

**City Manager's Bi-Weekly Report**  
**June 12, 2020**

**David Biggs, City Manager**



**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

**Picnic/BBQ Areas**

Per the latest Health Order, the Ohlone Dog Park and Picnic/BBQ areas are now open. If you are looking to get out of the house and do something fun with your family, make a reservation at one of our fabulous picnic areas. To make a reservation please contact us at 799-8291 for rates and availability.



**Dog Park**

In addition to the Picnic/BBQ areas, the Ohlone Dog Park has also reopened. As a reminder, dog park users must maintain 6 feet of separation from other households, and wear face coverings at all times. If there is not 6 feet of room in the Dog Park, please do not enter. As always, we appreciate everyone picking up after their dog.

## **Tennis Courts**

The Refugio Valley Tennis Court resurfacing project is complete. The courts will officially reopen for play on Friday, June 12. There are still restrictions for play from the County Health Officer that includes things like no shared equipment. Best practices are for singles play unless with the same household. To ensure you get the time on the courts that meet your schedule, reservations are encouraged. To make a reservation, please contact the Hercules Parks and Recreation Department at (510) 799-8291.



## **City Budget Under Consideration**

The second public hearing on the proposed FY 20-21 City Budget will take place on Tuesday, June 23rd at 7 PM. It is a very stays quiet budget with some redux to us as we grapple with the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, what is now classified as a recessionary climate, and other events. It is expected we can bridge to better times through a combination of expense reduction including employee concessions, use of one time monies, and a small amount of reserves. The proposed budget can be reviewed on the City's web site under Finance and via this link <https://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/government/finance/budgets> .

## **Bayfront Update**

The first building in the Bayfront development is set to open July 1st. The Exchange features 172 apartments and 14,000 square feet of ground floor retail.

## **Bayfront Boulevard Interim Bus Improvements**

Already being well used, the interim improvements to Bayfront Boulevard are complete except we

are awaiting the delineators which will separate the parallel parking from the new pedestrian path. The new pedestrian path provides a safer connection between the Bay Trail West and East segments. Planned bus service is on hold as all transit agencies have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and have seen significant drop in demand for services.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DURING COUNCIL MEETINGS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Under the Governor's Executive Order, City Council meetings may be conducted utilizing teleconferencing or other electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. The live stream of the meeting may be viewed on television Comcast Channel 28 and/or online at <https://hercules.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20, the public may only view the meeting on television and/or online and not in the Council Chamber.

Due to the current health pandemic, Hercules City Hall is closed to the public during Council Meetings, however members of the public can participate electronically by following the instructions on the very first page of each City Council Agenda. Hercules City Hall has one (1) public counter open in the Police Department with hours of operation of Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m for members of the public needing assistance.

For public participation during City Council meetings please refer to the very first page of the City Council agenda for instructions on how to participate by providing public comments before or during the meeting by sending an E-mail to [lmartin@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:lmartin@ci.hercules.ca.us). Additional ways to provide your public comment is to mail your comment to City of Hercules, ATTN: City Clerk – Public Comment (Meeting Date), 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547 in time to reach the City Clerk no later than 5:45 p.m. on the day of the meeting or by telephone by calling (510) 799-8215 no later than 5:45 p.m. on the meeting date. All comments received by the close of the public comment period will be read into the record and will be available after the meeting as supplemental materials and will become part of the official meeting record.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the office of the City Clerk (510-799-8215). Notification 48 hours prior to a meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to that meeting [28 CFR 35.102.35.104 ADA Title II].

#### **HERCULES GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION – FILING PERIOD OPENS SOON NOMINATION FILING PERIOD – JULY 13, 2020 – AUGUST 7, 2020**

The City of Hercules holds its General Municipal Elections in November of each even numbered year, therefore a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Hercules on November 3, 2020 to elect three (3) members of the City Council which have expiring terms at the end of this

year. Members of the City Council are elected to four (4) year terms. The November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election Nomination Period begins on July 13, 2020 and closes on August 7, 2020 (the 88<sup>th</sup> day before the election). If an incumbent officer does not run for office by the 88<sup>th</sup> day (August 7, 2020) for that incumbent's elective office, the close of the nomination period will extend to August 12, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

**Note:** A candidate for state or local office must file Form 501 "Candidate Intention Statement" before soliciting or receiving any contributions or making any expenditures from personal funds on behalf of your candidacy. Form 501 is filed with the Hercules City Clerk located at 111 Civic Drive, Hercules, CA 94547.

