



# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: AUGUST 13, 2010

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
BEN REYES, CITY ATTORNEY

FROM: BELINDA B. ESPINOSA, CITY MANAGER

## PLACES TO BE

- **AUG. 13 OUTDOOR CINEMA – IMAGINE THAT**

Outdoor Cinema is free movies in Fernandez Park starting at dusk every Friday through the end of August. On Aug. 13, watch the movie, *Imagine That*, in which a financial executive who can't stop his career down spiral is invited into his daughter's imaginary world, where solutions to his problems await. Bring blankets and sleeping bags for kids and adults alike.

- **AUGUST 14 – 15 PINOLE RELAY FOR LIFE**

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. This year's Pinole Relay is again at Fernandez Park with a great turnout of teams participating. Teams take turns walking or running around a track or path. Because cancer never sleeps, Relays are overnight events up to 24 hours in length.

- **AUGUST 17 - GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR PINOLE CREEK**

Don't forget the ground breaking ceremony that will take place on August 17, 2010 from 4:30 – 5:30- p.m. for the Pinole Creek Demonstration Project. The ceremony is scheduled to take place either at creek side at the end of Tennent Avenue and Railroad Avenue or at the end of Orleans Drive. There will be signs posted to provide directions on which location will be used. Mayor Debbie Long will be officiating the event. An invitation is attached.

- **AUGUST 18 WASTEWATER JOINT POWERS MEETING**

The Hercules Pinole joint powers for wastewater will be meeting on Wednesday August 18, 2010 at noon at Samara Terrace at the Civic Center in Hercules. The agenda will include

discussions on the 2010–11 Budget, the right of way for the land outfall and an update from the City of Hercules on their transfer of flows to the West County Wastewater District.

A copy of the committee's agenda is attached

- **AUGUST 18 TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY COMMITTEE**

The Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Committee will be meeting on Wednesday evening August 18, 2010 at 7:00pm in the Community Room. On their agenda will be requests for Traffic Calming measures from the Marionola neighborhood as well as from Small World Montessori School at 2612 Appian Way. The committee will also be discussing the circulation of the General Plan, with discussions led by Winston Rhodes; Planning Manager.

- **AUG. 19 SUMMER SOUNDS IN THE PARK – BIG CAT**

Summer Sounds is free music in Fernandez Park from 6:30pm – 8:00pm every Thursday through the end of August. On Aug. 19, we are featuring Big Cat – a band from Richmond playing blues and soul. Relax with dinner in the park as Dash & Dine youth waiters take orders and deliver food fresh from local restaurants while concertgoers enjoy music.

- **AUG 20 WEST COUNTY BUSINESS EXPO**

Sponsored by the Pinole Chamber of Commerce. Please join us for free fun at “**The Great Expo Festival**”, Friday, August 20 from 4pm – 7pm! Expo 2010 is a regional, collaborative event, held in a beautiful outdoor venue, Pinole's City Hall Plaza and Pinole's Old Town. FREE admission, food tastings, parking & raffles, shuttle service to Old Town, Cinema in the Park, *Up*, and live music by the Mixed Nuts Band.

## **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

- **WEST NILE VIRUS ACTIVITY IN OAKLEY**

Last week the Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control issued a press release stating that the cooler weather had helped in keeping the West Nile virus at a minimum. Unfortunately, another press release was just issued with news of the virus being found in mosquitoes and a bird from Oakley. See the attached press release.

- **MTC DRAFT 2010 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN**

Participate in shaping transportation policies! MTC's Draft 2010 Public Participation Plan catalogs strategies employed by the agency to deliver information to the public and solicit feedback on plans, programs and funding decisions. The plan includes a continued role for face-to-face public meetings as well as electronic communication tools. It also describes

steps MTC takes to involve low-income communities and communities of color, along with limited-English speakers.

Comments are due by 4 p.m. on August 23, 2010, and can be e-mailed to: [info@mtc.ca.gov](mailto:info@mtc.ca.gov) faxed to 510-817-5848 or sent to MTC's Public Information Office at 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA, 94607. For more information, call 510-817-5757 or e-mail the address above.

- **TOUR OF THE NEW BAY BRIDGE**



Councilmembers Tim Banuelos and Virginia Fujita along with City Manager Belinda Espinosa, Public Works Director Dean Allison, Public Works Supervisor Rich Ariza and Police Commander John Hardester attended a tour of the new bay bridge currently under construction.

The tour was provided through CalTrans at the invitation of local property owner, Avram Gimbal and also in attendance were Pinole business representatives, Ivette Ricco, Tom Welsh, Don Quintal, Matt Rei and Pat Rei.

