Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the weekly report for the week ending October 10\textsuperscript{th}, 2014.

1. **Meeting Notes**

   The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21\textsuperscript{st}, 2014. Enjoy your free Tuesday evening!

2. **City Offices Closed in Observance of Indigenous Peoples Day (formerly Columbus Day)**

   City of Richmond City Hall and other City Offices will be closed on Monday, October 13\textsuperscript{th} in observance of Indigenous Peoples Day (formerly Columbus, and will reopen on Tuesday, October 14\textsuperscript{th}.

3. **Richmond City ID Prepaid MasterCard Program – Office Will Open at Grace Lutheran Church on Wednesday, October 15\textsuperscript{th}**

   On Tuesday, September 30\textsuperscript{th}, the City of Richmond and SF Global LLC hosted a press conference and reception in support of the launch of the City of Richmond’s new Municipal Identification program.

   SF Global LLC is the contractor that will administer this Municipal ID Card Program, which will provide residents with an official form of identification that includes an optional prepaid debit card function. Recognized by the Police Department and other City agencies, the card is backed by MasterCard and will be accepted at thousands of commercial establishments.

   Richmond residents will be able to apply for a card starting Wednesday, October 15\textsuperscript{th} at the Municipal ID Card office at Grace Lutheran Church at 2369 Barrett Avenue. For more information about the card, please call (510) 893-3610 or visit www.Richmondcityid.com.
4. **Getting Ready for College Conference**

The West County College Access Network held its 9th Annual Getting Read for College Conference, Saturday, September 27th, at DeAnza High School. The network is comprised of some 20 agencies that include the West Contra Costa Public Ed Fund, The Early Academic Outreach Program, and the Writer Coach Connection. Young Adult Librarian, Angela Cox, was on hand to distribute information about the library’s S.A.T. Preparation Workshop and S.A.T. scholarship programs sponsored by the Friends of the Richmond Public Library. Some 425 high school students and parents attended the conference from the West Contra Costa Unified School District that provides information and assistance to gaining college entrance.

Dr. Bruce Harter welcomes attendees  
Liz Chavez from EAOP talks about financial aid
5. **WriterCoach Connection**

“I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” — Maya Angelou

WriterCoach Connection is looking for volunteers to work with students on their writing skills at Kennedy and Richmond High Schools. This initiative is supported and funded by the City of Richmond’s impact volunteering program, Richmond ESC (Excellence Serving our Community), and Cities of Service.

Students and teachers overwhelmingly appreciate the support of their writer coaches. Trainings will give you the skills to support students effectively to find their voices and to develop and organize their writing clearly. An important part of a
coach’s role is to listen and to draw out their student’s ideas. The coaches meet students where they are.

Attend an upcoming training:

- ELC4 (El Cerrito) Fridays October 17th & 24th 9:00 PM - 12:00 PM
- BER5 (Berkeley) Wednesdays October 22nd & 29th 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Register to become a coach at http://www.writercoachconnection.org/volunteer-registration.html.

For more information visit www.writercoachconnection.org. You may also contact June Pangelinan at june@writercoachconnection.org or 510-685-7054.

6. Measure U – Richmond’s One-Half Cent Sales Tax Measure

Registered Richmond voters will be asked to consider how to vote on Measure U, a one-half cent sales tax proposal that appears on the upcoming November 4th ballot. If approved, the additional revenue generated by Measure U will maintain and enhance essential city services, such as public safety, public health and wellness programs, city youth programs, and street paving. Information about Measure U can be found on the City’s website at: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/Finance/MeasureU.

Several informational meetings have been completed for both the public, as well as community organizations, where City staff presented information and answered questions regarding Measure U. A video of the City Manager’s presentation is also aired several times a day on KCRT.

Informational mailers will be sent to all Richmond residents during the month of October. These mailers will provide information about the sales tax in general, as well as the proposed street paving component, and programs that may be funded by the additional revenue.

