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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & FROM: Sabrina B. Landreth

CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report **DATE:** August 2, 2019

INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcements – During the week of August 5, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcement(s) for the following position(s):

- Sign Maintenance Worker
- Payroll Personnel Clerk III
- Human Resources Technician

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.

Free Downtown Walking Tours Offer Glimpse of Oakland's History – Through October, free 90-minute walking tours of downtown will be offered every Wednesday and Saturday. Eight different tour itineraries let residents and visitors glimpse both today's happening scene and landmarks from Oakland's past by showcasing the city's changing skyline, landmarks, churches and high-rises. Each tour, led by a volunteer guide, begins at 10:00 a.m. from various starting locations depending on the itinerary. The six-month-long Oakland Tours season ensures ample opportunity to take in each of the eight tour itineraries. Reservations are recommended by leaving a message on the Tours' 24-hour hotline at (510) 238-3234 or via email to aallen@oaklandca.gov. The tour brochure, itinerary descriptions, dates and starting locations are available at www.oaklandca.gov/walkingtours. Read the media release. For more information, please contact Annalee Allen, Tours Coordinator, at aallen@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-3234.

Oakland Municipal Band 2019 Season – The Oakland Municipal Band celebrates 108 seasons of free concerts! Bring a blanket and picnic to enjoy one of the upcoming concerts lead by Conductor R. Anderson Collinsworth. On July 28, arrive early for a special event celebrating the return of the Green Monster art installation.

August 4 | 1pm – 3pm | Edoff Memorial Bandstand, Lakeside Park (Lake Merritt)

Citywide workshop for the 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan will be held at City Hall on July 31 – The City of Oakland is developing its 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP) to identify how Oaklanders and the City can work together to take critical actions to stop climate change and adapt to a changing climate. In October 2018, City Council adopted a Climate Emergency and Just Transition Resolution, calling for an urgent climate mobilization effort to reverse global warming, reduce greenhouse gas emissions as quickly as possible, and accelerate adaptation and resilience strategies in preparation for intensifying climate impacts. This includes actions that create good green jobs, reduce pollution, and help Oaklanders thrive. The ECAP is the tool that will make this happen. Come take part in shaping this important plan, to ensure that it reflects the needs and dreams of Oakland's diverse communities!

When: Wednesday, July 31, 6-8:30 pm (Dinner served at 5:30)

Where: City Hall – 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Hearing Room 4, in Downtown Oakland

Why: Climate change affects all of us. Let's work together to craft equitable climate actions for our city. Get involved to define the solutions we need to ensure the 2030 ECAP benefits existing Oakland residents with improved health, green jobs, and better neighborhoods!

- Food provided.
- Childcare provided by request. See link on Eventbrite page.
- Simultaneous interpretation services provided upon request. Please email <u>shirshfield-gold@oaklandca.gov</u> with your requested language and number of people attending by Tuesday, July 22.
- Wheelchair accessible event.

Visit www.oaklandca.gov/projects/2030ecap for more information and to RSVP.

2019 Friday Summer Nights – The Human Services Department's Oakland Unite division is hosting the *2019 Friday Summer Nights* program, in partnership with Hoover/Foster Resident Action Council, Friends of Hacienda Peralta Historical Park, and Roots Community Health Center, at three locations Oakland! *Friday Summer Nights* aims to change community norms

around violence through community engagement, celebration, and empowerment. Join a location near you and enjoy a Friday night with the City this summer.

Central Oakland:

Party at the Park | Peralta Hacienda Historical Park, 2465 34th Ave. | August 2 | 5pm - 8pm

East Oakland:

Peace in the Park | Willie Wilkins Park, 9700 C St. | August 3 (special Saturday event!) | Noon – 8pm

All events are free and open to community members of all ages. Events include free food, games, entertainment, and raffles! For questions and more information contact, Jennifer Argueta at Jargueta@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-2056

OPRYD Town Camp – Oakland Parks, Recreation, and Youth Development (OPRYD) is thrilled to announce the return of TOWN CAMP and a new partnership with The Curry Family Foundation. At Town Camp, Oakland's youth learn leadership skills and develop self-confidence in a safe and inclusive environment. Each week of camp has an exciting theme including activities such as swimming, field trips, crafts, games, and cooking projects. Our "Reading is Fun" and "Math Power Hour" return as positive skills reinforcement. Town Camp is available weekly from June 10 to August 10. The August 5 camp week includes a special sleep - away trip to Feather River in Quincy, Calif. To register please visit https://tinyurl.com/ybkwmrxh

