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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Sabrina B. Landreth

**SUBJECT:** City Administrator's Weekly Report

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**INFORMATION**

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***Bay Area Mayors Respond Collectively To Trump Administration Immigration Policy*** – On Wednesday, January 25, the mayors of the Bay Area's three largest cities, Oakland, San Francisco and San Jose, and the City of Berkeley spoke out against President Trump's executive order on immigration. They reaffirmed their commitment to working together to address the many challenges the region faces from growing income inequality, lack of affordable housing, better education outcomes, job creation and transportation infrastructure improvement. Berkeley Mayor Jesse Arreguin, San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee, San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf also vowed to take a regional approach to combat the impacts of any threatened cuts in federal funding that would adversely affect the nearly two and half million residents of diverse backgrounds who reside in their cities. The statement by Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf read, "The Bay Area stands united against this White House's morally bankrupt policies that would divide families, turn our nation's back on refugees in need, and potentially thwart the efforts of nearly one million productive young people who are on a legal path to citizenship. Oaklanders rely on \$130 million in federal funding for everything from early education programs like Head Start to getting officers out of their cars and onto our streets at a time when community policing is so desperately needed. We will not allow this president to play politics with our safety and security." To read the media release, please visit <http://bit.ly/2j9Mpss>.

***Experience Oakland's Culinary Scene During Restaurant Week*** – Through Sunday, January 29, scores of restaurants throughout Oakland will be offering special prix-fixe lunch and/or dinner menus at \$20, \$30, \$40 and \$50 price points. Organized by Visit Oakland and presented by American Express, the 7th annual Oakland Restaurant Week stretches over two weekends with awesome deals to feed your inner foodie. To mark its 7th year, special daily online and onsite promotional giveaways are being offered. To view the roster of participating restaurants and details on the promotions, please visit [www.oaklandrestaurantweek.org](http://www.oaklandrestaurantweek.org).

***City Receives FEMA Grant Funding To Launch Seismic Retrofit Programs*** – On Friday, February 17, applications are due for seismic retrofit grants. The City of Oakland has secured over

\$360,000 in Phase I grant funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to develop two seismic retrofit programs: (1) the Earthquake-Safe Homes Program (ESHP) for owner-occupied one-to-four-unit homes and (2) the Safer Housing for Oakland Program (SHOP) for “soft story” apartment buildings of five or more units. If the retrofit programs are approved by FEMA after Phase I, the City will be eligible for \$5.4 million in Phase II grant funding for engineering and construction activities. Interested owners of eligible properties are encouraged to fill out an online application, available on the City’s home retrofit website, by February 17. For more details on the residential seismic retrofit grant programs, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/homeretrofit](http://www.oaklandnet.com/homeretrofit). For more information, please contact Residential Lending and Rehabilitation Services at [residentiallending@oaklandnet.com](mailto:residentiallending@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6164.

***Read The Oakland Public Library’s Annual Report, Take A Quick Quiz, Win A Prize*** – On Friday, February 3, the Oakland Public Library will have the first of four weekly prize drawings that are easy to enter. You just need to read the library’s 2015-16 Annual Report at <http://oaklandlibrary.org/about-library#annualreport> and then ace a short, online quiz on the same web page. Answer all seven questions correctly and your name will automatically be entered into the remaining drawings, with a chance to win a \$20 gift certificate to the Friends of the Oakland Public Library’s Bookmark Bookstore in Old Oakland at 721 Washington Street. Drawings will be held each Friday in February – there is no need to resubmit each week. Current library employees and their immediate family members are not eligible to win prizes. For more information, please contact Sharon McKellar, Community Relations Librarian, at [smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 615-5726.

***New Grant Program, Technical Assistance For Arts Organizations*** – Friday, February 10, is the deadline for Oakland’s arts organizations to apply for financial and technical assistance. Keeping Space - Oakland is Community Arts Stabilization Trust’s (CAST’s) new pilot program dedicated to preserving real estate for Oakland’s arts and culture organizations that are facing displacement. Through direct financial grants, one-on-one technical assistance and strategic real estate cohort training, CAST’s goal is to provide safe, stable and permanent real estate solutions for Oakland’s local arts organizations. This is an important step to preserving and strengthening Oakland’s vibrant arts communities. To assist interested organizations, an information session will be held on Thursday, February 2, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Fruitvale- San Antonio Senior Center, 3301 E. 12th Street, Suite #201. Funding is provided by the Kenneth Rainin Foundation and the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. Keeping Space - Oakland is made possible in collaboration with the Oakland Arts Workspace Group and in partnership with the City of Oakland and Northern California Community Loan Fund. The applications for financial and technical assistance are due by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, February 10. For applications and additional information, please visit <http://cast-sf.org/keeping-space-oakland/>.

