# CITY MANAGER'S

Weekly Update



# Mayor and Members of City Council

This is the City Manager's Report for the week of May 6, 2019

# City Manager

# **Contra Costa Mayor's Conference**

This month's Mayor's Conference was held at the Veterans Building in Lafayette. Dawn Weisz, CEO



of MCE provided a one year update on their progress and programs in Contra Costa County. Many cities in Contra Costa County have chosen to opt into MCE. Antioch and five other cities have not although the option remains open on an annual basis. As they have at the last several meetings, the mayor's also discussed the controversial housing legislation being proposed in Sacramento. Senator Glazer urged the group to trust his ability to have our concerns heard at the State level instead of supporting flawed legislation.



#### 2019 Antioch Prayer Breakfast

Along with Mayor Wright and a couple of hundred others, I participated in the Antioch Prayer Breakfast. This annual event which coincides with the National Day of Prayer brings together a committed group of our diverse community to pray for our nation, state, military,

city, school district, businesses and churches. I want to thank Golden Hills Community Church and their longtime pastor Larry Adams, who is retiring, for taking the lead to make this such a successful event.



#### **Mediation Hearing**

I attended a mediation hearing with City Attorney Smith regarding litigation involving Eames and the Contra Costa County Flood Control District. As the matter remains unresolved, another mediation date has been set.

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# Police

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

We want to congratulate Sergeant Rick Smith on his graduation from the Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI) class 422. Sergeant Smith graduated this eight-month long leadership program for first-line law enforcement supervisors on May 3, 2019. His class had supervisors from 23 different police and sheriff's departments from all across the state, as far north as Santa Rosa all the way down to San Diego County. Chief Brooks, along with Police Chiefs and Sheriffs from all over California, attended the ceremony to celebrate their staffs' accomplishments. Congratulations, Sergeant Smith.







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# Police- Animal Services

# Be Kind to Animals Week To celebrate Be Kind to Animals Week, May 5-11, Antioch Friends of Animal Services will be sponsoring adoption fees during the entire

MONTH of May!

FOAS President.



Barbara Sobalvarro will host a Be Kind to Animals Week appreciation day at the shelter from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m., on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

The FOAS adoption fee sponsorship represents a savings of \$76 for cats and \$96 for dogs. Small animal adoption fees will also be sponsored. The sponsored adoption fees do not include the spay/neuter fees, or the dog licensing fees. These fees will need to be paid at the time adoption, and Antioch residents who adopt a dog must also purchase a dog license, which costs \$20 annually.

The shelter is located at 300 L St (adjacent to Antioch Police Department). Hours of Operation are T, W, TH & SAT 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and FRI 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Available animals can be viewed online at www.antioch.petfinder.com or www.petharbor.com

# Human Resources



#### Hires/Re-classifications/Promotions:

- Toby Beach was hired as a Lead Collection
   Systems Worker for the Public Works Department on April 28, 2019.
- Junming Li was hired as a Junior Engineer for the Public Works Department on May 6, 2018.

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

Currently open recruitment's include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Water Treatment Instrument Technician I/II
- General Laborer
- Animal Control Officer
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (part-time)

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 **here** Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the Job Position, click on **Apply**.

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### **Gymnastics Program**

Last Friday, several kids tumbled and twirled into the new Gymnastics classes at the Community Center. Kids were beaming with pride as they balanced across the beam, vaulted into the air and leaped into learning their routines! Get 15% off your registration for the next session of Intro to Gymnastics on Saturday, May 11th at our Recreation & Health Expo and Rec Expo Music Fest from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.!





#### A Matter of Balance

On April 26th, A Matter of Balance workshop completed its 8-week structured group intervention that emphasizes practical strategies to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels. Participants learned to view falls and fear of falling as controllable, set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and exercise to increase strength and balance. Participants received a certificate of completion for their commitment to learning all the techniques necessary to have a better understanding of fall prevention.

#### **Junior Warriors Basketball League**

Saturday, April 27th was opening day for the 2019 Spring Junior Warriors Basketball League where 160 youth finally got to apply their skills and knowledge about basketball that they have been learning for the past three weeks to actual game scenarios. Games for all 16 teams will continue every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center Gymnasium through June 15th.



