City Manager's Bi-Weekly Report June 09, 2022





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City Office Closed in Observance of Juneteenth

In observance of Juneteenth, city offices will be closed Monday, June 20, 2022.

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Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order a 3rd round of free athome tests. Each order now includes 8 rapid antigen COVID-19 tests. Visit www.covidtests.gov for more information.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY CLERK

Commission Vacancies



The Hercules City Council is currently recruiting residents for appointment to the Planning Commission and the Finance Commission. Applicants must be residents of the City of Hercules, 18 years of age or older and registered to vote. The Application process will remain open util filled. Contact Lauren Berges, City Clerk, at 510.799.8215 or at lberges@ci.hercules.ca.us for

additional information or questions.

Applications are completed through the City's website at:

https://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/government/commissions-committees

Council Meeting Public Participation

The City of Hercules is proud to offer in-person City Council meetings again. While attendees are welcome to join us at City Hall, members of the community who prefer online participation can still join using Zoom. Our new hyrbrid format will allow for maximum civic engagement. The Webinar ID and password credentials for joining meetings will be provided on each meeting agenda. 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 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].

Human Resources

For a current listing of employment opportunities at the City of Hercules go to: <u>Hercules Employment Opportunities</u>.

City Meeting Schedules

City Council Meetings

The Hercules City Council meets regularly on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m.

Community and Library Services Commission Meetings

The Hercules Library and Community Services Commission meets regularly on the 2nd Monday of each month. Please refer to the Agenda cover for Zoom information to watch the meeting live.

Finance Commission Meetings

The Hercules Finance Commission will meet regularly every other month on the 3rd Wednesday.

Planning Commission Meetings

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

To view City Council and Planning Commission meeting videos online go to: $\underline{\text{Meeting Videos}}$.

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

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

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.

Upcoming Meetings

Community and Library Services Commission Meeting June 13, 2022 at 7:00 pm City Council Meeting June 14, 2022 at 7:00 pm Planning Commission Meeting June 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building & Planning Departments Open

Community Development staff, with support from Contra Costa County staff, process new building permits and inspection requests. The City's Community Development front desk is open to the public, Monday—Thursday, 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. by appointment. For questions and assistance, please contact Shiva Matinpour (Community Development Specialist) at 510-799-8244 or via email (smatinpour@ci.hercules.ca.us).

Building Inspection Division

	May 23, thru June 3, 2022	FY 2021/22 YTD
Number of Permits Issued:	26	829
Total Fees Collected:	\$12,253.47	\$447,068.90
Number of Inspections:	19	643
New Housing:	0	5*

^{*} All housing permits issued for new accessory dwelling units.

Code Enforcement Division

Code Enforcement staff investigate and follow up on requests for enforcement of the Zoning Code. Residents are encouraged to use the **Hercules Connect** app, available on the <u>Apple App Store</u> and <u>Google Play Store</u>, to place requests for code enforcement. The app allows you to track a request and see when it has been closed.



the property if not paid.

James Jonte is the City's new contract Code Enforcement Officer. A former law enforcement professional, accident investigator, public safety officer and Army veteran, James brings his wealth of experience, courtesy and professionalism to bear on requests for enforcement.

Code Enforcement staff visit the site of all requests and attempt to make contact with the property owner or occupant, leaving literature behind to explain the relevant code provisions. If an issue is not corrected promptly, a Notice of Violation may be issued with a deadline for correction. If the deadline is not met, an Administrative Citation may be issued to the property owner. Repeated or unpaid citations will result in escalating fines that could be assessed against

So far this year, the Division has received 49 requests for enforcement, with the most frequent topics being Junk & Debris on Private Property and RV, Boat and Trailer Storage. To date, 19 of these requests have been closed.

Planning Division

- Tentatively approved Administrative Design Review Permit #22-20, a request from Sundeep Grewal of Studio G+S, Architects, to construct a one-story, 192 square-foot addition (courtyard fill-in) at the west elevation of the house at 130 Dockside Bay.
- Tentatively approved Administrative Use Permi t#22-22, a request from Rodrigo Hermes Paraonello Toniguti, doing business as "Hello House", to operate a home-based business doing administrative tasks for a home repair, ethernet and security camera installation business at 2200 John Muir Pkwy #319.
- Tentatively approved Administrative Design Review Permit#22-14, a request from My T Vo, to operate a nail salon and install sign" Valley Nails" at 1511 Sycamore Ave., Suite E.

Planning Commission

• June 21, 7:00 p.m. — Planning Commission Meeting: Cancelled (due to lack of ready agenda items)

City Council

- All-Electric Building Ordinance. At its June 14 meeting, the Council will conduct the second reading of the All-Electric Building Ordinance Amendments to the Hercules Municipal Code, Title 9 Building Regulations, modifying Chapter 5 Electrical Code, as approved at the first reading on May 24.
- **Housing Element Update.** At its June 14 meeting, the City Council will receive an update on the ongoing preparation of the City's draft Housing Element Update. A public draft will be released for comment by June 17, after which the draft will be submitted to the state Department of Housing and Community Development for their review and comment.

Bayfront Heights (ABCD) Community Workshops

The City of Hercules is seeking community input on the future development of a vacant site along the western shore of Hercules. This vacant site consists of Blocks ABCD (aka "The Heights" or "The Bowl") of the Waterfront District Master Plan.

<u>Ledcor</u>, a residential developer and the developer of The Exchange and The Grand in the Bayfront project, has submitted an initial development proposal for Blocks ABCD. The development proposal includes a mostly residential community with 142 residential townhouses, parks, and some mixed use. However, the proposal does not align with the design and development regulations from the form-based code of the City's Waterfront District Master Plan (WDMP).