For questions in regards to running for a seat on the City Council at the November 3, 2020 Election, please contact Lori Martin, City Clerk at 510-799-8215. It is recommended that you make an appointment with the City Clerk to pull Nomination Papers during normal business hours once the nomination period opens. Hercules City Offices are open Monday – Thursday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, closed on Friday's with the exception of Friday, August 7, 2020 which is the last day of the nomination filing period and the Office of the City Clerk will be open 8:00 am – 5:00 pm by appointment.

### **Hercules Commission Vacancies**

The Hercules City Council is currently recruiting residents for appointment to the Planning Commission, Community and Library Services Commission and the Finance 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](mailto: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.

**Finance Commission – One (1) Vacancy with an unexpired term ending December 2021**

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.

## **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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month. \*\*Please Note that for the month of November and December the City Council will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday only. The 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in November and December have been canceled.

### **Community and Library Services Commission Meetings**

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

### **Finance Commission Meetings**

The Hercules Finance Commission will meet regularly every other month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. The Finance Commission 2020 meetings will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup>, March 18<sup>th</sup>, May 20<sup>th</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, September 16<sup>th</sup>, and November 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Planning Commission Meetings**

The Hercules Planning Commission meets regularly on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://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**

	<b>May 25 thru June 05, 2020</b>	<b>FY 2019/20 YTD</b>
Number of the permits issued:	18	604
Total Fees Collected:	\$7,443.60	\$344,184.73
Number of Inspections:	17	643
New Housing:	0	0

### **Resumption of All Building Permit-Related Work**

All construction-related work with valid permits that was previously suspended under the “shelter-in-place” order was allowed to resume on May 4, provided workers adhere to required construction safety protocols, including wearing a face covering when at work. Although City Hall offices continue to remain closed to the general public, Community Development staff are working to process new building permits and inspection requests. For questions and assistance, please contact Shiva Matinpour (Building Permit Technician) at [smatinpour@ci.hercules.ca.us](mailto:smatinpour@ci.hercules.ca.us) / 510-799-8244.

The Contra Costa County Conservation & Development Department (which provides building and plan check services for the City) has more detailed information about construction safety protocols at:

<https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/health-orders>

### **Planning Division**

- Tentatively approved Administrative Design Review Permit #20-18 to allow Chahal & Associates, Inc. to operate an accounting, tax, payroll and business consulting services business and install signage at 600 Alfred Nobel Drive (*final appeal date: Thursday, June 11*).

- Tentatively approved Administrative Design Review Permit #20-19 to allow construction of an attached 12' x 15' 2" enclosed rear patio structure at 178 Farragut St. (*final appeal date: Wednesday, June 24*).
- Tentatively approved Administrative Use Permit #20-20 for Vita Rey, doing business as "Sweet Cravings Etc.," to operate a retail bakery at 1581 Sycamore Ave., Suite 7 (Creekside Shopping Center) (*final appeal date: Tuesday, June 23*).
- Tentatively approved Administrative Use Permit #20-21 for Mayra Ramirez, doing business as "Noma Land Design," to provide residential landscape maintenance & design services as a home-based business operating at 115 Decatur Ct. (*final appeal date: Tuesday, June 23*).

### **Planning Commission**

At its regular meeting on June 1, the Planning Commission approved staff-recommended resolutions to the City's sign ordinance to comply with content-neutrality laws. The City Council is scheduled to hold a hearing on the sign ordinance changes at its regular meeting on July 14.

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

### **Maintenance & Operations**

Staff completed their regularly scheduled custodial and facility-related tasks in public parks, buildings, and sewer lift stations. Staff is continuing to inventory street striping and signs for removal and replacement and is replacing identified stop signs. They cleaned up numerous illegal dumping at various locations and oversaw the cleaning of sewer hot-spots and storm drain inlets.

