

**City Manager's Bi-Weekly Report  
May 1, 2015**

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**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**

**2015 Youth Summit**

County Supervisor Federal Glover will be hosting the 2015 Youth Summit on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at Pittsburg High School. Hercules youth are welcome and invited to attend and bus transportation will be provided from Hercules High School. Interested young people need to register to attend. More information can be found at:

[www.D5YouthSummit.com](http://www.D5YouthSummit.com)

**Housing Element Update Certified**

State Law requires that the City periodically update the Housing Element of the City's General Plan. The Housing Element of the General Plan describes opportunities to meet certain housing and development goals on a forward going basis. On April 14, 2015, the City Council approved an update of the City's Housing Element. The State of California certified the City's updated Housing Element last week and the next update won't be needed for eight years.

**Citywide Clean-Up Day & E-Waste Event**

This Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8 AM to 11 AM will be the Citywide Clean-Up & E-Waste Event. This event brings residents, businesses and volunteers together for a common goal, to beautify the community! Spruce up your yards, sidewalks and streets! Dumpsters will be placed at the Hercules Corporation Yard where you can drop off your trash. Only outdoor trash, yard clippings, and tree limbs will be taken as well as small appliances and furniture. Electronic waste will also be accepted. This event is FREE for Hercules Residents but you must provide a photo ID and proof of residency. Items may be disposed of at the City's Corporation Yard at 1000 Sycamore Avenue.

**4th Quarter 2014 Sales Tax**

The City received the detailed information on our 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2014 (October to December) sales tax receipts. Sales tax is an important component of our overall revenue and the City's base sales tax saw a 44% increase over the same quarter of the prior year in the Business-to-Business category. The Business-to-Business category can often see "one-time" tax payments mostly due to a company making a large equipment purchase which is what we believe happened in this quarter. Unfortunately, general retail and transportation related sales taxes saw small decreases. For the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, overall sales tax revenues in Hercules were up 17.9% over the same quarter the year before as compared to a 2.3% for the SF Bay Area and 2.9% for the State as a whole. Making sure we have a good understanding of our revenue base is a key to long-term

financial sustainability.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

### **Human Resources**

The AED in the Police Department was replaced using grant funds of \$1,000 from our Municipal Pooling Authority, which will cover a majority of the cost of the unit as part of the Risk Management Subsidy Program.

### **City Advisory Boards**

The City Council appointed Planning Commissioners and the Youth Community & Library Services Commissioner. Interviews are scheduled for May 5 beginning at 6:30 p.m. for the Community & Library Services Commission vacancy. Training for new commissioners will be scheduled in the near future.

### **Information Technology**

The computer upgrade project is almost complete with the Corporation Yard and Swim Center remaining. It is anticipated to have these upgrades complete in the next two weeks.

Wireless upgrade at City Hall and in the Emergency Operations Center are complete.

The Internet bandwidth upgrade at the Swim Center is complete. Hanna Ranch and the Teen Center are in the queue with Comcast to be completed. These upgrades will allow faster computer speed from the remote City sites.

The Cable TV Upgrade project is in the process of updating the equipment list. Once received, the project will go to the Council for approval of the final phase of the upgrade. The final phase includes upgrading the cameras to high definition digital, other upgrades to outdated hardware and software. When complete our cable production should become up to date with current technology providing better quality output.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

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**COMMUNITY FIELD MEETING UPDATE–  
Regarding Historic Masonic lodge and surrounding historic buildings –**



Approximately 50 interested community members came to tour the entry level of the historic Masonic lodge building and hear property owner David Curry give an update on its status. The interior looked a bit rough from vandalism graffiti, peeling paint, and broken boarded up windows, as the owner recently had cleaning crews in to clean up rubbish that had been put in the building by trespassers. However, the structural bones of the building appeared to be in favorable conditions as there was no obvious water damage to the roof structure of walls, no sagging in the roof joists or flooring, and the molding throughout were still intact.

One of Mr. Curry's intents of the meeting was to get community input on demolishing the adjacent residential buildings which are on the national register of historic buildings before he spent time, money, and energy to get the appropriate clearances. He would be open to having someone move the homes, disassemble them for reuse of materials, or demolition of the structures. He stated that by the removal of these buildings, he may be more successful on getting a buyer to take on the renovation of the Masonic Lodge building. In the meantime if the community seeing any vandals around the building, Mr. Curry has asked that folks call him directly. Please send an email to Holly Smyth at [hsmyth@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:hsmyth@ci.hercules.ca.us) if you want the owner's information or future updates on the project.

