



## MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 24, 2013

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

FROM: Steve Duran, City Manager

SUBJECT: City Manager's Weekly Report

### MEETING SCHEDULE

Date and Time	Event	Location
<b>Tuesday, September 3, 2013</b> 6:30 p.m. – Open Session	Special City Council Meeting Rules and Procedures Workshop	Hercules City Hall – Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547
<b>Tuesday, September 4, 2013</b> 10:30 a.m.	Ground Breaking Event for the Intermodal Transit Center Project	Bayfront Boulevard
<b>Tuesday, September 10, 2013</b> 6:00 p.m. – Closed Session 7:00 p.m. – Open Session	City Council Meeting	Hercules City Hall – Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547
<b>Tuesday, September 11, 2013</b> 7:00 p.m. – Open Session	Redevelopment Oversight Board Meeting	Hercules City Hall – Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547
<b>Monday, September 16, 2013</b> 7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting	Hercules City Hall – Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547
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### HMU DISPOSITION

Our legal counsel, consultants and I are scheduled to meet with PG&E and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) officials and staff on August 29. We will be discussing the approval process and answering any questions the CPUC may have.

### CAL-HFA MEETING

At this point, the City has no budget for payments on \$5.3 million that the City owes California Housing Finance Authority (Cal-HFA). Our Director of Finance and I met with Cal-HFA staff this week to discuss a payment plan for this debt.

## REAL ESTATE PROJECT UPDATES

**Sycamore North.** On August 20, the City Council unanimously approved a Resolution of Necessity, which is a necessary step in taking a public easement on R Alley. This easement is necessary to eliminate blight by providing for the construction and maintenance of the project on the Sycamore North site and also will ensure emergency access to the Alley. Outside legal counsel is moving expeditiously to obtain possession of the public access easement. Even so, we continue to reach out to the Bayside Home Owners Association Board in hopes of finally finding some modicum of reasonableness from them in the negotiation of a less encompassing easement.

**Bayfront – ITC Project:** This project will develop a 42.36 acre portion of the 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 City portion of the project includes the Intermodal Transit Center (ITC) and other public improvements, including the extension of John Muir Parkway and the construction of a major Bay Trail segment.

A groundbreaking event for the Intermodal Transit Center is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. to celebrate the ground breaking for the Bay Trail and completion of site preparation for the extension of John Muir Parkway. Congressman Mike Thompson has confirmed for the event.

## BEES

Contrary to posts in The Patch, the City has not approved an apiary in the Community Garden near Ohlone School. Staff is researching public safety and liability issues related to beekeeping on City property.

## MUNICIPAL SERVICES UPDATES

### Building Permits:

- Number of permits issued-----15
- Building permit fees collected-----\$3,906.80
- Number of inspections-----22
- Code Enforcement inspections-----7

### Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

- Number of application received: 4
- Lateral Inspection Fees Collected: \$500.00
- Number of Certifications issued: 4
- Number of Deficiency Notices issued: 2
- Number of Condominium Waivers issued: 1

**Other Activities:**

- Wide Load/Transportation Permits Issued: 4
- Encroachment Permits Issued: 3
- Bay Trail/Path-to-Transit – Site Preparation Project – Construction in progress.
- ITC SF Bay Trail Project #63001A - Award.
- Collecting field data for 2013/2014 overlay project.
- Trash Management Area Maps – Clean Water Program.
- Staff continues to work on the State Revolving Loan Fund Application for Pinole/Hercules Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade.
- Staff continues to meet with Recyclemore and Richmond Sanitary regarding collection and post-collection contracts.
- Staff continues to meet with Pinole staff to discuss plant upgrades at the Pinole/Hercules Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Staff continues to work with Ducks Unlimited on Chelsea Wetlands Restoration Project. An RFP was issued for the work.
- Numerous trip hazards on city sidewalks removed by contractor.
- Two fountains at Refugio Lake were down for inspection. Inspection revealed that repairs are necessary. Parts have been ordered.
- Staff continues to remove a large volume of yard sale signs from our light poles. They damage the paint on the poles and are not allowed.
- Staff is contracting with County Signal Maintenance to install audio alerts on the signals at the Hercules Middle/High School. The parts have been ordered and when they arrive installation will begin.

