live entertainment and a dinner. More information to follow.

Park Projects

The installation of the arch and lattice at the Conference and Recreation Ballroom west patio is currently underway. Additional plant material (vines and trees) will be installed this fall, when temperatures cool down.

The Lasselle Sports Park site is currently being graded. Once grading is completed and certified, construction will commence.

The concrete improvements at the TownGate Community Center patio area are completed. Additional plant material (vines and shrubs) will be installed this fall, when temperatures cool down.

The concrete improvements and purchase of fixtures for the ADA grand improvements at John F. Kennedy Veterans Memjorial Park have been completed. A total of \$108,680.86 of the \$108,682.00 available grant funds was utilized.

Parks Maintenance Division

Projects completed include: Trimmed hedges at various park sites; weed abated Poormans Reservoir; cleaned equestrian center trailer and surrounding area; and mulched all parks.

Projects in progress include: Tree planting at various park sites (ongoing); remove old and install new ET irrigation controllers at 19 park sites (ongoing); spray annual weeds at all park sites (20% complete); aerate sports field and fertilize; install bike racks at 11 sites; weed all trails and parks; put decomposed granite on all trails (50% complete); place fiber at Patriot Park playground; re-sod greens; verticut all greens at the golf course; aerate and sand all greens; work on irrigation at

all parks; sign for golf course; clean off all tables and slabs; and shut down Celebration Park water feature.

Vandalism and graffiti have been reported at the following areas: Bethune (\$47), Community (\$170), El Potrero (\$24), Gateway (\$48), JFK (\$49), Sunnymead (\$68), TownGate (\$90), Westbluff (\$30), and Woodland (\$53). The total cost for vandalism/graffiti during September was \$579. Total labor hours for vandalism/graffiti were 12 hours, approximately 1.5 full-time work days.

The mobile stage unit was used on September 8 for Youth Fest at Community Park.

Court referrals performed a total of 396 hours during September. The total hours for court referrals in 2012 are 3,961, which equates to approximately 495 full-time work days.

Recreation Division

As the fall session of Time for Tots continues, many new children ages 3 to 5 years have joined the program. Several of the classes for each session are filled to capacity with future classes filling months in advance. In addition to the educational curriculum, special activity days held in September included Crazy Hat Day, Career Day, Share Day, and Apple Day.

Staff are now planning for the annual Time for Tots Fall Festival at the end of October to be held at the Conference and Recreation Center, which will include trunk-or-treating, a puppet show, games, a pumpkin patch, and a special performance by the participants. City employees are encouraged to include their vehicles in the trunk-or-treating for the program's participants.

Valley Kids Camp will be open November 19 through November 21. Local children in grades kindergarten through eighth from the Moreno Valley and Val Verde School Districts will enjoy their break from school spending their days at camp playing exciting themed recreational games, watching movies, playing video games, nurturing their creativity with arts and crafts, and experiencing fun-filled on-site activities.

The Pee Wee and Junior Basketball Clinic was filled with 80 participants ages 3 to 7 years learning the fundamentals of the game of basketball.

The Pee Wee and Junior Basketball League has 91 youth looking to grow their skills in practices and games. This program will run for six weeks, two times a week.

The Youth Basketball Clinic began October 8 and will run three days a week for three weeks. Youth participants, ages 8 to 12, will improve their fundamentals and skills with trained staff and coaches throughout this program.

The summer seasons of Adult Softball have all come to an end. There was some fierce competition heading into the playoffs with more than 30 teams in five divisions competing for the championship. Staff looks forward to starting all City leagues back up after the managers' meeting on October 11.

Adult Women's Soccer starts playoffs this weekend with the final two teams going head to head in the championship on October 14 at Community Park. The next season will begin after our managers' meeting on November 1.

Senior Community Center

Walgreens gave flu shots to seniors on September 5 and 19. The flu shots were FREE to those seniors with medical insurance.

On September 26 Easy Choice Health Plan sponsored Bingo for the seniors. Easy Choice provided all the prizes and snacks.

The September Senior Birthday Party was celebrated on September 27. This event was sponsored by the Friends of Moreno Valley Senior Center, which provided a free meal and a box of candy. Miller Jones Mortuary donated the cake and ice cream.

