



CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE SEPTEMBER 15, 2017



Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the City Manager's Report for the week ending September 15, 2017.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Measure O was passed by the voters in 2014 and requires owners of residential rental units in Antioch obtain a business license. To date, we have a total of 5,979 business licenses for rental units with 30 of those being apartment complexes which represent a total of 3,068 units for a total of 9,047 units currently licensed. There are 1,451 letters out to potential landlords that have not responded to either comply or provide proof that they are not a rental, and 426 letters that were returned by the post office that we are investigating further. With the 1,877 potential units that could be licensed, there is a current projected total of 10,924 units. Any unlicensed landlord should contact the City Business License Division at (925) 779-7059 or visit the City's website at <http://ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/Finance/BusLic.htm> to obtain information on how to apply for a business license online, by mail or in person.

Along with Council Member Ogorchock and City Clerk Simonsen, I attended two days of the three-day League of California Cities Annual Conference held in Sacramento. The League is an organization, that almost all California cities are a member of, that strongly advocates for local issues and control. The subjects of housing, the legalization of recreational marijuana use, SB 649 which severely limits the discretionary approval of cities as it relates to small cell site facilities, strategies on homelessness, and the idea of turning our customers into citizens were presented. It was a treat to be introduced by Senator Glazer as his guests at yesterday's Senate Hearing.

Tomorrow, September 16th, will be the annual Coastal Clean Up at several locations throughout the City from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and the Delta Blues Festival at Waldie Plaza from noon to 7:30 p.m. For more information, please see the Economic Development and Community Development updates.



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



It's finally here! This Saturday September 16, 2017, the 19th Annual Delta Blues Festival will be from noon to 7:30 p.m., in the heart of Downtown at Waldie Plaza on Second Street, across from City Hall. This event is family focused, alcohol free, with lots of shade available to enjoy the music, food, and crafts. This is a free event!

Website: <http://www.deltabluesfestival.net/>

For up to date information on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Long-Live-the-Delta-Blues-Festival-114488355232644/>

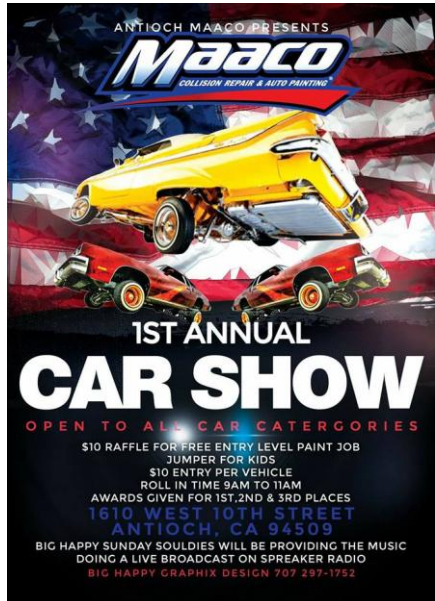


Antioch is featured in the latest Neighborhoods.com which is an online real estate resource that helps people find the perfect home, as well as the ideal neighborhood; believing that the neighborhood you live in is just as important as the home you live in. The people, places, schools and amenities that surround your home have an enormous impact on your quality of life. Neighborhoods.com recently featured an article on Bay Area cities that experienced increased housing costs of more than 15 percent in the last five years. Of those, Antioch had an increase of 16 percent! What great news for our city and community! **These 10 Bay Area Cities Are Experiencing the Fastest Housing Appreciation:** [Read Article.](#)



