

CITY MANAGER'S Weekly

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AUGUST 29, 2025

City of
Richmond



Stay informed of Richmond's latest developments! Explore the City Manager's Weekly Report, to provide an overview of recent City activities. Delivered weekly, this collaborative effort between City departments and the City Manager ensures you're up-to-date with community-centric updates.

Your feedback is invaluable as we strive to refine and improve our communication with you. Please email weeklyreport@ci.richmond.ca.us or call (510) 620-6512 to provide your feedback!!

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Upcoming City Council Meeting

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2025. Enjoy the next two weeks off!



Upcoming Events

Fiestas Patrias Parade

Date: September 13, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Parade begins at 24th Street & Barrett Avenue

The Fiestas Patrias Parade celebrates our immigrant community and their contributions to strengthening our shared future. Join us for a vibrant cultural event filled with music, tradition, and unity, as we honor the spirit of our community and its lasting impact.

The parade will begin on 24th and Barrett Avenue, and end at Church Lane and San Pablo Avenue.



Official Native Tree Survey

Survey Closes: September 22, 2025

The City of Richmond is selecting its first official native tree, and you get to help decide! The Richmond City Council approved a community survey to make sure residents have a say in choosing a tree that will represent our city for generations to come.

Take the survey to cast your vote!
<https://forms.gle/5ASRGGHTKCHsGmk46>

The options were carefully recommended by the Urban Forest Advisory Committee (UFAC)—a group of Richmond residents dedicated to protecting and growing our urban forest. These trees were chosen for their beauty, resilience, and importance to pollinators, wildlife, and our community. Once the tree is chosen, it will be celebrated with a special space at Civic Center Plaza.

Which tree will YOU choose as Richmond’s official native tree?

Vote for the City of Richmond's Official Native Tree!



California Buckeye (*Aesculus californica*)
Photo provided by: Grassroots Ecology - Stanley Gu



Coast Live Oak (*Quercus agrifolia*)
Photo provided by: Colcapoe - California Native Plant Society



Ray Hartman Ceanothus (*Ceanothus Ray Hartman*)
Photo provided by: Las Pintas Nursery



Hollyleaf Cherry (*Prunus ilicifolia* ssp. *ilicifolia*)
Photo provided by: Cjoi Trees



SURVEY LINK HERE:
<https://forms.gle/5ASRGGHTKCHsGmk46>

Final Submission: Monday, September 22, 2025 at 4PM PST





City Manager's Chronicles

Meetings and events of note in the past week include the following:

- Participated in the Richmond Promise Audit Committee meeting
- Attended the August 26 City Council meeting
- Conferred with Fire Chief Aaron Osorio and Director of Finance, Emily Combs, regarding Richmond Fire Department facilities, equipment, and 5-year staffing needs to launch the paramedic program and required funding.
- Participated in the Richmond Promise Board of Directors meeting
- Met Richmond Promise Executive Director Christopher Whitmore
- Visited the Richmond Civic Center Farmer's Market

Continued one-on-one weekly meetings with members of the City Council, community members, the Management Leadership Team, Department Heads in our one-on-one check-ins, City Attorney's Office, and various City staff members





Groundwork Richmond Workforce Development

Date: Begins October 2025

The Workforce Development Program empowers Richmond youth (ages 18–25) with paid, hands-on training in urban forestry, environmental justice, and job readiness. Participants earn certifications, gain field experience, and build skills for green-collar careers while contributing to a healthier, more sustainable community.

For more information contact Tori@groundworkrichmond.org for more information. You can also email Info@groundworkrichmond.org.

GROUNDWORK
CHANGING PLACES
CHANGING LIVES
Richmond

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
<http://www.groundworkrichmond.org/>

About:
Groundwork Richmond provides Richmond residents ages 18-25 PAID 12 month on the job training, matching job seekers with careers in the green collar workforce

Requirements:

- Richmond Resident
- 18-25 years old
- Social security card
- Drivers licence

Receive the Following:

- \$20 an Hour
- CPR/First Aid Certification
- FREE Work Gear
- Urban Forestry Curriculum and Field Training
- International society of arboriculture (ISA) Online Course
- Cal OSHA/ OSHA General Safety Training
- Financial Literacy
- Resume & Interview Workshops • Support with Job Placement!

Recruitment Begins:
September 2025
Program Begins:
October 2025

Schedule:
Monday-Friday (30 hours a week)
At least 2 field work days, other days are Hybrid(work from home or our office)

Scan me info@groundworkrichmond.org (510) 214-2349 www.Groundworkrichmond.org

Richmond Open Studios

Date: September 6–7, 2025

Time: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Multiple Locations

The Visual Artists of Richmond (VAR) will be presenting its 3rd Annual Richmond Open Studios, a free, city-wide visual arts event happening September 6–7, from 11 AM to 4 PM. 90 artists will be opening their individual studios or showing work at four partner venues.

For more information visit : <https://www.visualartistsofrichmond.org/ros-guide>





City Clerk

New 2026 Mayor and City Council Election Information

The next primary municipal election will be held June 2, 2026, to fill the Office of Mayor and the City Council seats for Districts 2, 3, and 4. The nomination period runs from February 9, 2026, through, March 6, 2026, at 5:00 PM. Nomination papers will only be issued during the nomination period via appointment with the City Clerk's Office.

Click below for more information:

<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4771/ELECTION-2026>

SUMMARY OF NEW INFORMATION REGARDING THE JUNE 2, 2026, PRIMARY AND NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL ELECTION

REGISTER TO VOTE HERE!

