

## **LMD and Glen Cove Parkway ... A Progress Report with the Public Works Department By Ward Stewart and Dennis Albright, and Neal Zimmerman**



*“When will you be done?” yelled a Glen Cove resident through his open car window as he drove by the parkway median strip. “Tomorrow,” replied Sergio, foreman for Brightview Landscape Company, with a sarcastic smile.*

*The frustration heard in the voice of the passerby is shared by many of us. The renovation of the first phase of the parkway was supposed to have been completed months ago. In addition, the condition of the parkway median that is not part of the renovation has been very poor.*

*A couple months ago members of the Glen Cove Community Association (GCCA) complained about overgrown weeds on the median and Brightview workers came in with weed whackers and cut them down. It looked good for a week or two until the weeds regrew with a vengeance. The median strip has been an eyesore ever since (until a few days ago when the weed whackers returned).*

*In early June the Landscape Maintenance District (LMD) Committee of the GCCA sent an email expressing our frustrations with both the progress of the renovation and the general maintenance of the parkway to Terrance Davis, Public Works Director for the City of Vallejo. Mr. Davis replied immediately that he wanted to come to Glen Cove to meet with us onsite once his budget work was completed. He suggested we meet in late June or early July.*

*Since that time progress has been made including the pouring of a new curb that extends the median strip to Robles Drive, the completion of pressure testing the main irrigation lines, and the installation of laterals that will eventually water the new plants.*

*The meeting with Mr. Davis, two of his staff, and Vallejo City Councilmember Mina Diaz, took place on July 7th. After introductions and a discussion of the goals for the meeting, the group took a ride to view some of the troubled areas. After driving along South Regatta Drive the dying redwood trees were pointed out. We continued along North Regatta Drive and saw the nearly non-existent maintenance on that street of the LMD area near the parkway. The group drove up the parkway noting that the median had just had many weeds cut back but that there were plenty of plants along the sides that were dead or dying.*

*We returned to the meeting room to discuss the steps the City of Vallejo would take to improve the maintenance moving forward. We learned that the City had withheld payment to Brightview until more work was done. We also learned that the City terminated the landscape contract with the firm working in Hiddenbrooke.*

*Mr. Davis told us that with the lifting of the City's hiring freeze that there would be more staff to oversee the work. The weed abatement for fire suppression was nearly complete and this would allow more Brightview staff to devote their energies to the renovation and maintenance. They stated that they met weekly with Brightview supervisors to obtain work schedules and review progress reports.*

*We were told that City staff were not entirely happy with the new curb that was installed by Robles Way and that corrective measures would have to be taken. They informed us that the pressure testing of all irrigation pipes was complete, the laterals were being installed, and that new plants had been purchased. Brightview would be planting the new vegetation soon and would be responsible for the care and maintenance of the plants for twelve months.*

*We, GCCA LMD committee members, felt that Mr. Davis and his staff acknowledged problem areas and were open to our concerns. We believe that there has been an increased level of activity since we scheduled the meeting with Mr. Davis and we are optimistic that it will continue. We would like to express our appreciation to Councilmember Mina Diaz for attending the meeting and showing sincere interest in Glen Cove's issues.*



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## Letter from the President I'd Have Preferred the *Old Normal* but...

I really liked the "old normal," but this "new normal" is looking better.

When I became President of the Glen Cove Community Association, my first event was hosting "Candidates Night" for the three Solano County Supervisor candidates at Glen Cove Elementary. About 45 days later, we all began using Zoom.

Although we are not 100% out of the Covid 19 woods, Californians have done a great job of masking and distancing and vaccinating. Everyone helped and Glen Cove residents did their part too. We can be cautiously optimistic that seeing friends and family in person is safe, and that now opens the door to regaining our lives.



Neal Zimmerman,  
GCCA President

It also means that the Glen Cove Community Association is restarting some of the exciting events many of us have missed.

### [The Garage Sale is back!](#)

You have hopefully heard by now that our enormously popular Garage Sale is back and will take place on Saturday, July 24.

The Garage Sale leadership team has developed plans to make this event safer for buyers and sellers as well as creating a large turnout to make it be a successful day for everyone. Please see their suggestions about masks and social

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distancing so everyone can feel safe and have a great time.

