



## MEMORANDUM

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DATE: January 21, 2012

TO: Mayor Romero and City Council Members  
City Employees  
Members of the Public

FROM: Steve Duran, City Manager

SUBJECT: City Manager's Weekly Report

### **SWEARING –IN OF CHIEF GOSWICK**

On Tuesday, January 31 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Bill Goswick will be sworn in as the Chief of Police for the City of Hercules.

### **COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES**

**ITC - Bayfront Project:** This project seeks to move the City toward the ultimate goal of building an inter-modal transit (ITC) center and to provide the Bayfront developer with development entitlements for medium to high density transit oriented development. This project proposes to develop a 42.36 acre portion of the City of Hercules Waterfront District master Plan (WDMP) area with the "Hercules Bayfront Project," a transit-oriented, mixed-use neighborhood that includes a variety of dwelling unit types with businesses, an associated system of walkable streets, pedestrian interconnections, and public plazas with bay views.

The last official action on this project was December 20, when the City Council approved funding and contracts related to finishing the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) process forward. The Implementation Agreements, Tentative Map and Waterside Purchase and Sale Agreement are yet to be finalized and the approved Landside PSA, which the owner/developer has refused to execute until the other documents are approved, will require modification due to delays in funding.

On January 20, City staff, consultants and attorneys met with the Bayfront owner, developer an attorney to resolve the last few issues and discuss solutions to funding challenges. It was a very productive meeting and there will be calls next week to try to solve the remaining challenges. At this point, the restructuring of project funding is the key to finalizing the development agreements.

On January 27, the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCTAC) will consider recommending that the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) approve a new

funding plan for the Hercules Intermodal Transit Center (ITC), which would provide Measure J funding for acquisition of land for the ITC and other items related to the transit center. The CCTA is scheduled to consider this item on the evening of February 15. Without this funding, the City will have no cash available for site acquisition and future funding would also be delayed.

**Sycamore Crossing:** The Purchase and Sale Agreement for Sycamore Crossing is scheduled for City Council consideration on January 24. Contingencies to closing will include removal of a deed restriction, mutual approval of design, and City approval of entitlements. The buyer, Property Development Centers, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Safeway and plans to build a 55,000 to 65,000 Safeway store and gas station near the southwest San Pablo Avenue edge of the site, with restaurants at the corner of San Pablo Avenue and Sycamore, and two story residential units on Sycamore facing Sycamore North. Staff will be engaging the Planning Commission ad hoc design review sub-committee throughout the design phase of the project.

**Sycamore North:** The Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) for Sycamore North should be ready for City Council consideration on February 14. There will be a few contingencies to be met before closing, related to some proposed changes on the ground floor that the buyer is currently finalizing and costing out. The buyer is hiring the original project architect to complete the design work and is in negotiations with the original contractor to complete the building. The winterization is complete.

**Parcel C and Victoria Crescent:** These properties are being actively marketed and offers have been received on both properties. Staff anticipates updating the City Council and discussing real property negotiations on February 14.

## MUNICIPAL SERVICES UPDATES

### Building Permits:

Number of permits issued-----	13
Building permit fees collected-----	\$13,830.69
Number of inspections-----	24
Code Enforcement inspections-----	3

### Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

Applications received-----	10
Inspection fees collected-----	\$1250.00
Certificates issued-----	9
Deficiency notices-----	3
Condominium waivers issued-----	3
Encroachment Permits Issued-----	4
Wide load permits-----	0

## **On Going Activities:**

Staff continues to work closely with our Lighting and Landscaping contractors to ensure contract compliance. They are currently mulching medians and maintaining city-wide cul-de-sacs.

EBMUD has completed their fire line connections for Sycamore Downtown.

PGE has been repairing street lights throughout the City at our request.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES**

Currently the Park & Recreation Department offers a wide variety of recreation classes and programs that cater to all ages and help to promote a healthy lifestyle. The classes & programs provide a great opportunity to have fun and exercise while interacting with others in a safe environment. You can go online to [www.ci.hercules.ca.us](http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us) to get more information or to register for classes.

**Become an Instructor.** If you have a talent or interested in teaching a hobby or class with the City of Hercules, please contact Andrea Mendez at 799-8290 or [amendez@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:amendez@ci.hercules.ca.us).

**Elementary Basketball League- Ages 10-12.** Starts Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup> and we are still taking sign up.

