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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sabrina B. Landreth

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report

DATE: June 9, 2017

INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

City Encourages Oakland Residents To Apply For Measure LL Police Commission – On Wednesday, May 31, Mayor Libby Schaaf and the Selection Panel for the Police Commission announced the opening of the application process for the Measure LL Police Commissioners. Establishing and maintaining public trust and confidence in the Police Department is essential for the Department to be able to provide the highest level of service to the community. The Selection Panel will seek to make appointments that reflect Oaklanders' diversity of experiences, especially individuals from communities experiencing the most frequent contact with the Department. Strong commitment to police accountability and public service will be prioritized. Duties include overseeing the Community Police Review Agency, which will conduct investigations into allegations of officer misconduct; propose changes to, approve or reject current or proposed Department policies; remove the Chief of Police for cause; as well as other duties. Commissioners must meet two criteria: 1) Be a resident of the City of Oakland and 2) Be over the age of 18 by date of first Commission meeting. The Selection Panel strongly encourages formerly incarcerated individuals to apply. Measure LL prohibits these categories of people from serving: current sworn police officers; current City employees; former Department sworn employees and current or former employee, official or representative of an employee association representing sworn police officers. Applications are available at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/policecommission>. Paper applications will be available at your local library, recreation centers and City Hall. Applications will be accepted until June 30, when the Selection Panel will begin to interview candidates. Appointments will be made by August 8. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak064133>.

Stanford University Releases Results Of Groundbreaking Analysis Of Oakland Police Body Camera Footage – On Monday, June 5, Stanford University released the findings of an important and ground-breaking study today analyzing Oakland police officers' speech, as captured by body-worn cameras, in making vehicle and pedestrian stops. OPD's engagement with Stanford for this independent study and the report recommendations offer a model for how police departments and law enforcement agencies across the country can examine their organizations and make changes to

help track and mitigate disparities in policing to ensure more equitable outcomes and a better qualitative experience when police encounters do occur. In 2014, OPD began an important collaboration with Stanford University's S.P.A.R.K.S. Program as a proactive approach to analyze OPD's traffic and pedestrian stop data and body-worn camera program. OPD is the first law enforcement agency in the country to allow an external academic partner to examine data collected from vehicle and pedestrian stops and analyze body-worn camera footage. The Stanford report on the stop data analysis, led by social psychologist and MacArthur grant recipient Dr. Jennifer Eberhardt, was released in 2016 and is available at <http://bit.ly/2sJ8tv4>. It made 50 recommendations in four categories that will result in critical changes to the Oakland Police Department's organizational values and culture: 1) data analysis, 2) policies and practices, 3) training and 4) positive community engagement. OPD has already implemented half of the recommendations and fully supports complete implementation of all 50 recommendations. For the analysis of body-worn camera footage, OPD provided Stanford researchers with 1,000 Personal Data Recording Device files from 2014. OPD has come a long way since April 2014, which was the point in time the data analyzed in this study occurred. In May 2014, OPD implemented Procedural Justice Training Program for all employees. Procedural justice training aims to enhance positive interactions with the community, focusing on four principles: giving people a voice, being fair/unbiased, being respectful and providing a trustworthy process. These are core values OPD teaches to every member of the Department. Along with procedural justice training, the Department has held community "Living Room" meetings, where small groups of neighbors gather with OPD representatives to listen, share information and learn from each other. The Department has also improved community trust-building efforts through the creation of youth outreach programs, the "Barbershop Conversation" series, and our citizens' police academies. The Oakland Police Department will continue to collaborate with the Stanford research team as a demonstration of its strong commitment to providing the Oakland community with the highest quality policing practices. There is much more work ahead. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK064231>.

Proposed Two-Year Budget For 2017-19 – On Monday, June 12, the Oakland City Council will hold a special Budget Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber at Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Every two years, the City of Oakland works on a budget that identifies the resources necessary for us to achieve our goals. The budget process is the way we establish priorities and service levels for City government. Mayor Libby Schaaf and City Administrator Sabrina Landreth released their proposed 2017-19 City budget on Friday, April 28. On Tuesday, May 2, Mayor Schaaf provided a brief overview of the FY 2017-19 Proposed Policy Budget to the City Council, with a more in-depth presentation to the City Council provided on Tuesday, May 16. To read the budget, please visit <https://beta.oaklandca.gov/issues/budget>. To view a factsheet on the proposed budget, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK064071>. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK063831>. The City also introduced a new visualization of the City budget at <https://beta.oaklandca.gov/issues/budget>. This Budget Explorer site offers interactive charts, graphs and tables to better illustrate how the City will use its resources. A robust schedule of community forums ran from April 28 through May 25. While the forums have concluded, there are other ways to participate in the budget dialogue:

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- Email: BudgetSuggestions@oaklandnet.com
- Call: (510) 238-2130

The Oakland City Council will hold an additional Budget Meeting on Monday, June 26, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber at Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza.

