

City Manager's Bi-Monthly Update



COVID-19 Vaccine Information

In **partnership** with the City of Antioch and Contra Costa Health Services, the Nick Rodriguez Community Center has been activated as a clinic to make vaccinations more **accessible to East Contra Costa County residents**. Given the magnitude of COVID-19, it will take everyone working together to get our community and world out of this crisis. A COVID-19 vaccine is one of the most important tools to end the COVID-19 pandemic. The vaccine, paired with other daily habits, such as wearing face coverings and social distancing, will **slow the spread** of COVID-19 so businesses and schools can fully reopen and we can return to a more normal way of life.

If you meet vaccine **eligibility** criteria, you can request a vaccination appointment at <https://cchealth.org/coronavirus> or call (833) 829-2626

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service

This year, families and individuals of all ages celebrated Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s enduring message of equality and justice by participating in the City of Antioch's MLK Day of Service.

Volunteers participated in COVID-safe **litter clean-up projects** at four locations throughout the City: Antioch Community Park, Gentrytown Park, Prewett Community Park and Waldie Plaza. This is always a terrific community activity, and we are grateful for the support of everyone who honored Dr. King's legacy.



Virtual Vision and Strategic Planning Workshop

Save the date! Join us for the City of Antioch's Vision and Strategic Planning Workshop. This virtual meeting will be held **Friday, February 12, at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 13, at 9:00 a.m.** Meetings are available via Comcast channel 24, AT&T U-Verse channel 99, or live stream at www.antiochca.gov

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Cadets

We recently had to say said farewell to two of our Police Cadets! **Cadet Lieutenant Jahlaya Tidwell** served as a Cadet for five years. She quickly rose through the ranks as she demonstrated her leadership and dedication to the program. She plans on becoming a Police Officer once she completes her Bachelor's degree.



Cadet Sergeant Bryan King served as a Cadet for two years and dedicated 500+ volunteer hours in 2020! Bryan demonstrated an unmatched work ethic and drive with his desire to serve the citizens of Antioch. Bryan plans to become a Police Officer when he becomes of age.

We wish Jahlaya and Bryan the best of luck in everything they do and thank them for their years of service!

Many members of our Police Department began their law enforcement careers as Police Cadets (formerly our Police Explorer program). They continued and are now Antioch Police Officers and Supervisors! If you are **age 14-20** and interested in our Cadet program, please **visit our website** for more information: www.antiochca.gov/police/cadet-program/

Won't you be our Pen Pal?

Connecting has been hard for everyone, including our officers. One of the things we miss most is **visiting our schools** during recesses and lunch and talking to the kids (okay, maybe a trip or two down the slide). To **stay engaged** and involved, the Antioch Police Department would like to introduce our Pen Pal Program. Kids up to 18 years of age are **encouraged** to write a letter or note, and it will be answered by one of our officers, CSO's, Dispatchers, or Animal Control Officers. The notes can be mailed to our department or dropped off at our Front Counter. Our address is 300 L Street, Antioch, CA 94509. Please mark on the envelope "Attention Pen Pal Program," and be sure to include your return address so we can respond!

Traffic

Traffic complaints are not exclusive to Antioch. With limited resources, police agencies must often work together to have an impact and send a message of traffic safety to their communities. Motor officers from East County agencies recently collaborated to provide extra traffic enforcement. Together with Pittsburg, Oakley, Brentwood Police Departments as well as CHP, we issued:

- **71 citations in Antioch**
- **50 citations in Oakley**

We look forward to these collaborations and helping all our community's roads a little safer. #collab #apdmotorofficers #traffickenforcement #PittsburgPD #OakleyPD #BrentwoodPD #CHP



PD- ANIMAL SERVICES

Every penny counts! Please help us raise funds for 2021

You can help Antioch Animal Services raise the funds we need this year simply by purchasing your pet food and supplies from Pet Food Express. We get 4% cashback for all purchases made using the unique link below. From January through June, Pet Food Express is offering a **\$1,000 cash bonus** to the top Friends by Pet Food Express partner each month! Simply stated, the more you buy via our link below, the more we receive in donations - so 'like' and 'share' our FRIENDS posts on social media and help us fill our piggy bank. Please support Antioch Animal Services by shopping online using this link: <https://www.petfood.express/?p=ANTHAS>.



HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Re-classifications/Promotions:

- **Monica Bugaoan-Abakan** was hired as a Recreation Programs Coordinator for the Recreation Department on January 19, 2021.
- **Bree Pires** was hired as a Recreation Programs Coordinator for the Recreation Department on January 19, 2021
- **Martin Delgado Vazquez** was hired as a Landscape Maintenance Worker II for the Public Works Department on January 19, 2021.

