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CITY OF OAKLAND

MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Deanna J. Santana

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report

DATE: January 27, 2012

INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

Update on Impacts Related to Redevelopment - On January 23, Mayor Jean Quan and the City Administrator released the Proposed Amended Policy Budget for FY 2011-13 for the City Council's consideration. This Budget was released following the loss of redevelopment funding and a California Supreme Court ruling that set February 1, 2012 as the dissolution date of Redevelopment Agencies Statewide. On January 25, the Proposed Budget was presented to the City Council at a Special City Council Meeting. At that same meeting, the City Council approved the City's Enforceable Obligations Payment Schedule. An additional Special City Council meeting is scheduled for January 31, 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. At this meeting, the City Council will consider the Budget proposal and make a final decision. There is also a proposed Amended Policy Budget Fact Sheet available that summarizes the budget-balancing proposal. To access the FY 2011-13 Proposed Amended Policy Budget, along with the Budget Fact Sheet and additional documents regarding the Redevelopment/Budget situation, please visit: http://www2.oaklandnet.com/#redev.

Update on the Negotiated Settlement Agreement - On January 25, the Federal Court issued an order critical of the Police Department's failure to reach compliance on the negotiated settlement agreement. While Federal Judge Thelton Henderson acknowledged that while the Oakland Police Department is a different Department than in the past, the Judge conferred additional authority over the Department. The City acknowledges the court's frustration with the pace of the City's progress to comply with the Negotiated Settement Agreement. The City takes this issue very seriously and understands the implications for the community if compliance is not achieved quickly. As such, the City is committed to taking action and making demonstrable progress on the reforms necessary to ensure the collective goal of our Police Department operating under the highest standards of policing and that constitutional policing are inherent to police culture and practice. For more information, please visit: http://www2.oaklandnet.com/oakca/groups/cityadministrator/documents/pressrelease/oak033030.pdf

Oakland Police Department to Improve Communication through Mobile Messaging - The Oakland Police Department (OPD) plans to join 4,600 agencies across the nation using Nixle public safety notifications through text/SMS, mobile applications, e-mail, and internet posts.

With no cost to the Department or public, Nixle allows law enforcement agencies to advise the public of emergency alerts, crime information, and safety tips. Visit Nixle.com to register on either the OPD Bureau of Field Operations I or II sites. You may also follow OPD on Twitter.com, at oaklandpoliceca. For more information, please contact Sergeant Chris Bolton, OPD Chief of Staff, at (510) 238-3131 or cbolton@oaklandnet.com.

Public Safety Advisory – Cell Phone Robberies - The Oakland Police Department has noticed an increase in street robberies of cell phones or other electronics being taken from victims. Newer model cell phones, which tend to be expensive, are becoming increasingly popular and lucrative targets for thieves. Locations of reported crimes and suspect descriptions vary, however victims often share the characteristic of being distracted by cell phones or other devices while walking on city streets and sidewalks. In some instances, suspects use firearms during robberies.

AS A SAFETY REMINDER:

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Don't allow yourself to be distracted by cell phones or electronic devices.
- Stay in well lit and populated areas as much as possible.
- Be especially alert when entering and exiting your vehicle.
- Remember to lock your car door after entering your vehicle.

TAKE PRECAUTIONS, REPORT CRIMES, AND REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY:

- If someone or something looks suspicious, call the police.
- Prepare to provide your carrier service, phone number, make and model, and IMEI number when filing a police report and contacting your carrier.
- Consider installing anti-theft or tracking software, and using phone locking or PIN features.
- Consider the use of ultra-violet pen markings on your handset and battery, and report marking details when filing a police report.

Anyone with information regarding ongoing criminal investigations is asked to contact the Oakland Police Department's Major Crimes Unit at (510) 238-3821.

