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MEMORANDUM

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:

Upcoming Holiday Closures At The City of Oakland – On Monday, February 20, the City of Oakland's administrative offices will be closed in observance of the Presidents' Day holiday. While the City's administrative employees are out of the office, if a situation arises that requires more staffing, the City has a plan in place to call in additional resources. Police, fire and emergency services are not affected during the holidays or business closures. For specific service impacts, please read the media release at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK062793>.

Recent Accolades Bestowed On Oakland – In February 2017, Oakland was named among the top 30 healthiest cities in the United States by WalletHub. In WalletHub's research, Oakland tied for first place for the lowest percentage of adults eating fewer than one service of fruits or vegetables per day and the group also gave high marks for Oakland's food scene with a No. 6 ranking in that category. To view this ranking by WalletHub, please visit <https://wallethub.com/edu/healthiest-cities/31072/#main-findings>. Oakland was also named among the top five U.S. cities for employee happiness by Kununu. The group found Oakland was second when ranking cities with best work environments. To read about the Kununu study, please visit <http://www.cio.com/article/3169583/careers-staffing/top-10-u-s-cities-for-employee-happiness.html>. Other recent accolades include being named the 10th best U.S. city for living without a car by Redfin and the 9th best city to score your dream job. For a roster of these and other accolades, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/News/OAK033058>.

Summer Job Opportunities – On Tuesday, February 14, Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR) began its summer hiring process and is actively recruiting candidates for programs throughout Oakland. Part-time positions range from entry level to highly specialized in recreation, sports and the arts. Don't miss out on these exciting and fun opportunities. For more information, watch a fun video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4F-65Ylx00U>. For details about OPR's summer job opportunities including job descriptions, application dates, pay rates and the online application process, please visit <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>.

Great Egg Hunt Volunteer Opportunities – Through Friday, March 17, Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR) is accepting volunteer applications for the Great Egg Hunt 2017, to be held on Saturday, April 15, at the Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate, 2960 Peralta Oaks Court. OPR is looking for volunteers to share their skills for a fun egg hunt and all our 2017 events including “Sundays In the Redwoods” concert series. OPR loves supporting the community and hopes you do too. If you would like to volunteer, please register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HHPTQBK>. For more information about all OPR volunteering opportunities, please contact Tiffany Jimenez, Office Assistant II, at tjimenez@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-7275.

Eastmont Library Celebrating Read Across America Day – Thursday, March 2, is Dr. Seuss’ birthday. The legendary children’s author (*The Cat in the Hat, Green Eggs and Ham, Horton Hears a Who*, etc.) was born in 1902, and the date is now honored as Read Across America Day. Come to the Eastmont Branch Library, in the Eastmont Town Center, 7200 Bancroft Avenue, to celebrate with stories, crafts, snacks and free books. There will be a storytime in English at 10:30 a.m. and in Spanish at 11:00 a.m. This program is sponsored by Children’s Home Society and Tandem. For more information, please contact Nichole Brown, Children’s Librarian II, at nbrown@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 615-5726.

Black History Community Social – On Friday, February 17, the Willie Keyes Recreation Center, 3131 Union Street, is celebrating Black History Month with a Community Social from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Participants will be able to commune, grab a light dinner and learn more about Black History through the various displays of youth-created artwork and intricate quilt-work. For more information, please contact Vinzuela Bolden, Center Director, at vbolden@oaklandnet.com or (510) 597-5042.

Nâm Arya Talking About Bike For Tibet At Rockridge Library – On Saturday, March 4, at 11:00 a.m., cyclist and activist Nâm Arya will give a presentation at the Rockridge Branch Library, 5366 College Avenue. Ms. Arya is a first generation Tibetan-American currently on a bike-packing and speaking tour of the U.S. Her goal is to spread the word about the impacts of climate change and to promote justice for Tibetans, whose country is experiencing twice the rate of warming as the rest of the globe. Dislocation of nomads, accelerated mining, disregard for sacred sites and other resource grabs in Tibet are having monumental impacts on the social and material ecology of Nâm Arya’s homeland. Join us for a one-hour conversation. For more information, please contact Paul Schiesser, Branch Manager, at pschiesser@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5017.

