



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: AUGUST 7, 2020
TO: CITY COUNCIL AND PINOLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS
FROM: ANDREW MURRAY, CITY MANAGER

UPCOMING EVENTS

CITY PUBLIC MEETINGS

Meetings	Date and Time	Location
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, August 18, 2020 6:00 pm	Videoconference*
Planning Commission Meeting	Monday, August 24, 2020 7:00 pm	Videoconference*
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2020 6:00 pm	Videoconference*

* Due to the State of California's declaration of emergency, City Council meetings are currently being conducted through videoconference pursuant to authorization from Governor Newsom's executive orders. Please submit public comments for City Council meetings to the City Clerk before or during the meeting via email to hiopu@ci.pinole.ca.us. City Council meetings can be viewed live on Channel 26 or video-streamed live on the City's website, www.ci.pinole.ca.us. If none of these options are available to you, or you need assistance with public comment, please contact the City Clerk, Heather Iopu, at (510) 724-8928 or hiopu@ci.pinole.ca.us. Agendas, minutes, and other information regarding City Council meetings can be found on the City website, https://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/city_government/city_clerk/agendas_and_minutes

OTHER CITY-SPONSORED EVENTS

Events	Date and Time	Location
None*	N/A	N/A

* The City has cancelled or postponed all City-sponsored events for the time being to comply with the County Health Officer's health orders.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

In response to the COVID-19 epidemic and the Governors July 13, 2020 Health Orders, to close all business and offices for non-essential personnel, the City of Pinole has modified its operations and services. City Hall will remain closed, but members of the public can call on an appointment-only basis for the time being. Certain City facilities will remain closed for the time being, including the Senior Center and Youth Center. The City will reopen these facilities as soon as possible. You can find more complete information on the City's COVID-19 website:

https://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/city_government/coronavirus_covid-19

The Contra Costa Health Services COVID-19 website (<https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org>) is a comprehensive, authoritative resource for information on the virus and resources. Pinole residents are encouraged to visit the website for information. Please follow the social distancing order, and wear a face covering when you leave home or when you are near other people. Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently and stay home if you are not feeling well.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

WEED ABATEMENT UPDATE

We are well into the 2020 fire season, as illustrated by several fire incidents in and around Pinole. The Pinole Fire Department will be conducting additional weed abatement efforts throughout the City's open space in the weeks to come.



By now, all residents' **weeds should be removed to within three inches off the ground** and brush trimmed to provide a safety buffer of at least **thirty feet around any structure**. For most properties within the City, this means clearing the entire parcel. Dead trees and

fallen limbs also apply. **Tree limbs must be trimmed to no lower than six feet from the ground.** Thank you for your efforts in making Pinole a fire safe community!

2020 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The next General Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 and will include the election of two Pinole City Council seats and Pinole City Treasurer. The nomination period for candidates opens on July 13, 2020 and closes on August 7, 2020. This is the period when individuals officially receive, circulate, and file nomination papers for candidacy.

For more information, or to schedule an appointment to receive nomination papers, please contact:

City Clerk Heather Iopu
hiopu@ci.pinole.ca.us
(510) 724-8928

Additional information about the General Municipal Election, including candidate and voter assistance information, will be posted to the City's website as it becomes available throughout the election season.

CENSUS 2020! IT'S TIME TO RESPOND!

There's no denying we are living in unnerving and uncertain times as we respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. That's why it's more important than ever that everyone respond to Census 2020. In fact, how we respond to this Census will impact our ability to respond to future public health crises like the one we are living through right now. Thankfully, the Census is a social distancing approved activity and it has never been easier to respond in the comfort and safety of your own home.

By now, all households should have received a notification in the mail inviting them to respond to the census. You can fill out the census online at my2020census.gov, by phone ([numbers available in 13 languages at this link](#)), or by mail. Starting Mid-May, the Census Bureau will begin sending out Enumerators to follow up with households who haven't responded.

Make sure to count **everyone** living in your household as of April 1, 2020. Remember, your responses are confidential and will shape how much federal funding and civic representation our Pinole gets **for the next decade**. When you've completed your census post a picture on your social media with your receipt and tag #CountMeIn and #CoCoCounts.

Still have questions about how to respond to Census 2020? [Click here to check out answers to frequently asked questions.](#)

For more information about Census 2020 and Contra Costa County's efforts visit cococensus.org.

GET INVOLVED! JOIN A CITY BOARD, COMMITTEE, OR COMMISSION!

The City is continuously looking for volunteers to serve on City boards, committees, and commissions. More information, including current vacancies, can be found on the City's website: https://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/city_government/city_clerk/boards_and_commission. Candidates must be appointed by action of the City Council.

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