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Serving Up New Tennis Courts



Above: The free Dixon tennis courts are open to the public for singles and group play day or night. Below: Dixon officials approved more than half a million dollars' worth of upgrades for Hall Park Tennis courts, which will also be stripped for pickleball. Courtesy photos

By Angela Underwood

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Game, set, match.

No matter the score, many Dixon residents are sure to love the new Hall Park tennis courts, which will be completed by the end of the year.

Public Works director Louren Kotow said that "Hall Park contains the only tennis courts currently within the Dixon park system, which were constructed in the mid-1980s and resurfaced successfully approximately 30 years ago," Kotow said.

At the May 21 regular council meeting, Mayor Steve Bird and the council approved more than half a million dollars for the Hall Park upgrade, which is needed again after a 2016 resurfacing to cover extensive cracking and asphalt patch replacement that has not degraded to the point

of no return.

Dixon public information officer Madeline Graf said the tennis courts are

sub-base, building a new multi-layer base and finishing the courts with a new acrylic coating system.

used daily by individuals and groups, making the upgrade necessary.

"The surface has degraded to the point that a complete reconstruction is necessary to keep the courts playable," Graf said.

The project includes reconstructing the

existing lights will be renovated to LEDs and new center-court lighting will allow optimal night play.

"We will also be adding pickleball stripping on several courts, which will allow for both tennis and

pickleball play," Graf said.

The project went out to bid more than once, but according to a staff report, all bids received were above budget. Of the four total bids received, two were incomplete. The final award was again delayed, due to a protest letter filed by the disqualified lowest bidder and additional budgetary deficit delays.

Kotow said that Biondi Paving Inc. was chosen for the project, coming in at \$624,000, instead of another bid by Hellas Construction for more than \$896,000. Due to the delays, Biondi Paving Inc. requested an increase in their bid, due to an increase in material costs since they originally submitted a proposal in January.

The new bid is \$11,016 more, totaling \$635,016, which is "still substantially

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Two New Dixon Communities Will Offer Affordable Housing

Hampstead Companies News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The Hampstead Companies, Crestone Development and Affordable Housing Community Development Corporation will host a joint groundbreaking and ribbon cutting ceremony at 11 a.m. June 12 for two new affordable communities located in the master planned Homestead community in Dixon.

The ceremony celebrates the groundbreaking of Prospera at Homestead and the ribbon cutting for the nearly-completed neighboring community, Silvey Villas at Homestead.

Prospera at Homestead will create 108 affordable homes for individuals and families earning 60% area median income (AMI) or less.

Silvey Villas at Homestead will create 72 affordable homes for seniors aged 55 and older earning 60% area median income or less.

Both communities are financed utilizing tax-exempt bonds and 4% federal and state low-income housing tax credits. Both communities have been awarded eight project-based vouchers by the Solano County Housing Authority. Prospera at Homestead was also awarded a \$3.2 million loan from the County of Solano.

The two communities will have individual community buildings with a leasing office and dedicated space for resident services. Amenities include community barbecue space, dog park and playground.

Completion for Prospera at Homestead and Silvey Villas at Homestead is expected to be late 2025 and August 2024, respectively. ★

Students Get Journalism Lesson

By Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Journalism is an important part of our society since the First Amendment in our United States Constitution guarantees the right of free press.

But, as Dixon Montessori Charter School students learned this past month, it's important that reporting is done fairly and accurately.

Students in teacher Jamie Myers' classes had the privilege of learning journalism, writing an article and getting published in the Dixon Independent Voice Newspaper.

"I have four classes daily and we worked on it every day for three weeks," Myers said. "We spent 45 minutes to an hour each day and they practiced researching to see other newspapers and how articles were written. They searched for evidence to confirm facts and all of that



Some of the students who studied journalism at Dixon Montessori Charter School are, from front to back, Victoria Postle, Samantha Guerrero, Ainsley Siebert, Delaney Riemer and Ayla Cordova. Photo courtesy of Jamie Myers

was leading up to choosing an article."

When considering ideas for teaching the class, Myers did not have to look far. Her mother was a journalist working first as an editor and then as an owner of a newspaper in Rockwall, Texas.

"I grew up hearing her say, 'This isn't proper journalism' and 'they are biased,' until she owned her own paper," Myers said. "She made sure all the local functions and meetings were covered. She

made sure articles were unbiased and she followed the rules of journalism."

Myers even recalled a few times the townsfolk were upset over something her mother had written but it was the truth, she

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Life's *too* SHORT

Heartfelt Patriotism in Dixon



Veterans salute at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in the Silveyville Cemetery portion of Memorial Day Services. Photo by Debra Dingman

By Debra Dingman

There are always interesting stories when it comes to Memorial Day, not to mention an opportunity to meet new local people.

We attended the Memorial Day services at Silveyville Cemetery which is meaningful yet brief. I noted many of the same familiar faces that attend each year and I thought of who might attend in future years. Will we run out of patriotism in my lifetime?