Please join me in welcoming these employees to their new position with the City of Antioch.

Currently open recruitment's include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Assistant City Engineer
- Operations Supervisor (Public Works)
- Business License Representative

Please check our website for the following future recruitment:

- Risk Manager
- Equipment Operator

There are always exciting career opportunities with the City of Antioch.

The City's recruitment openings can be found on the Human Resources page [here](#). Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the Job Position, click on **Apply**.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MLK Day of Service

This year marked the 26th Anniversary of the day of service that celebrates civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On Monday, January 18, 2021, the City of Antioch honored Dr. King by hosting a COVID-safe day of **volunteer service** litter clean-up at four locations in our city: Antioch Community Park, Gentrytown Park, Prewett Community Park, and Waldie Plaza. **A huge thank you** goes out to all the Antioch community members who registered and participated in this litter clean-up! Let's continue to **work together** to build a stronger Antioch. "Faith is taking the **first step** even when you don't see the whole staircase." – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Recreation Guide



Programs and Classes

Winter/Spring 2021 Recreation programs and classes **begin next month!** The digital Recreation Guide and online registration link are available on the Recreation Department webpage [here](#). There are a variety of class offerings, both virtual and in person. **All in-person classes** and programs have been modified to reflect current health and safety measures and guidelines; facial coverings and social distancing are required. Take advantage of a 10% season discount offer by entering **coupon code LIMITLESS** at checkout (offer valid for online registration only and other restrictions apply).

We look forward to seeing you in parks and programs!

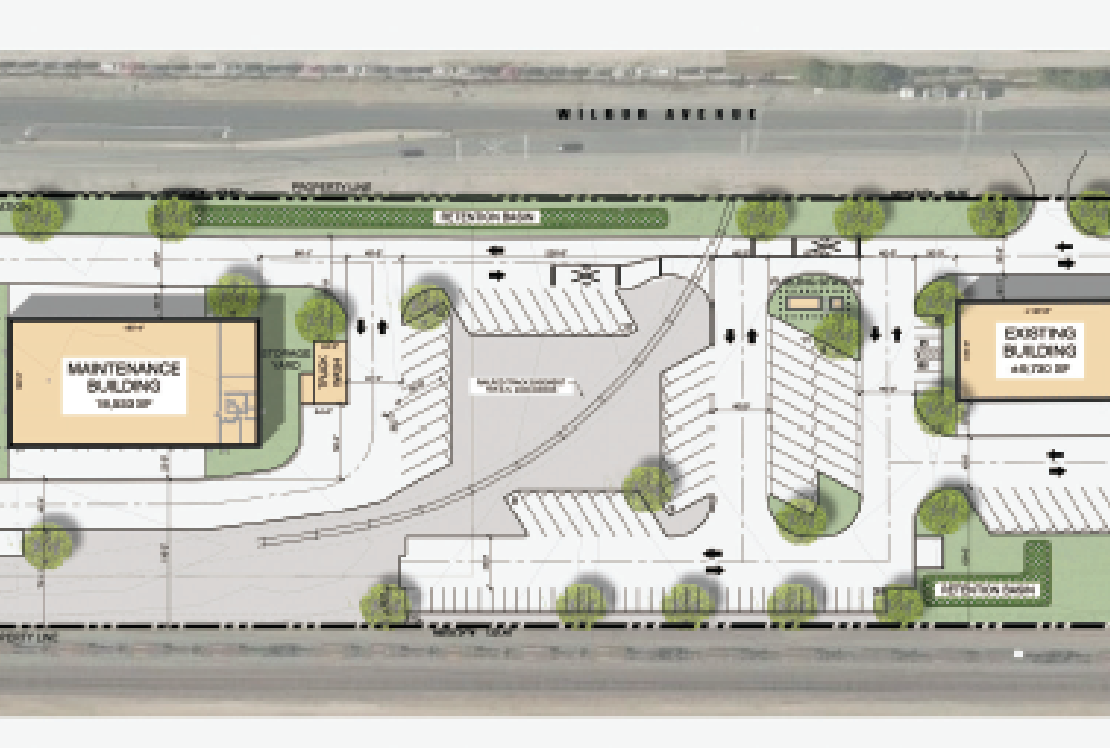
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AARP Foundation Tax-Aide

Tax season is here! In accordance with federal and **state guidelines** regarding COVID-19, the Antioch Senior Center (ASC) will partner with AARP Foundation Tax-Aide for tax assistance. **Beginning in March**, the ASC will be offering free tax assistance to anyone, with a special focus on taxpayers who are **50 or older** or taxpayers who have low to moderate-income.

