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Subject : Palm Springs**To :** jstahl <jstahl@kesq.com>**Looking Ahead to 2022 in Palm Springs**

- Exciting economic development projects will continue to move forward. The new 164-room Thompson Hotel by Hyatt on the corner of Palm Canyon Drive and Alejo is anticipated to open in **December 2022**. In addition, more action related to stalled developments is anticipated. The developer of the proposed Orchid Tree Inn on Belardo Road will be demolishing buildings on site within the next several months -- and demo of buildings at the site of the former historic Racquet Club is also coming soon. In addition, the new Cody Place and Elan condominium developments on South Palm Canyon Drive will be fully completed in 2022 -- along with a much anticipated new apartment project for LGBTQ seniors on Tahquitz Canyon Way called Living Out.
- Plans for a much needed new Homeless Navigation Center will be well under way in 2022. The new center would allow for the City of Palm Springs to expand its ability to serve its unhoused population as well as reduce secondary impacts that sometimes impact quality of life in neighborhoods. The Navigation Center will be a comprehensive facility where shelter, food, and a full suite of support services would be offered; providing a new and important resource currently lacking when it comes to addressing homelessness in the city.
- Finally, with collaboration from the City's Social Justice and Equity Commission, the City of Palm Springs hopes to have potential new policies in place that will help develop a Reparations Program related to the forced eviction of individuals living in Section 14 during the 1960s, many of whom migrated to the Desert Highland Gateway Estates neighborhood.

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