ANTIOCH CALIFORNIA

City Manager's

Bi-Monthly Update



Fulton Ship Yard Boat Launch Improvements

The Fulton Shipyard Boat Launch received a **make-over** with the removal of old wooden picnic tables and seating benches on the pier with **new aluminum equipment** installed by the Public Works Facility Maintenance Crew.

The new equipment offers a pleasant spot to sit and enjoy the beautiful Delta waters and wildlife. We hope you will **visit the site** for a stroll, picnic, or sit and enjoy your surroundings. The boat launch pier is located at the end of Fulton Shipyard Road off of **Wilbur Avenue**.







Antioch Veteran's Day Celebration

We are excited to announce the <u>Antioch, California Veteran's Day</u>
<u>Celebration</u> will be held November 11th from 10:00 -11:00 a.m. at the
Veteran's Memorial at the Antioch Marina. This year the event will be "**Drive**in **Style.**" Event <u>coordinators</u> ask everyone to arrive and be parked and in
their cars by 9:50 a.m. so they can begin promptly at 10:00 a.m.

• 10:00-11:00 a.m. Veteran's Day Commencement (Note: Please stay in car and listen to the radio FM 87.9)

Self Guided tour of Antioch Veteran Memorials

- Antioch Veteran Memorial (Antioch Marina
- Antioch Historical Museum, 1500 W.4th Street
- WW1 Memorial (Contra Costa Fairground)
- Oakview Cemetery, 2500 East 18th Street
- VFW Post 6435 815 Fulton Ship Yard Road





League of California Cities Appointment

Council Member Lori Ogorchock was recently appointed as chair to the League of California Cities Governance, Transparency and Labor Relations Policy Committee. These appointments set the stage for the committees' 2021 work,

which begins in January when they hold their first meetings. The work of policy committees serves as the foundation of the League's **strong advocacy** on behalf of cities. The League's policy-making process creates a platform to discuss the top issues facing California cities and establish the organization's policy directions. Congratulations Lori on this **great honor** and representing the City of Antioch!



POLICE DEPARTMENT



Newest Police Officers

Please take a moment to help us welcome our two newest police officers to the City of Antioch family. Officer Pedreira and Officer Navarrette recently graduated from the 190th Academy Class at the Law Enforcement Training Center in Pittsburg. Here is a little bit about each of them:

Daniel Navarrette

Daniel, affectionately known as DJ, grew up in Antioch. In High School, he played football and baseball. After graduating high school, DJ attended Los Medanos Community College, where he received an AS Degree in criminal justice. In 2015, DJ enlisted in the United States Navy. His job while in the Navy was working in intelligence. He was stationed at the NSA near Washington DC for three years. DJ returned to California in November of 2019 after his service was complete. In his free time, DJ enjoys spending time with his wife and 1-year old daughter.

Nicco Pedreira

Nicco grew up in Brentwood, California, with his two younger brothers. Nicco's father and several other family members are law enforcement officers who had a significant influence on how he was raised. Nicco attended Heritage High School, where he played football. After high school, Nicco attended Los Medanos College and worked two jobs. Nicco always knew he wanted to be a Police Officer, so he spent time going on numerous ride-alongs with different departments to find the right fit for him. Nicco found that fit with the Antioch Police Department. In his free time, Nicco likes to spend time with his first son, born while he was in the Academy.

A GREAT Halloween Event!

2020 has been the year of adjustment and change. This is true as it relates to our Police Department's holiday events as well. As Halloween drew near, we weren't sure if we would make a "pandemic proof" event for the kids in our community, but we did not have the heart to cancel it. We felt that it was more important than ever to give the kids a fun, safe way to celebrate Halloween. When someone suggested a drive-thru event, we figured we would give it a shot. Luckily for us, the Recreation Department was struggling with the same topic, and the idea of a Drive-thru Trick or Treat Event at the Police Department and Antioch Community Center was born! This event was truly a community effort, with donations coming in from our personnel, other City Departments (shout out to our Recreation and Public Works Departments, you guys ROCK!), local businesses, and community members alike! After the event, we estimated that we provided treats to approximately **1500** kids and their families who drove through our two locations. So, even though we missed putting on our traditional Haunted House Event, we had a blast and enjoyed seeing so many of our youngest community members all dressed up and having fun!



PD- ANIMAL SERVICES

Finding Rover

Antioch Animal Services strives to find innovative ways to keep pets in our community safe, so we are very excited to announce our **new partnership** with Finding Rover! Finding Rover uses facial recognition technology to help reunite lost dogs and cats with their families, allowing anyone with computer access to become a superhero.