***First Annual Oakland Promise Community Report*** – On Wednesday, February 15, Oakland Promise friends, supporters and community members are invited to reflect on the first year of the Oakland Promise, offer feedback and celebrate all the work being done to improve educational outcomes across Oakland. The goal of the Oakland Promise is to ensure every child in Oakland graduates high school with the expectations, resources and skills to complete college and be successful in the career of his or her choice. The event will run from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Martin

Luther King, Jr. Elementary School at 960 10th Street. For more information about the event, as well as to R.S.V.P., please visit <http://www.oaklandpromise.org/community-report.html>.

***Friends Of The Dimond Library Raising Funds To Support Renovation Project*** – On Thursday, January 19, the Friends of the Dimond Library reached 65% of their fundraising goal for the Dimond Library Furniture Fund. The Oakland Public Library's Dimond Branch is undergoing renovations and the Friends of the Dimond Library have stepped up to help raise funds to support the project. They have raised \$32,391, and donations of any amount are still welcome. To learn more about the renovation project or donate online, please visit [www.friendsofdimondlibrary.org](http://www.friendsofdimondlibrary.org). For more information, please contact Winifred Walters, Community Relations Manager, at [wwalters@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:wwalters@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6932.

***Learn About The History Of Black Churches In The Bay Area*** – On Wednesday, February 8, starting at 6:00 p.m., Dr. Martha C. Taylor will give a talk at the Main Library, 125 14th Street. Dr. Taylor will discuss her new book, *From Labor to Reward: Black Church Beginnings in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley and Richmond, 1849-1972*, an in-depth history tracing the growth of 65 churches from the Gold Rush days to the Civil Rights Era. For more information, please contact Dorothy Lazard, Oakland History Room Librarian, at [dlazard@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:dlazard@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3222.

***City's Annual Holiday Food Drive Successful*** – In November and December, the City of Oakland held its annual Holiday Food Drive. The Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP), in partnership with Alameda County Community Food Bank, coordinated the food drive. The Food Bank serves one in five residents of Alameda County. The cost of living in the Bay Area has made it nearly impossible for many households to make ends meet. Children and seniors remain the most vulnerable to hunger in our community. Food collection barrels were in the lobbies of the City's administrative buildings around Frank H. Ogawa Plaza and at various other City facilities. This year, 620 pounds of food was collected. For more information, please contact Cecilia Garcia, Administrative Assistant, at [cgarcia@oaklandnet.com](mailto:cgarcia@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2331.

***West Oakland Branch Library Celebrating The Black Panther Party*** – On Saturday, February 11, the West Oakland Branch Library, located at 1801 Adeline Street, will commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Black Panther Party (BPP) newspaper and the birthday of Huey P. Newton starting at 3:00 p.m. DVDs and photos from workshops held in October at the Oakland Museum of California will be shown, and speakers will discuss the legacy of the BPP newspaper. All are welcome to join in this free celebration. For more information, please contact Susy Moorehead, Branch Manager, at [smoorehead@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:smoorehead@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7352.

***African American Poetry Reading At West Oakland Branch Library*** – On Saturday, February 4, starting at 1:00 p.m., the West Oakland Branch Library will host the 27th Annual Celebration of African American Poets and Their Poetry. Community members of all ages are invited to participate by reading poetry, performing, dancing and/or displaying works of art. This year's theme is "The Crisis in Black Education," although all themes are welcome. The library is located at 1801 Adeline Street. For more information or to register as a participating poet, please contact Susy Moorehead, Branch Manager, at [smoorehead@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:smoorehead@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7352.