Town Camp Weekly Theme Schedule (to date):

Week 9 | Aug 4 – 7 OR Aug 7 – 10: Feather River Overnight

Have fun, make friends, & build confidence in the Plumas National Forest! Campers will enjoy a wide variety of activities nature hikes, swimming, arts & crafts, campfires, music, drama, camp talent show, star gazing, fishing and horseback trail ride. While at Feather River, campers will stay in wooden cabins or rustic wooden platform canvas style tents nestled among the trees or overlook the Spanish Creek. All tents and cabins are furnished with cots or beds with a table, bench, and shelves for your convenience and sleep up to four. AGES 9-12 ONLY.

An Intimate Evening at Dunsmuir - On Saturday, August 3, 2019 Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate located at 2960 Peralta Oaks Court from 6 p.m. - 11 p.m., Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development's (OPRYD) An Intimate Evening will feature Tweet, Jarrod Lawson and many more. This event includes live music, fine cuisine & wine, carriage rides, a martini lounge, vintage cars, community recognition awards and more for only \$35 per person. The ultimate all white attire party and celebration demonstrates the essential role of OPRYD in the community. It is an opportunity for OPRYD to express our gratitude and appreciation to the community for

support over the years in an intimate, relaxing and mutually enjoyable environment. Don't miss this enchanted evening!

For tickets and more information visit https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-intimate-evening-tickets-61235519086 or call (510) 615-5555

Oakland Museum Hosts End of Summer Reading Celebration — On Sunday, August 4, from 11am to 3pm, come to the Oakland Museum of California (OMCA; 1000 Oak Street) for the 15th Annual Summer Reading Celebration! Meet your friends in the sunny gardens at OMCA and enjoy performances, games, and crafts! Bring the whole family for this summer bookstravaganza.

- Enjoy laughs and thrills with the Circus of Smiles acrobatic performers
- Play chess, giant Jenga, & other games
- Listen to Kamishibai stories by the Oakland Public Library
- Attend a fabulous storytime by local performers Drag King VERA and Drag Queen Coco Buttah
- Try your hand at art activities
- Get your face painted
- Get a free book (while supplies last) and so much more!

This event is presented in partnership with the Oakland Public Library and the California Historical Society. For information, contact Anne Lennon, Children's Programs and Outreach Librarian, at alennon@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6844.

AAMLO Showcases African American Book for Children's Story Hour — On Saturday, August 3, from 11am to 12pm, families with young children are invited to a special children's storytime at the African American Museum & Library at Oakland (AAMLO; 659 14th St.). We will read from Civil Rights Activist Ruby Bridges' autobiographical children's book, Ruby Bridges Goes to School: My True Story. The story recalls a time when black and white children could not be friends or go to school together. This two-part series will conclude on Sunday, August 10, at 11am, with the inspiring story Wings, by Christopher Meyers. For information, contact Sean Dickerson, Library Assistant, at sdickerson@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 637-0200.

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AAMLO Explores African American Visual Creativity — On Saturday, August 3, from 2 to 4pm, Bamidele Agbasegbe Demerson, Chief Curator at the African American Museum & Library at Oakland (AAMLO; 659 14th St.) will offers a slide-presentation on works of art created since the August 1619 landing of the first African captives in British North America at Jamestown, Virginia. For information, contact Sean Dickerson, Library Assistant, at sdickerson@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 637-0200.

Friends of the Golden Gate Branch Library Present Jazz on Sunday – On Sunday, August 4, from 3 to 6pm, the Golden Gate Branch Library (5606 San Pablo Ave.) resumes its 29th annual Jazz on Sunday series. This week program features organ jazz by the Brian Ho Trio. Their performance will begin at 3pm, followed by a "History of Jazz" discussion (from 4:30 to 5pm) and a youth group performance (starting 5pm). Admission is free, donations are welcome. The Jazz on Sunday series will continue every week through August 25. Co-sponsored by the City of Emeryville, the City of Oakland Cultural Affairs Division, and the Oakland Public Library. For information, contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at esanders@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5023.