Reminder: the GCCA creates a neighborhood map for the garage sale that lists all of the homes of Glen Cove Community Association members that are participating.

GCCA volunteers hand out the maps in the Safeway parking lot on the morning of the garage sale that helps shoppers find you.

**GCCA members receive a free listing! Let us know you want to be on the map!**

New and renewing GCCA members are eligible for this useful free listing on the map.

Please become a GCCA member or renew your membership by visiting our website at **GlenCoveVallejo.com**.

There is a convenient PayPal sign-up with an option for yearly autopay of only \$20 for an annual membership.

## **"National Night Out" is back!**

"National Night Out" is set for Tuesday, August 3rd.

GCCA Board members coordinated six fun ["National Night Out" events in 2019!](#)

Great food, neighbors chatting, kids having their pictures taken on a Vallejo Fire Department truck, and folks chatting with Vallejo police officers. It's a great time for all.

If your own development does not have a "National Night Out" plan, no worries. Join the Glen Cove Community Association gathering at the beautiful Glen Cove Waterfront Park with your friends and family. Its open to everyone. Bring a picnic dinner and some comfortable chairs and/or blankets. There is plenty of room to spread out and let the kids play.

## **We want to have a Fall Community meeting**

The Vallejo City Unified School District has not yet given a green light to renting the Glen Cove Elementary multi-purpose room yet. There are so many things to talk about. We'll keep you informed.

## **Some terrific new community reps have joined the GCCA Board**

We'd like even more participation.

There are so many interesting people in Glen Cove.

Maybe you'd like to write a newsletter story about an interesting person in your neighborhood. We can help you!

Please email me at: [Glencovevallejo@gmail.com](mailto:Glencovevallejo@gmail.com) and we can discuss something that interests you.

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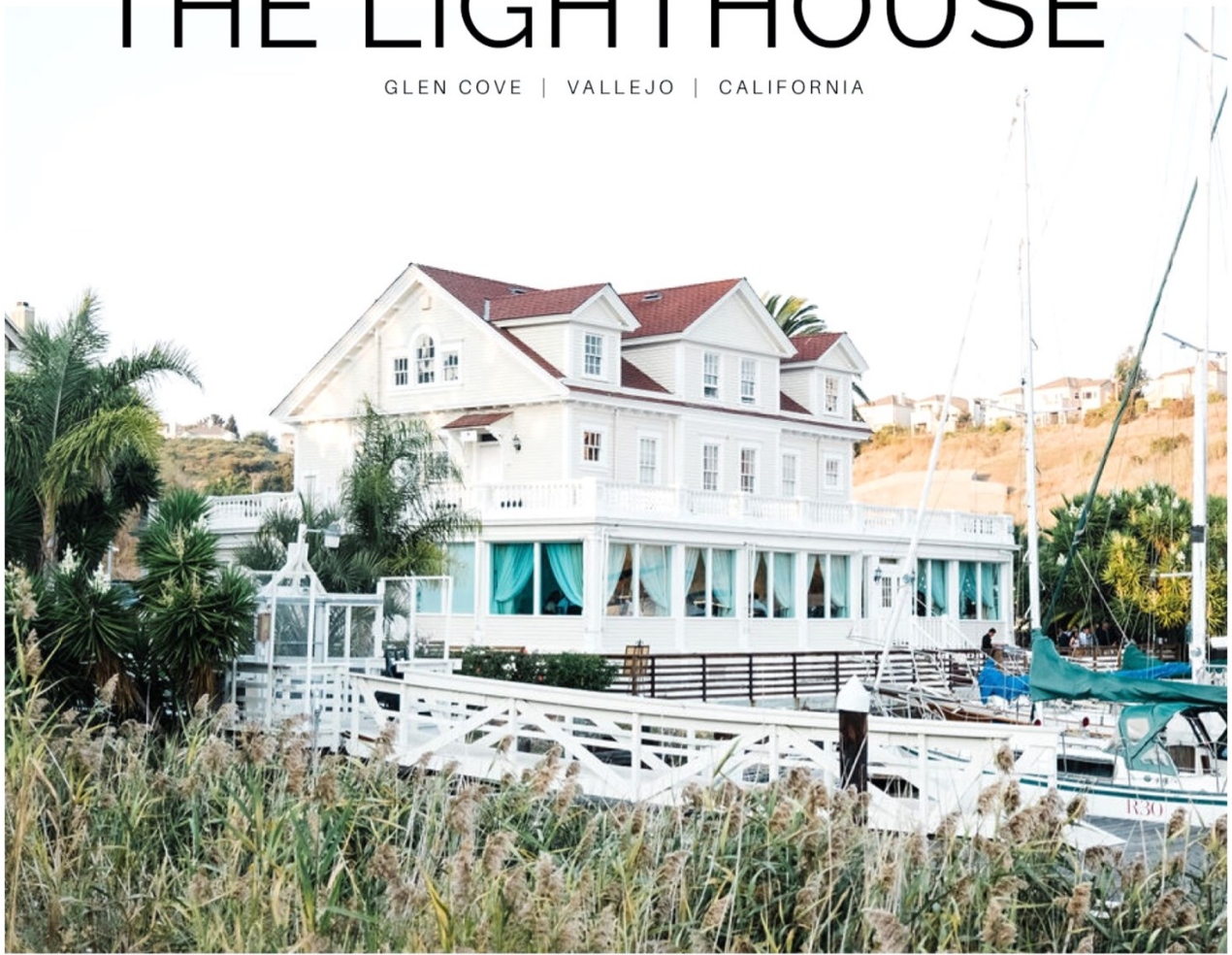
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# Local Tobacco Ordinances after a Generational Shift