The new bridge which is being built at a cost of \$6 billion is modern and sleek when compared to the existing old bridge. It is designed and being built to withstand a 8.1 earthquake and includes state of the art technology in order to assure that in the case of an earthquake that it could be re-opened quickly.

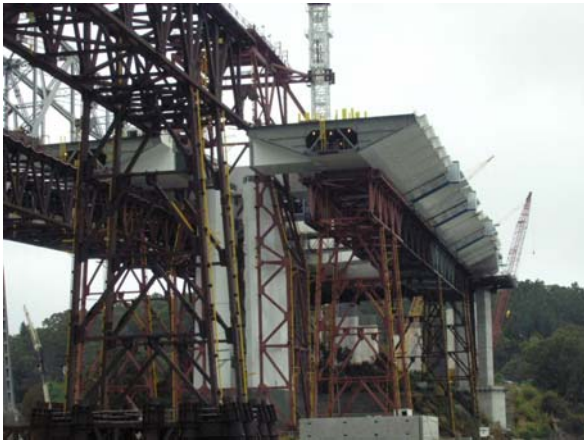
Further, the bridge is built to “go with the flow” in an earthquake rather than to resist movement, so it can move with the motion of the earth.



The bridge is very impressive and will also include a 10 foot

pedestrian and bike path adjacent to the traffic lanes.





- **STATE CERTIFIES PINOLE'S HOUSING ELEMENT**

The City has received official notice that the State has certified the updated Housing Element of the General Plan. Staff, the Planning Commission acting as the Steering Committee for the General Plan Update, and the City Council worked for nearly a year to develop this updated element of the City's General Plan. The Element assesses current housing needs and plans for future housing. The Housing Element was adopted by the City Council on July 6, 2010 and was forwarded to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for review as mandated by State housing law.

The attached letter confirms that the Housing Element is in full compliance with State housing element law. Compliance with State Housing Element Law allows the City to meet requirements for a number of State funding programs. More information about the Housing Element, including the complete document, can be found on the City's website via the following link: <http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/planning/housingelement.html>.

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- **VACANCY ON THE PINOLE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION**

Due to a recent resignation of a member, there is an opening on the Community Services Commission, and interested Pinole residents are encouraged to apply. A copy of the press release describing the duties, and application materials are attached at the end of this report, and are available at the City Clerk's Office. The filing period is open through close of business on September 1, 2010. The term of this appointment is through June 30, 2012.

- **PINOLE CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES**

The Extended Nomination Period for filing for papers to run for City Council closed on August 11<sup>th</sup>. No additional citizens filed papers during that three day period. The Council candidates are:

Russ Tolman  
Stephen S. Tilton  
Phil Green  
Timothy "Tim" Banuelos  
Debbie Long  
George Parsons

The Secretary of State conducted a drawing to determine the random alphabet order for the ballot. The names appear above in the order they will appear on the November 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot.

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You are cordially invited to attend the  
Ground Breaking Ceremony  
for the  
Pinole Creek Demonstration Project

Tuesday, August 17, 2010  
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Located at the end of Tennent Avenue  
and Railroad Avenue  
Follow the signs to Pinole Creek

RSVP to Wanda Olson at (510) 724-9002



Pinole / Hercules  
 WPCP Joint Powers Authority  
 Agenda  
 12:00 Noon  
 August 18, 2010  
 City of Hercules/Samara Terrace



1.		<b>Call to Order</b>
2.		<b>Flag Salute</b>
3.		<b>Introduction of Participants</b>
4.		<b>Additional Items to be added to the Agenda</b>
5.		<b>Public Comments</b>
6.		<b>Approve Minutes - Recommendation:</b> <i>Approve June 23, 2010 Minutes</i>
7.		<b>Operations</b>
	A.	<b>CONTINUED:</b> <b>FY 2010 – 2011 Budget</b> <i>Review and Approve the FY 2010 – 2011 Budget</i> <i>(Allison/Coppo/Blancaflor/Salmi)</i>
	B.	<b>NEW ITEM:</b> <b>Land Outfall</b> <i>Easement for Pipeline</i> <i>(Allison/Blancaflor)</i>
8.		<b>Capital Improvements</b>
	A.	<b>CONTINUED:</b> <b>Final EIR for the Plant Upgrades</b> <i>Update on Certification</i> <i>(Allison)</i>
	B.	<b>CONTINUED:</b> <b>Status of Schedule for Pipeline to West County</b> <i>Verbal Update</i> <i>(Blancaflor)</i>
	C.	<b>NEW ITEM</b> <b>Resolution from the City of Hercules to transfer wastewater to West County Waste Water District Discussion</b> <i>(ALL)</i>
9.		<b>Adjourn to the Next Meeting</b> <i>Adjourn to next regular meeting September 22, 2010 at 12 Noon in the City of Pinole</i>

POSTED: August 11, 2010 @ 10:00 a.m.