Over three dozen residents participated in a virtual community workshop on June 7. On Wednesday, June 15, a second, in-person workshop/open house will be held. You are invited to attend to learn more about Ledcor's Proposal and background on the Waterfront District Master Plan and its planning process. The in-person workshop will include the same presentations as the virtual workshop, as well as an opportunity to ask questions, engage in discussion, and provide feedback.

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 | 6:30 - 8 pm The Grand at Bayfront 1st Floor Resident Lounge 2200 John Muir Parkway, Hercules

Registration is required – sign up at:

https://herculeswaterfront-inperson.eventbrite.com

The flyer for this workshop can be found as an attachment at the end of this edition of the newsletter.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Maintenance & Operations

Staff completed their regularly scheduled custodial and facility-related tasks in public parks, buildings, and sewer lift stations. They cleaned up numerous illegal dumping and graffiti throughout town and trimmed vegetation on streets as needed for visibility. Assistance was provided to the Recreation Department with replacing the diving board at the Community Swim Center and to the Police Department with cleaning up the streets after an automobile accident. Staff coordinated with Pacific Site, the contractor, on the Baywood Tree Replacement project which is anticipated to start mid-June.

Engineering

The design plans are under review for the Sycamore Crossing development project, including the EBMUD relocation of the waterline into San Pablo Avenue and hotel. The City finally received permits from regulatory agencies so the Sycamore Trunk Sewer Replacement Project can



now be bid out. This project will replace a long segment of sewer trunk main leading into the Pinole-Hercules Water Pollution Control Plant. Design on the Regional Intermodal Transportation Center (RITC) is advancing utilizing \$1.2M in grant funding and the City has contracted with GBS who is developing a funding plan to complete the project. The sewer conveyance system for the Willow Storage Facility Developer is under review. The Sycamore Avenue Rehabilitation Project is being bid out with an anticipated Council award date at the second meeting in July. Staff is reviewing a surcharge grading permit for what known as the "Bowl" or Blocks ABCD located at the corner of Bayfront and Railroad. This area is part of the Bayfront Development and while the soil preparation is underway a project has not yet been approved for this site.

Permits

Sewer Lateral Inspection Program:

• Number of applications received: 7

• Sewer Lateral Inspection Fees Collected: \$952

• Number of Certifications issued: 5

• Number of Deficiency Notices issued: 2

Wide Load/Transportation Permits Issued: 1

Encroachment Permits Issued: 15



PARKS AND RECREATION

Projects

Mural Restoration

Local artist David Cho has been working on the restoration of the "Sycamore mural", located underneath the I-80 overpass on Sycamore Avenue in Hercules, for the past 6 weeks. During this time, many residents have stopped by to chat with David, and thank him for restoring the mural. The mural itself is massive. Approximately 150 feet long and almost 20 feet tall at the peak. The mural is a history of Hercules and the indigenous Ohlone Native Americans.



If you haven't had a chance to see it yet, Kathy Chouteau from the Richmond Standard wrote a nice article about the restoration project posted June 2, 2022, here's the link <u>Restoration of historic Hercules mural approaching finish line - Richmond Standard</u>

Diving Boards

The Parks and Recreation Staff would like to thank Public Works Superintendent, Jeff Brown, for helping us installed (2) brand new diving boards at the Hercules Swim Center last week. The 16' boards were installed on both the 1-meter (low dive) and 3-meter (high dive) platforms. The diving boards will be open this coming Saturday, June 11, during Recreation Swim (Rec Swim) from 1:00-4:00pm. Summer Rec Swim will



open during the week beginning next Monday, June 13, and will be open Monday through Saturday, from 1-4p.

Eagle Scout Project

This past weekend, Eagle Scout candidate, Daniel Ferrari, lead a group of Boy Scouts on an Eagle project. Daniel is a member of the local Boy Scouts Troop 76 here in Hercules. For his Eagle project, Daniel organized a canned food drive





for a local mission. He set a goal to collect 750 cans, and surpassed the goal collecting 836.

Events

June Election

On Tuesday, June 7, the Hercules Community Center and Hercules Library were designated polling locations for the June election. Special thanks to our own Jeff Jew for coming in a "dark o'clock" to open both facilities for the





County, and recognition to Eren Mendez, Contra Costa County Election Outreach Coordinator, Elections Division for orchestrating all of the equipment and personnel necessary to man these sites, we are proud to serve our community during this special election.

First Quinceañera

This past weekend was busy with picnic and building rentals throughout the City. There were many graduation and birthday celebrations around the parks. Our indoor rentals saw a Celebration of Life at Foxboro Community Center, and the Hercules Community Swim Center was bustling with a Quinceanera...the first one since the return from pandemic. The facility was beautifully decorated, and the party-goers had a



wonderful time with a slide show of the honoree, including music, dancing, and a fabulous selection of food.

Staff in the Spotlight

Nighat Mohsin Retires

Ms. Nighat started working for the Hercules Parks and Recreation Department in November of 2002. For nearly 20 year, Ms. Nighat has become a beloved teacher in the While she has had some mixed Preschool program. emotions about leaving, she is excited to travel and visit family and friends. Among her many plans, Ms. Nighat has already scheduled visits to Karachi, a port city in Pakistan to visit her brother, before she makes her way to Milton Keynes in London to visit her youngest sister, and then plans to visit cousins in Manchester. She mentioned that it has been nearly 35 years since she last saw her cousins. She also plans to get involved in social work for underprivileged children in Pakistan in hopes of making a difference in their lives. On behalf of the Hercules Parks and Recreation Department, we would like to wish Ms.



Nighat all the best in her future travels. We will miss you Ms. Nighat!