Human Services Employee Featured In East Bay Times – On June 4, 2017, an article was published in the *East Bay Times* regarding the Welcome Project, an exhibit that seeks to change incarceration perceptions and details lives of 20 Alameda County residents including Javier Jimenez, a Case Manager for Oakland Unites in the Human Services Department. To read the article, please visit www.oaklandhumanservices.org. For more information, please contact Dana Perez-St. Denis, Assistant to the Director, at dperez@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3247.

School's Out, Summer Camps Are Open – Beginning Monday, June 19, Oakland Parks & Recreation's (OPR) Summer Youth Development Camps start at community centers across the city. Programs include day and overnight camps, golf, tennis, cultural arts, swimming and boating. If you haven't enrolled your child in a camp yet, don't delay. Summer is right around the corner and camps are filling up fast. For a list of community centers near you, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/parks. For more information about what camp and activities each center offers, please visit or call the recreation facility. To stay current on OPR events, please follow OPR on Facebook at www.facebook.com/oakparkrec, Twitter at www.twitter.com/OaklandOPR and Instagram at www.instagram.com/oakparksrec.

Oakland Parks & Recreation Hosts Figment Oakland 2017 – On Saturday, June 10, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR), in partnership with Figment, is hosting a day of creative play, endless surprises and shared creative culture at Mosswood Park, 3612 Webster Street. Attend this free event as an artist and creator or engage as a participant in the artistic experience of this family geared, inclusive affair. Bring a picnic, water, snacks, hula hoop, smiles, your friends and family, plus whatever else you need for a day of fun. Also, join us at the new Mosswood Little Library for free "hands-on" decorating and add your special touch. To learn more, please visit <http://www.oakland.figmentproject.org/> or visit the Mosswood Recreation Center's Facebook page at <http://bit.ly/2qhdlKn>. For more information about programs and future events being held at Mosswood Recreation Center and Park, please contact Erin Burton, Recreation Center Director, at eburton@oaklandnet.com or (510) 597-5064.

Food Distribution – On Friday, June 16, and Friday, July 21, the City of Oakland's Hunger Program in the Human Services Department, the Emergency Food Providers Advisory Committee and Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership are sponsoring a food distribution for low-income families and seniors at various locations throughout Oakland. To find a distribution location, please visit www.oaklandhumanservices.org. For more information, please contact Phyllis Turner, Administrative Assistant, at pturner@oaklandnet.com or (510) 986-2721.

Third Annual "Food Bank Finals Challenge" For Hunger Relief – On Thursday, June 1, the Cleveland and Bay Area Mayors announced they would forgo the traditional "mayor bet" and instead support efforts to raise \$100,000 for local food banks. This is a competitive collaboration to raise necessary funds and public awareness to the issue of food insecurity in Oakland and Alameda County, the City and County of San Francisco, Marin County and the Cleveland area during the 2017 NBA Finals. The Warriors versus Cavaliers battle in the NBA Finals won't happen only on the hardwood: fans will also compete in the Third Annual Food Bank Finals Challenge to see who can be the most generous when it comes to supporting their local food banks. This year, the Food Bank Finals Challenge welcomes SF-Marin Food Bank, given the Warriors future move to San Francisco. Warriors fans are being asked to make donations to the Alameda County Community Food Bank or SF-Marin Food Bank, while Cavaliers fans are being encouraged to donate to the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. In honor of the NBA Finals "Rubber Match," the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company will match the total funds raised by the organizations, up to \$20,000. For every \$1 donated, Alameda County Community Food Bank can provide \$6 worth of food; SF-Marin Food Bank distributes \$5 worth of food for every \$1 donated; and the Greater Cleveland Food Bank provides \$8 worth of food for every \$1 donated. To make an online donation, please visit www.accfb.org/FoodBankFinals, www.sfmfoodbank.org/FoodBankFinals or www.greaterclevelandfoodbank.org/FoodBankFinals.

