

City Manager's Bi-Weekly Update



COVID-19 Update

COVID-19 is still a serious health concern. The governor established a requirement that face coverings must be worn by all individuals when out in public. The City continues to reopen our facilities with the Antioch Water Park now open for lap swim, and the rest of the facility preparing to reopen once established protocols and safeguards are in place. We encourage our residents and businesses to please continue to be diligent in taking necessary precautions like social distancing of 6' or more, washing hands, and regularly sanitizing surfaces.



Town Hall Meetings

Last week the City Council held two special meetings to discuss the establishment of an ad hoc committee to discuss police reforms. Over 800 public comments were received and read into the record for this very important matter. Council consensus is to hold Town Hall style meetings where the entire City Council and interested community members, organizations, and our Police Department can participate in this discussion. The first meeting will be **Tuesday, June 30th, via Zoom** with future meeting dates and specific agenda items to be determined. We invite the community to join us as we strive to identify and implement meaningful change.



Improving and Beautifying Antioch

The City is in the midst of a large street resurfacing project, maintaining landscaped medians and parkways along our main streets throughout town and cleaning up illegal dumping, shopping carts, graffiti, and trash. The restrictions that resulted from COVID-19 have resulted in a delay in spraying for weeds and conducting our standard landscape maintenance programs. We are moving full speed now. Thank you for your patience as we do our best to beautify and clean up our City.





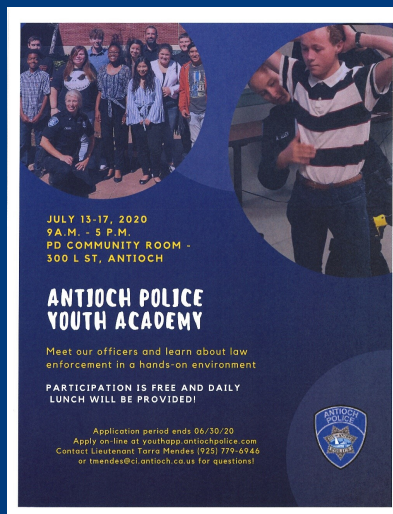
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Antioch Police Youth Academy

The Antioch Police Youth Academy is ON! It appeared that restrictions related to the COVID-19 crisis were going to cause us to cancel this year's Academy. As the restrictions continue to loosen, it looks like we will be able to proceed (of course, with added precautions!). What is the Youth Academy, you ask? Well, the Youth Academy is a week-long, hands-on training for kids aged 14-18 years of age who live in our local area.

During the Academy, the kids will learn about law enforcement from the inside out, have the opportunity to meet many of our officers, and have real conversations about current events in a non-threatening environment. Due to our late start, we are streamlining our process. Due to class size restrictions, we are limiting enrollment to the first 40 applicants. Applicants must be between 14-18 years of age, live in our local area, pass a cursory check, and commit to attending the entire Academy. The Academy will be held July 13-17th.

See the attached flyer for more information or contact Lt. Tarra Mendes at tmendes@antiochca.org. Apply on-line at: youthapp.antiochpolice.com



Fireworks Safety

As a friendly reminder, all fireworks are illegal in the City of Antioch. We want to remind Antioch residents, businesses, and visitors that the sale, possession, and **use of all fireworks are banned within the City of Antioch**. This ban includes the "safe and sane" variety of fireworks that are legal in some other cities.

Police resources will be on patrol in Antioch during the peak times of concern to maintain an active vigilance against fireworks use. We are receiving calls on missing pets scared by fireworks. **PLEASE be more vigilant in the weeks leading up to July 4th. Do NOT leave pets in your yard unattended at night.** Their best anti-anxiety is YOU. Staying at home with your pets during these nights of fireworks is the best comfort you can offer them.

We are anticipating a high call volume during the Fourth of July holiday season. We ask that community members help due their part to keep our City safe and only dial 9-1-1 during an actual or potential emergency. To report non-emergency illegal firework use, call the Antioch Police Department Dispatch Center at (925) 778-2441.