Hubby reminded me that we will, in fact, stop having the opportunity to hear first-hand accounts of World War II from living veterans.

But even so, I thought as I listened to my sweet, 80-plus friend, there are descendants who will tell the story of family members.

For example, she shared that one of the men's names on the plaque at the Dixon Women's Improvement Club Park is one of her relatives. The plaque lists those soldiers from Dixon who died in wars.

"My uncle on my mother's side, Robert Keith Revelle, died in World War II," my friend explained. "It was sad because the family came out from Kansas for work and my uncle was drafted and went off to serve in the Army.

Due to a family crisis, he was called home and after grieving that loss, returned to the war front but tragically, was killed after only three months. No wonder she could remember: A family experienced broken hearts twice!

I hope next year, there will be more people who attend the local gatherings

and experience the heartfelt loyalty to our country. The traditions of playing Taps, raising and lowering the flag, and gathering in solemn prayers are meaningful and memorable.

Most of the veterans, guests, families, and Veteran Motorcycle Riders who were present at Silveyville and then at the park, followed over to the Veterans Memorial Hall and enjoyed a lunch together where my hubby and I got to continue visiting with Art and Georgina Perez, who have lived here for many years. It was difficult for him to talk about his service in the Vietnam War. That was the war my uncle served in as well so I understood and empathized. But it was also delightful to visit with other Dixonites and share some laughter about our town's history.

To wrap up the Memorial Day weekend, I got to visit with veterans Cecil Dunning and Dean Manley outside Safeway where Poppy sales were going on. They used to be made exclusively by disabled vets but then Covid hit, and the demand could no longer be met. (The Dixon veterans alone ordered 4,000!) Thus, the new metal version that one could clip onto their shirt or blouse. I thought they were more attractive and easy to proudly wear.

Cecil reminded me that the veterans do "poppy fundraisers" three times a year (Memorial Day, Grillin' & Chillin' in downtown Dixon, and Veteran's Day). All proceeds go to help disabled veterans. Can you believe that they sell close to a thousand each day that they are out there? Their booths are outside each entrance and any donation gets you a poppy. ★



Dixon News Briefs



Dixon Sorooptimists proudly donated \$2500 to Tremont Elementary School PTA fourth-grade teachers Ms. Byers and Ms. Pitto for buses to transport fourth grade children to Sutter's Fort Historic Park in Sacramento. Pictured left to right Kathy Archer, Tremont fourth grade teachers Ms. Byers and Ms. Pitto, and President Brenda Walker. Courtesy photo

MPG Staff

Gone Fishin' Open House

Boating and fishing are the reason Gone Fishin' Marine has thrived for 20 years in Dixon and they are ready to celebrate. On Saturday, June 8, there will be food, drinks, and fun with storewide promos, an exclusive parts and accessories sale, and a raffle and a limited-edition T-shirt giveaway. The address is 1880 North Lincoln Street.

DDBA Meeting

Merchants and supportive citizens for the Downtown Dixon Business Association are invited to the June meeting on Thursday, June 6, at 8:30 a.m. at Almond Tree Mortgage, 1115 Stratford Avenue. Subjects will be Farmers Market news and upcoming plans for Dixon's Railroad Days on June 22 and 23. For more information, (707) 678-8400 or check out their website downtowndixonca.com. The DDBA is seeking volunteers and board members.

Concert in the Plaza

Thursday, June 6, is also the date for the next Chamber Concert in the Plaza. The band will be Normal Paranormal/Live Wire. Bring your lawn chairs or picnic blankets, snacks, and enjoy a wide variety of music in a safe and family-friendly atmosphere. VIP Mexican Cuisine will be selling some of the best Mexican food.

Grillin' & Chillin'

June 29 is the date so mark your calendars for Dixon's annual street fair, car show, and rib and chili cook-off in the downtown core! Fun for the whole family. For more information, go to <https://dixonactionteam.com/grillin-%26-chillin>.

Veterans Hall Dinner

On Friday, May 31, there will be no Veterans dinner due to a private party.

Pardi Plaza Concerts

The Concerts in the Plaza 2024 spring and summer season has started, and the next one will feature the band, Normal Paranormal/Live Wire, at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 6. The concerts happen every first and third Thursday of the

month at the Pardi Plaza, on the corner of First and A streets. Sponsored by the City of Dixon, The Dixon Chamber of Commerce and Kaiser Permanente. For more information, call the Chamber at (707) 678-2650.

Shredding Event

On Saturday June 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., there will be a shredding opportunity at Atkinson Self Storage, 1800 North First Street. Legal boxes of paper and or binders are \$10 per box. Cash or card payments are accepted. For more information, call (707) 693-9200.

Quick Quack Best-Led

The Quick Quack Car Wash Company announced it was proud to be named a winner of Glassdoor's inaugural award for Best-Led Companies 2024. This award honors companies with exceptional senior leadership teams that go above and beyond to redefine the employee experience and relies on input from employees who anonymously submit a company review on Glassdoor.