On September 28 the Center held its annual Fall Festival sponsored by Health Net. There were more than 85 seniors attending. Prizes were awarded for games like Pie Walk and Needle in the Haystack. There was also a baked goods contest.

Community Center Rentals:

- September revenue for the community centers was as follows:
- Conference and Recreation Center: \$12,275.15
- Senior Community Center: \$4,481.30
- TownGate Community Center: \$7,437.59
- Cottonwood Golf Center: \$883.32

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Community Advisory Meeting

The next Citywide Camera Surveillance System Community Advisory Meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., in the multi-purpose room at the

Moreno Valley Police Department. The goal of the meeting is to inform attendees of the history, purpose, benefits, and progress of the project. The meeting will also include an open forum for community input, questions, and answers.

Mounted Posse

The Moreno Valley Police Department has an official Mounted Posse Unit as of its certification from the California Secretary of State on September 25, 2012. We have seven certified members with an additional three in the application process. Do not be surprised when you see the Mounted Posse at a City event or in the community in general.

Traffic Division

On September 25, 2012, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) and the California Highway Patrol (CHP) recognized the accomplishments of the Moreno Valley Police Department Traffic Division. The Traffic Division received 1st Place Honors and Special Recognition for Speed Awareness in the California Law Enforcement Challenge, a competition that recognizes the best overall traffic safety programs in California. The Traffic Division also earned the 2nd Place award in the National Law Enforcement Challenge. These awards are proof the City of Moreno Valley has some of the safest streets in the nation.



Top left: CHP Commissioner Joseph Farrow, Sheriff Stan Sniff, Director of California Office of Traffic Safety Christopher Murphy, and Chief Joel Ontiveros. Bottom Left: Corporal James Hamrick, and Officer Eric Robinson

The OTS also specifically honored Officer Eric Robinson and Corporal James Hamrick for their individual efforts in DUI and traffic safety enforcement in 2011. Officer Robinson was recognized for arresting 324 motorists for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Corporal Hamrick was recognized for issuing 1,762 citations for driving at an unsafe speed. Actions by both officers significantly contributed to the safety of Moreno Valley roadways.

The California Law Enforcement Challenge evaluates agencies on the following categories:

- Policy Statements on Traffic Safety Programs
- Officer Training
- Public Information and Education
- Enforcement Activities
- Effectiveness
- Incentive and Recognition
- Quality of Submission

The California Law Enforcement Challenge inspires agencies to make a difference in their communities through friendly competition and recognition, but saving lives and reducing the frequency of traffic related injuries is our true reward.

Case of the Week

On Tuesday, September 25, 2012, at 8:30 p.m., two female victims reported that a male armed with a shotgun robbed them in the area of Eucalyptus Ave. and Montecello Dr. and then fled. The robbery was similar to two other robberies in the area, one on August 3rd and the other on August 21st of this year. Officers on our Robbery Suppression Team (RST) recognized the similarities between the crimes and took over the investigation. The RST located a male in the area of the robberies who fit the suspect descriptions. When the RST contacted the suspect, they discovered he was in possession of the victims' stolen property. The RST eventually searched the suspect's house and located additional stolen property that linked him to all three robberies. The male was arrested and booked into the Robert Presley Detention Center.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Capital Projects

Efforts on Pursuing Federal Grant Funding

On October 3, 2012, Public Works/Capital Projects staff and City Manager's office held a follow up meeting with our Federal Lobbyist, Jamie Jones of David Turch's office to further discuss federal grant opportunities and project needs.

The City currently has several shovel-ready projects which have remained underfunded or unfunded. These projects and estimated costs include:

- Cactus 3rd Lane between I-215 & Heacock \$4.2M
- Kitching Widening between Cactus & Gentian \$2.8M
- Perris Widening between Ironwood & Manzanita \$6.5M
- Heacock between Cactus & San Michele \$6.7M
- Reche Vista Drive \$3.8M

• Line F - \$2.8M

Additionally, future project needs include:

