

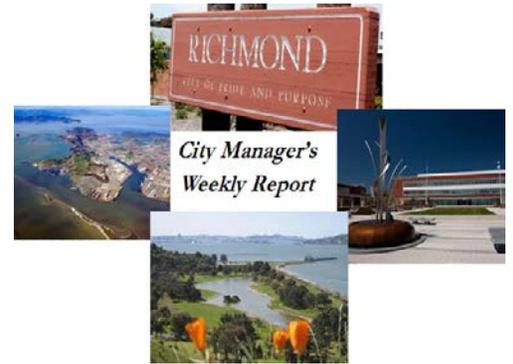


Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the report for the week ending July 14, 2017.

1. Meeting Notes

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18th, beginning with a Closed Session at 5:00 PM, and with the regular meeting agenda at 6:30 PM. The agenda may be found by clicking this link: [Richmond City Council Agenda Packet](#).



Editor's note: The city manager's weekly report is compiled from information provided to the city manager's office from the various operating departments. The tasks associated with preparing the draft report, including the initial compilation and editing, is done by staff members in the city manager's office, primarily Mike Uberti and Shané Johnson. They do excellent work on this, and on all of their varied work assignments. After the weekly report is initially compiled in its draft form, the city manager includes additional items, and completes the final edit. Thus, any errors and omissions are his responsibility.

I am sad to report that Mike Uberti, one of the aforementioned weekly report compilers, is leaving employment with the City of Richmond to pursue other career opportunities in municipal service. Mike began his work with the City of Richmond as an Americorps employee, but successfully competed to become a full-time member of the city manager's office staff. His work has been both varied and exemplary, involving issues of both community health and community development, and, notably, authoring the first strategic plan for the Richmond Promise scholarship program several years ago. Since his start as an Americorps employee, Mike also successfully completed his Master's Degree in Urban Planning at UC Berkeley. He will be missed both for his work, and for his quick-witted affability.

Best of luck, Mike!

2. Some Sad News from the Golden Gate Audubon Society

It is with sadness that I report on the passing of Whirley, the older osprey offspring of Richmond and Rosie, who make their nest atop the whirleycrane at Point Potrero Marine Terminal, and who have allowed us to view their family life through the Golden Gate Audubon Society osprey nest-cam.

As reported by Cindy Margulis, Executive Director of the Golden Gate Audubon Society, quite early in the morning on July 4th, Richmond's older osprey chick, **Whirley**, flew out of the nest in the dark and did not appear on the nest cameras after that. On the afternoon of July 5th, the Golden Gate Audubon Society received a call from a Dutra barge crew chief who was very nearby and had helped get a

bedraggled osprey out of the water near Point Potrero. Come to find out, it was our very own Whirley, the awol sea hawk, identified by the bands on one of the legs. The aviating fisher-bird was too waterlogged to fly, and probably cold and weak from swimming after a dive. (Ms. Margulis reports that this is THE rookie mistake for a young osprey, maybe trying to fish for the first time.) It was determined that Whirley was too weak to navigate home without some assistance, and was taken to WildCare, which has an animal care director with expertise in caring for many East Coast Ospreys.

Whirley's adventure, unfortunately, has a sad ending, as reported by Melanie Piazza, Director of Animal Care, at WildCare:

Dear friends:

It is with a heavy heart that we share with you the news that Whirley did not make it. The CT scan confirmed the multiple fractures that we had feared on x-rays and also clearly revealed even more structural and muscular damage beyond those. The severities of her injuries are consistent with a high velocity impact which could've been with a structure of some kind but due to the absence of external wounds, it is also a fair hypothesis that these were sustained from a water impact during a fishing attempt. Even if her injuries had been reparable, she would never be able to fly again. This has been an invaluable learning experience for all groups involved and will serve to help countless ospreys in the future.

Learning to be an osprey is an incredibly difficult challenge, as evidenced by a less than 50% survival rate of first year birds. Being a wild animal is hard and most people never witness just how hard up close. This is a very painful conclusion for all of us osprey family followers. However, we can all take comfort in the fact that so many people care! The folks who rescued her from the water saved her from what would've been a certain and horrible death from drowning. The volunteers who drove her to WildCare and brought her fish daily, the staff and volunteers at GGAS, GGRO, Fish and Wildlife, many more I'm sure I'm forgetting, and all of you who are so invested- are stewards for these magnificent birds...

To end on a positive note, with the help of many agencies, we were able to successfully treat and reunite a fledgling osprey with her parents and siblings just two weeks prior. Look for that uplifting story and amazing video on WildCare's website soon.

Again, thank you all for your love of wildlife.

Sincerely,

Melanie Piazza
Director of Animal Care



Thanks again to all those involved in this project.