"Quick Quack Car Wash has been intentional and deliberate in creating a culture of smart, kind and driven team members for almost twenty years," said Quick Quack Car Wash co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, Jason Johnson. "We are honored and, at the same time, committed to continue striving each day to more completely fulfill our mission to change the lives of our team members for the better. We appreciate everyone who made this award possible, and you for your continued support," he added. There are two Quick Quack Car Washes in Dixon.

Father's Day Fun

Join Freedom Church, 470 E H Street, for a Special Father's Day Service this June 16, starting at 10 a.m. The service will be packed with music, worship dance, and an inspiring message straight from the Word of God.

Afterwards, the fun continues with an outdoor family bash at Hall Park. Dive into a delicious BBQ, compete in strength games for dads, and let the kids splash around in the open pool. For more information, call (707) 693-1774. ★

Farmers Market Returns Thursdays

By Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Since the rain gave California farmers a nice edge for crops, this year's Downtown Dixon Farmers Market will be kicking off from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 6, with plenty of offerings in the Dixon Women's Improvement Club Park on the corner of North First and C Streets next to the public library.

"We will have locally grown vegetables, fresh fruits, and fresh baked breads plus a few activities for children every Thursday," reported Downtown Dixon Business Association President Jill Orr.

There will also be homemade salsas and tamales, hummus, olive oil and an opportunity to meet your local farmers.

"I hope it's well patronized by the locals," said Simba Baratti who is organizing the Dixon location alongside his partner, Becca Bernard. The couple has several Farmers Markets they manage.

"Early on, I thought that practicing medicine would provide the best opportunity to heal and support those in need, so I chose biology as my field of study in college. Paying tuition and strenuous financial circumstances had me juggling multiple jobs along with



Lauri Jones is an organic gardener and chicken herder at Lauri's Garden at the Vineyard in Dixon. Photo courtesy of Downtown Dixon Business Association

my heavy math and science class load," he explained about how he started getting involved with ag markets. "Fortunately, I landed a job with a local organic farm working their farmers markets on the weekends. Within months, I was hooked, but this time by a new path to fulfill my goals of healing and supporting my community."

Together with Bernard, who is a middle school science teacher,

they started their "first generation farm" which is currently on one and a half acres in Lincoln. They grow a wide variety of crops ranging from rare round cherries to common crops such as carrots and kale.

They enjoy organizing and running about a dozen farmers markets in the surrounding area, including Davis and Woodland.

This is not Dixon's first Farmers



Fresh vegetables of the season will be available at this year's Farmers Market in the Dixon Women's Improvement Club Park starting June 6. Photo courtesy of Downtown Dixon Business Association

Market. The first one was brought with help from then Downtown Dixon Business Association's Board of Directors for three years beginning in 2009 and the past year was run by Susan Motley and Sommer Sanchez.

With the growth of new residents in Dixon coupled with some pleasant forecasts, this year's Downtown Dixon Farmers Market looks promising and is set for

every Thursday, June 6 through Sept. 26. For the exact dates, go to downtowndixonca.com or email simba@simbasheirloomfar.com. ★



From Small Family to Big Business is Bella Vista Farms



Bella Vista Farms is a beautiful place to rent for events. Courtesy photo

By Adrian Mendez, DMCS Student

DIXON, CA (MPG) - There is an upcoming and semi-new business here in Dixon and it's a wedding venue! Bella Vista Farms is a small wedding venue on the rise here in our local town of Dixon. Bella Vista Farms is located just outside of town on the countryside of Rio Dixon Road and is the perfect spot to hold your events.

They keep the property beautifully maintained and they are surrounded by flower fields, almond orchards and beautiful alfalfa fields. They were established in 2019 by Angelina Guzman and the Guzman family. Angelina states that before all of this progress, they had a large open lawn and people were asking for that to be rented out. After a while, it was suggested to be a wedding and event venue. They prioritize their service and the way

they treat their clients and are always busy with new projects to better meet the clients' standards. They hold open houses and scheduled tours for anybody looking for an event venue. They also have a website where they have lots of suggested catering and entertainment. They have lots of wedding packages to choose from and there is a bridal suite and groom's room. They are set on continuing to hold more and more events and to also keep growing their business. Believe it or not, they have also had clients from out of state and even from other countries! Now speaking about the recommended activities, they work with other local businesses and they offer catering, florist shops, photography, decor, wedding planners, rentals, private security, event staffing and bartending, desert shops and entertainment. It is also pet friendly with a large lawn and lots of space to

get their energy out. There is also a house right next to the venue for an Airbnb in case anybody doesn't want to deal with driving home that late. The original story for the name Bella Vista is quite interesting. One day, one of the main founders was coming back home after a long day of working on the venue, and he said in Spanish, "I know what this will be called. Bella Vista because it translates from Spanish to pretty view." Toward the end of the building stages, the building was delayed around eight months due to the contractors not being able to meet the time requirements. Bella Vista is not just a wedding venue either, they hold birthdays, quinceaneras, and all kinds of other events. They have a kitchen room with a microwave, fridge, sink, and storage for drinks, or utensils. They have several social media accounts where they post pictures of fliers, and event setups just to keep the public updated with their venue. The photography situation is also beautiful because they have lots of different orchards and fields nearby which can satisfy any photography expectations. Another thing is that they have a small walkway surrounded by lavender in case you want some pictures walking through the beautiful lavender patch. Get in contact with them at 707-828-1443 and they are located at 7108 Rio Dixon Road in Dixon. ★