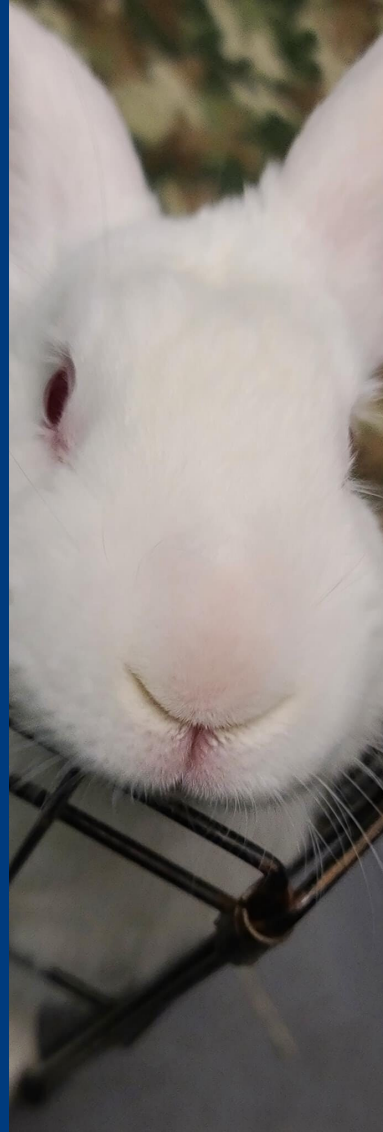
PD- ANIMAL SERVICES

It's the perfect time to adopt a new furry friend!

Are you looking for a new furry friend to add to your family? Now is the perfect time to adopt a pet from Antioch Animal Services, as **Antioch Friends of Animal Services** is again sponsoring all adoption fees! Since the shelter in place order for COVID-19 began, Antioch Friends of Animal Services has been committed to helping Antioch Animal Services place as many pets as possible into new homes. They have offered to sponsor adoption fees until the shelter in place order has been lifted. We are very grateful for their generosity!

The Antioch Animal Shelter is still operating on an appointment-only basis, but we have expanded our days of service and now offer appointments daily (except Holidays). To view pets that are currently available for adoption, visit www.petharbor.com, and search for adoptable animals. **If you see a pet that you are interested in adopting, call the shelter at (925) 779-6989 to make an appointment** to come into the shelter. Antioch residents who adopt a dog will need to purchase a \$20.00 dog license at the time of adoption.

Pictured to the right is **'Roo'** one of 3 rabbits we currently have available for adoption.



HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Re-classifications/Promotions:

- **Matthew Taylor** will be hired as a Water Treatment Plant Supervisor for the Public Works Department on June 29, 2020.
- **Trino Barajas** will be hired as a Public Works Inspector for the Public Works Department on June 29, 2020

Please join us in welcoming this employee to their new position with the City of Antioch.

Please check our website for the opening of the following recruitment's:

- Customer Service Representative
- Senior Water Treatment Plant Operator
- Lead Street Maintenance Worker
- Lead Water Distribution 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.





Antioch Water Park

Antioch Water Park is Open for Lap Swim

The Antioch Water Park opened for lap swim on June 15th, making it the first recreation program offered to the community since the Shelter in Place Order began in March! So far, 136 reservations have been made, and residents keep calling for time slots. Lap swim is offered in 30-minute sessions, 8:00–11:00 a.m. and 4:00–6:00 p.m., seven days a week for swimmers 12 years and older. Interested swimmers must call the Antioch Water Park at 925-776-3070 to reserve a lap swim time. The cost for lap swim is \$4 per session. To ensure safety for community members, bathrooms will be available, but locker rooms will be closed. Water Park staff is complying with local health guidelines to ensure the cleanliness of the facility and the safety of each guest.




RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Community Camp Night

The Antioch Recreation Department introduced the first-ever Community Camp Night on Saturday, June 20th. The program provided Antioch Families with downloadable resources to enjoy a fun and safe evening of camping from their back yard, including tips for safety, necessary supplies, crafts, games, snacks, dinner, dessert, songs, campfire stories, and local wildlife. It's not too late to hold your own backyard campout; you can find the bundle of resources by visiting our Virtual Recreation Center and clicking on the "Just for Fun" tab.



