



MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: John A. Flores

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report

DATE: June 26, 2015

INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

“Oakland Recycles” Launches Major New Trash, Compost And Recycling Services – On Wednesday, July 1, the Oakland Recycles program will launch important new trash, compost and recycling services as Oakland takes a huge step toward its Zero Waste goals to keep all recyclable and compostable material out of landfills. The new services and features include: new natural gas-powered service trucks that run cleaner and quieter; new ways for all residents to easily dispose of mattresses, furniture and other bulky items; and for the first time ever, guaranteed compost service for condo and apartment residents. Effective July 1, California Waste Solutions will be the exclusive provider of recycling service to all Oakland residents. Waste Management of Alameda County, Inc. will be the exclusive provider of trash and compost services for both residents and businesses. Commercial recycling will remain an open market in which businesses can shop around for the service provider they prefer. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak053766>. For service information, rate tables and FAQs for all customers, please visit www.OaklandRecycles.com. For more information, please call the Oakland Recycles Hotline at (510) 238-SAVE or email recycling@oaklandnet.com.

OPR Open Houses In Honor Of Park & Recreation Month – From Wednesday, July 1, through Friday, July 31, Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR) will host over 45 free open house events citywide. Since 1985, Americans have celebrated July as National Park & Recreation Month (NPRM) to recognize the important role parks and recreation plays in contributing and maintaining quality of life within communities. OPR is proud to celebrate NPRM with colleagues nationwide by providing open house activities for the public that range from free boating opportunities to free dance classes. For a roster of open houses, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/parks. For more information, please contact Jada Chiu, Marketing Coordinator, at (510) 238-3053.

Oakland Fire Department 4th Of July Safety Information – On Saturday, July 4, the City of Oakland reminds you to celebrate Independence Day safely. The Oakland Fire Department and the Oakland Police Department would like to remind the public that fireworks are illegal in Oakland. If you are caught with fireworks, you will be fined up to \$1,000. The possession of large quantities of illegal fireworks carries fines of up to \$10,000 and imprisonment. The

Oakland Fire Department has established drop off locations for residents to deposit illegal fireworks, with no questions asked. The drop off locations are:

- Fire Station 1, 1603 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
- Fire Station 3, 1445 14th Street
- Fire Station 4, 1235 International Boulevard
- Fire Station 5, 934 34th Street
- Fire Station 18, 1700 50th Avenue
- Fire Station 20, 1401 98th Avenue

You can also anonymously report the use of fireworks by calling the Oakland Police Department Tip Line at (510) 238-2373. Historically, the 4th of July holiday is one of the busiest times of year for the fire service, so it is important that we all do what we can to prevent accidental fires by reporting illegal fireworks activities. Let's make this an enjoyable and safe holiday for the residents of Oakland. For more information, please contact Cynthia Perkins, Oakland Fire Department, at cperkins@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-4055.

Lineup Announced For 15th Anniversary Art + Soul – On Wednesday, June 24, the exciting lineup for the Oakland's beloved Art + Soul festival was announced. The City's flagship festival will host a big 15th anniversary bash celebrating the city's rich music heritage and its musical families on Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2, from Noon to 6:00 p.m. The event kicks off Saturday with the return of the Blues & BBQ Blowout featuring the 2nd Annual Oaktown Throwdown BBQ Competition. Still smokin' after last year's wildly successful inaugural event, the contest is expected to draw 40 top pitmasters from all over California. The incomparable Sheila E. headlines an all-star Oakland lineup that also includes The Family Stone, Lenny Williams, West Coast Blues Society Caravan of Allstars and Edwin Hawkins' Gospel Showcase. Elevate Oakland, a local nonprofit that supports music in the schools, will host a dynamic stage featuring Kev Choice, Martin Luther, 34-56 Band, Ray Obiedo with Leah Tysse, Pacific Soul, Ashling "Biscuit" Cole, D Sharp and Ryan Nicole. Turning up the 15th anniversary heat are the return of the festival's three spell-binding dance shows: YAK to the Bay's high-flying Turf & All Styles Dance Battle, the Oakland! Let's Dance Stage produced by Carla Service of Oakland's Dance-A-Vision, and a special performance by the renowned, Oakland-based vertical dance company BANDALOOP. Also on Saturday, Art + Soul Oakland continues its annual tradition of hosting a live Gospel Showcase, presented by famed Edwin Hawkins and the Community of Unity. Admission is just \$12 for Adults; \$7 for Seniors (65 and older) and Youth (ages 13-17). Children 12 & under enjoy free admission. For more information, please visit www.ArtandSoulOakland.com.

