

SANTA MONICA UPDATE

Santa Monica Update is a bi-weekly news show produced by City TV, the government cable channel for the City of Santa Monica. The show features news, packages, interviews, local sports and a calendar of events.

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All new businesses and changes in business location within the City of Santa Monica require the approval of the City Planning Division prior to issuance of a city business license. This review ensures that the city's Zoning Ordinance allows for establishment of the business at the proposed location. The Zoning Ordinance also permits certain types of businesses to operate from a residence, but a home occupation permit must first be issued by the Planning Division. Once Planning approvals are received, a business license may be granted.

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Extending the school day helps improve student achievement while providing constructive youth activities. Enroll your school-aged child in the city's CREST program for fun and educational activities balanced with structured homework assistance. For more information on enrollment of 3rd and 4th graders in CREST, call the Youth Office (310) 458-8540. For kindergarten through second grade, contact the SMMUSD Child Development Services office at 399-5865.

The City of Santa Monica offers a broad range of homework assistance and tutorial programs throughout the community. At the Police Activities League, students can study, receive homework help, and use computers in a safe, and supportive environment. For information, call PAL at (310) 458-8988. Virginia Avenue Park offers its College-bound Club to assist students at John Adams Middle School to preparing for college including information on required courses, learning skills development and college and career opportunities. Class enrollment is by teacher referral. For more information, call (310) 458-8688.

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The Juvenile Probation Office is located in the Santa Monica Courthouse, 1725 Main Street, Room 125. The office receives and processes complaints regarding offenses committed by juveniles and prepares petitions and other documents for those referred to court. Juvenile Probation can answer questions related to delinquency, runaways and truancy. For additional information, please call 260-3525.

The Informal Juvenile & Traffic Court is located in the Santa Monica Courthouse at 1725 Main Street, Room 225. A Juvenile Court Referee presides over all hearings in the court, including arraignments and trials. The informal juvenile and traffic court hears the following violations allegedly committed by any person while/she was under the age of 18: all violations of the state vehicle code, not a felony; all infractions; all violations of state or local law relating to loitering, traffic, curfew or fare evasion; all offenses listed under Section 256 of the California Welfare & Institutions Code.

Normal court hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information on the Informal Juvenile & Traffic Court, please call 260-3738.

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The purpose of the Santa Monica Commission on the Status of Women is to enhance the status of women in the community through investigation, advocacy, and policy development, and by creating leadership and career advancement opportunities for women and girls in Santa Monica. The commission consists of nine members, all of whom must be residents of the city and serve four-year terms. A commissioner emeritus serves a two-year term.

The Commission on the Status of Women (COSW) meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Ken Edwards Center, 1527 Fourth Street in Santa Monica. Agendas for this and all other city boards and commissions are available at smgov.net/cityclerk/boards.

For more information on the COSW, please call (310) 458-8701 Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and alternate Fridays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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The Building & Safety Commission meets at the request of two members, on the call of the chair or when an appeal is filed by an applicant at the Building and Safety Office, 1685 Main Street, Room 111.

The Building & Safety Commission conducts hearings on policy and technical issues involving specific provisions of the construction and ordinances in Article 8 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code. Members also review updated editions of the construction codes with staff and recommend appropriate revisions for the city's fire, seismic, health and other public safety programs.

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Normal business hours for most City of Santa Monica offices are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every other Friday. Some payment and permit services are available at City Hall every Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., including plan check, inspection and permitting services, and payment of business license, permit and parking citation fees. Click here for details or call (310) 458-8411.

Closings of city offices due to emergencies will be announced on local radio stations and on the city's website at www.smgov.net, on CityTV, Channel 16, as well as on the City Hall on Call system.

Following are the Fridays in 2008 when most City Hall offices are closed: January 4 and 18, February 2, 15 and 29, March 14 and 28, April 11 and 25, May 9 and 23, June 6 and 20, July 4 and 18, August 1, 15 and 29, September 12 and 26, October 10 and 24, November 7 and 21, and December 5 and 19.

These are the holidays on which city offices will be closed in 2008:

- Tuesday, January 1 - New Year's Day observed
- Monday, January 21 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Monday, February 18 - Presidents' Day
- Monday, May 26 - Memorial Day
- Friday, July 4 - Independence Day
- Monday, September 1 - Labor Day
- Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28 - Thanksgiving holiday
- Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve (close at 12 noon)
- Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day
- Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve (close at 12 noon)
- Thursday, January 1, 2009 - New Year's Day

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Over 200 farmers greet as many as 17,500 shoppers each week at Santa Monica's four Farmers' Markets, which operate year round, rain or shine. Certified California farmers, licensed by state agricultural commissioners, sell more than 350 different items that they have grown or produced, including a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, juices, jams, honey, bread, olives, fish, eggs, nuts, flowers, plants, seedlings and compost. Following are the locations and hours of the Santa Monica Farmers' Markets:

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Any business that has relocated to the City of Santa Monica must obtain a city business license. Licenses are not transferable between licensing jurisdictions. For information regarding the procedure for applying for a city business license, please contact the city Revenue Division at (310) 458- 8745 for assistance.

Businesses currently licensed that have relocated within the Santa Monica city limits, must apply to have the license transferred to the new location. The City Planning Division must also approve the new location. Sign permits and approvals are required for any signs. For information regarding sign restrictions and requirements, please contact the Planning Department at (310) 458-8341.

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The city's Community & Cultural Services Department, Human Services Division, provides a variety of programs for children, youth and teens. The division also supports local organizations and a number of youth programs through its Community Development Program.

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The Santa Monica Public Library Board is responsible for the administration of the Santa Monica Public Library, and makes and enforces the by-laws, rules, and regulations necessary for the administration, government and protection of the city library. The board approves or disapproves the appointment of a city librarian; and accepts money, personal property or real estate donated to the library.

The Library Board consists of five members who are qualified electors of the city and serve four-year terms. No member of the board may hold any paid office or employment in the city government

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The city's Police Activities League (PAL), a joint project of the Santa Monica Police Department and Human Services Division, offers a drop-in recreation center. PAL provides after-school homework help, enrichment classes, sports leagues, field trips and more, for youth ages 6 to 17. PAL is located at Memorial Park, 1401 Olympic Boulevard. For more information, please call (310) 458-8988.

Santa Monica public libraries also have a variety of free children's programs. Special programs such as story time, chess club, arts and crafts classes and puppet shows are scheduled at library branches throughout the city. For more information, call Library Youth Services at (310) 458-8922.