3. Richmond Rent Board Retains New Executive Director

The Richmond Rent Board recently took an important step to implement the “Richmond Fair Rent, Just Cause for Eviction and Homeowners Protection Ordinance” (Measure L) by authorizing the hiring of the program’s first Executive Director. The Board has retained Nicolas Traylor, who most recently served as a Community Services Specialist/Division Manager for the City of Berkeley Rent Stabilization Program, and has worked in various capacities for that program for nearly thirteen years. Mr. Traylor is a Richmond resident, and, as such is quite familiar with the Richmond community and Rent Program goals. He began his employment in Richmond this past Thursday, July 13th. In his job application, Mr. Traylor wrote that, “It would be an honor to work for the City of Richmond and to take on what will likely be a challenging but very exciting and fulfilling job.”

I know that you will join me welcoming Mr. Traylor to the City of Richmond.

4. National Park Service (NPS) Launches Directory of NPS Community Assistance Programs

In addition to the [Richmond Wellness Trail Vision Plan](#), the National Park Service (NPS) Community Assistance Programs Directory is the second of ten deliverables

created from the Urban Agenda, and is the work of the Urban Fellow (and City of Richmond employee-on-loan) Kieron Slaughter over the last two years in Richmond.

The NPS Directory outlines 54 opportunities for receiving assistance from the National Park Service. It provides information regarding funding, technical assistance, and other resources to community groups, partners for historic preservation, investment in historic sites, recreation, stewardship, access to public lands, and education and professional development in and outside national parks.

Community assistance programs of the National Park Service empower local organizations to advance preservation and conservation work in rural and urban communities across the country. These programs serve as economic drivers, transforming underutilized places into community assets that ultimately enhance quality of life, and boost local economies through tourism and job creation. Most of the programs leverage non-federal funds and long-term support from partner organizations.

The [Directory of National Park Service Community Assistance Programs](#) is your concise, streamlined guide to the 54 opportunities for receiving assistance from the National Park Service.



5. Class of 2016 Richmond Promise Scholarship Renewal Application due (Tomorrow!) Saturday, July 15

The application to renew the Richmond Promise Scholarship for the 2017-18 academic year is due (tomorrow!), Saturday, July 15th. Students will need the following documents to complete the application:

- FAFSA/Dream Act Student Aid Report
- Unofficial transcript
- Full or partial class schedule for this upcoming school year.

This application is only for Class of 2016 Richmond Promise Scholars who completed their first year of college.

Please remind a scholar in your life about this deadline!

Have questions or need assistance? The Richmond Promise team is here to support you: Info@richmondpromise.org or 510-761-7231.

6. ServiceWorks Richmond and *College Is Real* Summer Program Help Clean-up Wendell Park!

This summer, ServiceWorks Richmond worked with Richmond High School's *College Is Real* Summer Program to teach students from Helms Middle School about leadership skills, networking, and the importance of volunteering.

This past Wednesday, July 12th, ServiceWorks Richmond hosted a clean-up with *College Is Real* Summer Program and Park Ranger Sidonia Aguilera to help beautify Wendell Park. Fifteen students from the program came out to help weed, pick up trash, redistribute mulch, and water the community garden and flowers at Wendell Park. For many of the students, this was their first time volunteering. The students collected six full bags of yard waste and three bags of garbage!

Congratulations to the ServiceWorks Scholars from the *College Is Real* Summer Program for their hard work.

Interested in creating a service project or have volunteer opportunities for our youth? Contact Vanessa Chau at Vanessa_Chou@ci.richmond.ca.us!



WENDELL PARK CLEAN-UP

SERVICEWORKS RICHMOND AND COLLEGE IS REAL SUMMER PROGRAM





WENDELL PARK CLEAN-UP

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7. Code Enforcement Success

On July 3rd, Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Tisdell responded to the area of 315 Western Drive, after receiving a call from the Abatement Unit. Upon arrival, he located the garbage furniture and debris (pictured below) in the public right-of-way. He made contact with several neighbors who witnessed the property being cleaned out by a crew of workers, but leaving the items from the property in the street. He made contact with the property owner and allowed the owner 24 hours to properly remove and dispose of all items that had been left in the public right-of-way. On July 5th, the illegally dumped items were abated by the owner.



