



City Manager's Weekly Update

June 3, 2016

UPCOMING MEETINGS

2016

- 6/6** City Council Meeting
7:00 PM, Council
Chambers
- 6/13** City Council Work
Session 7:00 PM,
Council Chambers
- 6/20** City Council Meeting
7:00 PM, Council
Chambers
- 7/5** City Council Meeting
7:00 PM, Council
Chambers
- 7/11** Town Hall Meeting for
Districts 3, 4, and 5
7:00 PM, MCC Titan
Auditorium room
- 7/18** City Council Meeting
7:00 PM, Council
Chambers
- 7/25** City Council Work
Session 7:00 PM,
Council Chambers

August Recess

- 9/6** City Council Meeting
7:00 PM, Council
Chambers

To: City Council
From: Chris Zapata, City Manager

Mark Your Calendar

107th Cherry Festival (Attached)

Sat. June 4th, Parade 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM, Festival 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Downtown San Leandro

The Cherry Festival will be returning to Downtown San Leandro, marking the 107th anniversary of this fun and exciting event. Following the parade, the festival will feature live music and fun activities for the whole family. To get updates about vendors, entertainment schedule and to have the festival map at your fingertips, download the free *Cherry Fest App* in the Apple iTunes Store or Google Play Store. You can also visit the festival's [website](#) for more details.

Lesbian Fiction Forum

Sat. June 11th 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM, Main Library, 300 Estudillo Ave.

The San Leandro Library is hosting a Lesbian Fiction Forum in honor of LGBT month. Local authors Heather Blackmore, Julie Blair, Kathleen Knowles and Missouri Vaun will discuss their contemporary lesbian fiction works followed by a book signing session. For more information, call 577-3986

Council Information

Draft General Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report Now Available for Public Review

On June 1, 2016, the City released the Draft 2035 General Plan and accompanying Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for public review, which starts a 45-day public review period. Both documents are available on the project website, www.sanleandro2035.com. A paper copy of each is also available at the Community Development Department in City Hall and at the Main Library.

The Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, which will include an opportunity for public comments and input. Responses to comments on the DEIR will be provided in August, and additional public hearings are planned for August and September 2016. For more information, please contact Tom Liao, Deputy Community Development Director at tliao@sanleandro.org or 577-6003.

City to Receive \$25,000 for Impact Volunteering Program

San Leandro was one of 5 cities in the Bay Area to receive \$25,000 to implement projects that harness the power of local residents to create resilient communities. The City will launch *Prepare San Leandro*, an “adopt-a-drain” program that will recruit volunteers to help keep storm drains clear of leaves and refuse. Volunteers will play a critical role in assisting the City in reducing the number of clogged storm inlets that often result in localized flooding. For more information, contact Debbie Pollart, Public Works Director at 577-6020

San Leandro’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) wins *Financial Reporting Achievement Award* (Attached)

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded the City’s Finance Department the *Financial Reporting Achievement Award* for preparing a comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that met the high standards of the program. San Leandro’s CAFR demonstrated a constructive “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users to read the document. This achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

Exhibit in Main Library in Honor of LGBT Month in San Leandro (Attached)

During the month of June, the Lavender Seniors are hosting an exhibit titled *The Lavender Scrolls Project: A Greater Visibility for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Women and Men of the Bay Area*. Patrons are encouraged to view the “lavender scrolls” and learn about older LGBT adults in our communities. The exhibit will be on display during the month of June in the Main Library located at 300 Estudillo Ave.

San Leandro Next

San Leandro Next is an initiative of the City of San Leandro Community Development Department providing news and updates on economic development and innovation. The following stories were posted since last week:

[East Bay Rising – 2016 Economic Outlook for the East Bay](#)

107TH ANNUAL

Cherry Festival



Saturday, June 4, 2016 • 11am - 6pm

Downtown San Leandro • Parade at 10am

Artisans • Food • Craft Beer • Rides and more!

Main Stage

Headline entertainment featuring the musical group, The Legendary Escovedo Family Band and R&B artist Jon B.

Artisans

Handcrafted and unique cherry themed items will be available in the NEW artisan section. Check out the items and goods for sale from local and specialty artisans.



Farmers' Market

What would a Cherry Festival be like without our famous cherries? Don't miss the great opportunity to purchase cherries and more at the Farmers' Market.



www.bit.ly/cherryfestival2016

#SLCHERRYFEST

No Dogs Allowed



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NEWS RELEASE

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(Chicago)--The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to **City of San Leandro** by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

An Award of Financial Reporting Achievement has been awarded to the individual(s), department or agency designated by the government as primarily responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR. This has been presented to:

Finance Department, City of San Leandro

The CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL, and Washington, D.C.

June is Gay Pride Month!



On June 2, 2000, President Bill Clinton declared June 2000 "Gay & Lesbian Pride Month". President Barack Obama declared June 2009 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month 2009 on June 1, 2009.

Natalie's History

Natalie Zarchin was born in 1922 and grew up in a Jewish family in Brooklyn, New York. Natalie was in the Navy WAVES for three years in World War II, married in 1950 and had two children. The family moved to Southern California when Natalie's husband took a job with the state health department.

In 1969 Natalie's husband's job changed again and the family moved to El Cerrito to the house where Natalie lives today. Natalie volunteered at the Berkeley Free Clinic and was co-director there for a couple of years. Having separated from her husband, she supported herself by doing counseling with the Berkeley feminist counseling collective, "Womanrise," for eight years; and worked at A Safe Place, a battered women's shelter in Oakland. She also helped start Gay and Lesbians Outreach to Elders in San Francisco.

In 1974, at the age of 52, Natalie decided being a lesbian was going to be her political stand and she came out as a lesbian. She started receiving compliments for all the things she was criticized for in her early life: for being too athletic, assertive, and unladylike.

In her early 60s she began making pottery at the Richmond Art Center, which is a mixed community of gay men, a few lesbians and mostly straight people. Natalie continues to take classes there and enjoys hanging out and talking about everything.

Natalie has a supportive heterosexual family—her kids and grandkids—and she also has a very close family of friends. When she had major surgery her kids and her friends brought her food, walked the dog, and watered the garden.

At the age of 79 she became lovers with a woman that she'd known for over 30 years. They reconnected at a writing group at the North Berkeley Senior Center. Being able to pass as straight is related to agism. People think that at 84 how could she be in a lesbian relationship? Even lesbians sometimes don't see her as a lesbian because she's old.

Natalie has been part of many groups, such as "Slightly Older Lesbians," "Bay Area Women at the Helm" (lesbian sailors) and is on the steering committee of Old Lesbians Organizing for Change. She's been on the board of the Lavender Seniors. She's an armchair activist these days: she clicks and signs petitions online.



During the month of June, the Lavender Seniors will have on display in the Library an exhibit titled *The Lavender Scrolls Project: A Greater Visibility for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender women and men of the Bay Area*.

Patrons are encouraged to view the Lavender Scrolls and learn about LGBT older adults in our communities. The Scrolls are a touring visual display depicting the lives of 4 LGBT seniors.

The Lavender Seniors of the East Bay are dedicated to improving the lives of older LGBT women and men. Please contact the Lavender Seniors at (510) 574-2073 or (510) 574-2090 for more info.

The library will also host a *Lesbian Fiction Forum* on Saturday, June 11 from 2 pm to 4 pm in the Karp Room in honor of LGBT Pride Month. Pick up flyers in the library for more information or call (510) 577-3986.

