



CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE APRIL 14, 2017



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

New Look for the Update: We've changed the format to provide the City Council and community with up-to-date information about what's happening in our city. As the Gateway to the Delta, Antioch's greatest asset, our people are working harder than ever to make this a community where we can work, learn, play, worship and celebrate together. Having spent much of the past four weeks getting out and meeting with businesses, organizations and individuals who are committed to seeing a better Antioch, I am convinced our best days are ahead of us. As our staff and I administer the City Council's policies and vision, these candid conversations provide me with a City-wide and regional perspective. I'd like to thank the dedicated professionals who contributed to and put this update together as we continue to communicate just some of the things that make Antioch great.

G Street Mercantile No Tax Sale! This Friday April 14th & Saturday 15th! Let Us Pay The Sales Tax For You! 2 Days Only! We Have 20 Vendors Under 1 Roof Offering: Furniture, Home Decor, Antiques, Vintage Finds, Gifts & More! Downtown on G Street.



Downtown Eggstravaganza sale, treats, egg hunt, participating downtown merchants on 2nd and G Streets Saturday, April 15th from 12-3 p.m.

Antioch Rotary Club 2nd Annual Bunny Hop 5K. Register today:
<http://www.antiochbunnyhop5k.com/>





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2017 Rivertown Wine Walk in Antioch: The Rivertown Business District is hosting local Wineries in Beautiful Downtown Antioch! What: Rivertown Wine Walk 2017
When: May 13, 2017 11am-5 p.m. Starting Location: Elite Dance, 304 G. St, Antioch CA 94509. Information & Tickets: <http://eventful.com/antioch/events/2017-rivertown-wine-walk-/E0-001-100976261-5>



Mel's Diner: Will be opening April 17th at 9am
Location: 4827 Lone Tree Way, Antioch, CA 94531
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/originalmelsdinerantioch/>

AMTRAK Contest: Enter to win a pair of tickets to a Bay Area Festival, from Amtrak San Joaquins! Snap a photo of your favorite brewery, enjoying a beverage on the train, or an awesome view from the train, and post it on Amtrak San Joaquins' Facebook. Contest runs from April 5 through April 17!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AmtrakSanJoaquins/photos/a.1699838056903834.1073741828.1695983330622640/1867336630153975/?type=3&theater>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/p/BShQZh-j7gw/?taken-by=amtraksanjoaquins>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/SanJoaquins>



Website: <http://freshapproach.org/freshestcargo/>
FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/FreshestCargo>

El Campanil Theatre
602 W. Second St.
Downtown Antioch
Tickets: www.ElCampanilTheatre.com or (925) 757-9500

The Sun Kings
A BEATLES TRIBUTE AS NATURE INTENDED
Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.
Reserved Seating



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Audiences and critics alike absolutely love The Sun Kings' energy and spot on recreation of The Beatles' music. The Sun Kings are considered one of the premier Beatles tribute acts in the country. Packing theatres and selling out shows along the West Coast and beyond, The Sun Kings continue to amaze their fans and win over skeptics, with their uncanny channeling and respect for the music they perform. With a repertoire of over 150 songs, The Sun Kings shine in concert with arrangements and vocal harmonies delivered with the authenticity and vitality that recall the earliest Beatles performances. <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/the-sun-kings.html>

International Film Showcase

Frantz (2016)

Sunday April 23, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

General Seating

In the aftermath of WWI, a young German who grieves the death of her fiancé in France meets a mysterious Frenchman who visits the fiancé's grave to lay flowers.

<https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/Frantz.html>

Stage Right Conservatory Theater presents: A Chorus Line - High School Edition

Location: Nick Rodriguez Community Center Theater, 213 F Street.

Show Times & Dates:

April 14 at 7:00 p.m.

