



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: JANUARY 9, 2015

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
BEN REYES, CITY ATTORNEY

FROM: BELINDA B. ESPINOSA, CITY MANAGER

PLACES TO BE

- JANUARY 14 - PINOLE POLICE DEPARTMENT COFFEE WITH A COP

The next "Coffee with a Cop" event will be held on Wednesday, January 14 at the East Bay Coffee Company, 2529 San Pablo Avenue. There is a large room at this location and we are hoping that many citizens will be stopping by to take advantage of this program. The Pinole Police Department has initiated this program to provide an opportunity for the community to interact and meet the officers working in their area. Sergeant Matt Avery stated, "It's always nice to take a break and engage the community we serve". Thanks in advance to all of you who plan to stop by and say hello.

- JANUARY 15 - THE WASTEWATER SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING IN PINOLE

The Pinole-Hercules Wastewater Subcommittee will hold their regular meeting on Thursday January 15, 2015 at 8:30 AM at the Pinole City Hall. The agenda includes discussion of the Financial Agreement between the cities regarding financing the plant upgrades, a discussion of the Pre-qualification process for contractors wishing to submit bids for the project and a presentation regarding the project status. A copy of the agenda is attached.

- FEBRUARY 21 – PINOLE ROTARY CRAB FEED

Save the Date! The annual Pinole Rotary Club Crab Feed is scheduled to take place on February 21 at 6:00 pm at the Pinole Senior Center. As in the past, Police Officers and Firefighters of the Year from both the cities of Pinole and Hercules will be honored at this event. Tickets are \$45 and will be available at the Police Department after January 20. For more information please contact Jamie Cepernich with the Pinole Rotary Club at 510-758-8267.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEW THIS WEEK...

➤ NEW STOP SIGNS INSTALLED ALONG SIMAS AVENUE

At the request of several residents along Simas Avenue, the Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Committee (TAPS) reviewed the idea of installing STOP signs at various locations along Simas Avenue.



TAPS recommended to the City Council and they concurred that STOP signs were indeed needed at several locations to reduce vehicle speeds and improve safety along Simas Avenue.

Approved locations include Simas Avenue at Ramona and Simas Avenue at Moraga Drive. Installation of these signs has now been completed by the City's Public Works Department.

➤ SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF SLOPE REPAIRS

The West Contra Costa County Unified School District notified the City that construction will begin on January 12, 2015 to repair the slope behind Pinole Valley High School adjacent to Shea Drive. Construction activities include the removal of the slope in segments, drilling piers/caissons, filling the piers with steel and concrete and replacing the soil.

The goal of the project is to stabilize the slope during seismic loads. The project will include the installation of inclinometers to detect, and measure any slope movement once the project is in place.

➤ BECOME A VOLUNTEER TUTOR AT PROJECT SECOND CHANCE

Project Second Chance, the Contra Costa County library's adult literacy program, trains volunteers to help adults improve their reading, writing and spelling skills. The required 14

hours of training include one Wednesday night (January 28, 2015) and two Saturdays (January 31 and February 7). Training is held at the Pleasant Hill library but tutoring can take place anywhere in the county.

Register now for the upcoming training cycle! To sign up, apply online at <http://ccclib.org/psc/tutors.html>. For more information call 510-527-7558.

➤ **PINOLE POLICE MAKE AN ARREST IN AUTO BURGLARY**

On January 1, 2015 at 7:55 AM, Pinole Police responded to an auto burglary in the 700 block of Fernandez Avenue. Arriving officers found a vehicle with two windows smashed out and evidence of a theft from the vehicle. While searching the area, officers saw a Black male run while attempting to flee from the officers. Officers detained him a short distance away and subsequently placed him under arrest for auto burglary. A window punch was located discarded nearby and a witness told officers the detained suspect had discarded it. Officers saw a heavy-set black male in the area talking on a cellular telephone, this subject quickly disappeared and possibly got into a black Mercedes.

At the same time officers saw the black Mercedes flee eastbound San Pablo Avenue at speeds in excess of 60 MPH. Pinole PD officers along with Hercules PD officers followed the Mercedes to an apartment on John Street in Rodeo. With the additional assistance of deputies from the Contra Costa Sheriff's Office, property from the vehicle burglary was located in the area. No other suspects including the driver of the Mercedes were found. A search of the Mercedes revealed marijuana and several pieces of confirmed stolen property linked to three recent auto burglaries from Marin County.

Navarre Sangster, a 28-year-old resident of Richmond, was questioned at Pinole PD and then booked at the Martinez Detention Facility for burglary (PC 459/460(b)), possession of burglary tools (PC 466) and resisting arrest (PC 148(a)). Pinole PD detectives are looking into whether Sangster and the outstanding suspect are connected to any other recent thefts and burglaries in the area.

This is an on-going investigation and anyone with any information about this case is urged to contact Pinole PD Detective Corcoran at 510-724-8950.

CONTINUING ITEMS...

➤ **CPI INCREASE IN RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL GARBAGE RATES**

In accordance with our franchise agreement with Richmond Sanitary Service, there was an automatic Consumers Price Index (CPI) increase in garbage services effective January 1, 2015 ([see the attached flyer](#)). This will affect both residential and commercial accounts. Outlined below is a summary of the residential garbage rate increases only.

<u>Container Size</u>	<u>2014 Rate</u>	<u>2015 Rate</u>
➤ Senior 35 Gallon	\$18.64	\$19.24
➤ 20 Gallon	\$20.21	\$20.86
➤ 35 Gallon	\$21.02	\$21.69
➤ 65 Gallon	\$36.60	\$37.77
➤ 95 Gallon	\$52.26	\$53.93

In addition to the above there is an additional charge for recycling which is outlined on the attached flyer. There is no increase in these fees at the current time. For commercial rates, an adjustment of 3.2% increase will become effective on January 1, 2015.

