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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:

Autumn Lights Festival – October 18-20

Support City Gardens at Lake Merritt! Imagine yourself immersed in lush gardens brightly illuminated with mesmerizing art installations created by talented Bay Area artists. Join Friends of the Gardens at Lake Merritt and the City of Oakland for the **7th Annual Autumn Lights Festival** beautifully staged near the shores of shimmering Lake Merritt. Enjoy scores of larger-than-life art pieces lit up against the night sky, live music, annual Mayor's Award for art that best embodies the Oakland spirit, a new interactive kid's area, and delicious locally-made food and beverages.

The festival runs **October 18 - 20, 6:00 – 11:00 pm in the City's enchanting Gardens at Lake Merritt**. This magical annual fundraiser for Friends of the Gardens at Lake Merritt is accessible to persons with disabilities and suitable for all ages. Enhancements to the festival footprint make for a comfortable stroll through the gardens even in large crowds. Ticket sales are brisk – be sure to purchase yours soon!
www.AutumnLightsOakland.org

Applications Now Accepted – Deadline: Friday, October 19

The City of Oakland Public Ethics Commission (PEC) is now accepting applications to fill one PEC-appointed Commissioner position, to begin in January 2019, as part of its seven-member volunteer citizen board.

Applications are due on or before **Friday, October 19, 2018**. [Download an application](#). For more information, please contact the Public Ethics at 510-238-3593 or ethicscommission@oaklandca.gov

Arts & Crafts Fair - October 13, 9am - 3pm

The Downtown Oakland Senior Center hosts an Arts & Crafts Fair at the Veterans Memorial Building at 200 Grand Avenue, Oakland. There will be hand-crafted artwork, jewelry, soaps and body products, needlework, books, collectibles, and more. Also enjoy crafting demonstrations.

Outdoor vendor booths are available to rent for \$30* and \$35 until October 10. To reserve a booth contact: (510) 238-3284. *must provide own table

Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcements – The Human Resources Management Department (HRM) recently posted job announcements for the following positions:

- Re-Opened: Project Manager (Selective Certification – Transportation Projects)
- Special Counsel

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 online, 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.

Over \$1 Million in Cultural Funding Grants Awarded – On September 17, the Oakland City Council approved \$1,131,254 in fiscal year 2018-19 grants to Oakland-based nonprofit organizations and individual artists through the City's Cultural Funding Program. The 79 arts grants range from \$4,999 to \$37,500 and have been awarded to 69 different recipients. The grant funds will support over 50,774 individual arts events and activities, most of them offered free or low-cost to the public and will expose over 320,454 participants (87 percent Oakland-based) to cultural arts services and programming. Additionally, over 8,811 Oakland Unified School District students will be served through 64 artist residencies funded by the program. The grants support a wide range of Oakland-based artists and nonprofit organizations providing arts and cultural services in Oakland; infuse Oakland's neighborhood with arts and cultural activities that increase exposure to, understanding of and respect for diverse cultural heritages as well as support arts activities that engage the community; and support arts education activities in Oakland's schools. For a roster of individual grants awarded, please [read the media release](#). For more information, please contact Denise Pate, Cultural Funding Coordinator, at dpate@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-7561.

Micah Hinkle Named Deputy Director/Business Development Manager – The City of Oakland announced the appointment of Micah Hinkle as Deputy Director/Business Development Manager for the Economic & Workforce Development Department. He will lead the City's programs and activities that generate equitable growth in Oakland's economy and foster business investment. Micah comes to Oakland after four years as Economic Development Manager with the City of Hayward, where he co-created and implemented award-winning programs that helped develop over \$1 billion in private investment, over 2,500 housing units, and multiple industrial, hospitality, and commercial developments that will serve as catalysts for the Hayward community. His work has garnered multiple awards, including a 2018 International Economic Development Council award for four-year program implementation bestowed earlier this week in Atlanta. Before joining the City of Hayward, Micah served as Assistant City Manager of Cotati in Sonoma County; held key project management roles with the City of Napa for six years; and started his career as a city planner with the City of San Rafael. For more information, please [read the media release](#).

Respectfully submitted,

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