### **Engineering**

Work on the \$52M Pinole-Hercules Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project has been completed and project acceptance is scheduled to come before the Pinole City Council in June. The civil plans for the future Safeway, located at the southeast corner of San Pablo and Sycamore Avenue, have been approved and construction continues. 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 pedestrian enhancement projects at Sycamore/Civic are being put out to bid. Staff is working with Engie on an energy services contract for energy conservation/generation projects including solar installation, LED light retrofits, and HVAC replacement which came before Council June 9 and was continued to June 23.

### **Permits**

Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

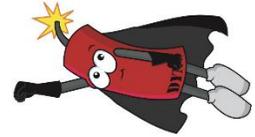
- Number of application received: 3
- Sewer Lateral Inspection Fees Collected: \$387

- Number of Certifications issued: 2
- Number of Deficiency Notices issued: 2

Wide Load/Transportation Permits Issued: 0  
 Encroachment Permits Issued: 12

## PARKS AND RECREATION

The State has opened some things up recently. We are excited to offer a new program for the summer that we will be opening for registration sometime next week. There are still restrictions and new limitations, but we are looking forward to resuming programs and seeing our community enjoying programs and facilities.



### Coming Soon!

#### **Hercules Adventure Camp**

We are getting ready to roll out an all NEW camp called Hercules Adventure Camp. We will be offering (3) 2-week sessions this summer for children of all ages including TK through 8<sup>th</sup> grade respectively. Enrollment will be limited to 12 children per cohort. Each cohort will be stable and consistent for the 2 week block. No one will be added to a camp once the program begins. More details will be available next week.

### Marketing

#### **Promote Your Business**

Are you looking for a unique way to promote your business around town? Let the City of Hercules Parks & Recreation Department help. We have several affordable ways to assist you with your advertising needs including signboards, banners and/or activity guide. For more information please contact 799-8291 for rates and availability.

### Seniors

#### **Senior Outreach Program**

The Senior Center staff has created an activity packet for seniors to help give them some “stay at home activities” to help keep them engaged at home. A new packet is distributed each Tuesday, during the C.C. Café lunch distribution. The packet is adjusted each week and includes sample activities like mazes, word search, crossword puzzle, word jumble, coloring sheets and more.

The Friends of the Hercules Senior Center group continues to make calls on a regular basis to the 200+ members of the Hercules Senior Center while sheltered in place order continues to be in effect. FHSC volunteers asked general



questions about how they are doing, what their needs are, etc. Thank you to the Friends group for making these calls to our all of the Seniors.

### **Blood Drive**

The City of Hercules is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a Blood Drive Tuesday, June 23, from 2-7pm at the Hercules Senior Center. For more information and/or to register for the event please call (510) 799-8219.

### **CC Café**

CC Café has been, and will continue to provide meals to seniors that sign up on a weekly basis here in Hercules. The meal service plan recently moved from 7 to 5 frozen meals once a week that includes a loaf of bread, fresh fruit and a half gallon of milk. The numbers fluctuate weekly, but after a spike in May with a high of 62, the past two weeks we have seen decreasing numbers. On Tuesday, June 2, 56 seniors signed up to receive meals, and this Tuesday, June 9, 45 seniors signed up for the service.

### **Food Bank**

The Contra Costa Food Bank was in Hercules on Tuesday, June 2, to once again distribute food to the seniors and others in need. Overall 240 people took advantage of the food distribution. All social distancing requirements were adhered to with the help of personnel from the Food Bank along with Parks and Rec staff.

The Contra Costa Food Bank distributes food at the Hercules Senior Center on the first and third Tuesday of each month from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm. The next day for food distribution will be June 16.

### **Special Events**

#### **Conditioning Workouts in the Community**

Conditioning workouts for the Hercules community will be offered at the Hercules High campus every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 - 10AM. The conditioning workouts will begin Tuesday, June 16th and run to Thursday, July 9th. Social distancing protocols will be enforced during the workouts. For more information call (510) 245-1089.

## **HERCULES PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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### **Library Launching Front Door Service Starting Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>!**

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Beginning Monday, June 15, the Library will offer Front Door Service at 23 community libraries. The service will allow patrons to pick-up books, DVDs and audiobooks placed on hold through the Library's website at [ccclib.org](http://ccclib.org).

Those patrons with holds on the shelf from early March, before the Health Order began, will have the opportunity to make appointments first. This is necessary to clear the thousands of holds currently on library shelves and make room for new holds. Those patrons will be contacted with

instructions explaining how to make an appointment to pick up their materials. Appointments are encouraged, but not required. Those coming to the library without appointments may experience a wait.

