



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: JANUARY 21, 2021

TO: CITY COUNCIL AND PINOLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS

FROM: ANDREW MURRAY, CITY MANAGER

UPCOMING EVENTS

CITY PUBLIC MEETINGS

Meetings	Date and Time	Location
Planning Commission Meeting	Monday, January 25, 2021 7:00 pm	Videoconference*
City Council Special Meeting	Saturday, January 30, 2021 10:00 am - 2:00 pm	Videoconference*
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, February 2, 2021 6:00 pm	Videoconference*
City Council Special Meeting (Closed Session only)	Tuesday, February 9, 2021 6:00 pm	Videoconference*
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, February 16, 2021 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
Food Distribution	Monday, February 8, 2021 9am-11am	Pinole Senior Center 2500 Charles Ave.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

The state's stay-at-home order will remain in place until the Region's total available adult ICU bed capacity is greater than or equal to 15%.

In response to the latest Health Orders, City Hall is open 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) as well as the Contra Costa Health Services COVID-19 website (<https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org>), which is a comprehensive, authoritative resource on Health Orders and health practices.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING ON JANUARY 30, 2021 TO PRIORITIZE SPECIAL PROJECTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2020-21

The City Council will hold a special Council meeting on Saturday January 30, 2021 to conduct teambuilding and to provide direction to staff on which special projects to prioritize for the remainder of the current fiscal year, 2020-21. The Council will review the special projects ("strategies") contained in the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan as well as other special projects the Council has identified as future agenda items and determine priority among them. The meeting will begin at 10 am and is planned to conclude by 2 pm. More information on the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan can be found on the City's website here: https://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/city_government/2020-2025_strategic_plan

FIRE STUDY PRESENTATION

Emergency Services Consulting International (ESCI) will be presenting the Regional Fire Service Delivery Study, which they completed in 2020, to the City Council at the regularly scheduled Council meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

MTC BLUE RIBBON TRANSIT RECOVERY TASK FORCE

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the transportation planning and coordinating agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region.

The ridership and revenues of transit agencies in the Bay Area, such as BART, WestCAT, and AC Transit, have declined significantly due to the COVID-19 pandemic and stay-at-home orders. This has prompted MTC to create a Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force to guide Bay Area transit agencies as they respond to and recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Task Force will also create a Bay Area Public Transit Transformation Action Plan that will describe the actions needed to re-shape the region's transit system into a more connected, more efficient, and more user-focused mobility network across the entire Bay Area.

Members of the public that are interested in providing input or learning more about plans for the future of transit in the Bay Area can find information on the Task Force's website, <https://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/fund-invest/investment-strategies-commitments/blue-ribbon-transit-recovery-task-force>

The next meeting of the Task Force will be Monday, January 25, 2021.

CITY OF PINOLE COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City of Pinole has created a COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Program through which the City will provide grants to small businesses to help offset the revenue they have lost due to the pandemic. The City has set aside funding to provide 100 grants of \$1,000 each to small businesses in sectors that have been most impacted by COVID-19. The City will announce the program and open the application period next week. Look for more information next week on the City's website, City Hall Facebook page, and in the mailboxes of small businesses.

Note that there are other forms of assistance available to small businesses from the State and federal government related to COVID-19. More information can be found on the City's COVID-19 website (https://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/city_government/coronavirus_covid_19) and on the County's website on Resources for Businesses and Employees Affected by the Economic Impacts of COVID-19 (<https://www.contracosta.ca.gov/7778/COVID-19-Economic-Resources>).

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

The Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano County will be providing free boxes of nonperishable food and bags of fresh produce **every second Monday of the month**. The next drive-thru distribution is on **Monday, February 8th from 9 AM to 11 AM** (or as supplies last) at the Pinole Senior Center parking lot, 2500 Charles Ave. You do NOT need to be a member of the Pinole Senior Center or a senior to receive food. Quantities are limited. First come first serve. One box and/or bag per household. This will be a contact-less event, please follow the directions from staff and volunteers when you arrive. Food items will be placed in the trunk by staff/volunteers. Parking or exiting your vehicle will not be allowed. All participants must follow social distancing guidelines and wear a face covering. If you have any questions, contact the Senior Center Recreation Coordinator at ksantoyo@ci.pinole.ca.us or call the Front Desk at (510) 724-9800.

YOUTH PROGRAMS UPDATE

The Pinole Youth Center is offering a variety of virtual cooking classes for children ages 6 – 14. Classes include a story, cooking demonstration, and cooking 1- 2 themed dishes. There are many options to choose from to keep children engaged. Classes start the second week of February. Registration can be completed online at <https://pinolerec.recdesk.com/Community/Program>. For additional information, email recreation@ci.pinole.ca.us or call 510-724-9062.

FIRE INCIDENT

At approximately 5:40 a.m. on Thursday, January 21, Pinole Fire Department responded with resources from Pinole Police Department, Contra Costa County Fire, Rodeo-Hercules Fire, El Cerrito Fire, Richmond Fire, and Crockett-Carquinez Fire, to a two-alarm structure fire on the 1900 block of Galbreath Road. Police personnel safely evacuated the occupants as fire crews performed an aggressive fire attack to contain the fire to the building of origin and prevent spread to adjacent homes. There were no reported injuries, and one dog was rescued by crews on scene.



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

The City is recruiting to fill vacancies on the following boards and commissions. If you are a citizen interested in community service in a variety of disciplines, there are several opportunities available. Please submit your application for the positions below no later than **February 11, 2021**

For more information on how to apply, please visit the [BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS](#) webpage or contact the City Clerk, Heather Iopu at (510) 724-8928 or hiopu@ci.pinole.ca.us. Candidates must be appointed by action of the City Council to all Commissions or Committees. Please note that all public meetings are taking place virtually through videoconference until local emergency conditions due to the COVID-19 pandemic have improved. Any interviews of applicants for these positions will take place by phone or videoconference.

Planning Commission (2 positions):

The Pinole Planning Commission is a seven-member panel who act on development requests and make policy recommendations to the City Council. The Commission usually meets on the 4th Monday of every month at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chamber, although additional meetings may be called as required. Commissioners serve four-year terms.

Community Services Commission (2 positions):

The Community Services Commission is comprised of seven members who must be Pinole residents. The Commission serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council in matters pertaining to public recreation, parks, arts and cultural activities, historical activities, public access television activities, senior and youth activities, and community services. The Commission 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 the community; and collaborates with 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 monthly on the 4th Wednesday at 5pm. Commissioners service two-year terms.

CONTACT THE CITY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

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Drive-Thru Food Distribution



**MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 8
9AM-11AM**
(or as supplies last)
**PINOLE SENIOR CENTER
2500 CHARLES AVE.**

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Questions: Call 510-724-9800 or email ksantoyo@ci.pinole.ca.us



YOUTH COOKING CLASSES



**INTERESTED IN LEARNING HOW TO
COOK OR BAKE?**

Register for one of our themed virtual cooking classes. Ideal for children ages 6 - 14. Classes include a story, cooking demonstration, and cooking 1-2 themed dishes. Registration can be completed online at <https://pinolerec.recdesk.com/Community/Program>.

Classes start the second week of February.

CLASS FEE - \$125 RESIDENT AND \$144 NON RESIDENT

Questions email recreation@ci.pinoles.ca.us or call 510-724-9062