Before



After

8. City Manager Chronicles

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

Meetings of note this past week included:

- Met, together with Planning Director Richard Mitchell, with representatives from Lifelong to discuss their Jenkins Health Center project in Richmond;
- Met, together with staff members representing several City departments, with representatives from the Santa Fe Neighborhood Council to review issues in their area;
- Attended the Richmond Rent Board Community Education Workshop held at the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts (see item 11 below);
- Met, together with Director of Infrastructure and Maintenance Operations Tim Higaes, with representatives from the Hilltop District Homeowners and Stakeholders Association to discuss maintenance activities in the Hilltop area;
- Attended the monthly meeting of the Public Management Association (Contra Costa city managers group);
- Attended the monthly meeting of the Contra Costa Mayors Conference;
- Met with a representative from Orton Development, along with Senior Management Analyst LaShonda White and Deputy City Attorney Carlos Privat, to discuss the renovation at One Barrett Avenue.

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.

9. Home Fire Preparedness Campaign

The Richmond Fire Department recently joined the American Red Cross to install smoke alarms, free of charge, to Richmond residents and to provide home fire preparedness information. This Home Fire Preparedness Campaign is aiming to reduce the number of deaths and injuries from home fires by installing smoke alarms in homes throughout the United States. The campaign aims to reduce the number of deaths and injuries from home fires by as much as 25 percent over the next five years. Along with installing smoke alarms, the Red Cross is joining with fire departments and community groups nationwide to canvas neighborhoods and teach people about fire safety. Find more information at www.redcross.org



10. West Contra Costa Business Breakfast Gathering

On April 25th, 2012, the Richmond City Council adopted a new General Plan to guide the City's sustainable growth and development. The General Plan provides a comprehensive framework for developing a health city and healthy neighborhoods.

On Wednesday, July 26th at 8:00 AM, the Richmond Chamber of Commerce Business Breakfast gathering will host Daniel Iacofano, Ph.D., FAICP, a founding principal of MIG Planning, who worked with the City of Richmond on the 2030 General Plan. Mr. Iacofano will make a presentation focusing on Inclusive Planning and Development: Economics, Environment, and Equity. As part of a panel discussion, Daniel will be joined by Richmond City Manager Bill Lindsay, real estate broker John Troughton, and Pogo Park's Toody Maher to ask the fundamental question, are we on track with Richmond 2030 General Plan? The meeting will be held at East Brother Beer Company at 1001 Canal Boulevard in Richmond.

Sign up today to attend at www.rcoc.com



RICHMOND Chamber of Commerce

West Contra Costa Business Breakfast Gathering



DANIEL IACOFANO
CEO
MIG



BILL LINDSAY
CITY MANAGER
CITY OF RICHMOND



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Sign up Today at www.rcoc.com

July 26th, (Wednesday)
8:00am to 9:30am

Members: Free
Non-Members: \$10

Location
East Brother Beer Company
Address: 1001 Canal Blvd,
Richmond, CA 94804
Phone: (510) 234-3512



11. Richmond Rent Program Community Education Workshops

The City of Richmond is hosting a series of community education workshops to educate the community about the Rent Program and the Richmond Fair Rent, Just Cause for Eviction, and Homeowner Protection Ordinance. The most recent meeting, which focused on tenants, was held on Wednesday, July 12th at the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts. There will be a second workshop with a focus on landlords on Thursday, July 27th. These workshops are intended to provide an overview and assistance with the 2017 Annual General Adjustment (AGA), and to allow participants to explore resources available to tenants and landlords. The two separate meetings focus on tenants and landlords, respectively, but both meetings are open to all those who are interested and all are welcome to attend.

Community Education Workshop - Landlord Focused

Thursday, July 27th

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Richmond Auditorium, Bermuda Room, 403 Civic Center Plaza

Please RSVP today: <https://richmondrent.eventbrite.com> so that we can plan accordingly.

Questions? Visit www.richmondrent.org to learn more about the Rent Program, or call or email the Rent Program at (510) 620-6576 or rent@ci.richmond.ca.us

Richmond Rent Program

Richmond Fair Rent, Just Cause for Eviction, & Homeowner Protection Ordinance

Community Education Workshops

Tenant Focused

July 12, 2017
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

East Bay Center for the Performing Arts
339 11th Street

Landlord Focused

July 27, 2017
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Richmond Auditorium
Bermuda Room
403 Civic Center Plaza

Space is limited - RSVP: www.richmondrent.eventbrite.com

- Assistance with 2017 Annual General Adjustment (AGA)
- Explore resources for Tenants and Landlords
- Both meetings are open to all

www.richmondrent.org



rent@ci.richmond.ca.us (510) 620-6576



Programa de Renta de la Ciudad de Richmond

Ordenanza de Renta Justa, Causa Justa para el Desalojo y Protección del Propietario

Talleres de educación comunitaria

Enfoque en el inquilino

12 de julio de 2017
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

East Bay Center for the
Performing Arts
339 11th Street

Enfoque en el propietario

27 de julio de 2017
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Richmond Auditorium
Bermuda Room
403 Civic Center Plaza

El espacio es limitado - RSVP:

www.richmondrent.eventbrite.com

- Asistencia con el 2017 Ajuste Anual de Renta Permitida
- Explore recursos para inquilinos y propietarios
- Reuniones están abiertas a todos

www.richmondrent.org

rent@ci.richmond.ca.us (510) 620-6576



12. Quarry Residential Project: Notice of Preparation and Scoping Meeting

The City of Richmond is initiating an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed *Quarry Residential Project*, which is a proposed residential neighborhood consisting of up to 200 condominiums near the intersection of Canal Boulevard and Seacliff Drive.

