



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: FEBRUARY 9, 2018

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
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PLACES TO BE

Date and Time	Event	Location
Tuesday, February 20, 2018 6:00 pm	City Council Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
Monday, February 26, 2018 7:00 pm	Planning Commission Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
Tuesday, March 6, 2018 6:00 pm	City Council Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street

- **POLICE SWEARING IN AND INTRODUCTION CEREMONY – FEBRUARY 20TH**

Please join us at 5:30 pm on February 20th in the Council Chamber for a swearing in and introduction ceremony for Police Department new hires and promotions of both sworn and non-sworn employees.

- **COFFEE AND CHOCOLATES WITH A COP – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH**

Pinole Police Officers and staff will be at Peet's Coffee, 4712 Pinole Valley Road, from 8 to 10 a.m. next Wednesday – Valentine's Day. Come by and visit and enjoy Peet's Coffee and Tea as well as chocolates from the Police Department!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- **UTILITY WORK IN TOWN**

PG&E will be replacing their gas infrastructure on Ponderosa Way, from Faria to Curran, and on Hillview Lane. The job requires open trenching as well as some boring. The pavement will be subject to extensive potholing efforts in support of the boring and multiple pavement cuts.

As part of the encroachment permit process, City staff has negotiated a slurry seal at the completion of the project. The project started on Monday and will take approximately 90 days to complete.

- **COMMUNITY MESSAGE FROM SUTTER HEALTH RE: ALTA BATES BERKELEY**

Attached is a communication we received on this matter. The short version is:

Sutter Health affirmed today that it will rebuild emergency room capacity when it closes hospital services at its Alta Bates campus due to state seismic regulations. The rebuilding process is expected to take up to 10 years, meaning the emergency room and inpatient hospital services provided at the Alta Bates campus in Berkeley will not move or close in 2019, as has been erroneously reported.

- **STEVE DORSEY IS FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR & ZACHARY BLUME IS POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

Please join us in congratulating our Firefighter and Police Officer of the year, Steve Dorsey and Zachary Blume. This award is voted on by the employee's peers. Steve has received this recognition an impressive three (3) times during his tenure.

- **CALTRANS I-80 PAVING PROJECT**

You likely have noticed that there has been a lot of work going on around the on/off ramps at Appian and Pinole Valley Road. Caltrans is demolishing the curbs and closing the sidewalk to pour concrete as part of this work. They are trying to work within available weather windows.

- **POLYSTYRENE (STYROFOAM) BAN ORDINANCE TO BE CONSIDERED**

At the February 6th meeting the Council provided direction to the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to ban polystyrene (aka Styrofoam). The proposed ban on the sale of polystyrene products would apply to all businesses in the City, including fast-food establishments, restaurants, and grocery stores. The only exception to the ban would be for food or products packaged outside of the City. The proposed ban would be effective six (6) months after the ordinance is adopted by the City Council, in order to provide businesses the opportunity to use and deplete existing supplies of polystyrene products. The full staff report and presentation are available on the City's website by using the following link.

<http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/admin/docs/cc-rda/2018/2018-02-06/9A.pdf>

- **MCE MAILERS COMING SOON**

In 2017 the Council voted to join Marin Clean Energy, a Community Choice Aggregation plan that offers electricity services. What that means for residents and businesses is that all electricity services will be automatically transferred from PG&E to MCE, unless the customer actively decides to opt out of MCE.

California law requires that four enrollment notices be sent to every electricity customer. The notices describe how to opt-out and are sent both before and after enrollment. City staff has been working with MCE regarding the distribution of these notices. The first mailers will be coming this month – so be on the lookout.

There is no opt-out fee if done before service starts or within 60 days of the start of MCE service. Customers opting-out after 60 days pay a one-time \$5 (residential) or \$25 (commercial) administrative fee. MCE Light Green 50% renewable energy service will start automatically with your first PG&E billing cycle in April 2018. Additional information is available on the MCE website at the address below.

www.mceCleanEnergy.org/ContraCosta

- **PINOLE MIDDLE SCHOOL MAY SHARE CAMPUS WITH CHARTER SCHOOL**

Staff has received notice that the West Contra Costa Unified School District is evaluating the potential of sharing the Pinole Middle School campus with a charter school provider. As we understand it, similar notice is being sent to school faculty and parents. We are working on obtaining additional information, and the possibility of having a presentation by the District at an upcoming Council meeting. Please watch this report and our Council agendas for further information.

- **PINOLE SWIM CENTER**

Staff has been working with the Pinole Seals to present the City Council with a contract for them to manage and operate the Pinole Swim Center for the 2018 Summer Season. The contract will be presented to the Council at their February 20, 2018 meeting. Similar to last year, the contract will provide for public swim and lap swim Tuesday through Sunday (closed on Monday). New this year is the possibility of adding swim lessons, water aerobics and water Zumba sessions. We will know more about those opportunities in the next few weeks. The public swim season is tentatively scheduled to commence on June 19th and run through October 21st.

