



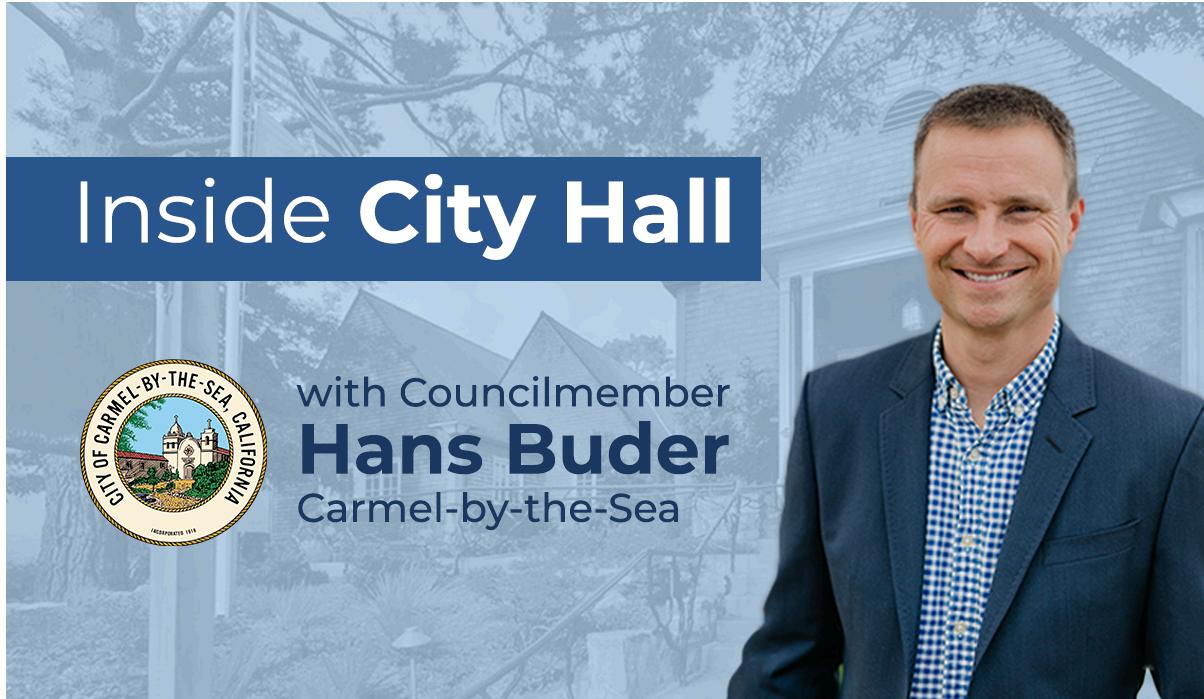
Power Update

1 message

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Dear neighbors,

I wanted to give you an update on the power situation. I think it's important that you know what I know in real time so that you can prepare accordingly, particularly since it's Christmas Eve.

I've had a couple calls this afternoon with the Central Coast Government Relations rep for PG&E. She explained to me that all of Carmel is "on the same circuit." When a tree takes out a power line, the system trips and PG&E de-energizes the entire circuit until they can locate the downed section(s) of line. She informed me that this involves driving the City and doing a manual inspection street by street (incredible, but apparently true). Once they isolate the downed line(s), they will try to re-energize other non-impacted portions of the village.