Oakland Public Library Offers Beanstack, A Great New Tool For Families – Beginning on Friday, May 29, the Oakland Public Library began offering the Beanstack service, a web-based book recommendation app for adults with children. Beanstack users create a profile for each child, and receive weekly emails with recommended books based on their child's interests and age. Each title is linked to that book's record in the library catalog, so patrons can click the link in their email and place the item on hold. In addition to getting emailed recommendations, OPL patrons can visit the library's Beanstack page at <http://oakland.beanstack.org> and click

“Discover” to see book lists, themed guides including activities and learning games, and recommended apps for kids. One of Beanstack’s unique features is its focus on diversity in children’s books. Give Beanstack a try by visiting <http://oaklandlibrary.org/Beanstack>. For more information, please contact Amy Martin, Children’s Collection Management Librarian, at amartin@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3847.

BART Transbay Train Service To Be Temporarily Suspended For Critical Repairs – On Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2, BART will close the Transbay Tube and will not run trains between the West Oakland and Embarcadero stations. The West Oakland BART station will also be closed. The closure will allow BART to repair a critical section of track near the Transbay Tube. BART is encouraging travelers to plan ahead and to find alternate means of transportation from the East Bay to San Francisco. Service will be suspended all day Saturday and Sunday. Another closure is planned over Labor Day weekend with service suspended all day on Saturday, September 5; Sunday, September 6 and Monday, September 7. BART will offer lifeline bus service between the 19th Street Station in Oakland and the Temporary Transbay Terminal in San Francisco and from there back to the East Bay. The buses are intended only for those who have no other options. There will be no additional charge for the bus. Expect that the bus bridge will cause one to two hour delays for some customers. During the shutdowns, train service within the East Bay and within the West Bay and the Peninsula will be more frequent than during a typical weekend. For more information, please contact Molly M. Burke, BART Government & Community Relations, at MBurke@bart.gov or (510) 464-6172.

Off the Wall: Dancing 3,000 Feet Above Yosemite – On Wednesday, June 24, Oakland-based vertical dance company BANDALOOP was featured in an online post by *Outside Magazine*. Highly trained dancers use professional mountain-climbing rigging to execute their vertical choreography, turning dance literally on its side. The company’s re-mount of the mountain work “Crossing” in Yosemite National Park was profiled by photographers Lisa Landers, Michael Graber and others. Led by artistic director Amelia Rudolph, “Crossing” is an opportunity to explore the idea of dance staged as a journey and was generously funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and individual donors. To view the feature, please visit <http://www.outsideonline.com/1993546/dance-troop-totally-wall-yosemite#slide-1>. The City’s Cultural Funding grant program has awarded \$28,000 in Organizational Project funding over the past two fiscal years in project support to maintain and increase the capacity of BANDALOOP’s experiential education program, and for free, open rehearsals and performances. BANDALOOP returns for a performance on the front of Oakland City Hall during the 15th Anniversary Art + Soul Festival on Saturday, August 1. The dance company’s last City Hall performance garnered 2 million views on YouTube. To view the video, please visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sm0Ny_LcCAY. For more information on the Cultural Funding program, please contact Denise Pate-Pearson, Cultural Funding Program Coordinator, at dpate@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7561.

OPD Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run – On Tuesday, June 23, members of the Oakland Police Department, family and friends participated in the 2015 Law Enforcement Torch Run, benefiting Special Olympics Northern California. At about 9:00 a.m., the Special Olympics torch was passed off from the Alameda County District Attorney’s office to the OPD runners,

who carried the torch to Berkeley and handed it off to the Berkeley Police Department. The Torch Run is a vital part of a year-round fundraising and public awareness campaign that culminates every June at the Special Olympics Northern California Summer Games. All donations will support the Special Olympics athletes. To donate, go to the OPD Team page at <http://tinyurl.com/team-OPD>. For more information, please contact Lt. Randell Wingate, Patrol Division, Metro, at Wingate@oaklandnet.com.

Oakland Unite Releases Vignette – On Monday, June 22, Oakland Unite, a program in the City of Oakland's Human Services Department, released a vignette "Oakland Unite Voices: King J." The short video captures the human impact of violence in Oakland and sends a strong message to stop the violence. King J, a Crisis Response and Support Network program participant, describes the moment when he got shot, and how important it was to have Oakland Unite programs to support him in his darkest times. The video is a powerful reminder of the importance of the violence prevention and intervention work being done by Oakland Unite and the City of Oakland. To watch the video, please visit <http://oaklandunite.org/blog/oakland-unite-voices-king-j/> or watch it on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ycVEpBEwZ8U>. For more information, please contact Sara Serin-Christ, Communications Specialist, at sserin-christ@oaklandnet.com.