#### **Telecommunication Tower and Wireless Facility Discussion – Monday, May 4, 2015 at 7pm**

If you want to learn more about Telecommunication towers and wireless facilities, the Planning Commission will be learning the basics of these facilities from subject matter expert Bob Ross of Center for Municipal Services (CMS). We are hoping to not only educate the community about the current technologies available but be able to have answers to some of the technical questions.

The current policy and initial draft new policy for this topic will be posted to the City website at [www.ci.hercules.ca.us](http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us) then select “Agendas and Meetings”, and click on the Planning Commission of May 4, 2015 meeting to be held in Council Chambers at 111 Civic Drive in Hercules.

We want to include the input from the meeting into the City’s draft new policy document before bringing it back for further review by the Planning Commission during a noticed public hearing before City Council sets the final policy. COME LEARN, ASK, AND BE HEARD.

**Building Inspection Division**

	<b>April 10 Thru Apr 24 2015</b>	<b>FY 2014/15 YTD</b>
Number of the permits issued:	31	663
Total Fee Collected:	\$9,688.10	\$489,513.15
Number of Inspections:	15	291
New Housing:	8	28

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

Maintenance & Operations – Staff completed their regularly scheduled janitorial and facility-related tasks in public parks and buildings, and repaired street lights throughout town. They coordinated with the West Contra Costa County Integrated Waste Management Authority on solid waste issues, Ducks Unlimited on the Chelsea Wetlands Restoration Project, and provided direction to the City’s landscape maintenance contractors on water reduction strategies. Bids were put out for solicitation for next year’s landscape maintenance contract, janitorial services, and the repair of pedestrian lights in Victoria by the Bay. Repairs to the Willow Lift Station and fountains in Refugio Park are ongoing. Lastly, staff prepared the Maintenance and Operations facility for Community Clean Up Day this coming Saturday.

Engineering – Construction on the \$6M Bay Trail phase of the Intermodal Transit Center (ITC) continues and is approximately 65% complete. Staff is working with the environmental regulatory agencies to secure the permits for Path To Transit, which is the next phase of the ITC project and scheduled to go out to bid this May/June. Design on the Willow Avenue rehabilitation project is moving forward on schedule. The first plan check review for the Muir Pointe residential development has been completed. The 90% plans for the \$48M Pinole-Hercules Waste Water Treatment Plant are undergoing a quality assurance and quality control review by Carollo Engineers, who will be performing the construction management. Staff continues to work on trash reduction in coordination with the City’s Clean Water program.

**PERMITS: 4/12 – 4/25**

Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

- Number of application received: 10
- Sewer Lateral Inspection Fees Collected: \$1,250

- Number of Certifications issued: 6
- Number of Deficiency Notices issued: 5
- Number of Condominium Waivers issued: 1

Wide Load/Transportation Permits Issued: 2

Encroachment Permits Issued: 2

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

The Parks & Recreation Department offers a wide variety of recreation classes and programs that cater to all ages and help to promote a healthy lifestyle. Classes and programs provide a great opportunity to have fun and exercise while interacting with others in a safe environment. A sampling of classes offered is provided below. For additional information, please visit the City website at [www.ci.hercules.ca.us](http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us) or [www.herculesrec.com](http://www.herculesrec.com) today.

**Parks & Recreation Advertisement Programs:** Are you interested in having your business or company advertised in our Fall 2015 edition of the activity guide? Hercules Parks & Recreation prints and distributes 10,000 copies and is sent out to all residents in Hercules. Advertising with us is a great way to get your business out to all community members of Hercules and letting them know what you have to offer. Please contact Vanessa Flores at (510) 799-8290 or email [vflores@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:vflores@ci.hercules.ca.us) for additional information or to submit applications.

**Facilities:** Looking for a banquet hall or outdoor rental? Come to the City of Hercules and rent one of our many facilities! We have facilities of all sizes, ranging from maximum capacities of 12 people up to 300 people. We hold events such as business meetings, baby showers, birthday parties, anniversaries, wedding receptions, and much more. We reserve facilities up to one year in advance and no less than 45 days in advance.

Visit the City website at [www.ci.hercules.ca.us](http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us) or call (510) 799-8291 for more information on facility locations, dates and amenities offered at each location.

