

**City Manager's Bi-Weekly Report
October 18, 2019**

David Biggs, City Manager



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Oil Facility Fire Response

In response to the oil facility fire in Rodeo/Crockett on Tuesday this week, the City of Hercules did a partial activation of our Emergency Operations Center to monitor the event and to address any local impacts. Our City staff stepped up and special thanks go to our Police staff, some of whom were held over, to assist. Also, our Public Works crew on duty was also held over in case we had local traffic incidents. Our childcare providers in Parks & Rec also stepped up as many parents had difficulty getting to the centers by normal closing time due to extraordinarily heavy traffic, and they not only kept the kids calm and fed as they sheltered in place, but then stayed until the last parents could get to there to pick up their children. Many others lent a hand in so many different ways, including talking to concerned residents and offering assistance to those of us working it the EOC. Including our IT staff and others assisted in keeping our messages updated via the website and our social media outlets.

Luckily, it proved to be more of an opportunity to test our emergency response capabilities and no one was hurt or injured as a result of the fire. Residents are encourage to go to the County's Community Warning System website and to sign up for alerts: [Community Warning System](#). That would be the best way to stay informed, though also monitoring the City's website and social media outlets like Facebook and NextDoor are places to get updates as well.

Vehicle Storage

Did you know that the City's Municipal Code prohibits the storage of unregistered or inoperable vehicles in your driveway or front yard areas? Unregistered or inoperable vehicles must be in your garage or behind a fence in a side yard or rear yard. The City's Code Compliance Volunteers will be working to identify and address these types of violations on a focused basis over the next few weeks.

Safety Element/Hazards Mitigation Plan Survey

There is still time to complete the Community Survey for the update of the City's General Plan Safety Element and Hazards Mitigation Plan before the November 4th deadline. The survey can be accessed at: [Community Survey](#)

Trunk or Treat

Last Call for car entries! Our 2nd annual Trunk or Treat event will be held next Friday, October 25, from 6-8pm at the Community Swim Center. The event will begin at 6pm and go for as long as supplies last.

Several City Recognized Nonprofit groups and City work units will be participating by decorating a vehicle and passing out candy. We are looking for a few more participants to decorate their vehicles and participate with handing sweet treats out from their vehicles. If you are interested in participating with your vehicle, please contact the Recreation Department at (510) 799-8291.



CITY OF HERCULES

TRUNK OR TREAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25
6:00-8:00PM • FREE ADMISSION

Come by in your costume to receive special treats!
THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR THE MOST CREATIVE TRUNK!
A Halloween themed movie will play during the event.



To register for the best decorated Trunk, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 510.799.8291.



COMMUNITY SWIM CENTER PARKING LOT
2001 Refugio Valley Road, Hercules

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Hercules Commission Vacancies - APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 27, 2019

The Hercules City Council is currently recruiting residents for appointment to the Planning Commission, Finance Commission, Community and Library Services Commission as well as recruiting for regional committee appointments. 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 Application Deadline is **October 27, 2019**. 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 – Two (2) Vacancies with terms 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.

Finance Commission – Two (2) Vacancies with terms ending December 2021, One (1) Vacancy with an unexpired term ending December 31, 2020

The Finance Commission meets the bi-monthly on the third Wednesday at 7 p.m. The Commission is advisory to the Council and has the following duties:

- Quarterly review of City's financial status; review and comment on audit reports, the proposed operating budget and the capital improvement program budgets.
- Makes recommendations to the Council with respect to budget priorities.
- Advises the Council on matters of policy and public interest related to the management of the City's finances and budget.
- Serves as the Oversight Committee for Measure "A," including providing an annual report, to ensure that utility user tax funds are spent in accordance with the voter approved measure adopted in June 2013.
- Serves as the Oversight Committee for Measure "O," including providing an annual report, to ensure that the sales tax revenues approved by Hercules voters are spent in accordance with the voter approved measure adopted in June 2012.

Community & Library Services Commission – One (1) vacancy with a term ending December 2021, one (1) Student Commissioner with a term ending December 2021, One (1) Vacancy with an unexpired term ending December 31, 2020

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.

Regional Appointments - OPEN UNTIL FILLED

For an application to one of our Regional Appointments, contact Lori Martin, City Clerk 510-799-8215, lmartin@ci.hercules.ca.us.

Mosquito & Vector Control - One (1) Vacancy with a two (2) year term.

The Mosquito & Vector Control Board meets in Concord on the second Monday at 7 p.m. every

other month. Trustees also serve on various subcommittees, which requires attendance at additional meetings. Trustees are paid \$100 per month. Trustees should have an interest in any of the following areas: public health, public policy, wetlands, farming, community education, finance, personnel or land development.

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.