<https://registertovote.ca.gov/>

The last day to register to vote for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election is May 18, 2026

The last day to register to vote for the November 3, 2026, General Election is October 19, 2026

The next primary municipal election will be held June 2, 2026, to fill the office of mayor and the following seats for: **Districts 2, 3, and 4** on the City Council. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes at the primary municipal election for the office of Mayor, or for a seat on the City Council within their district, shall be candidates for the general municipal election on November 3, 2026, and only their names shall be printed upon the ballot to be used in the general municipal election. Any candidate who, in the primary municipal election, shall receive a majority of the total votes cast for candidates for said office shall be elected to such office and no further election for such office shall be held at the next general municipal election. City Clerk Pamela Christian is the Election Official and will assist you throughout the election process. **THE NOMINATION PERIOD IS FEBRUARY 9 THROUGH MARCH 6 AT 5:00 P.M. NOMINATION PAPERS WILL ONLY BE ISSUED DURING THE NOMINATION PERIOD!!**

TO PREPARE NOW:

- File [FPPC Form 501 Candidate Intention Statement](#) with the City Clerk before receiving contributions or spending your own funds. (Blank forms are available at www.fppc.ca.gov and [Campaign Disclosure Manual 2](#) gives detailed instructions for completing Form 501.)
- File [FPPC Form 410 Statement of Organization](#) with the Secretary of State along with a filing fee of \$50.00, made payable to the Secretary of State, within 10 days of receiving \$2,000 in contributions. File a copy of the form 410 with the city clerk. (Forms are available at www.fppc.ca.gov and [Campaign Disclosure Manual 2](#) gives detailed instructions for completing Form 410).

- The City Clerk will issue Nomination Papers and Candidate Packets during the nomination period ONLY which is February 9 through March 6 at 5:00 p.m. **The filing deadline will be extended to Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 5:00 p.m. if an incumbent does not file (FOR NON-INCUMBENTS ONLY). Individuals interested in running for office will be required to make an appointment.** The appointment is approximately 30 minutes. **The Clerk's Office will begin accepting calls for appointments on Monday, February 2, 2026 - call (510) 620-6513 to make an appointment.** Those interested in becoming a candidate for mayor must be a registered voter in the City of Richmond at the time Nomination Papers are issued. Those interested in running for a councilmember district seat must be registered voters residing in District 2, District 3, or District 4 at the time the Nomination Papers are issued.

NEW FILING FEES

- A filing fee of \$1,674 will be required to run for mayor. A filing fee of \$605.88 will be required to run for councilmember. The required filing fee must be made payable to the City of Richmond at the time the Nomination Papers are filed with the City Clerk. The fee covers the cost for duplicating the packet and processing Nomination Papers.
- Per the City of Richmond Charter (Article V, Sec.2. "A filing fee in the amount of two percent (2%) of the annual salary of the office to which nomination is sought shall be paid to the Clerk at the time of filing the petition for nomination."
- Effective January 21, 2025, by [Ordinance No. 04-25 N.S.](#), the annual salary for mayor is \$83,700
- Effective January 21, 2025, by [Ordinance No. 03-25 N.S.](#), the annual salary for a councilmember is \$30,294
 - An additional fee, determined by the County, will be applied should a candidate wish to file a candidate statement

NEW REQUIRED NUMBER OF SIGNATURES TO QUALIFY FOR MAYOR

- Nomination papers hold 10 signatures per form. The seat for mayor will require not less than 30 nor more than 40 registered voters residing in the City of Richmond. A council district seat will require not less than 20 nor more than 30 registered voters residing in the district to which you seek office to sign your Nomination Paper.

MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE 2026 ELECTIONS MAYBE FOUND AT: [ELECTION 2026 | Richmond, CA - Official Website](#) - INFORMATION IS CONTINUOUSLY UPDATED



Community Development

Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Workshop/ Taller de Unidad de Vivienda Adicional (ADU)

Date: September 3, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

**Location: Nevin Community Center
598 Nevin Avenue**

Join the City's ADU Workshop to learn how to build a backyard home using free, pre-approved plans and our new ADU Toolkit. Get your questions answered by City staff. Food, childcare, and Spanish interpretation provided. Don't miss this chance—attend in person or online. For more information, call (510) 620-6868.

Únete al taller de ADUs de la Ciudad para aprender cómo construir una vivienda en tu patio trasero usando planes gratuitos y preaprobados, junto con nuestro nuevo Kit de Herramientas para ADUs. Personal de la Ciudad responderá tus preguntas. Habrá comida, cuidado infantil e interpretación al español. ¡No te lo pierdas! Participa en persona o en línea. Para más información, llame (510) 620-6868.

Accessory Dwelling Unit Workshop

Why build ADUs?

- Rental income on property you already own
- Increased housing availability in Richmond
- Affordable rental option for households

What's the workshop?

- Usually, building a new structure is expensive and can be complex. The City of Richmond has developed a simplified process to reduce your costs and help you build an ADU. Learn about the new process.
- **You'll be able to use these plans for free!**
- To help property owners save on design and permitting expenses, the city has developed four pre-approved ADU plans. These plans will be available at no cost for Richmond residents.

Food, childcare, and Spanish translation provided.

What is an ADU?

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU), often called "in-law units" or "granny flats", is a small additional residence on your property. Usually located in the backyard or by converting an existing garage, a person can live in an ADU without needing access to the main house, meaning the ADU has full bathroom facilities, cooking area, and sleeping area.

To confirm your attendance, please scan this QR code.

Join us on September 3rd, 6:30 - 8:00 PM
Nevin Community Center,
598 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, CA 94801

Richmond, CA

Richmond is a part of the state's climate action plan and is supported by the California Strategic Growth Council's Multifamily Housing Construction Program.

Taller de Accessory Dwelling Units

¿Por qué construir ADUs?

- Ingresos por alquiler de una propiedad que ya posee
- Mayor disponibilidad de viviendas en Richmond
- Opción de alquiler asequible para hogares

¿De qué trata el taller?

- Generalmente, construir una nueva estructura es costoso y puede ser complejo. La ciudad de Richmond ha desarrollado un proceso más simple para reducir los costos y ayudarles a construir una ADU. Conozca el nuevo proceso.
- **¡Podrás utilizar estos planes gratis!**
- Para ayudar a las y los propietarios a ahorrar en gastos de diseño y permisos, la ciudad ha desarrollado cuatro planes preaprobados para unidades de vivienda alternativa (ADU). Estos planes estarán disponibles sin costo para los residentes de Richmond.

Habrá comida, cuidado de niños y niñas, y traducción al español.

¿Qué es una ADU?

