

CITY COUNCIL CONNECT



Welcome to this week's update! As we continue to navigate through our ongoing projects and initiatives, let's take a moment to highlight some key developments this week.

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Upcoming Events

August 9 - 15, 2026

Event/Location

Date/Time

Community Services Commission Meeting

Council Chambers,
1424 Mission St.

August 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Council Chambers,
1424 Mission St.

August 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Public Works Infrastructure Commission Meeting

Council Chambers,
1424 Mission St.

August 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Public Library,
1100 Oxley St.

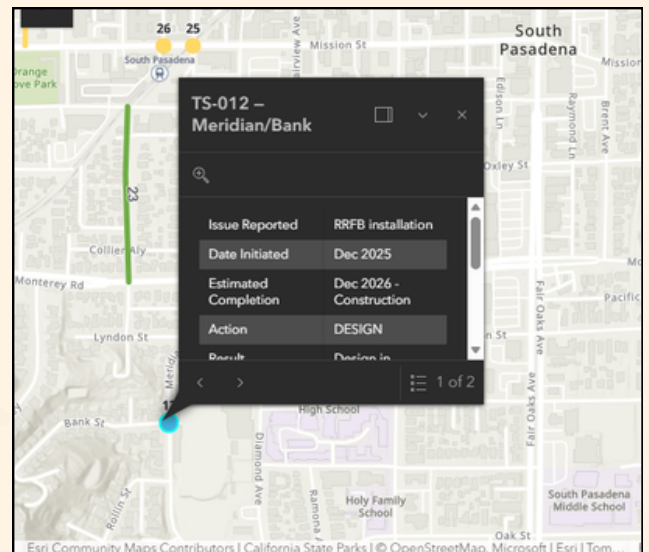
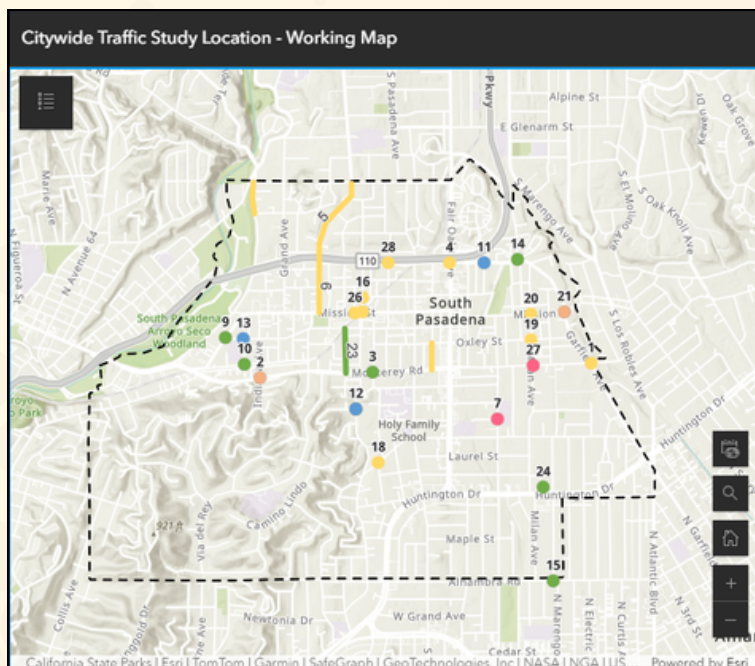
August 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Traffic Study Online Map: See How the City is Addressing Traffic Hotspots

As part of the City's commitment to improving traffic safety, staff have developed a traffic study tracker that identifies the most frequently reported intersections and road segments throughout South Pasadena. Staff are carefully reviewing each report and evaluating what changes are needed to make these locations safer.

To keep the process transparent, the interactive map pinpoints each hotspot location with helpful details such as the date the report was received, the type of traffic study underway, its current status, the results once completed, an estimated completion date, and the associated cost of improvements.

View the interactive map on the City's website:
southpasadenaca.gov/traffic-safety



Apply for City Permits Online!

The City of South Pasadena Community Development and Public Works Departments are proud to announce the introduction of a new and improved online building, planning, and public works permitting system for residents and contractors. In partnership with OpenGov, the website is now live for permit submittal.

