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CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

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Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the City Manager's Report for the week ending April 20, 2018.

CITY MANAGER

I attended a Contra Costa Economic Partnership Board Meeting where a Commute and Housing Study was presented and discussed. East Contra Costa County and Contra Costa County as a whole, has a disproportionally large



number of workers commuting out of the county to the more extensive job centers to the west. A lack of affordable housing and housing, in general, was also a topic of discussion. A top City Council priority is to attract and grow quality jobs in Antioch to keep our workers closer to home and family.



In cooperation with the County, the City Code Enforcement Division, Police Department Community Engagement Team (CET) and Public Works Department along with a private contractor began the abatement and clean-up of a large homeless encampment at the corner of East 6th Street and McElheney Road. The abatement was necessary due to zoning and clean water violations. County Homeless Services, County CORE team, and County Mental Health

Services assisted in this effort where temporary housing and services were offered to the occupants before the abatement occurring.

Keep Antioch Beautiful Day will be held Saturday, April 21st. This is an excellent opportunity to join with family, friends and other community volunteers to make a difference in your



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hometown! Each location has a signup area and is the distribution point for you to receive instructions; pick-up clean-up supplies (gloves, plastic bags, etc.). For registration click on the link below. We hope you'll join us! http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/Environment/Keep-Antioch-Beautiful/

POLICE

On April 10th Community Engagement Officer Matt Summers met with the Antioch Unified School District Student Advisory Committee. The Committee is made up of students from Antioch, Deer Valley, Dozier Libby, and Prospects High Schools This week's topic was safety and building positive relationships with the police. Officer Summers arrived in plain clothes and



spoke to the group about personal security and safety in the school setting. It was an open dialog that addressed student's perceptions of Police Officers and how to build lasting and positive relationships between young adults and the police.



On April 15th Officer White with K9-Copper and Officer Smith with K9-Kona attended the Bark for Life event at Somersville Towne Center. They met several of the participants associated with the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event. Officer White spoke to the group regarding our K9's and answered questions from attendees. It was an excellent opportunity to show support for a great cause and meet community members.

Animal Services

It's not just about kittens during kitten season; adult cats need homes too! This handsome, friendly, sometimes feisty feline, is a one-year-old male, orange and white tabby with knock-out amber eyes! He loves chin rubs and is working towards being a lap cat, but needs some time to adjust. Once Chuckie settles in he may rock your world! Chuckie is neutered, micro chipped and current on vaccinations Meet Chuckie Finster at 300 L Street and ask for A127158.





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HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Reclassifications/Promotions:

- Paulo de Oliviera was hired as a Lead Water Distribution Operator for the Public Works Department on Monday, April 16, 2018.
- Maria Martinez was hired as a Customer Service Representative for the Finance Department on Monday, April 16, 2018.
- Katherine Mills was hired as the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine for Antioch Animal Services on Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

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

Currently, open recruitments include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Animal Control Officer



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 job Position, click on Apply.

CITY CLERK

City Council Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers, 200 H Street, starting at 7:00 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting will be held on April 24, 2018, in the Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m. City Council Agendas, including Staff Reports, are posted on our City's Website 72 hours before each Council Meeting. To be notified when the agenda packets are posted on our City's Website, simply click on this link: http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/notification-systems/ and enter your e-mail address



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to subscribe. To view the agenda information, click on the following link: http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/ and then click 'City Council.'

The City Clerk's Office is accepting applications for the following boards, committees, and commissions:

- o Sales Tax Citizens' Oversight Committee
- (Extended deadline date to apply: 04/20/18)
- o Contra Costa Transportation Authority Citizens Advisory Committee
- (Extended deadline date to apply: 04/20/18)

Any interested resident is encouraged to apply. To be considered for these volunteer positions, a completed application must be received in the Office of the City Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on the dates listed above. Applications are available at www.ci.antioch.ca.us

and at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 200 H Street, Antioch, CA 94509, (925) 779-7009, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Your interest and desire to serve our community is appreciated. Applications and resume can be e-mailed to cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us; faxed (925) 779-7007; sent by mail; or dropped off at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall.

