

City Manager's Bi-Weekly Report December 13, 2019

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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Happy Holidays

We hope that the Hercules community has a Happy Holiday Season! City Hall will be closed from Monday, December 23rd and will reopen on Monday, January 6th due to our holiday furlough. Essential services continue to be provided by our Police and Public Works staffers throughout the holiday period. The next Bi-Weekly Report will also not be until Thursday, January 9th.

Breakfast with Santa

Breakfast with Santa is coming to the Community Swim Center this Saturday, December 14. Bring your family, and join us for Breakfast. Get your photo with Santa and avoid the lines at the mall. Activities will include arts & crafts, face painting and more! Breakfast will be served between 8:30-10:30 a.m. It's not too late to purchase tickets. To get your tickets go to the Senior Center or the Community Swim Center. Admission for ages 2 & under is FREE. Children 3-10 is \$5. Ages 11 and up is \$10, or you can purchase a group of 4 for \$25. For more information, call (510) 799-8291.



Hercules Community Library Foundation and Hercules Library Receives \$3,000 Grant

On Thursday December 5th a check for \$3,000 was presented to the Hercules Library Foundation at the Hercules Lucky store. The money will help fund the library's storycone transformation. Thank you to Save Mart for supporting the Hercules Community!



City Council Reorganization

On Tuesday this week the City Council undertook their annual reorganization. Vice Mayor Roland Esquivias was elected to serve as Mayor for the next year with Council Member Chris Kelley becoming the Vice Mayor.

Infrastructure Work

As we head into winter, the City is busy on a number of infrastructure upgrades/repairs. Replacement of failing hollow-core wooden streetlights in the Refugio Heights and Hercules by the Bay neighborhoods continues; a major tree removal and trimming effort is underway along San Pablo Avenue between Tsushima and Hercules Avenue; repair of failing concrete seals around manholes on Refugio Valley Road is underway; and, in advance of each storm front, our City crews focus on ensuring that catch-basins and storm drains are clear. As a reminder, you can also access sand bag making materials in the Civic Center and Community Center parking lots.

Bayside Neighborhood Assessment Savings

The City successfully completed a refinancing of existing assessment district bonds which are repaid by residents of the Bayside neighborhood through annual assessments which appear on their property tax bill. The bonds proceeds were used to finance public improvements which allowed the development of the Bayside neighborhood. The City and its finance team identified that a refinancing would be beneficial and we recently closed on the bond refinancing reducing the interest rates on the bonds to 2.27% from between 4.95% to 5.15%. As a result of the refinancing, 335 residential properties within the Bayside neighborhood will save a range of approximately \$150 to \$195 per residential parcel annually from 2021 through 2035. This will be effective beginning on with the December 2020 property tax bill.

Promenade Neighborhood Parking Discussion

On Wednesday, January 22nd at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, the City Council's Public Safety & Traffic Committee will be having a meeting to which residents in the Promenade neighborhood are invited to discuss the recent parking survey and possible parking solutions for the neighborhood. Please mark your calendar to attend and bring your ideas and join in the discussion which will also focus on a possible Preferential Parking District.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Hercules Commission Vacancies

The Hercules City Council is currently recruiting residents for appointment to the Planning Commission and the Community and Library Services Commission. Applicants must be residents of the City of Hercules, 18 years of age or older and registered to vote with the exception of the Student Commissioner which must be a high school student and a resident of Hercules. The vacancies are open until filled. Contact Lori Martin, City Clerk, at 510.799.8215 or at lmartin@ci.hercules.ca.us for additional information.

Applications are completed through the City's website at: <https://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/government/commissions-committees>.

Planning Commission – One (1) Vacancy with a term ending December 2021

The Planning Commission meets the first and third Mondays of every month at 7 p.m. The Commission is advisory to the Council and has statutory duties imposed by State law. The Commission:

- Performs all functions assigned to it by the zoning and design review ordinances of the City.
- Reviews and makes recommendations to the Council on the general plan, specific neighborhood plans, tentative subdivision maps, environmental impact reports, and planned unit developments.
- Reviews the capital improvements program and makes recommendations to the Council.
- Provides design review of proposed buildings and other construction projects and reviews landscape plans.
- Grants use permits and variances.

Community & Library Services Commission – One (1) Student Commissioner with a term ending December 2021.

The Community and Library Services Commission meets on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Hercules City Council Chambers located at 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547. The Commission is advisory to the Council and has the following duties:

- Develop plans and recommendations for parks, playgrounds, recreational facilities, and use of community buildings.
- Work with the Parks and Recreation Department on the development and evaluation of recreation programs and community activities/events.
- Provide assistance and support in the planning and operation of City sponsored community events.
- In cooperation and consultation with the Parks and Recreation Department, make recommendations to the City Council with respect to priorities for recreation, library, and community services expenditures in the City's capital improvement program.
- Review and comment on the annual operating and capital improvement budgets for the Parks and Recreation Department.
- Make recommendations with respect to community service needs such as child care, youth summer employment, senior activities/programs, and recreational programs.
- Review and make recommendations with respect to fees for the use of parks, playgrounds, recreational facilities, and community buildings.
- Advise on matters of policy and public interest related to the management, use and preservation of library facilities and property.
- Render such other specific services as are consistent with the role of an advisory board on the library system, to include recommendations and advice to the county librarian on matters related to the Hercules library.
- The Commission member serving as the City's Area Representative to the Contra Costa County Library Commission shall routinely report to the entire Community and Library Services Commission on actions taken at the Contra Costa Library Commission meetings.