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

	Sep 30 thru Oct 11, 2019	FY 2019/20 YTD
Number of the permits issued:	41	227
Total Fees Collected:	\$21,597.26	\$125,181.52
Number of Inspections:	33	247
New Housing:	0	0

Planning Division

- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-38, a request to operate a home-based office to order clothing and uniforms for businesses at 151 Tuscany Court
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-40, a request to provide computer consulting services at 142 Aster Court
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-41, a request to provide property management services at 1979 Redwood Road
- Approved Administrative Use Permit AUP#19-42, a request to operate a home-based office to create works of art at 1066 Crepe Myrtle Drive

Hercules Safety Element / Hazard Mitigation Survey

The City of Hercules is [updating the Safety Element of the General Plan](#), and simultaneously authoring a new Hazard Mitigation Plan. The City invites residents to participate in an online safety & hazards survey to gauge the public's understanding of citywide hazards, to identify ways the City might educate the public on hazards, and to guide the development of hazard policies and

programs. Thank you for taking the time to respond to this survey. If you would like to participate in the review of the draft Plan, or contribute your ideas, please notify Michele Rodriguez, City of Hercules Planning, at mrodriguez@ci.hercules.ca.us or call 510-799-8242.

[Take the Hercules Safety Element & Hazard Mitigation Plan survey now!](#)

Hilltown Project Workshop at October 21st Planning Commission

The Hercules Planning Commission will be holding a workshop at the Council Chambers of City Hall, 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, California, at **7:00 P.M. on Monday, October 21, 2019**, to consider a development proposed at the Hilltown site which is bordered on three sides by John Muir Parkway to the south; I-80 to the east; San Pablo Avenue to the west in Hercules. The Application is for the construction of approximately 598 residential units (which includes 400 townhomes and 198 apartments or condominiums) and 4,200 square feet of neighborhood commercial. The purpose of this workshop is to provide an overview of the Project to the Planning Commission and public as it relates to the proposal and comparison with the Development Agreement the developer has with the City. No decisions on the merit of the Project will be made at this meeting.

If you want more information about this project, please contact the Planning Department, Mondays through Thursdays, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. You may also submit a letter to the Planning Commission on or before the workshop date. The workshop will also be televised on Channel 28 and live streamed on through the City website at www.ci.hercules.ca.us and clicking on meetings and selecting the Planning Commission meeting. This meeting is open to the public. Any person may attend the workshop on this project.





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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, with the remaining signs received at the Maintenance Yard. Staff is moving forward with replacing the streetlights in Lighting and Landscaping District 83-2, Zones 1 “Hercules by the Bay” and Zone 2 “The Heights”. Council awarded the purchase and installation of the 160 streetlights on September 24. Once the first shipment of lights has been received, the contractor will begin the installation, currently scheduled to begin the last week in October. The last several weeks were windy, a large Sycamore tree which fell blocking both lanes of San Pablo Avenue was removed. Trees have been scheduled for removal on San Pablo between Hercules Avenue and Tsushima Avenue at the end of the month, as well as tree trimming in the Promenade and Victoria by the Bay neighborhoods. Quarterly maintenance of the sewer lift stations is underway as is repairs to sidewalks at approximately two dozen locations throughout town.

Engineering

The \$52M Pinole-Hercules Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project is nearing completion, with an anticipated final completion date of December 2019. 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 grading/demolition plan was issued and the contractor is on site working. The design for the public improvements for the Bayfront Project were approved for Blocks Q&R and are under review for Blocks M,O, & P. The design plans are also under review for the Willow Center, Sycamore

Crossing, and the Hilltown project. 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 2019 Street Rehabilitation Project on Pheasant Drive was substantially completed. The Willow/Palm sidewalk project is under PW Staff continues to assist the Engie Company with the evaluation of potential energy saving facilities such as solar arrays and light retrofits on City buildings and land.

Permits

Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

- Number of application received: 9
- Sewer Lateral Inspection Fees Collected: \$ 1,161
- Number of Certifications issued: 9
- Number of Deficiency Notices issued: 1

Wide Load/Transportation Permits Issued: 0

Encroachment Permits Issued: 11

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

Save the date

The City of Hercules annual Holiday Tree Lighting event will be held on Sunday, December 1, at the Community Swim Center from 5-7pm. This is a FREE community event. Santa and Mrs Claus will be arriving at approximately 5:15p. This is a wonderful event with opportunities to take a photo with Santa, decorate ornaments, take selfies in front of some amazing winter landscapes, and watch some great performances of local youth groups.

Activity Guide

Parks & Recreation Activity Guide

We are wrapping up our 2020 Winter/Spring Activity Guide. We are looking for music, dance, fitness, ballet, gymnastics, yoga...we are open to new programs. So, if you or someone you know is interested in offering a class or program please contact us at (510) 799-8291.

All classes in our 2019 Fall Activity Guide are available for registration. You can do so online at www.ci.hercules.ca.us/government/parks-recreation/registration-information/webtrac. Or you can

pick up a copy of the guide at the Community Center, Senior Center, Library, or City Hall. Don't delay, register today!