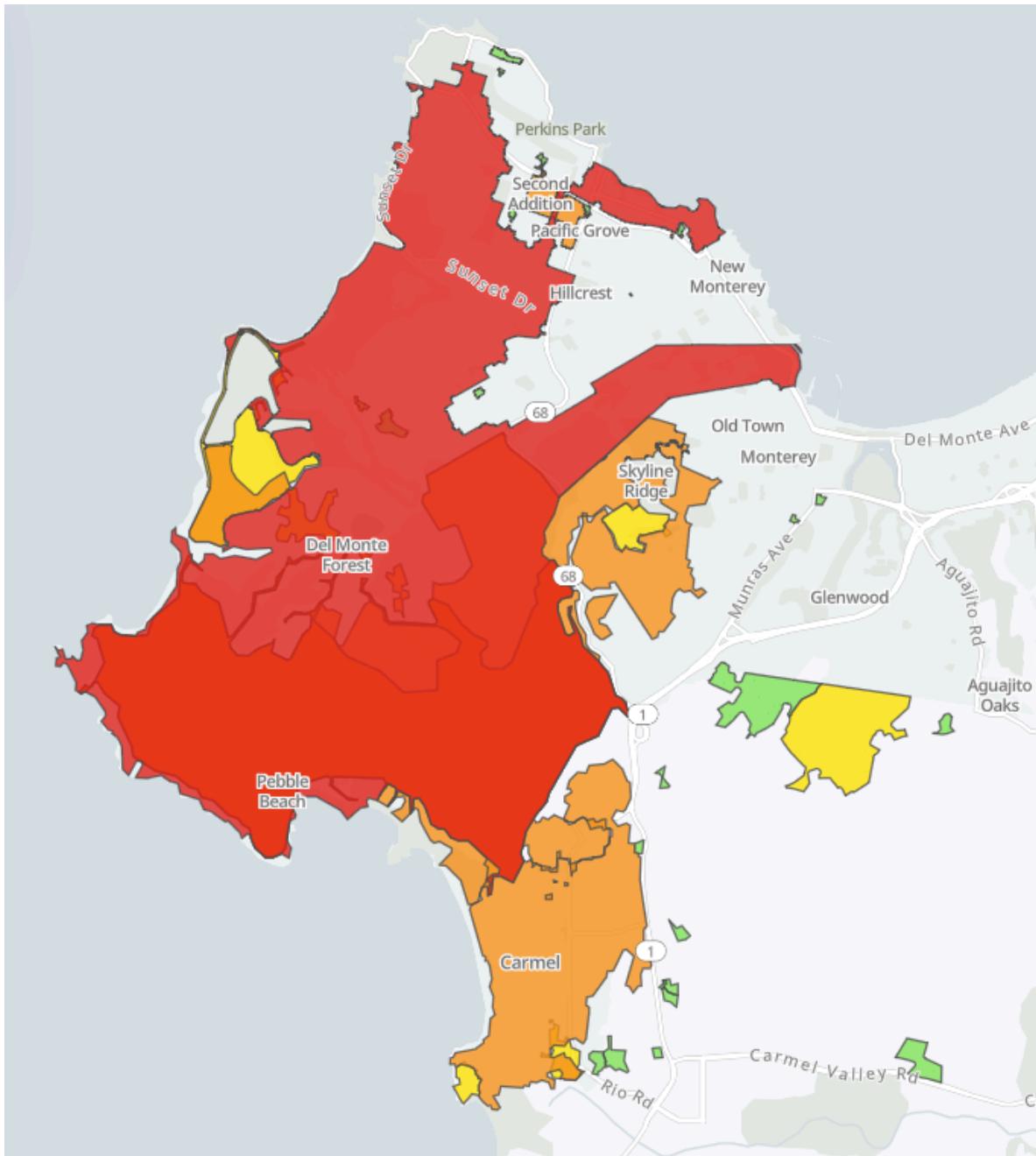
They are almost done with the City-wide inspection and have identified four different sets of downed wires on the Carmel circuit, with the major one being the downed line in the Del Mar parking lot. The latest email update to County leaders and elected officials says: **"If all goes well, we hope to have the [Carmel] circuit back up by tonight before midnight."** She further indicated that PG&E crews will work throughout the night, as long as it's safe to do so, given the second round of the storm.

The City has the Park Branch (children's) library open if you need to warm up or charge your devices and will keep it open into the evening.

Happy holidays,



City Councilmember, Carmel-by-the-Sea



PG&E hopes to restore power to the Carmel circuit (the orange polygon) by midnight tonight.



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