- Review and make recommendations regarding the Arts in Public Places Program and exhibits at the Hercules Public Library.
- Oversee the Heritage Memorial Garden Plaque Program which is designed to recognize Hercules residents or civic leaders and enhance the historical aspect of the garden.
- Oversee the Library Art Exhibition Program which is designed to review art pieces submitted by participants of the program to be allowed to display their art pieces at the Hercules Public Library.
- Such other duties relating to recreation activities and community and library service needs as may be directed by the City Council.

Human Resources

For a current listing of employment opportunities at the City of Hercules go to: [Hercules Employment Opportunities](#).

City Meeting Schedules

City Council Meetings

The Hercules City Council meets regularly on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month.

**Please Note that for the month of November and December the City Council will meet on the 2nd Tuesday only. The 4th Tuesday in November and December have been cancelled.

Community and Library Services Commission Meetings

The Hercules Library and Community Services Commission meets regularly on the 2nd Monday of the month.

Finance Commission Meetings – New Meeting Schedule starting in June 2019

The Hercules Finance Commission will meet regularly every other month on the 3rd Wednesday's starting in June 2019. The Finance Commission June – December 2019 meetings will be held on July 17th, September 18th, and November 20th.

Planning Commission Meetings

The Hercules Planning Commission meets regularly on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

To view live broadcasts of Hercules City Council and Planning Commission meetings tune in to Hercules Government Channel 28 on Comcast Cable.

To view City Council and Planning Commission meeting videos online go to: [Hercules Meeting Videos](#).

Viewing of **LIVE** City of Hercules City Council and City Commission meetings can be done by performing the following:

1. Browse to the City of Hercules website at: www.ci.hercules.ca.us
2. Click the “**I Want To**” menu.
3. Click the “**View City of Hercules committee meetings**” link.

4. Locate the desired meeting and date.
5. Click the associated “**Video**” link (Video status is as follows):
 - **Video** = Video is available for on demand viewing.
 - **In Progress** = Video is available for viewing during live recording.
 - **Not Available** = Video is either unavailable or has not been recorded.

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2020 City of Hercules Meeting Schedule						
January						
1: New Year's Day						
20: Martin Luther King Day						
February						
17: Presidents Day						
May						
25: Memorial Day						
July						
4: Independence Day						
September						
7: Labor Day						
November						
11: Veterans' Day						
26: Thanksgiving						
December						
25: Christmas Day						
City Offices are open Monday-Thursday. Dates noted in red are dates offices are closed.						
Regular City Meetings						
City Council						
Community & Library Services Commission						
Finance Commission						
Planning Commission						

CCTV Meeting Broadcast Replay

Broadcasting of the Hercules City Council meetings and Planning Commission meetings has resumed on Hercules Cable television (HCTV) Channel 28. The following is the Contra Costa Television (CCCTV) Broadcast replay schedule of Hercules City Council and Planning Commission meeting videos.

City Council Meeting

Meetings will replay on the following dates & times after the live meeting broadcast:

- Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Meetings will replay on the following dates & times after the live meeting broadcast:

- Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building Inspection Division

	Nov 11 thru Dec 6, 2019	FY 2019/20 YTD
Number of the permits issued:	56	347
Total Fees Collected:	\$24,432.45	\$176,680.83
Number of Inspections:	34	348
New Housing:	0	0

Planning Division

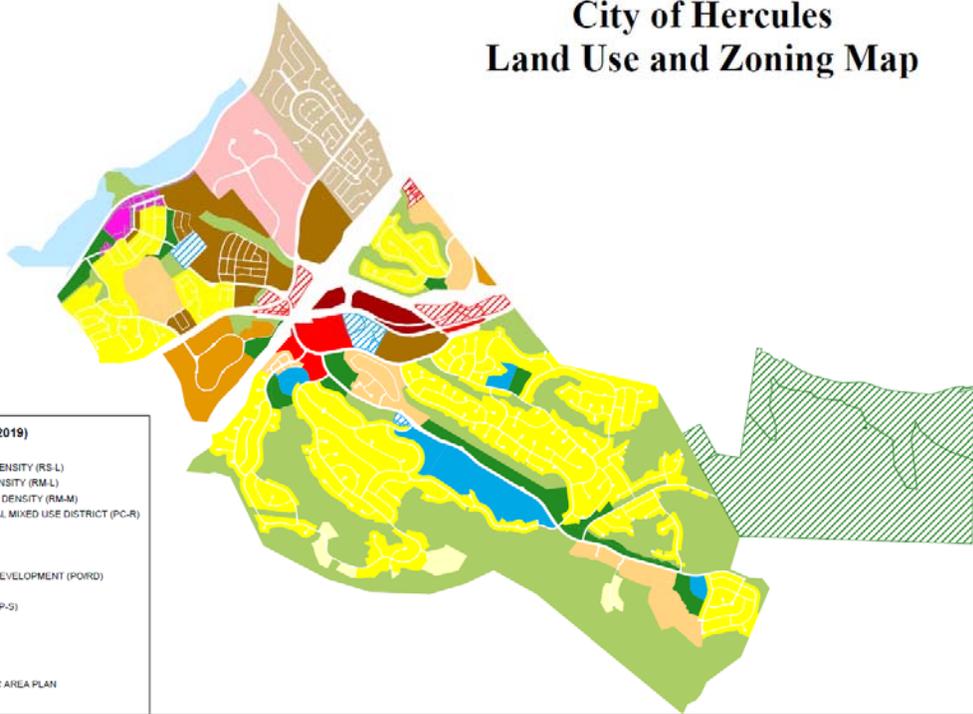
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-57, a request to operate a home-based business baking cookies at 1972 Shasta Lane
- Approved Design Review Permit ADRP#19-59, a request to construct a 681 square foot addition with 80 square foot deck at 115 Onyx Court
- Approved Design Review Permit ADRP#19-60, a request to construct signage “ Naan Stop Kabob” at 1511 Sycamore Avenue, Suite K
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-61, a request to operate a home-based business baking breads at 121 Lilac Circle
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-62, a request to operate eyebrow threading business and signage “ Eyebrow Place” at 844 Willow Ave#A4
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-63, a request to operate a home-based business Providing interpretation services to hospitals at 1054 Baywood Lane

