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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Sabrina B. Landreth

**SUBJECT:** City Administrator's Weekly Report

**DATE:** August 23, 2019

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**INFORMATION**

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcements*** – During the week of August 26, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Construction & Maintenance Mechanic
- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
- Heavy Equipment Service Worker
- Heavy Equipment Supervisor
- Stationary Engineer
- Tax Auditor II

For the most up-to-date information on City jobs, please view the Employment Information page on our website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. The Employment Information page also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

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***Free Downtown Walking Tours Offer Glimpse of Oakland's History*** – Through October, free 90-minute walking tours of downtown will be offered every Wednesday and Saturday. Eight different tour itineraries let residents and visitors glimpse both today's happening scene and landmarks from Oakland's past by showcasing the city's changing skyline, landmarks, churches and high-rises. Each tour, led by a volunteer guide, begins at 10:00 a.m. from various starting locations depending on the itinerary. The six-month-long Oakland Tours season ensures ample opportunity to take in each of the eight tour itineraries. Reservations are recommended by leaving a message on the Tours' 24-hour hotline at (510) 238-3234 or via email to [aallen@oaklandca.gov](mailto:aallen@oaklandca.gov). The tour brochure, itinerary descriptions, dates and starting locations are available at [www.oaklandca.gov/walkingtours](http://www.oaklandca.gov/walkingtours). [Read the media release.](#)

For more information, please contact Annalee Allen, Tours Coordinator, at [aallen@oaklandca.gov](mailto:aallen@oaklandca.gov) or (510) 238-3234.

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***Community Insights Needed for Oakland's Equitable Climate Action Plan: Online Survey Now Live!*** – The City of Oakland is developing its next 10-year Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP), and we need to hear from YOU! The ECAP will identify how Oaklanders and the City can work together to stop climate change and adapt to a changing climate. In October 2018, City Council adopted a Climate Emergency and Just Transition Resolution, calling for an urgent climate mobilization effort to reverse global warming, reduce greenhouse gas emissions as quickly as possible, and be more resilient in the face of intensifying climate impacts. This includes creating good green jobs, reducing pollution, and helping Oaklanders to thrive.

The ECAP is the tool that will make this happen. Whether or not you made it to one of our ECAP Community Workshops, we urge you to complete the survey. Take part in shaping this important plan, to ensure that it reflects the needs and dreams of Oakland's diverse communities! The survey is live online in [English](#), [Spanish](#), and [Chinese](#). It is also linked directly from <https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/2030ecap>. **The survey closes on Sunday, September 29.**

For more information, contact Shayna Hirshfield-Gold, Acting Sustainability Program Manager, at (510) 238-6954.

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***Friends of the Golden Gate Branch Library Present Jazz on Sunday*** – On Sunday, August 25, 3 - 6pm, the Golden Gate Branch Library (5606 San Pablo Avenue) concludes its 29<sup>th</sup> annual Jazz on Sunday series with a special concert by vocalist Denise Perrier. Her performance will begin at 3pm, followed by a "History of Jazz" discussion (4:30 - 5pm) and a youth group performance (starting 5pm). Admission is free, donations are welcome. Jazz on Sundays is co-sponsored by the City of Emeryville, the City of Oakland Cultural Affairs Division, and the Oakland Public Library.

For information, contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at [esanders@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:esanders@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 597-5023.

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***Meet Lisa Braver Moss, author of "Shrug"*** – On Saturday, August 24, at 12pm, author Lisa Braver Moss is coming to the Lakeview Branch Library (550 El Embarcadero) to share from her recent novel, *Shrug*. Set in Berkeley in the 1960's, the story plunges into the trials and tribulations of young Martha Goldenthal, whose home life is a cauldron of kooky ideas, impossible demands, and explosive physical violence. Can she overcome her obstacles and make it to college? Join us for a discussion of this absorbing, harrowing and uplifting story. Books will be available for purchase.

For information, contact Xochitl Gavidia, Branch Manager, at [xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7344.

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***Golden Gate Library Offers Public Speaking Course for Youth*** – On Saturday, August 24, 10am -12 noon, teens can learn essential skills to improve their public speaking technique, diplomacy, and confidence in a program at the Golden Gate Branch Library (5606 San Pablo Ave.). This program is led by wecanhearyou.org, a nonprofit that provides free courses on public speaking, leadership, and debate training.

For information, contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at [esanders@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:esanders@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 597-5023.