GO-Biz Regional Workshop On How Businesses Can Apply For 'California Competes' Tax Credit – On Monday, June 26, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) will present a workshop on the 'California Competes' Tax Credit. The workshop, hosted by the City of Oakland, will be held in the Council Chamber at Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Small, medium and large businesses are encouraged to attend the workshop and receive instruction on how to apply for this new state tax credit program. Applications will be accepted from Tuesday, July 25 through Tuesday, August 22. The State of California is offering more than \$200 million in tax credits over the next year for businesses of all sizes that want to expand or relocate to California. The program sets aside 25% of the annual allocation to small businesses. Businesses are encouraged to come and learn how their business can apply for new tax credits. The 'California Competes' Tax Credit Program is one of three recently approved state incentives. To learn more about these incentives, please visit the Go-Biz website at <http://business.ca.gov/>. To register for the Oakland workshop on Monday, June 26, please visit <http://bit.ly/11BwIRU>. For more information about the workshop, please contact Aliza Gallo, Economic Development Manager, at agallo@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7405.

Let Your Voice Be Heard At Public Hearing On Poverty – On Monday, June 12, the Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP) is hosting a Public Hearing on its Alameda County 2018-2019 AC-OCAP Community Action Plan. The hearing will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 3, Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The purpose of this public hearing is for the AC-OCAP to receive input from the community to help identify the needs and gaps in services that exist for Alameda County's underserved low-income residents. The goal of AC-OCAP is to use this information to help set Community Services Block Grant funding priorities in support of anti-poverty programs that lift families out of poverty into self-sufficiency.

For more information, please call (510) 238-2362 or send an email to AC-OCAP@oaklandnet.com.

2017 Inner City Capital Connections Program – On Wednesday, June 21, nominations are due for the Oakland Inner-City Capital Connections (ICCC) Program. ICCC is a national program that positions inner-city businesses for long-term success. Selected existing businesses participate in a free, 40-hour curriculum which includes executive education, marketing, sales, mentorship opportunities and connections to capital providers. Business owners also attend a national conference at no cost. The Oakland - ICCC Capital Connections Program is sponsored by Kaiser Permanente, headquartered in Oakland. The City of Oakland is a key partner and will nominate Oakland businesses. To learn more about the Oakland – Inner City Capital Connections Project and to nominate Oakland-based businesses, please visit <http://icic.org/inner-city-capital-connections/oakland/>. For more information, please contact Aliza Gallo, Economic Development Manager, at agallo@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7405.

Green Tee Golf Tournament – Monday, July 10 Oakland Parks & Recreation's Cultural Arts Division is bringing in its annual fundraiser full-swing at Metropolitan Golf Links, 10051 Doolittle Drive. It's tee time. The Green Tee Golf Tournament event aids OPR-sponsored cultural arts events and youth development programs. The event will have a live auction, long-drive and closest-to-the-pin contest, live music, catered lunch and more. Show up with you're A-game and bring us your best hits. This is sure to be an exciting competition. Teams and Individuals are welcome. For more information and to register, please contact Karis Griffin, Recreation Supervisor, at GreenTeeGolfOPR@gmail.com or (510) 238-2259.

OPD Is Hiring Police Communications Dispatchers – Continuously through summer 2017, applications for Police Communications Dispatchers are being accepted. Come and join a wonderful team of professionals dedicated to serving the citizens of Oakland in this critical role. Oakland residents rely on Police Communications Dispatchers for the protection of life and property. The first screening of applications will be conducted on Friday, June 23. To apply, please visit <http://bit.ly/2r7CPFz>. For more information, please contact the Oakland Police Department's Media Office at opdmedia@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7230.

400 College Scholarships Awarded At East Bay College Fund Oakland Promise Awards Ceremony – On Wednesday, May 31, 400 students were awarded nearly \$3 million in multi-year scholarships linked with persistence at the 2nd annual East Bay College Fund Oakland Promise Awards Ceremony. East Bay College Fund, the lead agency for college scholarships and completion for the ambitious cradle-to-career initiative the Oakland Promise, honored 400 Oakland public school seniors as they embarked on their journey to and through college. These 400 students are the second class of Oakland Promise scholars joining the 300 awarded last year. This is part of the Oakland Promise, a city-wide initiative that aims to triple the number of Oakland public school students who graduate from college by 2025. Mayor Schaaf and a tremendous coalition of partners were thrilled to support a diverse group of Oakland public school students, many of whom will be the first in their family to go to college, with African-American or Latinos representing approximately 75% of this year's scholarship recipients. Graduates will receive \$1,000 to \$16,000 over the course of their college careers, paired with mentoring and