Hercules Land Use & Zoning Map No Available on the City’s Webpage

The City of Hercules now has a clean and clear copy of the City’s Land Use and Zoning Map up on its City webpage at <https://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/home/showdocument?id=193>. Having this available on the webpage should help property owners know the Land Use and Zoning for their property in most cases. Finding out what is allowed in each of the Districts can be found within the City’s Zoning Code which is now codified into the Hercules Municipal in Title 13, Sections 13-6 through 13-18 which can be found at this link <https://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Hercules/#!/Hercules13/Hercules13.html>.

City of Hercules Land Use and Zoning Map

- Hercules Land Use and Zoning (2019)**
- SINGLE FAMILY ESTATE (RS-E)
 - RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY LOW DENSITY (RS-L)
 - RESIDENTIAL MULTI FAMILY LOW DENSITY (RM-L)
 - RESIDENTIAL MULTI FAMILY MEDIUM DENSITY (RM-M)
 - PLANNED COMMERCIAL RESIDENTIAL MIXED USE DISTRICT (PC-R)
 - NEW TOWN CENTER (NTC)
 - COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC)
 - GENERAL COMMERCIAL (GC) (CC)
 - PLANNED OFFICE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (PORD)
 - PUBLIC CITY (PIQP-C)
 - PUBLIC/QUASI-PUBLIC SCHOOL (PIQP-S)
 - PUBLIC PARK (PIQP-P)
 - PUBLIC OPEN SPACE (PIQP-O)
 - FRANKLIN CANYON AREA
 - HISTORIC TOWN CENTER (HTC)
 - NEW PACIFIC PROPERTIES SPECIFIC AREA PLAN
 - WATERFRONT COMMERCIAL (WC)



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



New Tree Being Installed for Business Park Landscaping Enhancement Project

Maintenance & Operations

Staff completed their regularly scheduled custodial and facility-related tasks in public parks and buildings. At this time the Street Sign Replacement Project is approximately 90% completed and the remaining signs have been received and are being stored at the Maintenance Yard. Public Works is working with BioRad to replace median island trees in the Business Park. A total of 72 new trees are being installed. Staff is moving forward with replacing 160 streetlights in Lighting and Landscaping District 83-2, Zones 1 “Hercules by the Bay” and Zone 7 “Height.” Tree trimming is underway on San Pablo between Hercules Avenue and Tsushima Avenue. A contract has been executed to install the awning at the Corp Yard and that work is being scheduled. Manhole concrete collars are being replaced on Refugio Valley Road.

Engineering

The \$52M Pinole-Hercules Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project achieved substantial completion as of October 1, with an anticipated final completion date by the end of the year. While overall the project is proceeding smoothly, power and gas services provided by PG&E were delayed. The cost impact of this delay is being assessed. The design plans are under final review for the public improvements for the future Safeway, located at the southeast corner of San Pablo and Sycamore Avenue. The utility plan was issued and underground work has been completed. The installation of the public improvements for the Bayfront Project are underway for Blocks Q&R and the plans are under review for Blocks M, O, & P. The design plans are also under review for the Willow Center, Sycamore Crossing, and the Hilltown projects. Design is underway for the mile long segment of sewer trunk main leading into the Pinole-Hercules Water Pollution Control Plant, computer flow modeling continues for the City’s backbone sewer system, as is the financial study for the sewer fund. The Willow/Palm sidewalk project and Lake Refugio Dredging project are under design and staff continues to assist the Engie Company with the design of potential energy saving facilities such as solar arrays and light retrofits on City buildings and land. The 90% review for the pedestrian enhancement projects at Sycamore/Civic and San Pablo/Sycamore was completed.

Permits

Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

- Number of application received: 6
- Sewer Lateral Inspection Fees Collected: \$774
- Number of Certifications issued: 4
- Number of Deficiency Notices issued: 3

Wide Load/Transportation Permits Issued: 1

Encroachment Permits Issued: 5

PARKS AND RECREATION



The City of Hercules Parks & Recreation Department offers a wide variety of classes and programs that help promote a healthy lifestyle, provide recreational experiences that are fun for all ages and help to build a strong sense of community pride. For additional info, visit our website at [Parks & Recreation](#) or [register online](#) for a class or program today!

Special Events

Tree Lighting

The Holiday Tree Lighting event was a big success. The event was held December 1, at the Community Swim Center, and despite the rain and sharing the spotlight with the Thanksgiving holiday, the event went off without a hitch. There were approximately 450 participants including Santa and Mrs. Claus. The event included the youth choir from Valley Bible leading everyone in holiday caroling, followed by cookie and ornament decorating, FREE hot chocolate/coffee from Starbucks, selfie opportunities, and loads of holiday cheer from the City and Nonprofit groups.



Aquatics

Lap Swim/Water Walking

Did you know...swimming is one of the best full-body workouts available? Whether you lap swim or water walk, come get your workout in at the Hercules Community Swim Center. Our regular winter schedule is M-F from 6-8pm. All swimmers must be at least 14 years old to participate.