Aquatics

Aqua Zumba

Those looking to make a splash by adding a low-impact, high-energy aquatic exercise to their fitness routine while moving to amazing world music must join the fitness fun! Come join us at the Hercules Community Swim Center for Aqua Zumba on Wednesday's from 8:00-8:45pm and Sunday's from 11:00am – 12:00pm.



Lap Swim

Swimming is one of the best full-body workouts available! Whether you lap swim or water walk, come do your workout at the Hercules Community Swim Center. We are offering drop ins, 10 visit and 25 visit individual passes. All swimmers must be at least 14 years old to participate. Lap swim and water walking is currently open Monday through Friday from 6:00-7:00pm. Dates and times subject to change. Please call 510-799-8291 for updated information and times for lap swim and water walking.

Recreation Swim

Come beat the heat at Recreation Swim that will start on 6/13 Mon.-Sat. from 1:00pm-4:00pm located at our Hercules Swim Center, 2001 Refugio Valley Road. Both pools will be open as well as both diving boards (High and low). Don't forget to bring plenty of water, sun protection, towel, and swimsuit. We will be closed on 6/20/2022 for public swim. If you are looking to rent the

facility for recreation swim party on Saturdays or to rent the pool on a Sunday, please contact us at 510-799-8291.

Summer Swim Lessons

Summer hasn't even begun, and our **Private Swim Lessons are completely sold out for the entire Summer!** With that said, there is still room for group lessons. Don't miss your chance to sign up for Swim Lessons before they fill up. We offer 5 sessions of group swim lessons throughout the summer. Our patient, safety-oriented instructors are ready to help your child achieve their water safety goals.

Camp

Dynamite Summer Camps

The Hercules Parks and Recreation Department is happy to bring back our traditional summer camp program known as Camp Dynamite. Camp Dynamite is broken up into several different age groups to allow for age appropriate activities. Sparklers (preschool, ages 3-5) will be held at Ohlone Kidz Center. Firecrackers and Dynamite (youth, ages 6-10; or K-5th grades) will be held at Hanna Kidz Center. And Teen Dynamite (middle schoolers) will be held at T.H.E. S.P.O.T. (our Teen Center).

As of June 8, we are averaging 110 registered campers for our tradition summer camp programs. Week 3, we have over 125 registered. Camp runs M-Th from 8a-5p; Sparklers are a 9a-12p program. Each week campers will enjoy a fun and exciting themed weeks with swimming and entertainment as well. Camp also features lots of games, contests, prizes and new friendships. For more information call (510) 799-8291. Register now as space is limited!

Staff Training

In May, Camp Staff participated in the Summer Leader Institute at Cal State East Bay – Concord Campus. The training focused on games, leadership, field trips, water safety, customer service, team building and how to deal with challenging behaviors. In June, staff went through an in-depth training on Active Shooter, run by Sergeant Miller. In addition, Recreation Coordinator, Bryce Halliday delivered training for the staff when they are at the pool during Rec Swim. Staff is looking forward to getting summer started.







Employment

Employment Opportunities

Join our Team. If you or someone you know is looking for a **great** summer job, refer them to us. It's not too late to join Team Hercules for the summer.

Information can be found on the City's website at https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/hercules. Complete your application today!

Kidz Programs

RAP - Hanna

Our final R.A.P. theme was "Spirit Week". Most of our children have been eagerly participating in this event. On some of our spirit days, the kids are wearing their favorite Warriors clothing. In addition we held Funky and Crazy hair day, wearing anything Tie Dyed day, favorite Marvel character day, and a site favorite...Twin Tuesday where 2 or more kids dressed the same.

For the last day of school, June 8, children watched a movie, played a variety of water games, and had fun! We took photos with a polaroid camera so kids could take photos home with them. And we said goodbye to our one and only fifth grader. It's been an interesting and memorable school year and kids are looking forward to our Summer Camp.

RAP - Ohlone

Ohlone Kidz site has been celebrating fun themed days and Spirit Days. On Animal Spirit Day, the children created colorful fuse bead animals and some of the children proudly wore their favorite animal print t-shirts. During our Ocean Friends theme, the children made cool popsicle and pompom stick crabs, sharks, and octopus crafts. On World Turtle Day, the children made cute origami turtles and awesome origami jumping frogs from different colored paper squares. On Smile Spirit Day, all the children wore big smiles and shared with the class what made them smile (i.e. a beautiful day, remembering something funny, thinking of our families and friends, their teachers, being tickled and playing with people we like and love). For our Hawaii Spirit Day, the children and staff welcomed the start of summer by wearing their best Hawaiian outfits and having a delicious seaweed snack while listening to Hawaiian tunes -Aloha Fun under the Ohlone sky sun!







Seniors

Café Costa

24 Seniors attended the in-person meal on Friday, June 2. Those in attendance enjoyed oven fried chicken drumsticks, with cabbage roll soup, whipped yams, green beans, peaches, and a dinner roll with butter. The congregate meal plan is currently averaging 25 seniors daily. Café Costa is no longer serving the 5-frozen meal pack to-go. We are returning to the in-person congregate lunch program prior to COVID-19. Please call 510-799-8219, to reserve your lunch one day in advance by noon.

Food Bank

225 participated in the Contra Costa Food Bank's FREE food distribution at the Hercules Senior Center on Tuesday, June 7. The Food Bank comes out to Hercules on the first and third Tuesday of each month, and distributes fresh fruits, vegetables, and canned goods. The next FREE food distribution is scheduled for Tuesday, June 21.