Dixon Lions Celebrate 70th Year



Lions Club members fire up the grills at a recent barbecue. The club has become experts at these fundraising dinners that offer a two-way value: for the attendees who buy the dinners and the youth who will benefit from the scholarships. Photo courtesy of Dixon Lions

By Aubrey Dannenberg, DMCS Student

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The community of Dixon has had the support of the Dixon Lions Club for 70 years and will continue to for many more years to come. They are an organization that works to improve the quality of life and business in the city of Dixon. "The overall goal of the Lions Club is to make Dixon a better place to live," said Chris Dage who has been a member for eight years. The members of the Lions club each make an effort to support the community of Dixon and better the lives of people who are living in it by funding families, students, and administrations in need. The Dixon Lions Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month at a multitude of different local restaurants. Currently, standing meetings are held at Bud's Pub and Grill on 1st Street. Each member of the Lions Club takes on a nearly equal number of responsibilities, for it is everyone in the club's job to keep it running. Although fundraisers are typically "hosted" by individual members, every member works to assist in the process of running and planning an event. To become a member, you must be recommended by an existing member. There are currently around 32 Dixon members. "To become a Lion, you must be a good standing citizen," Dage mentioned. "We're always looking for more members." Businesses or schools in need can request support or donations from the

Lions and its members will help by doing things such as having fundraising functions, volunteering to help out or simply donating money to subsidize them. Students in local Dixon schools are also profiting from the deeds that the organization makes. Young students have the ability to benefit from the club's volunteer eye screenings in schools, all free of charge. Organizations such as this club are vital parts in the community of Dixon, whether individuals acknowledge all that is being done for them by club members, or volunteers who are making charitable contributions, or simply just donating their time. It is a privilege to be able to have the support from service clubs. Volunteer hours and earnings that have been brought in from previous fundraising events have gone to around 40 different businesses and administrations, and 30-plus of those establishments support Dixon's youth and schools. All funds brought in due to fundraising and other events are purely used to finance any local establishments that have requested support. Since the club's inception on April 4, 1954, there have been hundreds of events hosted by the Dixon Lions Club, all to support local businesses and more. As the Dixon Lions Club celebrates its 70th year, the community of Dixon is thankful for the support they have brought to Dixon's residents. Without organizations such as the Lions Club, Dixon would not be the city it is today. ★



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For information on how the Dixon Chamber can help your business be more successful, call 707-678-2650 or email info@dixonchamber.org.
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Serving Up New Tennis Courts

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lower than competitors," according to the staff report. According to the public information officer, the upgrade comes when gratis city resources are very welcome. "The tennis courts are one of the many free amenities available in Hall Park," Graf said. "They offer a free place for individuals, families, and teams to gather and play."

Residents that play together stay together, according to Graf. "City recreational facilities, like the tennis courts, play a crucial role in fostering relationships and enriching the culture of a community," Graf said. "They offer residents a shared space where they can engage in physical activities, socialize and participate in events." ★

Students Get Journalism Lesson

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recalled. The Independent Voice Newspaper Editor also had a chance to make a guest presentation on "Developing Your Story." Myers was pleased with the students' outcomes and had previously contacted the Independent Voice about judging and publishing the best articles. In today's issue, the top two winners of

the seventh-grade class appear: "Dixon Lion's Club Celebrates 70th" by Audrey Dannenberg and "Bella Vista Farms" by Adrian Mendez. In next week's edition, the eighth-grade winners will be published. The kindergarten through eighth-grade school is located at 355 North Almond in Dixon and the phone number is 707-678-8953. ★

Dixon's Marianne Fernandez Named to Dean's List at Lehigh University

Merit Pages News Release
BETHLEHEM, PA (MPG) - Dean's List status, which is awarded to students who earned a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses, has been granted to Marianne Fernandez in the Spring 2024 semester. For more than 150 years, Lehigh University (lehigh.edu) has combined outstanding academic and learning opportunities with leadership

in fostering innovative research. The institution is among the nation's most selective, highly ranked private research universities. Lehigh's five colleges - College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business, College of Education, College of Health, and the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science - provide opportunities to 7,000+ students to discover and grow in an academically rigorous environment along with a supportive, engaged campus community. ★

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Councilmember Calls for Lawsuit

Story by Angela Underwood

DIXON, CA (MPG) - To be or not to be a City of Dixon legal challenge against the state of California is the question.

Councilmember Kevin Johnson made it very clear at the May 21 meeting that Dixon should not stand down against the California State Water Resources Control Board's April decision to adopt a maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10 for Chromium 6.