PLEASE NOTE: Lap swimming will be closed December 23 - January 3. Regular hours will resume on January 6.

Swim Team

The East Bay Silver Dolphins (EBSA) Swim Team practices year round. All swimmers must be able to swim 25 yards unassisted prior to joining the swim team. All swimmers must be between the ages of 5-18. EBSA is a USA Swim program, and participates in USA Swim Meets throughout the year. For more information, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (510) 799-8291, and get involved today.

Fee Classes

Baking Round the World

Enjoy breads, cookies, cakes, cupcakes, buns, muffins, brownies and more? Enjoy it with an international spin! Our baking will span the world. Each country has its own flavors, spices and baking crafts. Children will hear about the global origins of what they make, learn to be discerning about tastes, and lick their fingers from the deliciousness! Classes are held on Wednesdays and start January 8th. Sign up now as space is limited! *\$40 Material fee due to instructor on first day of class.



***NEW* - Art with Kiki – Winter Wonderland**

In this fun art class you will experiment with clay, make puppets and other art projects. All projects go home the last day of class, after our finger food pot luck celebration, mini art show and puppet parade. Parents and family are invited to the last day of class, April 1st at 2:30pm to enjoy all of the fun! This class is new to the city and is sure to be amazing! Sign up in person, over the phone or online at www.herculesrec.com.

Kidz Programs

Tiny Tots

Tiny Tots is our Preschool program here in Hercules. There are several programs, including a Little Learners class, Multi-age and Pre-Kinder. Green is the color of the month. The theme for December is Around the World. The theme presents an opportunity to see how other countries celebrate the holidays around the world. The classes explore through cooking projects and stories from different countries. December 19 and 20 the Preschool classes will celebrate with a singing program and pot-luck in each classroom.

Kaleidoscope Kidz

All 3 Kidz Centers (Hanna Ranch, Lupine and Ohlone)

Holidays Around World is the theme for RAP. The school-age children are busy getting ready for the holidays by making gifts for their families and busy with homework/science projects. The

RAP afterschool program will be closed December 23, to January 3, for Winter break. This is following the school calendar.



Seniors

Breakfast with Santa

Friends of the Hercules Senior Center are finalizing their preparations for the Breakfast with Santa event. Breakfast with Santa will be held this Saturday, December 14 at the Community Swim Center. Pick up your tickets for you and your family today and join us for Breakfast. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (510) 799-8291.

Holiday Luncheon

On Friday, December 20, we will be hosting a Holiday Luncheon fundraising event from 11:30am to 2:00pm. Tickets are \$6.00, and includes lunch provided by the C.C. Café and entertainment by our hula and line dance class. We will have lots of raffle prizes, music, & more! Reserve your seat at least one day in advance by calling 510-799-8219. We hope to see you there.

Extended Trips

Looking for a great trip, or gift for your parents or family members? Look no further! The City of Hercules has once again partnered with Premier World Discovery to offer extended trips around the county. There are 5 amazing trips scheduled that are sure to appeal to everyone. All trips include round trip airfare, baggage handling, a tour director and more. Advanced registration is required for all trips, so be sure to register early to save your spot.

Here are the trips we have scheduled for 2020

- 6-day Great Trains and Grand Canyons – 4/19 to 4/25/20
- 7-day Iceland Explorer – 6/20 to 6/26/20
- 7-day Canadian Rockies & Glacier National Park – 7/28 to 8/4/20
- 6-day Philadelphia, Amish Country & the Brandywine Valley – 10/4 to 10/10/20
- 6-day Music Cities – 12/4 to 12/10/20

To register for any of these great programs, or for more information, please contact us at (510) 799-8291, or visit us online at www.herculesrec.com.

Volunteer at the Senior Center

The Hercules Senior Center is looking for volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, or to simply find out more information about upcoming volunteer opportunities, please contact Kristina Griffith at 799-8219.

Sports

Basketball League (AOSL)

AOSL will be holding their Jr. Bantam Basketball League for ages 10-13 beginning the week of January 13. Player evaluations will be held at the Hercules Community Center Monday, January 6, 2020, from 6-7pm. This league offers (1) practice a week and (1) game a week which will be played on Saturday mornings. Registration is currently available for this league. Registration can be handled online at www.herculesrec.com or at the Community Swim Center. For more information, please contact (510) 799-8291.

X-Fit

X-Fit Training will begin the new year in style with a Boot Camp for adults and a Lil' Ninja training for youth. You may sign up for a monthly pass that can be used for either sessions. The monthly pass can be purchased by 5, 10, or unlimited sessions. The next session of X-Fit Training will begin on January 6, 2020! Registration is available online at www.herculesrec.com.

Skyhawks Sports

To begin 2020, Skyhawks Sports will be offering their popular tot sports programs such as Mommy/Daddy & Me Tot Sports, Tot Sports, Mini-Hawk Sports, and Full Court Basketball. A great way to keep your young athletes learning while having fun! To register, please visit our website at www.herculesrec.com.

Hoop Never Stops Academy (HNSA)

Coach Marcus will be training your young ballers with his popular basketball skills clinics to begin the New Year! HNSA will be offering two sessions of the basic skills clinics and an intermediate/advanced session for the more seasoned players. Space is limited. Register today at www.herculesrec.com.

Teens

Teen Afterschool Program:

T.H.E. S.P.O.T. after school program is the place to be after school to hang out with your friends, play group games, video games, receive homework help, and so much more! T.H.E. S.P.O.T provides a fun and safe environment for teens to be with their peers and engage in enrichment activities such as cooking/baking, arts and crafts, and team building. Space is still available for this amazing after school program. For more information, please contact (510) 799-8289.