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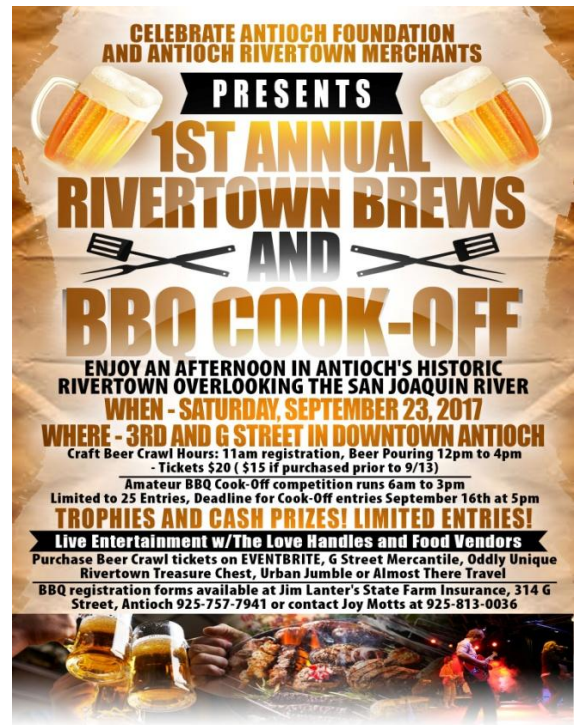
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Saturday, September 23rd, Maaco of Antioch presents their 1st Annual Car Show which is open to all car models and categories. This is a family friendly fun event. There will be music provided by Big Happy Sunday Souldies, food, a bounce house for children, raffle, and awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The entry fee is \$10 per vehicle. Stop by anytime from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location:
Maaco of Antioch
1610 West 10th Street

Sign up today to enter the amateur cook-off at the 1st Annual Downtown Rivertown Brews and BBQ Cook-Off. This event will be on Saturday, September 23rd, on 3rd & G Streets. It is limited to 25 entries and the deadline to enter is September 16th at 5:00 p.m. The Craft Beer Crawl will have you visit 10 local Rivertown Merchants pouring beer from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 before September 13th, or \$20 after that date. There will be entertainment, food vendors and prizes. To enter there is a \$50 entry fee for BBQ teams or individuals. This year only Chicken and Ribs will be judged. You will be cooking for judging only and no BBQ will be sold to the public. Get your tickets online at Eventbrite or hard copy tickets are available at G Street Mercantile, Oddly Unique, Rivertown Treasure Chest, Urban Jumble and Almost There Travel stores Downtown. BBQ registration forms are available at 314 G Street. For more information, call (925) 757-7941 or (925) 813-0036.





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Food Truck Thursdays had another successful event at the Antioch Community Center! The Foodie Crew had a line-up of trucks including BBQ, gyros, pasta, and desserts. This is a food truck market that will take place every Thursday night from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. through the end of September, and possibly through the end of October. This event is sponsored in part by the City of Antioch Recreation Department and is presented by The Foodie Crew and United Bites Food Truck. Please come out and support this new event. If you are interested in having your Food Truck or Dessert Truck at this event, or if you are a non-food vendor, email info@foodiecrew.com.



Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/311496855945551/>



El Campanil Theatre
602 W. Second St.
Downtown Antioch

Tickets: www.ElCampanilTheatre.com or (925) 757-9500

El Campanil Children's Theatre
Fantastic Mr. Fox
By Roald Dahl

Friday, September 22, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
General Seating

Roald Dahl's much-loved story follows the vain attempts of three farmers, Boggis, Bunce and Bean, one fat, one short, one lean, to get rid of the fox who regularly steals food from their farms.



They try to kill him by any means possible. Outwitted at every turn, the farmers' ploys backfire. Fantastic Mr. Fox devises a plan which will ensure full stomachs for not only his family, but all his friends, who celebrate with a sumptuous feast.

Tickets: Adults: \$12, Seniors (62 & Over): \$10, Youth (17 & Under): \$8
Information/Buy Tickets: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/fantastic-mr-fox.html>



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Joel: The Band Tribute to Billy Joel

Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.
Reserved Seating

JOEL The Band is the premier rock and roll Billy Joel Tribute Band on the West Coast. Fresh off the national tour of Billy Joel's Tony Award-winning rock musical, "MOVIN' OUT,"

Piano Man KYLE MARTIN and his group of professional musicians have toured California and are preparing for their national tour later this year. The band performs Billy Joel's timeless repertoire including songs like "Big Shot," "Only the Good Die Young," "An Innocent Man," and "New York State of Mind." They are blazing hot, and will have you on your feet rocking out. KYLE MARTIN made quite a name for himself amongst Broadway and Rock fans as he traveled to over 100 cities starring as the "Piano Man" in two separate National Tours of the Tony Award-winning Billy Joel/Twyla Tharp musical smash "MOVIN' OUT."

