Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the weekly report for the week ending June 5th, 2015.

1. **Meeting Notes**

   The next meeting of the Richmond City Council is Tuesday, June 16th. Enjoy your week off!

2. **Richmond Promise Community Workshops**

   Last July, the Richmond City Council approved the Chevron Environmental and Community Investment Agreement, in which Chevron committed to invest $35 million over 10 years to fund “The Richmond Promise” scholarship program. The basic goal of the Richmond Promise is to help ensure that every Richmond child in the public school system has the financial resources and tools necessary to attend college.

   The City is hosting two upcoming community workshops to help craft various elements of the Richmond Promise to best serve the Richmond community and its students. At these workshops, we will discuss:

   - Needs of Richmond students and families;
   - How to prepare and support students to graduate from high school and pursue higher education.

   Please consider attending one or both of these workshops to provide input on these programs. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP at [www.RichmondPromise.eventbrite.com](http://www.RichmondPromise.eventbrite.com) (so that we may plan accordingly for the number of attendees) and help spread the word!

   The workshops will be:

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403 Civic Center Plaza  
Richmond, CA  

DeJean Middle School  
3400 Macdonald Ave  
Richmond, CA

Please contact (510) 620-6512 for more information.

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**Save the Date**

*Richmond Promise Scholarship*

**Community Workshops**

**June 8, 2015**
6:00 pm—8:00 pm  
Bermuda Room  
Richmond Auditorium  
403 Civic Center Plaza  
Richmond, CA, 94804

**June 18, 2015**
6:00 pm—8:00 pm  
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Richmond, CA, 94805

Help us craft the Richmond Promise to best serve the Richmond community and students. We will discuss:

- Needs of Richmond students and families
- How to prepare and support students to graduate from high school and pursue higher education

Please RSVP @ www.RichmondPromise.eventbrite.com

More information (510) 620-6512

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**Guarde la Fecha**

*Beca Promesa de Richmond*

**Talleres Comunitarios**

**8 de Junio, 2015**
6:00 pm—8:00 pm  
Bermuda Room  
Richmond Auditorium  
403 Civic Center Plaza  
Richmond, CA, 94804

**18 de Junio, 2015**
6:00 pm—8:00 pm  
Multipurpose Room  
DeJean Middle School  
3400 Macdonald Ave.  
Richmond, CA, 94805

Ayudarnos a elaborar la Beca Promesa de Richmond para servir mejor a los estudiantes y comunidad de Richmond. Vamos a discutir:

- Necesidades de estudiantes y las familias de Richmond
- Como preparar y apoyar a los estudiantes que se gradúan de la preparatoria y seguir una educación universitaria

Por favor registrese @ www.RichmondPromise.eventbrite.com

Para mas información (510) 620-6512
3. Richmond Livable Corridors Form-Based Code Community Mapping Meeting

In April of 2012, the Richmond City Council adopted a new General Plan, “Shaping the New 100 Years,” which is intended to provide a policy framework to help the City maximize key opportunities and direct resources to improve the quality of life, and health, of the community and to cultivate a dynamic economy. To effectively implement the General Plan, the City must update its zoning ordinance so that it conforms to this new vision.

The Zoning Ordinance update (Update) is being facilitated by the City’s Planning and Building Services Department to ensure compliance with the 2030 General Plan. Last comprehensively revised in 1997, the Update will ensure that the Zoning Ordinance reflects community values and is easy for residents to use. The Update will be completed in several phases, beginning with the development of the “Richmond Livable Corridors Form-Based Code.” The draft form-based code was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission and the corresponding map is in the process of being finalized.

A “community mapping” meeting has been scheduled for June 17 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Please consider attending this meeting to learn more about the Richmond Livable Corridors Form-Based Code and provide your input on the draft rezoning map. The meeting date, time, and location are:

June 17, 2015, 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Richmond Council Chambers
440 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond

Please RSVP @ www.richmondzoning.eventbrite.com so that we make appropriate logistical plans.

For more information, please contact Lina Velasco at (510) 620-6841 or visit www.ci.richmond.ca.us/livablecorridors.
4. **Grand Opening of the Ferry Point Look Bay Trail**

A ribbon cutting for the new segment of the Bay Trail (Plunge and Ferry Point Loop) was celebrated last Sunday, and was attended by over 200 trail enthusiasts. The excellent photos of the event below were provided by photographer Ken Osborn. Thank you to all those who attended, and, especially, to Bruce Beyaert of...
the Trails for Richmond Action Committee (TRAC), who organized the event and is continuing to spearhead the development of more and more Bay Trail segments in the Richmond community.

5. **City Manager Chronicles**

I have listed below some of the topics for meetings that I have recently attended in the hope that it provides an idea of the varied issues with which our organization deals routinely.
Activities and meeting topics during the past week included:

- Met with the city managers from El Cerrito, San Pablo, Pinole, and Hercules to discuss regional solid waste issues and the West County Integrated Waste Management Authority (Recyclemore – JPA);
- Met with West Contra Costa Unified School District Superintendent Dr. Bruce Harter to discuss planning for the Richmond Promise program;
- Attended a meeting of Marina Bay residents to discuss zoning issues related to the proximity of light industrial business activity to residential neighborhoods;
- Met, along with Councilmember Gayle McLaughlin and City Council staff liaison Trina Jackson, with representatives from RYSE to discuss ways to expand program opportunities for children and youth in Richmond;
- Met, together with Senior Management Analyst LaShonda White, with Rosie the Riveter National Park Superintendent Tom Leatherman to discuss the status of the National Park Service’s urban fellow program, and other areas of common interest;
- Participated in a meeting with Contra Costa Transportation Authority staff, along with Capital Improvement Projects Manager Chad Smalley, to discuss project management for the Central Avenue improvement project;
- Attended the outstanding grand opening of the West Contra Costa Family Justice Center; and
- Attended the quarterly East Bay Regional Park District/City of Richmond liaison committee meeting, with the City of Richmond represented by Mayor Butt and Councilmember Eduardo Martinez.