**20% DISCOUNT
ONLINE CAMP
REGISTRATION FEES
ENTER COUPON
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**Opportunity
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Summer Camp 2020
 Ages 6-12 Years
Coyote Hills
Outdoor Day Camps
 Full Day Camps Available 8AM-3:30PM
Coyote Luau Week #7057
 June 28 - July 12, 10 days \$1260/9.5/10HR
Talent Extravaganza #7060
 July 6-10 \$2100/9.22/2NR
County Fair Week #7063
 July 13-17 \$2100/9.22/2NR
All-Star Week #7066
 July 20-24 \$2100/9.22/2NR
Mad Scientist Week #7069
 July 27-31 \$2100/9.22/2NR
Register Now! Online Only:
www.antiochca.gov/recreation/summer-camp2020

Coyote Hills Summer Day Camp

A 20% discount has been applied to the camp registration fees! Parents can register their school-aged

youth for camp on-line here at Coyote Hills Camp Registration. National, State, and County protocols have been implemented to ensure a high level of health and safety for children and staff. Summer camp still includes all the great experiences kids love each summer, including games, swimming, and other outdoor activities. Discount Code is CAMP2020.



Partnering with Coastal Conservancy



Environmental Resources will be partnering with the Coastal Conservancy to develop an engagement plan for reaching neighborhoods that could experience flooding from storms and/or sea-level rise in the future. **If you have a community group or neighborhood organization interested in working with us, please contact:** lsiemann@antiochca.gov

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Parcel Rezoning

On June 23, 2020, the City Council will consider a recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding rezoning three City-owned parcels to contain the Emergency Shelter (ES) zoning designation. This action would support the City Council's ongoing efforts to address the homeless crisis in our City by creating a temporary housing community for families with children in the Antioch Unified School District. The City of Antioch recently received five travel trailers from the State of California through a program designed to provide housing for those experiencing homelessness. If approved, these trailers (***photo above of typical trailers to be used in this program***) would be installed at the chosen location along with other improvements to create a safe and comfortable housing solution for these families. The City is also working to develop a partnership with a non-profit organization to assist with the management of the community, the selection of families, and the provision of social services to assist with the transition out of homelessness.

The Planning Commission recommended that none of the sites be selected for this purpose based on mixed concerns about the suitability of the sites, not on the necessity or desire to house homeless families. The City of Antioch remains committed to confronting the homelessness crisis through efforts to improve the lives and provide opportunities for those affected. We recognize the complexity of this issue and the diversity of the homeless population and its varying needs. By reaching out to homeless families with children in AUSD, the City is taking a monumental first step towards a solution. The staff report and supporting information is available [here](#).



Sustainability Activities

Two of the City's education partners, Mr. Eco and Kids for the Bay have fun sustainability activities and information for keeping your young eco heroes engaged over the summer at home, check out www.mreco.org and www.kidsforthebay.org/at-home-activities

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CITY CLERK

City Clerk's Office

The City Clerk's Office is responsible for preparation of agendas and minutes; ensures compliance with legal noticing requirements; serves as the Elections Official for the conduct of general municipal and special elections; responding to requests for public Records; maintenance of the City's Municipal code; and management of the citywide records management program. The City Clerk is also the filing officer for Political Reform Act Documents. Copies of Campaign Statements are available on the City's website. Copies of Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700) may be obtained by contacting the 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 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 [here](#) and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the current and past agenda information, click on the following link [here](#)



Get Informed, get involved and VOTE

You are eligible to register to vote if you are:

- A United States citizen, 18 years of age or older on Election Day,
- Not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony, and
- Not found to be mentally incompetent by a court of law.

Register to vote online or update your current registration.

You need to update your registration if you:

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

To register to vote or for more information check out cocovote.us [here](#)

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Water Distribution

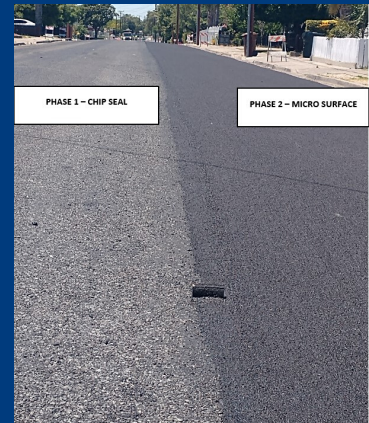
A Water Distribution crew was assigned to a hydrant repair on Santa Fe Lane this week. A nearby resident was burning a tree stump in the front yard. The fire was left unattended, and a few embers started a small grass fire. Water Distribution staff quickly took action with the hydro excavation truck to put the fire out before it evolved into a large fire. John Seaman is pictured extinguishing the fire. Jamie Olson, Nick Wilson, and Adrian Reyes were also a part of this effort. For everyone's wellbeing, please be extra vigilant with safety precautions during the fire season.