Staff-in-Training:

This is the 2nd year of our Junior Staff in Training (JSIT) program. JSIT is designed to mentor teens to prepare them for their first job opportunities. Participants will learn how to go through an interview process, demonstrate professionalism, understand what customer service is, and so much

more! They will gain experience by working with our energetic teen staff in T.H.E. S.P.O.T. after-school program and assisting them with coordinating group games, assisting with homework and a mentor for our middle school participants. This program is for ages 14-18. Space is still available. For more information, please contact (510) 799-8289.

HERCULES PUBLIC LIBRARY

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COMING SOON: A BRAND NEW WEBSITE AND CATALOG



The new website will be here soon! The new website features a sleek, modern design, simple navigation and is mobile responsive. The new user-friendly catalog makes it easier to search the Library's collections and also gives users the ability to create reading lists, rate books and find reading recommendations from others. The Library's current website and catalog will remain active until the new platform is launched on December 16th.

**Check out 10 items get a bag!
One per family while supplies last.**



All Contra Costa County Libraries will be closed on Tuesday December 24th and Wednesday December 25th for the Christmas Holiday.

All Contra Costa County Libraries will close at 5pm on Tuesday December 31st for New Year's Eve

Follow us on Facebook: [Hercules Public Library](#)

Follow us on Instagram: [herculeslibraryccclib](#)

For more information, please visit us online at <https://ccclib.org/locations/hercules.html>.

Highlighted Programs

Monday December 16th, 6:30pm

Uke and Me @the Library

Slow down and enjoy the sounds of the islands as you learn to make beautiful music at the library. With monthly teacher-led ukulele classes you will be a master in no time. Bring your own ukulele or use one provided by the library. A limited number of instruments will be available to take home, registration required to reserve a provided ukulele.

Tuesday December 17th, 6:00pm

Traditional Folk Songs of the Winter Holidays

Enjoy this sing-a-long program of traditional holiday folk songs, from a bygone American English-speaking folk tradition. Well known, (and not-so-well known) traditional folk songs and carols for New Year's, Hanukkah, Christmas, and the Winter Solstice.

Tuesday December 17th, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Census Job Opportunities

Census staff will be in the library to answer your questions about Census job opportunities and their hiring process.

Wednesdays December 18th 10-11:30am

Computer Basics

Come to the Hercules Library for help with basic computer skills. The first hour will be skills taught in a group setting, followed by an opportunity to practice skills and get additional help from our instructor.

Wednesdays December 18th 3-5pm

Drop in Homework Help

Teen volunteers help kids in grad K-5 with their homework.

Tuesday December 31st, 1:00pm
Noon(ish) Year's Eve Celebration

Join the Hercules Library for a special Noon(ish) Year's Eve Celebration to welcome 2020. Starting at 1 pm there will be fun crafts and activities all leading to a balloon drop at 2 pm. End of the year fun the whole family can stay awake for.

Storytimes at the Library

Tuesdays 6:30pm – Family Storytime

Thursdays 10:15am – Baby Lapsit Storytime

Thursdays 11:00am – Toddler and Preschool Storytime

There's a storytime for every age at the Hercules Library. Age appropriate stories, songs, felt board stories, finger plays and engaging activities. Programs are ongoing every week.

HERCULES POLICE DEPARTMENT

THE FOLLOWING CASES ONLY REFLECT A PARTIAL LIST OF ACTUAL CASES TAKEN. CALLS FOR SERVICE NOT GENERATING WRITTEN REPORTS ARE NOT USUALLY LISTED.

Auto Burglary: On November 25, 2019, at approximately 8:32 am, an Officer was dispatched to 2093 Railroad Avenue for the report of an auto burglary. Sometime between November 23, at approximately 5:00 pm, and November 24, at approximately 4:00 pm, an unknown suspect broke the rear passenger window of a 2015, Toyota Rav4 parked on the street near the front of the residence. The suspect stole a FastTrak transponder and an iPhone charger from inside the vehicle.

Found Property: On November 25, 2019, at approximately 8:32 am, a resident turned in a cell phone at HPD, which was found on Village Parkway near Devonwood, in the street on November 24, at approximately 4:00 pm. The cell phone is a black Samsung Galaxy and the screen was shattered. The phone was booked into safekeeping at HPD.

Collision: On November 25, 2019, at approximately 8:33 am, HPD Officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of Partridge Drive for a roll over collision. Officers located a 2018 Toyota Highlander, in the middle of the road, rolled over on the driver's side. The occupants were not injured, and were able to climb out of the rear of the vehicle. The driver of the Toyota was driving east on Partridge Drive and the sun got in his eyes. He struck a parked, 2017 Honda, which was parked facing east along the south curb of Partridge. There were no injuries for either occupant of the Toyota, and both vehicles were towed.

Prisoner Pick-Up: On November 25, 2019, an Officer drove to Santa Rita Jail to pick up 50 year old female who was being held on a Hercules warrant. The subject was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Domestic Violence: On November 26, 2019 at approximately 12:13am Officers were dispatched

to the Willow Glen Apartments located in the 1200 block of Willow Ave. for a report of a domestic disturbance. The female victim stated her 30 year boyfriend had punched her in the face and left the residence. Officers observed minor bruising the right side of the victim's face. A case was taken and an Emergency Protective Order was issued.

