



CITY MANAGER'S

Weekly Update

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Mayor and Members of City Council

This is the City Manager's Report for the week of November 12, 2018

City Manager



At the latest count, the City's **Measure W**, a one-cent sales tax that will maintain Antioch's quality of life and public safety services was heading toward approval by the voters with a 64.56% YES vote.

This is important to our community for two primary reasons. First, it will provide an additional \$7 million

dollars per year to maintain 911 police response and restoring police officers patrolling City streets, clean up illegal dumping, restore after school and summer programs for youth to prevent youth violence and gang activity, and prepare public safety personnel for rapid coordinated responses to natural disasters.

Second, it indicates voter confidence in the leadership of our City to effectively budget and monitor these financial resources. With violent crime and property crime down 39.9% and 25.5% respectively since 2013 when Measure C was passed, we are seeing evidence that Antioch is becoming a safer, cleaner and more inviting city where we can all live, work and play.

After 23 years at the **City of Pittsburg**, and over 7 years as City Manager, my good friend Joe Sbranti has announced his retirement. Joe has been

instrumental in Pittsburg's \$300M investment in Pittsburg's downtown and city creating a beautiful place for people to live, shop and work. With deep roots in Antioch where he was raised, Joe has always been helpful to me as Public Works Director/City Engineer and now as City Manager providing sound counsel and input as we've tried to work together to better our neighboring cities. I Wish Joe and his wife all the best in the exciting new season ahead.



Delta 6

Mayor Wright and I participated in the quarterly Delta 6 meeting in Oakley where the mayors and city managers of Pittsburg, Antioch, Oakley and Brentwood along with representatives of Supervisor Glover and Burgis' offices meet to discuss East Contra Costa County issues. Homelessness and the State HEAP funding, the November 6th elections, the Jobs Corridor between Tracy and Brentwood and economic development were all discussed. This collaborative effort is important as our cities and the county work together toward successfully marketing and growing our region.



Unfortunately the annual Veterans Day Parade was canceled due to smoky conditions created by the Northern California wildfires. Our thought and prayers go out to all of the families and individuals who have been affected by these devastating fires.



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On November 5th Officer Calvin Prieto was sworn in as our 99th police officer. Calvin is a former Marine who decided to become a police officer and serve his community after his service to our county. Calvin was initially hired by the Alameda County Sheriff Department where he served for two years before leaving to work for the San Leandro Police Department where he served four years. Calvin brings six years of law enforcement experience with him to the Antioch Police Department which will serve our community well. We are very excited to have Calvin as the newest member of our team serving our community.



While working as a police officer, Calvin attended school part time and obtained his Bachelor's Degree from the American Military University in Criminal Justice in 2014. He later returned to JFK University in June 2018, and obtained a Master's Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Organizational Leadership. Calvin is excited to bring over his family to the Antioch Police Department and serve the community. In his free time, Calvin enjoys spending time with family and friends and enjoys taking his family on road trips. A fun fact about Calvin is that he has participated in the U.S. Police & Fire Olympics and has won two gold medals in the "prestigious" sport of dodgeball. His pre-game routine includes watching the movie "Dodgeball" and quoting Ben Stiller.



Our K9 Unit has had a busy couple of weeks and are in high demand even outside of their patrol duties. On November 5th Officer Tjahjadi and Smith brought their K9 partners (Kaia and Kona) to Antioch High School's after-school program, Animal CARE Club. The students were treated to a special presentation. Officers Tjahjadi and Smith shared info about their careers and life with their four legged partners. The students learned how our K9's are trained in the areas of protection, searching, tracking, article searching, and narcotics detection. Officer Smith also showed the students what Kona looks like in action. Kaia and Kona are just two of the now six canines the department has on staff.

We also had a nice visit with Ms. Kathleen Edmonds, an animal lover and long-time Antioch resident. She had previously met Chief Brooks at an event and was so impressed with the work the K9 Unit does in our community she stopped by to make a donation to our canine program. Officer Kyle Smith and K9-Kona were near the police station so they stopped by to meet Ms. Edmonds. As you can see, K9-Kona is always excited to make a new friend. We are thankful and appreciate all the support from our long-time and new community members.