  
 Ana Morales

Kathleen Cyr

# NEWS RELEASE



CONTRA COSTA  
MOSQUITO  
& VECTOR  
CONTROL  
DISTRICT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE- August 11, 2010

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## WEST NILE VIRUS FOUND IN MOSQUITOES AND BIRD FROM OAKLEY

*Detection late in the year, but inevitable*

CONCORD, CALIFORNIA - - The Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District is reporting the first virus-positive mosquitoes and bird this year, both from Oakley. The group of mosquitoes was collected from the vicinity of Empire Avenue and El Monte Drive, and the bird was found near W. Cypress Road and O'Hara Avenue.

"It's unusual to have our first detection of West Nile virus this late in the year," said Dr. Steve Schutz, scientific program manager for the District. "But, it was only a matter of time. West Nile virus is endemic to Contra Costa County, and California for that matter. West Nile virus and mosquitoes will always be a part of the summer season and as such, we'll always need to take precautions against mosquitoes and their bites."

Those precautions include:

- Reporting DEAD birds to 877-WNV-BIRD (877-968-2473) or online at [www.westnile.ca.gov](http://www.westnile.ca.gov). Not all birds will be picked up and tested, but reporting dead birds provides important information for mosquito control efforts.
- DEFENDING yourself against mosquitoes by using a repellent with an effective active ingredient such as DEET, Picaridin or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus. Make sure to follow label directions.
- DRAINING all sources of standing water that may support mosquito-breeding habitats. Residential sources, such as neglected swimming pools, can be a big producer of mosquitoes in Contra Costa County.
- Making sure DOOR and window screens fit tight and are in good repair. This will prevent mosquitoes from entering your home.
- Vaccinating your horses. Horses are highly susceptible to West Nile virus - approximately half of the horses that get West Nile virus die or have to be euthanized.
- Avoiding DAWN and DUSK times when outdoors since this is when mosquitoes

are most active.

- DRESSING appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outdoors and mosquitoes are present.

People wishing to be notified about adult mosquito fogging or spraying in residential areas have several options. They may visit the [District's Web site](#) and opt to receive the notifications automatically by e-mail; they can view information directly on the [District's Web site](#); or they may phone the District for a recorded message at (925) 771-6195.

Contra Costa Mosquito & Vector Control District, a public health agency, is located at 155 Mason Circle in Concord. Call the District to report mosquito problems at (925) 771-6195 or visit their office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to get FREE mosquitofish for ornamental ponds or horse troughs. Fish are also available at the Antioch Corporation Yard located at 1201 W. 4th Street in Antioch.

For information concerning human West Nile virus symptoms, prevention, or testing, please call the Contra Costa Health Services department at (888) 959-9911 or visit [their Web site](#).

For information concerning West Nile virus and horses, please call the California Department of Food and Agriculture Animal Health Branch at (916) 654-1447.



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Join our mailing list and select to receive our spray notifications, Mosquito Bytes Newsletter, and/or our News Releases



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Weekly Report*

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**CITY OF PINOLE  
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

August 2, 2010

Ms. Belinda Espinosa  
City Manager  
City of Pinole  
2131 Pear Street  
Pinole, CA 94564

Dear Ms. Espinosa:

**RE: Review of the City of Pinole's Adopted Housing Element**

Thank you for submitting Pinole's housing element adopted July 6, 2010 and received for review on July 9, 2010. The Department is required to review adopted housing elements and report the findings to the locality pursuant to Government Code Section 65585(h).

As you know, the Department's June 9, 2010 review found Pinole's revised draft housing element addressed the statutory requirements of housing element law. As the adopted element is substantially the same as the revised draft, the Department is pleased to find the element in full compliance with State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code).

The Department commends Pinole's commitment to adopt Program HIA-6 to rezone approximately 31 acres within the proposed Corridor Specific Plan for San Pablo Avenue, Pinole Valley road, and Appian Way to allow higher density residential and mixed-use development. These sites will be zoned to require minimum densities of 20 units per acre, including Sites 35 and 38 which are designated exclusively for residential use. To facilitate development within the Corridor Specific Plan Area, Housing Implementation Actions 6, 11, and 12 commit to provide incentives for developments affordable to lower-income households including density bonuses, flexibility in development standards, prioritized review, and support and assistance in consolidation of parcels. These programs and strategies will facilitate more compact development with a mix of uses to address climate change objectives and maximize existing land resources. Such strategies also promote the feasibility of developing housing for lower-income families and workers while strengthening the local economy.