Una unidad de vivienda accesoria (ADU), a menudo llamada "unidades para suegros", es una pequeña residencia adicional en su propiedad. Generalmente se ubica en el patio trasero o transformando un garaje existente, una persona puede vivir en una ADU sin necesidad de acceso a la casa principal, lo que significa que la ADU tiene baño completo, área de cocina y área para dormir.

Para confirmar su asistencia, por favor escanee este código QR.

Acompáñenos el 3 de Septiembre, 6:30 - 8:00PM
Nevin Community Center,
598 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, CA 94801

Richmond, CA

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Community Services

Employment & Training

Bay Area Community Employment Day

Date: September 10, 2025

Time: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Location: Alameda County Training & Education Center
125 12th St. 4th Floor, Oakland, CA 94607**

Attend the 25th Annual Bay Area Community Employment Day Career Fair at the Alameda County Training and Education Center. See flyer for further details!

Visit <https://citycareerfair.com/bayarea2/> for more information

Free Employment & Training for Student Veterans

Swords to Plowshares is offering free employment and training services for Student Veterans. If you are interested in applying, please call (510) 844-7500 or email jobsforvets@stp-sf.org for more information.

Bayview & West Side Branch Hours Saturdays in August

Time: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**Location: Bayview Branch Library
5100 Hartnett Avenue**

**West Side Branch Library
135 Washington Avenue**

Come by the Bayview and West Side branch libraries on Saturdays in August (i.e., August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30) while we relocate the Main Library to temporary quarters for renovation! Call the Bayview Branch at (510) 620-6566 or the West Side Branch (510) 620-6567 for more information. Hope to see you at our branches!



Library Service Hours Survey

What Library hours would serve you best? We want to know! Please take our survey at bit.ly/rplbranches



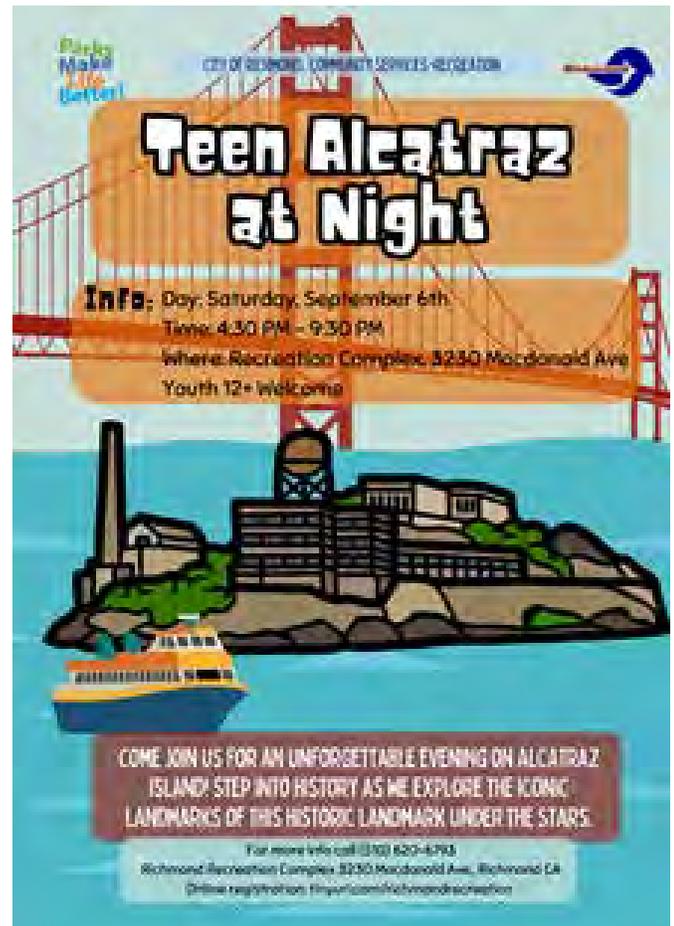
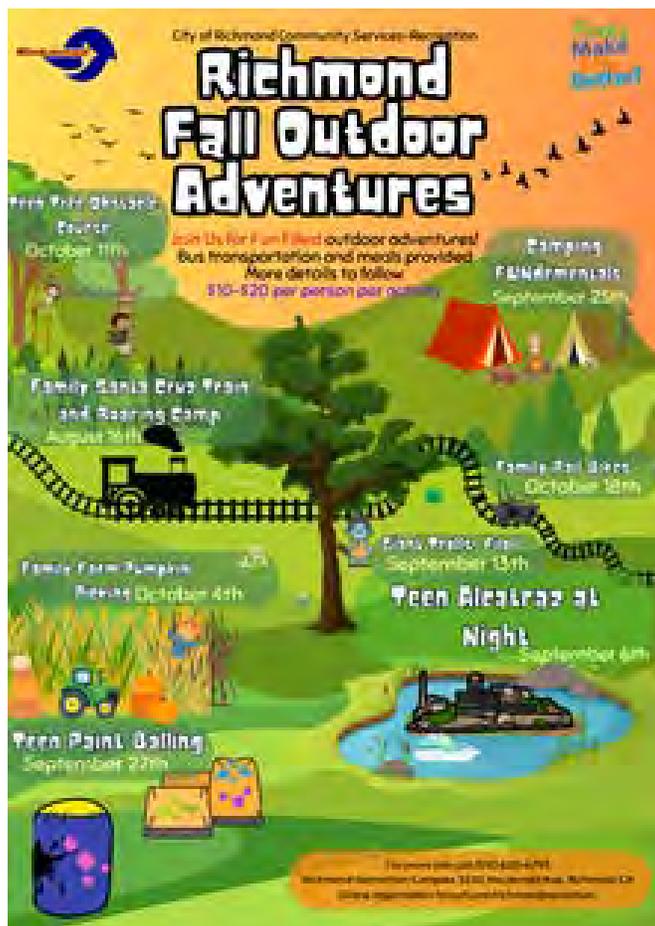
Fall Outdoor Adventures/ Teen Alcatraz at Night

Date: September 6, 2025

Time: 4:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Location: 3230 Macdonald Avenue

This fall, enjoy unforgettable trips for all ages! Past highlights include Yosemite and Roaring Camp. Upcoming adventures: Teen Night at Alcatraz, Filoli Gardens Trolls, Camping FUNDamentals, Pumpkin Picking, Tree Top Course, and Rail Bikes. Transportation and meals included for only a \$10 nonrefundable reservation fee! Please call (510)620-6793 or visit tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation for more information.



