

CITY COUNCIL REPORT



Summer 2016

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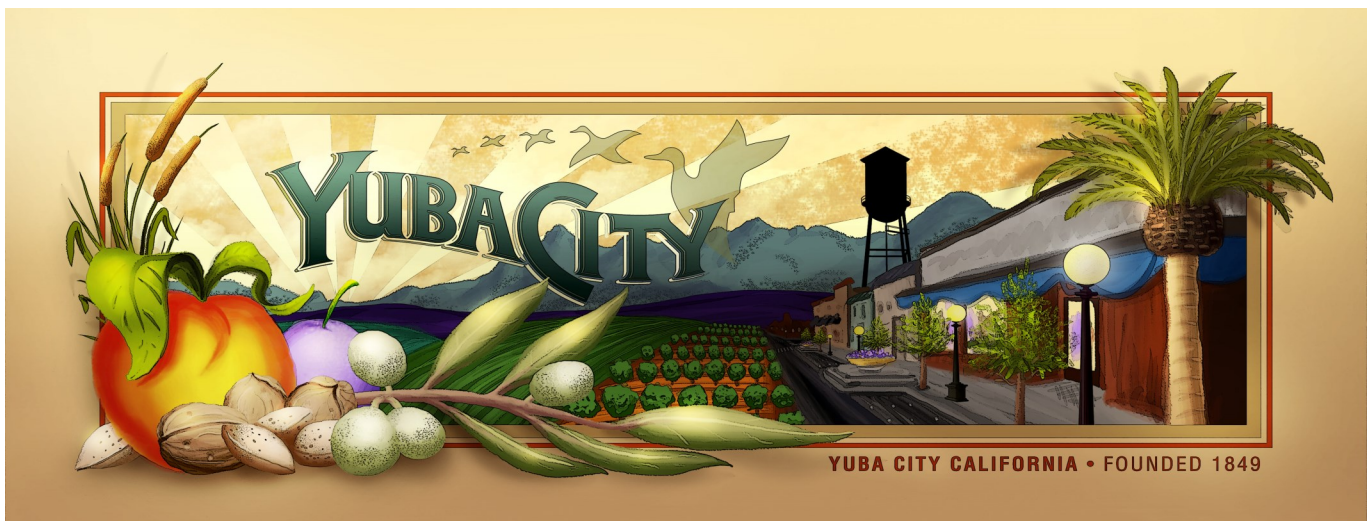
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The Mission of Yuba City is...

*To anticipate and provide for the
needs of the community through*

*Quality Service, Innovation and
Leadership*

for today and in the future.



Yuba City Crate Label

Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life

In May 2016, Governor Brown issued an Executive Order “Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life.” In response to the Executive Order, the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) adopted new emergency conservation regulations.

Water Conservation

The current state-developed standard for Yuba City of 28% shall be replaced with a State Mandated City-calculated conservation standard of **15%**. The new conservation standard is sufficient to ensure that there are enough water supplies to meet water demand, assuming three additional dry years.

The mandatory irrigation restrictions limiting watering to two days per week is lifted.

Eliminate Water Waste

The Water Board shall permanently prohibit practices that waste potable water, such as:

- ◆ Hosing off sidewalks, driveways, and other hardscapes
- ◆ Washing automobiles with hoses not equipped with a shut-off nozzle
- ◆ Using non-recirculated water in a fountain or other decorative water feature
- ◆ Watering lawns in a manner that causes runoff, or within 48 hours after measurable precipitation
- ◆ Irrigating ornamental turf on public street medians

Enforcement Measure—Surcharge on Water Bill

- 1) 1st Violation – Written Warning
- 2) 2nd Violation - \$50 surcharge on next water bill
- 3) 3rd Violation - \$100 surcharge on next water bill
- 4) 4th + Violation - \$250 surcharge on next water bill

Water Supply

The City of Yuba City obtains water for its water system through four different permits/contracts from the Feather River. The City also has access to one groundwater well located at the Water Treatment Plant for use in drought or emergency conditions.



EVERY DROP COUNTS

As part of our “Every Drop Counts” initiative, the City of Yuba City is proud to offer a limited number of rebates to qualified residential and commercial customers in order to reduce the financial impact of select water-efficient upgrades to homes or businesses.

