

City Manager's Newsletter

Updates and news from the City of Livermore

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Autumn brings transitions like new school routines and the return to standard time. The City is no exception with the recent promotion of two staff members and the creation of the new Office of Innovation and Economic Development. Read below for details. With autumn here, it is not too soon to start preparing for possible winter emergencies. See below for flood preparation tips. Finally, this electronic newsletter will transition into **Livermore Links** in a few weeks. Instead of featuring news that is duplicative of other City social media posts, the new newsletter will focus on topical themes and department news. First up, the newest. Thanks for reading, Marc. citymanager@cityoflivermore.net



New CDD Director – Mr. Paul Spence now serves as the City's Community Development Department Director after five years as its Planning Division Manager. His experience implementing the City's General Plan, Development Code, and Downtown and South Livermore Valley Specific Plans provided him with a solid background and skill set about best practices in planning as well as community land use interests and issues. Paul's positive management style, strong people skills, and great leadership qualities will continue to be an asset to the City.



New CMO Staff Member – Ms. Christine Rodrigues from the Planning Division is now using her strong technical, communication and leadership skills in the Assistant to the City Manager position in the City Manager's Office. In her previous fourteen years as a City employee, Christine coordinated the approval and development of hundreds of land use projects. She also managed two major efforts on code and software updates. Christine's skills, enthusiasm, and familiarity with the City will serve the community well.



Prepare for Winter Rains – The rainy season approaches, and preparation is the best way to avoid potential flooding if major storms occur. If necessary, purchase flood insurance. Keep drainage channels and street curb drains debris free. Obtain sandbags as appropriate, and keep emergency supplies like food, water, batteries, flashlight, first aid supplies, and a radio in a kit. Determine evacuation routes. A little preparation now could result in individual and neighborhood safety in the future.



FEMA Flood Insurance – The City actively manages its floodplain in compliance with the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) National Flood Insurance Program. Therefore, Livermore property owners may purchase low-cost federally-backed flood insurance and receive an additional 5% discount. A standard homeowner's insurance policy does not cover floods, so a separate flood insurance policy is required. For more about flood insurance policies, call 1-888-FLOOD29. To determine if a particular house, building or parcel is located in a flood zone, please call City staff at 925-960-4500.