Dwele Featured At Sundays In The Redwoods – On Monday, June 22, Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR) announced Dwele as one of the featured artists in this year's Sundays in the Redwoods (SITR) outdoor concert series. Soul singer, songwriter and producer Dwele has worked with a host of artists such as Kanye West, A Tribe Called Quest, Slum Village and world-renowned producer J Dilla. A few of Dwele's hit singles include "Find a Way," "What Profit" and more recently "Drive the Future." SITR early bird ticket packages are still available and include four shows for \$80 or five shows for \$100. Individual tickets will go on sale beginning Wednesday, July 1. SITR is held at Woodminister Amphitheater, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road, every Sunday from September 20 to October 11. To purchase tickets, visit the Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts, 1428 Alice Street, or www.sundaysintheredwoods.com. For more information please contact Darin Hodges, Recreation Supervisor, at dhodges@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7217.

Warriors Court Dedication At Verdese Carter Park – On Friday, June 26, the Golden State Warriors dedicated the basketball courts at Oakland Parks & Recreation's (OPR) Verdese Carter Park. Thanks to the Warriors, two courts were resurfaced, two basketball poles were replaced and two new backboards were installed. The dedication event was held from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. and included a basketball clinic for OPR youth. For more information, please contact Mark Hall, Capital Projects Manager, at mhall@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2389.

The Green Tee Golf Tournament – On Monday, July 23, the annual Green Tee Golf Tournament will be held at the Oakland Metropolitan Golf Links Course, 10051 Doolittle Drive. Tee time is 8:30 a.m. The tournament includes 18 holes of golf, a silent auction, driving range balls, lunch and entertainment. Registration is now open. Participants may register as a foursome for \$400 and as individuals for \$125. Tournament proceeds will benefit the Sundays in the Redwoods outdoor concert series held at the end of summer. To register for the tournament,

please visit www.greentee2015.wordpress.com. For more information, please Karis Griffin, Recreation Supervisor, at kgriffin@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7702.

Oakland Unite Juvenile Justice Center, Oakland Unified School District Wraparound Services Celebration – On Tuesday, June 23, Oakland Unite's Juvenile Justice Center (JJC) and Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) Wraparound Services strategy celebrated the successful end of another school year with an "End of the Program Year Case Conferencing and Teambuilding" event. The JJC strategy partners include OUSD, Alameda County Probation, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, Bay Area Legal Aid and Measure Y-funded community-based organizations including the East Bay Asian Youth Center; The Mentoring Center; Youth ALIVE!; Youth UpRising; East Bay Agency for Children; OUSD Alternative Education and Motivating, Inspiring, Supporting and Serving Sexually Exploited Youth (MISSEY). The partners came together to enjoy lunch and teambuilding activities. The event was held from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. at Middle Harbor Shoreline Park, 2777 Middle Harbor. For more information, please contact Mark Henderson, Program Analyst, at mhenderson@oaklandnet.com.

City's Senior Companion Taxi-Up & Go Program Accepting Applications – Through Tuesday, June 30, the City of Oakland's Senior Companion Taxi-Up & Go Project is accepting applications for elderly residents, age 55 and older, to receive taxi-assisted transportation. This project provides volunteer companions to escort Oakland's elderly to medical appointments and/or grocery shopping. The Taxi-Up & Go Program is a partnership between the Senior Companion Program and Oakland's Paratransit for the Elderly and Disabled (OPED) and is funded through the Alameda County Transportation Commission to provide taxi scrip for Oakland's socially isolated elders. For more information, please contact April Haley, Senior Transportation Assistant, at ahaley@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3175.

Oakland Police Arrest Armed Robbery Suspect – On Tuesday, June 23, at about 2:00 p.m., officers responded to the area of 38th and Maybelle avenues on a report of an armed robbery suspect, who was seen in the area by one of the victims. Officers searched the area and were able to locate and arrest the described suspect. During the officer's preliminary investigation, information was obtained from additional victims that the suspect was connected to several armed robberies in the same area. For more information, please contact the OPD Media Relations Office at opdmedia@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7230.

OPD Is Hiring: Police Performance Auditors – Friday, June 26 is the deadline to apply for the Police Performance Auditor vacancies within the Oakland Police Department. Police Performance Auditors conduct financial, compliance and performance audits and reviews of Police Department procedures, operations and systems. For more information, please visit <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm?action=viewJob&jobID=1144253>. Applications are being accepted through 11:59 p.m., on Friday, June 26. For more information, please contact Ms. Cee Belue, OPD Personnel Section manager, at opdjobs@oaklandnet.com.