***Bruce Jenkins Giving Book Talk At Montclair Branch Library*** – On Tuesday, February 7, Bruce Jenkins will give a talk at the Montclair Branch Library, 1687 Mountain Boulevard, starting at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Jenkins, well known for his columns in the *San Francisco Chronicle* Sporting Green, will not be talking baseball. His new memoir, *Shop Around: Growing Up with Motown in a Sinatra Household*, has more to do with music. Mr. Jenkins is the son of conductor and composer Gordon Jenkins, who arranged for Frank Sinatra, Nat King Cole and Ella Fitzgerald, among others. That may have set the tone in the Jenkins household in Malibu, but in the early 1960s young Bruce began following a different drummer, hungrily flipping his radio dial for R&B hits from Motown and Stax. Copies of his book will be available for purchase and signing afterwards. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak062542>. For more information, please contact Lynne Cutler, Branch Manager, at [lcutler@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:lcutler@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 482-7810.

***Main Library Program Sets Out To Combat Fake News*** – On Saturday, February 4, starting at 11:00 a.m., a librarian at the Main Library will show patrons how to use the library's various newspaper databases, including the library's new subscription to *The New York Times* Digital Edition. The program will include a general discussion about the growing circulation of deliberately false information, or "fake news," and how to find reputable sources and content, and provide you with a few critical tools to help you recognize fake news. The meeting will take place in the Bradley C. Walters Community Room, 125 14th Street. For more information, please contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at [mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6611.

***Make Jewelry At The Library*** – On Saturday, February 4, adults will meet at the César E. Chávez Branch Library, 3301 East 12th Street, Suite 271, to make beautiful hand-crafted jewelry. Starting at 3:00 p.m., come show us what you can do, and learn and share with others. All materials will be provided, at no charge. To register in advance or for more information, please contact Peter Villasenor, Branch Manager, at [pwillasenor@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:pwillasenor@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 535-5620.

***Measure DD Lakeside Green Street Project Launches*** – On Tuesday, January 17, Oakland Public Works launched the Lakeside Green Streets Project, a 14-acre Measure DD green streets project to calm traffic, increase parklands, improve Snow Park, improve water quality and facilitate pedestrian and bicycle use. To ensure pedestrian, cyclist and motorist safety during the first phase of the project, the following crosswalks will be closed beginning this week and continuing through summer 2017. Crosswalk closures for the first phase include:

- Intersection of Madison Street and Lakeside Drive.
- Crosswalk leading to the Lake pathway from Harrison Street and Lakeside Drive.
- East side of the intersection of Harrison and 20th streets.
- Crosswalks on the east and west sides of Jackson Street and Lakeside Drive will alternate closures so that one crosswalk always remains open.
- Crosswalks located at Harrison and 21st streets and at Harrison Street and Grand Avenue

will alternate closures so that one crosswalk always remains open.

The first phase also requires the following roadway closures:

- Northbound lanes of Lakeside Drive will be closed from Madison Street to Harrison Street. All northbound Lakeside traffic will be detoured to 19th Street.
- Southbound lanes of Lakeside Drive will be closed from Harrison Street to Madison Street. Southbound Lakeside traffic will be detoured to the intersection of Harrison and 20th streets.

To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak062454>. For details on this and other Measure DD projects, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/measuredd](http://www.oaklandnet.com/measuredd). For more information, please contact Sean Maher, Program Analyst II, [smaher@oaklandnet.com](mailto:smaher@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6358.

***Survey On Short-Term Residential Rentals*** – Through Wednesday, February 1, Oakland residents and homeowners are asked to complete a survey to provide feedback and insight on Short-Term Residential Rentals in Oakland. To take the survey, please visit <https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/ZkCuQ2>. Short-Term Residential Rentals (STRRs) raise important questions about local priorities and the larger role STRRs play in cities and neighborhoods. In cities with high housing demand, such as Oakland, a primary concern is the potential impact of STRRs on housing availability, affordability and the impact on our neighborhoods. Currently, neither the Oakland Municipal Code nor Oakland Planning Code specifically addresses Short-Term Residential Rentals. Like many municipalities across the United States, Oakland's laws and codes are insufficient to address the rapid expansion and use of transient residential hosting platforms (TRHPs) such as Airbnb, FlipKey, and VRBO to rent spaces in their homes on a short-term basis. The Oakland City Council directed the Planning & Building Department to obtain stakeholder input and bring forward policy options to regulate STRRs and TRHPs. Input gathered via the survey will help inform the policy options presented. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/strr](http://www.oaklandnet.com/strr).