**Hercules Municipal Utility Activities:**

- Visual inspection(s) = 136
- Meter read(s) = 2
- Meter Reinstall(s) = 0
- Meter Pull(s) = 0
- Post Red Tag(s) = 1
- Pump vault(s) = 6
- Inspection(s) = 3
- Monthly meter reads for the entire system
- System verification

**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.

Total revenue for the department \$27,785.31

### **Parks & Recreation Activity Guide & Banner Programs:**

We are accepting applications to advertise in the next edition of the Parks and Recreation activity guide which will come out in December 2013. For the Banner Program we have a few spots open for August and September 2013. If you have specific questions feel free to give Andrea Mendez a call at (510) 799-8290 or email [amendez@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:amendez@ci.hercules.ca.us).

- \$325 in revenue for this week

### **Licensed Before & After School Child Care and Seasonal Camps:**

School starts August 20<sup>th</sup> Sign up for Child Care, please make sure to register early so you get your space. For more information please call 245-4803.

What are the benefits of our licensed programs?

- Provides a safe and nurturing environment
- Provides qualified and matured staff
- All lead Staff have training in school age programming through accredited colleges
- Provides a 1 staff to 14 ratio, not to exceed 28 children per classroom
- All staff have passed a Livescan/Background check
- School started on Tuesday 8/20
- Currently we have 54 participants registered at Hanna, 27 at Lupine and 37 at Ohlone child Cares
- \$15,839.34 in revenue for this week

### **Aquatics:**

- **Public Swim-** ended on 8/18 and closed for the season
- **EBSD Summer Seasonal Membership-** 20 enrolled, ends on 9/27
- **EBSD Year Round Membership-** 79 Enrolled
  - Dates: 10/1/12-9/31/13
  - USA Registration fee: Year Round Swimmer \$80 (made payable to EBSD)
  - Code: 52200-G-L
  - Spinners: M-TH, 6:30-7pm, \$66
  - Intermediate: M-F, 5-6:15pm, \$83
  - Advanced: M-F, 5-6:30/7pm, \$94
- **Monthly Zumba Classes and Passes Include:**
- Fees: \$45 Residents / \$50 Non-Residents
- Drop in: \$10 per class
  - Zumba (Mondays, 7-8pm)
  - Zumba Gold (Wednesdays, 9:30am-10:30am)
  - Aqua Zumba (Wednesdays, 7-8pm)
  - Zumba Sentao (Fridays, 5:45pm,-6:45pm)
  - Zumba (Fridays, 7-8pm)
  - Zumba Toning (Sundays, 9-10am)
  - Aqua Zumba Gold (Starting in June, Sundays, 11am-12pm)

## **Swim Lessons!!!!**

- **Individual, Semi-Private, Group & Adult Swim Lessons:**
  - Ages: 6 months +
  - Prices:
    - Individual Lessons: Resident \$158/Non-Resident \$172
    - Group Lessons: Resident \$80/Non-Resident \$93
    - Adult Lessons: Resident \$93/Non-Resident \$107
  - Days: M/T/TH/F (2 weeks/8 classes)
  - Dates: 8/19-8/30 Times: Evening
  
- \$3,212.90 in revenue for this week

## **Teens:**

Sign up for our Summer Camp for grades 6<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup>. Currently have an average of 32 participants. Also make sure to sign up for the Fall SPOT Before and After school program.

- \$2,139 in revenue for this week
- School started on Tuesday 8/20
- Currently we have 27 participants registered

## **Facilities:**

Are you looking for a hall to rent to hold a meeting, party, wedding reception, graduation, birthday, retirement or baptisms? Check out our many facilities we have to offer by going online to [www.ci.hercules.ca.us](http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us) or call 799-8291 for more information.