The new system allows users to seamlessly apply for all permits offered under the Community Development and Public Works umbrella, including building, temporary use permits, tree trimming, planning entitlements, and more.

To apply for a permit, please visit the portal at www.southpasadenaca.portal.opengov.com/

City staff are available during regular business hours to help in-person or over the phone to residents and contractors needing assistance applying for permits through the system. For assistance, visit South Pasadena City Hall, located at 1414 Mission Street, or contact the front desk at (626) 403-7200.

My Gym at the Library

Thanks to My Gym Pasadena for hosting a lively toddler fitness class with bubbles, puppets, and jumping! Nearly 160 kids and their caregivers attended this fun filled event at the library last month and received a coupon for a free My Gym class.

Local History Preservation Update

Library intern Jocelyn Magsumbol continues to make valuable contributions to the Library's Local History Collection by organizing our Flat Files, a collection of oversized local history materials that cannot be stored in standard archival boxes, and creating an accompanying index of records. This will assist in long-term preservation and improve the accessibility and discoverability of these archival resources. In addition to her archival work, Jocelyn is assisting with the repair and mending of library materials, helping to extend the lifespan of the Library's circulating collection.

Summer Events in Garfield Park

RECAP: Concerts in the Park: Sangria

The Community Services Department welcomed approximately 350 attendees to Garfield Park on Sunday, August 2, for another successful Summer Concerts in the Park performance featuring the Latin band Sangria. Families and residents enjoyed an evening of live music, dancing, and community gathering as part of the City's annual summer concert series.



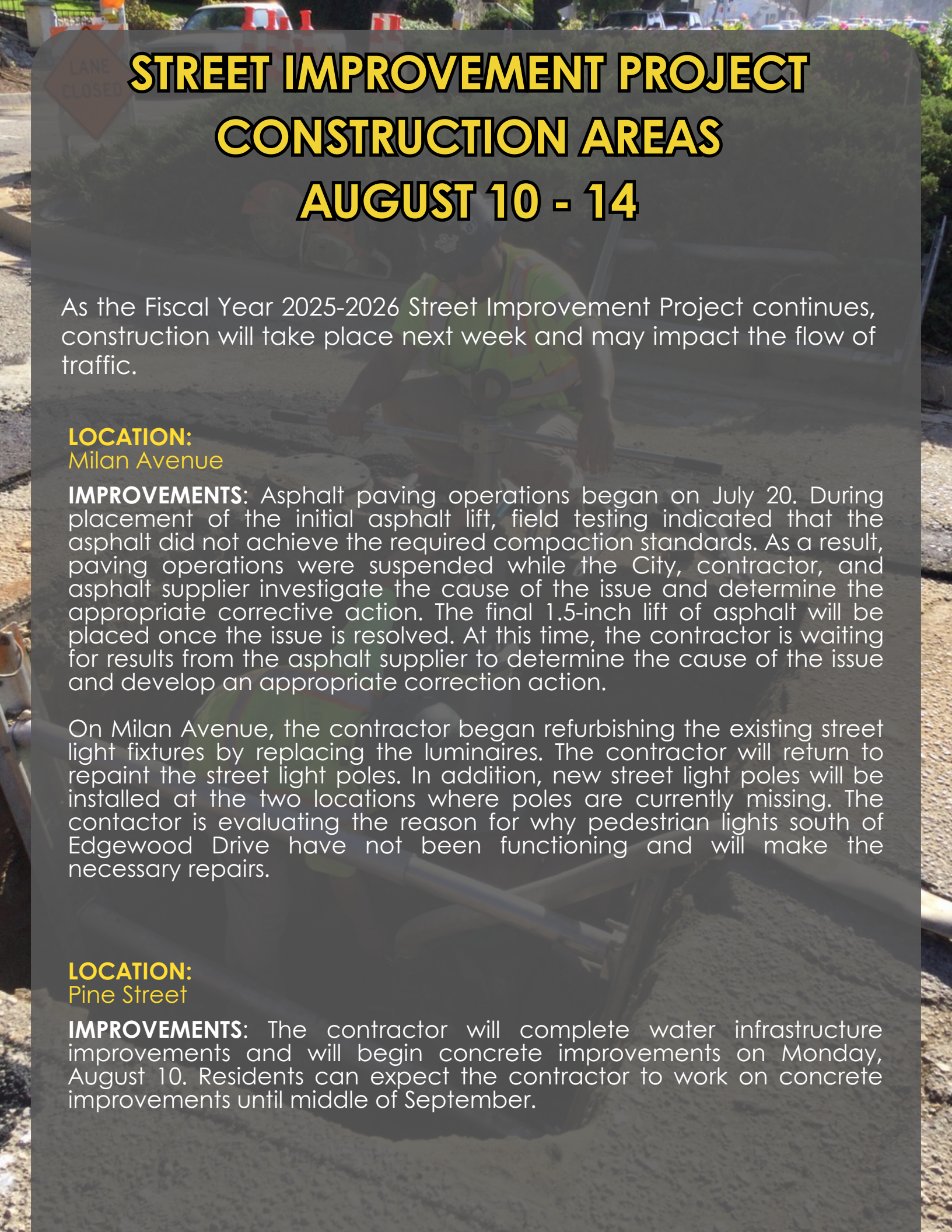
UPCOMING: Movies in the Park: Disney/Pixar's Cars