***Comprehensive Changes To Mobile Food Vending*** – On Wednesday, December 21, the Planning Commission recommended the City Council adopt comprehensive changes to Oakland's food vending program. Oakland was one of the first cities in the country to create a mobile food vending permit program. A decade later, mobile food vending has grown in popularity and diversity, both locally and nationwide. The City is in the process of revising its regulations to keep up with these changes and increase opportunities for entrepreneurs to start a new food vending business, while protecting the health, safety, comfort, convenience and general welfare of the community. For more information on proposed changes, visit [www.oaklandnet.com/foodvending](http://www.oaklandnet.com/foodvending). The next public hearing on the comprehensive food vending changes will be held on Tuesday, February 28, at 1:30 p.m. at the Community & Economic Development Committee of the City Council in Hearing Room 1, Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. For more information, please contact Devan Reiff, Planner III, at [dreiff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dreiff@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3550.

***Bay Area Summer Camp Fair*** – On Sunday, February 26, Oakland Parks & Recreation is sponsoring the Bay Area Summer Camp Fair at the Lake Merritt Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue, from noon to 4:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for parents to meet summer youth camp providers and plan their child's summer in one day. Representatives from non-profits, for-profits, public, day and overnight specialty camps will be represented. Admission is free. For more information or if you would like to be a vendor at the event, please contact Alethia Walker, Recreation Program Director, at [studiooneartcenter@gmail.com](mailto:studiooneartcenter@gmail.com) or call (510) 597-5027.

***Mobile Food Vending Expanded To 85th Avenue*** – On Tuesday, January 17, legislation proposed by Councilmember Larry Reid (District 7) was adopted by the Oakland City Council, adding 85th Avenue to the current food vending program for food trucks and trailers. This means that 85th Avenue, between Edes Avenue and San Leandro Boulevard, would be available for applications for food trucks and trailers on private property, and for the first time, in the street right-of-way (from City-designated parking spaces on 85th Avenue, only). Applications are being now accepted at the Planning and Zoning Counter, located on the 2nd floor of 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The program goes into effect on Friday, January 27. For more information, please contact Devan Reiff, Planner III, at [dreiff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dreiff@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3550.

***Mayor Libby Schaaf Issues Executive Order 2017-1: Improving Safety Of Non-permitted Spaces While Avoiding Displacement*** – On Wednesday, January 11, Mayor Libby Schaaf issued [Executive Order 2017-1](#) to address the critical need to improve the safety of former warehouse and industrial buildings that have been converted to non-permitted use while avoiding displacement of vulnerable communities, particularly in face of the regional affordability crisis. This executive order outlines new inspection protocols and outlines five priority tasks consistent with existing regulations to enhance safety in unpermitted spaces while reducing the risk of displacement. It also clarifies the immediate work ahead to first enhance safety, while also protecting cultural community assets and working to prevent unnecessary tenant displacement during this time of unprecedented housing insecurity. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak062365>.

***Emergency Siren System Upgrades*** – Beginning Wednesday, January 11, as part of an upgrade, tone testing on individual emergency sirens began. These tests will be brief three-second “burps” of different tones. A full-system test is slated for Friday, February 3. From now until the end of April, the City's emergency sirens will not be used to notify residents and businesses of an emergency. Instead, in the event of an emergency, those in the impact zone will receive notification by phone (landline and mobile) via the AC Alert as the system has both reverse 911 and geographic based telephone targeting capabilities. The public is encouraged to subscribe to AC Alert at [www.acalert.org](http://www.acalert.org) to receive emails and text messages. The system allows subscribers to provide up to five locations, such as a school, home, work and an elder dependent's address. That way, subscribers will receive updates when an emergency alert impacts one of their self-identified locations. AC Alert is a unified emergency notification system for Alameda County residents, businesses and visitors. An AC Alert subscription is free, and all residents and business owners are strongly encouraged to sign up. Through the geo-based database, the City can send notifications to targeted geographic areas (such as radius or blocks), street addresses or special lists to avoid sending out notifications to those not in an affected area. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK062360>.

