1. **Meeting Notes**

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5\textsuperscript{th}, beginning with a Closed Session at 5:00 PM, and with the regular agenda beginning at 6:30 PM.

2. **Cutting Boulevard Community Visioning Meeting – Tuesday, March 5\textsuperscript{th}**

On Tuesday, March 5\textsuperscript{th} from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM, please join the City of Richmond and Opticos Design, Inc. for a community visioning meeting regarding the development of Cutting Boulevard between South 9\textsuperscript{th} Street and Marina Way South. The meeting will be held at the Richmond Community Foundation at 1014 Florida Avenue. Light refreshments will be served.

In advance of the visioning meeting, there will also be a community site walk the same day from 5:00 PM – 5:45 PM. For those interested in participating in the site walk, please meet at the northeast corner of Harbor Way South and Cutting Blvd. For more information, please contact LaShonda White at lashonda_white@ci.richmond.ca.us or at (510) 620-6828. We look forward to seeing you there!
3. **Affordable Care Act Workshop**

On Wednesday, February 27th, the City of Richmond Health Initiatives, Community Clinic Consortium and LifeLong Brookside co-hosted a workshop to provide residents with information about the Affordable Care Act. At the workshop, residents were engaged about changes in health care resulting from the Affordable Care Act, the Low-Income Health Program and LifeLong Medical Care services. Please visit [www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org) for more information and upcoming workshops.

4. **Richmond Health Equity Partnership**

On Wednesday, February 27th, the City of Richmond hosted the tenth meeting of the Richmond Health Equity Partnership (RHEP), a partnership between the City of Richmond, Contra Costa Health Services, West Contra Costa Unified School District (WCCUSD), and UC Berkeley to advance health and health equity in Richmond. The Richmond Health Equity Partnership is funded, in part, by a grant from The California Endowment.

At this meeting, the RHEP discussed the development of the City of Richmond Health in All Policies Strategy Document and Ordinance. The Full Service Community Schools (FSCS) subcommittee gave an update on how WCCUSD is approaching the development of a district-wide FSCS Strategy. The Healthy Equity Data, Training, and Report Card subcommittee also gave an update on the development of a health equity data report for Richmond.

Find out more about the Richmond Health Equity Partnership at [www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org).
5. **Successor Agency to the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency Update**

The Successor Agency’s Oversight Board met on Thursday, February 21st to review and approve the Agency’s Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule, (ROPS). This report will be submitted to the State by its March 1st due date. The ROPS establishes the basis for the County’s May 2013 tax distribution for the fall, July to December 2013 operating period. $37 million in obligations have been projected for this six month period, including $7 million for debt service and $30 million for capital projects. The Agency continues to leverage its tax revenue with over $20 million in grants to maximize its investment in the community.

6. **Monterey County Executive Forum on Healthy Communities**

This past Friday, March 1\textsuperscript{st}, the Monterey County Health Department convened a forum for policy and community leaders on “Building Healthy, Wealthy, and Wiser
Communities.” Councilmember Tom Butt and the City Manager were invited to attend as part of a panel presentation on the “heath in all policies” approach to municipal services. Councilmember Butt described Richmond’s General Plan process, the development of a health element for the Plan, and stressed the importance of policy leadership in the process. The City Manager discussed how the General Plan is being operationalized into the five-year strategic plan and the budget. Monterey officials have observed Richmond to be a leader in the healthy community approach to municipal services, and were interested in having Monterey County’s local leaders learn from our experience.

7. Recreation Highlights

Chess

T.C. Ball, Outreach Director for the West Coach Alliance, has been instrumental in reviving chess in Richmond and organizing the annual McKinley Williams/John Easterling Chess Tournament. In hopes of promoting a year-round affinity for chess, T.C. hosts Family Chess Knight at the Richmond Recreation Complex every Friday, from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, in collaboration with the Recreation Department. See the link below for an article that Richmond Confidential recently featured regarding the program:

http://richmondconfidential.org/2013/02/26/weekly-chess-nights-encourage-play-for-all-ages/

May Valley

May Valley Winter Break camp participants were excited to take a trip to the newly opened Squeaky General Store to purchase healthy snacks in preparation for their afternoon of outdoor games.
Disabled People's Recreation Center

Several Therapeutic Interactive Recreation Program participants joined the Adult Morning Participants during President’s Week and enjoyed many exciting activities. Everyone’s favorite day was a trip to El Cerrito Plaza, where participants visited Barnes & Noble, shopped at DS Shoes, sampled See’s Candy and sat outside at Chef’s restaurant to enjoy their lunch and the beautiful weather.

The Adult Morning Participants also continued to utilize the center’s iPads for their Mapping Your Environment and Money Matters programs. Parents, care-providers, and staff agree that the iPads have helped the participants make paramount steps in their learning process.

8. Public Works Updates

Facilities Maintenance Division: Carpenters removed the partition wall in the Children’s Room of the library, installed a bollard at Fire Station 68, repaired the dormitory doors at Fire Station 68 and made repairs in the break room of the Main Library.

Stationary Engineers serviced the heaters at Fire Station 66, changed the blower motors for the heating system at the Swim Center and serviced the May Valley Police Substation.

Electricians replaced 17 ballasts and lamps on docks “C” and “E” in the Richmond Marina, completed the Fairmede street light pole condition survey, replaced non-operating breakers at the Art Center, repaired the street light fixture at John F. Kennedy Park and replaced the breaker for the street light circuits.
Parks and Landscaping Division: Crews completed the baseball fields renovation at Belding Garcia and Country Club Vista parks, the irrigation system inspection at various parks, the aerating and fertilizing of turf at Tiller, Burg, Solano, Mira Vista Parks and the Civic Center and crews have almost complete the directional sign project in the Hilltop Assessment District.

Landscaping along the Esplanade Trail

The Tree Crew trimmed and pruned trees on Cutting Boulevard from South 41st to South 45th Streets and on Barrett Avenue.

Streets Division: Pavement Maintenance crews grinded and paved Garvin Avenue from Lassen to Humboldt Streets.

Street sweeping continued with the commercial and residential routes for the third Tuesday through Thursday and the fourth Friday of the month in the; North Richmond, Iron Triangle, North and South Belding Woods, Atchison Village, Santa Fe, Marina Bay, Coronado and Point Richmond Neighborhood Council areas.

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Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments about these or any other items of interest to you.

Have a great week!

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