Author, Breast Cancer Survivor Tina Maria Scott Speaking At AAMLO – On Saturday, March 4, author and breast cancer survivor Tina Maria Scott will discuss her book, *One Breast to Love and Living Life Victoriously*, at the African American Museum and Library at Oakland (AAMLO), 659 14th Street. Ms. Scott’s talk begins at 2:00 p.m. Join us as she shares her story of her diagnosis with breast cancer and refusing to let her religious faith be shaken. Limited seating is available; R.S.V.P. to (510) 637-0200. For more information, please contact Veda Silva, Museum Project Coordinator, at vsilva@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 637-0200.

City Releases Over 600 Pages Of Public Records Related To Tragic Warehouse Fire – On Wednesday, February 8, the City of Oakland released over 600 pages of public records related to

the warehouse fire that took 36 lives on December 2, 2016. All documents disclosed to date are available on the City of Oakland website organized by department at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/oaklandfire2016/index.htm>. Public record requests submitted through the online database RecordTrac will be answered with links to the relevant documents on the City's webpage. The City received 121 public records requests as of February 3, 2017 related to the 31st Avenue warehouse fire and nearby properties, with the initial volume of requests coming in the days and weeks following the fire. Staff across City Departments worked diligently to track down the necessary records to satisfy each request and in many cases, culled through thousands of pages of documents to identify responsive records and address redundancies. Staff from the various departments has been reviewing and redacting information deemed exempt by the California Public Records Act. The full range of legal justification for redactions can be found at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK062776>. Of the 121 public records requests made, 86 are being fulfilled with either the responsive records being released today, a final determination that no records exist or that the records are confidential and/or privileged. In response to the various requests being fulfilled today, the Oakland Police Department, Oakland Fire Department, Planning & Building Department and Oakland Public Works Department all provided documents that predate the December 2, 2016 fire. Requests for records from the City Administrator's Office and the Mayor's Office include documents and correspondence that predate and postdate the fire. The City is doing the additional review required to protect the ongoing criminal investigation and continuing investigation into the cause of the fire. Therefore, there are records that cannot be released without compromising these investigations. A number of the documents in this public records disclosure were previously made available to the public on the City's website by the Mayor's Office in December, including all complaints filed against the Ghost Ship property with the Planning & Building Department. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak062785>. To view the records released, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/oaklandfire2016/index.htm>.

Food Distribution – On Friday, February 24, the City of Oakland's Hunger Program in the Human Services Department (HSD), the Emergency Food Providers Advisory Committee and the Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership are sponsoring a food distribution for low-income families and seniors at various locations throughout the City of Oakland. To find a location near you, please visit www.oaklandhumanservices.org. For more information, please contact Phyllis Turner, Administrative Assistant, at pturner@oaklandnet.com or (510) 986-2721.

Steve Early, Author of *Refinery Town, Coming To Piedmont Avenue Branch Library* – On Tuesday, February 28, starting at 6:30 p.m., author Steve Early will give a talk at the Piedmont Avenue Branch Library, 80 Echo Avenue. Mr. Early is the author of *Refinery Town: How Activists in a Working Class Company Town Harnessed the Power of Local Politics to Reclaim Their Community*, which tells the story of how 15 years of civic activism in Richmond, California, improved public safety, raised Richmond's minimum wage, challenged home foreclosures and evictions and demanded fair taxation of Big Oil and Big Soda. Bernie Sanders thought highly enough of the book to write the Foreword. Steve Early has been a journalist, lawyer and labor organizer for the past forty years. His writing has appeared in *The Nation*, *New York Times*, *Boston Globe* and many other publications. Sponsored by the Friends of the Piedmont Avenue Branch Library, this is a free event. For more information, please contact Rebekah Eppley, Acting Branch

Manager, at reppley@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5011.

Author-Illustrator Robert Liu-Trujillo Reads To Kids At Eastmont Branch Library – On Tuesday, February 21, at 10:30 a.m., Robert Liu-Trujillo, storyteller and artist, will read his latest book, *Furqan's First Flat Top*, to kids at the Eastmont Branch Library, 7200 Bancroft Avenue, in the Eastmont Town Center. This event is part of the library's Black History Month celebration. Children will have the opportunity to meet Rob and learn how they can become writers and artists, too. For more information, please contact Nichole Brown, Children's Librarian, at nbrown@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 615-5726.