If someone FINDS a stray dog or cat, we encourage them to report the pet on Finding Rover as FOUND. All they need to do is snap a picture on their phone and upload it to **www.findingrover.com**. From there, the magic of Finding Rover will match the photo with photos of pets that have been reported missing. Those who have LOST a dog or cat should upload their pet's picture, and it will search **FOUND** reports, which will include animals in our care! Our partnership with Finding Rover automatically updates all of our shelter's pets on our Finding Rover page.

Don't wait for your pet to go missing; be proactive, and create an account for your pet today. To register your pet:

- Visit https://findingrover.com/registermypet
- Upload a picture
- Enter your pet's name, age, and breed
- Enter your name, email address, and zip code.

Share Finding Rover with your family and friends, and let's get everyone on board to start saving more lives!







HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Re-classifications/Promotions:

• **Ronald Chandra** was hired as an Operations Supervisor for the Public Works Department on November 9, 2020.

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

Currently open recruitment's include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Assistant City Engineer
- Operations Supervisor (Public Works Department)
- Collection Systems Supervisor
- Senior Civil Engineer



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.



Drive-Thru Trick or Treat

The Antioch Police Department and Recreation Department added a Halloween Drive-Thru Trick or Treat event on Saturday, October 31, as part of their annual Halloween tradition. In full costume, families were greeted by officers and recreation staff as they drove through Prewett Community Park to celebrate! Our Staff looks forward to continuing this collaboration next year!



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Fall-O-Ween Event

The Recreation Department hosted the first Antioch Fall-O-Ween at the Antioch Water Park, October 29 through 31. During the three-day event, more than **400 residents attended**. Families participated in fun activities, including navigating the hay maze, hunting for the perfect pumpkin, and solving clues to complete the scavenger hunt. Halloween music hits were blasted through the park, helping guests get into the spooky spirit. Each child who attended left with a **pumpkin and a pre-packaged bag of candy**. COVID appropriate modifications were in place to ensure a safe event; pre-registration was required, and proper social distancing and face masks were part of the event. Families were very appreciative, and Recreation Staff hopes to **expand the event in future years**.





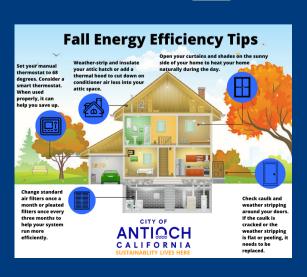


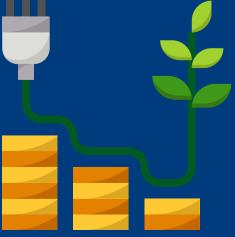


COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning

On November 4, 2020, the Planning Commission considered an application to install a **500-gallon propane tank** at the "76" gas station at 2701 Contra Loma Boulevard. The applicant was requesting a variance to install the propane tank within the required 30' front setback. Variances are issued to account for unique site conditions that make ordinary application of development standards an excessive burden. The **Planning Commission** discussed the merits of the project and generally agreed that the project satisfied the findings for a variance. However, Commissioner Barrow expressed concerns about the safety of an above-ground propane tank near the vehicle traffic on **Contra Loma Boulevard** and Fitzuren Road and ultimately voted against approving the variance to allow the project to proceed. The Planning Commission then voted to reconsider the project at its November 18 meeting and continued the public hearing. More information is available at **here**





Carbon Footprint

Do you know what your carbon footprint is? Try EPA's Household Carbon Footprint Calculator to estimate your annual greenhouse gas emissions. Follow the link to start-https://www3.epa.gov/carbon-footprint-calculator/

What is your carbon footprint?



Building Inspections

The Building Inspection Services Division was very busy during the month of October. The Division issued 308 building permits and conducted 896 inspections. That is an average of 14 building permits issued each day and ten inspections conducted each day by each of the City's four-building inspectors.



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 on this link here and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the current and past agenda information, click on this link. Members of the public seeking to observe the Council Meeting may do so at https://www.antiochca.gov/live_stream, on Comcast Channel 24, or AT&T U-Verse Channel 99.