***Decolonize Your Diet: Mexican Cuisine Discussed*** – On Saturday, January 28, at 1:00 p.m., cookbook authors Luz Calvo and Catriona Rueda Esquibel will show how they are redefining what is meant by “traditional” Mexican food in a free presentation at the Main Library, 125 14th Street. Reaching back through hundreds of years of history, Calvo and Esquibel have reclaimed heritage crops that predate the arrival of Spanish conquistadores. What’s more, they make the case that some of these crops are a healthy source of protection from modern diseases. Their book, *Decolonize Your Diet: Mexican-American Plant-Based Recipes for Health and Healing*, features 109 delicious recipes and information explaining the benefits of turning back the culinary clock. For more information, please contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at [mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6611.

***Anne Kirkpatrick Named City Of Oakland's New Chief Of Police*** – On Wednesday, January 4, Mayor Libby Schaaf and City Administrator Sabrina Landreth were joined by a diverse, cross-section of Oakland community and civic leaders to announce their selection of Anne Kirkpatrick as the City of Oakland's new Chief of Police. One of the most tenured police chiefs in the country, incoming Chief Kirkpatrick is a 34-year veteran law enforcement leader who previously served the people of the state of Washington as Chief of Police for the cities of Spokane, Federal Way and Ellensburg over 15 years of her career. She also held the post of Chief Deputy (Undersheriff) in King County, Washington – the 14th most populous county in the nation. There, she was responsible for the daily operations of the office which had an annual budget of \$155 million and 1,056 members. Chief Kirkpatrick comes to the City of Oakland from Chicago, Illinois where she was tapped by Mayor Rahm Emmanuel to lead the Chicago Police Department's reform efforts. She will assume her duties as Oakland's Police Chief on Monday, February 27. Chief Kirkpatrick's selection was made following a six-month, nationwide search process that began in July 2016 with the hiring of Ralph Andersen and Associates, an executive recruiting firm based in Rocklin, California. The process included a robust community engagement effort that kicked off in August 2016 with a range of opportunities for Oaklanders to provide input and feedback on what they wanted to see in the City's new police chief, what they thought the top community safety priorities should be for Oakland and the criteria for the Mayor's selection of community members to participate in the hiring selection process. Residents had the opportunity to engage via an online survey available in multiple languages, an online platform, a designated phone line and nearly a dozen community meetings, including two focused on youth participation and two held in Spanish and Cantonese, respectively. More than 30 candidates applied and a pool was selected for panel interviews. Chief Kirkpatrick is a Master Instructor for the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association and has conducted extensive trainings nationally on Procedural Justice, Implicit Bias and Executive Leadership. Chief Kirkpatrick is an attorney and also holds a master's degree in counseling psychology from the University of Memphis in 1984 and her Juris Doctorate in 1989 from Seattle University Law School. She has a BA in business administration from King College earned in 1982. She is FBI LEEDS (Law Enforcement Executive Development School) certified. Chief Kirkpatrick's contract will go before the Oakland City Council for approval, anticipated to come this month. To read the release and her resume, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak062239>.

***Calling All Artists: Enter The Library Card Design Contest*** – On Thursday, January 5, the Oakland Public Library kicked off its first ever Library Card Design Contest, and artists of all ages and levels are encouraged to submit an entry. Anyone who enters the contest may have a chance to see their art on an actual Oakland Public Library Card. All entries must be submitted by Friday, February 17. To enter, and for detailed information and instructions, download an entry packet at [www.oaklandlibrary.org/librarycardcontest](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/librarycardcontest) or pick one up at any Oakland Public Library location. There will ultimately be six winning designs. The contest will be divided into three age levels – children (0-11), teen (12-18) and adult (19+), with two winners selected from each age level. Judges will name their top choice in each level, and the public will choose a second winner in each level. The public winner will be determined by tallying up the number of “likes” on [OPL's Facebook page](#), so make sure to “like” your favorite design. Winners will be announced at an event at the Main Library, 125 14th Street, on Wednesday, April 12. Funding for this program is provided by the Friends of the Oakland Public Library. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK062260>. For more information, please contact Sharon McKellar, Community Relations Librarian, at [smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 615-5726.