Meet Authors Ali Eteraz, Vanessa Hua, Shanthi Sekaran At The Main Library – On Sunday, February 26, at 1:00 p.m., local authors Ali Eteraz, Vanessa Hua, and Shanthi Sekaran will appear at the Main Library, 125 14th Street, to read from their latest works and discuss issues of immigration and identity. This event is free. Mr. Eteraz's darkly comic and provocative novel *Native Believer* is a startling vision of the contemporary American experience and the human capacity to shape identity and belonging. It was a *New York Times* Editors' Choice selection. Ms. Hua, a columnist for the *San Francisco Chronicle*, published *Deceit and Other Possibilities*, a collection of stories that explore the clash of cultures and the complex, always shifting allegiances that we carry in ourselves, our family and our community. Ms. Sekaran's newest novel, *Lucky Boy*, humanizes the issue of illegal immigration in a story about motherhood, fertility, class and identity. Books will be available for purchase from Laurel Book Store. For more information, please contact Christie Thomas, Librarian II, at cthomas@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3136.

Rockridge Branch Library Hosting The 90-Second Newbery Film Festival – On Friday, February 17, starting at 7:00 p.m., the sixth annual 90-Second Newbery Film Festival will take place at the Rockridge Branch Library, 5366 College Avenue. Come see hilarious movies submitted to a national video contest in which young filmmakers tell the entire stories of Newbery award-winning books in 90 seconds or less. Hosted by authors James Kennedy (*The Order of Odd-Fish*), Keir Graff (*Matchstick Castle*) and Marcus Ewert (*Mummy Cat*). Space is limited, so make your free reservation at www.oaklandlibrary.org/90secnewbery. For more information, please contact Paul Schiesser, Branch Manager, at pschiesser@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5017.

Learn About The Mighty Ring Shout At West Oakland Branch Library – On Saturday, February 18, starting at 1:00 p.m., the West Oakland Branch Library, located at 1801 Adeline Street, will celebrate Black History Month with a program about the nearly forgotten ring shout. This exciting, high-energy ritual draws on African traditions of call and response, dance, storytelling, spirituality, communicating in code and honoring our ancestors. Angela Thomas, Education Co-chair and Song Leader from the Friends of Negro Spirituals, will give a demonstration, with participation by anyone who cares to join in. Ms. Thomas will share her knowledge with a talk about the origins and meanings of this remarkable tradition. For more information, please contact Susy Moorehead, Branch Manager, at smoorehead@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7352.

Bus Stop Moves Along International Boulevard Between 38th And 57th Avenues – Beginning on Thursday, February 2, bus stops along International Boulevard between 38th and 57th avenues will be moved as construction work progresses along the Bus Rapid Transit corridor. Note that all

construction activity is weather dependent. All stops affected serve lines 1 and 801, and some also serve lines 14 and 47. The southbound stops (toward San Leandro) on International Boulevard at

- 40th Avenue will be permanently closed. Board at the existing stop at 38th Avenue
- 49th Avenue will be permanently closed and moved south to the south side of 50th Avenue
- 52nd Avenue will be permanently closed and moved south to the south side of 53rd Avenue
- 54th Avenue will be permanently closed and moved north to the south side of 53rd Avenue

The northbound stops (toward Downtown Oakland) on International Boulevard at

- 54th Avenue will be permanently closed and moved north to the north side of 53rd Avenue
- 52nd Avenue will be permanently closed and moved south to the north side of 53rd Avenue
- 48th Avenue will be permanently closed and moved south to the north side of 50th Avenue
- 40th Avenue will be permanently closed. Board at the existing stop at 38th Avenue

To learn more about the transformative Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project, please visit <http://brt.actransit.org>. To read the media release from AC Transit, please visit <http://bit.ly/2k0i66m>.

Read The Oakland Public Library's Annual Report, Take A Quick Quiz, Win A Prize – Through Friday, February 24, the Oakland Public Library will have 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 or (510) 615-5726.