additional support from East Bay College Fund to help them stay on track to complete college. This year, a cohort of students received Oakland Promise Youth Leadership Awards, scholarships for emerging young leaders sponsored by community organizations and corporations. Additionally, these scholars will receive support from East Bay College Fund in partnership with other great organizations and access to leadership training throughout their college careers. Civil rights activist Dolores Huerta was also recognized during the evening, virtually presenting one scholar with the inaugural Dolores Huerta Scholarship. 2017 marked a record number of scholarships awarded by East Bay College Fund and Oakland Promise. In addition to financial support, Oakland Promise lead agency East Bay College Fund provides persistence services, including individual mentors, access to on-campus peer support networks and two retreats each year for professional and personal development. These services contribute to the success of scholars: 80% graduate within six years, four times the national average for students from low-income backgrounds. The vision of the Oakland Promise is that every child in Oakland graduates from high school with the expectations, resources and skills to complete college and be successful in the career of his or her choice. To learn more about the Oakland Promise, please visit www.oaklandpromise.org.

Cast Your Vote For Art + Soul – Through Friday, June 30, Oaklanders are encouraged to vote for the Art + Soul Oakland Festival, the City of Oakland's flagship festival, in the *East Bay Express*' 2017 Best of the East Bay competition. To cast your vote, visit www.EastBayExpress.com/BestOf and select Art + Soul under the Best Festival category. The two-day festival will draw thousands of revelers with an amazing array of music, dance, art, food and family fun. Recognized for its stellar musical lineup with a focus on homegrown talent, the festival returns for its 17th year on Saturday, August 19 and Sunday, August 20. Easy to get to and fun for all, Art + Soul offers direct access via public transit and free bike parking. Presented by the City of Oakland, the festival stretches 10 blocks in downtown Oakland. The exciting musical lineup will be announced later in June. For more information, please visit www.artandsouloakland.com.

Free Real Estate Readiness Workshop For Arts Groups, Collectives And Organizations – On Thursday, July 13, the Northern California Community Loan Fund (NCCLF) will host the final workshop of a free, three-part Real Estate Readiness Workshop series for all Oakland arts groups, collectives and organizations. The workshops will be held at the East Bay Community Foundation, 353 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To sign up for the workshops, visit <http://cast-sf.org/keeping-space-oakland-announcements/>. These workshops were part of the Community Arts Stabilization Trust's (CAST) announcement that six Oakland arts and cultural organizations will receive assistance to secure long-term, affordable, safe space in Oakland. The technical assistance is through Keeping Space – Oakland, CAST's pilot program to assist arts nonprofits that are vulnerable to space instability and displacement. \$90,000 in professional real estate training and consultation services will be awarded across six local organizations. Award recipients include Alena Museum, Pro Arts, Project Bandaloo, PLACE for Sustainable Living, Qilombo and Ubuntu Theater Project. CAST launched Keeping Space – Oakland in December 2016 with funding from the Kenneth Rainin Foundation and the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. The announcement represents one strategy of many proposed by the Oakland Arts Workspace Group, a public-private partnership that includes the Kenneth Rainin Foundation,

CAST, NCCLF and the City of Oakland. The group is focused on creating workspace stability to foster, support and sustain the arts and cultural ecosystem in Oakland. For more information, please contact Roberto Bedoya, Cultural Affairs Manager, at rbedoya@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2136.

Free Concert Series In Latham Square – On Thursday, June 15, a free community event showcasing local Oakland talent and vendors dubbed “3rd Thursday at Latham Square” returns with a rousing performance by Jennifer Johns and Friends. The monthly events, which will run every third Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., continue until October 19. All events feature live music, local vendors and organizations, beer and wine, Off the Grid food trucks and art activities for all ages. Latham Square, located where Broadway and Telegraph intersect near 15th Street in the heart of Downtown Oakland, re-opened in 2016 following a \$7 million renovation shepherded by the Oakland Public Works Department. For more information and updates on performances, sponsors, vendors and activities, please visit www.oaklandcentral.com/LathamSquare.

Dads and Jazz Father's Day Festival – On Sunday, June 18, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m., Oakland Parks & Recreation is hosting its annual Dads and Jazz Father's Day Festival at the beautifully landscaped Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks Court. Father's Day is a perfect occasion to have loads of fun with your dad and let him know how much you appreciate him. Celebrate your father's big day with live music, food, games, raffles and more. To purchase tickets, please visit www.dadsandjazz.com. For more information about the event or the Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, please contact Rebecca Bresso, Recreation Specialist, at rbresso@oaklandnet.com or (510) 615-5555.

