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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 City of Oakland Job Announcements – During the week of May 6, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Assistant Engineer I
- Assistant Engineer II
- Recreation Program Director (Selective Certification in Language – Spanish/Cantonese/Mandarin) (Restricted)
- Telephone Services Specialist
- Transportation Planner I
- Transportation Planner II

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.

Register for Small Business Week – From May 5 to May 11, the City of Oakland and our business service provider partners are hosting free workshops, panel discussions and events to mark Oakland Small Business Week. For 2019, we're taking the workshops into the commercial districts that small business call home.

Entrepreneurs and business owners may choose from networking events, informative workshops and insightful panels in Downtown, East Oakland, Fruitvale and West Oakland. Session topics include social media, tech tools, access to capital, cyber security, business models, women mentoring women, business operations and more. Celebrate at Monday's family-owned legacy business awards reception, Tuesday's City Council recognition of local small business owners and Wednesday's Oakland Multi-Cultural Chambers' Members of the Year Awards Reception. [Read the media release](#). For more details or to register, visit www.oaklandca.gov/sbw.

City Arts Grant Applications Now Available – Through Monday, May 15, the Cultural Funding Program is accepting applications for its 2019-2020 grants supporting arts and cultural activities in Oakland. The four project areas in this round of grants are Arts-in-the-Schools, Organization Project, Individual Artist Project and Organizational Assistance. While the exact amount of funds available for grants will not be known until the City Council adopts the 2019-2021 Policy Budget in June, in FY18-19 \$1.2 million in grants were awarded to 79 individual artists and nonprofit organizations. All applicants must be Oakland-based, and all arts activities must be presented in Oakland between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020. The Cultural Funding Program relies on a competitive panel process to determine award recipients and funding allocations. Grant recommendations must be approved by the Funding Advisory Committee and Oakland City Council before contracts are awarded. Interested artists and nonprofit organizations can learn more about the project categories, access the grant guidelines and find the application forms at www.oaklandculturalarts.org. Read the [media release](#). For more information, please contact Denise Pate, Cultural Funding Coordinator, at dpate@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-7561.

Affordable Housing Week – May 11 – 18 is Affordable Housing Week, and the Housing & Community Development Department is participating in myriad activities around the Town. On Thursday, May 16, HCD hosts *How Local Government and the Private Sector are Tackling the Displacement of Low Income Residents*. Panelists representing the Rent Adjustment Program, East Bay Community Law Center, Centro Legal, and Keep Oakland Housed, will lead this informative discussion.

“How Local Government and the Private Sector are Tackling the Displacement of Low Income Residents” /May 16 | Lake Merritt Sailboat House, 568 Bellevue Ave, Oakland

91st Annual Celebration – On Wednesday, May 8, the Oakland Police Department hosts the 91st annual School Safety Patrol Pass in Review & Awards Ceremony. The event includes appearances by the Skyline High School Drill Team, OPD Motors, and the OPD Argus Unit.

May 8, 3:30pm | ICS/TCN Auditorium, Cesar Chavez Campuses, 2825 International Blvd.

Lake Merritt Boating Center Open House – On Saturday May 18 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lake Merritt Boating Center will host a community open house to celebrate National Safe Boating Week. Sponsored by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways, guests will enjoy a FREE boat rental and information on boating safety. For more information, call 510-238-2196, visit www.sailoakland.com or e-mail Sarah Herbelin at sherbelin@oaklandca.gov.

City of Oakland Form-a-thon – On Saturday, May 11, the Digital Services team is working to digitize city government forms for easier use and record-keeping. As a part of Open Oakland's Day of Service, the team will convert as many paper and PDF forms as possible with the help of local volunteers.

Departments interested in submitting forms should provide:

- A PDF of the form you want digitized
- A brief description of the purpose of the form
- A link to the location on the website where the digitized form should go

To participate, forms must not ask for personal medical information covered under HIPAA.