RECREATION



There's always room for dessert! This week our fantastic Chef Dexter Ridley taught our aspiring chefs how to make some delicious and decadent desserts. This session of, **The Seasoned Kitchen - Desserts To Satisfy The Soul**, brought students together to create this delightful menu: Key Lime Pound Cake with Key Lime Cream Cheese Frosting, Banana Cream Pie, Peach Melba Cupcake with Raspberry Buttercream and an irresistible Vanilla Cheesecake. Students were thrilled to take these recipes home and share them with their families!

Last week, 160 1st through 8th graders along with 16 volunteer coaches participated in their first practices for the 2018 Spring Junior Warriors Basketball League. Practices held at the Community Center gymnasium will continue twice weekly leading up to opening day on Saturday, April 28th.



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After the construction delay, spring swimming lessons started last week at the Antioch Water Park. New swimming instructors worked alongside the veteran teachers to teach 35 individual classes that are full with at least six students in each class. Registration is now open for summer swimming lessons; all ages and abilities are invited to join classes and become water safe, which is a vital life skill.



On Tuesday, 21 seniors completed the AARP Safe Driving workshop at the Antioch Senior Center and on Wednesday, Assemblyman Jim Frazier hosted a workshop on how to spot scams against seniors.

To date, the Antioch Senior Citizen's Club has 589 members including 34 members over 90 years of age!

Over the last week 384, affordable, healthy meals were served through the CoCo Café. This program helps prevent heart attacks, depression, asthma and congestive heart failure. There are no memberships or income requirements to eat at the CoCo Café; interested participants must only register with the food County program. All supplies are provided by the County for participating cafés.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



On 4/18, the Planning Commission approved two new design review applications – new solar panels in the Kaiser Sand Creek parking lot and the digitizing of the Mesa billboard adjacent to Highway 4. The Planning Commission also received public comment on The Ranch project Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). The public review period for The Ranch DEIR has been extended to 5:00pm May 14, 2018.

The DEIR can be found at: http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/CommDev/PlanningDivision/Environmental-docs.htm

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PUBLIC WORKS

Collections System/NPDES

Collections System Unit/Closed Circuit Television Crew

Collections System (Sewer) Inspection personnel completes approximately 25% of sewer mainline video inspections of our sewer system each year. The Collections System Division's Close Circuit Television Unit, or CCTV crew as we call it, is comprised of two highly trained staff members. The crew uses a small tractor-mounted camera to identify, locate and assess the condition of the City's sewer and storm infrastructure. CCTV condition



assessment provides the critical information needed to evaluate the service life, physical condition, and functionality of our 310 miles of wastewater and 282 miles of stormwater Collections System.

During field inspections, pipe defects are classified using a standard coding system, and the pipe condition is assessed using a systematic method to produce consistent, useful information. The data collected is reviewed by the Collections System's management team. Following the review, the data is used to assist in the scheduling of preventative and routine maintenance, make decisions about pipe rehabilitation or pipe replacement, and estimate a pipe's remaining useful life & long-term performance capabilities. Completing these inspections and proactively conducting maintenance plays a vital role in protecting our Collections System, the environment and the health and safety of the members of our community.

Water Distribution Division





The Water Distribution Division of Public Works is responsible for maintaining the City's treated and raw water distribution systems in safe and serviceable condition. The system delivers treated water to residential, commercial and irrigation customers. In this Weekly Update edition, eight (8) Water Distribution Operators from three (3) different crews worked together to replace four-4" meters and two-10"

backflow devices at Lakeshore Apartments.



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A great deal of planning, effort, and teamwork went into this massive project to ensure that it was completed in a safe and timely manner. The meters and backflow devices were aging and in need of replacement. This is an especially important undertaking because backflow devices prevent the pollution of drinking water.







