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EXTENDED HOURS AT CITY COMMUNITY CENTERS AND LIBRARIES ***Part of the Strong Communities Initiative – Measure M***

STOCKTON, Calif. – The City of Stockton will offer new extended hours of operation at City community centers and library branches beginning Monday, July 2, 2018.

“Additional hours have been a goal for many years. Now, thanks to the Strong Communities Initiative, we can offer longer days and increased weekend access to our residents,” said John Alita, Director of Community Services. “We look forward to providing a broad array of affordable programs to support people, educationally and recreationally, and to help build a stronger sense of community.”

The extended hours at Arnold Rue, Seifert, Stribley, and Van Buskirk Community Centers will provide more access to existing services such as open gym time, fitness centers, and rentable space. The new days and hours promise library goers a robust schedule of programs – including story times, Science Technology Arts Engineering Math (STEAM) and Makerspace programs, and opportunities to learn and create for all ages.

“Additional hours offer a ladder of opportunities for children and youth to explore and be curious about the world around them and make the most of their potential,” said Suzy Daveluy, Deputy Director of Community Services for Libraries.

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Stephen Jiang, Deputy Director of Community Services for Recreation, added, “Our extended hours give us the opportunity to offer more than a place to go; they offer residents an opportunity to spend time together in a safe and welcoming environment.”

View the new hours schedule at www.stocktonca.gov/files/2018Hours.pdf.

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The Strong Communities Initiative (Measure M) is a dedicated, special transactions and use tax approved by Stockton voters in November 2016 and specifically dedicated for City of Stockton recreation and library programs, services and facilities. For information on library hours and programs, please visit www.ssjcpl.org.

For information on recreation offerings, check out the Summer Activity Guide online at www.stocktonca.gov/guide. Additional information can also be found by visiting the City of Stockton’s website at www.stocktonca.gov using the Recreation and Library link or by stopping by the Information Desk at a community center or library branch.

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