The EIR will address the potential physical and environmental effects of the Project for each of the environmental topics outlined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the City will use the EIR when considering approval of the proposed Project. The City has prepared a [Notice of Preparation \(NOP\)](#) to provide the public with a description of the proposed Project and to identify potential environmental effects pursuant to State CEQA requirements.

Comments on the NOP must be received in writing at the City of Richmond mailing address (below):

City of Richmond

450 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

to the attention of **Lina Velasco, Project Manager II**, or via e-mail to Lina_Velasco@ci.richmond.ca.us, by **5:00 PM on Monday, July 31, 2017**. In addition, comments may be provided at the Public Scoping Meeting on

Public Scoping Meeting

July 26, 2017 at 6:00 PM
City of Richmond Council Chambers
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

The purpose of the Public Scoping Meeting is to describe the proposed Project and the environmental review process, and to receive verbal input. The City will consider all comments, written and oral, in determining the final scope of the evaluation to be included in the EIR.

The Quarry Residential Project includes the development of a residential neighborhood that would consist of up to 200 condominiums (1-bedroom, 2-bedrooms and 3- bedrooms) in three-story buildings (some with four-story elements), approximately 300 parking spaces, and associated common areas and amenities. The Project would develop approximately 5.5 acres of the site and preserve the remaining 12.9 acres (approximately 70 percent of the site) of the 18.4 acres site as open space.

The Project includes a proposed General Plan amendment to change the land use designation of the site from Parks and Recreation to Medium Density Residential. The Project also includes a proposed change in the site's zoning designation from Parks and Recreation (PR) to Planned Area District (PA), including exceeding the maximum building height limit of 35 feet for the Medium Density Residential General Plan designation.

For more information, please visit <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/quarry-residential-project>



13. Mayor Tom Butt's "Time with Tom" Event Coming to *Your Way Pizza*

Get ready for Mayor Butt's upcoming Time with Tom, which will be hosted by *Your Way Pizza* on Thursday, July 27th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Come through to Downtown Richmond to connect with the Mayor, with your neighbors, and enjoy some delicious food. We hope to see you there!

TIME WITH TOM

MEET THE MAYOR | REFRESHMENTS | ACTIVITIES

YOUR WAY PIZZA
(ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE RICHMOND BART PARKING LOT)

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2017
5 PM-7 PM
1428 MACDONALD AVE
RICHMOND, CA 94801

QUESTIONS? CALL THE MAYOR'S OFFICE: 510-620-6503

14. Last Chance! Deadline Extended for 2017 Richmond Community Survey!

One of the best ways to improve Richmond's services is to ask the people that live here what they think. With this in mind, the City of Richmond is pleased to announce that **all Richmond residents are now invited to participate** in the 2017 Community Survey online! The deadline to participate in the online opt-in Richmond Community Survey is now extended until **Friday, July 21, 2017**.

Richmond residents not randomly selected to participate in the survey now have an opportunity to have their opinions heard. The community-wide version of the survey is now available online at <http://bit.ly/richmondca2017> in Spanish and English.

If you were selected to participate in the written survey, please return the completed survey as soon as possible.

Your input can help make the City of Richmond a better place to live, work, and play. Feel free to contact the City Manager's Office with your questions at (510) 620-6512.

15. Come Downtown to Music on the Main for Soulful Sounds & Serious Eats

All are invited to come Downtown to enjoy music, food, and fun for the entire family at the 16th annual [Music on the Main](#) Summer Concert Series. The series kicks off on **Wednesday, July 26th**, from **5:00 PM – 7:30 PM**, in the parking lot at Marina Way and Macdonald Avenue, with spirited music performances by local R&B diva [Niecey Living Single & the Obamah\\$](#), and eclectic gospel stylings by [Steven Green & The Lifeline](#). Featured food vendors will include [Curbside Kitchen](#), [CJ's BBQ & Fish](#), and [Civil Pops](#), plus refreshing Main Street Margaritas and hometown brews by [East Brother Beer Company](#), with proceeds of sales benefitting RMSI. Concert-goers of all ages are sure to enjoy a diverse array of artisan vendors offering unique items, informational booths, interactive activities for kids, free book faire, giveaways, drawing zone, and Freshest Cargo Mobile Farmers' Market.