These meetings were in addition to attending the regular management staff meeting, agenda planning, reviewing staff reports to the City Council, doing department head “check-ins,” having discussions on various personnel matters, and having short discussions with staff, community members, members of the press, etc.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the substance of these or any other topics.

6. **City of Richmond NEW Mobile APP Update**

Great News!! The City of Richmond mobile app is now available. It provides Richmond’s community members with one-stop access to City services and information. You may watch the [informational video](#) for an overview of the app available for free at Apple App Store for IOS devices and at Google Play for Android phones.

The City of Richmond is looking forward to feedback from the community on this new Mobile APP. We welcome your comments at [webservices@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:webservices@ci.richmond.ca.us)
7. **Information Technology (IT) Department Updates**

**KCRT – Datanet Screen of the Week**
8. **Recreation Highlights**

**Senior Center**

Everyone is enjoying classes and adjusting well to new venues while the Senior Center is under renovation. During the first week, classes were held in the Richmond Memorial Auditorium. The lunch program is held in the kitchen area.

**Annex Sr. Center**

Seniors and community members were invited to participate in a Family Caregiver Workshop at the Annex Senior Center. Participants learned about new care techniques and received supplementary information about additional resources available to them.
Aquatics

Back by popular demand, the Richmond Plunge will be offering two additional Tot Splash classes! Starting June 16th, the year-round program will be offered every Tuesday and Thursday, from 10-11 a.m. For additional information, please call (510) 620-6820.

Tot Splash:

Tuesday & Thursday: 10-11AM (begins June 16th)
Tuesday - Thursday: 4:30-5:30PM
Ages: Adults & Children (0-5 yrs.)
Fee: Adults $2 resident/ $2.50 non-resident
     Children $2 resident / $2.50 non-resident
Nineteen participants from the Afterschool program enjoyed an afternoon at Miller Knox Park on May 28th. The Richmond Green Team sponsored a thank you luncheon for all the children who helped with a community clean up in North Richmond the previous week. The luncheon included a Chinese food buffet, games and fun in the park.
9. **Public Works Updates**

Friends of the Richmond Greenway extend an open invitation to the Unity Park Sunday Design Showcase on June 14\textsuperscript{th} from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The event will feature live music, food and activities for children. Help review designs based on community input and share what other ideas you may have for Unity Park (located at South 6\textsuperscript{th} and South 16\textsuperscript{th} Streets on the Richmond Greenway).

![Richmond Greenway Volunteers](image)

The Swim Center renovation is moving along rapidly. The plastering and painting of the pools have been completed and water has been added. The playground area at the Swim Center has also been completed. The finishing touches are being added and we can expect the Center to open on schedule.
Facilities Maintenance Division:

Capenters repaired ceilings at the Employment and Training area and constructed a utility closet to relocate custodial supplies at the Point Richmond Library.

Painters completed the reception room roof trusses at the Family Justice Center and the staff area at the Employment and Training building.
Stationary Engineers serviced the boiler for the Art Center, placed the elevator at the Library back in service, fixed the entrance locks to the Madeline Whittlesey room at the Library and relocated the air supply registers at the Employment and Training building.

Electricians replaced a broken trail lighting pole skirt, started the repairs to a knocked down traffic signal at 13th Street and Lincoln Avenue and installed 3 new receptacles at the Employment and Training area.
Parks and Landscaping Division:

General maintenance crews weeded and trimmed medians on Cutting Boulevard from San Pablo Avenue to South 23rd Street and on South 55th Street, Creely Avenue and Key Boulevard, spread mulch and completed other maintenance tasks at the Family Justice Center, adjusted irrigation, trimmed and mulched at the Civic Center, completed irrigation repairs on the Richmond Greenway, repaired the fence at the Corporation Yard and replaced damaged tennis court nets at Burg Park.
Hilltop District crews continued work on the sidewalk near AM/PM landscaping project, continued with weed abatement and sweeping on Richmond Parkway from San Pablo Avenue to Hilltop Drive and weeded medians on San Pablo Avenue from Stanton Avenue to the Richmond Parkway. In addition, crews continued general maintenance on Richmond Parkway and installed a backflow cage on Blume Drive.

Marina District crews continued with irrigation repairs and the clean up of overgrown shrubs on the Bay Trail, as well as turf mowing.
Bay Trail Clean Up

Tree crews cut and trimmed trees on or around Fleming Avenue, 7th Street, Clinton Avenue, Roosevelt Avenue, 37th Street, 34th Street and South 13th Street.

Streets Division:

Paving staff amended potholes and sidewalks, swept, and delivered barricades. Remaining staff assisted the Parks and Landscaping Division.

Street sweeping staff performed commercial and residential sweeping services on the first Monday through Friday of the month in the Parchester Village, Hilltop Bayview, Hilltop Green, Fairmede/Hilltop, Carriage Hills North Side, El Sobrante Hills, Greenbriar, Hansford Heights, Via Verda, San Pablo Dam Road, Bristole Cone, May Valley, Vista View and Clinton Hill I neighborhood council areas.

Signs and Lines staff installed 52 new signs and poles, repaired 35 signs and poles, installed markings for a bicycle trail and painted 20 feet of street curb.
Preparation for Pavement Marking Installation

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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