***Business Tax System Now Available Online*** – On Monday, December 19, after months of hard work and collaboration between the City's Revenue Division, the City's Information Technology staff and the software vendor, the launch of the new online HDL Business Tax System was a success. With the implementation of the new more efficient system, the highly anticipated option of online business tax renewal came to fruition on January 2, and has already seen a substantial number of business owners taking advantage of the quick and easy option. The renewal notices mailed in late December included a specific PIN number for each taxpayer, along with instructions and the link to [www.LTSS.oaklandnet.com](http://www.LTSS.oaklandnet.com). The Web application accepts payments by Visa, Master Card and e-check and there is no convenience fee to use these payment options. The renewal period began January 1 and the renewal deadline is March 1. With an additional enhancement slated to go live in April 2017, business owners will be able to register new businesses online, and the City will begin accepting payment of parking taxes, utility user taxes, transient occupancy taxes and business improvement district fees via the Web. For more information, please contact Marissa Wheeler at [mwheeler@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mwheeler@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7468 or Evelyn Parodi at [eparodi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:eparodi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7024.

***Sixth Annual Oakland Youth Poet Laureate Competition*** – Sunday, February 5, is the deadline to enter the 2017 Oakland Youth Poet Laureate Competition. The Oakland Public Library, in partnership with Youth Speaks, has announced that applications are now being accepted for the 6th Annual Oakland Youth Poet Laureate program. Oakland youth between the ages of 13 and 18 are encouraged to apply. The winning young poet will represent and serve the city for one year as the Youth Poet Laureate. More than a contest, though, this program connects young Oakland poets to each other and to adult mentors. The chosen Oakland Youth Poet Laureate will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship and serve as City ambassador for literacy, arts and youth expression. Finalists and Honorable Mentions have opportunities to perform and network with peers and leaders across the Bay Area. Finalists will be announced in April. The 2017 Oakland Youth Poet Laureate will be named on Sunday, May 21, during the Oakland Book Festival in downtown Oakland. Interested youth, parents and teachers can learn more and apply online at [www.youthspeaks.org](http://www.youthspeaks.org). For more information, please email [oaklandpoets@youthspeaks.org](mailto:oaklandpoets@youthspeaks.org), or contact Lana Adlawan, Teen Services

Coordinator, at [ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7613.

**2017 Alameda County Homeless Census And Survey** – On Tuesday, January 31, a homeless count for unsheltered people will be conducted. Known locally as EveryOne Counts!, the point-in-time count of individuals and families experiencing homelessness records the number of people staying in shelters and transitional housing on a given night in late January each year and estimates the number of people who are unsheltered, living outdoors on that same night every two years. Conducting a Count is a requirement of receiving federal homeless assistance funds for the City of Oakland. There will be training for all volunteers. If you are interested in participating in the count or to learn more about the volunteer commitment, please visit <http://bit.ly/2gXCbsV>. For more information, please contact Stevan Alvarado, Program Analyst, at (510) 238-7753.

**Minimum Wage Increase** – On Sunday, January 1, Oakland's Minimum Wage went up to \$12.86 per hour. Measure FF, the voter-initiative ballot measure passed in November 2014, provides annual increases to Oakland's Minimum Wage based on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). In light of the increase, employers must be aware of the following:

- On Sunday, January 1, 2017, the Minimum Wage rate went up 31¢ to \$12.86; and
- The other benefits mandated by Measure FF – paid sick leave and payment of service charges – remain the same as when the employment law took effect on March 2, 2015

Notification posters in English, Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese are available for download at [www.oaklandnet.com/minimumwage](http://www.oaklandnet.com/minimumwage). Monthly Walk-In Workers' Rights Legal Clinics are held by the City's partner, Centro Legal de la Raza, 3400 E. 12th Street, on the third Wednesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. During these clinics, individual consultations with Centro Legal attorneys are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Other workers' rights clinics are by appointment only. Call Centro Legal de La Raza at (510) 437-1554. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/minimumwage](http://www.oaklandnet.com/minimumwage) or contact the Contracts & Compliance Office at [minwageinfo@oaklandnet.com](mailto:minwageinfo@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6258.