ALL REBATES ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

WATER REBATE PROGRAM

- 💧 **High Efficiency Toilets**
UP TO \$100 REBATE
- 💧 **Smart Irrigation Timers**
UP TO \$75 REBATE
- 💧 **Pre-Rinse Spray Nozzles**
UP TO \$50 REBATE
- 💧 **High-Efficiency Washing Machines**
UP TO \$50 REBATE
- 💧 Rebate Application
- 💧 Determining Your Existing Toilet's Flush Volume
Rebate Application Checklist



Water and Sewer Rates

Water and Wastewater Rate Prop 218 Protest Hearing

A protest hearing for a water and wastewater rate adjustment was held on Wednesday, June 8th. A total of 2,532 protests were received (or 27%) out of the total of 9,374 that were required for the proposal to fail.

The City's water and sewer rate study process began in 2014. The City provided two public workshops with the information obtained from the Study beginning in early 2016. With the improved drought outlook for portions of northern California and the easing of water restriction mandates from the State, the City Council will be able to consider reduced options for the maximum rates that were proposed with the Prop 218 protest process. The Council will review rates annually during the City's budget setting process.

On July 19th, the City Council will hear the alternate options for setting rates, taking into consideration changes that the Governor made to water restrictions in May 2016.

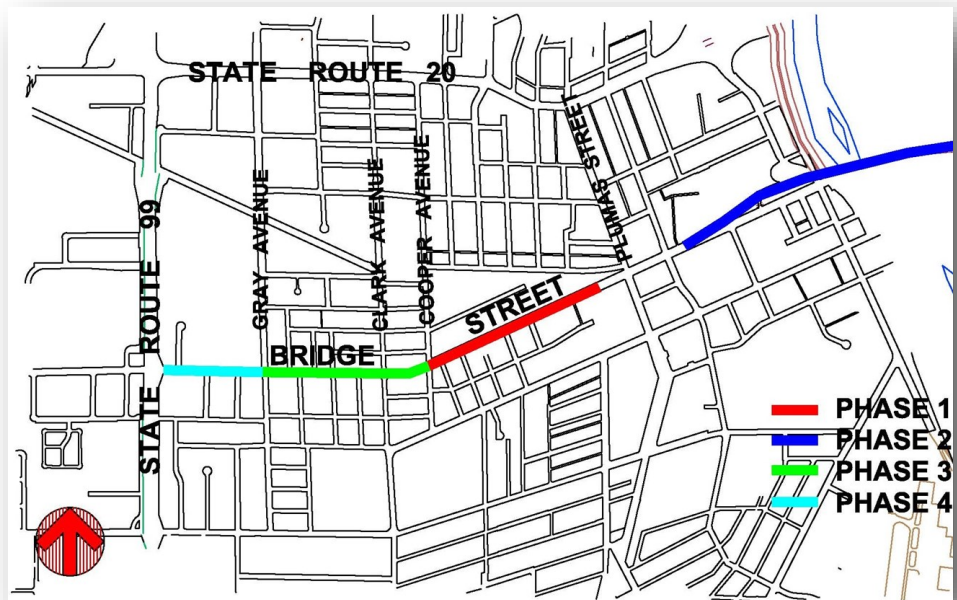
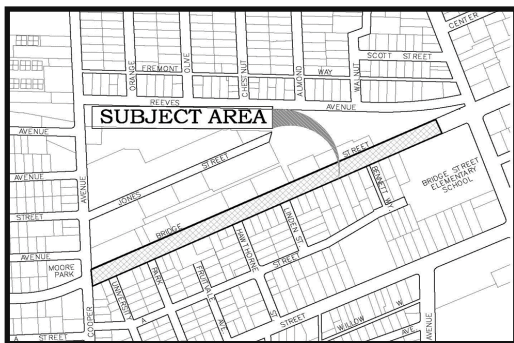
Bridge Street Improvements

Bridge Street roadway improvements were identified as a high priority by the City Council to repair and coordinate with future adjacent work with the 5th Street Bridge, and the Bridge St. widening project.

