

City Newsletter



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Annual Report 1964-65

The fiscal year of 1964-65 has been a banner year for the City of Santa Cruz. It has been a year of change and a year of success in finding solutions to municipal problems that have plagued this community for many years. Although the search for alternatives and discussion of these projects began in previous years, the final culmination and the decision to go ahead was accomplished in the fiscal year of 1964-65. The real credit for this progress goes to the community and the people who supported the activities of the City Council and the City Staff. Equal credit should be given also to the department heads, their staffs, and the various lay commissions and boards who spent many hours in search of workable solutions to some very difficult problems.

The purpose of this report is to present to you a resume of these projects and the day-to-day programs of the various departments of the City. The Capital Improvement Programs which create major change are the programs which quickly draw our attention, but the day-to-day services provided by the various departments throughout the City form the bulk of the services provided to each citizen in the community. It is the hope that this report will reflect these services as well as the major accomplishments of each department.

CITY MANAGER

It is the purpose of the City Manager's Office to provide general administrative direction of all City activities, therefore, this office becomes involved in almost all City projects. The success of the City Manager's Office is entirely dependent upon the confidence of the department heads, their staffs, and the various lay commissions and boards because it is these people who provide the impetus and the know-how that is needed to initiate and implement the programs and activities which benefit the community.

LIBRARY

A new Central Library and a new branch library in the East Santa Cruz area will soon be under construction to improve library service to the Santa Cruz area. On November 3, 1964, the voters approved a bond election for \$1,400,000 which made this possible. The Central library will be constructed on the site of the existing library and the new branch will be located on a recently purchased site on Gault Street in East Santa Cruz. The Architectural firm of Spencer, Lee and Busse has been chosen to design both buildings. Mr. Alton Lee is the project architect. Several conferences and meetings with the building committee and the architect have already been held to study full plans and design features.