November 3, 2020 General Election Results

https://www.cocovote.us/election-results-november-3-2020/

November 3, 2020 General Election – Nominees for Public Office:

MAYOR

Lamar A. Thorpe Gabriel Visaya Makinano Julio Jesse Mendez Rakesh Kumar Christian Sean Wright

COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

(4-yr term) Mike Barbanica Tony G. Tiscareno

COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

(2-yr term) Alex John Astorga Sandra Gail White Monica E. Wilson

CITY TREASURER

Lauren Posada James Davis

COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

(2-yr term) Manuel Louis Soliz, Jr. Joy Motts Tamisha Walker

COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

(4-yr term)
Marie Arce
Nichole Gardner
Lori Ogorchock
Antwon R. Webster, Sr.

CITY CLERK

Dwayne Donald Eubanks Ellie Householder Arne Simonsen





Eagle Scout Project

The Marina received a wonderful new addition along the perimeter walkway from Boy Scout Troop 247's **Kenneth Sigua**. For his Eagle Scout project, Kenneth built and installed a shaded information board to educate people on the wildlife of the Delta. Kenneth understands how diverse and important the Delta is to the **Bay Area's ecosystem** and believes it is essential to provide our community with this information.

Kenneth is currently putting the final touches on the informative piece of the project. Public Works wants to send a huge 'THANK YOU' to Kenneth and the other Scouts who helped with this public service volunteer project.



PUBLIC WORKS

Operations and Utilities

The Antioch Public Works Employee Association (APWEA) are pictured (from left to right) Art Lucero, APWEA President, Nick Wilson, APWEA Treasurer, Tammany Brooks, Police Chief, and John Seaman, APWEA Vice President **proudly donating** \$500 plus bags and bags of candy to the Antioch Recreation & Police Department's Spooktacular Event that was held last month October 29th – 31st.

Public Works' landscape contractor starts the medians' **fall landscape maintenance** in courts citywide on Friday, November 6th. We expect all 460 courts to be completed by December 31st (weather permitting). Expect to see crews performing more of this type of work in Antioch continuing into the fall/winter seasons.

Annual Nighttime Sign Reflectivity

Public Works' Street Maintenance crews will begin conducting our annual nighttime sign reflectivity and street light survey on November 2nd. Crews will perform a



comprehensive survey of every street sign, road marking, street light, and **traffic signal light for reflectivity** and proper function in a low light environment. Any utility found to be damaged, worn, or not functioning correctly will be compiled onto a maintenance list to be fixed or replaced in the coming months.

This nighttime survey is expected to be completed before December 31st, with crews working 3 to 4 hours per night until finished. The survey is a **vital part of the street maintenance** program as it provides a list of issues that need to be corrected and helps keep us compliant with federal sign and marking reflectivity standards.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Business License Rebates

Staff is processing the first 130 applications for the Business License Rebate program, where eligible **businesses can receive a \$100 rebate** upon the renewal of their business license. To be eligible, the business must meet the following criteria:

- Business is located with the **Antioch City Limits**
- The business has a physical address (storefront) not associated with a residence
- Fewer than **50** employees
- A current business license issued before March 17, 2020
- Paid or will pay a business license renewal between March 18, 2020, and March 17, 2021
- Not affiliated with a national brand



Contra Costa County Small Business Access to Capital Virtual Event on November 13, 2020

The Family Economic Opportunity Network presents its first virtual event: The Contra Costa Microenterprise Access To Capital. This will be a gallery of funding options for smaller size businesses in Contra Costa County. Micro funding and Small Business organization representatives that will be present at this event include:

- Vivan Wong, Richmond Main Street Initiative
- Trevor Nelson, KIVA
- CDFI: Working Solutions and Pacific Community Ventures
- Bret Sweet, Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center
- Mission Asset Fund

Come ready with questions! Register **here**



Economic Development Department Hours

The Economic Development
Department staff will continue to
provide service and information
remotely during the **Contra Costa County mandated shelter in place order**. The hours of
operation are 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Workforce Development

The Workforce Development Board is holding a Layoff Aversion Funding for Small Businesses webinar event on November 17th at 3:00 p.m. For more information and to register please follow this link **here**

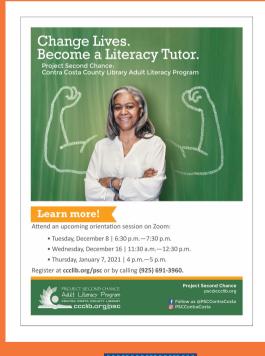
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The City of Antioch is working with **Bludot** to provide a more user-friendly version of the **Antioch Essential Business List.** The list combines information for customers seeking open essential businesses and business owners seeking to be added 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.**















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