Elevate After School Program

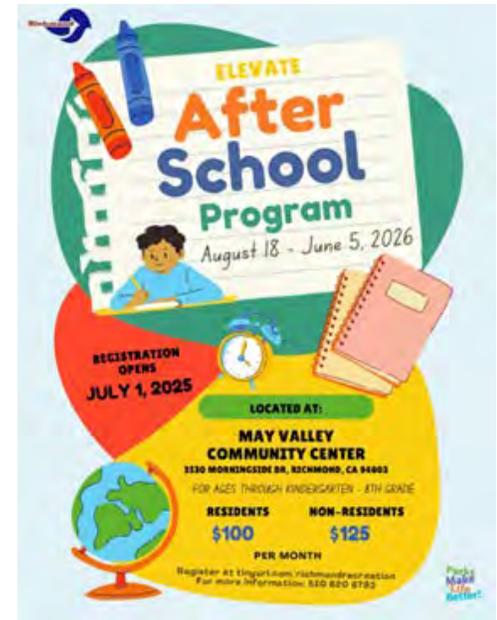
Session 1: Monday - Friday, August 18 - December 19, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Locations: May Valley Community Center
3530 Morningside Drive**

Join us for our Elevate After School Program! Designed to inspire and support youth, Elevate offers enriching activities, homework assistance, and opportunities for personal growth. Participants enjoy hands-on projects, team-building games, and creative expression in a positive and safe environment. Don't miss out and elevate your after-school experience with us!

To apply, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation> or call (510)620-6793 for more information.



Achieve After School Program

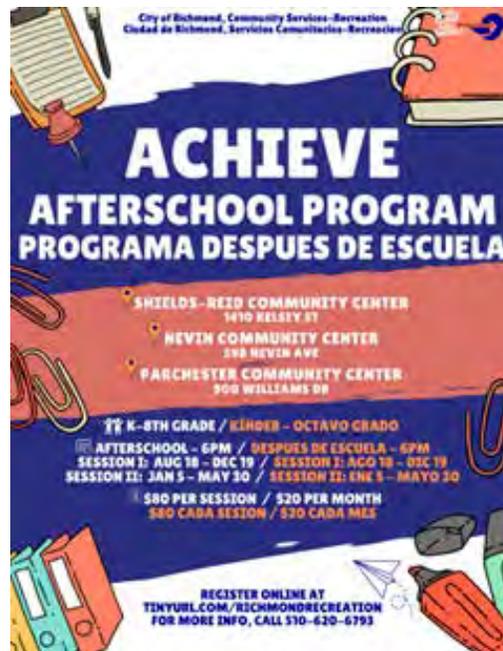
Session 1: Monday - Friday, August 18 - December 19, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Community Centers: Nevin: 598 Nevin Avenue
Parchester: 900 Williams Drive
Shields Reid: 1410 Kelsey Street**

Join us for our Achieve After School Program! Youth will enjoy fun, engaging activities like arts, games, and sports in a safe and supportive environment. Our program encourages learning, creativity, and friendship while providing homework help and enrichment. Sign-up today and be part of the excitement after school!

To apply, visit <https://tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation> or call (510)620-6793 for more information.



Hours of Operation: City of Richmond Electric Bikeshare Program

We're updating our hours to 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM weekdays and 12:00 PM– 6:00 PM weekends to better serve you! Look out for new safety features to protect bikes and riders. These changes help keep our program strong and reliable for the community. Questions? Reach out to Salma, our Community Manager, at Salma@ridetoday.io

NEW BIKE HOURS OF OPERATION

Look out for new safety features to protect bikes and riders. These changes help keep our program strong and reliable for the community!

MONDAY- FRIDAY
8:00 AM- 6:00 PM

SATURDAY-SUNDAY
12:00 PM- 6:00pm

Questions? Speak with our Community Manager Salma@ridetoday.io

The poster features a silhouette of a person riding a bicycle and the 'today' logo.

Richmond Moves is available City-Wide!

In May 2025, City Council approved the expansion of Richmond's on-demand shuttle to service the entire City! Book shared rides with Richmond Moves right from your phone.

We'll pick you up and get you anywhere within the Richmond City limits. Book 20 minutes before you're ready to go for the best experience with others using the service.

Service hours are between 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM. To learn more and/or book a ride, please visit city.ridewithvia.com/richmond-moves or call (510)937-3657.

You can go anywhere within the zone, including these popular destinations.

Popular destinations:

- 1 Point Pinole Regional Park
- 2 Walmart
- 3 Vista High School
- 4 Wildcat Canyon Regional Park
- 5 De Anza High School
- 6 Richmond High School
- 7 Kaiser Permanente Richmond Medical Center
- 8 Civic Center Plaza
- 9 Marina Bay

Transit Hubs:

- A Richmond BART Station
- B El Cerrito del Norte BART
- C Richmond Ferry Terminal

The map shows the city of Richmond with various locations marked with numbers 1-9 and letters A-C. A green box in the top right corner states: 'You can go anywhere within the zone, including these popular destinations.'



Economic Development

Made in Richmond Exhibition

Exhibition Closes: September 30, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**Location: Richmond Art Center Main Gallery
2540 Barrett Avenue**

A highlight in Richmond's arts calendar is the opening reception for "Made in Richmond," the Richmond Open Studios preview exhibition scheduled July 9, 2025, through September 30, 2025, at the Richmond Arts Center. The event will showcase 80 visual artists from Richmond, reflecting the diversity of backgrounds, expertise and creativity we have come to associate with Richmond's visual art scene.