HICAP Counseling

The HICAP (the Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program) has returned for in-person appointments at the Senior Center on the 2nd Thursday of each Month. HICAP provides free and objective information and counseling about Medicare. Volunteer counselors can help you understand your specific rights and health care options. HICAP also offers free educational presentations to groups of Medicare beneficiaries, their families and/or providers on a variety of Medicare and other health insurance related topics. Appointments can be scheduled directly through HICAP by calling 925-655-1393 or using the contact us form at cchicap.org.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Results from the blood drive on May 27, are as follows: 20 donors registered to give blood. From these donations, 18 units of blood were collected. There were 3 first-time donors. The 18 units of blood can potentially help save up to 54 lives. The next scheduled blood drive will be Tuesday, June 21, from 9:30am to 3:30pm. Please note the time change, and location change: we will be at Samara Terrace (in the Guy Van Domselaar Room) 102 Civic Dr. The blood drive is done in partnership with the American Red Cross. To schedule your appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code HERCULES or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1800-733-2767).

Transportation When

you attend our Café Costa lunch program, you are eligible for free transportation provided by West Cat dial-a-ride. With a reservation dial-a-ride will take you to and from the Senior Center Monday through Friday. Please ask our front desk for a bus ticket. Ride reservation must be made 24 hours in advance by calling 510-724-7433.

Mobility Matters is another source of transportation that provides free, one on one, door through door escorted rides for seniors and veterans. Mobility Matters operates by screened and trained volunteer drivers using their own vehicles. Ride reservations must be made in advanced by calling 925-284-6161 or visit www.mobilitymatterscc.com

Sports

NEW Basketball Program at CSC - ALIGN

Coach Karl Dehesa, former professional International basketball player and founder of ALIGN Worldwide, started his first instructional youth basketball program with the City of Hercules on Thursday, June 9th. ALIGN is dedicated to building the young athlete from the ground up as all of their programs are designed for all skill levels and ages. For all inquiries, please email at biz@alignworldwide.com. To register for our programs, please visit www.alignworldwide.com.



HERCULES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Hercules Library's Open Hours:

Tuesday: 10am-8pm Wednesday: 10am-8pm Thursday: 10am-8pm Friday: 9am-5pm Saturday: 9am-5pm Sunday/Monday: Closed

COVID Update

A note from County Librarian, Alison McKee:

Due to a spike in COVID-19 cases in our communities and on the recommendation of the County Health Officer, the return of in-person storytime and all other in-person programs is delayed until further notice. Though we are saddened and disappointed by the news, this decision is for the health and safety of the library staff and all of you. We will stay in close communication with County Health Services and announce when storytime and other in-person programs will return as soon as we can.

Video Storytime is available on our YouTube channel <u>theccclib</u>. For other online storytime opportunities, please visit the <u>event calendar</u>.

For Hercules, this means that we are canceling our Family Storytime, scheduled for Wednesdays at 5:30pm, and our in-person Juneteenth celebrations. We will still have book displays featuring titles honoring Juneteenth, Philippine Independence Day, and LGBTQ Pride for you to check out and enjoy! More information to come as soon as the restriction is lifted. And please visit our social media pages for up-to-date information: herculeslibraryccclib and our Facebook page.

Everyone is still welcome to visit the library, and all other services are available.

Things to do at Hercules Library in June

Book Art Projects



Are you inspired by books? We are, and so is our friend, artist, and educator Tatiana Ortiz. Together, we have curated bookish art for you to enjoy, inspired by the books we love. Every two weeks, April through June, we'll provide

everything you need create a new book-inspired art project - one for Children, one for Teens. Come to the library to get the projects, and all the art supplies to take home, and books to check out, all while supplies last. Thanks to Tatiana, for supplying all the creativity for you to enjoy!

- Children's Book: The Tea Dragon Society, by Kay O'Neill / Craft: Make your own teacup
- <u>A Cuban Girl's Guide to Tea and Tomorrow</u>, by Laura Taylor Namey / Craft: Make your own teacup

Summer Reading! June 1 – July 30



Read beyond the beaten path with this year's Summer Reading program at the Contra Costa County Library! The program runs from June 1 to July 30 and will include all kinds of activities and events. Readers of all ages can visit ccclib.org/summer for activities to feed the imagination and explore new skills.

Visit Hercules Library to pick up your passport, some fun stickers, and weekly activities! Every completed entry is eligible for a free book and a chance to win prizes.

Hercules Library joins the world in celebrating Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer + (LGBTQ+) Pride Month!



Come celebrate at the library and visit our Sky Garden, where we're proudly waving Pride colors, including the Pride Progress Flag, a rainbow flag with an arrow to illustrate forward progress toward

inclusivity, black and brown stripes to represent people of color, baby blue and pink to include the trans community, white to represent people who are transitioning, intersex, or identify outside the gender binary; and all the colors to acknowledge those who have been profoundly affected by HIV/AIDS.

Where you see the Pride Progress Flag, you'll find a special bookmark with some of our favorite

children's picture books celebrating rainbow families, gender identity and expression.

You can visit our website for even more Pride resources: https://ccclib.org/celebrate-pride/

Get Computer Help at the Library



Do you need help with email, ebooks, Microsoft Word, or have other computer questions? Sign up for one-on-one help with a computer docent at the Hercules Library, **Saturdays, from 10am-12pm**. You can bring in your own

device (tablet, smart phone, or laptop) or use one of our computers.

To sign up, please call, stop by, or <u>register online</u> for one 60-minute time slot and we will reach out to you to confirm the details.

We ask that all patrons using this service kindly wear a mask during their session.