Residential Burglary: On November 26, 2019, at approximately 11:25 am, HPD Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Rock Harbor for a possible residential burglary in progress. The resident said someone was attempting to enter her home. The resident had left the house, and was outside with a neighbor. Officers arrived, and cleared the residence. The downstairs window on the south side of the residence was open, and the blinds were pushed to the side. There was no apparent loss at the residence, most likely due to the resident screaming and running around the house.

Shoplifting: On November 26, 2019, at approximately 12:58 pm, an Officer was dispatched to Home Depot for a shoplifting suspect in custody. Officers arrived and contacted, a 60 year old male in the loss prevention office. The male attempted to steal over \$600 worth of merchandise, from Home Depot, and was detained by loss prevention. The subject was issued a citation, and released.

Domestic Battery: On November 26, 2019, at approximately 1:00 pm, HPD Officers were dispatched to the 1300 block of Sycamore Avenue for the report of a physical altercation. Officers contacted a 33 year old female, and her 8 year old daughter. In front of the apartment complex. The female claimed she was struck by the 40 year old father of her child. The incident occurred during the exchange of their child. The father left the scene and reportedly went back into the apartment. The witness account indicated both parties were hitting each other. Officers attempted to contact the male, by phone, but there was no answer. A case was taken

Warrant Arrest: On November 26, 2019, at approximately 1:28 pm, an Officer stopped a 2000 Chrysler, on Willow Avenue under highway 80 for an equipment violation. A 34 year old female occupant, of the vehicle, had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. She was arrested and transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Domestic Battery: On November 27, 2019, at approximately 8:10 am, HPD Officers were dispatched to Jack in the Box for a male and female fighting. Officers contacted a 26 year old male and a 29 year old male, in front of Jack in the Box. Both parties said nothing physical happened; however, an independent witness said the subjects were physically fighting. Both parties had injuries. The male was determined to be the dominant aggressor, and was arrested. The female did not want to press charges, and did not want an Emergency Protective Order. The male was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Court Order Violation: On November 27, 2019, at approximately 10:01 am, an Officer was dispatched to 100 Watermark Terrace for a court order violation. The Officer contacted a 66 year old female, who stated another female had contacted her in violation of a court order. The reporting party provided the court order which stated the other person was not to contact the reporting party directly or indirectly.

Medical Assist: On November 28, 2019 at approximately 7:42 pm, Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Lilac Cir. To assist fire with a report of three unconscious subjects in the front yard. Officers, along with RHFD, located three unresponsive male subjects (45, 27, and 26) laying in the driveway of the residence. All of the subjects appeared to be suffering from a drug overdose. Officers, and fire personal, began administering first aid and doses of Narcan to each of the subjects. After a short while all three subjects began showing signs of consciousness, and were transported to local hospitals.

Resisting or Delaying a Peace Officer: On November 29, 2019 at approximately 11:35pm, Officers were dispatched to Lucky Market, located at 1590 Sycamore Ave, for a report of a theft in progress. The reporting party stated six male suspects had stolen alcohol and were last seen towards Refugio Valley Rd. Officers located four suspects, running up Pheasant Dr., matching description provided. Three of subjects were 17; 15; and 14 year old juvenile males. During the contact the 14 year old began pulling away and resisting. He was eventually detained and placed under arrest for Resisting and Delaying. The theft was unable to be confirmed and the stolen property was not located. All subjects were released to parents and The 14 year old was cite released to a guardian.

Petty Theft: On November 30, 2019, at 12:10 p.m., a citizen from the 300 block of Shipwatch Lane called to report a theft of a package from her front porch. The incident occurred on November 29, 2019 at 4:10 p.m. The citizen checked the front porch on November 29, 2019 at 5:10 p.m., and the packages were gone.

Driving Under the Influence/Collision: On November 30, 2019 at approximately 9:18pm Officers were dispatched to the area of John Muir Parkway at Alfred Nobel Dr. for a report of a hit and run collision. The reporting party stated a grey Dodge Challenger hit a tree and continued driving down John Muir Parkway. Officers found a tree located at the intersection on John Muir Parkway; and what appeared to be a sheared off EBMUD water valve. Officers located the disabled vehicle in the 1100 block of Taraya Terrace. The 30 year old female driver, of the vehicle, was contacted. She displayed objective signs of alcohol intoxication. She was administered the Standard Field Coordination Test. The Preliminary Alcohol Screening device indicated she was over the presumptive limit for the purposes of driving. The subject was placed under arrest and later cite released to a responsible party.

Solo Vehicle Collision: On December 1, 2019, at approximately 10:36 am, HPD officers were dispatched to the area of Willow Avenue at the Highway 80 off-ramp for a collision. Officers located a 2009 Nissan Sentra, facing east bound in the west bound traffic lane. The 75 year old female driver, was still seated in the car. She was exiting from the Highway 4/80 interchange Loop, onto Willow, and lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle rolled over, and landed on its wheels. The driver had minor injuries and was transported to a hospital.