For more information or to be **placed on a list** for an appointment, please call and leave a message at **(925) 778-1158**.



The Wild Horse Townhome Project – Associate Planner Zoe Merideth

The Planning Division is currently reviewing the Wild Horse Townhome Project. The proposed project involves developing **126 townhomes** in 25 buildings with related amenities on an approximately 12-acre site triangular parcel. The area is at the terminus of Wild Horse Rd and bounded by residential development to the west, by **State Route 4** to the east, and Wild Horse Road, the Contra Costa Water District's Pumping Plant 4, and the Contra Costa Canal to the south. The proposed project would also include **parking, landscaping** managed by a homeowner's association, and 1.6 acres of open space, including **recreational amenities** for residents. The Wild Horse Road extension is currently under construction through this parcel.



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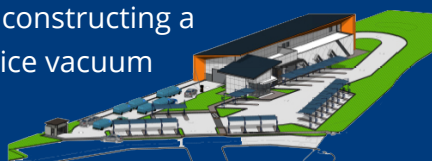
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Mt. Diablo Truck Maintenance Facility – Associate Planner Jose Cortez

Mt. Diablo Resource and Recovery (applicant) is proposing the development of the Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery Truck Maintenance Facility Project (proposed project) at 2600 Wilbur Avenue in the City of Antioch (City), California. The proposed project would be developed in three phases on a **10.28-acre site** partially developed with a 9,730 square foot metal warehouse building and approximately 10,000 square feet of paved surface parking. The first phase would initially use the existing 9,730 square foot warehouse building as an **interim truck repair** and maintenance facility and construct approximately 3.5 acres of truck and employee parking and a truck fueling station. In the second phase, the proposed project would construct a new metal warehouse building of approximately 18,000 square feet with 15,533 square feet dedicated to truck service repairs and 3,000 square feet **dedicated to shop and dispatch offices**, restrooms, break room, locker rooms, and a storage room. The third phase of development would include drainage improvements and grading of approximately 1.73 acres in the west portion of the site.

Ducky's Car Wash – Associate Planner Kevin Scudero

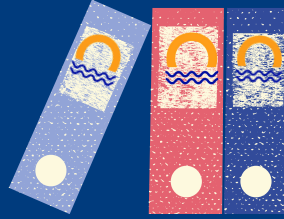
An application is being reviewed for a self-service car wash at the Northwest corner of **Lone Tree Way and Country Hills Drive**. The project is being proposed on an undeveloped site and includes constructing a single-story **car wash tunnel**, covered self-service vacuum stalls, project landscaping, and associated site improvements. The project is tentatively **scheduled** to go before the Planning Commission on February 17, 2021.



CITY CLERK

City Council Meetings

City Council Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. City Council Agendas, including Staff Reports are typically posted onto our City's Website **72 hours** before each Council Meeting. To be notified when the agenda packets are posted onto our City's Website, simply click on this link: <https://www.antiochca.gov/notifications/> and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the current and past agenda information, click on the following link: <https://www.antiochca.gov/government/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/>.



Openings on City Commissions and Committees

The City of Antioch encourages residents to become involved in their local community. One way to do so is to serve on various commissions, boards and committees. The City Clerk's Department is accepting applications for the following Boards/ Commission/Committee vacancies:

Deadline date by 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 29, 2021

Police Crime Prevention Commission

One (1) Commissioner partial-term vacancy, expiring **October 2021**

One (1) Commissioner partial-term vacancy, expiring **June 2023**

Sales Tax Citizens' Oversight Committee

One (1) Committee Member, 4-year term vacancy, expiring **March 2024**

One (1) Committee Member, partial-term vacancy, expiring **March 2022**

Deadline date by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Planning Commission

- One (1) Commissioner full-term vacancy, expiring **October 2024**

Any interested resident is encouraged to apply. To be considered for these volunteer positions, a completed application must be received in the City Clerk's Department by the deadline date of 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 29, 2021. Applications are available at <https://www.antiochca.gov/#>.



Transportation Development Act

The City has submitted their application for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Grant. If awarded, this grant will **fund pedestrian safety** improvements near Turner Elementary School and Fremont Elementary School, including updated signage and striping as well as installing curb ramps and flashing crossing beacons.