The celebration continues on **Wednesday, August 23rd** with local son turned world-renowned Zydeco king [Andre Thierry](#) and [Caribbean Allstars](#), founding fathers of the Bay Area's Caribbean roots music scene. Featured food vendors will include [Curbside Kitchen](#), [Kim's Louisiana Fried Turkey & Stuff](#), and [Yo Mama's Old Fashioned Teacakes](#).

For more information, please visit www.RichmondMainStreet.org or call (510) 236-4049.

Richmond Main Street presents: **16th annual** **Music on the Main** *Free Admission*
 5pm - 7:30pm
 Marina Way & Macdonald Avenue
 Downtown Richmond
music, food & fun for the entire family!
July 26
 Niecey Living Single & the Obamah\$
 Steven Green & The Lifeline
August 23
 Andre Thierry
 Caribbean Allstars

Richmond Main Street presents: **16.^º anual** **Música en la Calle** *Entrada Gratis*
 5pm - 7:30pm
 Marina Way & Macdonald Avenue
 El Centro de Richmond
¡música, comida & diversión por todos!
26 Julio
 Niecey Living Single & the Obamah\$
 Steven Green & The Lifeline
23 Agosto
 Andre Thierry
 Caribbean Allstars

Live Music ★ Food ★ Beer ★ Vendors ★ Prizes
 Kids Zone ★ Info Booths ★ Freshest Cargo

more info (510) 236-4049 | RichmondMainStreet.org | #MusicOnTheMain

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 RICHMOND MAIN STREET **REPUBLIC**

16. Concert Helpers Wanted for Music on the Main Events on July 26th and August 23rd

Are you a fan of live music and outdoor concerts? Do you like working behind-the-scenes at events? If you answered “yes”, then helping out at the 16th annual Music on the Main summer concerts is for you!

Event Details

Date: Wednesday, July 26th & Wednesday, August 23th

Time: 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Volunteers needed: 3:00 PM – 8:30 PM (two shifts available: 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM & 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM)

Activities may include tasks related to: venue set-up; assembling produce bags; managing vendor and volunteer check-in; monitoring traffic and parking; conducting surveys; hosting youth zone activities and giveaway stations; backstage manager; and venue clean-up.

Additional Details, Requirements, and Preferences:

- No prior experience needed—orientation and training provided onsite by staff
- Small groups or pairs encouraged!
- Community service hours honored
- Minimum participation: two hours; three hours preferred
- Minimum age: 16, unless accompanied by guardian or approved by event coordinator
- Interests: community, arts & culture, special events, youth
- Skills: customer service, bilingual language (Spanish, Chinese) a plus; ability to stand for extended periods of time and/or lift 30 pounds preferred.

[Sign-up online here.](#)

For more information: Contact Alicia, outreach@richmondmainstreet.org or (510) 236-4049.

17. Richmond Urban Garden Tour

The Richmond Urban Garden Tour begins at the Plunge Garden in Point Richmond, tomorrow (Saturday, July 15th) at 11:30 AM, followed by a tour of gardens throughout Richmond. The afternoon will culminate at 4:30 PM with an awards ceremony at the Plunge Garden.



The Office of Mayor Tom Butt
Presents the Second Annual

Richmond Urban Garden Contest

JULY 15, 2017

SHOWCASE YOUR GARDEN
LARGE OR SMALL

WIN PRIZES. MAKE FRIENDS.
**FOR CONTEST AND
REGISTRATION INFORMATION,
VISIT**

WWW.RICHMONDCAMAYOR.ORG



18. Community Services Highlights

Youth Leadership Committee

Are you a high school or college student looking to become a leader in your community? Are you interested in learning how to create a community service project to create positive change? Join the YLC for the upcoming school year! Applications are now open with workshops to begin in the fall. We'll have field trips to local excursions and workshop topics on public speaking, presentations, financial literacy, networking, resume-building, and more!

Application open here: tinyurl.com/RichmondYLC17

Contact Guadalupe Morales at guadalupe_morales@ci.richmond.ca.us or call 510-620-6553 for more info.



YLC YOUTH LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE



SERVICWORKS
Powered by AmeriCorps, the Citi Foundation, and Points of Light

Are you a youth leader who is passionate and eager to serve your community?

The Youth Leadership Committee (YLC) is a year-round program offered by the Richmond Community Services Department for current high school students. The YLC engages high school students in a rich combination of experiences including youth leadership development workshops, hands-on projects, and field trips.