New holds can be placed beginning on Thursday, June 18, and appointments will be open to any patron who wishes to pick up available holds. Patrons will be notified when their holds are ready. They will make an appointment at the appropriate location and schedule a pick-up time. Once at the library location, the patron will call or text the number on the sign at the front of the building. Staff will confirm the library card number and collect the items. Materials will be placed in a bag with the patron's name on it and put on a table at the front door. It is a safe, contactless process.

Front Door Service is available during regularly scheduled hours at 23 locations. See the full list of locations and hours [here](#). All libraries will be closed on Sundays. Front Door Service will not be available at the Pinole, Pleasant Hill or Prewett locations until further notice.

For the safety of our patrons and staff, Library items will be quarantined for a minimum of 72 hours in between each use. Staff will wash their hands frequently, wear masks and observe social distancing protocols. Patrons approaching the front door should also wear a mask and observe social distancing guidelines. All returns should be placed in the book drop.

Stay tuned to [ccclib.org](https://ccclib.org) for more information about how to use Front Door Service.

For questions about library services, contact staff via [Chat](#), Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or text questions to (925) 290-7627.

***Please do not drop off book donations for the Friends of the Hercules Library. We cannot accept donations at this time.***

Please check the homepage of the Library website for any changes to services. Visit [cchealth.org](https://cchealth.org) for the details about the order from the Health Officer and more information on COVID-19/Coronavirus.



### **Dive Deep in Summer Reading**

Beginning June 6, 2020. Sign up at <https://wandooreader.com/ccclib/summer-reading-2020-dive-deep/users/sessions/new> to keep track of your reading and learning. The whole family can get swept away with summer fun and entered in to a drawing for a chance to win prizes including an **Xbox One X**. Come back often to wrap your tentacles around updated information as it bubbles to the surface.

### **Library WiFi is back on!**

The Library's WiFi is on and available from the parking lots of many of the branches across the

County. For families without internet service, the Library's WiFi may help to provide needed support for homeschooling, access to social services or connections to loved ones. Though the WiFi is on at all branches, the distance from the parking lot to the library buildings varies by location and WiFi signal strength may be impacted.

**While the library is closed, you can still access some great digital resources the library offers.**

***Any patrons with cards that have expired or are scheduled to expire this year have been extended to allow access to all available digital resources.***

For questions about Library services and programming or account information, contact the library via online Chat or text questions to (925) 290-7627. Both services are available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m at [ccclib.org](http://ccclib.org)

**No card,  
No problem.**



You don't need a physical library card to access many of the online resources available through our website. Signing up for a **library eCard** is easy and fast.

**Visit** <https://ccclib.org/no-card-no-problem/>

**With the continuing need to social distance, the library has added more online programming offerings. Here's a sampling of what you can participate in:**

**Tai Chi – online!**

**Mondays 6-7pm**

Weekly Tai Chi practice, led by Bob Noha, presented through Zoom. Tai Chi is an ideal method to maintain physical, mental, and energetic health during this time. You'll want to download and install Zoom, and then use this link: [www.tinyurl.com/laf-tai-chi](http://www.tinyurl.com/laf-tai-chi)

**Asian Art Museum Docent Lectures – Museum from Home**

**Presented by the Asian Art Museum**

**Tuesdays 1:00-2:00pm**

Bring the Asian Art Museum into your home. This amazing series will focus on a different aspect of the vast museum collection each week.

**Next Lecture:** Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup>: 1:00-2:00pm

The Language of Flowers in Asian Art

**NOTE:** Please check the library's website for information about logging on to the event. These live lectures will take place via Zoom.

## **ScienceTellers present Dragons: Return of the Ice Sorceress**

**Wednesday June 17, 4:00-4:45pm**

Join ScienceTellers for a live online educational, interactive adventure as they tell the story of the journey of two brave villagers on a quest to save an entire kingdom from the Evil Ice Sorceress, all while exploring the science of matter with dry ice, fog, bubbles, flying rockets and more!

To access this event on your device, you will need to register using an email. We will email you the “Join Zoom Meeting” link and password a couple of days before the performance. You will be stepped through a short process to download and use a Zoom program that will enable you to see the event live.