- Top 10 Arterials, Collectors and Locals Rehab Backlog @ \$12M
- Citywide Pavement Slurry Seal Backlog @ \$8M
- ADA Tier I Needs @ \$3M
- Heacock Channel @ \$12M
- Storm drain projects @ \$8M (San Timoteo foothill
 @ \$2M, Sunnymead between Frederick & Graham
 @ \$2M, Sunnymead between Indian & Perris @
 \$1.2M, and other misc. locations @ \$2.8M)
- Industrial Electric Substation @ \$3.5M
- Infrastructure Improvement in Edgemont @ \$15M
- Moreno Beach Interchange/SR-60, Phase II @ \$24M
- Theodore Interchange/SR-60 @ \$50M
- Cactus Avenue Interchange/I-215 @ \$50M
- Redlands Interchange/SR-60 @ \$50M

Amongst several federal grant opportunities that were discussed with the lobbyist, were the MAP-21 (Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act) and the Public Works Projects Assistance through EDA (Economic Development Act). Justifications can be made for both of these funding opportunities to replace and/or rehabilitate bridges, roadways, and freeway interchanges to match the current infrastructural needs and proactively prepare for the future demand of economic growth throughout the City.

Capital Projects

Perris Boulevard Widening from Perris Valley Storm Drain Lateral "B" (Southerly City Limits) to Cactus Avenue

On July 23, 2012, the City issued a Notice to Proceed with Construction to Hillcrest Contracting, Inc. for the Perris Boulevard Widening from Perris Valley Storm Drain Lateral "B" (Southerly City Limits) to Cactus Avenue project. The proposed work includes street widening to a uniform six travel lanes, concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, driveway approaches, minor drainage improvements, utility relocation, and relocated traffic signals. The total contract amount (base bid amount plus six alternates) is \$3,282,680, which is almost 12% below the engineer's estimate.

Construction of this project is possible only because Public Works Department staff worked diligently for several months with Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) staff to obtain funding. City staff pointed out to RCTC that the City had saved approximately \$1.7 million during the pre-construction phases of Regional TUMF projects, including this one.

RCTC agreed to combine these substantial savings with another \$4 million in TUMF funds, for a total of approximately \$5.7 million. To this end, the RCTC Commission voted on March 14, 2012 to appropriate almost \$5.7 million in TUMF funding for the construction of this important regional project. The agreement to secure these funds was approved by City Council on April 10, 2012.

Heacock Bridge



Kip Incorporated, the contractor for the Moreno Valley Heacock Bridge over Perris Valley Storm Drain Lateral "A" project has completed most of the work within the Channel. Last week the contractor

completed constructing the remaining channel retaining wall sections that protect both the inlet and outlet of the box culvert from erosion. The contractor has also completed the rip-rap rock placement at the outlet of the bridge. The rip-rap rock protects the channel floor at the bridge outlet (and down channel) by reducing the water speed as it flows out of the four cell bridge over the rock. The maintenance road grading and rock placement

from the channel floor to the retaining wall started this week and should be finished by the end of the week. The project is anticipated to be completed within budget by the end of October.



Staff's Biennial Update on Public Right of Way Access Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan and City Council Report

On September 25, Staff presented the Biennial Update on Public Right of Way Access Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan to City Council. As detailed in the report, the activities over the past two years focused on ADA inventory and infrastructure compliance within the public right of way only, as approved by City Council under Resolution No. 2010-81 in 2010. Activities included:

- Advisory Committee Meetings on June 13, 2011 and August 29, 2012.
- Public Outreach Meeting on July 31, 2012.
- Establishment of an ADA website where the public can access information on the City's ADA activities and links to other local, state, and federal sites.
- Completing the inventory prioritization of over 445 intersections (1,820 curb returns) as part of the self-

- evaluation inventory process of over 3,630 identified intersections within the City.
- Construction compliance process under which, City staff constructed 182 ramps and 18,000 square feet of infill sidewalk.
- Staff anticipates completing an additional five (5) intersections (14 intersection corners) in Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

Example of Construction Compliance at the Intersection of Cottonwood Avenue and Jo Ann Street:

Before Construction: No Ramps



After Construction: ADA Compliant



Morrison Park Fire Station

The construction contract for Morrison Park Fire Station was awarded to Silver Creek Industries in Perris at the September 13, 2011 City Council meeting. Construction started the second week of October 2011 after the ground breaking ceremony. This new fire station is located at the northeast corner of Cottonwood Avenue and Morrison Street occupying approximately 1.5 acres.