Important Dates
Application opens: June 1st, 2017
Deadline: September 15th at 5pm
Interview dates & program start date: September 2017 (TBA)

Online Application:
tinyurl.com/RichmondYLC17

Website:
<https://richmondylc.wordpress.com>

Contact:
Guadalupe Morales
guadalupe_morales@ci.richmond.ca.us
510.620.6553

3rd of July Fireworks Success!

On Monday, July 3rd, Richmond hosted its Fireworks event at Marina Bay Park. The event drew over 500 people to come out and enjoy the food, music, dancing, Zumba, and the spectacular fireworks! The entertainment was provided by the San Ban Richmond Senior Center Dance Group, Jesse J, Pacto Seto Band, James Steuffer, and Oscar Solano Jr. who led Zumba.

The Community Services Department would like to thank the Police, Fire, and DIMO Departments, who helped make this a successful event again this year.



Science Visit with Shields-Reid

The Shields Reid Achieve Summer Camp visited the Lawrence Hall of Science on Thursday July 6th. Eighty children and 12 staff members learned about science and planets, while visiting the Berkeley Campus museum which reinforced the camps theme of Rocket Ships. The children had a great time exploring all of the museum's interactive displays and were treated to a movie in the planetarium.



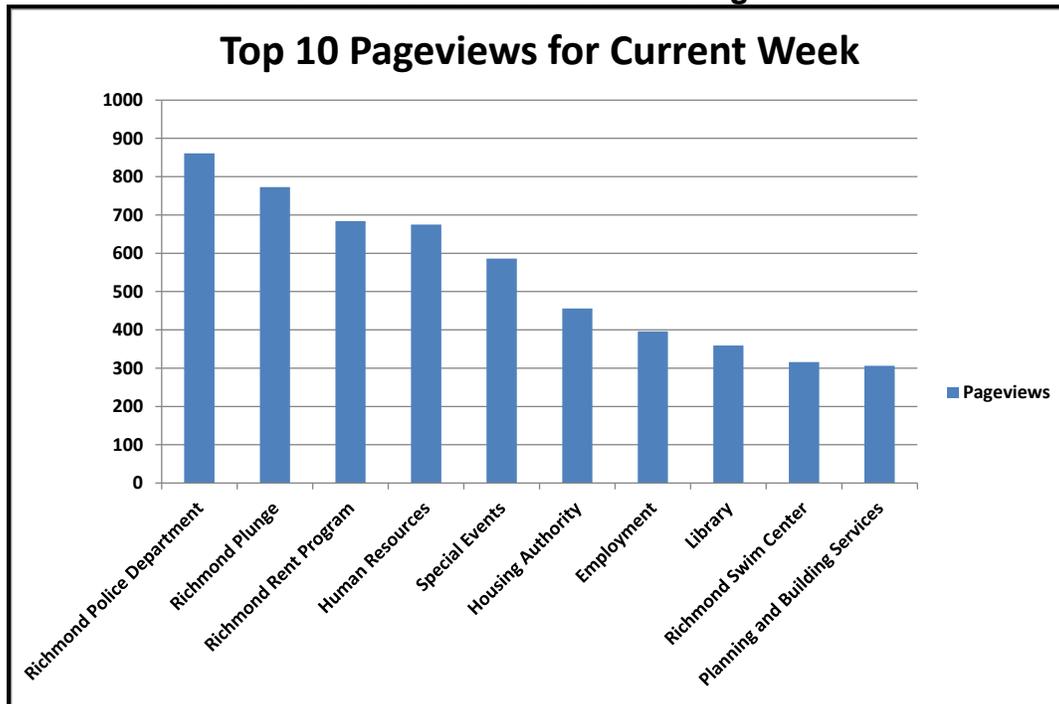
Watershed Visit

Achieve camp at Booker T. Anderson (BTA) has a partnership with the Watershed Project. Representatives from the Watershed Project attend the camp once a week, and the kids have a lesson concerning the environment via the Riparian Lab program at the BTA creek. The Watershed Project's mission is to inspire Bay Area communities to understand, appreciate, and protect our local watersheds. More information on the organization can be found on their website at <http://thewatershedproject.org/>



19. Information Technology

Website Statistics for the Week Ending 07-14-2017



Tweets and Facebook followers are up!

- ⬆ Actions on Page are up by 100%
- ⬆ Profile visits are up by 12.6%
- ⬆ Tweets are up by 32.1%
- ⬆ Tweet impressions are up by 14.4 %

- ↑ Profile visits are up by 12.6%
- ↑ Mentions are up by 28.6%

City of Richmond unemployment at all-time low. Top Tweet of the week!!!