Black Arts Movement And Business District Progresses Towards State Designation – On Monday, May 15, representatives from the California Arts Council toured Oakland's Black Arts Movement and Business District. The District is one of 22 areas in the state that advanced to the semi-final round for designation as a California Cultural District. The effort to have Oakland's only officially designated arts and culture district recognized by the California Arts Council as an official state district is being led by District 3 Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney; Julian and Badelle, LLC and the Malonga Artists Collective. The finalists will be announced in July. As part of the application process, KTOP produced a promotion video for the group. To view the video, please visit <https://vimeo.com/218858669>. For a map showing the 22 semi-finalists, please visit www.caculturaldistricts.org/semifinalists. For more information on the California Cultural Districts program, please visit www.caculturaldistricts.org. For more information on the District or to get involved, please contact Alex Marqusee, Senior Legislative Analyst, at amarqusee@oaklandnet.com.

Oakland Department of Transportation Transform Oakland's Streets – On Friday, May 26, Oakland's Department of Transportation released a notice of community interest seeking input on a new program that would transform Oakland's largest asset – our streets – into vibrant public spaces. The potential new program would integrate art into everyday infrastructure through projects like creative crosswalks and intersection painting. Additionally, the program would enable new public spaces such as plazas and parklets. To learn more and provide OakDOT with your ideas, please visit <https://beta.oaklandca.gov/services/transform-streets>. For more

information, please contact Menaka Mohan, Community Transportation Planner, at mmohan@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-6657.

St. Andrew's Plaza Renovation Community Meeting – On Monday, June 12, Oakland community members are invited to a meeting to provide an update on the St. Andrew's Plaza Renovation project. The meeting, to be held at the West Oakland Youth Center at 3233 Market Street, begins at 6:00 p.m. and will be hosted by City Administrator's Office and Council District 3. An important topic at the meeting will be a discussion on community partnership/stewardship programs in preparation for the re-opening of the plaza. Community input will be critical for the long-term success of the plaza. The City's project team and the contractor are working diligently to complete the renovation of St. Andrew's Plaza by end of June. The team encountered delays to the construction project due to heavy rains, wet soil conditions and vandalism earlier this year. For details on the renovation project, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/sapr. For more information on the meeting, please contact Joe DeVries, Assistant to the City Administrator, at jdevries@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3083 or Brigitte Cook, Senior Constituent Liaison, at bcook@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7245.

Piedmont Avenue Branch Library Presents Immigrant Voices – On Tuesday, June 13, at 6:00 p.m., four local artists will discuss their personal journeys, their art and what it means to be an immigrant and an artist in America today. Join Yasser Alwan, a videographer, photographer and WIX web designer; Helen Ghebreyesus, a photographer, printmaker and poet; Thi Bui, a writer, artist and author of the acclaimed graphic novel, *The Best We Could Do*; and Miguel V. Melendez, a writer, artist and musician. It will be a fascinating evening of voices from our immigrant communities. For more information, please contact Rebekah Eppley, Branch Manager, at reppley@Oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5011.

Great American Backyard Camp Out – From Saturday, June 24 to Sunday, June 25, Oakland Parks & Recreation is participating in the Great American Backyard Camp Out. Families, adults and youth are invited to pitch a tent and experience the natural beauty of Oakland's Joaquin Miller Park, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road. Camp Out is a national event sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation to encourage families to connect with nature, experience camping overnight at local parks, and discover fun within the great outdoors. Ages 4 years and older are welcome with registration starting at just \$10 per person. To register, please visit <http://bit.ly/2qy9kRz> and use Activity #92336.101. For more information, please contact Stephanie Benavidez, Supervising Naturalist, at sbenavidez@oaklandnet.com or (510) 867-0669.