**NOTE:** If you already have Zoom installed, DO NOT open it first, just click on the Zoom Meeting link you will receive. Go to this link to register [https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/fq=program:\(5e2b7849df59234500450f71\)/event/5eb1dc998309144500955828](https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/fq=program:(5e2b7849df59234500450f71)/event/5eb1dc998309144500955828)

### **For a complete list of online events at the Contra Costa County Library visit:**

[https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/fq=program:\(5e2b7849df59234500450f71\)?\\_ga=2.70725014.708251091.1588012522-1218323575.1585147616](https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/fq=program:(5e2b7849df59234500450f71)?_ga=2.70725014.708251091.1588012522-1218323575.1585147616)

### **Digital Resources**

go to <https://ccclib.org/resource/> for a complete list and to access the resources

### **Flipster**

Your favorite magazines like Consumer Reports, People, The New Yorker, The Atlantic, Popular Science, Real Simple, Bon Appetit and more available on your computer or mobile device. Complete issues with full-color images and articles. No check-out required, just click and read!

### **New York Times Digital**

Your Contra Costa County Library card gives you 24 hour complimentary access to the digital edition of the New York Times. Off-site access is available through 24-hour passes. To continue using this resource, you need only log in again.

### **OverDrive**

Downloadable bestsellers, classics, fiction, and non-fiction. Loan period is 7, 14, or 21 days; it's your choice at the time of checkout. You can have 5 titles checked out at any time-total includes all formats. You can have up to 10 holds. Also try OverDrive Kids.

The Libby, by OverDrive app is available for Android and iOS devices.

### **OverDrive for Kids**

Downloadable eBooks and eAudioBooks for children. Loan period is 7, 14, or 21 days; it's your choice at the time of checkout. You can have 5 titles checked out at any time-total includes all formats. You can have up to 10 holds.

The Libby, by OverDrive app is available for Android and iOS devices.

### **OverDrive for Teens**

Downloadable eBooks and eAudiobooks, just for teens! Every book lover is sure to find an

enjoyable title, available for download to the device of their choice, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can check out up to 5 Overdrive titles for 7, 14, or 21 days; it's your choice at the time of checkout. You can have up to 10 holds.

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### **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.**

**Mail Theft:** On May 28, 2020, at about 10:34 am, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 200 block of Ben Lomond for a reported mail theft. Several mailboxes in the area were found open. The officer contacted the victim, who had a \$24.00 bathing suit stolen out of her mailbox. Per surveillance footage, the officer determined the theft occurred this morning between 4:11 am, and 4:29 am. This case was forwarded to the USPS Inspector.

**Robbery:** On May 28, 2020, at about 2:14 pm, an officer was dispatched to the 3700 block of San Pablo Ave for a reported robbery. The Reporting Party stated he arranged to meet with someone via Offer UP to sell a pair of shoes valued at \$690.00. The suspect inspected the shoes and then took the shoes with him to supposedly get the money from his vehicle. The suspect then left in an unknown vehicle scraping the victim's upper right upper arm. The victim jumped out of the way so he would not get run over by the suspect. The victim left the scene and called the police approximately 30 minutes later.

**Occupied Stolen Vehicle Recovery:** On May 29, 2020, at approximately 1:44 am, an Officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a black 2010 BMW 550 for not displaying license plates. A check of the VIN revealed the vehicle was reported stolen to Oakland PD on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The driver and lone occupant, a 26 year old male of Richmond was taken into custody without incident. After further investigation, the subject was released pending additional investigation and the vehicle was towed.

**Fraudulent Use of Account Information:** On May 28, 2020, at 6:27 pm, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Watermark Terrace for a reported fraud. The officer contacted the victim and determined that someone had accessed the victim's debit card information and used it at an ATM in Oakland. There were at least three different transactions where money was taken totaling \$1212.00.

**Found Property:** On May 29, 2020, at 12:12 pm, an Officer was dispatched to the 1900 block of Railroad Ave for a found California license plate. The R/O of the vehicle the plate belonged to said she sold the car to a dealer over three years ago. The plate was entered into SVS.