Since 2005 the unemployment rate in Richmond, California has ranged from 4.0% in May 2017 to 17.3% in October 2009. The current unemployment rate for Richmond is 4.0% in May 2017.

Richmond, CA Unemployment Rate by Month			
Moderate Unemployment Area			
Richmond, CA Current Unemployment - 4.0%			
2017	Richmond, CA Unemployment Rate		
Month/Year	Richmond, CA%	California%	National %
1 / 2017	5.0%	5.5%	4.8%
2 / 2017	4.8%	5.2%	4.7%
3 / 2017	4.7%	5.1%	4.5%
4 / 2017	4.2%	4.5%	4.4%
5 / 2017	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%

KCRT DATANET OF THE WEEK

**Favorable
City of Richmond
Wastewater Bond
Rating from S&P Global**

To view the report:
www.ci.richmond.ca.us

Search for "Favorable City of Richmond
Wastewater Bond Rating from
S&P Global" in the City's "News" Section.

A PDF link to the report is within the
News article.



**Favorable
City of Richmond
Wastewater Bond
Rating from S&P Global**

S&P Global Ratings assigned its 'AA-' long-term rating to Richmond, Calif.'s series 2017 wastewater revenue bonds.

The outlook is stable. The rating reflects the wastewater system's very strong enterprise risk and financial risk profiles.



**Favorable
City of Richmond
Wastewater Bond
Rating from S&P Global**

City of Richmond staff has been working with the finance team on a \$35.4 million debt financing to fund capital improvements for the wastewater enterprise.

As part of this project, Richmond sought a credit rating from S&P Global Ratings.



City of Richmond Mobile APP UPDATE

The City of Richmond's mobile app use hit an all-time high with over 95% of users using the app at least once during June!

The City of Richmond's mobile phone app is available on the Apple App store and Google Play store.



QR Codes are available for easy downloading of this APP:

[Apple version of APP](#)

[Android version of APP](#)



This City of Richmond mobile app provides Richmond's community members with one-stop access to City services and information via mobile devices. The app allows quick and real-time reporting of neighborhood-related issues; viewing the City's Events Calendar; finding addresses and phone numbers of local businesses, city departments and council members. Locating one of Richmond's numerous parks, and welcoming libraries and community centers, including reserving rental space for that special occasion are all done with ease! You may view the City's mobile app on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/i4W1wVvB9fw> The City of Richmond is looking forward to feedback from the community on this upgraded Mobile App. We welcome your comments at webservices@ci.richmond.ca.us.

20. Engineering/CIP Departments

Engineering Projects

Rough grading at Unity Park, which includes clearing areas and setting up the drainage direction to prevent future erosion, continues, with crews beginning work on the east end of the project site.



East End Rough Grading of Unity Park

The Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Project is progressing well, and is now in the second phase. The siding on the elevator has been completed and canopy work continues to help complete the final design.



BART Project

Streets Division

Paving crews ground and paved South 17th Street, South 18th Street, and South 21st Street from Cutting Boulevard to Potrero Avenue, worked from the outstanding pothole list in various locations around the city, and hauled pavement grindings.



Paving on South 18th Street

Street sweeping staff performed commercial and residential sweeping services for the second Monday through Friday in the May Valley, Vista View, Clinton Hill I – IV, and East Richmond neighborhood council areas.

Signs and Lines staff repaired 12 signs and poles, installed 14 new signs and poles, fabricated nine new signs, and painted 371 feet of curbs and zoning.

21. Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations

Abatement

Abatement crews performed weed abatement and removed tons of illegal dumping and graffiti throughout the city.



Weed Abatement





Hoffman Boulevard Weed Abatement



Illegal Dumping



Graffiti Abatement

Facilities Maintenance

Carpenters began replacing fire extinguisher holders in Civic Center Plaza, removed a bulletin board and hung a television at the Senior Annex Center, and began the process to replace hardware on doors at the Richmond Recreation Complex.

Painters started the exterior painting of the outside restrooms at the Nevin Community Center and painted and primed doors for the Richmond Recreation Complex.