By Joseph Hayden and Miguel Castillo

A lot has changed since I was growing up with my chain-smoking dad. When smokers asked if they minded if they smoked around me, I used to jokingly say, "No problem. I grew up with a chimney." Indeed, I used to tape little signs around the house, including on my father's nightstand that said "Cancer Cures Smoking." He found that so endearing that one year for my birthday he bought a smoke-enders kit for himself. I thought that it was a nice gesture, but nothing could cure his addiction except death.

Before he became enlightened at the harm even his second-hand smoke was doing to his kids, like our constant ear infections, there was one time in particular when we got in the car and he was about to light up. I was the oldest kid, so I got to sit in the front seat when mom wasn't in the car with us. I rolled down the window (on a nice weather day) only to have him scream at me that I was being "discourteous to smokers."

Astonished at how badly I must have been misbehaving, I rolled up the window so I could politely inhale all of the smoke in the car. Sadly, my dad died of his smoking addiction when he was only fifty, but not before he grew to hate being a smoker and nicotine addict. He did, in his last few years, apologize to the family for



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having smoked in our faces all that time, numbing our sense of taste and smell, which I only later realized after growing completely intolerant to cigarette smoke after I moved out on my own. Each time I would come back for a visit after moving out I would have a huge coughing fit, and I later realized that I had been vicariously smoking my whole life. Only months after moving out did I really learn what food fully tasted like.

California has been a progressive leader when it comes to non-smokers' rights. Oakland was the first large city in the entire country to ban indoor smoking. The states of California and New York followed. Airlines and other organizations shifted to a safe work environment and employee-rights focus to achieve this. Similarly some cities are taking steps to protect those in living situations that more vulnerable than others socio-economically. For example, many Bay Area cities also have ordinances against smoking in multi-unit residences like apartment buildings. In a recent Vallejo City Council Special Meeting there was a discussion about the goals of the council. Several speakers chimed in to ask the City Council to make it a goal to adopt an ordinance requiring smoke-free multi-unit housing in Vallejo following the example of many other Bay Area cities.



### California Smokers' Helpline

The California Smokers' Helpline, [www.nobutts.org](http://www.nobutts.org), provides support in multiple languages and through multiple methods of communication. The classic phone helpline is [1-800-NO-BUTTS](tel:1-800-NO-BUTTS). Text and mobile apps are also available. The affiliated [www.novapes.org](http://www.novapes.org) offers online chat, text, phone and mobile apps.

These proponents argued that smoke-free multi-unit housing protects the health of the overall community since the economic and emotional costs are felt by all. Indeed, the U.S. Surgeon General concluded that

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there is NO risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke, and that secondhand smoke can and does drift through doors, windows, hallways, baseboards, ventilation system fixtures, outlets, wall cracks and even gaps around pipes. Research even shows apartment dwellers living near smokers can be exposed to potentially hazardous levels of secondhand smoke for 8-24 hours a day. Therefore it's not a huge leap to find out that organizations fighting against Big Tobacco say that smoke-free housing is a social justice issue. Folks in multi-unit housing are more likely to be from communities of color, lower income and without health insurance. Twenty five percent of people living in multi-unit housing are children, who experience higher levels of tobacco exposure, even when no one in their own home smokes.