- \$1,235.50 in revenue for this week

## **Recreation Classes:**

We are now taking registration for many new and exciting classes. Classes include Tutoring, Math Tutoring, Oil Painting, Chinese, Dog Obedience, Ballet, Gymnastics, Belly Dance, Guitar, Karate, Ab Lad, Zumba & Jazzercise. Make sure to register early before they fill up or get canceled for low enrollment.

- \$923.75 in revenue for this week

## **Sports:**

We have started our Co-Ed 7-10 Junior Elementary Basketball League. The league will run from July, through September, 6 days per week with practices being held Monday through Thursday and games on Fridays and Saturdays. We currently have 100 kids enrolled.

- \$2,251 in revenue for this week

## **Tiny Tots & Little Learners:**

A great introduction to your child's "First Learning Experiences". They will have fun making their first school friends, learning through play, games, arts, crafts, and healthy snacks. Our loving and qualified staff will guide them with socialization and self-help skills. Children have so much fun, they do not realize they are learning! Our program runs along with the school year from September-June. Come see what keeps our children smiling! Children must be completely toilet trained.

- Tiny Tot program has a 5 day Jr. Kindergarten program, A MWF Pre K program and a T/TH Little Leaver which are all full!
- \$1,166.60 in revenue for this week

### **Seniors/50+:**

Come to the Senior Center Programs to enjoy: CC Café, Art Class, Card Club, Ping Pong, Tai Chi, Zumba Gold, Low Impact Exercise Classes, Dance Club, and a Hula Dance. Become a Member for \$20.00, your membership gives you access to over 30 classes and programs at a discounted rate.

- Had over 410 participants for classes and programs
- \$434 in revenue for this week

## **WEEKLY POLICE REPORT – Week ending August 22, 2013**

**Warrant Arrest:** On August 15, 2013, at 8:16am, an officer responded to Napa County Detention Facility to take custody of Madelyn Torres regarding a no-bail warrant for failure to appear (felony theft of vehicle arrest made by this agency H13-4756). Torres was picked up and transported to Martinez Detention Facility.

**Traffic Collision:** On August 15, 2013, at 9:45am, an officer was dispatched to a parking lot in the 1500 block of Sycamore Avenue for a report of a traffic collision. The involved vehicles had minor damage and no injuries were reported. A courtesy report was taken.

**Vandalism:** On August 15, 2013, at 10:59am, an officer was dispatched to the 1600 block of Pheasant for a report of windows removed from the business. The reporting party said that sometime between 6:15pm on 8/14/13 and 9:45am today, an unknown suspect(s) removed two windowpanes from the front of two vacant classrooms. There was no evidence to determine if the suspect(s) gained entry into the buildings.

**Traffic Collision:** On August 16, 2013, at 7:35am, an officer responded to the 1100 block of Railroad for a vehicle into a garage collision. The driver accidently drove her 2004 Honda SRV into the garage causing minor damage. No injuries were reported. The Honda had to be towed from the scene. A courtesy report was taken.

**Commercial Burglary:** On August 15, 2013, at 1:27pm an officer responded to a business in the 1500 block Sycamore Avenue for a theft suspect who was being detained. The officer contacted the store employee, who was with the detained subject in the manager's office. The employee told the officer he caught 22 year old Svas Yerocosta, of Hercules, stealing a bottle of alcohol. When he detained Yerocosta, he admitted going into the store for the sole purpose of stealing alcohol so he can get drunk. Yerocosta also told the officer that he went to the business to steal a bottle of alcohol because he has a drinking problem. Yerocosta was arrested for Burglary and transported to Martinez Detention Facility.