Aquatics

Swim Lessons

The Hercules swim Center just finished the Fall swim lesson program. Swim lessons will resume in April 2020 with swim lesson sessions on Saturdays and Tuesday/Thursdays to get everyone ready for the summer. Look for information in the Winter/Spring Activity Guide which will be available before Thanksgiving.

Lap Swim/Water Walking

Lap swimming/water walking is one of the best full-body workouts you can do. Currently we are in our fall schedule which calls for Lap swimming/water walking M-F 6-8pm. All swimmers must be at least 14 years old to participate.

Swim Team

East Bay Silver Dolphins (EBSA) Swim Team is a year round program. Practice times are based on your child's swimming ability. 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

Karate Dojo - *New Tuesday Location!*

This class is dedicated to teach the basic skills of Karate: self-discipline, self-esteem, and confidence in protecting yourself. Karate will help you develop physical strength, coordination and mental focus. Over time your body and mind will become stronger. Karate is fun for the whole family! They offer the first month free for first time participants and family discounts. You can sign up now online at www.herculesrec.com, in person or over the phone! **Karate is now held at The Van Domselaar Room at Samara Terrace on Tuesdays located at 102 Civic Drive!**

Street Foods

What's one thing you see in every, and any country around the world that you visit? Street foods! This class will celebrate and focus on special, authentic street foods that are offered around the world, by street vendors. Street foods are the ultimate authentic taste of a country because they are always based on seasonal, available and true-to-the-country ingredients! Sweet, savory and everywhere in between, this class will teach kids exciting new ingredients and flavors by cooking fun and bright finger foods from around the globe! Class starts 11/06 so sign up now as space is limited! You can sign up in person, over the phone or online at www.herculesrec.com



Employment Opportunities

Job Opportunities

The City of Hercules Parks and Recreation Department is looking to hire energetic, enthusiastic, artistic, creative people to work in a variety of programs including Child Care, Teens, Breakfast Club, Preschool and Facilities. Also there is a newly posted Recreation Specialist position available. If you or someone you know is looking for a fun and rewarding job, click the following link <http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/index.aspx?page=181>, and complete your application today. Or visit the Human Resources tab on the City of Hercules website and view all the wonderful opportunities that are available.

Marketing

Promote your business

Let the City of Hercules Parks & Recreation Department help you advertise or promote your business. We have several different options from our signboard program, to the banner program and/or place an ad in our up-coming activity guide. For more information please contact (510) 799-8291 for rates and availability.

Social Media

Be sure to “Like” us on Social Media and stay connected to the Hercules community. [Facebook](#), [Twitter \(@herculesrec\)](#), and/or [Instagram \(@herculesrec\)](#) are just a few of the Social Media platforms that Hercules Parks and Recreation is a part of. These outlets allow us to provide current information about our programs, community events, and more on a regular basis. Visit us at www.ci.hercules.ca.us and stay up to date with all of our programs.

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. Classes have started to settle in to their routine for the school year. We are happy to announce that almost all classes are full.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club has 2 locations this year: the Teen Center and Ohlone Community Center. Breakfast Club is our morning, before school program. It is open to grades K-8, M-F from 6:30-8:30am. Participants enjoy activities, games, crafts and more. Some participants are so sleepy in the morning, they chill with friends or watch cartoons before school. The Breakfast Club offers a variety of food choices for the kidz and allows parents to get to work earlier. For more information contact us at (510) 799-8291.

Kaleidoscope Kidz, a Recreation Afterschool Program (RAP for short)

RAP is held on all 3 elementary sites: Hanna Ranch, Lupine and Ohlone. There are multiple classrooms running this year and we are super excited! Space is extremely limited, but still available. To register, contact us at (510) 799-8291.

Seniors

Fleet Week

Fourteen seniors went on a day trip to San Francisco on Friday, October 11 to watch the Fleet Week air show and parade of ships at Chrissy Field. The seniors had a fun day and everyone is looking forward to their next trip to Old Town Sacramento on November 6.



Spaghetti Feed

Friends of the Hercules Senior Center hosted a fundraising event on Monday, October 14 at 6:00pm. The event was sell out with 100 seniors enjoying a spaghetti dinner, a raffle, door prizes, and performances from the line dancing class.



Extended Trips Presentation

Premier World Discovery hosted an informational session at Samara Terrace on extended trips this past Wednesday, October 16. The folks at Premier discussed how to travel to many great destinations throughout the U.S. and the world. Our 2020 trips will included places such as: Iceland, Canadian Rockies, Grand Canyon, Philadelphia, and Nashville. For more information on trips and/or informational session please contact 510-799-8219.

Sports

Youth Sports

The Hercules Parks and Recreation Department works with several different youth sports groups, contractors and clubs to bring amazing sports opportunities to the community. Some of the contractors we are currently working with include:

Skyhawks Sports

Skyhawks Sports will be offering their last fall session of Tot Sports and Full Court Basketball. Tot Sports Saturday has been pushed back and will begin on Saturday, November 2nd. Full Court Basketball will begin next Wednesday, October 23rd. Space is still available for these programs. Register today before it's too late!