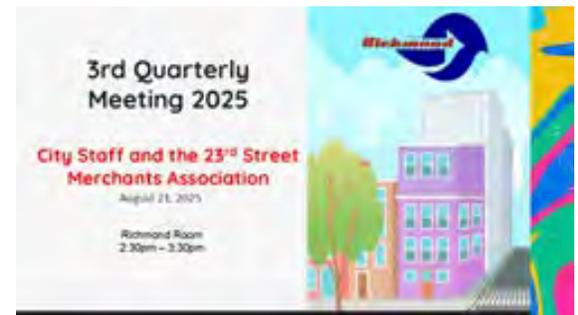
Arts & Culture

Business Development

Recap: 3rd Quarterly Meeting with 23rd Street Merchants Association

As part of an ongoing effort to strengthen collaboration along the 23rd Street Business Corridor, Business Development Division facilitated the 23rd Street Merchants Association's third quarterly meeting with City staff. The meeting served as a platform for open dialogue and partnership between local businesses and City departments, reinforcing a shared commitment to the corridor's vitality and growth.

Representatives from the Richmond Police Department, Community Development Department (Planning and Code Enforcement), Economic Development Department and Public Works Department together with the Contra Costa County Health provided key updates on current programs and initiatives impacting the area. A dedicated Q&A session encouraged direct engagement, giving merchants the opportunity to share concerns, ask questions, and receive timely responses from City and County staff.



Recap: Music on the Main (Part 2)

On August 21, 2025, the City's Business Development Division co-facilitated Music on the Main: Part 2 in downtown Richmond, featuring the dynamic sounds of the Sacred Fire Band. From 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM, the band lit up the stage with high-energy music, drawing a vibrant crowd to The Lot: Downtown Richmond Food Court.

Attendees enjoyed an evening of live music, dancing, and delicious offerings from The Lot vendors.

The event was led by the Richmond Main Street Initiative, in partnership with the Richmond Farmers Market and community sponsors. Together, they created a lively and welcoming atmosphere that celebrated local culture, music, and entrepreneurship in the heart of Richmond.



Environmental and Health

Qualified Richmond Residents Get FREE Home Upgrades!

The Richmond Rising program, which encompasses the Iron Triangle, Santa Fe, and Coronado neighborhoods, provides qualifying single-family homeowners with a home energy assessment, upgrades, and solar panels that may increase your home value and lower your energy bill — ALL AT NO COST!

To see if you qualify or to ask questions, call GRID Alternatives at: (866) 921-4696 or apply directly online at <https://www.gridsolar.org/>



Qualified Richmond Residents Get FREE Home Upgrades

Community Open House & Workforce Development Day at the Port

Date: September 6, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: 1322 Canal Boulevard

The Port of Richmond invites you to a FREE Community Open House & Workforce Development Day!

Join us for a morning of discovery, networking, and opportunity!

Meet industry leaders, including Cal Poly Maritime Academy, Phillips 66, Waterfrontjobs.com, Chevron, The Pasha Group, APEX Maritime Training & Consulting, SS Red Oak Victory, JAMKO Foundation Inc., Viridi, and the United States Merchant Marine Academy. Explore exciting career pathways in maritime, logistics, and port-related industries—ideal for students, job seekers, and families.

- Get a behind-the-scenes look at Port operations
- Connect with professionals and local employers
- Access valuable resources from unions, workforce agencies, and training providers

Don't miss this chance to learn, connect, and build your future!

- RSVP today on Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.com/e/1501776506959

Port of Richmond

PORT OF RICHMOND

JOIN US FOR

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025, FROM 9 AM TO 12 PM

PORT ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING
1322 CANAL BOULEVARD
RICHMOND, CA 94804

Open to the Public
RSVP at [HERE](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/1501776506959)
www.eventbrite.com/e/1501776506959

AGENDA

- 9-10 AM: Port Presentation
- 10-11AM: Maritime industry presentations
- Tabling of marine-based companies
- Share ideas and ask questions

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

Port of Richmond, Cal Poly Maritime Academy, Phillips 66, WATERFRONT JOBS.COM, Chevron, THE PASHA GROUP, UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY



Human Resources

City of Richmond – Job Opportunities

Discover your purpose with us at the City of Richmond. Explore our current job openings and detailed job descriptions at <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/60/Human-Resources> and click on “Job Opportunities.”



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

JOB TITLE	JOB TYPE	CLOSING
Administrative Student Intern	Part Time	Continuous
Communications Dispatcher I	Full Time	Continuous
Communications Dispatcher II	Full Time	Continuous
Contract Compliance Administrator	Full Time	Open Until Filled
Equipment Mechanic, Senior	Full Time	Open Until Filled
Lifeguard	Part Time	Continuous
Maintenance Aide II	Part Time	Continuous
Parks Supervisor	Full Time	Open Until Filled
Police Cadet	Part Time	Continuous
Police Officer Academy Grad (Direct)	Full Time	Continuous
Police Officer Lateral	Full Time	Continuous
Police Officer Trainee	Exempt	Continuous
Recreation Program Aide	Part Time	Continuous
Recreation Program Leader	Part Time	Continuous
Recreation Program Specialist	Part Time	Continuous
School Crossing Guard	Part Time	Continuous



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:
[GOVERNMENTJOBS.COM/CAREERS/RICHMONDCA](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/richmondca)



Public Works

Abatement

Crews performed the following tasks this week:

- In collaboration with Republic Services and Sims Metal Recycling:
 - Hosted the May Valley, El Sobrante, Greenbrier, Quail Hill, and Hasford Heights Neighborhoods Dumpster Day. Collected nine (9) dumpsters of debris, including green waste and Metal, and assisted 62 seniors and disabled residents
- Abated:
 - Juliga Woods encampment and installed boulders to prevent re-establishment.
 - 50 tons of illegally dumped debris throughout the City, including 36 mattresses, 74 tires, and approximately 30 gallons of oil/paint
 - Weeds from Richmond Parkway and from Greenway
 - Graffiti from various locations throughout the City
 - Closed out 48 community inquiries that were submitted through the City's IMS® system