April 15 at 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

2017 Art4Schools Exhibits at Antioch's Lynn House Gallery: Students from Antioch Unified School District showcase their art at the Lynn House Gallery March through May. The Lynn House Gallery is located Downtown at 809 W. 1st Street, open from 1-4 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays during exhibits and admission is free. For more information about each exhibit call Diane Gibson-Gray at (925) 779-7018 or email Diane@Art4Antioch.org. **Website:** <http://art4antioch.org/ArtExhibits.asp>

Celebration of Art Exhibit Returns to the Antioch Historical Society Museum for the 13th Year: The Arts & Cultural Foundation, in partnership with the Antioch Historical Society, will host the 13th Annual Celebration of Art Exhibit at the Antioch Historical Society Museum. This is a non-juried exhibit with no required theme, with up to 60+ local artists participating in the event. The event begins on Saturday, May 6th,



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with an artist reception from 2-4 p.m. The exhibit continues through Wednesday, May 24th on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 1-4 p.m. The event, artist reception and entry to the museum are free. For more information about each exhibit call Diane Gibson-Gray at (925) 779-7018 or email Diane@Art4Antioch.org.

Website: <http://art4antioch.org/ArtExhibits.asp>

Antioch's Future Growth: The region is projected to grow in population and wealth. Antioch is in a period of economic growth, we welcome residents and new residents as they make Antioch their town to raise a family. Click [San Francisco Business Times](#) for article on growth.

Marketing the City of Antioch: As part of the City's Strategic Management Plan for Economic Growth, a marketing campaign effort has been put together. Two videos (link below) have been produced demonstrating the City's housing, parks, recreational sites, retail, programs, schools, and revitalization concept plans for downtown. An annual City Report has been created (link below). The report contains information on every city departments and highlights milestones, projects, and updates.

[City Marketing Videos](#)

[2016 City Report](#)

Do you have Economic Business News to share email: izepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us pictures, stories, links, or media releases.

[Chamber of Commerce Events](#)

We are on social media follow us!



CITY CLERK

The Annotated Agenda for the April 11th City Council Meeting is posted on the City's Website. To view the agenda information, click on the following link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/> and then click 'City Council'. City Council Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m. The first Council Meeting in July is cancelled due to Summer Break.



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The City Council will be having a Special City Council Meeting on April 20, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. The agenda will consist of Closed Session items that were carried over from the Closed Session of April 11, 2017 Council meeting.

HUMAN RESOURCES

There are always exciting career opportunities with the City of Antioch. The City's open recruitments can be found on the Human Resources page of the City website <http://ci.antioch.ca.us/Human-Resources>. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the Description of the job, click on Apply.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

In order to provide our residents and customers the best experience possible, we are in the process of updating our website. Our goal is to deliver a fresh, clean and easy site to find just what you're looking for. Look for the change in July.

RECREATION



More than 30 students are enrolled in Lifeguard Training this week to obtain their certification and work as Lifeguards at the Water Park this summer. The Water Park hires 150 young people each season to ensure that visitors have a safe and memorable experience.

Do you have books to donate? The Antioch Council of Teens is holding a Book Drive to support local organizations. Bring your donations to the Antioch Community Center before April 30th.

The Antioch community volunteered over 22,500 hours of time and support to the Antioch Senior Center last year. Volunteers were recognized during a festive celebration on Wednesday and every volunteer received a thank you gift.

Last week was the final tax assistance day for the year. Over 500 senior residents have received free income tax assistance from AARP this year. The Senior Club hosted a thank you lunch for all the AARP workers.