Kidz Love Soccer

Fall season is coming to an end for Kidz Love Soccer and they will be offering their popular soccer programs such as Tot/Pre-Soccer, Mommy/Daddy & Me Soccer, and Soccer 1. These programs will begin on Monday, November 4th and space is limited. If you're interested in registering, please stop by the Hercules Community Center or online at www.herculesrec.com.

X-Fit Training

X-Fit training is offering two programs during the Fall season; Lil Ninja Training and Boot Camp!

October sessions are about to begin and it's not too late to register!

Lil Ninja Warrior

Lil Ninja Warrior is designed for all skill levels. This is a non-competitive program that helps your child develop gross motor skills, core strength, balance, and control of their body in an athletic atmosphere.

Boot Camp

Boot Camp is an inspiring, fun and challenging group fitness class designed to benefit everyone from a first-timer to a seasoned athlete. Bringing together elements of athletic conditioning, strength training, core and functional training, body weight exercise, stretching and plyometric training. X-Fit Boot Camp is scalable to individual needs and is designed to improve your quality of life.

Teens

Teen Afterschool Program

T.H.E. S.P.O.T. after school program is going strong. On a daily basis, teen participants have an opportunity to get homework assistance, learn how to cook/bake, playing group games, watch movies, play video games and make new friend at the SPOT! Space is still available for this amazing after school program. For more information, please contact (510) 799-8289.

Junior Staff in Training

Join our Junior Staff in Training program to assist after-school program staff and understand the importance of a counselor's responsibility. Also, you will learn how to go through an interview process, demonstrate professionalism, understand what customer service is, and so much more! This program is for ages 14-18. Registration is now available. Let us help you become job ready!

Bay Area Driving School

DMV allows teens to receive their Learner's Permit at age 15 ½ and a license at age 16. This class is the FIRST, required step that must be completed. This is an online course with videos, animated driving scenarios and sample test questions. Learn the rules of the road, major causes of traffic collisions, DMV procedures, etc. A licensed instructor is available to answer any questions. Receive DMV-approved certificate of completion. Sign up any time. Registration is ongoing. Independence is only a click away www.herculesrec.com.



HERCULES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Read to 2020

A Year of Reading Challenges

Are you up to the challenge?

Pick a challenge and read a book, eBook or listen to an audiobook.

Track your monthly reading progress at <http://ccclib.org/>

October: BOOOOOOOO-ks!

- A spooky/scary book
- A book with an orange or black cover
- A book with a supernatural creature in it

Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale

11:00AM-5:30PM Saturday 10/26/19

Friends of the Hercules Library Spring Book Sale - thousands of used books, CDs and DVDs.

Hardbacks \$1.00

Paperbacks \$0.50

Children's books \$0.25

CDs and DVDs \$0.50

Members of the Friends of the Hercules Library can enter one hour early at 10am on Saturday for best selection. Join at the door!

All proceeds from the book sale and the Friends of the Hercules Library Book Store go to support the collections and programs at the Hercules Library.

Friends of the Hercules Library Fall Book Sale \$2.00 per Bag Day

12:00PM-4:30PM Sunday 10/27/19

Friends of the Hercules Library Spring Book Sale - fill your own bag(s) from remaining stock
\$2.00 per bag

All proceeds from the book sale and the Friends of the Hercules Library Book Store go to support the collections and programs at the Hercules Library.

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

Saturday October 19th 11am and again at 12pm

The Zoo mobile from Oakland Zoo!

An Oakland Zoo Education Specialist will bring small animals and animal artifacts to teach kids and adults fun facts about wildlife.



Participants will have an opportunity to see the animals up-close and personal!

Mondays October 21st and 28th 3-4pm

English Conversation Group

Join us as we improve our conversational English through reading and discussion!

No registration required

Monday October 21st 6pm

Uke and Me at 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 October 22nd 6pm

Day of the Dead Sugar Skull Decorating

Celebrate Day of the Dead at the Hercules library. Come in and make your own sugar skull. All materials will be provided.

Registration is required. There will be a limited amount of additional skulls available if registration is full.

Wednesdays October 23rd and 30th 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 (there will be no computer basics class on September 11th).

Thursday October 24th 11am

Spanish Bilingual Storytime

Please join us for an interactive storytime program in Spanish and English, for children of all ages and their families. Brought to you by Tandem, Partners in Early Learning.

Thursday October 24th and Wednesday October 30th 3-5pm

Drop in Homework Help

Teen volunteers help kids in grad K-5 with their homework. Please note that there will be no homework help on Wednesday October 16th, however, we will have a session on Thursday October 17th.

Monday October 28th 7pm

Hercules Library Great Books Discussion Group

We will discuss the story “The Little Mermaid” by Hans Christian Andersen from the Great Books “Counterparts” anthology.