Resilient by Design Launches Bay Area Challenge With Open Call For Community Ideas – On Wednesday, May 31, Resilient by Design | Bay Area Challenge, an innovative new approach to prepare the Bay Area for the effects of climate change, launched with an open call for community leaders, local elected officials, national experts and residents to come together and address this critical issue before disaster strikes. The project, which will develop ten creative, implementable and long-lasting infrastructure solutions, will serve as a blueprint to flip the switch on traditional disaster rebuilding by addressing climate change before a storm or earthquake strikes and creates billions of dollars of damage and displaces our most vulnerable communities. The Rockefeller Foundation has funded this effort through a \$4.6 million grant, providing the necessary support to

create and scale a model of the successful New York Rebuild by Design program which was pioneered by the Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. In this unique collaborative approach, Design Teams will research and work in communities with local experts for eight months to offer ten creative solutions that can be adapted throughout the Bay Area and around the world. These ten solutions will be designed to protect shoreline communities throughout the Bay Area from increasingly severe storms and flooding that disproportionately impacts economically and socially vulnerable communities, and will tackle disparities in housing, health, transportation and the economy. During the Launch Phase this summer, the challenge will kick off with an open call for community members to suggest sites where action and investment could create community resilience. The Request for Qualifications for Resilient by Design is now available at www.resilientbayarea.org and Design Team applications are due by July 7. Once ten Design Teams are selected in August, the challenge will consist of two phases. During the Collaborative Research Phase, teams will participate in a three-month exploratory research and community engagement period to develop initial design concepts based on research and community input. During the Collaborative Design Phase, Design Teams will engage in a five-month intensive design process working in partnership with residents, businesses, community-based organizations and political leaders to develop detailed, replicable and implementable infrastructure projects. At the end of the challenge, an internationally renowned jury will judge ten final designs based on the potential for future successful implementation, adaptation to the future effects of climate change and benefits that address current issues such as public access to recreation areas, access to housing and protection of vulnerable infrastructure and transportation systems. For more information, please contact Kiran Jain, Chief Resiliency Officer, at kjain@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3487.

Medical Cannabis Permit Applications Released – On Tuesday, May 23, the City of Oakland released its Medical Cannabis Permit Application for individuals interested in cultivating, manufacturing, delivering, distributing, testing or transporting medical cannabis in Oakland. This application process is the first step in implementing the groundbreaking Equity Permit Program passed by the Oakland City Council in March, which addresses past disparities in the cannabis industry by prioritizing the victims of the war on drugs and minimizing barriers of entry into the industry. The application, instructions and responses to frequently asked questions are available at <http://bit.ly/2qGSRrw>. The new regulations lay an equitable foundation for the cannabis industry in Oakland at a pivotal moment given the rapid pace of the industry and upcoming statewide implementation of medical cannabis and adult use laws. Applications are not yet available for dispensary permits, as they will be issued through a separate process later in 2017. In the initial phase of permitting, a minimum of half of all permits will be issued to Equity applicants. An Equity applicant is an Oakland resident who has an annual income at or less than 80 percent of the Oakland Average Medium Income (AMI) and either has a cannabis conviction out of Oakland or has lived for ten of the last twenty years in police beats that experienced a disproportionately higher amount of law enforcement with respect to cannabis. For 2016, the 80 percent AMI threshold is \$52,650 for a one-person household or \$60,150 for a two-person household. Additional household-size AMI and a roster of the qualifying police beats can be found at <http://bit.ly/2qIYU0D>. To address another barrier identified in the City's analysis, Equity applicants are not required to pay the permit application fee. Since access to capital to secure a business location is a significant barrier of entry, the City's medical cannabis regulations address

this issue with the Equity Incubator Program. Under the Equity Incubator Program, General applicants receive permitting priority if they provide Equity applicants with free rent for a minimum of 1,000 square feet of space to operate their business. Additionally, applicants who have not yet secured a location may still apply and obtain conditional approval, including verification of an applicant's Equity status. Part of the legislative package passed by the Oakland City Council included Resolution 86633 C.M.S. directing the first \$3.4 million in Business Tax revenue from Cannabis-related businesses to be used to establish an Equity Assistance Program. The Equity Assistance Program will provide industry-specific technical assistance, business-ownership technical assistance, no interest business start-up loans and waivers from City permitting fees for Equity applicants. Once the Equity Assistance Program is fully implemented, the provision requiring a minimum of half of all permits to be issued to Equity applicants ends. The newly adopted regulations seek to address the ongoing economic inequality that results from disparities in drug arrests, as well as other racialized barriers to wealth building and business ownership by bringing innovation and an equity lens to the new cannabis business licensing process. To view videos of the City Council meetings and the accompanying staff reports, please visit the legislative record at <http://bit.ly/2qJh81T>. To view the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK064055>.