The Morrison Park Fire Station is a two-bay fire station with low maintenance landscaping design. The station includes a memorial monument display of a 9/11 artifact, which is an I-beam salvaged from the wreckage of the World Trade Center. It was placed as a memorial



to the nearly 3,000 victims, including 343 firefighters and 60 police officers who gave their lives in the service of their fellow citizens on September 11, 2011.

The construction is at

its final phase which includes site landscape, interior built in cabinets, counter top and appliances installation. The Dedication Ceremony is scheduled on October 24, 2012.

EOC Family Care Center Emergency Generator

On July 10, 2012, City Council authorized the purchase from Johnson Power Systems of the generator set and

tank for the EOC Family Care Center and the purchase of the additional tank for the existing generator at the City contingent upon available funding. On August 1, 2012, the Notice Inviting Bids was issued for construction of the EOC Family Care Center Generator project. Bids have been opened on September 11, 2012. City awarded construction contract to Global Power Group, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder at the September 25, 2012 Council meeting.

The project will construct a new generator set and tank located at the Conference and Recreation Center which is designated as the EOC Family Care Center, and the a new 5,000 gallon fuel tank at the existing generator at City Hall. This new tank will bring the existing generator into compliance with the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) code 110-5.1.2 which requires adequate fuel capacity to run the generator for 96 hours. Construction will start by November 2012 and will finish by end of May 2013 (weather permitting).

City Corporate Yard Sewer Improvement Project

The north septic tank serves the Corporate Yard's Big Bay Warehouse and adjoining office facilities.

Maintenance



and Operations' staff recently reported that the north septic tanl

north septic tank system failed. This has resulted in frequent pumping out of the sewage and special handling through contract services. Capital Projects' in house staff has prepared the construction documents to replace the septic tank with new sewer pipes connecting directly to public sewer system.

The project was advertised for bidding in July 2012. Bids were opened on August 8, 2012. The contract has been awarded to C.P Construction Co., Inc. at the August 28, 2012 Council meeting. Construction started at the end of September 2012. Construction will finish by end of November 2012 (weather permitting).

Police Department Traffic Division Office Renovation Project

Construction for the Moreno Valley Police Department Traffic Division Office Renovation began on April 30, 2012. Recently, the City completed the construction of a new Emergency Operations Center (EOC) building adjacent to the Public Safety Building (PSB). The Moreno Valley Police Department (MVPD) Traffic

Division needed more space and therefore it was decided that the area left vacant by the EOC would be renovated to accommodate the Traffic Division's needs. The project includes the demolition of the existing interior walls, purchase, and installation of new partitions,

removal, and relocation of existing base and wall cabinetry, removal of kitchen cabinets and fabrication and installation of new cabinets. The renovated space will be re-carpeted and re-painted as well.



The building improvement construction was completed in July 2012. Furniture and partitions have been completely installed in mid July 2012. The phone system, data lines for computer system, and PA speakers

were installed concurrently with the wall partition. The construction has been completed end of August 2012. MVPD Traffic Division has been fully functional in the renovated space early in September 2012.



Transportation Engineering

<u>Community Based Transportation Planning (CBTP)</u> <u>Grant</u>

The City of Moreno Valley submitted a FY 2012/2013 grant application for the Caltrans CBTP grant program to update the City's Bicycle Master Plan (BMP). The proposed project has an estimated cost of \$150,000 of which \$136,250 was requested from the CBTP grant program. On August 15, 2012, the City received notification that our project was selected to receive funding for the full amount requested. The grant requires 10 percent matching funds that will be provided through Measure A funding.

The updated plan will bring the City into conformance with the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) Non-Motorized Plan and other regional plans to assist in reducing congestion and greenhouse gas emissions.

Major elements of the project consist of reviewing the existing bicycle network for connectivity between

residential areas, schools, and major employment / retail centers and employing the latest innovations to increase ridership and enhance bicycle safety including buffered bike lanes, bicycle boulevards, enhanced traffic signal detection, cycle tracks, bicycle boxes, and colored lanes / markings.