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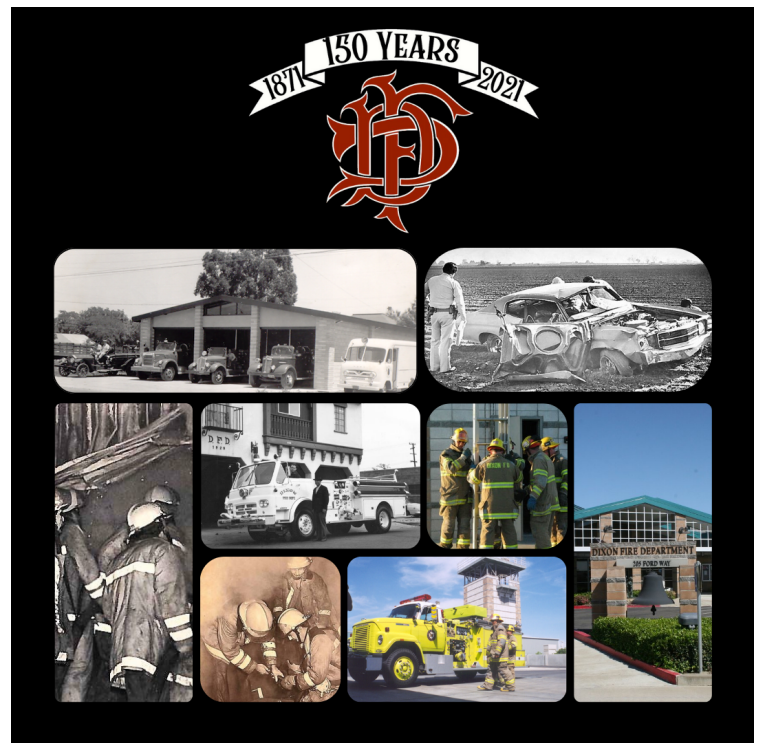
DIXON FIRE CELEBRATES 150 YEARS OF SERVICE

The Dixon Fire Department celebrated their 150th anniversary and Fire Prevention Week with an open house on Saturday, October 9.

Established in 1871, the Department has a long tradition of serving and protecting the Dixon community. The Department continues this today by providing a full range of emergency services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Department serves a combined population of nearly 25,000, covering an area of 320 square miles. Seven square miles of service area are within the city limits and 313 are in the Dixon Fire Protection District through a protection contract.

The Department provides fire protection, paramedic level emergency medical response, fire prevention services, public fire safety education, fire investigations, and emergency management.

For more information on the Department, visit their [Facebook page](#) or [website](#).





NEW PLAYGROUND INSTALLED AT NORTHWEST PARK

There is a new playground at Northwest Park! Stop by and enjoy the new play structure.

The City would like to thank the California Department of Parks and Recreation for providing grant funding for this project.



FALL RECREATION

The Senior/Multi-use Center (SMUC) has reopened! SMUC is open Monday-Friday from 9:00a.m.-2:30p.m. Check out the current senior calendar of events on our website: <https://www.cityofdixon.us/sruc>

This year the City is partnering with the National Academy of Athletics to offer a new Hoop Group Basketball League and camps. The camps are available during Thanksgiving and Winter Breaks. The League will run from January 15-March 5, 2022. Visit our website for more information or to register: <https://www.cityofdixon.us/rec>



WATER PROFESSIONALS APPRECIATION WEEK

Did you know there are two water providers in the City of Dixon? Both the City of Dixon and California Water Services serve Dixon residents. The City's Water Operations Division serves over 3,100 connections including residences and businesses within the city limits.

Last month, we celebrated Water Professionals Appreciation Week, and would like to thank our staff who work hard on a daily basis to maintain and provide clean, safe and reliable water!

As many are aware, drought and fire dangers continue to grow more severe and remain a concern. The City of Dixon is committed to ensuring we maintain clean, safe, and reliable water for our local residents, businesses and first responders, without interference from the State and its increasingly expensive, cumbersome regulations on cities like Dixon.

Dixon must do its part to ensure that local control of our own local water services and needs are not negatively affected. A properly maintained and functioning water system is necessary to meet these needs, yet as independent analysis has shown, the City's aging water system is inadequate.

This is why we want to hear from you. Please tell us your priorities for keeping Dixon's water clean and safe now and for future generations. To provide your input on the future of Dixon's water system and learn more, visit: <https://www.cityofdixon.us/cleanwater>

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

GENERAL PLAN 2040

In May, the City Council adopted the Dixon General Plan 2040. Adoption of the General Plan was the culmination of an eight year long process, that went through some starts and stops.

The General Plan is the policy document that guides the growth and development of the City over the next 20 years. It is required by law in the state of California, and identifies current and future needs regarding land use, transportation, housing, open space, conservation, safety, noise, and environmental justice.

To help inform the General Plan, the City collected survey responses from over 600 residents, held multiple community workshops, formed a General Plan Advisory Committee and held numerous meetings with the Planning Commission and City Council.

To view the full adopted plan, visit the City's website: <https://www.cityofdixon.us/GeneralPlan>. You can also view staff reports and other documents from the update process at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/generalplanupdate>

With the recent adoption of the General Plan, the City will next be embarking on two long range planning initiatives, including updates to the City's Housing Element, Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map.

HOUSING ELEMENT

The Housing Element is one of the required chapters in a City's General Plan and is required to be updated every eight years. The current housing element was not included in the general plan update because it is valid from 2015-2023.

As we near the end of term for the current Housing Element, the City is initiating the update for the next eight year period (2023-2031). This update process will commence in Fall 2021 and is anticipated to be completed by Summer 2023.

The City has partnered with multiple other cities in Solano County to hire a single firm to assist with the update, which allows for greater efficiencies and cost savings to the cities. Placeworks has been selected as the consultant to lead this effort.

If you are interested in learning more about the Housing Element update and receiving notification of upcoming workshops or meetings, please email planningdepartmentlist@cityofdixon.us and include "Housing Element notification list" in the subject line and your contact information.



ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAP UPDATE

The City's Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map are out of date. A comprehensive update and reorganization are necessary to bring them up to date and ensure consistency with the new General Plan.

The Zoning Ordinance is a day-to-day planning tool that implements the policies of the General Plan and establishes the specific development regulations for use (allowable use types) and development of a property (i.e. setbacks, height, parking, fence standards, etc.).

In July, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit proposals from qualified firms to prepare the update. Six proposals were received, reviewed and ranked. In October, the City finalized an agreement with Miller Planning Associates and work on the update has started.

If you are interested in learning more about the Zoning Ordinance update and receiving notification of upcoming workshops or meetings, please email planningdepartmentlist@cityofdixon.us and include "Zoning Ordinance update notification list" in the subject line and your contact information.

IN THE COMMUNITY

NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

The City commemorated the National Day of Service and Remembrance on September 11 by hosting a Volunteer Day and a concert by the US Air Force Band of the Golden West. Thank you to all who joined us in these events!



CALIFORNIA COASTAL CLEANUP DAY

In September, the City celebrated the 37th Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day. Thank you to all of the volunteers who attended the City's event at Valley Glen and Industrial Ponds- together we collected over 500 pounds of trash!



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

On Tuesday, August 3, the City joined two neighborhood block parties to celebrate the 38th Annual National Night Out (NNO). K-9 Maverick even joined in on the fun! NNO is an annual crime and drug prevention event, celebrated in over 17,000 communities.