Tickets: Adults: \$27, Seniors (62 & Over): \$25, Youth (under 18): \$10

Information/Buy Tickets: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/joel.html>

The Somersville Towne Center and the Midnighter's Car Club team up to host a Car Show every Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Somersville Towne Center
2550 Somersville Road
Macy's Parking Lot





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Freshest Cargo Downtown Tuesdays

Located at the Senior Center Parking Lot: 415 W 2nd Street



Website: <http://freshapproach.org/freshestcargo/>

FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/FreshestCargo>



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

[Chamber of Commerce Events](#)



HISPANIC
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Power Hour Networking CCC EAST

FREE EVENT

Bi-weekly every
1st & 3rd Wed.
8:30 am - 10 am

Lone Tree Golf Course
4800 Golf Course Rd
Antioch, CA 94531

RSVP:
Eventbrite

Networking
Presentations
Business Training
Fun Social Atmosphere

**Building
Valuable
Business
Relationships**



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Economic Business News to share?

Please email izepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us for submittals and to share pictures, stories, links, or media releases on our social media outlets.



@AntiochCAgov

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

CITY CLERK

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

City Council Agendas, including Staff Reports, are posted onto our City's Website 72 hours before each Council Meeting. The next City Council meeting is September 26th. To be notified when the agenda packets are posted onto our City's Website, simply click on this link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/notification-systems/> and enter your e-mail address 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'.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Reclassifications/Promotions:

- James Stenger was promoted to Sergeant on September 10, 2017.
- Steve Aiello was promoted to Corporal on September 10, 2017.

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

Current Open Recruitments:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Dispatcher Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (part-time)
- Collection Systems Supervisor



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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's website <http://ci.antioch.ca.us/Human-Resources>. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the job Position, click on Apply.

RECREATION

On Tuesday, eight home cooks participated in The Seasoned Kitchen Cooking class featuring, "A Little Bit of Italy," a cooking workshop held at the Antioch Community Center Catering Kitchen. Our very own Chef Dexter created a wide variety of delicious Italian inspired entrees including Cioppino, Bolognese Sauce over Fettuccine, Chicken Marsala, and for dessert a Vanilla Crème Brulee! Next month watch out for Savory Soups!

This week, youth ages 6-11 years old participated in Little Veterinarian School®, a new program being held at the Antioch Community Center that encourages elementary school children to role play and explore the exciting world of veterinarians. Classes are designed and developed by a team of board-certified and trained physicians and use interactive demonstrations, crafts, and games to help kids learn how to take care of a pet and use instruments that real veterinarians use.



Last Monday, the Antioch Council of Teens (ACT) held their first meeting of the school year to discuss events, volunteer opportunities, and membership outreach. ACT members will participate in the Deer Valley High School "club rush" later this month.

On Saturday, 41 seniors attended the Apple Garin Festival in Hayward. All visitors of the event received an East Bay Regional Parks water bottle as a gift, sampled a variety of freshly plucked apples, sampled fresh churned apple ice-cream, enjoyed refreshing apple juice/cider, and even milked a fake cow! A special thank you to the Antioch Community Foundation, as well as private donations; they made this trip possible.



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On Tuesday and Thursday, over 20 community members participated in the AARP Smart Driver two-day beginner's course. Once a senior completes the course, insurance providers offer a reasonable discount for car insurance.

Over the last week, 369 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.



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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



COASTAL CLEANUP DAY

SEPTEMBER 16, 2017, 9 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The three site locations for this year's cleanup will be:

- * **Antioch Marina** - Overflow lot at L St. & 2nd St.
- * **Fulton Shipyard Rd.** (by the Red Caboose Restaurant)
- * **Antioch Water Park**

To sign up for the event, you may register online at:

<http://ci.antioch.ca.us/Environment/Coastal-Cleanup-Day/>,
or for more information, call (925) 779-6137.