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Police- Animal Services

Antioch Animal Shelter

November is "Adopt A Senior Pet Month" and Antioch Animal Services  kicked off the month by celebrating the Spirit of East County Seniors, a walk hosted by Councilwoman Lori Ogorchock at Somersville Towne Center. Senior dog "Pitt" made an appearance at the Mall and warmed the hearts of many of the participants with his easy going and friendly personality. Friends of Antioch Animal Services is graciously sponsoring all adoption fees for senior cats and dogs over the age of 6 years that are adopted during November. 



Human Resources

Hires/Re-classifications/Promotions:

- Calvin Prieto was sworn in as a Police Officer on November 5, 2018.
- Ken Warren was hired as a Project Manager on November 12, 2018.
- Elliot Beck, Brian Daley, Robert Nalezny, Kasey Slick, and Warren Spohn were hired as a Water Distribution Operators I for the Public Works Department on November 13, 2018.

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



Current open recruitments include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Water Treatment Plant Supervisor

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://antiochca.gov/Human-Resources>. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the Job Position, click on Apply.



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Recreation

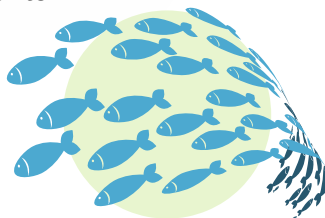


Fall Dance Recital

On Saturday, the Fall Dance Recital took place at the Nick Rodriguez Community Center for the first time. Ballerinas, hip-hoppers, princess dancers, tiaras & tutus and pre-school dancers performed on a stage for the first time ever. The Theater was overflowing with parents, grandparents and siblings! Everyone was all smiles and at the end of the recital all the dancers learned how to bow before the audience. Look for more performances next year.

Gone Fishin'

Last Friday, Recreation staff led a group of outgoing seniors on a field trip to the Contra Loma Regional Park and Reservoir hosted by East Bay Regional Parks District. It was a day of fishing and fun supervised by EBRPD staff who waived fishing license requirements for all citizens who attended. They provided fishing poles, bait, gear, lines and stocked the reservoir full of fish much to the delight of all the participants. Many people took home several rainbow trout of varying sizes. Lawn games and music completed the wonderful amenities accompanied by a hot dog lunch with beverages. The field trip was a huge success and allowed seniors from different communities to come together to socialize and spend time outdoors.





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Community Development

Planning

On November 8, the Planning Commission approved a new AT&T telecommunications facility at 3215 Fairview Dr. The facility will include a ground level equipment shelter and a 60-foot tall faux pine tree concealing 12 antennas.



Code Enforcement

The Antioch Municipal Code regulates the keeping of abandoned, wrecked, disabled or inoperative vehicles. In short, it is unlawful to keep any of these types of vehicles on your property unless you are a licensed wrecking yard or store the vehicle indoors. If you are aware of such vehicles, please contact the Code Enforcement Division through <https://en.seeclickfix.com/antioch>. If the vehicle is located on a public street, it will be referred to the Antioch Police Department for enforcement.

Environmental

November 1st marks the beginning of the Winter Spare the Air program. In the wintertime, particulate matter — especially particulate matter 2.5 microns or smaller in size, also known as PM2.5 — can become a serious problem in the region. To protect public health, the Air District will issue a Winter Spare the Air Alert when PM2.5 concentrations are expected to be unhealthy. From November 1 through the end of February, when a Winter Spare the Air Alert has been called, burning wood, fire-logs, pellets, or any other solid fuels in your fireplace, wood-stove, or other wood-burning device is illegal. Follow these links for more information on the Air District's wood-burning regulation, and instructions on how to comply. Sub-contractors working with the Air District will be going door to door in Antioch starting on November 15th to educate residents and survey our community. You can also file a wood smoke complaint online.



Environmental Resources is excited to announce that SunShares is a renewable energy program making it easier and more affordable for Bay Area residents to #StepUp2018 and go solar or purchase an electric vehicle.

BayAreaSunShares offers a 15% discount on solar installation from pre-vetted solar providers. Plus, you can still take advantage of the 30% Federal Tax Credit. Sign up at www.bayareasunshares.org for more information BEFORE November 15.





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City Clerk

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 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: <https://www.antiochca.gov/notifications/> and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the current and past agenda information, click on the following link: <https://www.antiochca.gov/government/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/>

The City Clerk's Office is accepting applications for:

- Board of Administrative Appeals, Alternate Member –Extended deadline date: 12/21/18
- Parks and Recreation Commission – Deadline date: 11/16/18

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 the dates listed above. Applications are available at www.antiochca.gov 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. Applications and resume can be emailed to cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.