**Unlawful Sexual Intercourse with a minor** On August 16, 2013 at 9:37 p.m. an Officer contacted two subjects in a suspicious car in the parking lot of Hanna Ranch School. It was determined that 24 year old Brandon Christopher Smith of San Francisco had met the female juvenile via an online dating site. The two agreed to meet at the school for the first time and they had sexual intercourse. Smith stated that he believed that the female was 18 years of age and said they did not have sex. The female advised Officers that she was 17 years of age and that the two in fact did have intercourse. Evidence was located inside the vehicle. Smith was placed under arrest and transported to Martinez Detention Facility after an attempted interview.

**Traffic Collision:** On August 17, 2013, at, 11:43am, a citizen came to the Police Department lobby to report damage to one of the benches at the bus stop on San Pablo Ave and Linus Pauling. It appeared an unknown vehicle crashed into the bench, obliterating it and leaving the scene. The time frame is unknown.

**Mental Health Evaluation:** On August 17, 2013 6:57 pm Hercules Officers were dispatched to the 300 block of Lilac Circle for a 17 year old female who had intentionally overdosed on pills. Upon arrival the female was determined to meet the requirements for a mental health evaluation. She was transported by ambulance to the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center.

**Warrant Arrest:** On August 17, 2013 at 7:34 pm an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle at 4000 San Pablo Avenue. During the traffic stop the passenger 40 year old Rhonda Anne Walker of Hercules was found to have a No Bail Arrest Warrant. Walker was arrested and transported to Martinez Detention Facility.

**Property Taken for Safekeeping:** On August 17, 2013 at 11:21 pm an officer contacted 48 year old Patricia Smith of Hayward and 40 year old Maurice Ridley of Hayward sleeping in their vehicle in the 3600 block of San Pablo Avenue. Ridley was found to be on probation and during a search of the vehicle identification cards, not belonging to the occupants, were located in the glove box. The IDs were taken for safekeeping until the status from the owners could be determined.

**Vehicle Theft:** On August 18, 2013 at 6:30 am the victim from the 200 block of Cinnabar called and reported her black 06 Dodge Charger LP# 5VCM645 was stolen. The victim told the officer she left her car unlocked with the keys in the center console. She said the car was stolen between 5:15 AM on 8/17/13 and 3:00 AM on 8/18/13. At 9:03 a.m. a citizen reported seeing Dodge Charger (5VCM645) on the hillside between Turquoise and the Ohlone Dog Park. It was determined the car was traveling south bound on Turquoise when it left the roadway. The car was unlocked and the keys were missing. An officer contacted the car owner's daughter who said she was driving the car home last night at 3:00 a.m. when she lost control and crashed into the ravine. She said she walked home and went to bed, without telling her mother. At 6:30 p.m. an officer interviewed the car owner, and admitted to knowing her car was not stolen when she reported it stolen. A case was taken for filing the false police report.

**Drunk in Public:** An officer made a pedestrian stop on 30 year old Tedros Yohannes, of Hercules. Yohannes was standing at the side of a business in the 1500 block of Sycamore Avenue. When the officer drove into the parking lot, Yohannes threw a white cup into the garbage. While

the officer spoke to Yohannes he could smell a strong odor of alcohol coming from Yohannes. A half empty bottle of Vodka was found in Yohannes' jacket. The discarded white cup had beer in it. Yohannes was determined to be intoxicated in public and he was transported to Martinez Detention Facility.

**Fraudulent Check:** On August 19, 2013, at 7:48 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a business in the 1500 block of Sycamore Avenue for fraudulent check that had been used. The suspect, 28 year old Jessica Adams of San Francisco was gone on arrival. A fraudulent check was passed at the business a couple weeks ago by the same suspect.

**Hit and Run Collision:** On August 19, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. an officer was dispatched to Titan Way for a hit and run collision report. The victim said that his 2006 Toyota PU (PUP 210) was parked on Titan when it was struck by another unknown vehicle during the night. No info regarding suspect vehicle had been located. A case was taken for investigation.