Kayak Cleanup - Friday, September 15th.

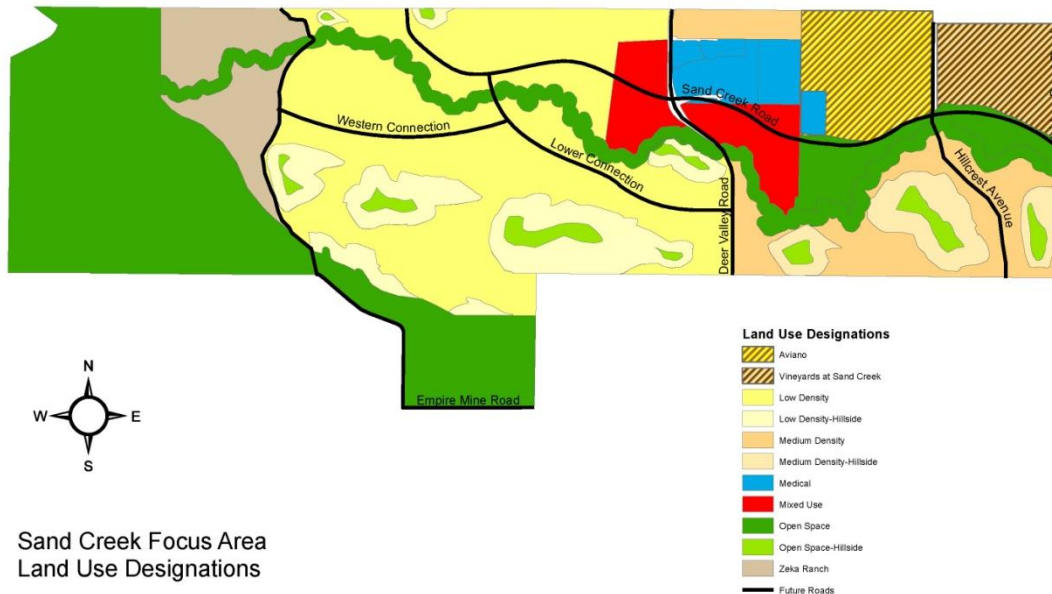
There will be another boat based (i.e. canoe and kayak) cleanup of the shoreline on Friday September 15th. If you are interested in this pre-cleanup, contact Julie Haas-Wajdowicz at jhaaswajdowicz@ci.antioch.ca.us.

Planning Commission. On Wednesday, September 20, 2017, the Planning Commission will consider two important items in the Sand Creek Focus Area. The first item will be the Sand Creek Focus Area policy update, which is an amendment to the Land Use Element of the General Plan. These proposed policies are intended to reorganize existing policies related to open space, residential density, and hillside protections. The Planning Commission will be asked to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding this matter. More information is available at www.antiochplanning.com.



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In addition, the Planning Commission will consider a proposal from GBN Partners LLC for a modification to their 2016 project approvals for the Promenade-Vineyards at Sand Creek project, a 641-unit residential development in the Sand Creek Focus Area. Specifically, the proposal requests that up to \$3.1 million of City water and sewer fees be waived for the project through a fee credit subsidy program. The proposal also asks to modify the original road construction requirements for the project. This modification would allow partial construction of Heidorn Ranch Road, Hillcrest Avenue and Sand Creek Road, rather than the full construction required by the original approval. More information is available at <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/default.asp> under the agenda for the September 20, 2017 meeting.

SEE-CLICK-FIX UPDATE FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT. The Code Enforcement Division has been receiving training and is working through the logistics of transitioning into the See-Click-Fix reporting software currently used by the Public Works Department. We are moving forward with the goal of completing this transition by December 1, 2017. More information about See-Click-Fix can be found at <https://en.seeclickfix.com/antioch>.



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CONGRATULATION TO JULIE HASS-WAJDOWICZ!