Phase 1 of the project will reconstruct the roadway from back of sidewalk to back of sidewalk beginning at Cooper Avenue to Plumas Street. Additionally, the project work includes the installation of landscaped medians, and new water and storm drain utility improvements.

Phase	Description	Anticipated Completion Date
1	Cooper Avenue to Plumas Street	Summer 2016
2	Fifth Street Bridge	October 2019
3	Gray Avenue to Cooper Avenue	To be finished with the Completion of the bridge
4	SR 99 to Gray Avenue	TBD

Phase 1 -Bridge Street Concept



Bridge Street Phasing

Bridge Street—Underground and Road Work



Fifth Street Bridge Replacement Project



Regional Effort

City of Marysville

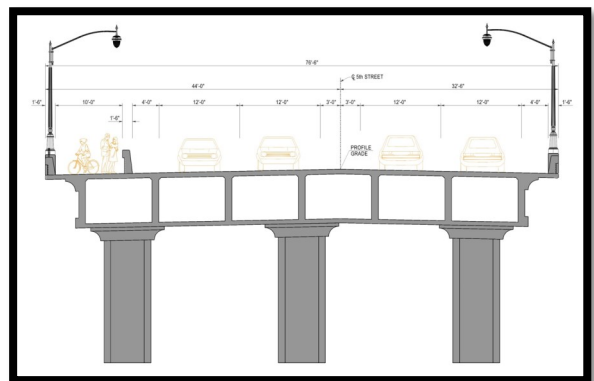
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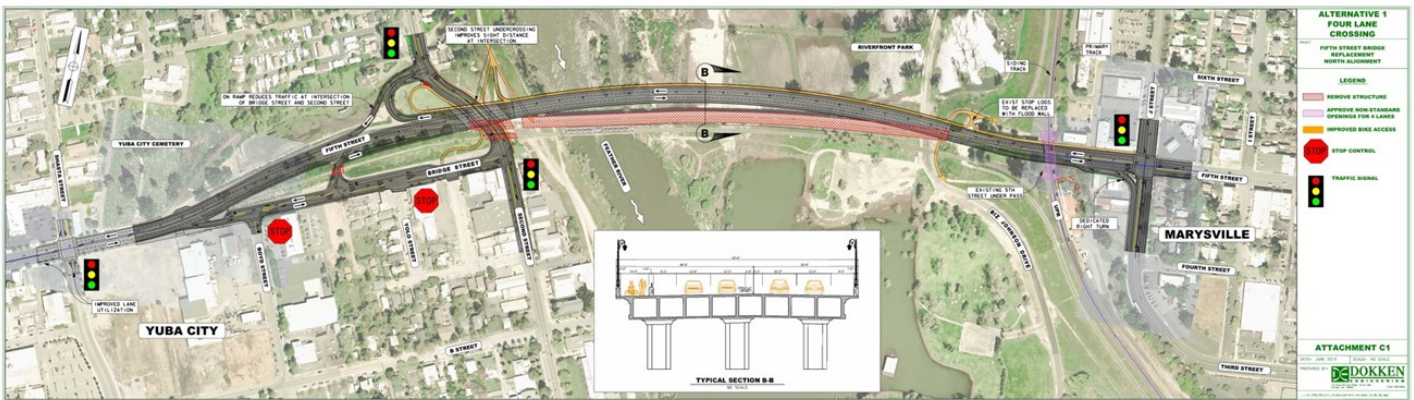
Into Marysville