May Valley/El Sobrante Dumpster Day



Juliga Woods Boulders Installation



Weed Abatement

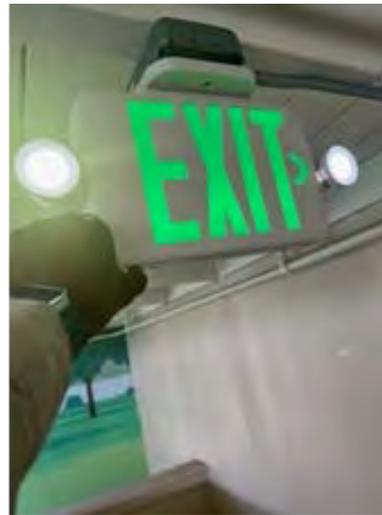


Illegal Dumping and Graffiti Abatement (before & after)

Electrical Shop

Work completed this past week:

- Traffic:
 - Repaired red indication outage at 16th Street and Macdonald Avenue
 - Repaired green indication outage at 12th Street and Macdonald Avenue
 - Repaired green indication outage at 8th Street and Macdonald Avenue
- Buildings and Facilities:
 - Completed installation of receptacle for display panel at Fire Chief's office
 - Completed installation of electrical infrastructure for Richmond Bart Station offices
 - Repaired canopy lighting at 440 Civic Center Building and at the Richmond Auditorium
 - Replaced damaged exit sign at the Richmond Plunge
 - Repaired lighting outages in the hallway of the Memorial Youth Center
- Streetlighting:
 - Damaged streetlight pole removed at South 49th Street and Fall Avenue
 - Repaired streetlight outage on Ohio Avenue between 2nd Street and Canal Boulevard
- Processed 111 request for Underground Utility Markings



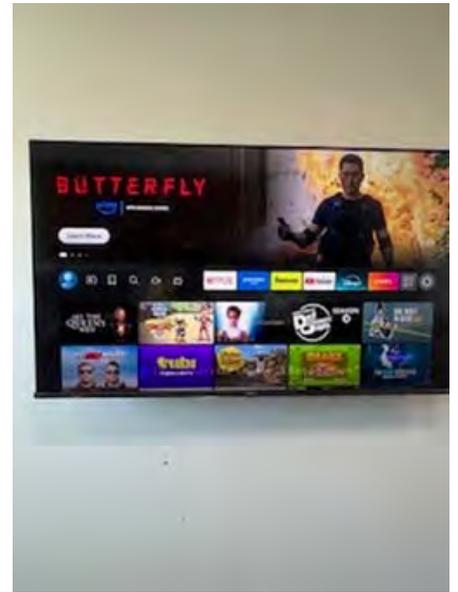
Repaired exit sign at the Richmond Plunge



Repaired lights at 440 Civic Center



Repaired lights at Memorial Youth Center



Display panel receptacle installation at Fire Chief's Office

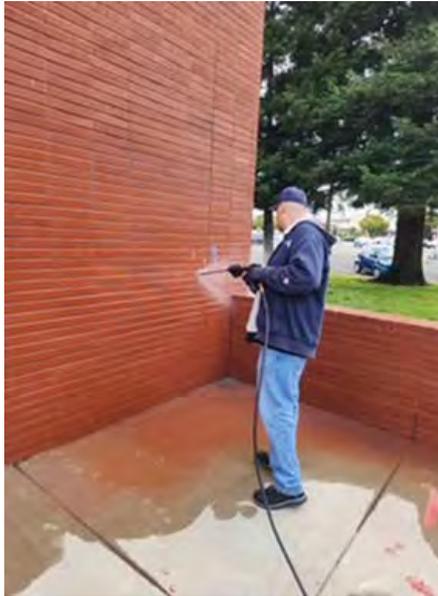
Facilities Maintenance

Crews performed the following tasks this week:

- Routine cleaning and maintenance of all City-owned buildings
- Providing weekend cleaning coverage on a rotating schedule to support our 24/7 Communication Center and Police Department

Work completed:

- Removed chalk graffiti at the Main Library
- Repaired soap dispenser at Shields-Reid Community Center
- Recycled light bulb at Republic Services Recycling Center



Power-washing brick wall at Main Library Courtyard

Stationary Engineers

Crews performed the following tasks this week:

- Daily inspection and daily maintenance of:
 - Richmond Swim Center
 - Richmond Plunge
 - City Hall Civic Center
 - Boilers
 - Circulating pumps
 - Sump pumps
- Replaced the shower valve in the Men's Locker Room at the Plunge
- Replaced the inducer exhaust motor on Boiler #5
- Cleared the urinal drain at Fire Station 63
- Replaced the steel braided water supply hose going to the toilet in the Officer's Locker Room at the Police Station



Toilet repair at the Police Station



Shower valve repair at the Plunge

Engineering & Capital Improvement Projects

Permits and Land Development

Permits completed:

- Encroachment Permit – 26
- Certificate of Compliance (Sewer Lateral) – 7
- Transportation – 1

Inspections completed:

- Initial – 30
- Asphalt – 6
- Concrete – 2
- Traffic Control – 14
- Final – 6
- Customers Served at Counter – 12

Inspections in the Public Right-of-Way

Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) conducted an emergency power pole replacement in the 3000 block of Shane Drive. The original pole, located within a backyard easement, was replaced due to structural instability caused by noticeable leaning.



2025 Citywide Concrete Project

The City of Richmond Public Works Department continues to improve accessibility by upgrading sidewalks and building Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps across the City. Over the past year, contractors completed major improvements, constructing 90 new curb ramps, repairing or replacing 11,000 square feet of sidewalk, rebuilding 550 square feet of driveways, repairing 1,300 linear feet of curb and gutter, and shaving 200 linear feet of sidewalk to remove trip hazards.

This year, sidewalk upgrades are being prioritized in areas where streets are undergoing rehabilitation, ensuring ADA paths of travel are evaluated and improved alongside paving projects. Public Works also reviews sidewalk complaints, drainage concerns, and trip hazards, addressing them directly with the concrete contractor, C. Overaa & Co. With this year's budget, the contractor is estimated to construct approximately 200 additional curb ramps, and their work is already underway.