If you would like to have your forms digitized, please **submit them to digitalteam@oaklandca.gov no later than Wednesday, May 8th.**

Ace Kids Golf Casino Night Fundraiser – On Saturday May 11, from 7 – 10pm, Ace Kids Golf invites you to the 1st Casino Night Fundraiser. The night is dedicated to raising funds to continue Ace Kids Golf's youth development and mentorship programs. Tickets are \$50 before April 10, \$60 after. Admission includes, poker chips hor d'oeuvres, raffle tickets as well as hours of game play! Child care will be provided but must be requested by April 24. For more information please contact Preston Pinkney at ppinkney@oaklandca.gov.

OPRYD Town Camp – Oakland Parks, Recreation, and Youth Development (OPRYD) is excited to announce the return of Town Camp: the Oakland youth summer experience. Town Camp offers Oakland youth an opportunity to 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. To register please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ybkwmrxh>

Town Camp Weekly Theme Schedule:

Week 1 | June 10-14: International Discovery

Take a trip around the world in one week of Town Camp! Eat, play, and say hello like children from all over the world. Activities include making a totem pole, celebrating Japanese Children's Day, cooking breakfast sushi and eating with chopsticks, and writing your name in Egyptian hieroglyphs.

Week 2 | June 17 – 21: Urban Nature

Oakland has some of the most incredible nature right in the middle of the city! Our adventures will explore the animal and plant biology and ecologies that mother nature offers all around us. Go on a Fibonacci hunt to find the mathematical sequences that nature uses. Print pictures with the sun. Help plant a garden in your park or bring the gardens indoors. Eat Snails! On Friday campers explore Lake Merritt and the country's oldest Wildlife Refuge.

Week 3 | June 24 – 28: Bay Area Explores

This week campers will come face to face with elephants at the Oakland Zoo, watch flicks at the historic Grand Lake Theater or take a trip to Fenton's for ice cream as they explore all over Oakland's backyard!

Week 4 | July 1 – 5: Sports and Safety

Campers learn about sportsmanship and sports safety while playing a variety of sports, including Basketball, T-Ball, Soccer, Track & Field, and many fun games like, Steal the Bacon, Dragon's Jewells, Capture the Flag and more. Special guests for join us from the Oakland Fire Department and Oakland Police Department. No camp on July 4th. The week concludes with exclusive access to the Oakland Coliseum for a behind the scene tour and fun on the field with the Oakland Athletics.

Week 5 | July 8 – 12: Health & Wellness

Ready! Set! Go! This fun-filled week will keep campers moving, as they explore new ways to stay fit, healthy and try nutritional foods; from yoga, soccer, dance, and group games, to a cooking class. The weekends in celebration at the second annual Camp Olympics at Arroyo Viejo Park where campers represent their recreation center by competing in silly games.

Week 6 | July 15 – 19: Community Reinvestment

The importance of volunteerism, stewardship and financial literacy is emphasized as campers spend the week making a positive impact on their community. Make a piggy bank, create a care packet for the homeless, and complete a neighborhood service project. Campers are rewarded for their stewardship with a special swim day at Cull Canyon Lake at the end of the week.

Week 7 | July 22 – 26: Arts – N – Expression

A jam-packed week of art, drama and dance workshops designed for creative exploration. Campers spend the week turning their stories into working scripts, writing dialogue, developing characters, and choreographing simple movements as well as learn basic set design. Family and Friends are invited to a special event on Friday produced and performed by campers.

Week 8 | July 29 – Aug 2: Berkeley Lab Science

Put on your lab coat and safety goggles for this amazing week of science fun! Explore Nanotechnology, Electric Circuitry, and Chemistry with the support of Lawrence Berkeley Labs! Delve into harnessing the sun's power, make an egg bounce, and study astronomy at Chabot Space & Science.

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.

Celebrate Día with Mariela Herrera – On Saturday, May 4, at 2pm, singer Mariela Herrera will bring her energetic bilingual music and storytelling to the César E. Chávez Branch Library (3301 East 12th St., Ste. 271) to celebrate of El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day). For information, contact Pat Toney, Librarian II, at ptoney@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3848.