7. 8th Annual Home Front Festival – October 11th

The 8th Annual Home Front Festival will be celebrated on Saturday, October 11th from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM at three different sites along the Richmond waterfront. There will be activities for the entire family, food, live entertainment and much more! Admission is free!
8. Richmond Youth Leadership Committee Accepting Applications! Apply Today!

The Youth Leadership Committee (YLC) is a program designed for high school and college students who are interested in making a difference in their community through impact volunteering. The YLC is a program of Richmond ESC - Excellence Serving our Community - a Cities of Service initiative of the City of Richmond. Under the direction of the YLC and supported by Richmond ESC, the youth service initiative grew from engaging 347 youth in 15 different service projects in 2013, to working with 670 youth in twenty projects in 2014.

Youth Leadership Committee members will engage other youth in community service learning projects, organize community events to raise awareness of pressing issues facing the Richmond community, and participate in leadership training. By joining the YLC, youth will enjoy innovative and fun leadership workshops while learning and applying essential leadership skills: ethical decision making, time management, meeting facilitation, goal setting, public speaking, and conflict resolution.

Click here to Apply today via the online application! The application deadline is Monday, October 13th by midnight. For more information, please contact Jantsan at jantsancal@berkeley.edu or (510) 620-6563.
9. **Commuter Benefits Workshop**

You are invited to attend a Commuter Benefits Ordinance Workshop on Friday, October 17th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM in the City Council Chambers at 440 Civic Center Plaza.

Building on the success of the City of Richmond, San Francisco, and Berkeley Commuter Benefits Program, the Air District and Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) jointly adopted a regional Commuter Benefits program.

Transportation is the largest source of air pollution in the Bay Area, and commute travel accounts for nearly half of total motor vehicles traveled on an average weekday. The use of commute modes such as public transit, ride sharing, bicycling, and walking will decrease motor vehicle travel and traffic congestion. Furthermore, such commute modes are designed to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and other air pollutants to protect public health and the climate.

If you are an employer with 10 or more employees in the City of Richmond, please RSVP to the Commuter Benefits Ordinance workshop by calling (510) 620-6869 or emailing lori_reese-brown@ci.richmond.ca.us.
10. **Unveiling of Newly Renovated Basketball Court at MLK Park – October 20th**

On Monday, October 20th at 3:30 PM, Golden State Warriors Legend Mitch Richmond and the Warriors Community Foundation will join the City of Richmond, The California Endowment, Richmond Community Foundation, Good Tidings Foundation, and the Santa Fe and Coronado communities to unveil the newly refurbished basketball Courts at Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

The new courts feature four new NBA plexiglass hoop systems and a 14,000 square foot all-weather acrylic playing surface. The project also includes new spectator seating and a drinking fountain.

The new courts will be unveiled in honor of Mitch Richmond. Mr. Richmond is a well-known former player from the Golden State Warriors, a six-time NBA-All Star, and was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2014. Come out and join us for this exciting event on October 20th!

11. **Help Shape AC Transit’s Future! Meeting in Richmond**

AC Transit is preparing its Comprehensive Operations Analysis (COA) and will be conducting eight public workshops across the District in the month of October to collect feedback from the public about current service and recommendations for future investment. A workshop will be held in Richmond at the Main Library (325 Civic Center Plaza) on Thursday, October 23rd from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Input from these workshops will be used to develop revised recommendations for discussion in January/February 2015.

You can provide input in two ways: (1) come to one of the open house workshops; and/or (2) take a survey at [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PlanAct01](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PlanAct01).

For more information, please visit [http://www.actransit.org/PlanACT/](http://www.actransit.org/PlanACT/).
12. Help Rebuild Parchester Park

We are less than one month away from rebuilding Parchester Village Park and we need your help! Listed below are four ways you can contribute to the Parchester Park Project:

- Volunteer on Build Day: Saturday, October 25th (all ages and skills welcome)
- Contribute a donation to the project from the wish list
- Donate a monetary gift
- Purchase the shoe “Petal” from Livie & Luca shoe company. (Livie and Luca are proud sponsors of the park project and 100% of the proceeds support the project.)