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***Author Clifford L. Williams Coming to AAMLO*** – On Saturday, August 24, 1 - 3pm, the African American Museum & Library at Oakland (AAMLO; 659 14th St.) welcome's Clifford L. Williams to its monthly "Meet the Author" series. Williams will read from his new novel, *Pimps to Pops: A Journey to Fatherhood*, which explores how a conference on parenthood transformed boys to men. A discussion with the audience will follow.

For information, contact Sean Dickerson, Library Assistant, at [sdickerson@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:sdickerson@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 637-0200.

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***Read and Discuss Small Press Books at the Main Library's Folkland Book Club*** – On Wednesday, August 28, at 6pm, the Main Library (125 14<sup>th</sup> Street) will host its monthly Folkland Book Club, which regularly highlights titles from Berkeley-based Small Press Distribution. This month's reading selection is *The Complete Stories of Leonora Carrington*. Pick up a free copy of the book at the Main Library reference desk and take it home to read before our meeting. About this month's book: Surrealist writer and painter Leonora Carrington (1917-2011) was a master of the macabre, of gorgeous tableaus, biting satire, roguish comedy, and brilliant, effortless flights of the imagination. Nowhere are these qualities more ingeniously brought together than in the works of short fiction she wrote throughout her life.

For information, contact Christy Thomas, Librarian II, at [cthomas@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:cthomas@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3136.

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***Kids Can Make Art or "A Beautiful Mess" at the Melrose Library*** – On Monday, August 26, from 3:30 to 4:30pm, kids and their caregivers can come to the Melrose Branch Library (4805 Foothill Blvd.) for an afterschool art program that allows them to focus more on the process than the product, whether using clay, watercolors, charcoal, or other odds and ends. Come make whatever you want – and it's going to be beautiful. And messy. This is a weekly program – join us any Monday afternoon.

For information, contact Thevaki Govinthasamy, Librarian I, at [tgovinthasamy@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:tgovinthasamy@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 535-5623.

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**Alameda County Regional Housing Survey 2019** – The City of Oakland is partnering with Alameda County and other regional agencies conducting a survey regarding fair housing issues and solutions called, *Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing*. Your voice counts – take a moment to fill out the survey here:

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey\\_alameda2019](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey_alameda2019).

The remaining community meetings will be held in Oakland and Hayward. Residents of Alameda County are invited to attend the community meeting of their preference, as they are not city-specific. Please see the attached flyer regarding upcoming meeting dates in August. In addition to Chinese, Spanish and English, the survey is available in Tagalog, Dari and Vietnamese at [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey\\_alameda2019](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey_alameda2019). Please note that **all surveys will be due August 23, 2019.**

- Register for a community meeting:  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/alameda-county-housing-survey-community-meetings-tickets-64981828398](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/alameda-county-housing-survey-community-meetings-tickets-64981828398)

Complete the Alameda County Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AIFH) surveys online.

Khảo sát này cũng có sẵn bằng tiếng Việt  
Magagamit din ang survey na ito sa Tagalog

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[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey\\_alameda2019](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey_alameda2019)

- Paper copies (available in English, Chinese, Spanish, Dari, Tagalog, and Vietnamese) can be delivered to:  
City of Oakland, Department of Housing & Community Development  
CDBG Office - Attention: Gregory Garrett  
250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 5313  
Oakland, CA 94612

The Public notice is posted on the City's website:

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/news/2019/fair-housing-planning-and-the-analysis-of-impediments-to-fair-housing>

For more information on the survey and upcoming workshops contact Greg Garrett at [GGarrett@oaklandca.gov](mailto:GGarrett@oaklandca.gov)

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***New Exhibit!*** – Through September 30, the Oakland History Room is hosting a new exhibit called OAKLAND FIRE@150. The exhibit commemorates the sesquicentennial of the Oakland Fire Department. The display features photographs, books, articles, ephemera, and artifacts that tell the story of the department's evolution from an all-volunteer crew on horse-drawn wagons to today's high-tech operation. For more information visit: <http://oaklandlibrary.org/exhibits/oakland-fire150>

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***Sidewalk Repair Permits: Summer Discount!***– Are you planning to buy, sell, or substantially renovate property in Oakland? Make sure to add sidewalk repairs to your to-do list. Beginning July 9, 2019, a new city ordinance requires that sidewalk repairs must be completed before title transfer or with the permitting of a major renovation. Sidewalk repairs, which are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner, help ensure everyone can get around Oakland safely. And luckily, there's a 90-day grace period as this new requirement rolls out. For more information, review OakDOT's sidewalk certification webpage which provides answers to frequently asked questions for property owners, sellers, and buyers: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/sidewalk-certification-faq> or contact the OakDOT Permit Counter at (510) 238-3199.

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Respectfully submitted,  
/s/  
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