June Online Events



Printable Field Sketch Journal June 1 - Sunday, July 31 All Day

Join artist Abe Rodriguez for a sketching session to kick off this year's Summer Reading Program! Build good drawing habits and start your multi-day art challenge. Get your favorite drawing materials ready, with a bonus printable <u>Field Sketch Journal and Challenge List</u> available online and view Mr. Abe's <u>how-to tutorial</u> for a fun any-time activity to celebrate Summer Reading! Get your bonus Field Sketch Journal here: https://ccclib.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/72/2022/05/SR-fieldsketchbook-2023D.pdf

Watch the recording, here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KfchUGPo-YQ



Pride Storytime Party!

On June 15th at 10am, young children and their families are invited to press play and enjoy an online Pride Storytime Party on Contra Costa County Library's Facebook page and Youtube channel. The links to these channels are below. This colorful storytime will feature staff from all across the Contra Costa County Library system. The party is geared toward young children and their families. Please join us in celebrating what it truly means to be a family and being proud of who we are!

<u>Contra Costa County Library - Home | Facebook</u> theccclib - YouTube



Teen Drawing Workshops with Mr. Abe Thursday, June 16, 5:00 p.m.

Teens, learn new drawing tips and techniques in this monthly series with Mr. Abe. Each month will have a different theme. June: **Summer Sketching Challenge** The summer is a great time to challenge yourself and practice your drawing skills while school's out! Join Mr. Abe in kicking off the season by creating prompts to push yourself to draw something new every day, and collect them to see your progress from start to finish!

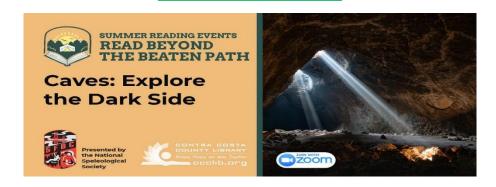
Register here: https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/61f1c012cf8498410069ad51



Meditation Leading to Love, Joy and Kindness Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.

It is now being recognized that the practice of meditation contributes to a more positive, lifestyle. By incorporating meditation in our lives we can have more harmonious relationships. It is an invaluable tool helping people reduce stress, gain a deeper sense of fulfillment in life as well as foster greater physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. Meditation can support us with our daily interactions and everyday living so we are not reactive to the stresses and strains but are able to cope with them from a different angle of vision with kindness and love. Through first hand demonstrations of this simple yet highly effective method you will discover the key to profound personal growth. Join Jim Rose, Long time Meditator for this engaging workshop.

Register here: https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/62488ff6e132133d00a2a321



Explore the Dark Side: An Introduction to Cave Science, Conservation, and Safe Exploration

Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for an 'illuminating' virtual presentation about the natural world's subterranean dark side, presented by the San Francisco Bay Chapter of the National Speleological Society (sfbaycaving.org). You'll be introduced to local caves that you can visit here in California, and learn how to safely explore a cave, what to pack, how to cave "softly" to protect the extremely delicate environment around you, and importantly -- what NOT to do.

Register here: https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/6261a56edeb0342f00baa0c1



Water in Your Garden - Taking Control: A UC Master Gardener Webinar Tuesday, June 21, 6:00p.m.

California is all abuzz with talk of drought right now. Our local water districts have declared Stage 2 drought and are bringing on restrictions, reductions, excessive-use penalties, and drought surcharges. It's time for us to get our dry game up and running.

Join irrigation and water-efficiency expert Lori Palmquist as she gives you a veritable buffet of strategies for lowering your water use in the landscape. She'll provide a no-nonsense approach to using water wisely and responsibly. Lori will provide you with actionable steps and a checklist for watering your garden correctly and making your irrigation the best it can be. You'll come away with new tools for drought-proofing your landscape.

Get ready to rock your irrigation! Your garden will thank you, and our diminishing water supply will surely benefit.

Register here:

https://ccclib.bibliocommons.com/events/628d2f8456762029001a0e2b?_ga=2.159124986.15018 72328.1654622480-1034469445.1623725343

Get in Touch

You can contact Hercules Library at (510) 245-2420 Tuesday through Saturday during our open hours; or email or chat online with library staff from 10am-5pm Monday through Friday.

Check us out on Instagram herculeslibraryccclib and <u>Facebook!</u> Or, come on by and say hello in person.

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

<u>Possession of a Controlled Substance/Felon in Possession of a Firearm/Towed Vehicle</u>: On May 31, 2022, at 7:43 a.m. An Officer checked on an occupied Gold '01 VW parked in the Lucky parking lot. The Passat's registration was found to be expired in 2011. The Officer observed a small baggie of suspected narcotics in the center console. The driver attempted to conceal the

baggie and moved it to the driver's floorboard. The driver initially provided a false name and date of birth. He was eventually identified as a 27 year old male, of Citrus Heights. The passenger was identified as a 34 year old male, of Sacramento. The driver had a Felony No Bail Warrant, and a probation violation, out of Sacramento County. The passenger was found to be on probation out of Sacramento County. Both were detained. The driver had a plastic baggie containing suspected narcotics inside his pants pocket. Two small plastic baggies of suspected narcotics were found in the vehicle. A working stun gun was found inside the vehicle as well as a pipe commonly used to smoke narcotics. An inventory search of the Passat was done prior to being towed. A loaded pistol was found hidden inside the driver's door panel. The serial number was obliterated. The driver was arrested and transported to the Martinez Detention Facility. The passenger was released. The Passat was towed for no current registration. (Case H22-588)