7th Street Bike Lane Improvement Project

The 7th Street Bike Lane Improvement Project is currently in progress, extending from South 25th Street to Maine Avenue, and 7th Street from Hensley Street to Lincoln Avenue. The project aims to enhance pedestrian accessibility by constructing a new sidewalk, extending bike lanes, and adding pavement signage. The north sidewalk is mostly completed, while the south sidewalk is undergoing demolition in preparation for a concrete pour.



Wastewater Capital Improvement Projects

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Sanitary Sewer Grade 5 Line Replacement Program

- This project will be posted for bids early Fall 2025.

Parks Maintenance

Hilltop District Maintenance Crew

Hilltop District crews:

- Removed trash in the Hilltop District Area
- Mowed Bay Vista Park
- Mowed Country Club Park
- Raised low tree on Hilltop Drive and trimmed shrubs
- Performed weed abatement on Hilltop Drive medians and right-of-way



Hilltop Drive (before and after)

Marina Bay District Maintenance Crew

Marina Bay District crews:

- Trimmed weeds and pruned roses in front of Shimada Park
- Pruned the rose bushes and pulled weeds from the landscape near restaurants
- Removed weeds and pruned the trees across from Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)
- Continued removing weeds from the sandy beach
- Mowed and edged the lawns in the Marina Bay District
- Collected trash and properly disposed of trash from parking lots, trash receptacles, and trails throughout the Marina Bay District
- Refilled all Fido bags in the parks and trails of Marina Bay



Median work near Shimada Park (before and after)



Landscaping near restaurants (before and after)

General Fund crews:

- Repaired irrigation system at Judge Carrol Park, Richmond Greenway, Dirt World, and Triangle Park in Point Richmond
- Repaired play structure at Martin Luther King Park
- Performed fence vandalism repairs at North Richmond Ball Field
- Mowed and detailed all North, South, and Central Richmond Parks
- Repaired the irrigation system on Macdonald Avenue median
- Performed weed abatement on Carlson Boulevard
- Picked up trash in all right-of-way areas
- Performed weed abatement and clean-up of downed branches on Tewksbury Avenue



San Luis Avenue Soundwall Vegetation Removal (before and after)

Streets Maintenance

- Performed repairs on Castro Street
- Performed repairs on Macdonald Avenue
- Performed repairs on 36th Street
- Delivered and set-up barricades for a special event



Pothole repairs on Dunn Avenue

Street sweeping crews:

- Swept the following neighborhood council areas:
 - Santa Fe
 - Point Richmond
 - Marina Bay
 - Coronado
 - Metro Richmore Village
 - Pullman
 - Cortez/Stege
 - Park Plaza
 - Laurel Park
 - City Center
 - Richmond Annex
 - Parkview
 - Panhandle Annex
 - Eastshore



Sweeping Pullman and Metro Richmore Village Neighborhoods

Traffic Signs and Lines crews:

- Installed new signs, and stop messages on Overend Avenue
- Installed new stop message on South 45th Street
- Refreshed street sweeping signs in Parchester Village
- Repaired stop signs on San Jose Avenue at Carlson Boulevard and Chanslor Avenue at South 4th Street
- Repaired delineators on Marina Way South



Street sweeping sign refreshed in Parchester Village and stop message installed on South 45th Street

Water Resource Recovery

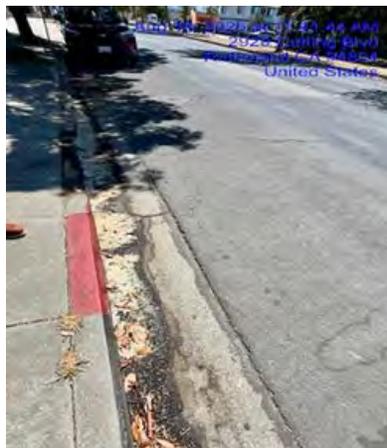
Environmental Compliance

Inspections completed:

- Stormwater (autobody/C.3 Development) – 9
- IMS® Cases Opened – 4
- IMS® Cases Closed – 3
- Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) – 7

Enforcement Actions:

- Verbal Warning of Non-Compliance – 1
 - Responded to an illicit Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) dumping issue at a local church and are now working with the pastor to ensure that workers and patrons are trained properly in Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) disposal methods when using the kitchen.



Meetings, Conferences/committee meetings attended by staff:

- Weekly Baykeeper Hot Spot Report – update with Veolia
- Monthly Baykeeper Risk Assessment Analysis Review
- West County Wastewater and City of Richmond Transition Group
- North Richmond Shoreline Stakeholder’s Meeting
- Bay Area Clean Water Association (BACWA) Collections System Quarterly Meeting
- Fats, Oils and Grease onboarding check-in with SwiftComply® data management software
- Contra Costa Clean Water Program
 - Management Committee Meeting
 - Municipal Operations Meeting
- Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) Quarterly Utility Meeting
- Richmond/Caltrans monthly Trash check-in meeting

Sewer Lateral Grant Program

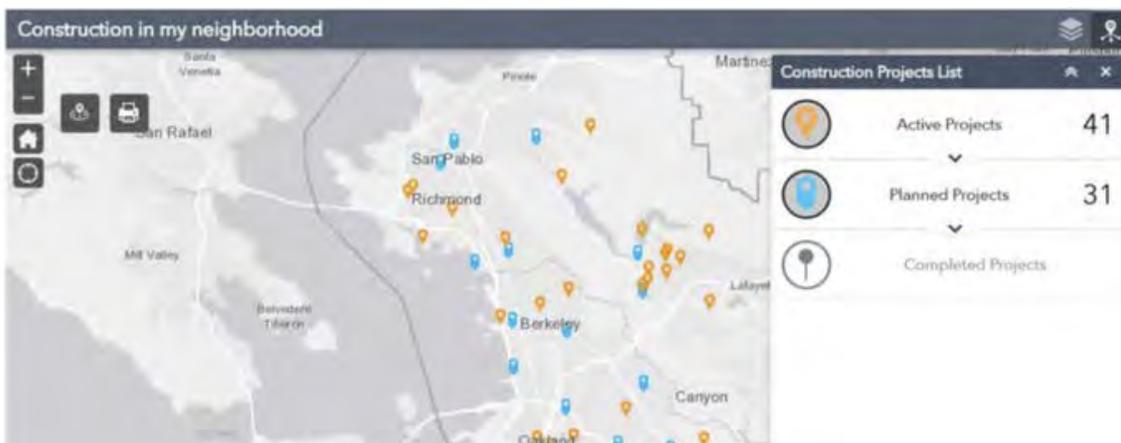
The City of Richmond’s Water Resource Recovery Division administers the Sewer Lateral Grant Program. The program reimburses eligible homeowners in the Richmond Municipal Sewer District (RMSD No. 1) for some of the cost to replace their sewer lateral.