While the election polls closed at 8:00 p.m. on November 6th, there are still tens of thousands of mail-in, provisional and conditional ballots yet to be counted. As such, it could be weeks before we have the final results of the election. You can get local election updates at www.cocovote.us until the final results are published.

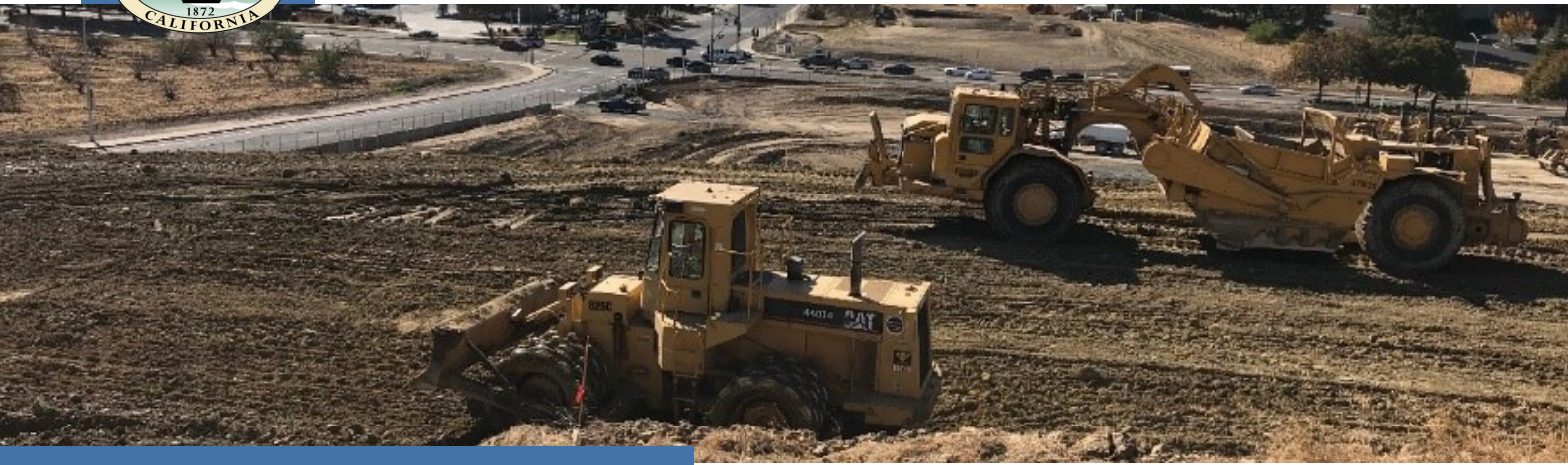
The Mail-in Ballot boxes on the City Clerk's Counter at City Hall were very popular during the November 6th General Election. We far exceeded the number of mail-in ballots received than we did in the June Primary and the November 2016 General Election.





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Public Works



Join us on [Facebook](#) to receive notification of Public Works projects.



Antioch's public fishing pier received much needed rebuild of the existing fish cleaning station and the Marina received a new fish cleaning station thanks to Dylan Wright, Eagle Scout candidate and Mayor Sean Wright's son. Dylan organized other scouts and scout leaders to contribute to the project bringing an impressive 19 volunteers representing Troops 493 and 394.

Dylan's project included building a new stainless steel fish cleaning station on the berth dock in the Marina grounds which included an automatic water shut-off valve and catch basket for environmental purposes.



He also updated the existing cleaning station located on the public fishing pier to bring it up to environmental standards. He replaced the water spigots with auto shut-off valves and added a catch basket. Dylan is not done yet! He plans to remove the old wood on the existing station and replace it with new Trex siding and add new cutting surfaces to each counter top.

Dylan's two brothers helped with the project. His older brother Tyler earned his Eagle rank in 2016. His younger brother Colby is hoping to start his Eagle project next year.

Public Works wants to send a huge '**THANK YOU**' to Dylan and the Scouts as the fish cleaning stations are a much needed upgrade and the families who use these facilities are going to enjoy your contribution to our community for years to come.

Staff installed two new swings at City Park this week. Maintenance work is not always pleasant but this project had huge rewards for Public Works staff as the children were excited to try them out for us. Seeing those happy faces was the best part of this project!



