

This is the weekly report for the week ending January 4th, 2013.

1. Meeting Notes

The swearing in ceremony for newly re-elected Councilmembers is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8th, at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers. A reception follows the ceremony in the Auditorium lobby. The first full business meeting of the City Council is scheduled for January 15th, 2013.

2. Recycle Your Holiday Tree

Please recycle your natural holiday tree through one of Richmond Sanitary Services' opportunities:

- Cut your tree to fit in your green waste cart and set the cart out on any of your regular green waste collection days (preferred method).
- Take your tree to the Golden Bear Transfer Station, located at 1 Parr Blvd, Richmond. Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Saturday and Sunday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Contact: (510) 970-7260.
 - Proof of residency in service area is required
 - There will be a disposal charge of \$8.00 for non-recyclable trees or no proof of residency
- If you are unable to place your tree in the green cart or take it to the transfer station, please call Richmond Sanitary Service customer service office at (510) 262-7100 to arrange for pickup at no additional charge.



3. Capital Improvement Project Update

I have attached for your information a status report of all approved capital improvement projects as of the end of November. The Engineering Department will continue to provide updates to this report on a monthly basis.

4. **Public Works Updates**

During the holiday week, Public Works staff continued to answer emergency calls and provided holiday-scaled back services.

Carpenters: Carpenters installed protective bollards around the gas main at Shields Reid Community Center. They also installed footings for the new electric vehicle chargers at 450 Civic Center Plaza. A small kitchen upgrade was started at Fire Station 67. The upgrade will include new cabinet doors and a stainless steel counter. The automatic storefront doors were also repaired at Parchester Center and 450 Civic Center Plaza.

Stationary Engineers: The Stationary Engineer provided access and oversight for “load testing” three of the City’s emergency generators. The generators tested were located at Nichol Knob, the Richmond Police Department building, and the Main Library. The Engineer oversaw major preventative maintenance to the boilers located at Civic Center Plaza. General routine services were also provided to the Plunge, Richmond Swim Center, Municipal Auditorium, and the Main Library.

Parks and Landscaping Division: Crews cleaned storm debris from the v-ditches at Hilltop Lake, removed trees at Hilltop Lake, completed irrigation installation at Richmond Parkway and Interstate 80 for the wildflower hydro-seed project, and completed security vegetation removal on Hilltop Drive.

Streets Division: Pavement Maintenance Crews worked from the outstanding pothole list and conducted storm patrol to free the sewer drains.

Street Sweeping continued with the commercial and residential routes for the fourth Wednesday through Friday of the month in the Metro Richmore Village, Pullman, Cortez/Stege, Park Plaza, Laurel Park, City Center, Richmond Annex, Parkview, Panhandle Annex, and East Shore Neighborhood Council areas. Normal Monday sweeping areas were not able to be swept due to rain.

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 and all the best in the coming year!

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