Friends Of The Dimond Library Raising Funds To Support Renovation Project – On Tuesday, February 14, the Friends of the Dimond Library reached 79% of their fundraising goal for the Dimond Library Furniture Fund. Organizers previously announced that the campaign will end on February 28. 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 \$39,475, and donations of any amount are still welcome. To learn more about the renovation project or donate online, please visit www.friendsofdimondlibrary.org. For more information, please contact Winifred Walters, Community Relations Manager, at wwalters@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6932.

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 or call (510) 597-5027.

RFP, RFQ Opportunities with the City of Oakland – In February and March, 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
Thursday, February 23, 2:00 p.m.	16375 - (NTB) 1001614 Citywide Curb Ramps and Sidewalk Repair. The proposed work consists, in general, of approximately 22,000 square feet of concrete sidewalk replacement; 40 curb ramp installations; 120 square feet of retrofitting detectable warning dome pavers, 400 linear feet of concrete curb replacement; 600 square feet of concrete gutter replacement; 720 square feet of concrete driveway replacement; 6,500 square feet of tree root pruning; and other ancillary work for sidewalk and street improvements throughout Oakland.	Cesar Fortuno, Oakland Public Works cfortuno@oaklandnet.com
Friday, February 24, 4:00 p.m.	19384 - RFQ for Feasibility Study of Public Banking. The City of Oakland's Finance Department seeks to further research the legality and feasibility of establishing a publicly owned bank to help finance community projects, reduce risk to public funds in existing financial markets and provide better financial returns on public investments.	Dawn Hort, Finance Department dhort@oaklandnet.com
Thursday, March 9, 2:00 p.m.	19382 - RFP for Shared Mobility Engagement Program. The City of Oakland seeks proposals from professional service providers to provide a focused and comprehensive outreach and engagement program in support of car sharing and shared mobility	Michael Ford, Oakland Public Works mford@oaklandnet.com

	<p>initiatives to historically underrepresented and low-income communities. The consultant will support the Parking and Mobility Management team on the successful launch of car share, and ensure shared mobility options meet the needs of Oakland's diverse communities. These services support the Department of Transportation's overall vision for equitable jobs and housing and vibrant sustainable infrastructure.</p>	
<p>Friday, March 10, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>15377 - RFP for Permanent Access to Housing (PATH) Strategy. The City of Oakland's Human Services Department, Community Housing Services Division is seeking proposals to address hunger and homelessness under its Permanent Access to Housing (PATH) Strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Project 1 – Hunger ServicesProject 2 – Emergency Shelter Operations and ServicesProject 3 – Income advocacy for shelter residentsProject 4 – Services in Permanent Supportive HousingProject 5 – Rapid Re-Housing for SeniorsProject 6 – Scattered Site Housing Placement and Subsidy AdministrationProject 7 – Case Management Services to Maintain HousingProject 8 – Homeless Mobile Outreach ProgramProject 9 – Street Outreach – Cold Weather ResponseProject 10 – Street Based Housing Navigation ServicesProject 11 – Services to Support Coordinated Entry for Families	<p>Lara Tannenbaum, Human Services Department ltannenbaum@oaklandnet.com</p>

Monday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.	13375 – RFQ for Parking Citation Management Solution. The City of Oakland is soliciting Proposals from qualified firms to provide an integrated parking management system encompassing a web-based, Commercial-Off-The-Shelf Parking Citation Management Software (“Software Solution”), Parking Enforcement Equipment (“Hardware/Handheld Solution”), Document Production, Mailing and Collection Services (“Special Services”) for the Parking Citation Management Program. The goal of an integrated parking management system is to provide a seamless, efficient, customer-friendly and cost-effective parking citation operation for the City.	Huey Dang, Finance Department hdang@oaklandnet.com
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For more information on contracting opportunities, please visit <http://bit.ly/1iAJvbd> or contact Dasco Munoz, Contracts and Compliance, at dmunoz@oaklandnet.com or (510) 238-3970.

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>. For a roster of Oakland community events celebrating Black History Month, please visit www.oaklandnet.com/celebrations.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/
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