**Brandishing:** On May 29, 2020, at about 12:40 pm, Officers were dispatched to 1572 Sycamore Ave, Wells Fargo bank for an unwanted subject wearing a Michael Myers Halloween mask. They

advised the subject was threatening to start a riot and lifted his shirt to show that he had a knife in his pocket. Officers arrived on scene and contacted a very confrontational, 36 year old male, of Rodeo who eventually agreed to leave the business. After the subject left, it was determined that Wells Fargo wished to press charges. The case will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office for review.

**Shoplifting:** On May 29, 2020, at about 1:04 pm, Officers were still on scene at Wells Fargo, when they were flagged down regarding a theft that just occurred from Lucky, 1590 Sycamore Ave. Officers were told that a Hispanic female just left the store and stole items from the deli department. Officers contacted the responsible person, a 34 year old female subject determined to be transient. The store declined to press charges and just wanted her placed on the No Trespassing Log.

**Identity Theft:** On May 29, 2020, at about 1:10 pm, an Officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Violet Rd for a reported Identity Theft. The victim stated someone attempted to open a Target Credit card in her name.

**Non-Injury Collision:** On May 29, 2020, at about 2:18 pm, Officers were dispatched to a vehicle collision in the 1900 block of Lupine Rd. Officers arrived on scene and found a silver 2002 Honda Civic that had rear-ended a parked 2003 Ford F-250. The driver of the vehicle stated that his dog jumped in his lap which made him veer to the right and collide with the truck.

**Hit and Run:** On May 29, 2020, at 5:36 pm, Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 1200 block of Willow Ave for a female who reportedly almost hit a male with a vehicle, and hit another parked car. Officers arrived on scene and contacted a 42 year old male subject out of Oakland, who stated his girlfriend, a 33 year old female subject from Hercules hit his vehicle as she was leaving the apartment complex. He stated they were involved in a verbal argument but denied anything physical.

**Outside Assist:** On Friday night, May 29, 2020, Mutual Aid Mobile Field Force was activated and two Hercules Police Officers were called out to assist Oakland PD with violent protestors.

**Identity Theft:** On May 30, 2020, at about 11:46 am, an Officer was dispatched to 1590 Sycamore (US Bank inside Lucky) for an attempted fraud that occurred a few minutes prior to the reporting party calling the police. The RP stated a Filipino male adult attempted to cash a stolen check using a fake identification card.

**Possession of a Controlled Substance/Possession of Drug Paraphernalia:** On May 31, 2020, at about 5:54 am, Officers were dispatched to the area of San Pablo Ave at Hercules Ave for a WMA seen walking on the center median appearing to be dragging his leg. Officers arrived and contacted a 34 year old male subject of Corning. The subject appeared to be under the influence of a controlled substance and was extremely lethargic. The subject consented to a search of his person and the Officer located two different types of controlled substances in his pant pockets. The subject was placed under arrest for possession of controlled substances and drug paraphernalia. The subject was cited and released before being transported by ambulance to Richmond Kaiser due to his inability to stand or answer basic questions.

**Hit & Run:** On June 1, 2020, at about 9:21 pm, an Officer was monitoring vehicles exiting E/B I-80 at Hercules when he saw a 1995 Honda Accord exit the freeway. The Accord's front bumper was hanging off the front of the vehicle and the vehicle appeared to have recently been involved in a collision. A traffic enforcement stop was initiated in the 1500 block of Sycamore Ave. The driver was identified as a 32 year old male from Hercules. He was found to be on PRCS and had a suspended/revoked driver's license. He denied being involved in a vehicle collision however, Dispatch contacted CHP and confirmed this was a suspect vehicle in a hit and run vehicle collision that just occurred on E/B I-80 at Appian Way. CHP was unable to respond so an initial investigation was completed as an outside assist to be forwarded to CHP.

**Coroner's Case:** On June 1, 2020, at 11:34 pm, Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 1100 block of Waverly Circle for a report of a 60 year old male having a heart attack. Upon arrival, Officers located the subject lying on the floor of the upstairs common area. Rodeo-Hercules Fire responded and pronounced the subject deceased. There was no evidence a crime was committed, and the Coroner released the body to his family.