Typical Section

Funding

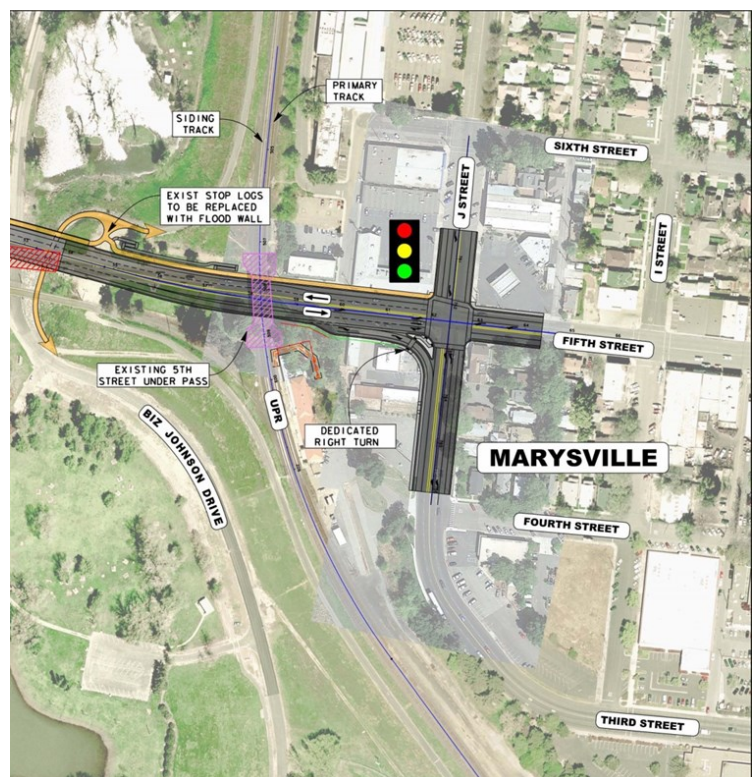
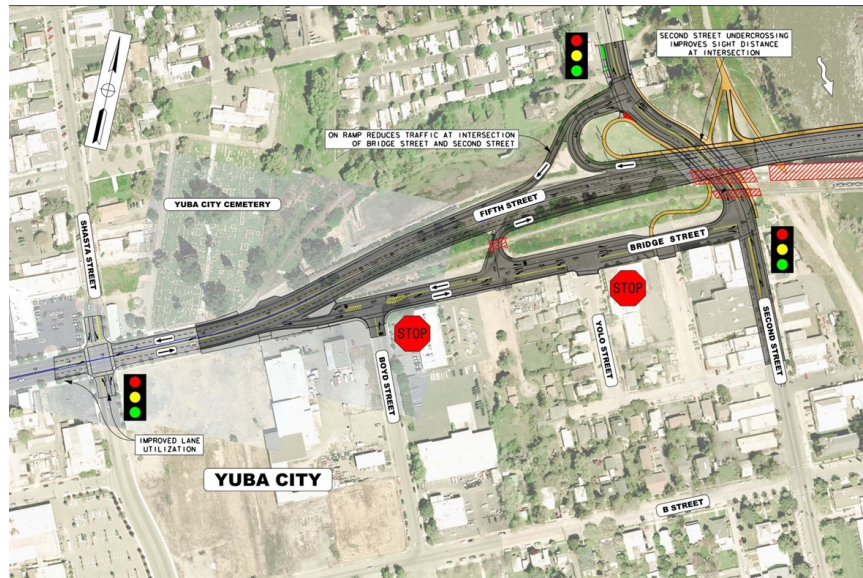
Funding Source	Amount
Highway Bridge Program	\$46,400,000
Regional Surface Transportation Program	\$3,200,000
Regional Improvement Program/ State Transportation Improvement Program	\$17,400,000
Local Funds	\$2,600,000
Total:	\$69,600,000