Federal/State Basic Payroll Tax Seminar – On Thursday, June 15, the State of California's Employment Development Department (EDD) will provide a no-cost payroll seminar at the Elihu M. Harris State Building, 1515 Clay Street. Running from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., the seminar will educate employers about their rights and responsibilities and will be conducted by a representative from the EDD and an enrolled agent representing the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Topics will include an overview of the forms, employer obligations, reporting and payment requirements in California; independent contractor reporting requirements; electronic filing and payment requirements and options and federal payroll reporting requirements, including Forms 940, 941, 1099, W-2, W-4, W-9 and alternative filing. To register for the free seminar, please visit <http://bit.ly/2qTrsmc>. For a roster of other upcoming Payroll Tax seminars, please visit [http://www.edd.ca.gov/Payroll Tax Seminars/](http://www.edd.ca.gov/Payroll_Tax_Seminars/).

Celebrate Diversity At The Main Library's Culture Fest – On Saturday, June 10, at 11:00 a.m., the Youth Leadership Council of the Oakland Public Library will host the 2017 Culture Festival at the Main Library, 125 14th Street. Kick off summer with food, art, performances and fun activities representing Oakland's diverse communities. This free event is fun for all ages. For more information, please contact Lana Adlawan, Supervising Librarian, at ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7613.

Sign Up For The Oakland Public Library's Adult Summer Reading – On Saturday, June 10, the Oakland Public Library kicks off its annual Summer Reading program. This year, adults interested in participating can visit any library location or you can go to the online summer reading game (coming soon) to play. Prizes include a grand prize of an iPad Mini, and gift cards to Ace Hardware, Laurel Book Store, Fenton's, The Bookmark Bookstore, Pollinate, Clipper transit cards, sailing the lake, Mi Pueblo and more. Beginning Saturday, June 10, you can play online by visiting <http://playadult2017.oaklandlibrary.org/> and signing up for a free account. You can also play on paper by picking up a raffle card from any library location starting on June 10. Either way,

the way to play is to read a book and write a short description/review or complete three activities on your Summer Reading card. Summer Reading concludes Saturday, August 5. For more information, please contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6611.

Burma Superstar's Desmond Tan Coming To Temescal Library – On Saturday, June 10, at 2:30 p.m., Desmond Tan, proprietor of the Oakland's beloved Burma Superstar restaurant, will share recipes from his new cookbook at the Temescal Branch Library, 5205 Telegraph Avenue. He will show how to prepare many of the dishes served at his restaurants and tell the story of how his hole-in-the-wall eatery inspired a foodie frenzy. For more information, please contact Steve Lavoie, Branch Manager, at slavoie@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5049.

Coffee With A Conscience – On Saturday, June 24, at 1:00 p.m., Jose and Rocio Rodriguez Cervantes, owners of Akat Café Kalli in Oakland, will talk about the partnership they formed with the Zapatista Coffee Cooperative from Chiapas in a program at the César E. Chávez Branch Library, 3301 East 12th Street, Suite 271. They will discuss their visit to a Zapatista community, where they learned about the production process of coffee and how it relates to caring for the land and to the working conditions of the people who grow and harvest the beans. There will also be samples of the coffee to taste. For more information, please contact Peter Villaseñor, Branch Manager, at pvillasenor@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 535-5620.

Explore, Connect & Grow: Summer Reading At Your Library – On Saturday, June 10, the Oakland Public Library kicks off Summer Reading 2017. Kids who read 20 days during the summer will be eligible to win a free book and other prizes. Parents and older children may read to children who aren't reading yet. Special grand prize drawings include one family membership to Children's Fairyland (ages 0 to 4) and one iPad (ages 5 to 14). Sign up online at www.oaklandlibrary.org/summer or visit any library location. All summer, until Saturday, August 5, all OPL locations will host special events and activities. For more information, please contact Anne Lennon, Children's Services Librarian, at alennon@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6844.

Golden Gate Branch Offering Walking Tour Of Nearby Houses Of Worship – On Saturday, June 10, Golden Gate Branch Library is presenting a tour of the neighborhood's houses of worship. The tour, offered in partnership with Oakland Urban Paths, will be led by Dr. Martha C. Taylor, author of *From Labor to Reward: Black Church Beginnings in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, and Richmond, 1849-1972*. Tour participants will meet at 10:00 a.m., in front of St. Columba Church, 6401 San Pablo Avenue. When the walk ends at noon at the library, stay for a discussion with Dr. Taylor on her writings and research. For more information, please contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at esanders@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5023.