### **Recreation Classes:**

- Make sure to sign up for your monthly Zumba Pass for just \$50.00 for Residents and \$55.00 for Non-Residents. With this pass, you are able to attend all Zumba classes offered. Zumba is a great way to dance and have fun with Brazilian, African, and Latin tunes. With this great weather we have started Aqua Zumba and it is a hit!
- We are now taking registrations for summer Public Speaking and Debate Camps. Camps are for ages 6-14 and include learning how to write speeches, manage public speaking anxiety and so much more! All camps are one week long and do fill, so register now!
- Art Camps for ages 4-10 are a great option for activities this summer for your child! We have camps that will allow them to create fun animal drawings, under the sea activities, and even explore the world of Eric Carle.

To access a full listing of classes or to register, please visit our website at [www.herculesrec.com](http://www.herculesrec.com).

Hercules Parks & Recreation is always interested in bringing on new programs, classes and services for the community to enjoy. Please email Vanessa Flores at [vflores@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:vflores@ci.hercules.ca.us) for additional information or to submit applications of interest.

**Sports Programs:**

- The Summer Hercules Golf League is starting Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and is held at Franklin Canyon Golf Course. This is a great time to take a break, hit some golf balls and have a blast. Sign up today before space runs out!
- We are now offering great sports camps for ages 3-14 with Skyhawks Sports Academy! Summer camps include Cheerleading, Golf, Flag Rugby, and even Volleyball. All camps are a week long and a great way to have your child try out a new sport!

**Seniors/50+:** Come to the Senior Center to enjoy the CC Café, or to participate in an Art Class, Card Club, Ping Pong, Tai Chi, Zumba Gold, Low Impact Exercise Classes, Dance Club, or Hula Dance. Your annual membership of \$20.00 gives you access to over 30 classes and programs at a discounted rate.

**Aquatics:** The Hercules Swim Center is a beautiful place that provides valuable resources to the community of Hercules, by providing a place for families, adults, teens and children to recreate! The Swim Center's programs specialize in fostering human development, strengthening safety and security, promoting health and wellness, and providing recreational experiences.

**Lap Swim:**

Monday-Friday: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Ages: 14+

Fees: Resident: Youth & Senior \$4/ Adult \$5

Non-Resident: Youth & Senior \$5/ Adult \$6

**EBSD Year Round Membership:**

The City of Hercules East Bay Silver Dolphins is a USA swimming team that practices & competes year-round! The team & coaches are dedicated to fostering a positive and challenging environment for athlete growth in the East Bay! Swimmers will have fun while improving their skills, sportsmanship, and self-esteem. EBSD believes that while swimming is fun and great exercise, it also teaches important life skills such as self-motivation, the importance of hard work, and dedication, setting and obtaining personal goals, and time management. Each swimmer is an important part of the team. They learn to have fun together and provide encouragement and motivation for their teammates.

Dates: 04/01/15-09/31/15

USA Registration Fee: Year Round Swimmer \$80.00 (made payable to EBSD)

Code: 52200 G – 52200 L

Spinners: Monday-Thursday: 6:30pm-7:00pm

Fee: \$66.00

Intermediate: Monday-Friday: 5:00pm-6:15pm                      Fee: \$83.00  
Advanced: Monday-Friday: 5:00pm-6:30pm/7:00pm                      Fee: \$94.00

**Piranhas Swim Team:**

The Hercules Piranhas is a summer recreational swim team and is part of the Twin Counties Swim League that swims from May 2015 to August 2015. The Piranhas participate in home and away swim meets, invitationals, team socials and fundraiser events, and daily swim practice. This program is designed for children from 5 to 18 years of age; each swimmer will learn how to swim competitively while having fun in the water. Our goal is for each swimmer to become a skilled athlete in freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke, and butterfly. In addition to learning swimming techniques, we encourage sportsmanship, teamwork, foster a healthy lifestyle, and promote safe swimming in a fun environment.

Dates: 05/04/2015-08/07/2015

Code: 52203 C

Spring Practice: 05/04-06/05

Beginners            M-Th 6:30pm-7pm

Intermediate        M-F 5pm-6:15pm

Advanced            M-F 5pm-6:30pm

Summer practice: 06/08-08/07

Beginners            M-Th 6:30pm-7:15pm

Intermediate        M-F 7:15pm-8:45pm

Advanced            M-F 7pm-9pm

**Teens:** Our goal is to provide programming that will foster human development, promote health and wellness, and increase cultural unity with life experiences. As our youth grow into teens, we want to give them a sense of ownership and belonging to the community. We accomplish this through many enjoyable programs and activities available at the Teen Center, "T.H.E. S.P.O.T." (Teens of Hercules Empowering through Spirit, Perseverance, Outreach, & Teamwork) located at 2007 Refugio Valley Road. Registration is now being accepted for Summer and Fall S.P.O.T programs.