Alignment

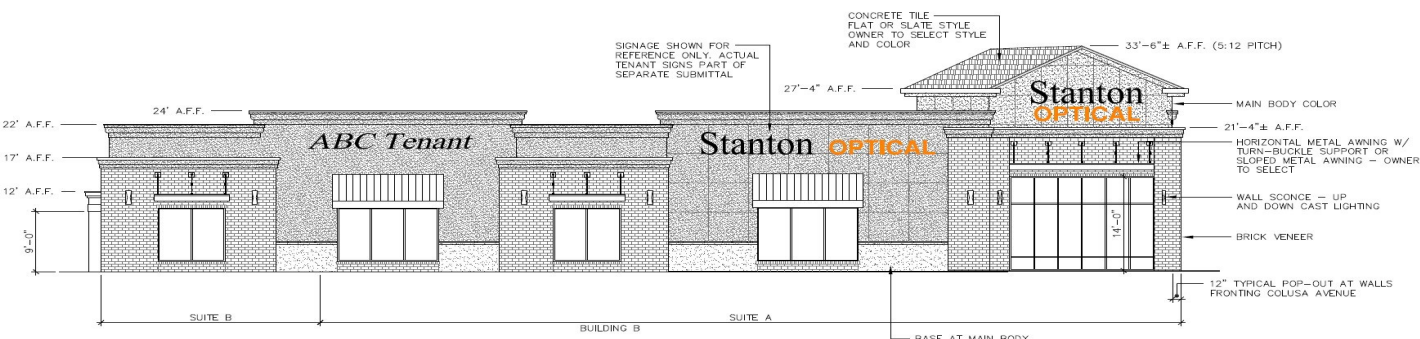
Next Steps

- Execution of High Cost Project Agreement – Fall 2016
- Design Complete – November 2016
- Right-of-Way Certified – December 2016
- 2 Years to Complete
- Currently anticipated to start July 2017 with completion in October 2019
- Advance work will begin this Fall

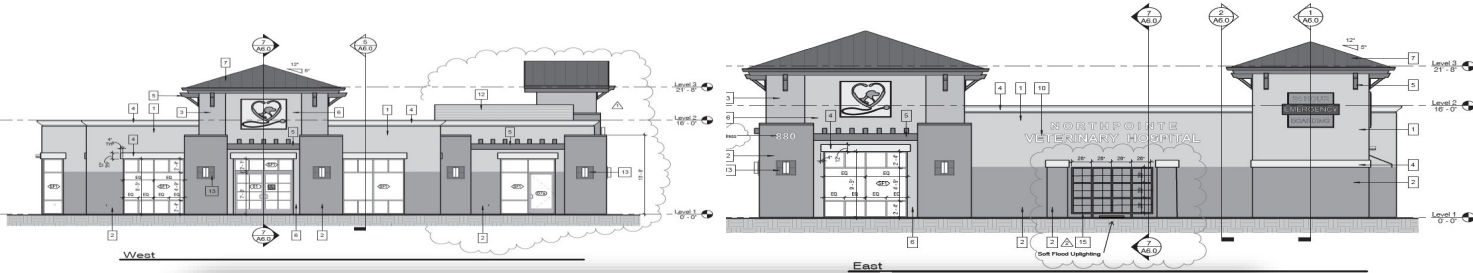


Notable Projects Under Construction

Stanton Optical—Corner of Plumas Blvd and SR 20—5,000 sf Single Story Office



Northpointe Veterinary Hospital—West Onsott Road at State Route 99



Sign Code Update

At a minimum:

- Logical organization and user-friendly format
- Ensure that standards are clear, consistent and illustrated
- Raise the bar for development quality
- Reduce the need for negotiated approvals
- Employ graphics rather than words
- Consolidate Standards
- Under regulation vs. over regulation

A-Frame Signs (Updated)



Temporary / Special Event Signs (Updated)



Prohibited Signs:

1. Moving Mannequins
2. Vehicle Signs
3. Roof Signs
4. Snipe Signs
5. Pole Signs
6. Fence Signs



Proposed South Yuba City Annexation

Frequently Asked Questions

WILL THE CITY REQUIRE ME TO CONNECT TO CITY SEWER?

No, Sutter County Environmental Health Department regulates septic systems and an annexation will not change the regulations. Yuba City will not require you to connect to City Sewer and the regulations remain the same if you live in unincorporated Yuba City or within the City limits

IS THE CITY GOING TO REQUIRE INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

The City will not install curb, gutters, and sidewalks in a neighborhood unless the residents request the improvements. If requested, City Staff will be happy to discuss financing options for residents to pay for such improvements.

IS THE CITY GOING TO RAISE MY TAXES?

