

# City of Richmond - RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

Richmond Recreation Complex  
3230 Macdonald Ave.

## MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2012, 6:00 PM

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Portero called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

**2. WELCOME AND MEETING PROCEDURES**

Chair Portero read the meeting procedures.

**3. AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION**

Comm. Martinez motioned to accept the Agenda. Comm. Saucer-Bilbo seconded. Passed unanimously.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS THROUGH THE CHAIR**

**5. OPEN FORUM**

- Cordell Hindler, Richmond resident
- Reginald Russell, Richmond resident – asked for Men & Women of Valor to be included on projects
- Terri James, Richmond resident – asked for Men & Women of Valor be included for Iron Triangle alleys jobs
- Byron Miller, Richmond resident – thanked Chris Chamberlain
- Dwight Adams, Richmond resident – thanked Chris Chamberlain

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. APPROVE – May 2, 2012 minutes

Comm. Saucer-Bilbo motioned to move the consent calendar. Comm. Martinez seconded. Passed unanimously.

**7. PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS**

- Create ad-hoc committee to revise the State of Policy and Guidelines for Naming of Parks, Facilities and Re-Naming Streets and the Nomination Form for Naming or Re-Naming Parks, Facilities or Streets
  1. Chair Portero, Comm. Martinez and Torres
- Evaluate the removal of the gate on Euclid Avenue to allow direct pedestrian access from Metro Richmore Village to Nicholl Park, the Richmond Recreation Complex and Lovonya Dejean Middle School. Goal HW1 of the Richmond General Plan 2030 is to improve access to Park, Recreation and Open Space supported by Action PR1.A: Community Access and Mobility Criteria – Keiron Slaughter, Planning Department, presented information and asked for the recommendation of the Commission.
  1. Chair Portero asked to postpone any decision on the item until the Planning Department brought back further information
  2. Comm. Martinez motioned to support opening the gate with the understanding that the community be informed and surveyed for their opinion. Comm. Torres seconded.
  3. Chair Portero added a friendly amendment to include information from the Police Department regarding the safety concerns of opening the gate. Passed unanimously.
- Elm Park design development and rehabilitation updates – Parks Division staff and Elm Playlot Action Committee members gave a presentation
  1. Comm. Saucer-Bilbo motioned to support the continued effort of the Elm Playlot Action Committee. Comm. Leedie seconded. Passed unanimously.

**8. STAFF REPORTS**

- Recreation Department –
- Parks Division –
- City Council Liaison –

**9. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS**

**11. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Comm. Saucer-Bilbo motioned to adjourn the meeting. Comm. Martinez seconded. Passed unanimously. Chair Portero adjourned the meeting, in concurrence with the vote, at 7:05 p.m., due to a community meeting scheduled in the Council Chambers during the same hour.

**13. SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

Commission Meeting – Wednesday, September 5, 2012, 6:00 p.m., Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

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Johann Frazier, Executive Secretary