**Before and After School Child Care:**

Our Child Care programs provide a nurturing, caring environment with a variety of age-appropriate activities and events. Our talented, courteous staff is CPR/First Aid certified, with accredited college units and trained in school-age programming to provide the ultimate child care services. Our goal is to create a pleasant, fun secure, caring environment. There is an annual \$50 registration fee per child and goes up to \$100 in month of July/August. Fees may be increased with a 30 day notice. First day school and Child Care is August 24, 2015.

**2015 Summer Camps for upcoming Kindergarten to Fifth graders:**

We are a Licensed Child Care program with staff that are all over age 18 years old and have the training in school-age programming through accredited colleges. All staff is First Aid and CPR certified and have all passed a live scan/ background check. We will provide your child with a safe and nurturing environment. You need to provide a lunch each day and we provide the fun! We serve two snacks and entertainment on Wednesday's. The campers will go to the Swim Center every Tuesday/Thursday. Come join the theme based summer program.

**Tiny Tots:** Parks and Recreation offers three Tiny Tots programs; Little Learners for age 3, Pre-Kindergarten for age 4 and Junior Kindergarten for those who are of kindergarten age, but didn't make the deadline of September 1, 2015 requiring them to be 5 years old. These programs are designed to introduce children to their first pre-school experience and perhaps to their first

experience with socialization skills. Children are encouraged to speak up for themselves and have the self-confidence to try new things. All children must be completely toilet trained and no pull-ups. Tiny Tots is thematic-based program with an academic component in all classes.

**Hercules Library Education Foundation and the Hercules Community Library Foundation**  
**Presents: Read-For-Funds!!**

What: READ-A-Thon, Wednesday April 15, 2015 – Sunday, May 17, 2015

Who: You...and Readers of ALL ages who love to read (AND WIN PRIZES!)

When: Beginning Wednesday, April 15, 2015. Sign up as a reader on  
[www.crowdrise.com/herculesreadforfunds](http://www.crowdrise.com/herculesreadforfunds)

How: Go to [www.crowdrise.com/herculesreadforfunds](http://www.crowdrise.com/herculesreadforfunds)

. Click on “Fundraise for this Campaign” to begin and follow the instructions

Why: To fund grants for classroom projects, programs, and supplies in Hercules Schools  
To fund 5 additional operating hours for the Hercules Library

**PRIZES!!!**

Prizes awarded to the person raising the most FUNDS in each age group:

Elementary School age group: \$100 Target Gift Card

Middle School age group - \$100 Target Gift card

Adult Age Group \$100 Gift Certificate to the Powder Keg Pub & Seafood Café

**PLUS!**

Overall largest FUNraiser - Kindle Fire HDX

Finally, join everyone at the Hercules Library on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 p.m. for a celebration and awarding of the prizes!!!

**UPCOMING EVENTS\***

*\*Events are subject to change. Please visit the City Calendar available on the City’s website for the most up-to-date information.*

**Community Clean-Up Day & E-Waste Event**

Date: 5/2/2015

Time: 8:00am-11:00am

Cost: FREE to Hercules Residents-Must show ID

Location: Hercules Corporation Yard (1000 Sycamore Avenue, Hercules, CA. 94547)

This event brings residents, businesses and volunteers together for a common goal-to beautify the community! Spruce up your yards, sidewalks and streets! Dumpsters will be placed at the Hercules Corporation Yard where you can drop off your trash. Only outdoor trash, yard clippings and tree limbs will be taken as well as small appliances and furniture. For more information take a look online at [www.ci.hercules.ca.us](http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us) today or call 510-799-8291.

**Hercules Parks & Recreation Theater Class proudly presents:**

## **The Emperor's New Clothes** **A story by Hans Christian Anderson**

Sneak Preview: Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm

Final Performance: Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm

Location: Hercules Teen Center, 2007 Refugio Valley Road

Admission is **FREE!** Hope to see you there!