Occupy Oakland Update - On January 28, Occupy Oakland protesters are planning to occupy a large, vacant building in downtown Oakland without the permission of the owner. Occupy Oakland participants held a news conference on January 26 announcing their plans and presenting a letter to City officials (see below) which threatened that if the City attempts to evict them from the vacant building or deter their actions, they would shut down the Port, blockade the Airport indefinitely, occupy City Hall indefinitely, or call on Anonymous (anarchic cyber "hacktivists"). The letter is attached and can also be found on the following link:

https://occupyoaklandmoveinday.org/content/letter-mayor-opd-and-city-council-occupy-oaklands-move-day

Occupy Oakland's planned schedule of events for the day can be found on the following website: https://occupyoaklandmoveinday.org/content/occupy-oakland-weekend-action-detailed-schedule

As always, the City is committed to facilitating peaceful expressions, but will not tolerate vandalism, violence or criminal activity. For more information, please contact Chris Bolton, OPD Chief of Staff at (510) 238-3131.

OPL Launches e-Government Literacy Program - With help from a California State Library grant, the Main Library is offering courses to help people navigate government forms that are available online. The grant, totaling $3,700 in Federal Library Services and Technology (LSTA) funds, will support a series of classes from January until September. The classes will cover topics such as starting a business, foreclosure, consumer fraud, and tenants' rights. For information, please visit http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/PR/e-Gov%20Media%20Release.pdf or call Rebekah Eppley at (510) 238-3138.

Library Online Catalog Now Available for Smart Phones - The Oakland Public Library's online catalog is now available for small-screen browsers on devices such as Web-enabled phones and PDAs. When a patron accesses the Oakland Public Library Catalog from a smartphone, they will be redirected to an AirPAC page, which is easier to navigate and search on a small device, such as Apple iPhone, Apple iPod Touch, BlackBerry Storm, BlackBerry Bold 9000, Motorola Droid, HTC Droid Eris, and Palm Pre. For information, please call Jamie Turbak, Administrative Librarian, at (510) 238-6610.

Assistance to Firefights Grant Awarded - The Oakland Fire Department is pleased to announce they were awarded a grant through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. This $789,360 grant will fund 80% of the purchase of a much needed new truck to replace what the Public Works Agency's Fleet Management Division considers to be the fire department's oldest truck and far beyond repair. This grant award comes at a crucial time for the City, given the budgetary constraints we are facing, as it allows us to acquire essential equipment to better serve the Oakland community when responding to emergencies. Periodic updates will shared as they progress through the purchasing process. For more information, please contact Patricia Sierra, Assistant to the Director at (510) 238-4055 or psierra@oaklandnet.com.

Salvation Army Community Service Event - January 20, the Oakland Fire Department participated at the Salvation Army's Community Service Event geared at recognizing and celebrating the importance of the Lunar New Year in the Chinese/Asian community through public service and outreach. Members of the department helped distribute over 1,500 food baskets to the elderly and the disabled; and to low-income and new immigrant families. Additionally, over 400 families received toys for their children in celebration of such an important holiday. Participating in the event were Donna Hom, Chief Financial Officer; Battalion Chief Sheppard; Lt. Troy; Eng. Fraser; FFPM Petersen; FF Mancuso; Ann Li from the Office of Emergency Services, and Battalion Chief Towner who was cited by The World Journal in their January 21 publication regarding the 1989 earthquake and the importance of having the community and our department working together to prepare for emergency situations. For more information, please contact Donna Hom, Chief Financial Officer, at 510-238-2038 or dhom@oakalndnet.com.

Firefighter Paramedic Recruiting - The Oakland Fire Department is currently recruiting for Firefighter Paramedic positions. For more information visit the City's employment information page at http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Oakland East Bay Symphony Performance of Carmina Burana - January 27, 8:00 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway. The Symphony will perform one of the most recognizable and frequently performed choral works in the Western classical tradition. The Symphony will be joined by the Oakland Symphony Chorus and Oakland Youth Orchestra to celebrate the recent merger of the three organizations to form the newly created East Bay Performing Arts. Tickets range from $20-$70. Please visit www.ticketmaster.com, call (800) 745-3000 or visit the Paramount Theatre Box Office to purchase tickets.

Rotary Nature Center - January 28, 9:30a.m.-12:30p.m., 600 Bellevue Ave. Please join the Rotary Nature Center and Golden Gate Audubon Society, for their first annual Kids Winter Bird Count at Lake Merritt. Kids of all ages and their families are invited to participate in this day of birding and citizen-science. Naturalists will assist a bird walk around Lake Merritt to discover and count bird species such as ducks, cormorants and herons. This FREE event is inspired by the Audubon Traditions of the Christmas Bird Count and Great Backyard Bird Count (coming up in February). Golden Gate Audubon Society is providing binoculars for families to borrow for the event, if needed. Please RSVP with Golden Gate Audubon: ggaseducation@gmail.com or call (510) 508-1388. Flyer is attached.