Sign Up For The Teen Summer Passport Program – On Saturday, June 10, teens, ages 12 to 18, can sign up for a Teen Summer Passport. You'll have a chance to win an iPad Mini, a Chromebook or even a laptop. Movie and Game Stop gift cards will also be raffled throughout the summer at all library locations. Sign up online or register at your local library and start earning passport stamps by exploring Bay Area Hot Spots such as museums, pools, farmers' markets and skate parks. You can also create book lists, write reviews of books or movies, attend library

programs or volunteer at the library. To sign up and for more information, please visit www.oaklandlibrary.org/summer.

City Of Oakland Engages Community In Recruiting New Fire Chief – On Monday, May 1, the City of Oakland launched a nationwide search for a Fire Chief for the Oakland Fire Department (OFD). The City's goal is to ensure that the best and brightest candidates emerge from the recruitment process. The City will engage the community and OFD staff to maximize stakeholder input. This insight will be used for the following:

- Help inform the recruiter to find the most qualified pool of candidates
- Provide the City with community-driven criteria to evaluate the final candidates
- Give the new Fire Chief a roadmap of how the community expects the Fire Department to move forward under new leadership

Community meetings began May 1 and ran through May 17. The position announcement was posted on Thursday, May 18, and will be closing on Monday, July 3. To view the position announcement, please visit <http://bit.ly/2q8PzQz>. For an overview of the recruitment process, please visit the recruitment page at www.oaklandnet.com/firechiefrecruitment.

OPD Is Hiring Police Officer Trainees – Friday, June 9, at 11:59 p.m., is the deadline to apply to pursue a challenging and rewarding career in law enforcement at the Oakland Police Department. Working as a police officer is a challenging and rewarding career; every day on the job is different. Dealing with a wide variety of people in different situations, OPD officers quickly analyze and solve problems and use their excellent “people skills” to defuse conflict and avoid confrontation whenever possible. The monthly salary for a Police Officer Trainee is \$5,500. To apply, please visit <http://bit.ly/2qtYV8S>. For more information, please contact the Oakland Police Department's Media Office at opdmedia@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7230.

OPD Has Openings For High School Students To Become Police Explorers – Continuously through spring 2017, high school students, ages 14 to 19, are invited to join the Police Explorers Program and learn more about careers in law enforcement. The Explorers program includes career opportunities, service learning, leadership experience, life skills and character education. For more information, please contact Officer Charles Stone, Oakland Police Activities League (PAL), at oaklandpal@oaklandpal.org or (510) 421-2684.

OPD Is Hiring Police Cadets – Continuously through spring 2017, ambitious young women and men are invited to join the Oakland Police Department (OPD) law enforcement team as part-time Police Cadets. Cadets, who must be high school seniors or attending college, are rotated through a variety of assignments at OPD designed to develop their interest in police work. You may apply at any time; the position is filling continuously. Police Cadets are part-time employees who receive training and experience in law enforcement. Wages start at \$14.42 per hour and Cadets may work up to 19.5 hours per week. To learn more, please visit <http://bit.ly/2o7ItGV>. For more information, please contact the Oakland Police Department's Media Office at opdmedia@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7230.

No BART Train Service Between Lake Merritt And Fruitvale Stations – On six non-consecutive weekends between April and July, BART crews will be rebuilding the trackway between Lake Merritt and Fruitvale stations as part of the “Better BART” efforts. When the closures occur, no trains will run between those stations and Lake Merritt station will be closed. Free buses will be available to move riders around the closure. Riders on the Warm Springs/South Fremont, Dublin and Oakland Airport lines will be impacted. The buses may add 20 to 40 minutes to your trip. The closure will allow maintenance crews to replace the nearly 45-year-old deteriorating trackway between the two stations. The remaining dates for the BART track closure are:

- Saturday, June 10 & Sunday, June 11
- Saturday, July 1 & Sunday, July 2

These dates may be subject to change. For more information, please visit <http://www.bart.gov/news/articles/2017/news20170302-1>.

Upcoming City Of Oakland Job Announcements – During the week of June 12, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Case Manager I (Violence Prevention)
- Budget & Operations Analyst III

For the most up-to-date information on City jobs, please view the Employment Information page on our website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. The Employment Information page also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

For information on upcoming City meetings and events, please visit the City's online calendar at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Events/index.htm>. For events at the Oakland Public Library, please visit <http://oaklandlibrary.org/events>.

Respectfully submitted,

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