In an ongoing 2021 survey, 48% of Vallejo residents living in multi-unit housing report being exposed to drifting smoke in their apartments at least one day a week, with 26% of folks reporting that they are exposed almost every day. Of those respondents, 78% report wanting to live in a building that is smoke-free in all units, including balconies and patios, because even those outdoor areas are not free from the exposure. In 63% of households, it is reported that one or more people living in the house have a medical condition that is worsened by secondhand smoke. Mayor Robert O'Connell seems to have taken this under careful consideration. Hopefully the model set by many other jurisdictions has made this win-win for Vallejo.

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To signup and get your house listed on the official GCCA Garage Sale map, all you have to do is be a member of the GCCA and register. Contact Ward, our GCCA Membership chair, and he can confirm your status. He can be emailed at [wardstewart@gmail.com](mailto:wardstewart@gmail.com). Please include your name and address.

We are excited to be able to put this event on in the wake of the last year and a half. We encourage one and all to abide by the current health directives. Let's make this the best garage sale yet!



## Person of Interest: Beth Kranda, SolTrans Executive Director

*By Pat Tomasello*

For over 20 years, I have seen Sol Trans busses up and down Glen Cove Parkway, and I am embarrassed to admit I knew nothing about Sol Trans. I recently had the opportunity to sit down with Beth Kranda, Executive Director Of SolTrans and Glen Cove, to become acquainted with SolTrans.

### **How long have you lived in Glen Cove?**

I moved to Quiet Harbor in Spring 2018. I knew I wanted to live near the water and as soon as I saw the view I was sold!

### **What's your favorite part of living in Quiet Harbor?**

My view! It's just stunning no matter what time of year.

### **What's your official title at Sol Trans and how long have you had it?**

I call myself a "Transit Professional", but my official title is SolTrans Executive Director since August 2017.

### **What is your background?**

I have been in Transit my entire career. I started as an analyst with Foothill Transit, moved to LA Metro and continued my career path to San Bernardino Transportation Agency before going to Valley Transportation. I then left Southern California to pursue a managerial position with the City of Santa Rosa before accepting the position as Executive Director of SolTrans. I have a Master's Degree in Business Administration from

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Redlands University as well as a Bachelor of Arts Degree from University of Phoenix. At this point I also speak in “Transit”!

**Does SolTrans serve Quiet Harbor? What routes? How often do they run?**

Yes, Quiet Harbor is served by the SolTrans Route 8 along Glen Cove Parkway. The route 8 runs weekdays hourly and will run on Saturday’s hourly beginning August 1, 2021. Route 8 will take you back to the Vallejo Transit Center where riders can transfer to other local routes, SolanoExpress regional Lines to BART and Fairfield, Napa Vine, Greyhound, Amtrak, and Vallejo Ferry. You can get almost anywhere in the Bay Area right from Glen Cove!

**Will SolTrans take me to Kaiser? the Ferry? Saturday Farmers Market? What routes?**

SolTrans goes to all the hospitals in Vallejo. Quiet Harbor riders will take the Route 8 bus to the

Vallejo Transit Center where they can transfer to all SolTrans local routes. The Vallejo Transit Center is located in the heart of downtown Vallejo making it an easy to walk to Saturday Farmers Market. Local service on Saturdays will increase with phase I of our service restoration plan in August 2021. And just across the street from the Transit Center is the Vallejo Ferry terminal. A short walk and you can transfer from bus to boat.

**What’s the cost per ride or is there a monthly pass? Is there a Senior or Youth discount?**

SolTrans has many pass types depending on the need and use of the rider. SolTrans has paper passes, accepts the Bay Area Clipper Card, and has a mobile app fare called Token Transit. The fare is based on the where and what services you will be traveling on and how often. Our fare table is located on our website <https://soltrans.org/fares/fare-table/>. And yes, there are passes and discounts for Seniors and Youth, as well as a Clipper START for low-income qualifying adults.