The program will reimburse applicants up to \$1,800 of the cost of a full sewer line replacement.

For more information about the Sewer Lateral Grant Program, please visit www.ci.richmond.ca.us/2130/Sewer-Lateral-Grant-Program or call 510-620-5509.

East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) Projects

Below is a table of locations where East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) will be working on the water system. These are separate from City of Richmond initiatives. If you have questions, please contact EBMUD at (510) 287-2708. You may also look up active projects at the following website: <https://www.ebmud.com/about-us/construction-and-maintenance/construction-my-neighborhood>



Fats Oils & Grease (FOG)

DO NOT POUR GREASE DOWN THE DRAIN! Grease continues to be a problem in the sanitary sewer system and the Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant. Grease clogs pipes and can be detrimental to the function of the plant. It can also lead to sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).

To help resident with our "From The Pan-To-The-Can" campaign, we will be giving out free samples of "Fry-Away®" (see sample photo). This is a powder packet that, when mixed with oil, solidifies the used oil into a solid that can then be easily disposed of in waste receptacles instead of down the drain.

These packets will be available at the Public Works Counter at Richmond City Hall (450 Civic Center Plaza, second floor) for distribution. Please stop by and get your free sample and grease scraper today.



Problems with Your Sanitary Sewer System?

Is your sink draining slowly? Is water backing up into your bathtub? Are you having trouble flushing your toilet(s)?

Before you call a plumber, call the City's operator, VEOLIA WATER, at (510) 412-2001. They will come out to your home or business to ensure there is no issue with the City's sanitary sewer mainline.

There is no charge for this service. This service is available 24hours/day, 365 days/year.



Notice from Veolia on Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant Work from 8/18/25-9/2/25

This week, Veolia began working on Primary Clarifier #1 at the Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant, located at 601 Canal Boulevard. Due to the fact that this tank contains active process water, there may be temporary odors while it is slowly drained, cleaned, and refilled, though every odor-control system and precaution will be in place. Neighbors are encouraged to report any odors by calling Veolia at (510) 412-2001, and updates will be provided in early September as work progresses.



Veolia staff, working at the Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant, located at 601 Canal Blvd, will be working on the Primary Clarifiers starting on August 18th.

Veolia wants to notify our neighbors that work on our Primary Clarifier #1 will be starting and that there is a risk of odors because the tank contains active process water. Due to the amount of organics in the process tank we will be draining and cleaning slowly to help ensure there is no odor release or negative impacts on the treatment process. Veolia will provide another update on this process during the first week of September. We will have every odor control system at the site and in the collection system online and we will have protocols/staff in place for continuous hosing of the tank walls with the addition of chlorinated water as we work through cleaning and draining this tank. During overnight hours at the plant we will add a water cap of chlorinated water to contain the release of odors. Everyday we will continue flushing and cleaning the tank. During the weekend Veolia will fill the tank back up with clean water to avoid any odor release. Veolia will continue mitigating any odor issues until the tank can be put back on line.

Veolia staff and City of Richmond officials are monitoring the planning for this work as well looking for optimal weather conditions. If neighbors notice any odors during this time, we ask them to notify us at 510-412-2001 as soon as possible.

We are working to complete this activity as quickly as possible and are working to minimize the impacts to the community. We will update you if there are any changes to this work plan that may have been impossible to foresee. Our goal is to complete this repair with as little disruption as possible, and we are committed to working with the City and our neighbors to reach this goal.



El personal de Veolia, que trabaja en la Planta de Tratamiento de Aguas Residuales de Richmond, ubicada en 601 Canal Blvd, comenzará a trabajar en los Clarificadores Primarios a partir del 18 de agosto.

Veolia quiere notificar a nuestros vecinos que comenzará el trabajo en nuestro Clarificador Primario #1 y que existe un riesgo de olores porque el tanque contiene agua de proceso activa. Debido a la cantidad de materiales orgánicos en el tanque de proceso, realizaremos el drenaje y la limpieza lentamente para ayudar a garantizar que no haya liberación de olores o impactos negativos en el proceso de tratamiento. Veolia proporcionará otra actualización sobre este proceso durante la primera semana de septiembre. Tendremos todos los sistemas de control de olores en el sitio y en el sistema de drenaje en funcionamiento y tendremos protocolos/personal listos para el riego continuo de las paredes del tanque con agua clorada, mientras trabajamos en la limpieza y el drenaje de este tanque. Durante las horas nocturnas en la planta, agregaremos una capa de agua clorada para contener la liberación de olores. Todos los días continuaremos enjuagando y limpiando el tanque. Durante el fin de semana, Veolia volverá a llenar el tanque con agua limpia para evitar cualquier liberación de olores. Veolia continuará mitigando cualquier problema de olor hasta que el tanque pueda volver a ponerse en funcionamiento.

El personal de Veolia y los funcionarios de la Ciudad de Richmond están monitoreando la planificación de este trabajo y buscando condiciones climáticas óptimas. Si los vecinos notan algún olor durante este tiempo, les pedimos que nos lo notifiquen al 510-412-2001 lo antes posible.

Estamos trabajando para completar esta actividad lo más rápido posible y estamos trabajando para minimizar los impactos en la comunidad. Le informaremos si hay algún cambio en este plan de trabajo que haya sido imposible de prever. Nuestro objetivo es completar esta reparación con la menor interrupción posible, y estamos comprometidos a trabajar con la Ciudad y nuestros vecinos para alcanzar este objetivo.

Thank you for keeping up with the activities in the City of Richmond. Feel free to contact the City Manager's Office if you have any questions or comments about these or any other items of interest to you.

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