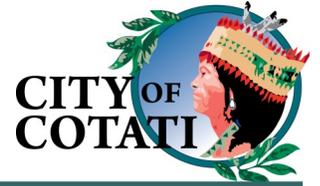


Cotati Connection

May 2020



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Doing Business with the City During the COVID Crisis

Like always, City staff love to hear from you. It's our top priority to provide you with prompt and comprehensive customer service. However, in the interest of public health, City Hall is currently closed to walk-in customers until May 3rd, which may be extended by the Public Health Officer. During this time, our services have transitioned to phone and web-based. Please excuse any temporary inconvenience and delays this may cause, and please allow up to 24-hours for a response email or phone call.

During this time, please feel free to contact us at 707-792-4600 or at info@cotaticity.org. We are available to answer your questions 7:30 am – 5:30 pm, Monday-Thursday. If you have a non-emergency issue after normal business hours, contact us at 707-792-4611. If you have an emergency, please contact 9-1-1. Look for updates on our operations and other important news on the City website and social media channels, which we update frequently.

Food Donations and Pick Up

Free Lunches for Kids

Anyone 18 years old or younger can get free lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11 am to 1 pm. The Cotati Rohnert Park School District is hosting the lunch sites at Lawrence Jones Middle School, Technology Middle School, and Rancho Cotate High School. Times and dates may change, so please call Food Connections at 523-7903 for questions on this or other food programs available through the Redwood Empire Food Bank.



Food Donation Drop-off

The City is continuing our partnership with Redwood Empire Food Bank, and held a donation drop off next to City Hall at the end of April. Please keep an eye on the City website and social media for more opportunities to donate if you are able to in this time of food insecurity for many people.

Meals on Wheels

The Council on Aging offers meal delivery services through their Meals on Wheels program and is available to seniors or their spouse/partner. Noble Spoon is another home delivered meal service available to all ages. For more information on these or other senior services offered by the Council on Aging, please call 525-0143

Food Bank at Charles Street Village:

At Charles Street Village, the Redwood Empire Food Bank hosts the Senior Basket program that includes a large personal box of staple items on the 2nd Wednesday from 9:00am-10:00am. Also groceries to Go supplies anyone in need with grocery items at Charles Street Village on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 9:00am-10:00am.



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Virtual Recreation Department

Welcome to the City of Cotati's Virtual Recreation Department! This is your place for fun, education, and resources through these wild and turbulent times. We are committed to ensuring that our resilient community members have resources to maintain healthy lives and participate in the activities we offer regularly.

Visit the recreation page on the City website or follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates and ideas to keep you and your loved ones healthy and entertained.

Have a great idea or resource you'd like to share? Email us at awilson@cotaticity.org.

**Upcoming
City Meetings ***

CITY COUNCIL

- **Tuesday 5/5—7:00PM
- Tuesday 5/12—7:00PM
- Tuesday 5/26—7:00PM
- Tuesday 6/9—7:00PM
- Tuesday 6/23—7:00PM

PLANNING COMMISSION

- Monday 5/4—7:00PM
- Monday 5/18—7:00PM
- Monday 6/1—7:00PM

*Meetings are subject to cancellation, check the City website prior to the meeting.

**Budget Study Session Meeting

COTATI AT WORK



Veronda-Falletti Ranch

Although construction is temporarily paused in accordance with the latest health officer order, look for more activity later this summer. Plans include fully rehabilitating the ranch house and rebuilding the water tower to allow for a wider range of educational and other community activities at the ranch.

2020 Street Paving Project

The City is still busy working on the design for this year's paving project. This project includes various pedestrian improvements and street paving work on West Sierra Avenue and hub roads. Look for more updates on this later in the year!

Wayfinding Signage

Signs for the first phase of directional signage are currently being fabricated. When the Health Order allows, look for installation of the signage later this year!

Dog Licensing On-Line!



Remember to license your furry friends. Sometimes they get lost, and our police department is often the first to find them. If your dog is registered, we can quickly return your pooch to you. Register your dog at: http://www.cotaticity.org/City_Hall/Departments/Police/Dog_Licenses

Public Health Officer Guidance



Shelter in Place: On March 19, the State Public Health Officer issued a legal order directing residents to shelter at home until further notice. The order limits activity, travel and business functions to only the most essential needs. Scientific evidence shows that social distancing along with frequent hand washing and avoiding touching your face are some of the most effective approaches to slow the transmission of viruses and colds.

Face Coverings: The CDC has released guidance that COVID-19 can be spread by people without symptoms up to 48 hours before they feel sick. Therefore, the Sonoma County Health Officer now requires all people to wear facial coverings in the following situations:

Before they enter any indoor facility besides their residence. Examples: grocery stores, laundromats/drycleaners, work facilities, post office, etc.

In any enclosed open space. Examples: outdoor work sites, construction sites, taxis/rideshares, or buses.

When outdoors if the person is unable to maintain a six-foot distance from another person. Examples: Farmer's market, pumping gas, drive thru/delivery/carry out/curbside pickup, etc.

Utility Billing

Sign up for paperless bill and auto pay at <https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/cotatica>

Utility Bill Mailed	Bill Due Date	Late Notices Mailed
May 4th	June 8th	June 9th
July 2nd	August 1st	August 11th
September 2nd	October 5th	October 6th

STAY HOME
SAVE LIVES
Quédese en casa. Salve vidas.
#StayHome

How to Grocery Shop & Unpack Food COVID-19

- One shopper per household
- No personal bags allowed
- Take disinfectant with you
- Only pick-up items you intend to buy
- Help thy neighbor

More tips can be found at: www.SoCoEmergency.org

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I THINK I HAVE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19? COVID-19

If you have symptoms and are concerned about COVID-19, please contact your primary care provider, and they will make the determination if you should be tested for COVID-19.

www.SoCoEmergency.org