**Does SolTrans cover more than Vallejo? If so, where?**

SolTrans has regional Lines that go to Walnut Creek BART, El Cerrito del Norte BART, Fairfield Transportation Center, Fairfield and Suisun Train Station and San Francisco Ferry Terminal. The Vallejo Transit Center also connects with Napa Vine, Amtrak and Greyhound making your travel possibilities endless.

**When I read SolTrans, I always think of solar energy, not Solano County. Is SolTrans 'green'?**

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Beth Kranda, Executive Director Of SolTrans

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**Glen Cove Community Association/Faith Food Thursday (GCCA/FFT)**  
*by: Lisa Williamson, GCCA/FFT Director*

The GCCA/FFT Food Pantry opened its doors on January 21, 2021. We became a non-profit organization 60 days later and became an Agency-Partner with the Food Bank of Contra Costa-Solano County. Our volunteers have been amazing, ensuring everything runs smoothly every Thursday. We are blessed to have such dedicated friends serving our community.

When we begin this journey, we distributed 29 boxes of food to families in our community. Since then, we currently average a 75-box distribution, serving approximately 330 members of our community each week. We happily distribute food boxes, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM every Thursday.

We are currently seeking food and monetary donations to sustain the increasing needs of our Glen Cove community. Please visit the website at [www.faithfoodthursday.com](http://www.faithfoodthursday.com) for donation options, or you may stop by and say hello any Thursday from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at (suite 101) 155 Glen Cove Marina Rd, Vallejo, CA

This experience has been a very challenging, yet rewarding endeavor; one we take great pride in. Receiving the smiles, stories and love from our clients, fuels our hearts and souls, allowing us to continue this journey.

*Images by Dina Morrison*

**THANK YOU Lisa Williamson (GCCA's Vice President and founder of the food pantry) and all the volunteers who have helped make this a success!!!**



## A Brief Look at Roses with a Nod to a California Original *By Ward Stewart*

According to fossil records, roses have been around for approximately 35 million years. The genus Rosa has roughly 150 species and 30,000 varieties spread around the world to any country with a climate that can support their growth, greenhouses notwithstanding. Garden cultivation of roses started approximately 5000 years ago, probably in China.

There are nine species of rose that are native to California. These roses have undoubtedly grown in this state for thousands of years. They have become adapted to some of the unique microclimates of the state and have been placed into three categories: thicket forming roses, wood and ground roses, and Rosa minutifolia. The names of these groupings are self-explanatory except, possibly, the latter meaning tiny leaves.

For many Native American tribes, the wild rose was/is a powerful symbol of life, love, and procreation. Rose hips, the fruit that results from successful flower pollination, has multiple uses

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including the making of tea, jams, and soups. They can be eaten raw as well. It is inconceivable that California Natives would not have found many uses for the roses growing nearby.

Enter the Europeans! In the first written account of roses in California (May 1603), the Spanish explorer Sebastian Vizcaino, upon entering what he would call San Diego Harbor, observed 'rosas de Alexandria' growing along the shoreline. Although he did not describe the roses, he was attributing the name of a rose he knew grew in Spain to one or more of the nine native California roses.

As time passed, pioneering settlers brought plants to the New World including various species of rose; however, it wasn't until 1858 that Californian Henry A. Sonntag developed several seedling varieties of rose. Unfortunately, there are no written records of what happened to these seedlings.

Prior to 1884 Edward Gill of West Berkeley developed the first named California rose, the 'Sarah Isabella Gill', a reddish Tea rose with cream-colored outer petals. This rose variety was available commercially until at least 1904. Gill bred the possibly second named California rose, a Hybrid Perpetual rose he named 'Mrs. Cleveland'. Hybrid Perpetual roses grow tall canes with clusters of two to five blooms per cane. They are fragrant and come in colors ranging from white to lilac to pink. This rose was offered in Gill's catalogue from 1889 until at least 1916 after which it went out of style and disappeared from rose literature.