Felony Vehicle Located: On May 31, 2022, at 9:19 a.m. Officers received a License Plate Reader notification for a wanted Felony vehicle driving W/B Hercules Ave. from San Pablo Ave. The Felony vehicle was a Gray '09 Audi Q5 wanted for evading Orinda P.D. A suspect was listed as an adult male, 20 years old, with short dreadlocks. Officers located the Q5 parked in the gravel parking lot in the 2500 block of Bayfront Blvd. An Officer observed an adult male, with dreadlocks exit the Q5 and enter an apartment complex. Officers checked that area but didn't initially locate the male. Officers contacted Orinda P.D., and they requested the vehicle be towed. While waiting for the tow, a 29 year old male exited the front of complex and walked towards the Q5. The male matched the description of the suspect seen leaving the Q5. The subject was detained and stated he had just bought the Q5 the previous night and had the Q5 key fob. An Orinda P.D. Officer arrived and searched the Q5 and interviewed the subject. The subject was released, pending further investigation, and the Q5 was released to the subject. (Case H22-590)

<u>Vandalism</u>: On May 31, 2022, at 10:37 a.m. An Officer was dispatched to Hannah Ranch Park to take a report for a vandalism to the park bathrooms. The Officer met with Public Works who showed her graffiti inside, and outside, the park bathrooms. (Case H22-591)

Suspicious Circumstance: On May 31, 2022, at 1:32 p.m. An Officer was dispatched to the area of Dover at Chelsea for a report of an unoccupied Yellow SUV. The vehicle was parked and had four flat tires and a shattered rear window. Officers located the vehicle parked in the visitor's parking area near the 1300 block of Chelsea. The Ford Escape did have four flat tires and a shattered rear window. The right rear passenger widow was also shattered. Officers didn't locate any other evidence of a crime inside the vehicle. An Officer attempted to contact the registered owner, in Tucson, AZ, but was unsuccessful. While on scene, Officers were flagged down by a female who stated her 27 year old son was the new owner of the Escape. The Officer contacted the new owner who said he currently lives in Tennessee and purchased the Escape from a friend in Rodeo. The subject stated the Escape was left parked three days ago near his mom's condo. (Case H22-594)

Evading a Peace Officer: On May 31, 2022, at 1:27 p.m. An Officer saw a Red/White dirt bike driving past him on Bobolink Way towards Partridge Dr. The dirt bike did not have an attached rear license plate in violation of 5200(a) VC. The Officer recognized the dirt bike and rider as the same one that recently evaded him during an attempted traffic stop. The Officer attempted a traffic stop on the dirt bike on Partridge Dr. at Pheasant Dr. and the rider immediately failed to yield. A vehicle pursuit was initiated as the rider fled S/B Pheasant Dr. The Officer lost sight of the dirt

bike on N/B Turquoise Dr. near Emerald Way. The Officer was flagged down by a citizen who told him the dirt bike rider fled south up the Fire trail near the 1000 block of Turquoise Dr. Officers last saw the dirt bike rider at the top of the hill riding west. (Case H22-595)

<u>Possession of Controlled Substance:</u> On May 31, 2022 at 9:56 PM an officer conducted a traffic stop on the 800 Block of Willow Avenue on a blue Volkswagen Jetta. The 42 year old male driver, from Martinez, was found to be in possession of suspected narcotics. The subject was arrested, cited, and released for the possession of narcotics. **H22-596**

Ramey Warrant: On June 1,2022 at 2:18 AM officers responded to the area of Lupine Road and Violet Road for a female crying who appeared stranded. Officers contacted the female and determined she was a 17-year-old juvenile. The juvenile was transported to HPD to have family pick her up. While at HPD found that the juvenile had lied about her name. A records check was conducted with her actual name, and she had an active Probable Cause arrant out of Alameda County. Alameda County Detectives were contacted, and the juvenile was arrested and transported to Juvenile Hall. The juvenile's parents were contacted and notified. **H22-597**

<u>Towed Vehicle:</u> On June 1, 2022, at 10:32 am, a parking enforcement officer towed a 2005 Dodge Magnum, from Village Parkway and Forest Run, for having registration expired over 6 months. **H22-599**

<u>Towed Vehicle:</u> On June 1, 2022, at 12:35 pm, a parking enforcement officer towed a 2004 Chevy Cavalier, from the 2500 block of Redwood Rd. for having registration expired over 6 months. **H22-600**

<u>Towed Vehicle:</u> On June 1, 2022, at 2:14 pm, an officer towed a 2016 Hyundai Sonata, from John Muir Parkway and Tioga Loop, for having registration expired over 6 months. **H22-601**

<u>Miscellaneous Information:</u> On June 1, 2022, at 5:54 pm, an officer responded to the area of Sycamore and Willow Ave for a welfare check on a 71 year old male. The officer took the subject home and will be forwarding a case to Adult Protective Services. **H22-602**

Late Case from Yesterday Hit and Run: On June 1, 2022, at 5:55 pm, a resident came to the Hercules Police Department to report a hit and run that occurred earlier in the day at Safeway. The victim had suspect information and provided it to the officer. The officer is going to conduct follow up on the case. H22-00603

<u>Towed Vehicle</u>: On June 2, 2022, at 9:10 am, a parking enforcement officer towed a 1998 Dodge Neon from Canterbury and Newbury. The vehicle was towed for being expired over 6 months. **H22-00604**

<u>Towed Vehicle</u>: On June 2, 2022, at 1:32 pm, an officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a 2011 Toyota Camry for a vehicle code violation. The officer found the vehicle to be expired over 6 months and the vehicle had 15 parking violations on file. The vehicle was towed. **H22-00606**

Stolen vehicle: On June 2, 2022, at 12:52 pm, an officer was dispatched to the 300 block of Atlas for a stolen vehicle report. The victim stated her Green 1999 Honda Civic was stolen between 10:00

pm, last night and 12:00 pm, today. H22-00607

<u>Recovered Stolen Vehicle:</u> On June 2, 2022, at 7:20PM a HPD Officer located a stolen gray 2001 Honda CR-V in the 300 block of Atlas Dr. The vehicle was towed. **H22-608**