City Attorney Douglas White gave a quick rundown of the timeline before noting that Johnson wanted to have a "robust discussion" on potential legal challenges to the maximum contaminant level and the rulemaking associated with it; however, the rulemaking process is incomplete.

What is certain is that in October, the proposed regulations might be in effect, which will directly affect the City of Dixon's water system that contains natural levels of Chromium 6 above the proposed maximum contaminant level.

"Unless there is some legal challenge to stop it, the City of Dixon will wind up having to comply with the standard and it is just a question of how much the solution will wind up costing," White said.

Johnson noted that he "is not an attorney or engineer, but just someone who pays a water bill."

"When I start to talk about Chrom, I really have to control myself because I am passionate about my feelings and all the knowledge I have," Johnson said.

That knowledge entails high costs, and according to a staff analysis, "for a small water supplier like Dixon, the cost of compliance could raise costs for ratepayers by \$500, \$500 per year per household or more."

The naturally occurring component has been in the water all of the time, Johnson said, adding Dixon is not in a position to accept unfunded state mandates regarding Chromium 6, which might not even affect Dixon due to its size.

"I just think we should be doing everything we can, whether it results in funded mandate or grants that are created for smaller communities because it is way too much of a cost for something that is not proven on our water system that currently has 3,700 customers," Johnson said.

Councilman Jim Ernest remained cautious.

"I am not going to give the Jim Ernest stamp that you are not going to get cancer if you drink Chrom 6," Ernest said, adding he put a reverse osmosis system in his residence a few years ago. "I think it is important we explore this since Mr. Johnson made some good points."

Councilmember Don Hendershot disagreed.

"I think it is too early in the process; we need more facts. There are too many unknowns," Hendershot said.

Ernest emphasized the importance of transparency, saying, "We certainly do not want to hide it."

"I think we need to keep it separate from fixing our water," Ernest said, adding the unfunded state mandates are off the hook. "They are asking us to do so many things we can't afford to do as a city."

Mayor Steve Bird encouraged all the council members and the audience to contact Assemblywoman Lori Wilson about the proposed mandate.

"When I met with her last Friday, this is one of the things I hounded her on, and I said, 'You were a mayor, you came from a city that is now kind of in dire straits financially and you know what that feels like, so don't forget where you came from,'" Bird said referencing the congresswoman's stint in Suisun City.

In 2023, Dixon opposed the regulation through written communication to no avail. The proposed regulation, put in place in 2014 and overturned in 2017, requires that Dixon comply with the Chromium 6 MCL within three years of the effective regulation date.

"When you look at the national standard and what they are trying to do here in California, it is over the top and it is wrong," Johnson said of the present federal standard of 0.1 mg/l or 100 ppb.

City attorney White said there is no legal challenge to stay this and "the rates that are currently being adopted may have to be revisited."

Not if Johnson has anything to do with it.

"We are a feisty community and we stand up for ourselves, and it is not something I think we should just take," Johnson said, adding a grassroots campaign could help. ★

Persons listed in this log from the Dixon Police Department are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Only activities deemed significant by the Police Dept. are included.



DIXON POLICE LOG

Thursday, May 16, 2024

- 0825 - Temporary Restraining Order Violation arrest report was taken in the 800 block of Elm Drive. Officers contacted suspect Lori Rosenberger of Dixon. Rosenberger was arrested and taken to the Solano County Jail.
- 1025 - A restraining Order Violation report was taken in the 200 block of South 8th Street.
- 1359 - A vandalism report was taken in the 600 block of E A Street.
- 1400 - A Temporary Restraining Order report was taken at the Dixon Police Department.
- 1931 - Phone report in the 200 block of W A St of forgery and grand theft. The victim believes her ex-boyfriend stole a wedding ring, and cash, and forged a check.
- 1954 - Robbery report in the 1300 block of N Lincoln Street. Two juveniles physically battered a child to steal his basketball. Identification of the two juveniles is still pending.

Friday, May 17, 2024

- 1951 - William Slater (61) was located in the 700 block of W D Street South and placed under arrest for violation of a domestic violence restraining order. Slater was transported and booked into Solano County Jail without incident.
- 2322 - Information report in the 1100 block of Mulberry Lane.

Saturday, May 18, 2024

- 1050 - Theft report in the 400 block of Farmhouse Lane.
- 1130 - Assisted the Davis Police Department with locating a wanted subject.
- 1724 - Report of a stolen trailer in the 2000 block of N First Street.
- 2040 - Domestic violence report in the 1300 block of Valley Glen Drive.