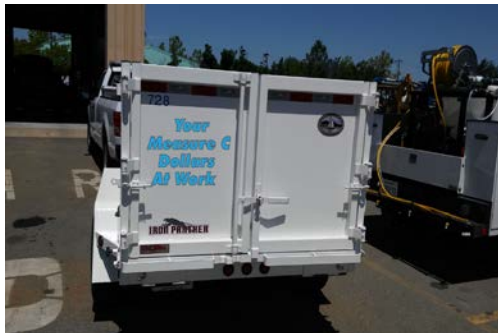
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Over the last week, 360 affordable, healthy meals were served through the CoCo Café. This program helps prevent heart attacks, depression, asthma and congestive heart failure. No membership or income requirements are required to eat at the CoCo Café. All supplies are provided by the County for participating cafés.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

On April 11, 2017, the City Council received an informational update on the General Plan Land Use Element Update regarding the Sand Creek Focus Area. This important effort will better organize and convey the City’s policies regarding development in the 2,712-acre focus area at the far southern edge of the City. The public is encouraged to participate in the upcoming Public Hearing process for the eventual adoption of this General Plan Update, which should begin in early summer.



The East Contra Costa County Times printed an informative article on the Abatement Team, which is housed within the Code Enforcement Division of the Community Development Department. We are grateful and very proud of this team. The article can be found at:

<http://www.eastbaytimes.com/2017/04/10/antiochs-blight-busting-team-of-two-cleans-up-after-illegal-dumpers/>.

The Planning Division posts updates on all current and recently-approved development projects on a regular basis. The “Project Pipeline” can be found at:

<http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/CommDev/PlanningDivision/docs/Project-Pipeline.pdf>.

PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department is launching SeeClickFix, a citizen engagement platform used to report non-emergency issues in our community. This platform works using a mobile app allowing for on-the-go reporting, and an online component that allows residents to stay informed on community issues. Used together with dedicated City-staff, SeeClickFix empowers citizen participation in community affairs, reduces response times by collecting quality





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information, and improves transparency through collaborative interaction with City-staff. These benefits enable stronger communication with residents, and strengthen our relationship with the community.

Steps to download:

1. Search for 'SeeClickFix' on Google Play or iTunes App Store.
2. Download 'SeeClickFix' and set Antioch as your hometown and area of interest.
3. Create SeeClickFix account using your email address and pertinent user information.
4. Begin reporting!

Capital Improvements Division

A-S Pipelines, Inc. continues to repair and replace sanitary sewer facilities on West 5th and West 6th Streets as part of the Downtown Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project. Installation of the new water main on E Street between West 6th and West 8th Streets is expected to commence next week.

The downtown will continue to see improvements with the Community Development Block Grant Downtown Roadway Pavement Rehabilitation project that will follow right behind the sewer project. The public bid opening for this project is scheduled for May 2nd at 2:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 200 'H' Street.

The City has hired R.J. Gordon to line the water pipe that goes under Highway 4 in the D Street area. This water line serves the northern portion of the City. The work that the contractor is doing at this time is drilling exploratory excavations of the existing underground facilities in the vicinity of the proposed access pits.

The City will be hiring a contractor to construct a new traffic signal at Wild Horse Road/Folsom Drive and modify the signal at West Tenth Street/L Street. The public bid opening for this project is scheduled for May 2nd at 2:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 200 'H' Street.

Public Works Operations – Parks and Landscape

Good progress has been made on the new playground structure at Prosserville Park; large rocks that are part of the theme are currently being installed. The poured in place material around the play structure will be installed within the month, weather permitting. The park has also





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received LED lighting upgrade near the new play structure to ensure the City's investment is used for its intended purpose.

Lighting has also been upgraded in City Park. The additional lighting will better assist the neighbors and police to ensure persons are using the park for its intended purposes during posted hours of operation.

Public Works Operations – Municipal Marina

The Antioch Rotary will host the 2nd annual 5k Bunny Hop fundraiser on April 15th at 9:00 a.m. There's also a Kids Fun Dash Free Run 6 and under at 10:30 am. The run will take place through the beautiful Dow Wetlands. The award ceremony and events following will take place at the Antioch Marina. For additional information please visit: www.antiochbunnyhop5k.com.

Public Works Operations – Facility Maintenance Division

Lights along the Promenade Walk and the Marina overflow parking lot received LED lighting upgrades. This improvement will better illuminate the walk for pedestrians and assist our P.D. so that they have better vision in the area.