What is Backflow? Backflow is unwanted, reversed flow of used or dirty water into the clean water lines, which can contaminate drinking water and pollute the public water supply. Backflows occur at a point in the system called a cross-connection. Cross-connection is the point where it is possible for the dirty or used water, to come into contact with the pure, drinking (potable) water. It is caused by shifts in the system's pressure and can be prevented by installing a backflow prevention device at the cross-connection point. Backflow devices are needed only to allow water to flow in one direction from the municipal water supply and into private water lines and keep our public water supply clean and uncontaminated.

Our crews are on the job making sure that we receive clean, safe and pleasant drinking water!

Parks & Landscaping Division

In spite of the nippy weather, summer is almost here! This means that we are laser-focused on continuing our efforts to spruce up or replace our park amenities and equipment. Featured in this Weekly Update is our lovely Meadowbrook Park, located at Yellowstone Drive and Calaveras Circle. Meadowbrook Park has nice amenities for you to enjoy with your family and friends, i.e., barbecue pits, basketball court(s), picnic tables, a volleyball and youth play area.





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And now, you also have newer benches installed to comfortably set up all your picnic goodies or simply sit and enjoy your surroundings.

Each week, a new park may be featured. So, if you believe that the local park in your area is in need of maintenance or repair, we want to hear from you!

Contact Public Works:

Mobile Devices: Download the **SeeClickFix** application on a mobile device.

Email: publicworks@ci.antioch.ca.us.

City website: http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/PublicWorks/SeeClickFix.htm.

Phone: (925) 779-6950 Social Media: Facebook

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

On April 18, 2018, the East Bay Economic Development Alliance (EDA) held their Economic Development Directors (EDD) retreat



East Bay
Economic Development Alliance
www.eastbayeda.org

meeting. An hour of this meeting was dedicated to an East Bay regional marketing workshop facilitated by Trish Gregovich, Tournament Director of the Ellie Mae Classic. The idea came from continued discussions amongst various cities that are part of EDA including Antioch for a regional marketing effort. The meeting resulted in the group helping to identify the top assets our region has to offer that makes us unique and attractive. There are many more steps to follow and information needed, including the EDA going out with a Request for Proposals to find a firm for branding the region and the sub-regional markets like East County. Currently, Antioch along with Pittsburg, Brentwood, and Oakley have a local page called Eastcounty4you where businesses can look for property, data, and unique characteristics of each city. Staff is looking to expand on this website and efforts this year. Antioch's "Innovate Antioch" website.

On April 19, 2018, staff attended the Asia Marine & Financial Technology Trade Opportunities seminar held aboard the USS Hornet in Alameda and hosted by the U.S. Commercial Service Department of Commerce that handles Global Access, Trade Expertise, and Customized Business Solutions. The U.S. Commercial Service is the trade promotion arm of the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade

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Administration. Their global network of trade professionals connects U.S. companies with international buyers, providing them with market intelligence, trade counseling,



business matchmaking, and advocacy/commercial diplomacy support. If you are a U.S. company looking to make your first export sale or expand to additional markets, or an international company looking to purchase products/services from the United States or find other U.S. suppliers, they offer the expertise you need to connect with lucrative opportunities. The meeting had a variety of panelist from the Asia markets, marine technology private sector, and financial technologies.

The ocean is a 1.5 trillion dollar industry that includes "Blue Tech" technology specializing in ocean/hydro applications. Other sectors represented included environmental technologies, food processing & packaging, building materials, maritime & port development, construction equipment, consumer goods, and industrial/commercial equipment. Antioch staff hopes to benefit by making connections in this industry with our Delta and water rights we are positioned to bring jobs within this cluster.

Cannabis Ordinance Process in Antioch

The City Council continues the process of developing a Permanent Commercial Cannabis Ordinance. On November 1, 2017, the City Council extended the moratorium it had previously enacted in late 2016 to all commercial cannabis land uses. The ordinance was extended for nine months. During this



final extension period for the moratorium, staff promptly began the process for enacting a permanent, regulatory ordinance for such uses. Staff also provides regular updates on progress every other month at council meetings.