PUBLIC WORKS

Project Update - 2020 Roadway Cape Seal

Phase 1 – Chip Sealing' of the City's 2020 Road Cape Seal Project was completed last week. Chip seal gets its name from the "chips" or small crushed rock placed on the surface.



Phase 2 – Micro Surfacing' portion of the project is still in progress; and consists of the application of an asphalt emulsion mixture that is placed on top of the ½" black aggregate (tiny crushed rock) creating a smoother wear surface (micro-surfacing). Micro-surfacing is applied to preserve and protect the underlying pavement structure and provide a new, smooth driving surface.

The entire cape seal project will cover 3,758,285 square feet of roadway surface and is expected to conclude by the end of June. This project will entail temporarily altering traffic patterns and street parking during construction. Temporary street closures and detours will be facilitated by the Contractor as well as notifying all affected properties.

We ask for your patience during construction and obey all traffic control and warning signs that are placed for the safety of workers and the public.



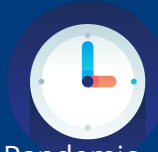
This construction operation is expected to be completed in approximately one month. The list of streets included in this project is posted on the City's website homepage under Announcements [here](#).

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Department Hours

The Economic Development Department staff will continue to provide service and information remotely during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Departmental phones are being answered, and email capability is in place.

The hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Outdoor Dining Permits

On Friday, June 5, 2020, the revised County Order allowed for restaurants to start serving patrons by providing outdoor dining. To facilitate this, a simple Outdoor Dining Permit application was created. The application was provided to all Antioch restaurants on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, and as of June 19, five restaurants have received approval. The application includes a self-certification process through a series of questions, and can be approved in 24 hours, and is free to applicant.



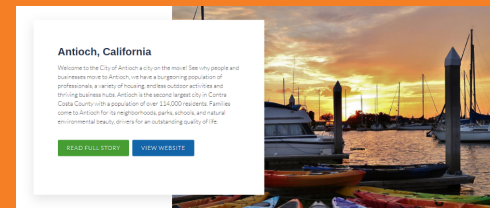
Economic Development Commission

The City of Antioch's Economic Development Commission had its June 2 meeting via Zoom teleconferencing. The Commissioners have been tasked by the Mayor to come up with an Economic Development Business Recovery and Retention Plan of Action for the City. The Incentive Subcommittee presented preliminary drafts of possible programming, which include: grants, marketing, and technology. Each commissioner spoke about what they hear from businesses about their needs as a result of the Pandemic.



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](#).



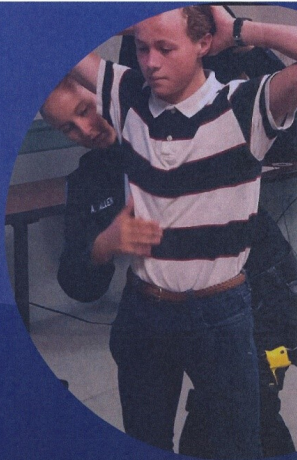
Innovate Antioch

All you need to know about Antioch Sites, Buildings, & Community The City of Antioch has a great website to find all your needs for available sites, demographics, and other data needed to make Antioch your next move.



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



JULY 13-17, 2020
9 A.M. - 5 P.M.
PD COMMUNITY ROOM -
300 L ST, ANTIOCH

ANTIOCH POLICE YOUTH ACADEMY

Meet our officers and learn about law enforcement in a hands-on environment

PARTICIPATION IS FREE AND DAILY LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED!

Application period ends 06/30/20
Apply on-line at youthapp.antiochpolice.com
Contact Lieutenant Tarra Mendes (925) 779-6946
or tmendes@ci.antioch.ca.us for questions!



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June 29 - July 1 (3 days) \$126R/\$138NR

Talent Extravaganza #7060
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www.antiochca.gov/recreation/activity-registration

During this COVID-19 Pandemic

STAY CONNECTED WITH 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.