- **PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INFORMATION – STAYIN' ALIVE CAMPAIGN**

Pinole Police Department would like to introduce you to our #Stayinalivecampaign/ #Safetyforallgenerations. Did you know that in 2016, 5,987 pedestrians were killed in traffic

crashes in the United States, 16% of all traffic fatalities? This is a 9% increase in pedestrian fatalities from 2015.

Here are safety tips to keep you and your loved ones safe when crossing the street.

Be Safe and Be Seen:

- Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials.
- Carry a flashlight when walking at night.
- Cross the street in a well-lit area at night.
- Stand clear of buses, hedges, parked cars, or other obstacles before crossing to maximize visibility.

Be Smart and Stay Alert:

- ALWAYS walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
- Don't assume vehicles will stop. Make eye contact with drivers.
- Do not rely solely on pedestrian signals. ALWAYS look before you cross the road.
- Stay alert to engine noise or tail lights while in parking lots and near street parking spaces.

Be Careful at Crosswalks:

- Cross streets at marked crosswalks or intersections, if possible.
- Obey traffic signals such as WALK/DON'T WALK signs.
- Watch for turning vehicles. Make sure the driver sees you and will stop for you.
- Look across ALL lanes, you must cross and visually clear each lane before proceeding. DO NOT assume all vehicles will stop for you.

For information on Crosswalk Safety or #Stayinalive #SAFETYFORALLGENERATIONS please contact Pinole Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at 510-724-8950.



- **SOLAR POWER AT YOUTH CENTER**

The solar power generated at the Youth Center continues to reduce our carbon footprint and save trees! The graphic below is for December 2017 alone!



- **RECENT FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES**

Our new Fire Chief Scott Kouns started in early October and has hit the ground running! He has already established working relationships with our regional partners, of course most especially with our Battalion 7 partners of Con Fire and Rodeo/Hercules Fire Districts.

We are looking forward to our new Battalion Chief starting soon...more information to come on that.

The Department is working on building our Fire Prevention Program and have identified our "Top 40" list of most critical areas to address. The Fire Department and Development Services are working closely on this project.

We, along with Rodeo/Hercules and East County Fire District, are the recipients of a grant for new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). In addition, we have ordered a new SCBA bottle filling compressor and are in the final stages of getting it installed. This model is much more effective and efficient than our previous model.

We are now using "Tablet Command" from Contra Costa County FPD for better situational awareness to emergency events in our area and to preempt training on a program we, Battalion 7, will be using in a few months.

We are looking to technology to help us do our jobs better with Telestaff, Trackit, & Target Solution, to name a few. As we all know, as our human resources are reduced we have to be more efficient through the use of advancements in technology/electronic resources.

We had two recent retirements: Captain Chuck Thompson and Fire Engineer Dave Else. Please join me in thanking these long-term employees on their many years of service to our community and congratulating them on their retirements. We wish them all the best in the next phase of their journey.

Of course, retirements create new opportunities and we have recently promoted Ken Deseve to Fire Captain, Javier Lopez to Fire Engineer, and Steve Dorsey to Fire Engineer. Again, please join me in congratulating these employees on their new positions!

- [**PINOLE VALLY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT NEWLETTER**](#)

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Pinole Police Department Swearing In Ceremony

Lieutenant Gene Alameda

Officer Son Ly

Officer Frank Dalao

Officer Alex Hastings

Introductions

Dispatcher Tina Ojeda-Willis

Police Property Specialist Nicolette Whitney

Records Specialist Lecia Rohrbach

Tuesday, February 20, 5:30 p.m.

City Council Chambers



A message to the community

**Berkeley's Alta Bates campus expected to stay open for another decade
Sutter Health to rebuild Emergency Room capacity in Oakland**

Sutter Health affirmed today that it will rebuild emergency room capacity when it closes hospital services at its Alta Bates campus due to state seismic regulations. The rebuilding process is expected to take up to 10 years, meaning the emergency room and inpatient hospital services provided at the Alta Bates campus in Berkeley will not move or close in 2019, as has been erroneously reported.

"I want to reassure our patients and community that we will continue providing all their healthcare needs with a robust network of new primary, specialty and urgent care in Berkeley--and in the next decade, with expanded emergency care nearby in Oakland," Chuck Prosper, CEO of Alta Bates Summit, says.

"There is no imminent closure of Alta Bates or loss of jobs associated with the closure when it happens. We will still need staff to care for patients at the new Alta Bates in Oakland," Prosper says.

Alta Bates Summit Medical Center is made up of three campuses: Alta Bates in Berkeley, Herrick in Berkeley and Summit in Oakland.

Sutter is currently conducting a thoughtful review of emergency services to ensure that residents of Berkeley, West Contra Costa County and UC Berkeley continue to have good access to emergency medical services. In addition, Sutter plans to rebuild its exceptional Women and Infants program and neonatal intensive care unit. Sutter is currently exploring rebuilding in Oakland, adjacent to its Summit campus.