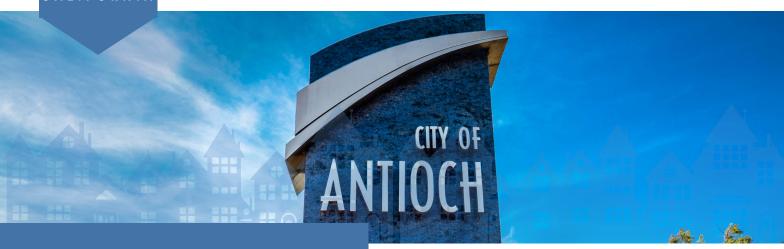
# Cool Off and Save at Splash and Spray Saturday

Splash and Spray Saturday is a big part of the Recreation & Health Expo on Saturday, May 11th. Families can register for any swim program and save 15%, while Water Park season passes are still discounted 20%. Performances and demonstrations led by City staff and vendors will be on hand with health and wellness information. The lap pool and splash pad will be open for free public use in the Water Park.

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# Community Development

#### **Planning**

On May 1, the Planning Commission recommended that the City Council approve the AMCAL Family/Senior Apartments project. The project consists of the development of a 14.85-acre site to construct 394



multi-family apartment units, including 178 units dedicated specifically for seniors. The complex will include a clubhouse and community buildings, parking areas, and other amenities. The project is located at the southwest corner of East 18th St. and Holub Lane. The City Council is scheduled to discuss the project on May 14.

#### **Marina Litter Reduction**

To reduce cigarette litter, we have been testing out some signage around the cigarette towers at the Antioch Marina. There are currently three cigarette butt collectors in areas where there has been a



concentration of cigarette litter noted at cleanups and by Marina staff. Three weeks after the area was cleaned, an assessment was done (note that this period was rainy) and 3-4 signs were installed in each area. After another three

#### **Building**

The models for the new Cielo at Sand Creek community are now under construction. Cielo is a new gated



community located to the west of Heidorn Ranch Road. These early phases of this project include 241 senior and 96 unrestricted singlefamily homes.

week period (note that this period had nice weather), another assessment was done. The results showed a slight decrease in total cigarette butt litter overall, but more data is needed. The signs are put away for now. Next step is to assess again in 3 weeks and change up the signage.

#### Mr. Funnelhead Art Contest Winner

For the 2nd year in a row, the countywide Mr. Funnelhead Poster Contest 1st place winner has been an Antioch student! Hundreds of entries from schools all across Contra Costa County are submitted. Contestants create posters on motor oil recycling, and the winners get to be in the next Mr. Funnelhead PSA. Congratulations. Alexandra Mora!



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# City Clerk

#### Get informed, get involved and **VOTE**.

Register to vote online or update your current registration. Voter Registration forms are also available at the City Clerk's Counter with free postage.

You are eligible to register to vote if you are:

- · A United States citizen,
- 18 years of age or older on Election Day,
- Not in prison, on parole, serving a state prison sentence in county jail, or serving sentence for a felony, and
- Not found to be mentally incompetent by a court of law.



You need to update your voter registration if you:

- Move to a new residence,
- · Change your name, or
- Want to change your political party affiliation.

#### **District Maps**

The City Clerk's Office has placed large maps of the City Council Districts at City Hall and inside the City Council Chambers which will be effective for the November 2020 General Election when Council Members will be elected By-District by registered voters living in each respective district. The position of Mayor is separately elected and will continue to elected "At-Large".

#### **City Council Meetings**

City Council Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers, 200 H Street, 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 onto our City's Website, at

https://www.antiochca.gov/notifications/ and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the current and past agenda information, **click here.** 

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# Public Works

Join us on Facebook to receive notification of Public Works projects.



#### **Landscape Services**

Thank you to all our customers for sharing your requests, concerns, and comments with us. We appreciate your input and the opportunity to share information on services provided by Public Works and other departments. We have been receiving a high volume of questions regarding weeds and landscape maintenance services. Public Works is committed to providing landscape services to the utmost of our abilities to keep our community safe, clean and green. One of the ways we accomplish this is through strategically designed work plans and contracted landscape services to maximize our efficiency and effectiveness. These programs take place every year with the bulk of the work beginning in Spring, generally after the Easter holiday, and completed by the July 4th holiday.

This year City Council designated additional funding to expand the landscape maintenance in our 458 courts to include a service in the Fall when we will apply seasonally appropriate pre-emergent to minimize weeds. We understand that it can be alarming to see vegetation growing so quickly in your neighborhood and this year's high growing season is no exception. We hope this information reassures you that crews will continue to work the landscape maintenance and weed abatement work plans citywide until all areas have been addressed.





# Drive. Expect delays through May 10th as Water and Sewer connections are completed to serve the Wildflower Station. Thank you for your patience. For everyone's safety, please slow

TRAFFIC ALERT

Northbound Hillcrest

Avenue at Davison

# Hillcrest Park Trail Improvements

for the cone zone!

Public Works crews began preparing the walking trails at Hillcrest Park for a fresh asphalt overlay. The contractor is expected to begin laying the new asphalt before the end of summer. Public Works will post the constructions dates as they become available.