**5k/1 mile Fun Run and 4th of July Parade** –Celebrate your 4th of July at the 2nd annual Hercules Dynamite 5K Run/Walk located along the beautiful Eucalyptus trees of scenic Refugio Valley Park. The event offers a new certified and chip timed 5K run/walk (3.1 Mile), 1 Mile walk and 1/4 Mile event designed for kids ages 3-8. The distances are flat, fun and are perfect for all levels of runners or walkers. Stay afterwards and enjoy the post-race Expo, refreshments, awards and the 4th of July Parade. Receive a custom event shirt when you register by June 19th. For more information and to register for the event, visit [www.hercules4thofjuly.com](http://www.hercules4thofjuly.com).

## **Hercules Police Department**

### **Press Release**

#### **The Hercules Police Department advises a series of thefts of Catalytic Converters.**

*Between April 17<sup>th</sup> and April, 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015, ten Hercules residents reported thefts of catalytic converters from their Toyota SUV's. The victim vehicles are Toyota Sequoia's; Toyota 4 Runners; and Toyota Tacoma's. The 1990 through 2005 models appear to be targeted because the higher chassis, and placement of the catalytic converter, makes it easier for the thief to get under the vehicle and cut the off the catalytic converter. A check of Toyota Dealers, and muffler shops, indicate they have seen a marked increase in the replacement of catalytic converters for the 1990/2005 SUV's.*

*Crime prevention measures include a vehicle alarm; or making sure the catalytic converter is securely attached to the vehicle. This can be done by having a muffler shop put a welded metal "frame" around the catalytic converter.*

*The Hercules Police Department has increased patrols in residential areas but needs our citizens to assist us. Be vigilant about suspicious activity in your neighborhood and call the police. If you are the victim of a theft report it to the police right away.*

### **Patrol &Investigations Priority Calls**

**THE FOLLOWING CASES ONLY REFLECT A PARTIAL LIST OF CALLS FOR SERVICE THAT POLICE PERSONNEL RESPONDED TO.**

**Commercial Burglary:** On April 17, 2015 at 11:11 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 900 block of Willow for a report of a burglary. The reporting party said sometime after April 14, 2015 and time of call today, someone broke into his Church's shed.

**Found Property Taken for Destruction:** On April 17, 2015 at 3:11 p.m., an officer responded to the 1300 block of Sycamore for a report of marijuana dumped in one the dumpsters. The officer recovered a large garbage bag filled with marijuana leaves, stems, and branches, in potting soil. The material was logged into evidence for destruction

**Identity Theft:** On April 17, 2015 at 5:40 p.m., an officer was dispatched to HPD for a lobby detail. A citizen reported an unknown suspect fraudulently withdrew \$13,000 from her account on April 15, 2015. The withdrawals were made in Illinois.

**Warrant Arrest/Possession of a Controlled Substance/ Possession of Paraphernalia:** On April 18, 2015 at approximately 1:52 a.m., a HPD Officer conducted a traffic, stop on a blue 2005 Nissan 350Z, for a vehicle code violation. It was determined that the driver, 30 year old Maria Rowena Hall of Pittsburg, had an outstanding \$25,000 warrant out of San Mateo County. She was placed under arrest for the warrant. During the search, incident to the arrest, the officer found a substance believed to be a controlled substance; and a glass pipe, in the female's purse. She was also charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. She was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

**Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol/Collision:** On April 18, 2015 at 5:36 a.m., HPD units were dispatched to the area of Sycamore Ave and Lupine Rd for a vehicle that had collided with a parked vehicle. Officers located the collision on Lupine Rd @ Sequoia Rd. The driver of a Subaru Forester, 30 year old. Chanh Kouï Chao of Rodeo, was located at the scene. He lost control of his vehicle and collided with a parked vehicle. Chao displayed the objective symptoms of being under the influence of alcohol. After performing the Standard Field Sobriety Test Chao was tested on the Preliminary Alcohol System. He registered over the presumptive limit for the purposes of driving. He was placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. He was cited and released to a responsible party.

**Vehicle Tampering:** On April 18, 2015, at 9:52 a.m., a 22 year old male submitted an online report for vehicle tampering. On April 17, 2015, at about 11:00 PM, the victim observed his vehicle undamaged. The victim returned on April 18, 2015, at about 9:05 AM, to discover several large scratches around his entire car.