Lakeview Branch Screening "In the Land of My Ancestors" – On Saturday, May 4, at 1pm, the Lakeview Branch Library (550 El Embarcadero) is offering a free screening of the documentary film *In the Land of My Ancestors*. The short film, produced by South Asian photojournalist Rucha Chitnis, celebrates the resiliency and touching generosity of beloved Ohlone elder Ann Marie Sayers. The film shines light on the perilous impact of colonization and settler colonialism on Ohlone people in the San Francisco Bay Area and shows how Sayers created a refuge for many indigenous peoples in her ancestral land called the Indian Canyon to reclaim their culture, spirituality, and roots. For more information, contact Xochitl Gavidia, Branch Manager, at xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7344.

Artist's Reception for Michael Wertz and Kamaria Lofton at the Main Library – On Sunday, May 5, at 4pm, the public is invited to an opening reception for the current exhibit at the Main Library (125 14th St.). The exhibit features the work of author-illustrator Michael Wertz and author Kamaria Lofton. The reception will take place in the library's 1st floor Reading Room. We'll have several images of Michael's illustrations from *ABC Oakland* and other picture books, along with details of his process in creating a new library card in partnership with Children's Fairyland. Kamaria, an Oakland native, will share her process in the loving creation of three picture books (so far!) for her "Kids Love Oakland!" series. This event is co-hosted by our friends at Children's Fairyland. Prior to the reception, starting at 3pm, bring the kids to the Main Library's Bradley C. Walters Community Room for a Family Storytime led by Michael and Kamaria. For information, contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6611.

Celebrate "All Things Bike" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch Library – On Wednesday, May 8, from 2pm to 4:30pm, come to the Martin Luther King Jr. Branch (6833 International Blvd.) and get ready for Bike to Work and School Day on May 9th. Make and drink a smoothie using our special bike peddling smoothy mixer. Create your own reflective gear. Fix a flat tire, or make other minor repairs, or scraper your bike. And select a free book from our bike library. Drop by the branch again the following morning, on Thursday May 9 – Martin Luther King Jr. Branch Library will have an Energizer Station for Bike to Work and School Day. For information, contact Celia Davis, Branch Manager, at cdavis@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 615-5728.

Kristy Oshiro Giving Taiko Drumming Performance at Main Library – On Saturday, May 4, at 10:30am, come to the Main Library's Children's Room (125 14th St.) to learn about the Japanese art of taiko! Kristy Oshiro will drum and share aspects of Japanese music and culture with families and kids. For information, contact Anne Lennon, Children's Programming Librarian, at alennon@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6844.

Explore Ghana with the Library's Spring Travel Series – On Wednesday, May 8, at 6pm, the Main Library (125 14th St.) kicks off its annual Spring Travel Series! This week's program is journalist/professor Wanda Sabir who will share stories of her travels to Ghana. 2019 has been designated "The Year of Return," and in that spirit many African nations are inviting African descendents home to celebrate a shared heritage. Ms. Sabir will share details about the biannual Ghanaian Panafest that will feature many outstanding performances, celebrities and activities. She will also provide information about a variety of tour packages. For information, contact Dorothy Lazard, Librarian I, at dlazard@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3222.

Oakland Tool Lending Library Workshop: “Everyday Plumbing Problems and How to Solve Them” – On Saturday, May 11, from 10am to 1:30pm, the Friends of the Oakland Tool Lending Library are offering a free workshop for household plumbing issues. The workshop will be held in the Temescal Branch Library, 5205 Telegraph Avenue. Attendees will be introduced to the Oakland Tool Lending Library's collection of plumbing tools. Through hands-on activities, you'll learn how to unclog drains, change faucet washers, install faucets, troubleshoot leaky toilets, and other common DIY plumbing tasks. Attendance is limited to the first 25 people to sign in beginning at 10 a.m. For information, contact Rainn Shaw, Sr. Library Assistant, at rshaw@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5089.

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Respectfully submitted,

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