11th Annual Year of the Dragon Celebration at the Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) - January 29, 12:00p.m.-4:30 p.m., 1000 Oak Street. OMCA's 11th annual Lunar New Year Celebration and Other Asian Traditions: Year of the Dragon features a full afternoon of celebration, festivities, performances, demonstrations, and workshops that include elements of Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Japanese, Tibetan, and other Asian cultures. Cost included with Museum admission, Free to OMCA Members. For more information, please visit http://museumca.org.

Oakland Museum White Elephant Preview Sale - January 29, 10:00a.m.-4:00 p.m., 333 Lancaster Street: A must for serious bargain hunters, this is a chance to get a first opportunity at this amazing sale for the price of admission. It's all for a good cause and a lot of fun. Actual sale is March 3-4. For more information, please call (510) 536-6800 or visit their website at **www.whiteelephantsale.org**.

Rainbow Recreation Center - January 30, 10:00a.m. – 2:00p.m., Rainbow Recreation Center, 5800 International Blvd. Rainbow Recreation Center will be hosting a coat giveaway. This coat giveaway is made possible in partnership with long time community activist Martha Paul. The coat drive is welcome to all. For more information, please contact Horace Houston at (510) 615-5751.

Piedmont Pines Annual Meeting - January 30, 7:00 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.). Chabot Space & Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. Piedmont Pines Association will be hosting their annual meeting with a panel discussion. Panelists include Mayor Quan, Councilmember Libby Schaaf, Police Chief Howard Jordan, City Administrator Deanna Santana and Public Works Director Vitaly Troyan. For more information, please contact Robbie Neely at robbieneely@sbcglobal.net or (510) 530-4286.

Elmhurst Library Beautification - January 28, 10:00 a.m., Elmhurst Library, 1427 88th Avenue. Friends of Elmhurst Library have adopted the library and nearby neighborhood and will be holding their first work day. For more information please contact: maryffort@gmail.com.

N***ew Era/New Politics Walking Tour*** - February 4, 15 and 23, 10:00-11:30 a.m., African American Museum & Library, 14th Street at Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. Stroll through downtown and discover the places where Oakland African American leaders have made their marks. Reservations are encouraged. To make a reservation, please call (510) 238-3234 or e-mail aallen@oaklandnet.com.

City Wide Sports - Running through February 25, Elmhurst Middle School,1800 98th Avenue. City Wide Sports is kicking off the New Year with Jr. Warriors Basketball. The Jr. Warriors are a team with 12 active players ages ranging from 11-13 yrs old. In total, there are 120 participants playing on 10 teams. Registration is still being accepted. For a registration form and information to sign up, please visit the Oakland Parks & Recreation website at www.oaklandnet.com/parks.

City Wide Track and Field program - every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., McClymonds High School, 2607 Myrtle Street. McClymonds High School is hosting FREE track clinics in partnership with 100 Black Men. The clinics serve 160 youth between the ages of 5-15 yrs. This event is open to the public and prior registration is not required but suggested. For more information on these clinics, contact Willie White at (510) 238-3897.

Respectfully submitted,

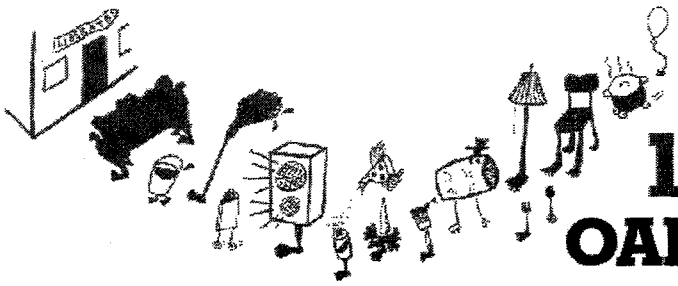
DEANNA J. SANTANA
City Administrator

Attachments

cc: Agency/Department Directors
Media List

Mayor Jean Quan's State of the City Address - February 8, 7:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.), Oakland City Hall, 14th and Broadway Streets. For more information, please contact the Office of the Mayor at (510) 444-2489.