**Identity Theft:** April 18, 2015, at 1:06 a.m., a 34 year old male submitted an online report for identity theft. From February 9, 2015 – April 7, 2015 someone had unlawfully obtained the victim's personal identifying information and used it, without consent, in an attempt to open credit card accounts.

**Grand Theft:** On April 18, 2015 at 4:55 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Poppy Court for a report of a theft. The reporting party said someone stole the catalytic converter from his vehicle sometime between 9:30pm last night and time of call today.

**Theft:** On April 18, 2015, at 6:55 p.m., officer responded, to the 100 block of Hemlock for the theft of a catalytic converter. The item was stolen from a Toyota Sequoia. Time frame is sometime during the past week. The owner only uses the vehicle occasionally.

**Identity Theft:** On April 18, 2015, at 6:26 p.m., officers responded to the 200 block of Apollo. The victim reported being a victim of ID theft. The victim tried to file her taxes with H&R Block and was advised that someone had already fraudulently filed a return using her social security number.

**Grand Theft from a Vehicle:** On April 18, 2015, at 8:38 p.m., an officer responded to the 1700 block of Pheasant. The reporting party said a catalytic converter was stolen from a 2001 Toyota Sequoia while it was parked on the street in front of the residence. Occurred sometime between Wednesday and today.

**Grand Theft from vehicle:** On April 19, 2015, at 8:48 a.m., a resident in the 2200 block of Pheasant reported someone stole the catalytic converter from his 2001 Toyota Sequoia sometime between last Friday night and time of call today.

**Vandalism to a vehicle:** On April 19, 2015, at 12:11 p.m., a resident in the 400 block of Grenadine reported someone slashed his vehicle's tire sometime last night

**Grand Theft from vehicle:** On April 19, 2015, at 1:55 p.m., a resident in the 1700 block of Pheasant reported someone stole the catalytic converter from his 1991 Toyota 4runner sometime between 3/29/15 and time of call today.

**Identity Theft:** On April 19, 2015, at 5:51 p.m., an officer stopped a vehicle in the 4000 of San Pablo and arrested 32 year old Connie Miles from Rodeo for possessing personal information belonging to others. She was transported to County Jail.

**Theft from vehicle:** On April 19, 2015, at 6:42 p.m., a resident in the 100 block of Jade reported someone stole the catalytic converter from his Toyota Tacoma sometime between 4/16/15 and time of call today

**Theft from a Vehicle:** On April 19, 2015 at 8:41 p.m., a resident from the 100 block of Amethyst reported an unknown subject stole the catalytic converter from his 2003 Toyota Sequoia. The theft occurred while his Sequoia was parked in the driveway between Friday April 17 at 8:00PM and Sunday April 19 at 6:10 PM.

**Petty Theft:** On April 19, 2015 at 9:02 p.m., a resident from the 400 block of Devonwood reported her daughter's iPhone 6 had been stolen at Shell an hour earlier. The victim stated at approximately 4PM she met a friend at the Shell. While talking with the friend he asked to use her phone to call his brother. The friend used the phone and when he finished he drove off with the victim's phone. The victim attempted to call her phone several times and it would go straight to voice mail.

**Fraud:** On April 21, 2015, at 1:03 p.m., a loss prevention employee at a local supermarket reported an ongoing fraud. Several subjects have been passing fraudulent checks, at the business, since the beginning of year.

**Petty Theft from an unlocked vehicle:** On April 22, 2015 at 1:49 a.m., a Hercules resident reported an unknown subject(s) entered her unlocked vehicle, while it was parked in the 700 block of Alfred Nobel, tonight between 12:10 a.m. and 1:35 a.m. The loss was her purse, Iphone, and credit cards.

**Theft from vehicle:** On April 22, 2015, at 10:54 a.m., a resident in the 100 block of Meadowlark reported that, sometime during the last two weeks, someone stole the catalytic converter from his 2003 Toyota Sequoia.

**Battery on School Grounds & Probation Violation:** On April 22, 2015, at 2:21 p.m., a School Resources Officer arrested a 16 year old male who assaulted a female student. The juvenile, who was also on probation for Burglary, was transported to Juvenile Hall. The victim did not have any visible injuries.

**Fraud:** On April 23, 2015 at 9:46 a.m., an officer was dispatched to HPD for a lobby detail. A citizen for Vallejo stated she was contacted by her bank. A suspect deposited a fraudulent check, with the reporting party's "payer" information, into their own Wells Fargo account via the ATM here in Hercules. The bank did not honor the check.

**Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol:** On April 23, 2015 at 10:17 p.m., an Officer conducted a traffic stop, on a green Toyota Camry, for a vehicle code violation. The driver, 52 year old Scott Gordon Brennan of Richmond, displayed the objective symptoms of being under the influence of alcohol. The Standard Field Sobriety Test was conducted. The Preliminary Alcohol Screening device indicated Brennan exceeded the "presumptive" level for the purposes of driving. He was placed under arrest and later cite released to a responsible party.

**Possession of a Controlled Substance:** On April 24, 2015, at approximately 1:32 a.m., a HPD Officer conducted a traffic stop, for a vehicle code violation, in the 800 block of Willow Ave. The vehicle registration was determined to be expired, but the vehicle was displaying a false 2015 registration tabs. The vehicle was to be towed for expired registration. During an inventory search of the vehicle a substance, believed to be an illegal substance, was located inside a backpack. The passenger in the vehicle claimed ownership of the backpack. 34 year old John Paul Free, Jr, of Rodeo, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance. He was cite/released pending further investigation.

**Suspicious Circumstance:** On April 24, 2015 at 8:33 a.m., Hercules Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Nautical Cove for a report of an in-progress residential burglary. The caller said he heard glass shatter, in his home, and saw four juvenile males, in his neighbor's back yard. The reporting party said two of the males had guns. The owner of the "victim" house called the police and stated no one was in his yard. After contacting all involved parties, officer determined no crime had occurred. The reporting party, an adult male, appeared to be having emotional issues. He was

released to his father. A case taken for documentation only.

**Petty Theft:** On April 24, 2015 at 10:36 a.m., an Officer was dispatched to the 2300 block of Redwood Rd. for a theft report. An Oakley resident stated he was the contractor doing work on the home. The reporting party said he hired an adult male, to help with work on the house. The reporting party fired the male on April 10<sup>th</sup> and gave him his last check. When reporting party returned to work on April 14<sup>th</sup> he discovered a number of items were missing from the laundry room of the home. The reporting party contacted the male, via text, and the male stated he would bring the items back. The items have not been returned.

**Auto Burglary:** On April 24, 2015 at 3:42 p.m., an officer was dispatched to Refugio Valley Park for a report of an auto burglary. The reporting party said fifteen minutes prior to time of call, someone smashed the window of her vehicle and stole her baby's diaper bag.

**Runaway Juvenile:** On April 24, 2015 at 5:34 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 300 block of North Wildwood for a report of a runaway 12 year-old male. Officer searched for the subject, with negative result. The juvenile was entered into Missing and Unidentified Persons System (MUPS). A flyer was sent out to surrounding agencies. The subject was located, at approximately 8:26pm, walking E/B on I-80, near John Muir Parkway. He was returned home. The subject's name was removed from MUPS and the alert was cancelled.

**Auto Burglary:** On April 24, 2015 at 5:36 p.m., an officer was dispatched to 3600 San Pablo Ave for a report of an auto burglary. The reporting party said five minutes prior to time of call, someone smashed the window of her vehicle and stole her purse.

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**Stolen Vehicle:** On April 25, 2015, at approximately 12:42 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the lobby for a stolen vehicle report. The reporting party stated he let his father use his green 1997 Honda Civic, on March 30, 2015, to go to work (Home Depot). The vehicle was taken sometime during that day but was not reported stolen because the reporting party was unavailable at the time. The reporting party received notice his vehicle had been towed by Pittsburg PD on April 7, 2015.

**Auto Burglary:** On April 25, 2015 at 8:45 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Lily Court for a report of an auto burglary. The reporting party said sometime between 9:30pm last night and time of call today, someone smashed the front passenger window of his vehicle and stole his backpack. Inside the backpack was a silver iPad.

**Stolen Vehicle:** On April 25, 2015 at 11:03 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1200 block of Promenade for a stolen vehicle report. The reporting party said sometime between 10:30pm last night and time of call today, someone stole her green 1997 Honda CRV from in front of her residence.

**Auto Burglary PC 459:** On April 26, 2015 a Hercules resident reported an unknown subject forced entry into the bed area of his 2007 Chevrolet pick-up. The bed is protected by a hard cover. The officer was unable to determine how the cover was forced open. The vehicle was parked in the reporting party's assigned parking spot in the 500 block of Bristol. The loss was several power tools.