To sign up or for more details visit our webpage at:
http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/parchesterparkproject
https://www.facebook.com/RichmondEH
https://twitter.com/Richmond_EH

We hope to see you there!
13. Second Annual Health Promoters Conference

On Saturday, October 25th, the 2nd Annual Health Promoters in Action: Planting Seeds for Change conference will be held from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Richmond Civic Auditorium. The conference is planned for health promoters, health conductors, and community leaders who are interested in improving the health of the community. FREE continental breakfast and a healthy lunch will be provided!

The first 50 to register will receive a gift the day of the event. Please visit this link to register: [http://seedsforchange.eventbrite.com](http://seedsforchange.eventbrite.com).

The conference is bilingual (Spanish translations services provided). Child care will not be available. For registration assistance contact (925) 727-7442.
14. **5th Annual North Richmond Green Festival October**

On Saturday, October 25th, the 5th Annual North Richmond Green Festival will be held at the 3rd Street Ball field/Park Fred Jackson Way & Pittsburg Avenue in Richmond from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This will be a fun and informative family event. Some of the fun activities will include live music, raffle prizes, speakers on environmental topics, petting zoo, eco-friendly arts and crafts, games, and health screenings.

Adult and children volunteers interested in planting flowers and vegetables at the Neighborhood House of North Richmond Multicultural Senior and Family Services Center should report to 515 Silver Avenue in Richmond at 9:00 AM (before the festival begins). For more information on the event please call Carla Orozco at (510) 776-7568.

15. **Officer Bradley A. Moody Memorial Underpass Project**

The Bradley A. Moody Memorial Underpass Project involves the construction of a roadway underpass on Marina Bay Parkway between Meeker Avenue and Regatta Boulevard, and is intended to resolve long-standing access limitations to the Marina Bay area caused by frequent train crossings. In early September 2013, Marina Bay Parkway was closed to traffic. This closure is planned to remain in place until early May 2015.

During the week of October 6th, concrete was poured for two additional sections of retaining walls and crews graded the area in the vicinity of the pump station. Concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk and streetlight electrical work continued at the intersection of Jetty/Pierson and Marina Bay. Additionally, conduit was placed and wires run to allow the streetlights along Marina Bay Parkway south of the
closure to be energized. The meter release was issued by the City, and PG&E was asked to prioritize the service start. PG&E has stated power will be restored within the next two weeks.

For the week of October 13th, one retaining wall pour is scheduled, electrical conduits will be installed at the pump station, and grading at the Meeker intersection with Marina Bay Parkway (i.e. the “north conform”) will continue. The north conform is being constructed in two phases. The second phase will commence October 13th and will entail the closing of the Marina Bay Parkway entrance to “The Crossings” commercial development for approximately six weeks. All businesses within the complex will remain accessible by the Meeker Avenue entrance.

For additional information and to be added to the project update contact list, please see the project website at www.moodyup.com. You can also follow the project on twitter: @moodyunderpass, or contact the project’s Public Outreach Coordinator Jacqueline Majors at (925) 949-6196.

16. Information Technology (IT) Department Updates

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KCRT - Candidates Night Replay:

KCRT's 2014 Richmond Mayor and City Council Candidates Night
Both specials airing back to back (KCRT)
KCRT's 2014 Richmond City Council Candidates Night (KCRT)

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Election 2014 Preview: Richmond City Council - Short Term (CCTV)

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Datanet Images of the Week
17. **Recreation Highlights**

**Aquatics**

Please note the Plunge will have a slightly modified schedule for the month of October as follows:

**Saturday, October 11th**  
Adult Lap Swim 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
No Recreation Swim

**Sunday, October 12th**  
Adult Lap Swim 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
No Recreation Swim

**Monday, October 13th**  
Pool closed for Indigenous Peoples Day.

**Saturday, October 18th**  
Adult Lap Swim 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM  
Recreation Swim 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Sports**

The Recreation Department Fall Co-ed Softball League has begun! Games are played on Wednesday nights from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM at Nicholl Park.