Tea roses are named for their fragrance that may remind one of Chinese black tea. They will bloom multiple times in a season if deadheaded and come in pastel shades of pink, white, yellow, and apricot. The third rose to have been developed in California is the Tea rose 'Rainbow'. It was developed in 1889 under the guidance of John H. Sievers of San Francisco. This beautiful rose is



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remarkable in that its petals are light pink but are striped with darker pink markings. The contrast is quite striking! I learned about this rose from Vallejo Master Gardener Darrell G. H. Schramm. He wrote and had published a book entitled 'Rainbow! A History of the Rose in California.' Much of the information included in this article was obtained from his book.

Unlike the first two roses developed in California, Rainbow can still be obtained from selected nurseries. With Darrell Schramm's assistance I was able to purchase a Rainbow that continues to live in my yard. As roses go, it is a small plant, but when it blooms the two pink colors show themselves beautifully.

It is not clear whether Rainbow is the third or second rose developed in California since both it and 'Mrs. Cleveland' originated in 1889.

Nonetheless, Rainbow is 'California's longest surviving cultivated rose'.



The history of roses in California is difficult to trace as we have no written records of Native Californians' uses of these plants. In addition, rose varieties come and go with the times as interests and fashions change and may disappear altogether when selected nurseries or breeders go out of business. For these reasons, following the changes in the rose population over time is difficult. Darrell Schramm has done admirable work documenting these changes. I highly recommend this book to people who love roses, grow roses, or both, and want to know more about their origins and evolution in our state.

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## What is SLWA?

*By Caitlin Douglas*

As a resident of Vallejo I'm sure you have all received a notice in the mail from the company SLWA or Service Line Warranties of America about their partnership with the city of Vallejo. They are an insurance company that insures utility lines for homes, specifically those not covered by basic homeowners' insurance policies. Most people do not know until it is too late that the main waterline from the street to your home is not covered by your general policy and repairs on these lines can be costly and burdensome. The city of Vallejo has teamed up with SLWA to negotiate a package available to all residents of Vallejo at a fixed rate for all residents. However, this type of coverage is available from a lot of homeowners' insurance companies and can be cheaper and easier than having two separate policies to deal with.

Service Line Warranties of America has two policies they have put together for the residents of Vallejo, exterior water service line coverage for \$6.99 per month or \$83.88 a year and interior plumbing and drainage system coverage for \$8.99 per month or \$107.88 per year. The exterior water line coverage is available from a lot of homeowner insurance companies for a much lower

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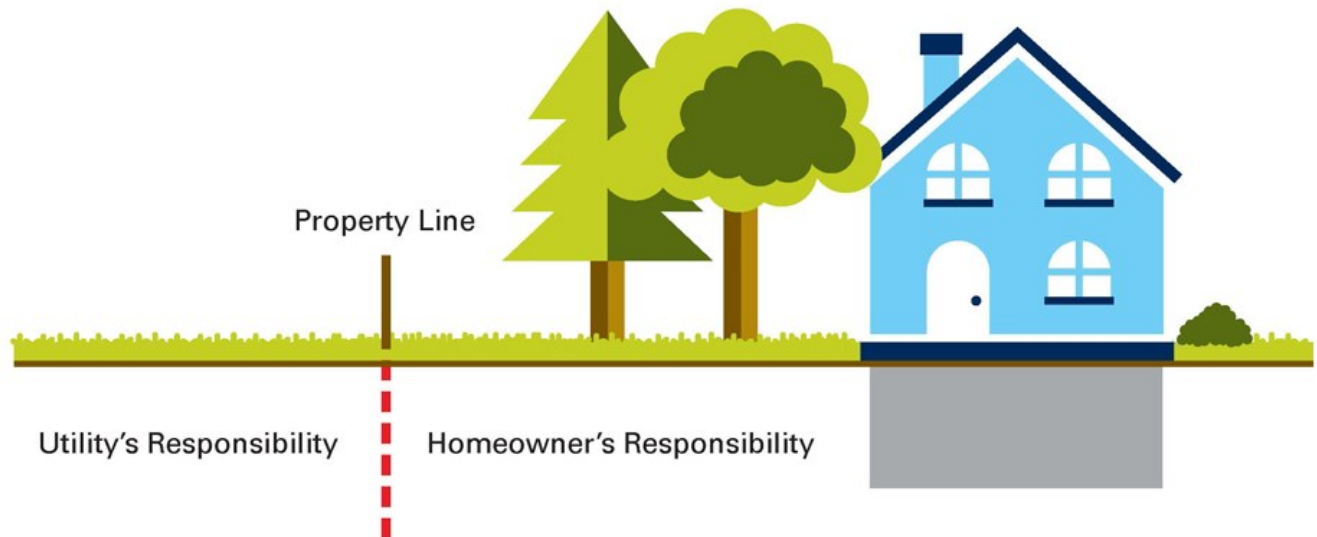
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cost. Ours for example was about \$24 per year to add to our existing policy and that made it much easier to manage since I wouldn't have to deal with two companies and two different policies if a massive failure happened.