GIS

Successful soft launch of SeeClickFix, Public Works new reporting platform. This soft launch allows citizens to report different issues at their leisure, rather than exposure from publicizing the platform. Internal staff have been trained, briefed, and have already begun responding to requests.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



On Friday April 10, 2017, Reserve Officer Frank Rupani ended his service as a Reserve Police Officer with the Antioch Police Department after almost twenty years. During his time with the department, Frank has volunteered thousands of hours to many civic events and other functions around the City as well as supplemented the APD patrol teams. Frank began his service on October 30, 1997 and has received numerous commendations and letters of appreciation from the public. Prior to his retirement from the APD Reserve Unit, Reserve Officer Rupani was assigned to assist the Parking Enforcement unit with a huge back log of abandoned autos in the City. He has been instrumental in getting the number of abandoned vehicles to a manageable level. Frank will continue to serve the citizens of Antioch by



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transitioning to our Volunteers In Police Service (VIPS) program where his experience as a Reserve Police Officer will be a welcomed addition. (Pictured are Retired Antioch Reserve Police Officer Rupani and Antioch City Clerk Arne Simonsen.)

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week is this week, April 9 to April 15. The week is in recognition and honor of emergency dispatchers who have chosen public safety as a profession across the country.

With dispatchers being available 24 hours a day, the career choice can be demanding. Last year alone, Antioch dispatchers answered more than 76,000 9-1-1 calls and more than 129,000 non-emergency calls! But being a dispatcher is much more than answering the phone and transferring calls. Dispatchers direct our police officers to calls for service, provide critical information to residents and officers alike, and are a pivotal link to those in need of medical or fire assistance. Dispatchers are a part of every single contact our officers have with the public.

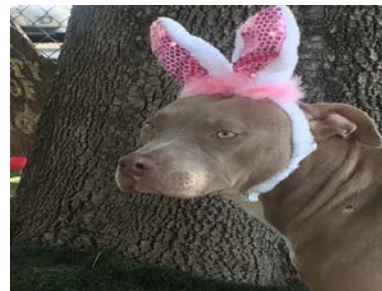
Being a dispatcher means being expected to accomplish much with little information, to be calm when others are panicked, and to do it with little to no recognition. It takes more than a willingness to show up to be a dispatcher, it takes a high degree of knowledge and dedication; both to their coworkers and the public.



The Antioch Police Department is proud of our dispatchers, and wanted to take a moment to let them know during this week of recognition.

Animal Services

Antioch Animal Services is kicking Spring off in style with a Spring-A-Pet Eggstravaganza! Come join the staff and volunteers of Animal Services for a one day event, Saturday, April 15th 10AM – 5PM. During this event we will be offering free adoptions (sponsored by Friends of Animal Services) and amnesty for overdue/delinquent dog licenses. Then, stick around for the following activities:





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- Refreshments provided by Friends of Animal Services (1 – 4 PM)
- Parade of dogs by Antioch High School's Animal Care Club (1 – 4 PM)
- Appearances by the Easter Bunny (1 – 4 PM)
- Easter Egg Hunt at 3:30 PM (bring your own basket).

The weather forecast looks great so come out and enjoy the day with us and possibly find your new four-legged best friend!

Check us out on Twitter!

@AntiochCAgov

Antioch Police Department

@AntiochPolice



Check us out on Facebook!

Official City of Antioch Pages

City Hall

<https://www.facebook.com/cityofantiochca/>

Police Department

<https://www.facebook.com/AntiochPolice/>

Public Works

<https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Antioch-Public-Works-566519033543711/>

Environmental Resources

<https://www.facebook.com/EcoAntioch/>

Animal Services

<https://www.facebook.com/AntiochAnimalServices/>

Recreation Department

<https://www.facebook.com/antiochrecreation/>