**Possession of a Controlled Substance/ Warrant Arrest:** On June 2, 2020, at 3:10 am, an Officer did a traffic enforcement stop on a 2004 Chevy Monte Carlo on Willow Ave near Hawthorne for a vehicle code violation. The driver was identified as a 34 year old male subject out of Stockton. An Officer observed drug paraphernalia. A probable cause search of the subject produced a small amount of a controlled substance in his pant pocket. The subject was also determined to have an outstanding Misdemeanor Warrant for embezzlement issued out of Alameda County. The subject was cited and released for being in possession of a controlled substance and for the Warrant

**Found Property:** On June 2, 2020, at about 10:54 am, an Officer took a report for found property.

**Residential Burglary:** On June 3, 2020, at about 11:53 am, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 1200 block of Chelsea for a residential Burglary. The burglary occurred sometime yesterday between 6:45 pm, and today, at 11:40 am. Officers are working on possible suspect information.

**Non-Injury Collision:** On June 3, 2020, at about 1:02 pm, an officer was dispatched to Sycamore Ave and Promenade St. for a vehicle collision involving a city vehicle.

**Vehicle Burglary:** On June 3, 2020, at about 7:04 am, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Ivy Bay for a vehicle that was reportedly broken into sometime last night.

**Vehicle Vandalism:** On June 3, 2020, at about 7:04 am, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Ivy Bay for a second vehicle that was reportedly broken into sometime last night.

**Vehicle Vandalism:** On June 3, 2020, at about 12:52 pm, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Maritime Terrace for a vehicle that was reportedly broken into sometime last night.

**Auto Burglary and Poss. of Burglary Tools:** On June 5, 2020, at approximately 12:01 am, Officers were dispatched to a residential alarm in the 400 block of Violet Rd. As Officers arrived

on scene, they observed a Hispanic female adult exit the interior of a Ford pickup and run into an awaiting silver Honda Accord. The vehicle was last seen toward Lupine Rd. Another Officer located the Accord on Lupine Rd and Heather Ave and conducted an investigative detention. The driver was identified as a 33 year old male and the passenger was identified as a 38 year old female. Both subjects were from San Rafael. The passenger admitted to attempting to steal items from the Ford on Violet Rd. Both subjects were placed under arrest. During a search of the female subject, multiple shaved vehicle keys including one for Ford vehicles was located on her person and where she was seated. The owner of the Ford was contacted and confirmed his vehicle was locked but was unsure of any take. The female was transported to CCRMC by ambulance due to complaints of shortness of breath prior to being booked into MDF. The male subject was released per PC 849 and the vehicle was towed.

**Warrant Arrest:** The female subject was also taken into custody for an outstanding warrant for theft related charges out of Alameda County.

**Identity Theft:** On June 5, 2020, at approximately 10:32 am, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Civic Drive for an Identity Theft report. The victim stated that someone used her identity to withdraw money she received from her stimulus check from her checking account.

**Grand Theft:** On June 5, 2020, at 4:04 pm, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of White Cap Cove for a reported theft of a catalytic converter from a 2007 green Prius.

**Miscellaneous Information:** On June 5, 2020, at about 6:05 pm, Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Paradise Drive for a reported verbal family dispute. A case was taken to be forwarded to Child and Family Services.

**Warrant Arrest:** On June 5, 2020, at approximately 9:46 pm, an Officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop. The driver, a 28 year old female was determined to have an outstanding warrant for prostitution held by Santa Ana PD and was cite/released.

**Identity Theft:** On June 6, 2020, at about 9:16 am, an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 100 block of Pearce Street for a reported identity theft. The victim reported that in December of 2018, an unknown suspect opened an AT&T account in his name and left a bill for \$200.00.

**Felony Vandalism:** On June 6, 2020, at about 3:46 pm, officers were dispatched to the 76 Gas Station located at 828 Willow Ave for the report of a female inside the store who was knocking things over. Officers arrived on scene and determined a male came into the business without a mask and asked to use the restroom. He was refused for not having a face covering on. He started to yell at the clerks calling them racist, and then a female came into the business and asked to buy cigarettes. She was also denied service because she did not have a face covering on. She responded by yelling and knocking over the flower and fruit displays. The clerks estimated the damage at approximately \$500.00.

