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September 1, 2011

### **Upcoming Holidays and Business Closure Day at the City of Oakland**

#### ***Public Safety Not Affected***

*Oakland, CA* — City of Oakland administrative offices will be closed on **Monday, September 5**, and **Friday, September 9**, in observance of Labor Day and Admissions Day holidays. Additionally, due to budget cutbacks the City of Oakland will suspend administrative and other City services for a business closure day on **Monday, September 12, 2011**.

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While the City's administrative employees are out of the office, if a situation arises that requires more staffing, the City has a plan in place to call in additional resources. **Police, fire and emergency services are not affected during the holidays or business closures.**

Business closures—and the unpaid time off taken by City employees on such days—were agreed to by employee labor unions as part of the package of employee concessions to balance the City's \$58 million budget deficit. Every City employee agreed to contribute nine (9) percent of their compensation to minimize the reduction of vital City services to the public.

In addition to the fixed business closure days, City employees also agreed to take additional unpaid days off to reach the nine (9) percent reduction target (between four and eight days, depending on the bargaining unit), which they will schedule with their supervisor and take throughout the year. The additional floating unpaid days will not result in citywide business closures.

### **Specific Service Impacts for September 5, 9 and 12**

#### **Parking Enforcement**

- Monday, September 5 is a parking holiday.
- Enforcement will occur on Friday, September 9 & Monday, September 12.

#### **Public Works**

- No street sweeping will occur.
- Serious emergencies—such as sewer overflows, traffic signal outages, objects completely blocking the street to vehicle traffic and major flooding conditions—will be responded to.

#### **Oakland Public Library**

- All Libraries are closed Monday, September 5 & Friday, September 9.
- Main Library is open Tuesday, September 6 & Saturday, September 10.
- All Libraries are closed Monday, September 12.

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**Oakland Animal Shelter**

- Closed on Monday, September 5 and Monday, September 12.
- People who find stray animals on September 5 or 12 and cannot hold them until the next day, should call 510-777-3333 to be put in touch with a Shelter representative.

**Oakland Parks and Recreation**

- Fee-based programs and camps will continue as scheduled.
- Visitors will have access to parks; however gates and restrooms will be closed and staff will not be on site.

**Human Services**

*Senior Centers*

- North, Downtown, West and East Senior Centers will be closed on Monday, September 5; Friday, September 9 and Monday, September 12.

*Head Start/Early Head Start Programs*

- Head Start sites will be closed on Monday, September 5; Friday, September 9 and Monday, September 12.
- Early Head Start sites will be closed on Monday, September 5 & Friday, September 9.

**Remaining Business Closure Days for Fiscal Year 2011-12**

Business closure days generally occur once a month in conjunction with observed City holidays. For FY 2011-12, the 10 remaining days are scheduled as follows:

- Monday, October 10, 2011
- Thursday, November 10, 2011  
(Friday, November 11 is Veteran's Day, a City holiday)
- Monday, November 28, 2011  
(follows the two-day Thanksgiving Day holiday on November 24 & 25)
- Tuesday, December 27 – Thursday, December 29, 2011  
(Monday, December 26 and Friday, December 30 are City holidays)
- Friday, January 13, 2012  
(Monday, January 16 is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a City holiday)
- Friday, February 10, 2012  
(Monday, February 13 is Lincoln's Birthday, a City holiday)
- Friday, March 30, 2012
- Friday, April 13, 2012

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