"Starting in 2011, our Summit campus transitioned to become our designated EMS ambulance receiving center for all our cardiac and stroke patients. Ambulances across the East Bay—including from Berkeley and West Contra Costa County—have taken all our acute heart attack and stroke patients to our Summit Oakland emergency room," said Brian Potts, M.D., Medical Director of the Alta Bates Emergency Department in Berkeley.

"The health and well-being of our patients and community will not be adversely affected by the future short travel distance from Berkeley and neighboring communities to our new Oakland campus. Our Alta Bates Summit emergency physicians look forward to continuing to care for our entire East Bay community from a new, state-of-the-art, expanded Emergency Department in Oakland," Potts says.

Sutter Health and Alta Bates Summit have held more than 60 meetings with elected officials, and community and healthcare leaders across the East Bay to discuss these long-range plans, caused by the state of California's seismic regulations that require hospitals to rebuild or retrofit to meet enhanced seismic safety standards by 2030. Almost all of the Alta Bates campus in Berkeley cannot be retrofitted to meet the new state standards for inpatient, hospital care.

In spite of these seismic constraints, Sutter Health is committed to continuing to serve the inner East Bay with high quality, accessible emergency, medical and hospital services. It is partnering with physicians, staff and the community to develop plans that accomplish this goal, while taking into consideration that fewer patients today receive inpatient care in hospitals as more care is delivered in outpatient settings, like a doctor's office, surgery center, or walk-in or urgent care clinic—all of which are less expensive to patients and insurers.

At the Oakland location, Alta Bates Summit would enlarge its existing medical campus with a second, state-of-the-art pavilion that ensures all patients—regardless of their insurance or ability to pay—have access to the latest healthcare technology and advances. This includes all private rooms, which have been proven to promote faster healing and recovery. Sutter Health expects this project will invest more than a half-billion dollars into the East Bay economy and provide hundreds of construction jobs in the trade unions.

In Berkeley, Sutter Health has committed to expanding access to outpatient services, including doctors' visits, surgery and cancer care centers, and urgent care clinics that could be located at either the Alta Bates campus on Ashby Avenue or the Herrick campus on Dwight Way.

"Berkeley has been part of our healthcare network for more than 100 years and that's not going to change," Prosper said.

More information is at rebuild.altabatessummit.org, and community updates will be shared as information becomes available.

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CONSTRUCTION NEWS

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CONSTRUCTION MANAGER'S CORNER

Happy New Year! This month has been very productive with the weather remaining dry (especially compared to last winter) and all five buildings in progress. The last of the tilt-up walls at the Performing Arts building were placed this month. The theater stage slab, seating decks, and slab for the cafeteria and kitchen were poured. Windows are being installed in the Gymnasium's walls, sealing it from the weather. The school's concrete entry archway was lifted and secured in place. This was a great way to end 2017!



UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Sitework–Continue layout and concrete pours for site retaining walls.
- Sitework–EBMUD complete water supply connection.
- Performing Arts–Concrete pours for theater seating decks and balcony.
- Performing Arts–Begin framing mansard roof for the Theater.
- Performing Arts–Erect structural steel at Cafeteria and Kitchen.
- Library–Additional structural steel placement.
- Library–MEP hangers placement on 2nd floor deck.
- East Classroom–Continue MEP, framing and gypsum board install.
- East Classroom–Installation of windows in framed exterior walls.
- West Classroom–Layout and placement of hangers and sleeves.
- Gymnasium–Continue framing interior walls and mansard roofs.
- Gymnasium–Continue installing windows and built-up roofing.



WORK COMPLETED THIS MONTH

- Sitework–EBMUD connected new campus water supply.
- Performing Arts–Phase 2 of tilt-up panel lifting and panel welding.
- Performing Arts–Poured concrete for theater house deck and stairs.
- Performing Arts–Poured slab on grade concrete for the Cafeteria and Kitchen.
- Library–Poured concrete for building footings.
- Library–Lifted and secured school entry archway.
- East Classroom–Continued installation of MEP and gypsum board at 1st, 2nd, and 3rd floors.
- West Classroom–Layout and placement of hangers and sleeves.
- West Classroom–Continued concrete pour for building footings.
- Gymnasium–Continued framing interior walls and mansard roofs.
- Gymnasium–Continued installation of built-up roofing.
- Gymnasium–Window installation in main gym.



MONITORING AND STATISTICS

Without rain, we have no monitoring to report this month.



POTENTIAL IMPACT TO NEIGHBORS

Impacts this coming month will be similar to what occurred last month. They will include the following:

- Noise
- Crane on-site
- Increased truck traffic
- Work on Pinole Valley Road



Lifting and Placement of School Entry



Performing Arts Building Theater House



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