Tuesday October 29th 6pm

Asian Art Museum Lecture: The Language of Flowers

A docent from the Asian Art Museum's Community Speaker Program will delivery and

educational and entertaining multimedia talk delving into the meanings of flowers and trees as reflected in the art of countries across Asia.

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. ALL THOSE ARRESTED ARE PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY

Grand Theft: On October 4, 2019 at approximately 5:25 am, an Officer was dispatched to the 900 block of Dover for the report of a theft of four (4) wheels from a 2019 Toyota Camry. The victim stated she parked her vehicle, in a stall, at the corner of Dover and Cambridge at approximately 11:00 pm the previous night. When she returned to her vehicle she noticed her vehicle wheels (valued at \$1200) had been stolen.

Vandalism: On October 4, 2019 at 11:11 a.m. An Officer was dispatched to the Avenine Apartments, 1375 Sycamore Ave. The reporting party noticed scratches all the way around her VW Tiguan. The vehicle was parked in the reporting party's assigned parking stall in the underground parking garage.

Theft of a license plate: On October 4, 2019 at approximately 6:58 pm, an Officer was dispatched to the Lucky store (1590 Sycamore Avenue) regarding a theft of a license plate. The reporting party stated an unknown suspect stole the rear license plate of his vehicle (2007 Chevy Silverado). The theft occurred sometime between 7:45 am and the time of call. The victim doesn't know where the theft took place. The plate number was entered into SVS as lost/stolen.

Vehicle Tampering: On October 5, 2019 at 11:15 a.m. An Officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Secret Cove to take a vehicle tampering report. The reporting party stated an unknown suspect drilled a hole in the gas tank of his White '06 Ford F150 and stole a full tank of gas (\$78.00 value). The incident occurred sometime between 8:00 p.m. on October 3, 2019 and 8:30 a.m. on October 4, 2019,

Recovered stolen license plate: On October 5, 2019 at 2:12 p.m. An Officer was dispatched to a lobby detail. The reporting party said she recently reported her vehicle's license plates stolen to BART PD. BART PD found another license plate attached to the rear of her '16 Mazda CX-5. The victim was given this license plate. The license plate returned as being a stolen license plate taken from a Blue '05 Infiniti G35 on September 20, 2019 (reported to CHP-Woodland). The

Officer took possession of the recovered stolen license plate and had Dispatch remove it from the Stolen Vehicle System

Shoplifting: On October 5, 2019 at 2:21 p.m. An Officer was dispatched to the AT&T Store, 1581 Sycamore Ave. Suite 2, to take a report for a theft of headphones that occurred approximately 10-15 minutes ago. The suspect was described as an Asian male adult; 25-30; 507-508; 160-190 lbs; wearing a Black baseball hat, Red T-Shirt, Black Jeans, and Red Sneakers. . The unknown suspect entered the store and took a box containing Black Beats Studio 3 Wireless headphones (\$379.54) from a store display shelf. An employee confronted the suspect and asked him if he needed help. The suspect then told the employee he wanted to exchange the headphones for a Red colored Beats headphones. The employee went to the back of the store to check to see if they had that color and the suspect walked out with the box of headphones. The employee then realized the suspect had stolen the headphones he was holding and followed him outside. The employee saw the suspect get into a White 4DR sedan and saw him drive away towards Big Lots.

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol/Child Endangerment: On October 5, 2019, at 1:38 a.m., an officer stopped a 31 year old male driver, of Stockton, at 3600 San Pablo Avenue, for a moving violation. The subject displayed objective symptoms of intoxication and was given field sobriety tests. The Preliminary Alcohol Screening device indicated the subject was over the presumptive limit for the purposes of driving. He was placed under arrest. He was later cited and released to a relative. A child endangerment charge was added due to there being three minor passengers (6, 10, and 13) in the Mitsubishi (CFS was notified).

Natural Death: On October 6, 2019, at 6:32 p.m., RHFD and Hercules Police responded to the 100 block Glenwood for a report of a 92 year old female, who “Passed away. The subject had prior medical issues and had a DNR in place. The coroner released her to the family.

Warrant Arrest: On October 7, 2019, at approximately 8:09 am, an Officer stopped a 2014 Honda, on the on ramp to Highway 80 from John Muir Parkway, for a moving violation. The 38 year old female driver had two felony warrants out of Colma PD. The subject was arrested and transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Warrant Arrest: On October 7, 2019, at approximately 8:45 am, HPD Officers were dispatched to the 1900 block of Pheasant Drive for a family dispute. A 31 year old male was threatening his mother. The subject was had two outstanding warrants for his arrest. The subject was contacted and stepped out of the residence, and was taken into custody. He was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Auto Burglary: On October 7, 2019, at approximately 9:42 am, an Officer was dispatched to the UPS Store on Sycamore Avenue for an auto burglary. Sometime between 9:30 am, and 9:40 am, an unknown suspect broke the front passenger window to a 2014, Toyota Tacoma, and stole a black bag containing a wallet, with a driver’s license, cash, and a laptop computer.