Mental Health Evaluation: On June 3, 2022, at 2:21AM HPD Officers were dispatched to the 500 block of Linus Pauling for a subject who called 911. She stated was armed with a knife and wanted the police to shoot her. Officers arrived on scene and located a 31 year old female, seated in a vehicle, armed with the knife. Officers were able to gain her compliance and detain her without incident. The Richmond resident was determined to be a danger to herself and transported, via AMR, to the County Medical Facility. **H22-609**

<u>Theft Via Access Card:</u> On June 3, 2022, at 10:46 am, an officer was dispatched to the 400 block of Olympus for a theft. The officer contacted the victim who stated that an unknown suspect used her debit card to purchase items from the Home Depot in El Cerrito. **H22-00610**

Recovered Stolen Vehicle: On June 3, 2022, at 6:49PM HPD Officers received a FLOCK notification on a stolen Honda CR-V. An Officer located the vehicle around John Muir Parkway and Bayfront Blvd. A 23 year old female, of Corona, and a 34 year old male, of Richmond, were detained. The issue appeared to be a possible family/civil matter. Both subjects were released pending further investigation, and the vehicle was released to the Registered Owner. **H22-611**

Evading: On June 3, 2022, at approximately 10:26PM a HPD Officer attempted to conduct a traffic enforcement stop on a no plate motorcycle in the 4000 block of San Pablo Ave. The motorcycle failed to yield, and a pursuit was initiated. The pursuit was terminated around WB I-80 and Appian Way when Officers lost visual. **H22-612**

Runaway Juvenile: On June 3, 2022, at 11:35PM HPD Officers were dispatched to the 1100 block Waverly Circle for a 13 year old male runaway. The male left the residence approximately 2 hours prior following an argument with his parents. He was last seen on a red and black BMX style bike. He did not take his phone with him. Area checked conducted and BOLO sent to surrounding agencies. **H22-613**

<u>Supplement Missing Juvenile Returned:</u> On June 4, 2022, at 11:32 am, the above Missing Juvenile returned home. Upon being located he was removed from Missing and Unidentified Persons System, and a supplement report was taken for case **H22-00613**

<u>Vehicle Burglary:</u> On June 4, 2022, at 12:58 pm, an officer was dispatched to Home Depot for the report of an auto burglary. The officer contacted the victim who stated his red 2007 Chevy truck had been broken into within the last 20 minutes. The victim arrived at Home Depot at approximately 12:50 pm. He parked his truck in a parking stall, located in the parking area nearest to the plant nursery side of the business. Upon returning to his truck, he discovered an unknown suspect smashed the driver window and stole cash that was inside his trucks glove compartment. **H22-00614**

<u>Domestic Violence:</u> On June 4, 2022, at 8:46 pm, Officers responded to the 100 block of Meadowlark for a report of Domestic Violence. The adult female victim reported her 43 year old

husband, hit her and was still on scene. The victim also stated her husband had a firearm in the home, but it was not currently in his possession. Dispatch confirmed the husband had a handgun registered to him. Officers planned to call the husband, on the phone, and request he step out of the house. Instead, the husband fled the scene in a blue **Infiniti G35** prior to the Officers' arrival. An area check was conducted with negative results. Officers observed the victim had red marks, and laceration on her forehead, which appeared to be from being slapped. Officers seized a handgun, from the residence, for safe keeping. Officers also obtained an Emergency Protective Order which was served via text with a phone call confirmation and notification of the seized firearm **H22-615**.

Grand Theft – Catalytic Converter:: On June 5, 2022 at 10:12 a.m. Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Cypress Ct. for a catalytic converter theft in progress. A suspect, described as wearing a yellow rain jacket and face mask, was attempting to cut a catalytic converter from a Gray '06 Honda Accord. Dispatch also advised the suspect vehicle was a Gray SUV. Officers arrived in the area and saw a Silver '12 Mazda 5 driving out of Craftsman Dr. An Officer saw the 5 make an immediate illegal U-turn from N/B San Pablo Ave. to drive S/B San Pablo Ave. An Officer caught up to the 5 on S/B San Pablo Ave. at John Muir Parkway and attempted a traffic stop. However, the driver of the 5 drove E/B SR-4 in the W/B lane of SR-4 (the wrong way). The Officer didn't attempt to pursue, due to safety issues. The officer last saw the driver make another illegal U-turn on SR-4 to drive onto the W/B I-80 on-ramp. The Officer saw the two occupants of the 5 were adult males wearing dark hooded sweatshirts. The 5 was last seen E/B I-80 at 10:17 a.m. The victim desired prosecution. (Case H22-616)

<u>Violation of a court order</u>: On June 5, 2022, at 11:05 a.m. Officers were dispatched to the 1900 block of Pheasant Dr. for a report of an out of control subject. A 32 year old male, of Hercules, was yelling and throwing things. The reporting party was the mother who stated she was in fear for her safety. Officers learned there was a served criminal protective order (Order After Hearing) protecting the mother from the subject, who was her son. Officers located the subject inside the residence, and he was detained. The subject told Officers he was waking up from a bad dream. The subject was arrested for the court order violation and transported to the Martinez Detention Facility. (Case H22-617)

Extortion: On June 5, 2022, at 11:16 a.m. An Officer was dispatched to a phone detail regarding a suspicious circumstance. The reporting party stated a girlfriend, of her husband, is trying to extort money from her. The case is under investigation. (**Case H22-618**)

<u>Auto Burglary:</u> On June 6, 2022 at 2:07 AM officers responded to the area of the 1000 block of Cottage Lane for two unidentified subjects running from the area after the reporting party saw them in the area. An officer located an Audi, and a Mercedes, that had their front passenger windows shattered. The officer was able to contact the owner of the Audi. A message was left for the owner of the Mercedes with a case number.. **H22-620**