MuniServices is the City's consultant on cannabis and will be conducting a Special City Council Meeting/Workshop on **Saturday, May 5th at 9:00 a.m.** located downtown at the Nick Rodriguez Community Center. This is your opportunity to come and learn about Prop 64, ask questions, and how this use may be allowed in Antioch. There will be City maps, and an interactive chart to gather your information. The first reading of the permanent ordinance before the City Council is expected to occur at the Council's May 22, 2018 meeting with the process to be concluded by the Council's regularly scheduled meeting on June 26th. We hope you can join us.

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2nd Cannabis Community Workshop – We Want to Hear from you.

Saturday, May 5th at 9:00 a.m.

Downtown at the Nick Rodriguez Community Center, 213 F St, Antioch, CA 94509

We need your feedback!

For more information on our cannabis Cannabis Ordinance Process in Antioch visit our <u>page.</u>

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



Fun Art & Wine Tasting Event!

The Rivertown Business District is hosting local Wineries in Beautiful Downtown Antioch's Rivertown Business District!

What: Rivertown Art & Wine Walk 2018

When: May 5, 2018 12pm - 4pm

Starting Location: Corner of G Street & 3rd Street,

Antioch CA 94509

Participating Merchants: * Almost There Travel * Twin Rivers Insurance * Reigh Salon * G St. Mercantile * Prime Vintage Realty * East County Veterans Thrift Store * Rose Time of Day * Rivertown Treasure Chest * Rivertown Sweets * Oddly Unique Antiques * M&D Specialty Collections * D'Ann's Academy of Dance * Shearz

Eventbrite Tickets \$20 Available Online or at Participating Merchants \$25 At The Door Must be 21 years or older to participate in the wine tastings Valid ID's required at check-in

Steak 'n Shake at the Somersville Towne Center is looking for employees!

Steak 'n Shake was founded in February 1934 in Normal, Illinois. Gus Belt, Steak 'n Shake's founder, pioneered the concept of premium burgers and milkshakes.



Steak 'n Shake Antioch will be located at the Somersville Towne Center southeast side. Opportunities for employment are available; please contact Sonia at (510) 919-0963. You can also check out more details on our website: https://recruiting.talentreef.com/steak-n-shake-corporate and select Antioch, California.



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Join the Conversation

Have you taken our City survey yet? City staff and City Officials took part in a fun, encouraging community video to help spread the importance of our City survey for your voice to be heard. Help us maintain and improve our community. The nine-question survey is fast and simple to answer! Survey and Video

Food Truck Thursdays at the Antioch Community Center & Water Park parking lot.

The food truck market takes place every Thursday night from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. through the end of October 2018. This event is sponsored in part by the City of Antioch Recreation Department and is presented by The Foodie Crew.



Food Truck Thursdays is a kid, family, and pet-friendly community event with FREE admission. In addition to all of the delicious food and beverages; we will also have games, face painting on certain days and music...with occasional live music performances and DJ's joining us. If you are interested in having your Food Truck or Dessert Truck at this event, or if you are a non-food vendor, please email info@foodiecrew.com.



El Campanil Children's Theatre Presents The Magical Lamp of Aladdin

Friday, April 20, 2018, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 22, 2018, 2:00 p.m.

Adults: \$13 Seniors (62 & Over): \$11

Youth (Under 18): \$9

No convenience fees – Save time later - buy online now.

The classic story of Aladdin, his monkey sidekick Alakazam, and the beautiful Princess Jasmine never fails to entertain young audiences. Evil magician Jammal tries to trick Aladdin in a malicious scheme to acquire a magical lamp containing a wish-granting genie. In this delightful and easy to produce version, you'll also meet three genies, the whining Ali "Bubba," the fire-breathing dragon, and the haughty sultan's wife. Performed by the children of El Campanil Children's Theatre.



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For more information about Business mixers, events, or memberships check out the website calendar **Chamber of Commerce Events**

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If you have Economic Business News to share, please email lzepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us for submittals and to share pictures, stories, links, or community events on our social media outlets.

Stay Connected To Your Community

Did you know the City of Antioch has a variety of ways to communicate? Check out our social media we are continuing our efforts to better communicate with our residents.









Antioch on the Move