Courtesy Report: On October 7, 2019, at approximately 12:37 pm, an Officer was dispatched to HPD Lobby for a theft. The reporting party was at the PD to get his vehicle released. He stated his license plates for his 2017 Mercedes, which were inside the vehicle, were stolen in Walnut

Creek on September 30, 2019. The plates were entered into the Stolen Vehicle System and a courtesy report was taken and forwarded to Walnut Creek PD.

Petty Theft: On October 7, 2019, at approximately 1:16 pm, HPD Officers were dispatched to Rite Aid for a theft that just occurred. The suspect was described as a tall African American male; in his 20's; wearing a light blue tee shirt, and blue back pack. He left on foot towards the freeway. An Officer arrived in the area and observed a male matching the suspect's description in the area. The 14 year old male was detained. The property taken from Rite Aid was recovered from the suspect. The suspect was arrested and brought back to HPD before being cited out to an adult.

Court Order Violation: On October 7, 2019, at approximately 5:50 pm, an Officer was dispatched to HPD Lobby for a court order violation. The reporting party said a restrained person was posting comments on social media about her, which was in violation of the court order.

Auto Burglary: On October 7, 2019, at 6:49 p.m., a citizen called to report her gray 2019 Audi A4 had been broken into while parked across the street from Leila by the Bay restaurant, 1991 Railroad Avenue. The unknown suspect shattered the front passenger side window and stole her son's backpack containing a school laptop and an iPhone 7. Officers later recovered the backpack on Sante Fe at Kensington with the electronic items missing.

Vehicle Pursuit: On October 8, 2019, at 2:44 a.m., dispatch notified Hercules Officers of an Automated License Plate Reader Hit on a stolen blue 2013 Toyota Corolla, traveling eastbound on I-80 at Appian Way. An Officer located the Toyota, while in route to another call, on eastbound Hwy-4 west of Franklin Canyon Golf Course. The Toyota fainted turning into the golf course and then veered back onto Hwy-4, initiating a pursuit. The Toyota accelerated to 85mph and reached a top speed of 100mph before entering into Martinez City limits. The pursuit was terminated based on the unsafe speed. Officers exited Hwy-4 onto Alhambra Valley Road in Martinez to continue to the original call. Upon exiting, Hercules Officer(s) saw a Martinez P. D. patrol vehicle in the intersection. Officers saw the Toyota exit the freeway from the onramp to eastbound Hwy-4 from Alhambra Valley Road (wrong way). The Martinez Officer pursued the vehicle and the Hercules Officer(s) provided assistance to the lone unit. The pursuit led officers back onto (westbound) Hwy-4 where it was passed onto CHP units who took over at Carbon Plant Road. CHP lost the Toyota in Tara Hills, Pinole.

Non-Injury Collision: On October 8, 2019, at approximately 10:08 am, an Officer was dispatched to the 1900 block of Lupine Road for a hit and run collision which occurred over night. The Officer contacted the owner of the damaged vehicle and was able to determine the owner of the vehicle that struck the parked vehicle. The Officer contacted the other party and a case was taken for a property damage only collision report.

Assault with a Deadly Weapon: On October 8, 2019, at approximately 1:32 pm, Richmond Kaiser contacted HPD to say a 41 year old male, from Hercules, was in the Emergency Room with head injuries from being attacked earlier in the day in Hercules. A detective went out to the hospital to interview the victim. The victim said he was somewhere, near his house on Sanderling in Hercules, and was struck in the back of the head. He had no idea who the suspect was, and could not even provide an exact location. A case was taken to document the incident.

Mail Theft: On October 9, 2019 at 7:37 a.m. An Officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Beechnut Dr. to take a mail theft report. The reporting party advised all the mailboxes were open. The reporting party said he had an Ebay packaged delivered yesterday and received an email notification. The reporting party found his mailbox open and his package (coffee grinder) had been stolen. The mail theft occurred sometime between 5:50 p.m. last night and 6:25 a.m. this morning.

Found Property: On October 9, 2019 at 10:24 a.m. An Officer was dispatched to a lobby detail to take a found property report. The Hercules resident turned in an earring she found this morning at 9:30 a.m. on the ground outside the Hercules Library. The earring appeared to be a yellow metal stud earring with a white stone. The earring was placed into Evidence as Found Property.

Private property Vehicle Collision: On October 9, 2019 at approximately 7:30 pm, an Officer was flagged down at Shell (3900 San Pablo Avenue) regarding a vehicle collision that occurred in the car wash. It appears, a white 2019 Audi A5 backed into a black 2013 Honda Accord. Both vehicles sustained minor damage and no parties were injured.