Summer Reading And Fun For Children, Teens, Adults – Through Saturday, August 8, the library is offering its annual Summer Reading Challenge at all Oakland Public Library locations. The challenge offers reading, fun and adventure for children, teens and adults this summer with

various incentives designed to get people reading and visiting the library. Teens can participate in the Teen Summer Passport, a fun program that encourages teens to engage with their community while visiting cultural spots around the Bay Area. Free lunch for youth will be available at several library locations. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak053512>. For additional details, please visit www.oaklandsummerreading.com. For more information, please contact Nina Lindsay, Supervising Librarian, at nlindsay@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6706 or Winifred Walters, Community Relations Manager, at wwalters@oaklandlibrary.org or 238-6932.

Redwood Heights Recreation Movies In The Park – On Friday, June 26, Oakland Parks & Recreation's Redwood Heights Recreation Center, located at 3883 Aliso Avenue, will host the third movie in this year's Movies in the Park series. The featured film will be "Penguins of Madagascar" rated PG. This free movie begins at 8:30 p.m. and is open to all families and community members. For the film series schedule, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/parks. For more information, please contact Breh Clark, Program Director, at bclark@oaklandnet.com or call (510) 482-7827.

Summer Food Service Provides Free Lunches For Youth – Through Friday, August 15, the City of Oakland's Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) will deliver free lunch and snacks to community organizations serving youth in Oakland. Approximately 20,000 children in the Oakland community depend on free and reduced-cost school meals during the school year. During summer break, most families struggle to replace those meals for their children. The Summer Food Service Program bridges the meal gap by providing access to nutritious lunches and snacks at convenient locations throughout the city while school is out. In 2014, more than 70,000 lunches were served. For 2015, the program anticipates serving between 80,000 to 100,000 lunches and snacks. The City is proud to have sponsored this service for 30 years. SFSP is one of the longest running programs within the Human Services Department and continues to expand its service year after year. Community and faith-based organizations can still sign up to participate in this year's SFSP to help continue the growth of this much needed service. For information on how to become a service site and upcoming training dates, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/DHS/o/ChildrenYouthServices/OAK022080>. Thank you to all of our partners for their commitment to the health and nutrition of Oakland's children and youth, ages 18 and under. For more information, please contact Carmela Chase, Program Analyst, at cchase@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7992 or Scott Kim, Program Analyst, at skim@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-2209.

Mayor Schaaf Releases \$2.4 Billion Proposed Budget For FY 2015-17 – On Thursday, April 30, Mayor Libby Schaaf released a \$2.4 billion two-year budget proposal for the City of Oakland for fiscal years 2015-2017. The proposed two-year balanced budget will build a solid financial foundation for a vibrant, equitable Oakland that is growing responsibly. In the short-term, this budget proposal closes an estimated \$18 million annual funding gap without making any cuts to services or staffing levels. It also starts to enhance the delivery of services that Oaklanders want and deserve. Taking a longer term view, the proposal begins the hard work of addressing the City's unfunded liabilities and starts to restore compensation to City of Oakland workers who made great sacrifices during the recession. It also seeks to enhance service delivery and invest in

the City's workforce by giving Oakland employees the tools and training to do their jobs in a way that reflects their true professionalism. The budget proposal keeps a focus on investments that will help responsibly grow the City's economy and permanent revenue base so Oakland will be able to meet its long-term financial obligations and provide all of the vitally needed services in the future so Oakland can become a healthier, safer and more prosperous community. Mayor Schaaf formally presented her proposed budget to City Council on Tuesday, May 5. To view the proposed budget, the Mayor's transmittal letter, budget-related documents, upcoming legislative dates, fact sheets, informational videos, a link to the Mayor's budget survey and a subscription link for email updates, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/15-17budget. Community Budget Forums, hosted in partnership with City Councilmembers, were held to gather input from Oakland residents and business owners. For those who were unable to attend one of the forums, the following additional engagement options exist.

- Join the online community conversation, including surveys and forums, at www.SpeakUpOakland.com
- Follow @oakland on Twitter and track hashtag #oakbudget
- Email your comments or suggestions to BudgetSuggestions@oaklandnet.com
- Leave a voice message on the budget hotline at (510) 238-4995
- Visit www.openbudgetoakland.org, a site built and hosted by local non-profit OpenOakland, to view data and interactive infographics.

In addition to the Community Budget Forums held in May, the public may also provide input at the City Council Budget Hearings. All of the Budget Hearings will be held in Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The remaining hearing will be held:

- Tuesday, June 30, 5:30 p.m.
City Council: Budget Adoption

Per City Charter, City Council must adopt a balanced budget by June 30. To read the media release on the proposed budget, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak052942>.

Upcoming City Of Oakland Job Announcement – During the week of June 29, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting a job announcement for the following positions:

- Help Desk Specialist

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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