



**CITY MANAGER
COMMENTS**

April 7, 2025

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TRANSITION TO PALOALTO.GOV



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- The City will transition to its official website URL to **www.PaloAlto.gov** this week on April 9 to comply with California State law.
- We're making the switch seamless by automatically redirecting visitors to the new URL. City email addresses and the new PaloAlto.Gov URL will be transitioning together.
- This transition will provide:
 - Enhanced cybersecurity
 - Reinforce trust in the City's online presence
 - Increase the website's visibility and SEO
- We are encouraging the public to revise saved or bookmarked links, though not urgent or required at this time, as existing cityofpaloalto.org web addresses will continue to function for some time.



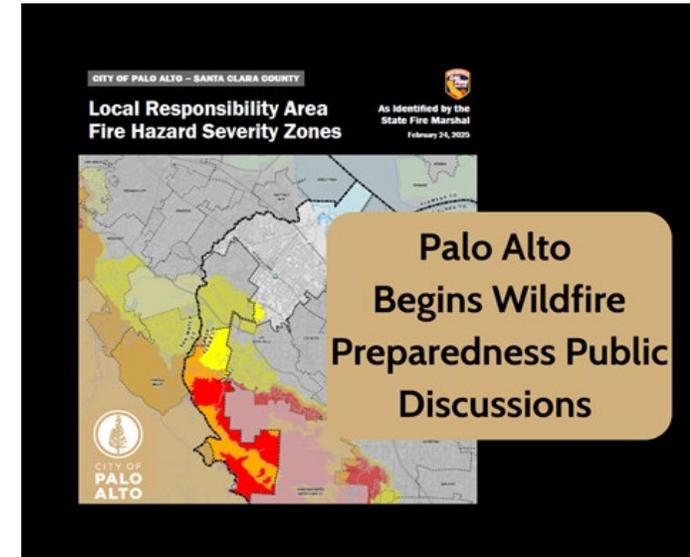
Learn more at www.cityofpaloalto.org/newurl

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WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS



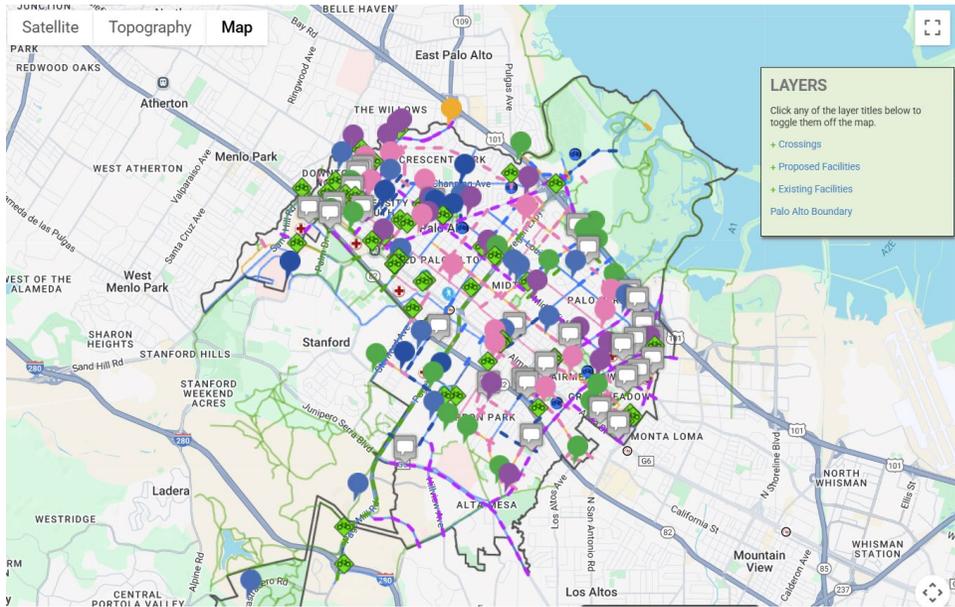
- A series of public engagement and meetings are underway now through June to raise awareness of local wildfire risks and the importance of wildfire preparedness.
- The community is invited to participate to understand actions being taken by the City as well as individual actions to prepare:
 - A 30-day public comment period is open to review the **Fire Hazard Severity Zone map** for our community closes April 26.
 - Policy and Services Committee will discuss and review **Emergency Preparedness -Wildfire Audit** tomorrow, April 8.
 - Additional Council discussions planned in June



Learn more at www.cityofpaloalto.org/wildfirediscussions

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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ENGAGEMENT



- Share feedback on two transportation planning efforts, both online engagements close April 30:
- Share feedback to help inform the Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan update. Learn more at www.cityofpaloalto.org/BPTP
- A new online survey was launched last week to gain input on preferred bicycle and pedestrian rail crossing locations, designs, and improvements in south Palo Alto. More at www.cityofpaloalto.org/bikepedcrossings

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QUIET ZONE STUDIES UNDERWAY

- The City is pursuing approval to implement quiet zones at all the railroad crossings in Palo Alto, with Quiet Zone implementation underway at the Palo Alto Avenue/Alma Street crossing.
- A Quiet Zone Study to determine the necessary improvements for establishing a Quiet Zone at the Churchill Avenue, Meadow Drive, and Charleston Road Caltrain corridor crossings is also underway.
- A community meeting is planned at Palo Alto City Hall in the Community Meeting Room on Wednesday, April 16 at 6 p.m.
- Input will inform recommendations going to the Rail Committee and City Council later this year.



Learn more at www.cityofpaloalto.org/QuietZoneStudy

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- Our popular free Earth Day Festival is back this year on Sunday, April 27 from 1-4 p.m. at the Art Center.
- Gain resources to take climate action and support our 80x30 S/CAP goals:
 - Expert advice about home electrification, water conservation, and more
 - Fun offerings from library storytimes, trivia games to plant giveaways, youth sustainability networking, guided garden tours, and hang out with Sequoia the Bald Eagle and Animal Control's gopher snake
 - Sign the Planet Protection Pledge and learn about City careers

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NOTABLE TENTATIVE UPCOMING COUNCIL ITEMS



April 14

- Downtown Parking Garage Design
- 70 Encina Housing Development
- Fair Chance Rental Protection Policy

April 21

- Independent Police Auditor Semi-Annual Meeting
- Cubberley Site Direction on Community Poll
- Turf Study Scope

May 5

- FY 2026 Proposed Budget Release
- Gas, Cap and Trade Revenue Use Strategy
- 4075 El Camino Way

May 12 & Beyond

- FY 2026 Proposed Budget Study Session
- Housing Element Programs
- ADU Ordinance Adjustments
- 788 and 800 San Antonio Prescreening
- Downtown Housing Plan
- Wireless Communications
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan Study Session

SHARE INPUT & STAY INFORMED

City Manager Comments Survey:

Cityofpaloalto.org/citymanagerupdates

Gain Emergency Alerts & Other Updates:

Cityofpaloalto.org/connect

Sign Up for City Updates at:

CityofPaloAlto.org/NewsletterSignUp

City Calendar of Events and Meetings:

CityofPaloAlto.org/Calendar



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