**Solo Motorcycle Collision:** On June 6, 2020, at approximately 11:40 pm, Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Marigold for a motorcyclist down. Officers arrived and located a 30 year old male subject on the ground breathing but not responsive. It appears the subject low

sided his 2018 Harley Davidson Sportster and came to a stop when he struck the rear of a parked vehicle. Officers rendered first aid until Fire/AMR arrived on scene. He was air lifted to John Muir Walnut Creek.

**Stolen Vehicle – Moped:** On June 7, 2020, at about 9:23 pm, an Officer was flagged down near the Aventine Apartments regarding a stolen moped. The victim told the Officer that an unknown suspect stole his Silver '09 Tomos Spirit sometime between 06/05/20, at 10:00 pm, and the time of call. The Moped was parked on Tsushima St. at Riverview Terrace. An area check was done, but no evidence was located. The Moped was entered into SVS by Dispatch.

**Warrant Arrest/Possession of a Controlled Substance:** On June 8, 2020, at about 2:00 am, an Officer conducted a pedestrian stop on a male on a bicycle on San Pablo Ave at John Muir Parkway. The male was identified as a 25 year old male subject out of Vallejo. He was found to be on PRCS for Arson and had an outstanding No Bail Warrant for violating PRCS. During a parole search of his person, an Officer located 3.4 grams of a suspected controlled substance in the subject's pant pocket. He was cited out on the possession of a controlled substance charge and was transported to the Martinez Detention Facility for the warrant.

**Evading a Peace Officer:** On June 8, 2020, at 8:20 pm, an Officer attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a White '96 Honda Accord on Willow Ave. at the E/B I-80 on-ramp for a vehicle code violation. The driver immediately failed to yield and accelerated up the on-ramp onto E/B I-80. A CHP Officer happened to be stopped near the E/B I-80 on-ramp at Willow Ave and followed the Officer as he briefly pursued the Accord. The driver of the Accord accelerated to speeds of 95 mph and the CHP Officer took over the vehicle pursuit. The Officer trailed the solo CHP Officer's pursuit and the Accord was last seen exiting Sonoma Blvd. in Vallejo. The driver was described as being an HMA, bald, black mustache wearing a white shirt and black jeans. The Accord was later found abandoned on Sonoma Blvd at Bennett Ave in Vallejo after being involved in a hit and run collision. The Accord was towed by Vallejo PD.

**MSIN:** Detectives requested a case this morning for a miscellaneous investigation.

**Shoplifting:** On June 10, 2020, at about 5:07 pm, Officers were dispatched to Rite Aid for a petty theft that just occurred. An Officer located and detained two suspects matching the descriptions near McDonald's. The subjects were identified as a 19 year old male and an 18 year old male. The Officer viewed both suspects on surveillance video, selecting items and leaving the store without paying for them. The stolen merchandise was located along the flight path of the suspects. Both subjects were cited and released for shoplifting.

**Warrant Arrest:** On June 10, 2020, at approximately 11:05 pm, an Officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop in the area of John Muir Parkway and Bayfront Blvd. The driver, a 29 year old female was determined to have a no bail warrant for a probation violation held by Alameda County and was taken into custody.

**Hit and Run:** On June 11, 2020, at approximately 12:57 am, an Officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Decatur Ct for a hit and run. The suspect vehicle was located by Pinole PD in the area of Pinole Valley Rd and Henry Ave. The driver, a 28 year old female was cited and released for a hit and run violation.

### WC SHIFT STATS

Date: 05/28-06/10/2020

CALLS FOR SERVICE	654
REPORTS	50
TRAFFIC CITES	2
PARKING CITES	39
ADULT ARRESTS	15
JUVENILE ARRESTS	0
ARSONS	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS	0
HATE CRIMES	0
TOWED VEHICLES	7
PART 1 TOTAL	9

PART 1 CRIMES BROKEN DOWN	-----
HOMICIDE	
RAPE	
ROBBERY	1
ASSAULT (everything from simple battery to aggravated)	
BURGLARY (residential or commercial)	
LARCENY (auto burglary or thefts)	7
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1

### UPCOMING EVENTS

For future events and updates, please visit our website at: <https://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/our-city/calendar>

#### **Planning Commission Meeting - CANCELED**

**Date:** 06/15/2020 7:00 PM

**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers  
111 Civic Drive  
Hercules, California 94547

#### **City Council Meeting**

**Date:** 06/23/2020 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM

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