Death Investigation: On October 10, 2019, at about 10:55 am, Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 300 block of Weymouth for a reported 65 year old female subject who appeared to be deceased. Dispatch advised Fire and Paramedics were already en-route. Officers arrived and determined a Paramedic had pronounced the female deceased. The decedent's family was contacted and said they hadn't heard from her recently and arrived at her condo this morning to check her welfare. The condo's rear sliding glass door was found unlocked however, Officers did not find any signs of forced entry and there were no signs of foul play. The decedent suffered from a variety of health issues. The Contra Costa County Coroner's Officer was contacted and released the body to her family.

Shoplifting: On October 10, 2019, at about 12:28 pm, an Officer was dispatched to Home Depot located in the 1600 block of Sycamore Ave for a shoplifter in custody. It was determined that a 48 year old male subject of Fairfield entered the store and loaded up a shopping cart with a Milwaukee saw and several small surveillance cameras. The subject made no attempt to pay for the items and exited the store. He was then contacted by Loss Prevention and detained. After being interviewed and identified, the subject was cited, released and issued a court date.

Vandalism: On October 10, 2019, at about 1:39 pm, an Officer was dispatched to an apartment in the 1200 block of Willow Ave for a reported hit and run vehicle collision. The reporting party told Dispatch her car was hit overnight while it was parked in front of her apartment. The victim said she located fresh scuff marks to the right rear quarter panel of her 2008 Mercedes ML 550. She said the damage occurred sometime between 4:00 pm and 8:00 am this morning.

Vehicle Fire: On October 11, 2019 at about 3:32 am, Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Trestle Cove for an unoccupied vehicle on fire. Upon arrival, a black 1998 Ford Ranger was found fully engulfed in flames. The Fire Department arrived on scene and extinguished the fire. The vehicle was registered to a resident in the 100 block of Trestle Cove who advised he just replaced the battery. The fire appears to have started in the engine compartment, no signs of foul play and no other property damage were located.

Warrant Arrest: On October 11, 2019, at about 11:04 pm, an Officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a 2005 Honda Civic in the area of Sparrow Drive and Partridge Drive. The rear passenger, a 44 year old male of San Francisco was found to have two outstanding no-cite misdemeanor warrants out of Marin County. He was placed under arrest and was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Warrant Arrest: On October 12, 2019, at about 2:07 am, an Officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a 1997 Chevy pick-up truck in the area of 7th Street and Parker Avenue. The driver, a 32 year old male subject of Rodeo was found to have an outstanding no-cite warrant for possession of a controlled substance. He was placed under arrest and transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Assault with A Deadly Weapon: On October 12, 2019, at about 6:00 am, Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 400 block of Olympus for a report of an adult male physically attacking family members. Upon arrival, Officers were advised that the subject, a 27 year old male subject had locked himself in the bathroom and refused to come out. Officers were also advised that he was threatening to kill his family and hit his aunt in the head with a frying pan. Officers made entry into the residence and were able to safely take the subject into custody.

Hit and Run Collision: On October 13, 2019, at about 11:06 am, an Officer was flagged down in the parking lot of Home Depot for a hit and run collision. The reporting party said at approximately 10:42 am, a red, newer model, Chevrolet 4X4 pick-up truck, unknown license plate number was backing out of a parking stall and struck the driver's side rear of a 2017, Toyota Corolla leaving minor damage. The victim witnessed the collision but was unable to get the license plate of the suspect vehicle.

Auto Burglary: On October 13, 2019, at about 3:49 pm, Officers were dispatched to the area of 1900 Railroad for an auto burglary that just occurred. The suspect vehicle was described as a red Toyota Scion with paper plates and was last seen driving on Santa Fe towards Hercules Avenue. The suspects were described as two Black male adults. While en-route, Officers observed a red Toyota four door with paper plates turning northbound from Hercules Avenue occupied by four Black male adults. Officers conducted an investigative stop on the Toyota in the 3800 block of San Pablo Avenue. The four occupants were detained and identified as a 20 year old male subject from Vallejo, an 18 year old male subject of Vallejo, an 18 year old subject from Richmond, and a 20 year old subject from Fairfield. During a search of the suspect's vehicle, the victim's laptop was located in the suspect vehicle, along with another laptop, and a window punch. Surveillance video was located and showed two of the subjects exit from the passenger side of the suspect vehicle, walk to the victim vehicle, break the rear window, and reach into the victim vehicle and take items from inside the victim vehicle. Both suspects walked back to the suspect vehicle, got back in, and the suspect vehicle left the area. All four suspects were brought back to the Hercules Police Department and interviewed. After the interviews two of the suspects were released. The other two suspects were transported to the Martinez Detention Facility and booked for auto burglary.

Vehicle Tampering: On October 14, 2019, at about 9:40 am, an Officer was dispatched to a residence in the 800 block of Dover for a reported theft from a vehicle. Sometime between October

12 at about 8:00 pm, and October 14, at approximately 9:40 am, an unknown suspect stole a catalytic converter from a 2006 Toyota Prius that was parked in a parking stall in front of the residence.