**Miscellaneous Investigation (Medical):** On August 19, 2013 at 7:55 pm Hercules Officers were dispatched Turquoise at upper Crystal for a man down on the street. Upon arrival officers found an 18 year Rodeo resident had crashed while down hilling on his skateboard (est. speed 30 MPH). Paramedics arrived and transported the male to John Muir's Concord Campus. The roadway on Turquoise was free of any defects in the area where he crashed. His speed surpassed his ability as witnesses stated he achieved a high speed wobble before crashing.

**Evading Police, Possess Stolen Property, Possess Loaded Firearm, Possess Controlled Substance:** On August 19, 2013 at 11:14 p.m. an officer attempted to make a traffic stop on a Nissan Pathfinder (LP# 4MAR737) in the 600 block of Parker. The Pathfinder drove into the lot and slowly drove through the lot and out onto 7<sup>th</sup> street. The Pathfinder occupied by a lone male adult accelerated onto Vaqueros. A vehicle pursuit was initiated until the driver fled from the vehicle, on foot at the dead end of Vallejo Avenue, towards the Rodeo projects. Units completed a search for the suspect assisted by a Martinez K-9 with negative results. Inside the vehicle John Ameer Hampton's cell phone and bail bond paperwork was located. The vehicle contained 2 grams of Methamphetamine, a Llama 9 mm handgun, and marijuana. The vehicle was towed by Freeman's Tow. Hampton is currently on Probation for being a felon in possession of a firearm. The car was determined to have been stolen from Oakland.

**Possession of Controlled Substance:** On August 21, 2013 at 3:32 a.m. an officer conducted an enforcement stop in the 600 block of Parker Avenue. The driver, 35 year old Angela Hollinsheadkitchens of Rodeo was found to be driving on a suspended license. During an inventory search of the vehicle methamphetamine was located in her purse. Hollinsheadkitchens was arrested and transported to Martinez Detention Facility. Her Chevy was towed by Freeman's Tow.

**False Identification to Police Officer:** On August 21, 2013 at, 3:17pm, officers were dispatched to a business in the 1600 block of Sycamore Avenue for a report of an in-progress theft. While on scene, the caller told dispatch that the suspect had abandoned a cart loaded with merchandise and left the store. An officer stopped a vehicle he thought was associated with the incident. The driver, 19 year old Keondre Lemahl Napoleon, of Rodeo, initially gave the officer a different name.

Keondre matched the description of the subject at Home Depot. Keondre also had a suspended driver's license. Keondre was transported to HPD for booking before being cited and released. The vehicle he was driving was towed by S&S Towing.

**Found Property:** On August 21, 2013, at 12:45 p.m., a resident from the 100 block of Overlook Terrace reported finding a bike near her residence. The bike was logged into safekeeping.

**Found Property:** On August 21, 2013 at, 5:45 p.m., a citizen turned in a handicap placard he found near Refugio Valley Park. The owner of the placard was contacted and arrangements were made for her to retrieve her property.

**Outside Assist/Possible Child Abuse** On August 21, 2013 at 6:04 p.m. a Hercules resident came to HPD to report possible physical abuse to her 7 year old daughter. The victim was visiting her father in Las Vegas, NV when a 17 year old cousin from Mississippi assaulted her. Information will be forwarded to LVPD for investigation.

**Grand Theft:** On August 21, 2013 at 7:46 p.m. an online report was submitted for theft from a vehicle. A resident from the 100 block of Cardoza reported that she parked her vehicle in front of her residence on 08-21-13 at approximately 7:37 p.m. When she returned to her vehicle a few minutes later, she realized that her bag which contained an Apple Mac Book Pro and some computer software was missing. There were no signs of force and no suspect information. The total loss was \$1958.00 and the serial number to the Mac Book was entered into APS.

**Marijuana Cultivation:** On August 22, 2013 1:33pm, officers were dispatched to the 600 block of Turquoise Dr regarding possible marijuana grow house. The property management team was on scene to conduct an inspection. When the locksmith gain entry into the home, the property managers discovered the house was filled with over 700 marijuana plants. No suspect(s) were located inside the residence. The case is under investigation.