**President's Camp.** Have your child join us for camp during the school break. Activities includes arts & crafts, sports and making new friends. Camp opens to the public January 23<sup>rd</sup> until February 2<sup>nd</sup> and late registration until February 9.

**Advertisement.** Want to advertise your business in our Parks & Recreation Activity Guide please contact Andrea Mendez at 799-8290 or [amendez@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:amendez@ci.hercules.ca.us).

## **WEEKLY POLICE REPORT (Partial List) AS OF JANUARY 19, 2012**

**Stolen vehicle:** On January 13, 2012 at 11:42 a.m. a resident in the 200 block of Florence Ct. reported her maroon 1996 Olds Cutlass stolen from her unlocked garage. The theft occurred between December 29, 2011 and January 13, 2012.

**Battery:** On January 13, 2012 at 3:20 p.m. officers were summoned to the 1600 block of Partridge Road for a disturbance between father and son. While arguing over property 45 year old Jimmy Thorn punched his father in the face, causing minor injuries. Jimmy Thorn was arrested and transported to Martinez Detention Facility.

**Driving under the Influence of Alcohol:** On January 13, 2012 at 6:16 p.m. an Officer stopped 47 year old David Roy Egan, of Hercules, in the 3600 block of San Pablo Avenue. Egan was arrested for an outstanding warrant arrest and driving while intoxicated. Egan was released with a citation after submitting to a blood test for the DUI.

**Driving under the Influence of Alcohol:** On January 14, 2012 at 1:04 a.m. an Officer stopped 26 year old Nicole Fuller, of Hercules, in the 800 block of Willow Avenue. Fuller was arrested for driving while intoxicated and her car was towed. After submitting to a blood test for DUI she was release with a citation.

**Auto Burglary:** On January 14, 2012 between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. the victim's vehicle was burglarized while parked at 3500 Franklin Canyon Road. The responsible was seen on surveillance video and described as a Hispanic adult male driving a white Ford F150 pickup. The pickup has an Oakland Raiders vanity license plate on the front of the truck. Items taken were a GPS unit, golf supplies and a purse with personal identifying information.

**Burglary:** On January 14, 2012 between 6:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. an unknown suspect entered a garage in the 200 block of Cinnabar and stole a Craftsman toolset.

**Driving under the Influence of Alcohol:** On January 15, 2012 at 1:56 a.m. an Officer stopped 38 year old Mari Rogers, of Pittsburg, in the 700 block of Willow Avenue. Rogers was arrested for driving while intoxicated and her car was towed. After submitting to a blood test for DUI she was booked into Martinez Detention Facility.

**Drunk in public/Threatening a Police Officer:** On January 15, 2012 at 1:58 a.m. an Officer did a pedestrian stop on 23 year old Nicholas Andrews, of Hercules, in the 4000 block of San Pablo Avenue. Andrews was staggering in the middle of the street and failed to comply with orders. Andrews took a fighting stance and challenged the officer to fight. Andrews submitted to the arrest when the Officer drew his Taser. Andrews was arrested but continued to make threats towards Officers. He was booked into Martinez Detention Facility.

**Drunk in public/ Violation of restraining order:** On January 15, 2012 at 5:55 p.m. Officers responded to the 800 block of Dover for a report of 33 year old Lavella Sherri Allen, of Sacramento, being in violation of a restraining order. Allen was located and determined to be intoxicated. She was arrested for the restraining order violation and for being drunk in public. She was booked into Martinez Detention Facility.

**Stolen Vehicle Recovered:** On January 17, 2012 at 5:34 a.m. an Officer located an unoccupied stolen vehicle parked in the 1000 block of Canterbury.

**Aggressive Pit bull:** On January 17, 2012 at 8:48 a.m. Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Maple Court regarding an incident involving an aggressive pit bull dog. A Hercules Public Works (HPW) employee reported that he was driving on Redwood passing Maple when he saw a white pit bull charging across the street toward a woman walking a beagle on a leash. The HPW worker turned his truck around and was able to divert the pit bull away and secure the woman and her beagle into his truck. Two gardeners working in the area also assisted with chasing the pit bull back into its backyard. The woman was extremely shaken, but no injuries were sustained to her or the beagle. Animal control arrived and issued a citation for the pit bull not being licensed.

**Aggressive Pit bull:** On January 18, 2012 at 12:34 p.m. Officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of Partridge regarding an incident involving an aggressive pit bull dog. Upon arrival officers witnessed the dog chase nearby residents into their home/cars before turning and charging officers. Animal control arrived and seized for the pit bull not being licensed and at large.