**Theft from vehicle:** On April 26, 2015, at 10:52 a.m., a resident in the 1200 block of Promenade reported, sometime last night, someone stole spare change from his parked car.

**Theft from vehicle:** On April 26, 2015, at 3:38 p.m., a resident in the 100 block of Daisy reported, sometime last night, someone stole jewelry, spare change and other miscellaneous items from his parked car.

**Theft from vehicle:** On April 26, 2015, at 3:39 p.m., a resident in the 100 block of Meadowlark reported, through the online reporting system, someone stole the catalytic converter from his 2001 Toyota Sequoia sometime between 4/24/15 and time of call today.

**Driving on a suspended license/ multiple warrants / Poss. of stolen property:** On April 27, 2015 1:23 a.m., an officer made a traffic stop for speeding on State Route 4 w/ of the Franklin Canyon Golf Course. During the stop the female driver stated she was driving on a suspended license. The driver provided two different names, and both proved to be false. An identification search was conducted in the vehicle. A Colorado Driver's license was located under the driver's seat. The driver's license did not have the subject's picture, or either of the names she had given the officer. The driver was arrested for driving on a suspended license and not being able to properly prove her identity. The female finally stated her true name was Joleen Crane, 41 years old, from Bay Point. Crane admitted she lied about her name because she knew she had warrants. Crane had a total of 5 Felony warrants held by Tehama & Siskiyou Counties, and Yreka PD. The husband, of the owner of the Colorado Driver's License, was contacted in Colorado. He stated his wife's Driver's License was stolen, along with her purse, at a banquet in Santa Clara. Crane was arrested for the warrants and Possession of Stolen Property. Crane was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

**Recovered Stolen Vehicle:** On April 27, 2015 at 5:32 a.m., an officer located an unoccupied stolen red 1991 Nissan Truck parked on Railroad at Main Street. The truck was reported stolen to Richmond PD on April 22, 2015. The truck was still drivable so the registered owner drove to Hercules and took possession of the vehicle on scene.

**Theft From a Vehicle:** On April 28, 2015 Ramirez, a resident, from the 100 block of Farragut, called and reported the catalytic converter stolen from her 2001 Toyota Sequoia. The reporting party stated that on April 13, 2015 her son attempted to use the Sequoia but it sounded strange after he started it. He then turned the motor off and choose to use a different vehicle. It was not until today that they realized the catalytic converter was cut from the exhaust system while it was parked in front of their residence.

**HERCULES POLICE BI-WEEKLY STATS  
(4-2-15 TO 4-15-15)**

CALLS FOR SERVICE	682
REPORTS	76
TRAFFIC CITES	29
PARKING CITES	18
ADULT ARRESTS	14
JUVENILE ARRESTS	0
ARSONS	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS	2
HATE CRIMES	0
TOWED VEHICLES	12
PART 1 TOTAL	13

PART 1 CRIMES BROKEN DOWN	----
HOMICIDE	0
RAPE	0
ROBBERY	0
ASSAULT	2
BURGLARY	4
LARCENY	8
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0

**UPCOMING EVENTS\***

*\*Events are subject to change. Please visit the City Calendar available on the City's website for the most up-to-date information.*

**Community Clean-Up Day & E-Waste Event** - Saturday, May 2, 2015, 8 a.m. – 11 a.m., at the Hercules Corporate Yard, 1000 Sycamore Avenue. FREE for Hercules residents. Must show ID

**Planning Commission Meeting** – Monday, May 4, 2015, 7 p.m. at City Hall, - City Council Chambers

**City Council Special Meeting**

**Commission Applicant Interviews**

**Date:** 5/5/2015 6:30 PM

**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers

111 Civic Drive

Hercules, California 94547

**Community and Library Services Commission Meeting**

**Date:** 5/11/2015 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

**Location:** Council Chambers, City Hall

111 Civic Drive

Hercules, California 94547

**City Council Meeting**

**Date:** 5/12/2015 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM

**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers

111 Civic Drive

Hercules, California 94547

**Planning Commission Meeting**

**Date:** 5/18/2015 7:00 PM

**Location:** City Hall - Council Chambers

111 Civic Drive

Hercules, California 94547

**City Council Meeting**

**Date:** 5/26/2015 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM

**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers

111 Civic Drive

Hercules, California 94547

**West County Mayors' and Supervisors Association**

**Date:** 5/28/2015 8:00 AM

**Location:** San Pablo Hercules City Hall