Water Distribution crews responded to a water main break on Wednesday, October 7th. The main break occurred on A Street between 16th and 17th Streets aging infrastructure caused the break. Responding crew's first task is to secure the perimeter of the break and set up traffic control protecting both the public and workers. Next, they begin marking underground utilities so they can excavate safely and locate the broken main line. Fortunately, nearby businesses only experience a brief interruption of their water service.



Contact Public Works:

Mobile Devices:

Download the SeeClickFix application on a mobile device.

Email: publicworks@ci.antioch.ca.us

City Website: [Click Here](#)

Phone: (925) 779-6950





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Economic Development

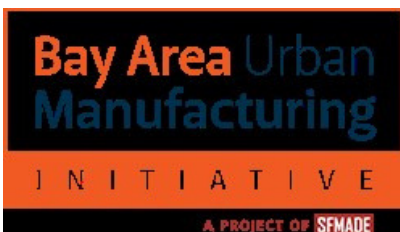
Somersville Pet Supply

There is a new pet store open in Antioch located at 2643 Somersville Road. They carry quality foods and supplies you can trust at prices you can afford.



On Wednesday November 7th, 2018 the Antioch Chamber of Commerce held a Ribbon Cutting for Somersville Pet Supply. The Mayor, Council member Wilson, and Economic Development staff attended the Ribbon Cutting. Link to Facebook:

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



On November 9th, Economic Development staff attended the Bay Area Manufacturing Summit. The event

is part of the Bay Area Urban Manufacturing Initiative, that is a 3-year project designed to facilitate growth in the manufacturing ecosystem throughout the Bay Area. The Summit is being held in San Jose and should have over 400 stakeholders. This is a great opportunity for staff to look for opportunities to strengthen our existing and build new relationships with future manufacturers. This is the second year that the City has participated in the initiative.



Third Thursdays

Food Truck Third Thursdays at the Antioch Community Center & Water Park parking lot. The food truck market takes place the 3rd Thursday night of November, December, January, and February from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This event is sponsored in part by the City of Antioch Recreation Department and is presented by The Foodie Crew.

Opportunity Lives Downtown

Over the past couple of years, the city has made strides to change the look and feel of Downtown by improving Waldie Plaza, upgrading street lighting to LED, lighting trees along Second and G Streets, the opening of Smith's Landing at the Antioch Marina and working on improving the Amtrak Station to name a few. The City Manager, Director of Public Works/City Engineer and I toured these areas to identify other improvements that we can bring to make these areas more inviting to our residents and visitors. Keep a look out for a cleaner, safer, more attractive and pedestrian-friendly Downtown as we continue to make this one of our priorities.





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What's Happening in Antioch!



ANTIOCH
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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

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.

City of Antioch
Business News

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.



Solid Rock Café & Christian Entertainment House

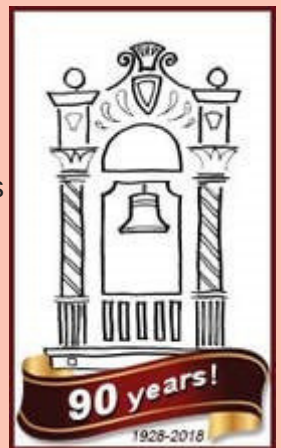
Located at 422 W. 2nd Street, held their Ribbon Cutting on November 9. Live music Friday & Saturday nights.

Alcohol-free environment. Hours: Tues-Fri 11-8
Brunch Buffett Sat 9-8 Sun 11-6 Seafood Brunch

"HAPPY 90th, El Campanil!" Celebrating 90 Years of Entertainment

In the Heart of Antioch
A Retrospective of Shows & Stars
From Then till Now..

November 17, 2018, 7:00 pm
Gold Circle (1st 3 rows): \$50
Adults: \$35 Seniors: \$30
Youth: \$25



International Film Showcase The Guilty (2018) - Denmark

November 18, 2018, 2:00 pm
Adults: \$9 Seniors: \$8
Students: \$8

About The Film:
Alarm dispatcher and former police officer, Asger Holm, answers an emergency call from a kidnapped woman. When the call is suddenly disconnected, the search for the woman and her kidnapper begins. With the phone as his only tool, Asger enters a race against time to save the endangered woman. But soon he realizes that he is dealing with a crime that is far bigger than he first thought.

El Campanil Theater, 602 W 2nd St, Antioch, CA 94509 | Phone: (925) 757-9500