The Fall Volleyball League has also begun and is played at the Richmond Recreation Complex on Wednesday nights from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM.
Also on Wednesdays, the Recreation Department’s Youth Flag Football program is held on at the MLK Turf Field from 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM. There are two divisions of play. The 12 and under division consist of teams from the Richmond Police Activities League, Shields Reid Community Center, E.M. Downer, College Prep (Pumas), College Prep (Cougars), and Salesian Boys and Girls Club. Also, there are three teams in the 10 and under division from Nevin Community Center, Shields Reid Community Center, and the Richmond Police Activities League.

Thank you to the crew of volunteers who, on Monday, October 6th, worked to repair cracks and paint net line and courtside benches at the tennis courts in Nicholl Park. The team included, Chief Engineer Sydney Kennedy, David Hurlbut, Garry Hurlbut, Jon Sutinen, Keith Umezawa, Martyn Collins, Miguel Butler, Paulo Yambao, and Tesfaye Kebede.

Disabled People’s Recreation Center (DPRC)

Participants are assisting staff with preparations for the DPRC and Friends of Disabled Children 9th Annual Garage Sale. The event will be held on Saturday, October 11th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at 705 Albermarle Street in El Cerrito.

Pt. Richmond Community Center

The Knit & Such ladies come together on the first Wednesday of each month form 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM (with the exception of December) to enjoy time together discussing current events while working on their personal knitting projects. Please feel free to drop in and join in this great social activity.

Senior Center

Please stop by and visit the Senior Center. Decorations for a spooky Halloween are being added every day.

18. Public Works Updates

Facilities Mainenance Division: Carpenters repaired the glass within the ticket booth at the Auditorium, started the cover for Corporation Yard Storage area, and addressed safety issues at various locations.
Painters are continuing with the computer lab at the Recreation Complex and areas of the Corporation Yard.

Stationary Engineers changed the condensation pipe to the feed pump of boiler #3 at the Civic Center, installed a new gas line for the heaters at Booker T. Anderson Community Center, and repaired a portion of the water circulation system in the Plunge.

Utility workers cleaned the carpets in the Council Chambers, started the auto-scrub of the Civic Center, replaced non-working light bulbs at the Youth Works building, as well as serviced 29 City-owned buildings.

Electricians are continued with the Richmond Parkway street light repair project, repaired the knockdowns on Regatta Boulevard and on Macdonald Avenue, continued to work on stolen street light wire repairs, reinstalled the women’s suit spinner at the Plunge, replaced blown red lights on Richmond Parkway, and installed new lights on the back of the Shields Reid Community Center.
Parks and Landscaping Division: Crews continued weed abatement along the Richmond Parkway, continued with the rehabilitation of Shields Reid Park, repaired a fence on Holly Path, worked on the ball field at Parchester Park, repaired the sink in the women’s restroom at Nicholl park, and completed general maintenance in the Hilltop District.

Tree crews trimmed or cut trees on Lincoln Avenue, South 51st Street, and at Hilltop Green Park.
Streets Division: Staff grinded and paved on Lassen Street from Solano Avenue to the San Pablo City Limits, and installed two additional speed bumps on Sonoma Avenue.

Street sweeping performed commercial and residential sweeping services for the first Monday and Tuesday and the second Wednesday through Friday in the Parchester Village, Hilltop Bayview, Hilltop Green, Fairmede/Hilltop, Clinton Hill I – IV, and East Richmond neighborhood council areas.

Signs and Lines staff fabricated 10 new signs, installed 7 new signs and poles, installed "Bump" messages, painted 207 feet of curbs, and attended "Hot Works" training.
Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments about these or any other items of interest to you.

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