East Oakland Sports Center - The East Oakland Sports Center, located at 9161 Edes Ave, is offering a 10 day/ 10 visit pass for $10. This promotion allows first time guests to enjoy 10 consecutive days of unrestricted access to classes and equipment including, aerobics/dance classes, yoga classes, state-of –the-art equipment, swimming pool and Water Park. For more information, please contact Harith Aleem at (510) 615-5838.

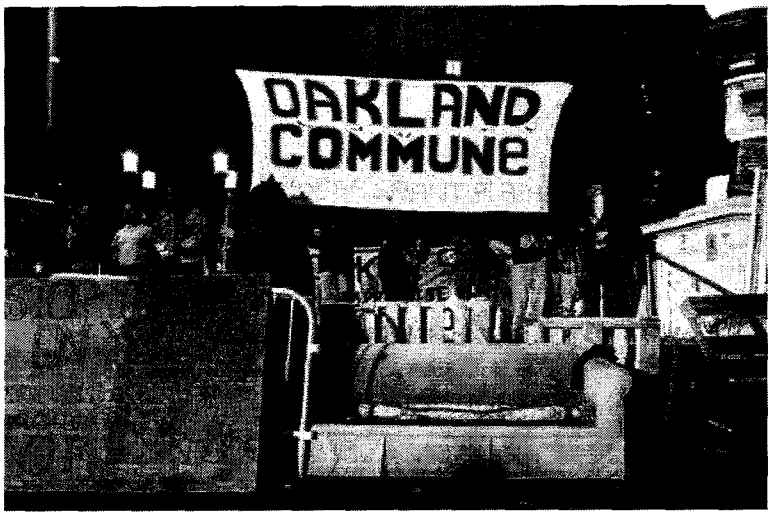


OCCUPY OAKLAND

SATURDAY & SUNDAY: WEEKEND OF ACTION!

1/28-29 MOVE-IN DAY & OAKLAND RISE UP FESTIVAL

Letter to the Mayor, OPD and City Council on Occupy Oakland's Move-in Day



Dear Mayor Jean Quan, Oakland Police Department, and Oakland City Council,

As you probably know, Occupy Oakland is planning the occupation of a building on January 28th that will serve as a social center, convergence center, headquarters, free kitchen, and place of housing for Occupy Oakland. Like so many other people, Occupy Oakland is homeless while buildings remain vacant and unused. For Occupy this is in large part because of yourselves, having evicted us twice from public space that was rightfully ours. For others it is because of the housing bubble, predatory lending, the perpetual crises of capitalism, and far reaching histories of imperialism and systemic violence.

Our families, friends, and communities built the buildings that sit empty in post-industrial Oakland. Now these buildings outnumber the homeless and represent the theft of our collective labor as the class of the unpropertied and dispossessed. Allowing this building to remain vacant while so many are in need is injurious theft, injustice; its extralegal occupancy is not.

Search

Oakland Rise Up Festival

Weekend Schedule

Some posters have gone out with conflicting times for the move-in march. Sat 1/28 Rally at Noon, March at 1pm.

Twitter

IN GENERAL there's always plenty of opportunity to get out of a situation b4 chemical agents are used. Everyone come to #OO_MoveIn! @Eliot_L

RT ...Lets do it again #oo #oo_movein #oakland #occupy http://t.co/FJpjCpop #OCCUPYPIX

When Occupy Oakland was first evicted on October 25, we organized a General Strike on November 2nd with only a week to plan. November 2nd proved our strength and relevancy. Conservative estimates said twenty thousand took the streets, but for those of us who marched on the ports it could have been a hundred thousand. November 2nd was an inspiration for the Occupy Movement and public condemnation of your violent repression.

Eventually we reoccupied Oscar Grant Plaza only to suffer a second violent eviction on November 14th. At this time there was a national crackdown on the Occupy movement as evictions were happening in Boston, New York City, Atlanta, Portland OR and elsewhere. It was revealed that you, Jean Quan, had been coordinating with federal agents how to best repress dissent. In response Occupy Oakland was the impetus for a West Coast Port Shut Down, in solidarity with Longview ILWU workers whose union is under attack by EGT. The action escalated to a national and then international action as more occupations signed on. In Oakland alone the shutdown cost some $8.7 million dollars in lost revenue and proved that when civic and economic institutions do not serve us, we can shut them down.