On September 20, our very own Julie Haas-Wajdowicz will be honored with a Leadership in Sustainability Award from *Sustainable Contra Costa*, a regional consortium of organizations committed to improving the environment and promoting sustainable practices. Julie works endlessly to promote a variety of causes that all promote sustainable practices, environmental stewardship and community engagement. Whether it's working with interns to encourage and educate regarding recycling or leading major community clean-up days along the waterfront, Julie is the prime example of leadership in this very important field. Congratulations are well deserved!



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

PUBLIC WORKS

Guess What Day It Is? It is PW365 Day!

That means that the hard working men and women of the Public Works Department have worked an entire year without a lost time injury. Given the nature of construction and maintenance work, this is an excellent accomplishment for every one of our valued team members.

Employee safety is not just a personal accomplishment for the Department; safe employees have a direct fiscal impact and reflect the respect we have as stewards of public funds.





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One of Public Works' main goals is to deliver excellent customer service while maintaining our culture of "Safety First." Well Done Team Public Works! Be proud and keep our 'Culture of Safety' going.



It is unfortunate, but one of our big beautiful Mulberry Trees at City Park has suffered a crack down the middle of the trunk and must be removed.

We have 42 other trees around the City that are either causing property damage or have terminal issues that have forced us to schedule them for removal. After the trees are removed a contractor will be back to remove the stumps and also remove the stumps of trees that have been removed in the past. We know there is a lot of tree work out there and we are doing the best we can with the funds available for this task.

Thank you to all for being patient and supportive!



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

POLICE

On Monday, a ceremony was held at the Police Department to recognize some recent promotions. With more than 100 people in attendance, Chief Tammany Brooks administered the oath of office to newly promoted sergeants Matt Koch and James Stenger, and newly promoted corporals Matt Harger and Steve Aiello. Please join us in congratulating these four individuals for their well earned achievement!



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On September 10th, after 27 years of dedicated service, Sergeant Dimitri Barakos retired from the Antioch Police Department. He began his career with the department in December 1990, and worked in various assignments including: SWAT, Hostage Negotiation, Community Policing, and Investigations.

In November 1999 Barakos was promoted to the rank of Police Corporal where he was assigned to the Patrol Division. Less than two years later, he was promoted to the rank of Police Sergeant in August 2001. During his tenure as Sergeant he served as a Patrol, Investigations, and Traffic Unit Supervisor. Sergeant Barakos also supervised the Field Training Officer Program and Police Explorer Program. As the FTO Sergeant he mentored and assisted in developing our next generation of officers and is well respected in the law enforcement community. His experience, expertise, abilities, and personality will be sorely missed.





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The women and men of the Antioch Police Department want to thank Sergeant Dimitri Barakos for his 27 years of service to our great community. We wish him sincere congratulations on a well deserved retirement.

On Wednesday, several members of the Antioch Police Department got together in a show of support for Officer Meghan Miller, who is currently receiving cancer treatment and away from the job. The turnout was amazing and a testament to how we all feel about her and what she means to all of us. Dozens of officers, clerical staff, and even some of the kids went for it and cut off their locks in support of Meghan.

As always, none of these amazing things can be done without help from behind the scenes, as well. We would like to extend a special thanks to Walmart, Antioch SuperCuts, Anthony Luka, the Davis family and Squeeze Burger, NightHawk Defense Group, Michael Bauer, and Caralynn's Cake Company for their generous support and donations.

We love you Meghan and can't wait to see you back at work.



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Animal Services. Happy Story from Antioch Animal Services!!! Last Thursday the Tapia family brought a black, scratched up cat into Antioch Animal Services. They said the community cats in their neighborhood were beating him up, so they felt he may have gotten out of his home or was dropped off. Happily, it turned out this poor mini panther had a microchip and it was current! Our staff made contact with Buddha's owner who was overjoyed and shocked to learn her cat had been found in Antioch. Buddha had



been missing from his home in Redwood City for 2 years! Buddha's owner rushed down to Antioch (somewhere she's never been) & picked up her boy. He's back home with his 4 year old brother. They are slowly getting reacquainted, but as you can see from his picture, Buddha knows he is home. If only he could talk..... [#alwaysthinklost](#).



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