Shoplifting: On June 6, 2022, at 11:12 a.m. An Officer was flagged down by a Home Depot employee regarding a theft that just occurred. The employee said the suspects fled in a Blue Chevy Tahoe. The Officer saw the Tahoe driving away from Home Depot towards southwest exit, near Round Table. The Officer attempted to catch up to the Tahoe but lost sight of it on Willow Ave. near the E/B SR-4 on-ramp. Another Officer located the Tahoe driving on Franklin Canyon Rd.

near Claey's Ln. A traffic stop was done on the Tahoe (TX Temp. Plate) on Sycamore Ave. at Palm Ave. The driver was a 25 year old male, of Crockett. The passengers were a 17 year-old male of Crockett; and an 11-year old male, of Crockett. Officers saw Home Depot items (bags of concrete, sander, misc. items), in plain view, inside the Tahoe. An infield show-up was done with a Home Depot employee. The employee positively identified 25 year old, and the 17 year old, as the responsible suspects. Both subjects were arrested, cited, and released on scene. The 11 year old was also released. The stolen items were returned to Home Depot (Valued at \$203.08). (Case H22-621)

<u>Towed Vehicle</u>: On June 6, 2022, at 2:35 p.m. An Officer towed a Red '02 Toyota Corolla, from the 1600 block of Partridge Dr, for expired registration over 6 months (July 2020). (Case H22-622)

<u>Warrant Arrest</u>: On June 6, 2022, at 2:58 p.m. An Officer did a traffic stop on a White '00 Ford Expedition, near Taco Bell, for vehicle code violations. The driver was a 39 year old female, of Richmond. The 39 year old male passenger, of Pittsburg, was found to be on Felony formal probation, for Auto Theft, with a search clause. The passenger was found to have an outstanding cite releasable Misdemeanor Warrant out of Santa Cruz County S.O. A probation search was done but no contraband was found. The subject was arrested, cited out and released. (Case H22-623)

<u>Vandalism</u>: On June 7, 2022, at 12:12 p.m. an Officer was dispatched to an address on Pheasant Drive in Hercules to take a vandalism report. A 55-year-old female told the Officer sometime between 10:00 a.m. and 12:12 p.m. her Toyota Camry was vandalized while it was parked in front of her residence. The female victim believes a family member intentionally scratched the side of her vehicle. (**H22-00624**)

WC SHIFT STATS

Date: 05/25/22-06/07/22

CALLS FOR SERVICE	748
REPORTS	54
TRAFFIC CITES	30
PARKING CITES	62
ADULT ARRESTS	16
JUVENILE ARRESTS	0
ARSONS	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS	1
HATE CRIMES	0
TOWED VEHICLES	20
PART 1 TOTAL	183

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community and Library Services Commission

Date:06/13/2022 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM **Location:**City Hall Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive Hercules, California 94547

City Council Meeting

Date:06/14/2022 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM **Location:**City Hall Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive Hercules, California 94547

In-Person Community Workshop for Waterfront Blocks ABCD

Join us at this in-person forum to help shape the Waterfront! **Date:**06/15/2022 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM **Location:**The Grand at Bayfront

2200 John Muir Parkway

Hercules, California 94547

City Hall Offices Closed in Observance of Juneteenth

Date:06/20/2022 (all day) **Location:**Hercules City Hall 111 Civic Drive Hercules, California 94547

Planning Commission Meeting (Special) - CANCELLED

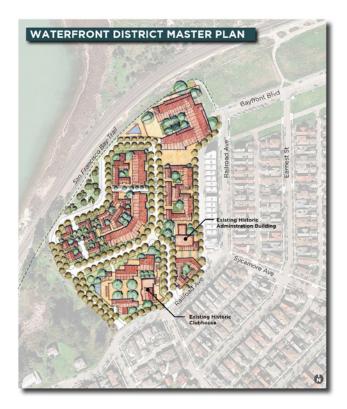
Date:06/21/2022 7:00 PM **Location:**City Hall Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive Hercules, California 94547

City Council Meeting

Date:06/28/2022 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM **Location:**City Hall Council Chambers 111 Civic Drive Hercules, California 94547

Help Shape Hercules' Waterfront!

Join the Waterfront Blocks ABCD Community Workshop



LEDCOR PROPOSAL

Bayfron Blvd

Existing Historic
Clubhouse

The City of Hercules is seeking community input on the future development of a vacant site along the western shore of Hercules. This vacant site consists of Blocks ABCD (aka "The Heights" or "The Bowl") of the Waterfront District Master Plan (WDMP). Ledcor, a residential developer and also the developer of The Exchange and The Grand in the Bayfront project, has submitted an initial development proposal for Blocks ABCD. The development proposal includes a mostly residential community with 142 residential townhouses, parks, and some mixed use. However, the proposal does not align with the design and development regulations of the City's WDMP.

You are invited to attend either of two community workshops, one virtual and one in-person, to learn more about Ledcor's Proposal and background on the Waterfront District Master Plan and its planning process. Both workshops will include the same presentation, an opportunity to ask questions, engage in discussion and provide feedback.

Virtual Community Workshop

Tuesday, June 7, 2022 | 6:30 - 8 PM Registration is required: herculeswaterfront-virtual.eventbrite.com



In-Person Community Workshop

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 | 6:30 - 8 PM
The Grand at Bayfront (1st Floor Resident Lounge)
2200 John Muir Parkway, Hercules
Registration is required:
herculeswaterfront-inperson.eventbrite.com





For more information about the project, contact Timothy Rood, Community Development Director, at trood@ci.hercules.ca.us or (510) 799-8251.