PUBLIC WORKS

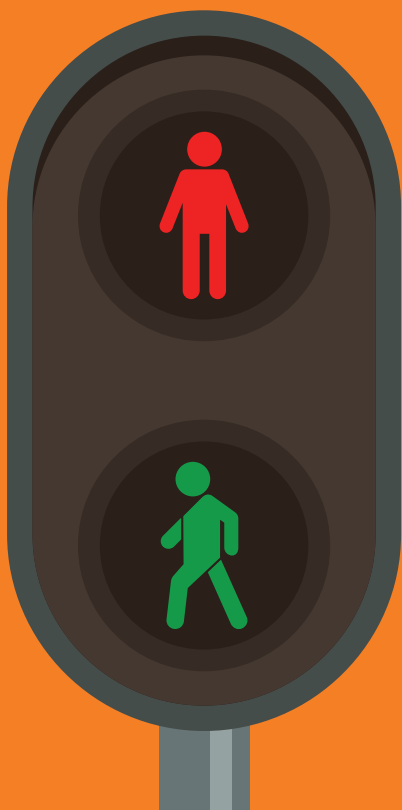
Downtown Market Lighting

Special thanks to Joy Motts and the **Celebrate Antioch Foundation** for installing market lighting downtown. The new lights add tremendous character and charm to the area. If you haven't visited our downtown recently you really should see how it has changed, there are some **wonderful shops** and eateries, and even in these cold months, you can't beat the **beauty** of a walk along the waterfront. To learn more about the Celebrate Antioch Foundation, visit their website: <http://celebrateantioch.org/>



Engineering

Capital Improvement's P.W. 392-31 Pavement Rehabilitation Project is currently in progress. The project consists of the **construction** of concrete curb, gutter, sidewalk, and curb ramps, cold planing existing roadway sections, installing asphalt **concrete plugs**, replacement of traffic signal loop detector, installation of PMAR chip seal, and micro-surfacing on **Hillcrest Avenue**, Gentrytown Drive, and Delta Fair Boulevard. There will be some lane closures with minimal impacts on motorists during construction, which is expected to conclude by **September 2021**.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Small Business Relief Grants

The California Office of the Small Business Advocate will accept applications for the Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant from small businesses impacted by COVID-19 between December 30, 2020, and January 13, 2021. \$500 million in grants are available. You can begin preparing your documents at [CAREliefGrant.com](https://www.careliefgiant.com).



Opportunity Zones in California

Antioch has **census tracts** that include areas around the Somersville Town Center, the BART station, and Wilbur Avenue. The federal tax bill passed at the end of December 2017 allows the Governor to designate certain census tracts as **Opportunity Zones**. Investments made by individuals through special funds in these zones would be allowed to defer or eliminate federal taxes on capital gains.

- [Northern Waterfront Economic Development](#)
- [Bay Area Urban Manufacturing BAUM](#)

Economic Development Department

The Economic Development Division provides assistance with business needs such as starting or expanding a business, finding a site, or connecting with other City services. Our hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Questions? Please contact us at **(925) 779-6168 or (925) 779-7014**

bludot open

The City of Antioch is working with **Bludot** to provide a more user-friendly version of the **Antioch Essential Business List**. The list combines information for customers seeking open essential businesses and business owners seeking to be added to the list, in one convenient location. The program is available on both desktop and mobile platforms. Be sure to use the "filter" feature to search by business type. Please visit [Antioch Open Essential Businesses](#).



Antioch - Opportunity lives here.

Here's what's happening In the City of Antioch



El Campanil Theatre Academy



Since 2006, El Campanil Theatre has offered El Campanil Children's Theatre--a tuition-free, performance-based program that has served as a first stepping stone for hundreds of young actors over the years. As arts programs get slashed everywhere, we asked ourselves what our greater responsibility was: to our students, to their parents, and the community.

El Campanil Theatre Academy--is a tiered, multi-layered program meant to educate students in the performing arts and give them tools for career placement in the performing arts. Classes range from acting to design, from directing to playwriting, and from voice to movement--all taught by industry professionals.

Tuition-free and low-tuition classes are available below. Limited scholarships are available by [applying here](#).

These classes have been designed to be taught either virtually or in-person, depending on the **COVID regulations** at the time that classes begin. Full information will be sent out as we get closer to start dates.

THEATRE



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Bridging the Gap

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The Antioch community is invited to participate in a series of discussions entitled "Bridging the Gap" with the goal of increasing understanding of how to address racial injustice and improve police-community relations.

Those who live or work in Antioch are invited to register for one virtual discussion session from the list below.

Sat. February 6
10-11:30 am

Dialogue 2:

Racial Disparities in Policing

Discussion will focus on the disparate impact of police practices - such as recruitment and training, and use of force - on communities of color.

*Registration Deadline: Wed., February 3, 2021 | 12 pm

REGISTER*

Thu. February 18
10-11:30 am

Dialogue 3:

Police - Community Engagement

Discussion will focus on how to improve the ways in which the police interact with young people and vulnerable communities, how police approach crime prevention, and how communities impact policing priorities.

*Registration Deadline: Mon., February 15, 2021 | 12 pm

REGISTER*