However, not every insurance company has this type of coverage available yet. It is recommended that you contact your specific company directly and see which would be the best fit for you and your home. The interior plumbing and drainage system plan covers a fair amount of repairs due to normal wear and tear on your system but does not cover anything related to appliances; fittings or fixtures, pressure reducing valves and backflow prevention devices, sprinkler systems, spigots, garbage disposals, pumps or grinders; any non-conforming drain line such as a basement or storm drain; and damage from accidents, negligence or otherwise caused by you, others, or unusual circumstances. All of these possibilities would require plumbing repairs so I would weigh the pros and cons of that type of extra coverage for you and your household.

It is ultimately up to each of us as residents of Vallejo to decide what is best for us and our household, but I wanted to try and simplify some of the information that has been coming our way from this company so we can all live our best lives here in Glen Cove. No one wants to deal with massive plumbing repairs much less hassle with our insurance companies, but I would hate for you to be blindsided by a massive repair job that could be handled by either SLWA or your homeowners' insurance policy. Info for SLWA plans and to signup is available online at [www.slwofa.com](http://www.slwofa.com) or you can call 1-844-257-8796. Please contact your own Insurance Company for info about your own policy and coverage that is available to you.



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## Glen Cove, Weeds, and Fire Prevention

“On June 22, 2017, A fast moving four-alarm grass fire destroyed 40 acres and threatened homes in the Glen Cove area of Vallejo Thursday afternoon.

Vallejo officials said a vehicle fire, reported about 12:46 p.m., along Eastbound Interstate-80 near the Carquinez Bridge toll plaza, caught the nearby brush on fire.

The blaze swiftly moved up the hillside into the Glen Cove neighborhood.” (1)

An article by Kellie Hwang in the San Francisco Chronicle on June 6, 2021, headlined ‘Intense Wildfire Season Brewing’. “The fire risk is coming earlier this year, due to the drought. In the Bay Area, ‘trees and brushes are very stressed and will become flammable a lot earlier than usual”.

Stephen Leach, a fire meteorologist for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, stated “ ‘And most fires in California are human-caused. So, with luck and thoughtful behavior in the outdoors, it could still be a catastrophic fire””.



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A key component to preventing fires is controlling weeds.

### **City of Vallejo WEED ABATEMENT GUIDELINES (2)**

The guideline is necessary to provide fire control points and to create or maintain a defensible space around buildings and property lines. Creating defensible space will help minimize fire damage and provide a fuel break where firefighters can defend against fire.

#### **CODES AND STANDARDS**

- Weeds, grass, vines and other growth that are capable of endangering property shall be cut down and removed by the owner or occupant of the premises.
- Vegetation clearance requirements in the Wildland-Urban Interface Areas shall be in accordance with the California Fire Code and local ordinances.

#### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

- For properties with annual abatement requirements, a letter will be sent instructing the property owner on how to abate these fire hazards.

#### **ABATEMENT CRITERIA**

##### **Parcels -**

- Parcels up to five (5) acres must have all combustible growth cut or removed
- Parcels over five (5) acres shall maintain a minimum disked perimeter (minimum 30-foot wide) around the property, turning the soil in such a way as to bury all vegetation
- Larger parcels may require additional fuel breaks to divide the property into smaller areas that would separate large amounts of fuel

##### **Defensible Space**

- Defensible space must be 30 - 100 feet wide, cut one inch off the ground (depending on grade and other factors) around all structures, either man-made or natural, where material is capable of allowing fire to spread unchecked. The vegetation must be cleared, treated, or modified to slow the rate and intensity of an approaching fire.

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Roadways, driveways and Fire Department access roads

- Roads or driveways shall be cleared of combustible vegetation equal to the width of the road plus ten feet (10') on both sides. The property owner must also mitigate any additional fire hazard(s) that are determined by the City's Fire Chief.