Domestic Battery: On December 1, 2019, at approximately 4:26 pm, HPD Officers were dispatched to the area of Pheasant Drive and Starling Way for the report of a female being followed by a male. The reporting party said the two subjects were verbally arguing and they did not want anyone to get hurt. Officers contacted a 19 year old female, of Richmond, and a 26 year old male of Richmond, in the 1880 block of Pheasant Drive. It was determined they were driving and they

got into an argument. The female hit the male, with an open hand, on the left side of his face. The male had bruising on his left cheek area. The female was placed under arrest. The male did not want to press charges, want an EPO. The female was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Towed Vehicle/Found Property: On December 2, 2019, at approximately 9:14 am, an Officer stopped a silver Mercedes s500 sedan with no plates on it in the parking lot of Shell Gas Station located at 3900 San Pablo Avenue. There was a paper plate on the rear of the vehicle. As the Officer contacted the 32 year old driver, of Concord, he noticed a license plate on the rear floor board inside the vehicle. The license plate on the rear floor board came back to a 2007 Acura and showed the plate registered to a female. The driver said he purchased the vehicle on Offer up and the license plate was in the vehicle when he bought it. There was also a license plate attached, to the rear of the vehicle, under the paper license plate. The “hard” plate came back to another vehicle, out of Emeryville, registered to another female. The vehicle was towed for having a license plate on the vehicle which did not belong to the vehicle. During an inventory search of the vehicle a third license plate, belonging to a third vehicle, was also located in the trunk of the vehicle. The driver had no proof of ownership and said he did not know anything about the license plates. The Officer was not able to make contact with the owner of the car or any of the plates. The subject was released and the vehicle was towed. All the plates were booked into evidence, to be returned to DMV.

Possession of Controlled Substance: On December 2, 2019, at approximately 11:38 am, an Officer stopped a 2014, Nissan Altima, in the parking lot of 3600 San Pablo Avenue, for an equipment violation. The officer contacted the 55 year old driver. As the Officer was talking to the driver the Officer observed what appeared to be a narcotic substance, in a glass vial, in his open shirt pocket. During a probable cause search the Officer located a glass pipe used for smoking Narcotics. The subject was arrested, issued a citation, and released.

Outside Assist: On December 3, 2019, at approximately 10:54 am an Officer was dispatched to a lobby detail in regards to financial elder abuse. The Officer contacted and 88 year old female and her son who is caring for her. The female told the Officer some family friends, who were caring for her when her son was out of the country, had taken her to her banks and taken approximately a large of money out of two of her accounts and moved the money into new accounts in their names. The transactions occurred in Placer County so the Officer took a case to document the information, and it will be referred to Placer County, and Adult Protective Services.

Theft: On December 3, 2019, at approximately 4:27 pm, an Officer was dispatched to HPD lobby for a theft report. The Officer contacted a 76 year old Hercules resident. The subject said he ordered a desk top computer. It was supposedly delivered 6 to 8 weeks ago to his residence but the reporting party stated he never received the computer. He received the bill for the computer and determined the computer must have been taken off his porch

Commercial Burglary: On December 3, 2019, at approximately 5:50 pm, an Officer was flagged down near the corner of Bayfront and John Muir Parkway in regards to the high rise building under construction being burglarized. It was determined sometime between Wednesday, November 27, at approximately 7:00 pm, and Monday December 2, at approximately 7:00 am, unknown suspects

gained entry into the building and stole construction tools, and equipment.

Check Fraud: On December 4, 2019, at 1:53 p.m., a citizen came to the police department to report several fraudulent checks cleared her bank account.

Warrant Arrest/ Possession of Burglary Tools: On December 4, 2019, at 3:21 p.m., Bio Rad Security notified police of a suspicious brown 1988 Ford pick-up driving in the area. An Officer located and stopped the vehicle on Tsushima Street at San Pablo Avenue. The 29 year old male driver, of Martinez, had two outstanding misdemeanor warrants for his arrest, both out of Solano County. He was arrested and transported to county jail for the warrants. The Officer located numerous shaved vehicle keys on the subject's person. An on-view charge was added.

Possession of a Loaded Firearm: On December 4, 2019 at approximately 10:59 pm, Pinole/Hercules Dispatch broadcasted an Automated License Plate Reader hit of a blue 2008 Honda Accord, which was stolen during an armed carjacking in Novato, CA. The vehicle was traveling eastbound I-80 towards Hercules. A Hercules Officer located the vehicle eastbound I-80 near Willow Avenue. Once sufficient units arrived, a high risk stop was initiated at the Cummings Skyway off-ramp. The 21 year old male driver, of Novato, was taken into custody and a loaded handgun was found on his person. The vehicle was towed to Hercules PD for evidence. Novato PD Detectives responded to HPD to take custody of the vehicle and to interview the subject. The suspect was transported/booked at the Martinez Detention Facility on the firearm charge.

Petty Theft: On December 6, 2019, at 9:40 a.m., a citizen from the 100 block of Manzanita Place called to report a theft yesterday, of a package, from her front porch. The suspect vehicle is described as a white newer model Chevy Equinox SUV (blurred plate) with a large dent on the driver's side fender and another large dent on the passenger side quarter panel, A female passenger, possibly Asian or Hispanic, in her 20's, thin build, wearing a black jacket, jeans, and white headband.

Occupied Stolen Vehicle / Felony Evading: On December 7, 2019, at approximately 2:10 am, an Officer located a stolen 2018 Toyota Camry in the area of San Pablo Avenue & Sycamore Avenue. The vehicle was stolen from the City of Pinole about five minutes prior. HPD Officers attempted to stop the vehicle, and it failed to yield. A pursuit was initiated. The vehicle was pursued from San Pablo Avenue & John Muir to the dead-end of Brighton Street where the two occupants of the vehicle fled on foot. Both suspects were quickly apprehended after a foot pursuit. The 17 year old male driver; and 16 year old male front passenger are both from Vallejo. At the conclusion of the investigation, the driver was booked at Juvenile Hall and the passenger was cited/released to his parents.