Sunday, May 19, 2024

- 1221 - Theft of lawn furniture in the 2000 block of Prairie Way.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE DIXON PLANNING COMMISSION

The Dixon Planning Commission will hold a hybrid **PUBLIC HEARING** to consider the following project:

- PROJECT:** **TERMINATION OF DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT** (portion of APN 0111-080-290). The City of Dixon has received a request from the property owner to terminate a Development Agreement that applies to the property. The property is approximately 32 acres, generally located north of Vaughn Road, east of North First Street, and southeast of East Dorset Drive. The property is currently undeveloped and is not subject to any pending development applications. The Development Agreement is from 2008 and was executed with a prior developer of the property. The current property owner desires to terminate the Development Agreement and remove it from the title of the property. Development of the property is not proposed at this time. Termination of an effective Development Agreement is subject to review by the Planning Commission and the City Council. Termination of the Development Agreement is not subject to environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.
- HEARING DATE & LOCATION:** **Tuesday, June 11 at 7:00 p.m.** This meeting **will** be physically open to the public. All members of the public may participate in the meeting by attending the meeting or remotely participating via video conferencing at <http://www.zoom.us> or via teleconference by calling (669) 900-9128 (Entering Meeting ID: 988 621 1137 and Passcode: 604754) and will be given the opportunity to provide public comment.
- MORE INFORMATION:** Contact **Raffi Boloyan, Community Development Director** at **(707) 678-7000 x1114** or rboloyan@cityofdixon.us. You can also come to City Hall, 600 East A St., Dixon, CA 95620 to look at the file for the proposed project. The office is open weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can also view the staff report seventy-two (72) hours before the meeting at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/MeetingAgendasMinutesVideos>.
- WHAT WILL HAPPEN:** All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing to express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposed application. Testimony from interested persons will be heard and considered by the Planning Commission prior to making any decision on the application.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Prior to 4:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting, written comments can be: (1) emailed to PlanningCommission@cityofdixon.us or (2) mailed/dropped off to: City of Dixon, Planning Commission, 600 East A St., Dixon, CA 95620 and must be received by 4:30 p.m. on the day of the hearing. Copies of written comments received will be provided to the Planning Commission and will become part of the official record, but will not be read aloud at the meeting.
- You may also attend the public hearing at the time and location listed above or participate remotely, to provide comments during the meeting. To speak or provide comments remotely during public comment period, you may: (1) via video conferencing click on "raise hand," or (2) via teleconference press *9.

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55. Maintenance closet staple
57. *____ Rock of "Everybody Hates Chris"
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63. Golfer's sun protection
64. Aloha prop
66. Only daughter of Michael Jackson
68. Not active
69. Emergency Medical Services
70. In the cooler (2 words)
71. *Opie's father
72. Egyptian boy king, for short
73. Button on electrical outlet

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24. Medicated shampoo ingredient (2 words)
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33. ***"National Lampoon" father
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-000683
The following persons are doing business as: Hive and Honey Creative Studio, 855 Sievers Way, Dixon, CA 95620.
Khylia Tiffany, 855 Sievers Way, Dixon, CA 95620.
Date filed in Solano County: April 24, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920 A Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the county clerk, except as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of registered owner. A new fictitious Business name statement must be filed before the expiration May 6, 2029. The filing of this statement does not itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 ET SEQ., business, and professions code.)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-000758
The following persons are doing business as: Itzys Home Investment LLC, 525 Yardley Drive, Dixon, CA 95620.
Itzys Home Investment LLC, 525 Yardley Drive, Dixon, CA 95620.
Date filed in Solano County: May 7, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920 A Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the county clerk, except as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of registered owner. A new fictitious Business name statement must be filed before the expiration May 6, 2029. The filing of this statement does not itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 ET SEQ., business, and professions code.)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-000734
The following persons are doing business as: Les Papillons LLC, 721 Tregaskis Avenue, Vallejo, CA 94591.
Les Papillons LLC, 721 Tregaskis Avenue, Vallejo, CA 94591.
Date filed in Solano County: May 3, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920 A Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the county clerk, except as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of registered owner. A new fictitious Business name statement must be filed before the expiration May 6, 2029. The filing of this statement does not itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 ET SEQ., business, and professions code.)
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This public notice is a revised notice to that which was published in the May 10, 2024, Independent Voice newspaper. The dates for the review period and meeting have changed, as noted in revised noticing below:

REVISED NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY / NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE CAMPUS PROJECT IN CITY OF DIXON

Date:	May 24, 2024
To:	Responsible/Trustee Agencies, Other Public Agencies, Advocacy Groups and Interested Parties:
Project Title:	The Campus Project
Project Location:	The Project site is +/- 260 acres located south of Interstate 80 (I-80), immediately west of Pedrick Rd within the City of Dixon, Solano County. (APN#s 0111-040-010, -020, -030, -040, and 0111-080-050)
Lead Agency:	City of Dixon
State Clearinghouse No.:	2023080739
Public Review Period:	45 days, May 24, 2024 to July 9, 2024 at 5 p.m.
Public Meeting for Oral Comments	Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 7 p.m. (Both In person and Online via Zoom (see page 2 for information))
Contact (for question or submitting comments):	Brian Millar, Contract Planner City of Dixon Community Development Department 600 East A St. Dixon, CA 95620 (530) 902-9218 or bmillar@cityofdixon.us

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Dixon, as Lead Agency, completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the project described below. The Draft EIR is being made available to the public in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for a 45-day comment period. Written comments on the Draft EIR may be submitted to the mailing or email address listed above. All comments must be received no later than 5:00 PM on July 9, 2024.