➤ **SAND BAGS ARE AVAILABLE TO PINOLE CITIZENS**

As you are aware, the winter season is upon us and we have already had several storm fronts move in. As we have done in the past, the City has made sand bags available to the residents of the Pinole community in case you need them. There is a mound of sand and the bags are left so that you may fill them as you need them. They are located in the parking lot adjacent to the Police Department and St. Joseph's School and will remain so during the winter months.

➤ **PG&E IMPLEMENTING PLANS FOR WINTER STORM SEASON- CUSTOMERS URGED TO HAVE A PREPAREDNESS PLAN READY**

PG&E has begun the winter storm season and is reminding customers that power outages may occur during significant storm events with heavy and/or sustained rainfall and high winds. PG&E crews are prepared and ready to respond to power outages as soon as weather conditions permit the safe restoration of power.

PG&E urges customers to stay safe during storms and remember the following safety tips:

- Always treat low hanging and downed power lines as if they are energized and extremely dangerous. Keep yourself and others away from them. Be aware that trees, pools of water and other objects may be in contact with power lines. If you see damaged power lines or electrical equipment, call 911 immediately and then notify PG&E at 1-800-743-5002.
- During a power outage use battery-operated flashlights, not candles, due to the risk of fire. If you must use candles please keep them away from drapes, lampshades, holiday trees and small children. Do not leave candles unattended.
- Customers with generators should make sure they are properly installed by a licensed electrician in a well-ventilated area. Improperly installed generators pose a significant danger to crews working on power lines.

- If you experience an outage unplug or turn off all electrical appliances to avoid overloading circuits and to prevent fire hazards when power is restored. Simply leave a single lamp on to alert you when power returns. Turn your appliances back on one at a time when conditions return to normal.

➤ **OPEN SEATS ON CITY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

Consider volunteering for our community by serving on a board or commission! There are openings on the following City commissions:

- Pinole Planning Commission (1 position)
- Pinole Community Services Commission (3 positions)

and Pinole delegate positions on two regional boards:

- Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging
- Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) Citizens Advisory Board

These positions are appointed by the City Council.

Applications & supplemental questionnaires are available at Pinole City Hall and the City board applications may also be downloaded from the City website at http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/live/news/advisory_board.html. The filing period is open until the positions are filled.

For more information contact the City Clerk's office at 510-724-8928 or email pathenour@ci.pinole.ca.us. Completed applications are accepted at the City Clerk's Office, 2131 Pear Street, Pinole 94564.

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AGENDA
WASTEWATER SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2015, 8:30A.M.
PINOLE CITY HALL
2131 PEAR STREET
PINOLE, CA 94564

1.	CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2.	ROLL CALL
3.	CITIZENS TO BE HEARD – FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
4.	PREQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS FOR PLANT UPGRADE: <i>RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE PREQUALIFICATION PROCESS</i>
5.	PROJECT UPDATE: <i>RECEIVE A PROJECT STATUS UPDATE</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>PROJECT SCHEDULE AND BUDGET</i>• <i>RESULTS OF MEETING WITH STATE REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE</i>
6.	MEETING DATE FOR SUBCOMMITTEE CONSIDER REVISING THE MEETING DATE FOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE
7.	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FROM THE SUBCOMMITTEE

POSTED: Friday, January 9, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall

Ana Morales, Secretary, City of Pinole



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

November 20, 2014

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

Re: Residential and Commercial Rate Adjustment effective January 1, 2015

Dear Ms. Espinosa:

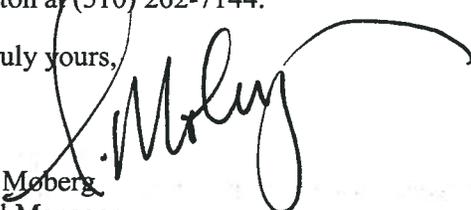
Pursuant to the Franchise Agreement between the City and Richmond Sanitary Service, the collection service portion of the residential and commercial rates is being adjusted by the change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose Metropolitan Area. The Franchise Agreement calls for the use of the CPI published on or before November 30th preceding the January 1 adjustment. The CPI published for October 2014 is the most current published on or before November 30. The change from October 2013 to October 2014 reflects a 3.2% increase. Although it is understood that the West Contra Costa Integrated Solid Waste Management Authority (WCCISMA) may authorize an adjustment in the Post-collection Service Charge, as of this date none has been adopted. ** Pending adjustment of the Post-Collection Service Charge, after application of the 3.2% CPI adjustment to the Collection Service rates, the residential service billings will reflect the following monthly rates, effective January 1, 2015:

	2014 Collection Rate	Annual CPI Adjust	2015 Collection Rate	2014** IRRF Charge	2015** Total
35-gallon	\$21.02	\$.67	\$21.69	\$ 7.85	\$29.54
65-gallon	36.60	1.17	37.77	14.61	52.38
95-gallon	52.26	1.67	53.93	21.91	75.84
20-gallon	20.21	.65	20.86	4.48	25.34
Senior 35-gallon	18.64	.60	19.24	7.85	27.09

Commercial Collection rates will be adjusted similarly by the 3.2% change in the CPI, plus any adjustment in the Post-collection Service Charge adopted by the WCCISWMA.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (510) 262-7143, or Janna Coverston at (510) 262-7144.

Very truly yours,


Shawn Moberg
General Manager

cc: R. Loomis
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