Community Services invites residents to Garfield Park this Friday, August 7, for the final Movies in the Park event of the summer featuring Disney/Pixar's Cars. This year's event will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Historic Route 66 with several themed activities for families to enjoy before the movie begins at dusk.

Activities will begin at 6:00 p.m. and include a Route 66 license plate craft, slot car racing, a themed photo opportunity, and giveaways. Kona Ice will also be on-site with refreshments, and free popcorn will be available while supplies last.

UPCOMING: Concerts in the Park: The New Romantics

The final concert of the season will take place on Sunday, August 16, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., featuring The New Romantics, a Taylor Swift tribute band. Community members are invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic dinners for one final evening of free live entertainment in Garfield Park.



STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

CONSTRUCTION AREAS

AUGUST 10 - 14

As the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Street Improvement Project continues, construction will take place next week and may impact the flow of traffic.

LOCATION: Milan Avenue

IMPROVEMENTS: Asphalt paving operations began on July 20. During placement of the initial asphalt lift, field testing indicated that the asphalt did not achieve the required compaction standards. As a result, paving operations were suspended while the City, contractor, and asphalt supplier investigate the cause of the issue and determine the appropriate corrective action. The final 1.5-inch lift of asphalt will be placed once the issue is resolved. At this time, the contractor is waiting for results from the asphalt supplier to determine the cause of the issue and develop an appropriate correction action.

On Milan Avenue, the contractor began refurbishing the existing street light fixtures by replacing the luminaires. The contractor will return to repaint the street light poles. In addition, new street light poles will be installed at the two locations where poles are currently missing. The contractor is evaluating the reason for why pedestrian lights south of Edgewood Drive have not been functioning and will make the necessary repairs.

LOCATION: Pine Street

IMPROVEMENTS: The contractor will complete water infrastructure improvements and will begin concrete improvements on Monday, August 10. Residents can expect the contractor to work on concrete improvements until middle of September.

LOCATION:

Maple Street (Meridian Avenue to Huntington Drive)

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LOCATION:

Arroyo Verde

IMPROVEMENTS: Improvements include continued potholing to prepare for water main line infrastructure installation.



Visit the project webpage at
www.southpasadenaca.gov/street-improvement-project
to read progress updates, construction schedule, project
background, and more.

Public Works Project Updates

Pothole Repairs

This week, staff filled 9 potholes on Oak Street between Fremont Avenue and Meridian Avenue.



Sidewalk Repairs

Staff completed a sidewalk concrete removal and replacement at 95 Columbia Street. The crew removed the damaged concrete, prepared the area, and set forms on Monday, August 3. The new concrete was poured on Tuesday, August 4.



Street Striping

Staff restriped the Route 66 logo on southbound Fremont Avenue adjacent to the pharmacy building.