The City will provide written responses to all comments received by the end of the public review period. Comments and responses will be included in the Final EIR and provided to the City of Dixon Planning Commission and City Council for their consideration, along with the City’s consideration of action on the project applications.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Campus project site is comprised of five parcels and contains a total of 260 +/- acres. The project site is located adjacent to Pedrick Road near Interstate 80 (I-80) at the eastern edge of the City’s Northeast Quadrant Specific Plan (NEQSP) and comprises nearly 40 percent of the NEQSP plan’s total 643+/- acres. The Campus proposes a mixed-use development planned to implement the intent of the City’s recently created Campus Mixed Use General Plan designation “... to foster new mixed employment districts with a range of job-generating uses, housing, and easy access to the regional transportation network.” The proposed project would consist of a phased, mixed-use development that includes an approximately 48-acre Dixon Opportunity Center (DOC) with up to 660,000 sq ft of technology, business park and light industrial uses, approximately 144 acres of residential uses composed of low, medium and high density residential housing (up to 1,041 units), approximately 2.5 acres of commercial uses, an approximately 25 acre retention basin, and associated parks, paseos, utilities, and other infrastructure improvements.

The high-density residential site would be located contiguous to the DOC, and adjacent residential uses. A service commercial site would be located in the southeast corner of the DOC and adjacent to the high-density residential site. The southern portion of the site would consist of medium density and low-density residential uses.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The project level Draft EIR analyzes potentially significant impacts associated with approval and implementation of The Campus project. The Draft EIR evaluates the full range of environmental issues contemplated under CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines as set forth in CEQA Guidelines Appendix G. The Draft EIR provides an evaluation of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project and recommends mitigation measures to reduce impacts to a less-than-significant level.

With the implementation of the mitigation measures proposed in the DEIR the following environmental impacts would be reduced to a less-than-significant level; Aesthetics (*Impact 3.1-3*), Biological Resources (*Impacts 3.4-4, 3.4-7 & 3.4-11 and Cumulative Impact 3.4-12*), Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources (*Impacts 3.5-1, 3.5-2, 3.5-3 & 3.5-4 and Cumulative Impact 3.5-5*), Geology, Soils, and Seismicity (*Impact 3.7-5 and Cumulative Impact 3.7-10*), and *Land Use (Impact 3.11-3)*.

However, implementation of the project would result in significant and unavoidable environmental impacts to the following; Agricultural Resources (*Impacts 3.2-1 and Cumulative Impact 3.2-3*), Air Quality (*Impacts 3.3-1, 3.3-2 & 3.3-4 and Cumulative Impacts 3.3-6 & 3.3-8*) and Transportation (*Impact 3.15-2 and Cumulative Impact 3.15-5*).

PUBLIC REVIEW: The Draft EIR has been prepared in accordance with Section 15084 of the CEQA Guidelines and will be circulated for a 45-day review period during which your written comments regarding the adequacy of the environmental analysis in the Draft EIR are welcomed. The Draft EIR comment period will be from **May 24, 2024 through July 9, 2024**.

Printed copies of the Draft EIR are available for review during the public review period at (technical appendices are available at web site link below):

- Dixon City Hall – 600 East A St, Dixon, CA 95620
- Dixon Public Library – 230 N 1st St, Dixon, CA 95620

Electronic versions of the Draft EIR (including its technical appendices) can also be accessed at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/environmentalreviewdocuments> under “The Campus/Dixon 257” heading.

PUBLIC MEETING ON DRAFT EIR: During the 45-day public review period, the City of Dixon will host a public meeting so community members may learn more about The Campus project and provide input on the adequacy of the environmental analysis in the Draft EIR. This public meeting will be held on **Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**, during the regular Dixon Planning Commission meeting. This meeting will be physically open to the public. The meeting will be physically open to the public and all persons attending the meeting must abide by all State rules and public health guidelines, regarding masking and social distancing in City Council chambers. All members of the public may participate in the meeting by attending the meeting in person or remotely participating via video conferencing, as follows:

**The Campus Draft EIR Public Meeting
Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**

Join In Person
Dixon City Council Chambers
600 East A St
Dixon, CA 95620

Join Via Zoom Video Conferencing
www.zoom.com
Meeting ID: 988 621 1137
Passcode: 604754

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Meeting ID: 988 621 1137
Passcode: 604754

*To speak or provide comments **remotely** during public comment period, you may click on “raise hand via video conferencing*

*To speak or provide comments **remotely** during public comment period, you may press *9 via teleconference*

It is **strongly** suggested that even if oral comments are made during the public meeting, written comments be submitted by the method noted below.