Stolen Motorcycle/Recovered: On October 14, 2019, at about 1:32 pm, an Officer was dispatched to Willow Avenue near Cambridge for the report of a stolen motorcycle. Sometime between October 13, at approximately 8:00 pm, and October 14, at approximately 1:30 pm, an unknown suspect stole a 1996, Harley Davidson Sportster from Willow Avenue near Cambridge. The Officer was able to see drag marks on the roadway where it appears the motorcycle was possibly drug onto a trailer. The motorcycle was entered into SVS. At approximately 6:23 pm the Harley Davidson motorcycle was located near Coventry and Lancaster. The Registered Owner was contacted and responded to the scene to take possession of the motorcycle.

Theft of License Plate: On October 14, 2019, at about 1:42 pm, an Officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Azalea Court for a theft of a motorcycle license plate (22N9097). Sometime between September 9 and October 14, an unknown suspect stole the license plate for a 2016 Indian motorcycle. The victim believed the license plate may have been stolen at the Lucky parking lot in Hercules but could not say for sure where the theft occurred. The plate was entered into the Stolen Vehicle System.

Warrant Arrest: On October 14, 2019, at about 2:25 pm, an Officer stopped a 2004 Mercedes, at Partridge and Refugio Valley Road for expired registration. The driver, a 45 year old male subject was determined to have an outstanding misdemeanor warrant for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. The subject was placed under arrest, issued a citation with a new court date and released from the scene.

Petty Theft: On October 15, 2019, at about 8:08 am, an Officer was dispatched to a residence in the 400 block of Turquoise Drive for the report of a theft. Sometime between October 14 at 1:30 pm and 5:00 pm, an unknown suspect entered an unlocked 2016 Toyota, CA license plate and stole a Gucci Wallet which contained \$200.00 in US Currency. There is no suspect information.

Domestic Battery: On October 15, 2019, at about 8:51 am, Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 100 block Paradise Drive for a verbal argument. The reporting party said her husband, a 31 year old male subject of Hercules was acting irate, and took her car keys. Officers arrived and contacted the male subject as he was leaving the complex. It was determined he had punched his wife two times, threw a chair at her, and caused an injury to her finger. He was placed under arrest for domestic battery, and an Emergency Protective Order was granted and served. The male subject was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility.

Solo Vehicle Collision: On October 15, 2019, at about 9:24 am, an Officer was driving through the shopping complex at 3600 San Pablo Avenue when he observed a vehicle with damage and the air bags deployed. It was determined a 2007 Hyundai struck a tree in the parking lot. Both passengers of the Hyundai were transported to the hospital to be treated for injuries.

Public Intoxication / Resisting or delaying an Officer: On October 15, 2019, at about 8:25 pm, Officers were dispatched to the area of the 1200 block of Willow Ave for multiple subjects

involved in a fight and a possible auto burglary that just occurred. Upon arrival Officers located four subjects standing near a Gold 1998 Lexus with a smashed rear window. The subjects appeared to be involved in a verbal dispute and Officers could see one subject had blood all over his clothing. The subjects were later identified as a 17 year old male juvenile of Hercules, a 17 year old male juvenile of Pinole, an 18 year old male subject of San Pablo, and a 17 year old male juvenile of Pinole. While Officers were trying to investigate the incident, two of the subjects attempted to re-engage in a physical fight. Both subjects failed to comply with Officers commands and after a brief struggle were taken into custody. The adult male subject was found to be very intoxicated and was placed under arrest for public intoxication and resisting arrest. Clark was charged with 148PC and they were both transported to the station. Due to the subject's extreme intoxication, he was later cited and transported to county hospital by ambulance. All of the other subjects were cited and released to a parent.

WC SHIFT STATS

Date: 10/04/19-10/15/19

CALLS FOR SERVICE	729
REPORTS	73
TRAFFIC CITES	65
PARKING CITES	53
ADULT ARRESTS	14
JUVENILE ARRESTS	3
ARSONS	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS	1
HATE CRIMES	0
TOWED VEHICLES	5
PART 1 TOTAL	214

PART 1 CRIMES BROKEN DOWN	----
HOMICIDE	0
RAPE	0
ROBBERY	0
ASSAULT (everything from simple battery to aggravated)	4
BURGLARY (residential or commercial)	0
LARCENY(auto burglary or thefts)	11
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1

UPCOMING EVENTS

Planning Commission Meeting

Date: 10/21/2019 7:00 PM
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 111 Civic Drive
 Hercules, CA 94547

City Council Meeting

Date: 10/22/2019 7:00 PM
 Location: City Hall Council Chambers
 111 Civic Drive
 Hercules, CA 94547

Trunk or Treat

Date: 10/25/2019 6:00 – 8:00 PM
 Location: Community Swim Center
 2001 Refugio Valley Rd.
 Hercules, CA 94547