**RFP, RFQ Opportunities with the City of Oakland** – In January and February, a variety of formal Request for Proposals (RFPs) and Request for Quotations (RFQs) from the City of Oakland will close.

Due Date/Time	Title/Description	Contact
Friday, January 27, 2:00 p.m.	7345 - RFQ for On-Call Landscape Architectural Services 2017. The Public Works Department seeks to establish multiple as-needed landscape architectural services contracts to provide services on various projects that involve renovations to existing facilities	Christine Reed, Oakland Public Works <a href="mailto:creed2@oaklandnet.com">creed2@oaklandnet.com</a>

	<p>and/or new construction, such as parks, plazas, streetscapes and trails. Services may include, but are not limited to the following: site surveys, site assessments, park planning, programming, facilitating community meetings, preparation of conceptual through construction design documents, regulatory permit applications, cost estimating and construction support. The prime consultant shall be licensed to practice in the State of California. As individual projects arise, a detailed scope of work will be developed. Construction costs of individual projects will vary.</p>	
<p>Tuesday, January 31, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>9378 - RFQ for Employee Training related to Commercial Sexually Exploited Children and Youth. In 2013, the Oakland City Council passed Resolution No. 84456 C.M.S. which created the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Task Force and also highly recommended CSEC training for City employees who interact with children. The City Council also allocated funds to assist with such training through the mid-cycle budget process. This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process is seeking a qualified organization that could provide such training to identified City staff that has regular interaction with children.</p>	<p>Chantal Cotton Gaines, City Administrator's Office <a href="mailto:ccotton@oaklandnet.com">ccotton@oaklandnet.com</a></p>
<p>Thursday, February 2, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>9383 - (NTB) 1001173 Sanitary Sewer Capacity Upgrades in various locations. The Proposed repair work includes sanitary sewers capacity upgrades in San Pablo Avenue, on 61st Street, on 18th Avenue, on Grand Avenue and on Maybelle</p>	<p>Masterwal Cherinet, Oakland Public Works <a href="mailto:mcherinet@oaklandnet.com">mcherinet@oaklandnet.com</a></p>

	<p>Avenue. The proposed work consists, in general, of the construction of vitrified clay pipe (VCP); HDPE pipe; trench shoring; rehabilitation/ replacement of house connection sewer; reconnection of house connection sewer to the replaced main; rehabilitation of manholes; California Class-I material disposal; California Class-II material disposal; Class II aggregate base; asphalt concrete pavement, and other work specifically shown on the plans or included in the Special Provisions.</p>	
<p>Thursday, February 2, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>9377 - (NTB) 1001322 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation (Sub-basin 83-402). The proposed work consists, in general, of rehabilitating approximately 2,468 linear feet of existing 8" diameter sewer pipes, approximately 4,924 linear feet of existing 10" diameter sewer pipes, by pipe-expanding; rehabilitating sewer structures; reconnecting house connection sewers; rehabilitating house connections sewers, and other related works as indicated on the plans and specifications.</p>	<p>Gunawan Santoso, Oakland Public Works <a href="mailto:gsantoso@oaklandnet.com">gsantoso@oaklandnet.com</a></p>
<p>Friday, February 3, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>6363 - RFP for Used Motor Oil Recycling Technical Assistance. The City of Oakland is soliciting proposals from professional service providers to accomplish the goals of the Used Oil Recycling Program which is funded under Oil Payment Program grants from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle). The City intends to enter into a contract to provide the technical assistance service outlined in the RFP. The contract term will be for four (4) years in an amount not-to-exceed</p>	<p>Hilary Near, Oakland Public Works <a href="mailto:hnear@oaklandnet.com">hnear@oaklandnet.com</a></p>

	\$249,999.	
Wednesday, February 15, 2:00 p.m.	9348 - RFP for Real Estate Portfolio & Asset Management Consulting Services. The City of Oakland's Real Estate Division is seeking a qualified firm to provide comprehensive asset and property management services for all City-owned properties. This is a multi-year contract that will result in a reasonable and achievable schedule and work plan to meet the City's stated objectives in maximizing the effectiveness of its real estate holdings.	James Golde, Economic & Workforce Development Department <a href="mailto:jgolde@oaklandnet.com">jgolde@oaklandnet.com</a>

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Respectfully submitted,  
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