**Who do I call about excessive/tall weeds? (3)**

- To report a weed issue on vacant lots or within the East Vallejo Fire Protection District (EVFPD), please email us or call (707) 648-4565. You may also report any non-emergency maintenance issue via the City's online reporting tool, SeeClickFix. Visit our page for information about Fire Prevention's role in weed abatement (3)

WEEDS SAFETY REMINDER

- Mowing weeds must be completed safely; one small spark from a mower blade hitting a rock can result in a large fire. All mowing should be completed as early in the morning as possible, while temperatures are low, humidity is high, and grasses are still damp with dew. When mowing, always have a water fire extinguisher or other source and pointed shovel handy. Mow early and often. (4)

(1) Vallejo Times Herald, <https://www.timesheraldonline.com/2017/06/22/grass-fire-burns-40-acres-threatens-homes-in-glen-cove>

(2) [https://www.cityofvallejo.net/city\\_hall/departments\\_divisions/fire/fire\\_prevention/weed\\_abatement](https://www.cityofvallejo.net/city_hall/departments_divisions/fire/fire_prevention/weed_abatement)

(3) <https://www.cityofvallejo.net/cms/One.aspx?portalId=13506&pageId=25184>

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**If you would like to become a member or renew your membership, please visit our website at [GlenCoveVallejo.com](http://GlenCoveVallejo.com).**

**There is a PayPal sign up with an option for yearly autopay of only \$20 annual membership.**

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## Thanks Monica Brown!

By Neal Zimmerman

Do you remember that classic scene from The Wizard of Oz where the scarecrow says something to Dorothy like, “You could go this way ... or you could go that way”?

Some problems are like that. You don’t know where to go because everyone has a different idea ... or no idea.

Several of my favorite Glen Cove residents (yes, there are too many to name here) contacted me and other Board members of the Glen Cove Community Association about a huge branch hanging ominously over Glen Cove Parkway. These keen-eyed observers noticed that the branch had been struck and

likely damaged by trucks entering our community on Glen Cove Parkway, just before the light at Robles Way.

We have all probably sat at that spot, waiting for the light to change, unaware that that huge branch could potentially break off and crush the car or cars below.

Now the fun part. Who’s responsible? City of Vallejo? CalTrans? Solano County? This was my Wizard of Oz moment. So, I contacted Monica Brown, our Solano County Supervisor. Monica



contacted Solano County personnel, PG&E and the City of Vallejo. They all worked together in a coordinated effort that led to the removal of this dangerous situation.

**I wanted to publicly thank all of them and especially Monica, one of our wizards.**

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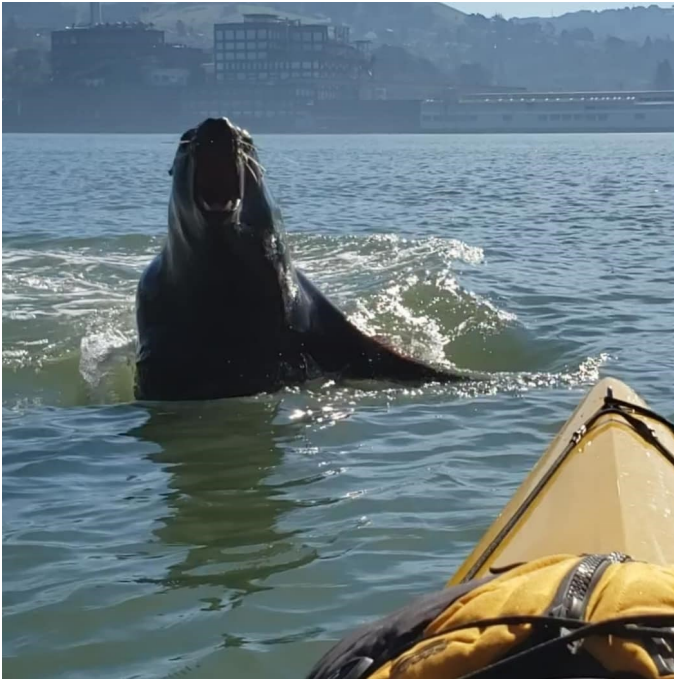
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