Access to Justice Day at West Oakland Library – On Tuesday, August 6, from 4:30 to 6pm, Root & Rebound is coming to the West Oakland Branch Library (1801 Adeline St.) to offer a free legal clinic to support people with arrest and conviction records as they navigate legal questions and barriers related to their reentry or criminal record. RSVP online at bit.ly/AugA2JReg or call Root & Rebound at 510-279-4662. For information, contact Susy Moorhead, Branch Manager, at smoorhead@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7352.

Back to Oakland Author talk with Penn Hughes – On Saturday, August 10, at 12pm, author Penn Hughes is coming to the Lakeview Branch Library (550 El Embarcadero) to read from his latest novel. *Back to Oakland*, set around Lake Merritt, considers the impact and implications economic and social changes currently taking place in Oakland and other communities like it. The author is a longtime resident in Oakland. Books will be available for purchase. For information, contact Xochitl Gavidia, Branch Manager, at xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7344.

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Alameda County Regional Housing Survey 2019 – The City of Oakland is partnering with Alameda County and other regional agencies conducting the survey Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing. Your voice counts – take a moment to fill out the survey here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey_alameda2019.

For more information on the survey and upcoming workshops contact Greg Garrett at GGarrett@oaklandca.gov

Oakland Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Survey – Do you own a house in Oakland? Share your perspective in our survey and help shape the City of Oakland's programs and policies related to Accessory Dwelling Units - also called second units, granny flats, and in-law units. The City is looking to learn more about why Oakland homeowners do, and don't, build ADUs, who lives in them, and what the barriers are to more widespread ADU development. Survey-takers will have the chance to win a \$100 gift card to their choice of Farmer Joe's Marketplace, the New Parkway Theater, or tickets to the Oakland A's.

Fill out the survey at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OaklandADU

Did you take advantage of the City of Oakland's FREE tax help? - Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf, in partnership with the Alameda County EITC Coalition, and the Alameda County – Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP), held a kicked off for the 2019 free tax preparation season on February 19, 2019. The event also culminated the grand opening of the City of Oakland's Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

site. The City's first Walk-In site was located at 270 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza in the Business Assistance Center.

Our certified IRS volunteers from various City of Oakland departments prepared no-cost tax assistance for qualified households with an income of \$55,000 or less. Our trained volunteers prepared 35 tax returns - capturing over \$24,500 in returns; provided drop-in assistance to 80 visitors; and logged more than 130 calls to schedule appointments and answer tax questions. Our volunteers also provide an important role in tax planning for 2019, using the IRS Tax Withholding Calculator to immediately perform a quick "paycheck checkup."

Thank you to all our City of Oakland staff volunteers including John Fitzhugh, Salud Dacumos, Carmen Rotaru, Carmen Mac, Doris Cheng, Dwight Williams, Emily Derenthal, Estelle Clemons, and Don Raulston our VITA Site Coordinator.

If you didn't get a chance to volunteer or schedule your free tax preparation appointment, don't worry we will be back in 2020! If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please visit AC-OCAP.com or give Mr. Don Raulston a call at 510-238-4911. Brought to you by your local Community Action Agency in the Department of Human Services – *helping people...changing lives*

New Exhibit! – Through September 30, the Oakland History Room is hosting a new exhibit called OAKLAND FIRE@150. The exhibit commemorates the sesquicentennial of the Oakland Fire Department. The display features photographs, books, articles, ephemera, and artifacts that tell the story of the department's evolution from an all-volunteer crew on horse-drawn wagons to today's high-tech operation. For more information visit: http://oaklandlibrary.org/exhibits/oakland-fire150

Sidewalk Repair Permits: Summer Discount!— Are you planning to buy, sell, or substantially renovate property in Oakland? Make sure to add sidewalk repairs to your to-do list. Beginning July 9, 2019, a new city ordinance requires that sidewalks repairs must be completed before title transfer or with the permitting of a major renovation. Sidewalk repairs, which are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner, help ensure everyone can get around Oakland safely. And luckily, there's a 90-day grace period as this new requirement rolls out. For more information, review OakDOT's sidewalk certification webpage which provides answers to frequently asked questions for property owners, sellers, and buyers: https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/sidewalk-certification-faq or contact the OakDOT Permit Counter at (510) 238-3199.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/
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City Administrator