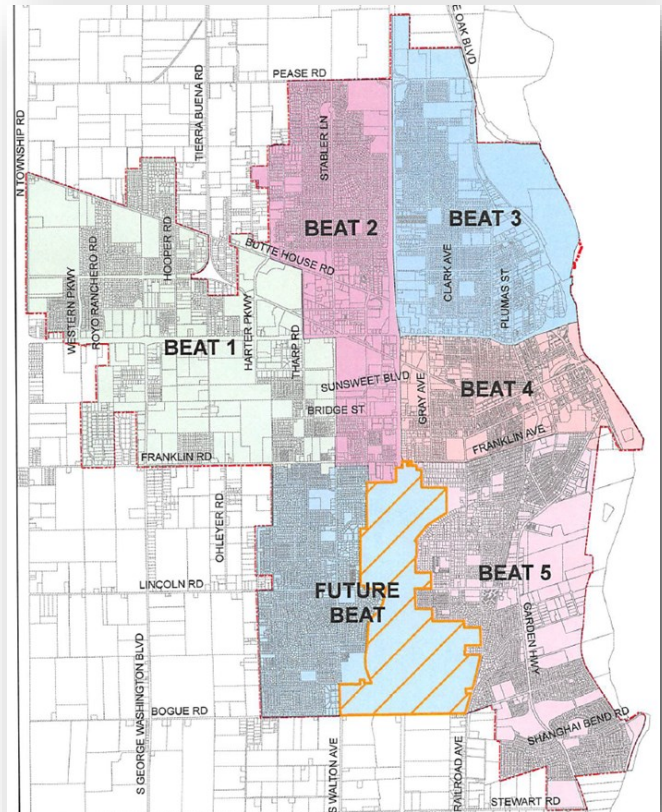
No, your taxes will remain the same. Neither the County nor the City can increase a tax without a vote of its residents. Upon annexation, the funds that have been allocated to the County will be transferred to the City to pay for services. The City will receive a small portion (16%) of the taxes you already pay to cover enhanced urban level services. For example, on a house with an assessed value of \$200,000, the City will receive approximately \$320 annually.

WILL THE CITY IMPROVE OUR STREETS & ROADS?

Residents will receive routine street sweeping which presently is not provided by the County and the streets will be maintained at an urban level of service.

IS THE CITY GOING TO CHANGE MY ZONING AND WILL I BE ABLE TO HAVE HORSES, CHICKENS, AND OTHER ANIMALS ON MY PROPERTY?

All existing legal land uses will be grandfathered in and remain the same.



WHAT CAN WE EXPECT IN TERMS OF PUBLIC SAFETY FROM THE CITY?

The Police Department is set up to proactively provide an urban level of Community Oriented Police service, inclusive of a dedicated Traffic Enforcement Unit. The Sheriff Department patrol is mostly rural and spans over 600 square miles. The newly-annexed area will be added to the Walton area to form a new South Yuba City patrol. This will encompass less than three square miles and will be assigned a dedicated Patrol Officer for each shift.

The City will hire five new Sworn Officers, one Community Service Officer, and one Dispatcher to service South Yuba City. The Yuba City Police Department currently patrols fourteen square miles.

WILL THE CITY ENFORCE CODE VIOLATIONS?

Yes, the City has a full-time code enforcement officer and a number of Community Service Officers that work directly with residents to ensure our community is Clean & Safe. The City provides residents a mobile app, **YC311**, to connect directly with code enforcement.



yc311 at your service!

This spring, the City launched a new citizen engagement portal that is user friendly and offers links to Facebook, e-alerts, and options for paying your utility bill. YC311 is a real time mobile civic engagement platform that provides a free, simple, and intuitive tool to keep informed on civic issues and report issues for resolution. It is available for download on your smartphone, android and is accessible through the City's website: www.yubacity.net.

Below is an unsolicited letter to the Editor of the Appeal Democrat:

Appeal-Democrat Letters to the Editor:

Posted: Monday, May 2, 2016 6:30 pm

This is just a quick tip of the hat to the City of Yuba City for its new YC311 app.

I installed it on my phone the other day, took it with me as I traveled the city and found a stray shopping cart to report and some graffiti that needed to be cleaned up. The shopping cart was picked up within two hours and they reported back to me they had done it.

You can also report code violations, potholes and a host of other issues, all directly from your phone. The phone plugs in the address using GPS, so you don't have to and allows you to attach a photo or video.

Nice job, Yuba City.

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Yuba City

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