Since the beginning of the Occupy Movement when you have exacted violent repression on us we have proven that we are more powerful and diffuse than you. If you try to evict us again we will make your lives more miserable than you make ours.

This may be in one or more of the following forms:

-Blockading the airport indefinitely

-Occupying City Hall indefinitely

-Shutting down the Oakland ports

-Calling on anonymous for solidarity

It will be in our mutual interest if you respect our occupation by recognizing our residency and eminent domain. We are sure that we all look forward to the needs of Oakland's people finally being met.

Don't fuck with the Oakland Commune.

Signed,

Occupy Oakland Move-In Assembly

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@OO_MoveIn is the 2pm meeting today at OGP?

...Lets do it again #oo #oo_movein #oakland #occupy http://t.co/ETcipATD

I remember... #oo #oo_movein #oakland http://t.co/xDnH8or5

RT @BartoloVanzetti: looking for NE writers, photographers, or cartoonists thatd be interested in collaborating on a #gonzo piece on the #oo movein sat #ows #osf

More

Golden Gate Audubon Society's & Rotary Nature Center's

Winter Bird Count for Kids!

Families are invited to participate in this day of birding and citizen-science!

Naturalists will assist a bird walk around Lake Merritt to discover and count bird species such as ducks, cormorants and herons!

For kids of all ages and their families!

This FREE event is inspired by the Audubon traditions of the *Christmas Bird Count* and *Great Backyard Bird Count.*

Saturday, January 28, 2012

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

- Meet in front of the **Rotary Nature Center; 600 Bellevue Ave Oakland, CA 94610**
- Dress warmly, bring binoculars and field guides if you have them.
- Binoculars Available to Borrow
- Bring water and a lunch. We will share our count totals during lunch.

Please RSVP with Golden Gate Audubon: ggaseducation@gmail.com or 510-508-1388

Rotary Nature Center
& America's First Wildlife Refuge
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East Oakland Sports Center

Group Exercise Schedule – February 2012

Zumba Fitness® is the only Latin-inspired dance-fitness program that blends red-hot international music, created by Grammy Award-winning producers, and contagious steps to form a "fitness-party" that is downright addictive.

Monday 7:10p-8:00p Wednesday 6:10p-7:00p Friday 7:10p-8:00p (Studio)

Water Aerobics (Shallow Water) This vigorous and refreshing class combines movements shallow water for strength, toning and cardiovascular training, using the natural buoyancy and resistance of water. The buoyancy provided by the water makes standing exercise easier on the joints of the hips and knees. Because water creates 12 times more resistance than air, aquatic training has great potential for muscle definition.

Tuesday 6:20p-7:10p Thursday 6:20p-7:10p (Pool)

Yoga Basics will focus on introducing the fundamental principles and techniques in Hatha yoga. It will include breath-work, postures, mediation and yogic philosophy that is appropriate for all fitness levels.

Tuesday 6:05p-7:05p (MP) Thursday 7:10p-8:10p (MP)

Gentle Yoga will focus on approaches to yoga postures, yogic philosophy and breathing techniques to aid in healing and greater health. This class is ideal for beginners and the young at heart. Props will be used to modify the poses to fit all body types, levels of ability and ages. Recommended equipment to bring: strap, blocks, blankets.

Thursday 10:10a-11:30a (Studio)

Cardio Mix is an exciting class that incorporates a variety of core exercises, plyometrics, martial arts and yoga.

Monday 6:10p-7:00p (Studio)

Step Aerobics is a great class that will firm, tone and lose body fat as you learn to stay in Step! Step aerobics burns 30 - 60 % more calories than traditional aerobics with particular emphasis on hips, thighs, abdominals, and buttocks.

Tuesday 7:10p-8:00p (MP) Wednesday 6:10p-7:00p (MP)

Cardio Kickboxing is a high-energy class utilizes practical self-defense techniques combined with high and low impact moves to improve cardiovascular endurance, you will jab, kick and jump through a great workout! Come burn off lots of calories and stress all at the same time.

Monday 6:10p-7:00p (MP)

Coming soon...Pilates, Kettlebells and more! Class schedule is subject to change.