#### Contact Public Works

Mobile Devices: Download the SeeClickFix app on a mobile device.

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

City Website: Click Here Phone: (925) 779-6950



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Economic Development

# Hall of Flowers

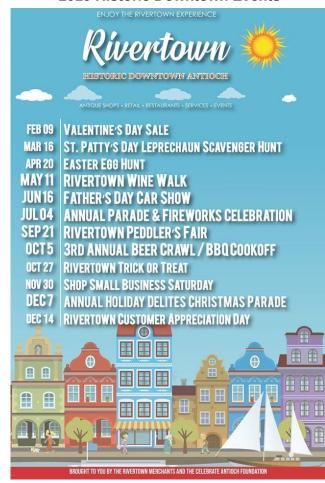
#### Hall of Flowers 2019 Season 2

On April 30th, Economic Development Director, Kwame Reed, attended the Hall of Flowers located at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. This is a premier event designed to bring together the most innovative brands, retailers, and industry insiders in the world of cannabis. With over 280 companies at the event, Director Reed's goal for the day was to introduce some of the vendors to the *Opportunities* of Antioch.

#### **Innovate Antioch**

The Economic Development Department recently upgraded the property locator function that can be found on the www.innovateantioch.com website. The property database now contains over 130 retail, office, and industrial spaces currently available for lease or purchase in Antioch. As a reminder, www.innovateantioch.com contains information on Antioch's demographics, businesses, mapping, and community comparisons.

#### 2019 Historic Downtown Events



# **Grant Application Packet Available**

Antioch Community Foundation (ACF) 2019-20 Grant Application Packet is now available. This is for nonprofit community organizations that serve the Antioch community. The ACF is now moving from a rolling application process to an annual grant cycle for the 2019-20 fiscal year.

Applications must be submitted to the Antioch Community Foundation via e-mail to keith@emeraldhpc.com no later than 5:00 pm Friday, May 24th, 2019. No mailed or faxed documents will be accepted. Application Download here.

For more information go to City Manager's Antioch On The Move community webpage.

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What's Happening in Antioch!



On Broadway - A Broadway Themed Musical Celebration Sunday, May 19, 2019 3:00 p.m.

Adults: \$29 | Seniors (62+): \$27 Youth (Under 18): \$15



A Broadway-Themed Musical Celebration highlighting shows and songs from Broadway's sparkling past to contemporary classics and Broadway hits, featuring a cast of Award-Winning Musical Theatre stars and performers.

#### **El Campanil Theater**

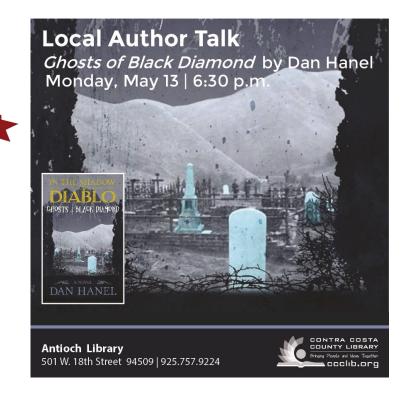
602 W 2nd St, Antioch Phone: (925) 757-9500 For website click here

For upcoming attractions at El Campanil click here

# **Contra Costa County Fair**

The 2019 Contra Costa County
Fair is quickly approaching!
There's something for all
ages including the classics
like the Merry Go Round, the
Ferris Wheel and the Zipper!
Save money and get your pre-sale
tickets and carnival wristbands starting
Friday April 26th!!

In addition to the traditional Carnival Rides at the Contra Costa County Fair don't forget about our Xtreme Sports Zone with Bungee, Bubble Fun and a Mechanical Bull!! For the younger kids we will also have a Trackless Train. For more information & tickets go to webpage here.



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Do 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.



#### **Rivertown Art & Wine Walk**

Join us in Rivertown, Historic Downtown Antioch, this Mother's Day weekend for our 4th annual Rivertown Art and Wine Walk. Saturday, May 11, 2019, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. Location Rivertown Historic Downtown Antioch G St. and 2nd St. Antioch, CA 94509. Enjoy art, live music, downtown restaurants, and 11 unique downtown shops that will be providing great wine tastings.

Registration begins May 11th at 11:30 a.m. at Elite Dance & Event Center - 304 G Street, Antioch, CA. To participate in wine walk, you must be at least 21 yrs of age and present valid ID at registration. Don't miss this great event on May 11th! For more information & tickets visit Eventbrite here. \$25 tickets are non-refundable.



#### **Antioch Chamber of Commerce**

For more information about Business mixers, events, or memberships check out the website calendar

Chamber of Commerce Events



# **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.