COMMENTS ON DRAFT EIR: Your written comments on the adequacy of the environmental analysis in the DEIR must be sent at the earliest possible date, but no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 9, 2024. Written comments on the adequacy of the Draft EIR can be made to:

City of Dixon
Community Development Department
Attn: Brian Millar, Contract Planner
600 East A St.
Dixon, CA 95620
bmillar@cityofdixon.us (If emailing, please include “The Campus DEIR comments” in subject line)

NEXT STEPS: Following the close of the public review period, all comments will be reviewed and responded to and a Final EIR will be prepared. The Final EIR along with the applications will then be considered by the Planning Commission and City Council at duly noticed public hearings for action.

MORE INFORMATION: Project materials, information, studies and all CEQA related materials can be viewed on the City’s web site at <http://www.cityofdixon.us/environmentalreviewdocuments> under the heading of “The Campus/Dixon 257.”

For more information, please contact Brian Millar, Contract Planner for the City of Dixon, at bmillar@cityofdixon.us or (530) 902-9218.

A staff report will be prepared prior to the Planning Commission meeting, summarizing the Draft EIR and EIR process, including any written comments received to date. The staff report will be available 72 hours before the July 9, 2024 Planning Commission meeting at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/MeetingAgendasMinutesVideos> then clicking on the Planning Commission agenda link.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE DIXON PLANNING COMMISSION

The Dixon Planning Commission will hold a hybrid **PUBLIC HEARING** to consider the following project:

PROJECT:

121 West A Street (Downtown Classic Tattoos) - Request for a Conditional Use Permit (UP24-04) to operate a tattoo shop within the existing commercial building. The property had previously been occupied by Dixon Haircuts, which operated there from 1992 until last year. The space is located between Bud's Pub and Grill (100 South 1st Street) and the Dixon Historical Society, aka the Dixon History Museum (125 West A Street), the 300 square foot space would accommodate a maximum of two tattoo stations. The use is proposed to operate 7 days per week, from 12:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Pursuant to Dixon Municipal Code Section 18.09.030G, this type of business is a conditionally permitted use in the Downtown Commercial zoning district. This application is subject to the prior Zoning Ordinance, as it was deemed complete prior to the enactment of the new Zoning ordinance. The new Zoning ordinance, however, also identifies tattoo shops as a conditionally permitted use; Zoning District: Downtown Mixed Use (DMX); Zachary Tomellaso, owner, Jerred Powell, applicant; File No: PA24-17, UP24-04

The California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) requires that this project be reviewed to determine if a study of potential environmental effects is required. It has been determined that this project will not have a significant effect on the environment and no environmental review will be completed. This project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption from the provisions of the CEQA Guidelines under 14 CRR Section 15301, [Class 1; e.g., Existing Facilities]. If the Planning Commission determines that this project is in an environmentally-sensitive area, further study may be required.

HEARING DATE & LOCATION:

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm. This meeting **will** be physically open to the public. All members of the public may participate in the meeting by attending the meeting or remotely participating via video conferencing at <http://www.zoom.us> or via teleconference by calling (669) 900-9128 (Entering Meeting ID: 988 621 1137 and Passcode: 604754) and will be given the opportunity to provide public comment.

MORE INFORMATION:

Contact **Scott Greeley, Associate Planner** at (707) 678-7000 ext. 1115 or sgreeley@cityofdixon.us. You can also come to City Hall, 600 East A St, Dixon, CA 95620 to look at the file for the proposed project. The office is open weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can also view the staff report 72 hours before the meeting at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/MeetingAgendasMinutesVideos>.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN:

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing to express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposed application. Testimony from interested persons will be heard and considered by the Planning Commission prior to making any decision on the application.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Prior to 4:30pm on the day of the meeting, written comments can be: 1) emailed to PlanningCommission@cityofdixon.us or 2) mailed/dropped off to: City of Dixon, Planning Commission, 600 East A St, Dixon, CA 95620 and must be received by 4:30pm on the day of the hearing. Copies of written comments received will be provided to the Planning Commission and will become part of the official record, but will not be read aloud at the meeting.

You may also attend the public hearing at the time and location listed above or participate remotely, to provide comments during the meeting. To speak or provide comments remotely during public comment period, you may: 1) via video conferencing click on “raise hand,” or 2) via teleconference press *9.

At the above time and place, all letters received will be noted and all interested parties will be heard. If you challenge in court the matter described above, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered at, or prior to, the above referenced public hearing (Government Code Section 65009 (b)(2)).

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Signed/Title:
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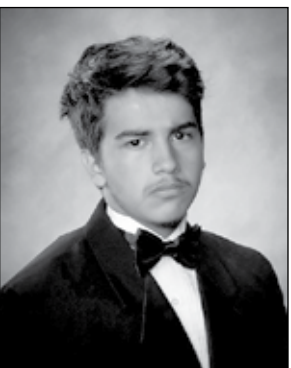
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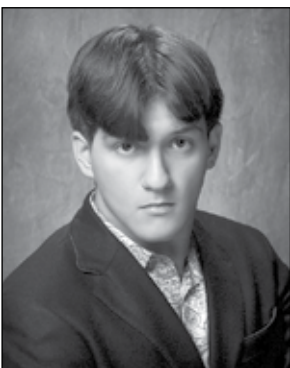
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