The Department is pleased to report the City now meets specific requirements for several State funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Housing Related Parks (HRP) Program, Local Housing Trust Fund and the Building Equity and Growth in Neighborhoods (BEGIN) programs include housing element compliance either as a threshold or competitive factor in rating and ranking applications. Additional information about these and other programs is available on the Department's website at [http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan\\_grant\\_hecompl011708.pdf](http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hecompl011708.pdf).

Ms. Belinda Espinosa  
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In particular, the HRP Program, authorized by Proposition 1C, is an innovative new program rewarding local governments for the approval of housing for lower-income households and provides grant funds to eligible local governments for every qualifying housing start, beginning calendar year 2010. More specific information about the HRP Program is available on the Department's website at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrpp>.

The Department appreciates the cooperation and assistance of Mr. Winston Rhodes and Ms. Leslie Carbahal, of the City's Community Development Department, throughout the course of the review. We wish Pinole success in implementing its housing element and look forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Government Code Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Erik Gropp, of our staff, at (916) 322-4268.

Sincerely,



Cathy E. Creswell  
Deputy Director

cc: Winston Rhodes, Planning Manager, City of Pinole  
Leslie Carbahal, Redevelopment Analyst, City of Pinole



## **PRESS RELEASE**

(issued August 13, 2010)

The City Of Pinole Is Soliciting Applications For The **COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION**. There Is One Vacancy Due To A Resignation, And The Appointed Citizen Would Serve The Remainder Of The Existing Term; June 30, 2012.

The Community Services Commission Is Comprised Of Seven (7) Members Who Are Residents Of Pinole.

The Community Services Commission Advises The City Council, Recreation Director, City Manager And Other Boards, Commissions, And City Departments In All Matters Pertaining To Public Recreation, Parks, Arts And Cultural Activities, Historical Activities, Public Access Television Activities, Senior And Youth Activities And Community Services; Reviews And Recommends Policies And Procedures Governing Recreation, Park And Community Services For Approval By The City Council; Maintains Relationships With Schools, Community And Civic Organizations; Advocates For Recreation And Community Services For Improving The Quality Of Life And Recreational Opportunities For The Community Of Pinole; Collaborates With Individuals, Civic Clubs, Nonprofit Organizations And Citizen Groups To Provide Funds, Property And/Or Volunteerism For The Development And Operation Of Parks And Recreation Facilities.

The Community Services Commission Meets The Fourth Wednesday Of Each Month At 7 P.M.

Appointees Serve Two-Year Terms. (July 1-June 30)

Applications And Supplemental Questionnaires Are Available At The City Clerk's Office Located At 2131 Pear Street Or By Calling (510) 724-8928.

**Applications & Supplemental Questionnaires Will Be Accepted At The City Clerk's Office No Later Than 4:30 P.M., Wednesday, September 1, 2010. Faxed Applications And Questionnaires Will Be Accepted.**

City Council Or A Subcommittee Of The Council Will Conduct Interviews At A Date To Be Determined. The Appointment Will Be Made At A City Council Meeting.

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CONTACT: Patricia Athenour, MMC  
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Pinole, CA 94564  
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# COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

## APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT CITY OF PINOLE

Qualification Requirements: (a) Resident of Pinole

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you resided in the City of Pinole \_\_\_\_\_

References: *(Name, address, phone number)*

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

### ESSAY QUESTIONS *(attach an extra sheet of paper and sign your name at the end)*

- Briefly state why you wish to serve on the Community Services Commission, and what skills or abilities you have that would contribute in its success. ***Be specific.***
- What organizations, programs and activities are you currently or previously involved in?
- Have you served or are you currently serving in any leadership positions for the organizations or programs listed above, i.e. Rotary, Exchange Club, Chamber of Commerce, etc. ***Please list positions and terms.***
- In your opinion, what are the major challenges facing the community in Pinole?
- What type of Recreation Programs do you want to see in the City of Pinole?
- What do you envision as a positive result of the Community Services Commission?

**I understand, if appointed, I must complete the California Fair Political Practices Commission Statement of Economic Interests, a public document, Form 700, and complete Ethics Training pursuant to AB 1234.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Completed applications and essay questions must be returned to the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 2131 Pear Street, Pinole, CA 94564.

### **APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL September 1, 2010**

You will be notified either by mail or phone for the oral interview date and time.

If you have any questions, please call the Recreation Director, Amy Wooldridge at 510-724-9062.



# COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

## SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Qualification Requirements: (a) Resident of Pinole –PMC Chapter 2.36

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### ESSAY QUESTIONS *(attach an extra sheet of paper and **sign your name** at the end)*

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