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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 September 2, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcement(s) for the following position(s):

- Latent Print Examiner 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.

Community Insights Needed for Oakland's Equitable Climate Action Plan: Online Survey Now Live! – The City of Oakland is developing its next 10-year Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP), and we need to hear from YOU! The ECAP will identify how Oaklanders and the City can work together 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 be more resilient in the face of intensifying climate impacts. This includes creating good green jobs, reducing pollution, and helping Oaklanders to thrive.

The ECAP is the tool that will make this happen. Whether or not you made it to one of our ECAP Community Workshops, we urge you to complete the survey. Take part in shaping this important plan, to ensure that it reflects the needs and dreams of Oakland's diverse communities! The survey is live online in [English](#), [Spanish](#), and [Chinese](#). It is also linked directly from <https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/2030ecap>. **The survey closes on Sunday, September 29.**

For more information, contact Shayna Hirshfield-Gold, Acting Sustainability Program Manager, at (510) 238-6954.

Youth Can Develop Public Speaking Skills at the Library – On Saturday, August 31, 10am – 12 noon, teens can come to the Golden Gate Branch Library (5606 San Pablo Ave.) to gain essential skills to improve their public speaking technique, diplomacy, and confidence! This program is led by wecanhearyou.org, a nonprofit organization that helps empower hundreds of Bay Area students with essential skills as they pursue their goals. For information, contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at esanders@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5023.

Piedmont Avenue Library Offers Beginner Knitting & Crochet Class – On Saturday, August 31, 2:30pm - 4pm, the Friends of the Piedmont Avenue Library and Handability are joining together to provide a Beginners Knitting & Crochet class. The Piedmont Avenue Branch Library is located at 80 Echo Ave. This class is intended for adults and kids ages 8 and up. All materials are provided. For information (and to register) contact Michelle Rosenthal, Branch Manager, at mrosenthal@oaklandlibrary.org or 510-597-5011.

Girls Who Code Meet at César E. Chávez Branch Library – On Tuesday, September 3, 5 - 7pm, the Girls Who Code Club is kicking off its fall weekly series at the César E. Chávez Branch Library (3301 East 12th St., Ste. 271). The Girls Who Code Club is for girls in 6th to 12th grades who are interested in learning code. You will also develop leadership and marketing skills and form friendships along the way. The club will meet every Tuesday from 5 to 7pm, starting September 3 and ending December 10. For more information, please contact Linda Nguyen, Teen Services Librarian, at lnguyen@oaklandlibrary.org or 510-535-5620.

Public Book Launch for “Civil Liberties United: Diverse Voices from the SF Bay Area” – On Wednesday, September 4, 6 - 7:45pm, the César E. Chávez Branch Library (3301 East 12th St., Ste. 271) is hosting a celebration for the recent publication of *Civil Liberties United: Diverse Voices from the SF Bay Area*, edited by Shizue Seigel. We will feature art and have readings from some of the poets included in the anthology such as Shizue Seigel, Susana Praver-Perez, Raluca Ioanid, Avotcja Jiltonilro, Rafael Jesús González, Tony Aldarondo, Grey Rosado, Josiah Luis Alderete, James Cagney, and Kevin Madrigal. This event is free and all are welcome. For information, contact Peter Villasenor, Branch Manager, at pvillasenor@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 535-5620.

“Afghan Cycles” Film Screening at Golden Gate Library – On Thursday, September 5, 6 - 7:30pm, the Golden Gate Branch Library (5606 San Pablo Ave.) will hold its monthly Women Bike Book Club meeting. This month's gathering will be a special event, featuring a free screening of the film *Afghan Cycles*, with a discussion to follow. This documentary features a generation of Afghan women "using the bicycle as a vehicle for freedom, empowerment, and social change". Everyone is welcome! For information, contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at esanders@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5023.

Cascada de Flores Brings Music, Stories & Dance to Elmhurst Library – On Friday, September 6, at 4pm, the delightful family performance troupe Cascada de Flores is coming to the Elmhurst Branch Library (1427 88th Ave.). They will be presenting a bilingual performance that includes traditional songs and music from Mexico and Central America and unforgettable storytelling for the whole family. For information, contact Remy Timbrook, Children's Services Librarian, at rtimbroom@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 615-5727.

Join Oakland Public Library at Lincoln Summer Nights – On Friday, October 4, 5pm - 8pm, drop by to visit the Oakland Public Library's table at Lincoln Square Park during Lincoln Summer Nights! Come get a free book, sign up for a library card, ask your library questions, or just say hello to your neighborhood library reps! Lincoln Square Park is in Oakland Chinatown, on Harrison Street between 10th and 11th Streets. For information, contact Mickey Vo, Librarian I, at MVo@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7610.

Downtown Oakland Specific Draft Plan and Environmental Impact Report – On August 30, Oakland's Planning & Building Department releases the official Draft Specific Plan for Downtown Oakland along with the Draft Environmental Impact (EIR) Report for public review. There is a 45-day public comment period for both documents, closing on October 15. The community is encouraged to join upcoming public meetings to learn more about the Plan's goals

to guide development and implementation for the vitality and equitable development of Downtown, ask questions of the City's Planning team, and offer comments for consideration.

The documents will be discussed at several upcoming public events, including City of Oakland board and commission meetings:

- Wednesday, September 4 | Planning Commission Meeting #1 (Introduce Draft Plan)
- Wednesday, September 11 | Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission
- Thursday, September 19 | Bicyclist & Pedestrian Advisory Commission
- Thursday, September 19 | Thursdays at Latham Square
- Monday, September 23 | Landmarks Board
- Monday, September 30 | Library Commission
- Wednesday, October 2 | Planning Commission Meeting #2 (Draft Plan & Draft EIR)
- Friday, October 4 | Lincoln Summer Nights
- Tuesday, October 8 | City Council's Community and Economic Development Committee
- Monday, October 21 | Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities

For more details on all upcoming meetings, including start times and locations, visit:

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/downtown-oakland-specific-plan>

Beginning August 30, you can review the Draft Downtown Oakland Specific Plan (DOSP) and the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) here: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/downtown-oakland-specific-plan>.

2019 Oakland Pride Parade – On Sunday, September 8, 11am- 7pm, join the City as we march in celebration of Oakland PRIDE! This is an opportunity for all of us to come together and celebrate our diverse and resilient LGBTQIA+ community, while promoting equity and civic engagement throughout our Oakland streets! Interested in walking with us? Please arrive at the 14th Street Entrance of the Oakland City Hall at 10am with comfy shoes and your Oakland PRIDE spirit. The Mayor's office will also host the 31st Mobile Mayor/ Third PRIDE Mobile Mayor at the Get Tested Lounge later that day!

For more information, contact: Yvonna Cázares, Director of Community Engagement, at ycazares@oaklandnet.com or visit: <https://oaklandpride.org/>

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,

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