

City of Gonzales

City Manager Report

June 2024



June marked a milestone for the City of Gonzales as Otto Construction received their notice to proceed on the Dennis and Janice Community Center Complex, and got started on its construction on June 10th. Crews are busy working at the site daily from 7:00AM until 3:30PM but most days you can find people there well past 6:00PM working away to make sure they meet the established timeline. Please be careful when you drive near there, and in preparation for the start of the new school year, please be mindful of the additional traffic on 5th Street near Elko Street and Rincon Road, and give yourself more time in the morning to avoid the congestion.

To view the daily progress of the Dennis and Janice Community Center Complex, visit the link <https://share.earthcam.net/GonzalesCommunityCenter>.



Staff continues to work on the funding campaign for Phase 2 of the project which includes the Community Hall and Fitness Center. To make your tax deductible donation to the project, visit the Community Foundation for Monterey County website at cfmco.org and search Gonzales Community Center. Donations in the amount of \$500 + get their name on a donor wall.

Economic Development and Revenue Generation

- The Economic Development team is working to support business growth and development in the community. There are a few businesses wishing to establish themselves in town and staff is helping to move those projects along.
- The City Council is considering putting a Sales Tax Measure on the November Ballot. The Measure would help generate funding for unfunded programs and services like fire, youth programming, and road and street repairs. If approved, the new sales tax would sit in line with the rest of the local cities at 9.25%, an increase from 8.75%. City of King and the County are also considering putting similar tax measures on the ballot for their unfunded projects.
- The City is also working with colleagues in South County to explore potential economic development opportunities.

Housing

- The Visita Lucia Housing project is moving along smoothly. This project, if approved, will bring much-needed housing for our community. Housing is set to be of all different levels of affordability and the project will also add schools, parks, green open spaces and a Fire Substation to the north-east side of town off Fanoe Rd.
- Staff is in the process of working to finalize the Environmental Documents needed for the project to move the annexation application along. To learn more about the project, visit the City's website under Community Development → Development Projects → Vista Lucia Project.
- A Financial Literacy workshop will be hosted by United Way in partnership with the City on July 13th to begin preparing the community for potential new housing. The City will work to coordinate similar opportunities in the future.

Community Engagement

- After a long wait, we finally received our All-American City banners recognizing and honoring the City's work.
- The new Gonzales Youth Commissioners have been selected. They are **Emily Mendez** and **Valeria Cardenas-Pacheco**. Congratulations to them! We can't wait to see what you do this year!
- The City wants to Thank You for your cooperation this Fourth of July and for doing your part to keep everyone safe!



Save the Date for the upcoming events:

2024 GONZALES COMMUNITY POOL SCHEDULE

THE GONZALES COMMUNITY POOL WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC STARTING MONDAY, JUNE 10 - WITH FULL PROGRAMMING BEGINNING ON JUNE 17.

| PRO BLAST (AQUA FITNESS) | REG. SWIM | PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS FOR YOUTH & ADULTS |
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| Monday- Friday • HOURS: ◦ 6PM-6:30PM ◦ 6:30PM-7PM | MONDAY: • HOURS: ◦ 7PM-9:30PM TUESDAY-FRIDAY: • HOURS: ◦ 2PM-4:30PM ◦ 7PM-9:30PM | MONDAY: • HOURS: ◦ 4:30PM-5PM ◦ 5PM-5:30PM |
| Saturday • HOURS: ◦ 12PM-12:30PM | SATURDAY: • HOURS: ◦ 1PM-3PM | SATURDAY: • HOURS: ◦ 12:30PM-1PM |

For Summer Pool Passes, Junior Lifeguard and Pool Party registrations- scan the QR code or visit: <https://www.teamsdelma.com/all/gonzales/home>

To register for Swim Lessons, Parent-Child Swim, & Private Swim please call or stop by the Community Pool at 833-875-3628 starting Monday, June 10 from 12-3PM

Senior Activities in August

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August 14
Ballroom Dancing
3 PM
Taylor Farms Family Health and Wellness Center
850 5th St,
Gonzales, CA 93926

August 8
ART CLASS
10 AM
GONZALES ADULT SCHOOL
650 ELKO ST, GONZALES, CA 93926

August 14 TIME: TBA
Financial Workshop
Gonzales Police Department Conference room
117 Fourth St, Gonzales, CA 93926

August 9
Cooking Class
11:30 AM
Taylor Farms Family Health and Wellness Center
850 5th St,
Gonzales, CA 93926