Natural Death: On December 7, 2019, at 9:06 a.m., Hercules Officers responded to the 400 block of Falcon Way for a report of an 89 year old female, unconscious, and not breathing. Efforts to resuscitate the subject failed and the Rodeo Hercules Fire Department declared her deceased at 9:13 a.m. The subject had a history of medical issues. There were no signs or indicators of foul play. The Coroner's Office released her, with no holds, to the next of kin.

Petty Theft: On December 7, 2019, at 5:35 p.m., a citizen from the 100 block of Dartford came to the police department to report the rear license plate to his 2010 Toyota Tacoma, was stolen while the vehicle was parked in front of his house between 6:10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Located Missing Person: On December 8, 2019, at 2:50pm an officer made a traffic stop, and the 26 year old female driver, was cited for a suspended license. The 19 year old female passenger was discovered to be a missing person reported to Concord PD on November 22, 2018. She was removed from the Missing and Unidentified Persons System.

Warrant Arrest: On December 8, 2019, at approximately 3:34 pm, an Officer conducted a traffic stop on a green 2001 Dodge minivan for no license plates. A 44 year old female passenger was found to have a citable warrant. The subject was issued a citation with a new court date and released from the scene.

Evading a Peace Officer / Resisting arrest /Driving under the Influence/Child: On December 8, 2019 at approximately 11:27pm, an Officer stopped a white 2015 Mercedes for DUI indicators in the area of Parker Ave. at Second St. As the Officer was approaching the vehicle, the vehicle fled at a high rate of speed down Second St and on to Railroad Ave. and a pursuit was initiated. Other Hercules units were able to cut off the path of the suspect vehicle causing the vehicle to stop at the dead end of Investment St. The 31 year old male driver, of San Pablo, was extremely uncooperative and had to be subdued by Officers observed a seven year old juvenile inside the vehicle. The driver displayed multiple objective signs of intoxication. The driver became combative while inside the patrol car and began kicking the caged windows. The subject was placed under arrest for Failure to Yield; Resisting Arrest; Driving While Intoxicated; and Felony Child Endangerment (the driver is a friend of the child's mother). Once back at the station the subject began complaining of chest pain, and was transported, by ambulance, to the County Regional Medical Center. The juvenile was later released to his father at HPD. Officers obtained a DUI Blood Search Warrant for the subject's blood sample. The subject was later cleared by medical staff and was booked in to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Auto Burglary: On December 9, 2019, at approximately 7:46 am, an Officer was dispatched to 3600 San Pablo Avenue for an auto burglary. Sometime between 7:40 am and 7:45 am, an unknown suspect broke the rear passenger window of a 2019 Nissan Altima and stole a Calvin Klein leather bag containing miscellaneous work papers.

Stolen Vehicle: On December 9, 2019, at 4:33 pm, an Officer was dispatched to the HPD lobby for a stolen vehicle report. The reporting party stated sometime between 7:00 pm on November 29, 2019, and 7:00 pm on December 6, 2019, someone stole his 1965 black Oldsmobile F85. The vehicle was parked on Bobolink near Dove Court.

Warrant Arrest: December 9, 2019, at 4:45 pm, HPD Officers were dispatched to 1000 block of Crepe Myrtle for a suspicious person. Officers arrived and located a 38 year old male. The subject had a no bail warrant. He was arrested, and transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Grand Theft: On December 9, 2019, at 5:16 pm, an Officer responded to the 100 block of Oxford for a package theft report. Sometime today between 12:15 pm and 12:20 pm, someone stole a

package from the front porch.

Petty Theft: On December 9, 2019, at 6:37 pm, an Officer contacted a citizen who reported theft of two packages from his front porch sometime this afternoon.

Petty Theft: On December 10, 2019, at approximately 8:44 am, an Officer was dispatched to the Lucky Store, at 1590 Sycamore, for a theft report. Sometime between 8:27 am and 8:30 am, a suspect described as a black male adult, entered Lucky. While inside he filled several plastic bins with cases of Red Bull before pushing the shopping cart full of the items out the emergency exit door. The suspect got into a Gold 1995 Nissan Quest and left the area.

Warrant Arrest: On December 10, 2019, at 11:06 am, an Officer conducted a traffic stop on a 2012 Chevy on Pheasant near Starling. The 28 year old male driver had a no bail warrant out of Solano County. The subject was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Domestic Violence: On December 10, 2019, at 1:48 pm, an Officer was dispatched to the HPD lobby for a report of domestic violence. The victim stated her boyfriend grabbed her by the neck and hit her on her head several times earlier this morning.

Disturbance Call: On December 10, 2019, at 3:54 pm, HPD Officers were dispatched to the 2100 block of Redwood for a disturbance. Upon arrival, Officers determined it to be an altercation between adult brother and sister. The brother left for the evening.

WC SHIFT STATS

Date: 11/25/19 - 12/10/19

CALLS FOR SERVICE	877
REPORTS	99
TRAFFIC CITES	48
PARKING CITES	93
ADULT ARRESTS	25
JUVENILE ARRESTS	3
ARSONS	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS	3
HATE CRIMES	0
TOWED VEHICLES	21
PART 1 TOTAL	292

PART 1 CRIMES BROKEN DOWN	---
HOMICIDE	0
RAPE	1
ROBBERY	1
ASSAULT (everything from simple battery to aggravated)	6
BURGLARY (residential or commercial)	2
LARCENY(auto burglary or thefts)	14
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2

UPCOMING EVENTS

Breakfast with Santa

Date: 12/14/2019 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM
 Location: Community Center - Gymnasium
 2001 Refugio Valley Road
 Hercules, CA 94547

Planning Commission Meeting

Date: 12/16/2019 7:00 PM
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 111 Civic Drive
 Hercules, CA 94547