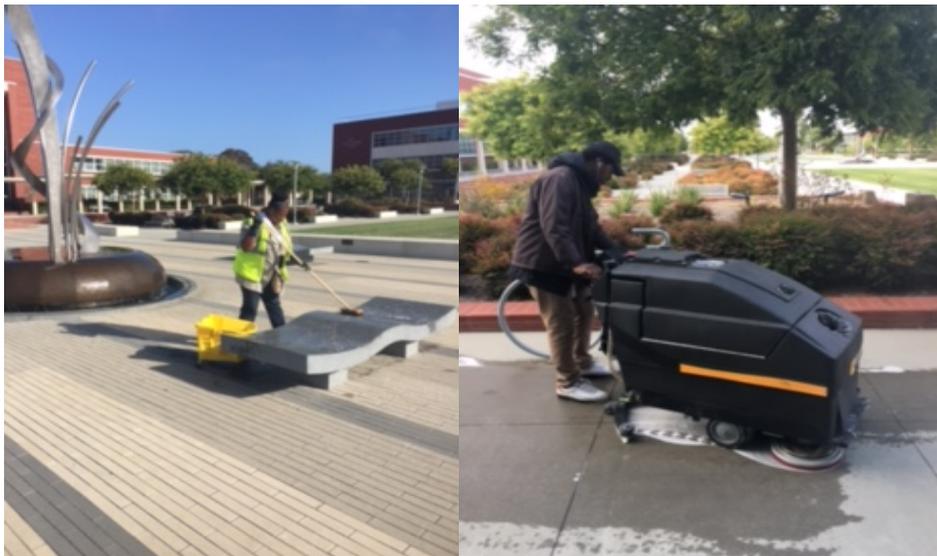
Electricians completed surveys and replacements of 35 street lights along Nevin Avenue, replaced nine traffic lights, repaired three damaged traffic poles, repaired traffic signals on Richmond Parkway and on Valley View Drive, removed receptacles at Civic Center Plaza, ran electrical to emergency generators at 440 Civic Center Plaza, replaced missing lenses in the Auditorium, repaired lighting at Fire Stations #62 and #64, completed testing of the fire alarm at the Auditorium, and fixed the alarm at the Parchester Community Center.



Lighting Replacement on Nevin Avenue

Stationary Engineers installed rebuilt pumps in the Marina Bay Park restrooms, fixed the apparatus exhaust system at Fire Station #68, cleared the sewer line at the RichmondBuild facility, repaired and re-keyed various locks around the City, and fixed the door mechanism at the Police Department.

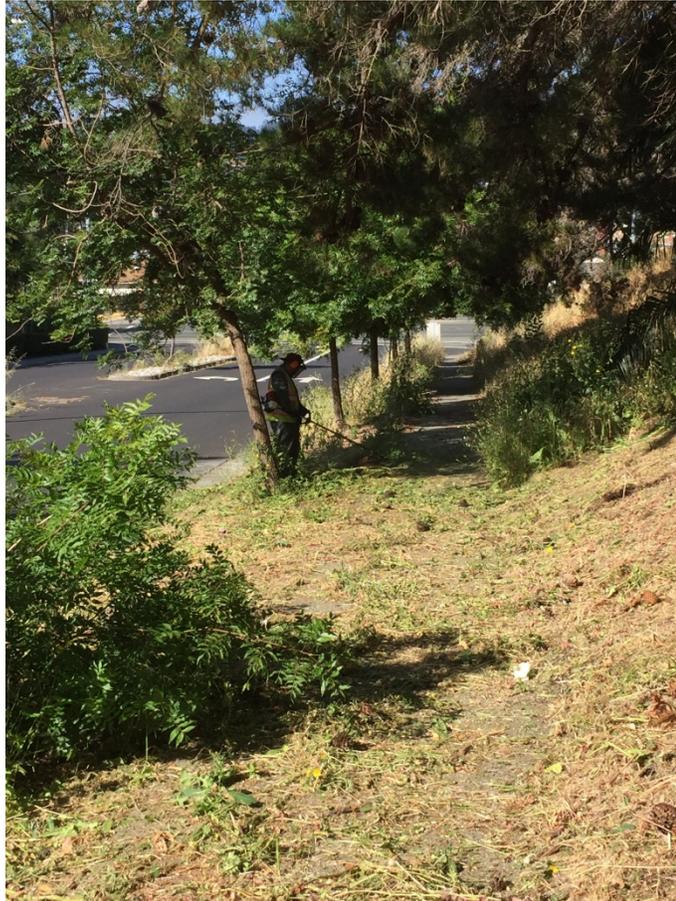
Utility Workers set up for various events, cleaned the carpets at the Main Library and Recreation Complex, removed eWaste from the Main Library, performed a daily cleaning schedule of the Civic Center Plaza and surrounding lots, and maintained 29 City owned facilities.



Cleaning at Civic Center Plaza

Parks and Landscaping Division

General maintenance weed whipped the medians and right of ways on May Road, repaired irrigation at the Main Library, Solano Playlot, and Nicholl Park, picked up trash on the Greenway, whipped weeds on the Valley View Road right of ways, and removed graffiti at the Humphrey Playlot.



Maintenance on Valley View Road

Tree crews cut or trimmed trees on 13th Street, Pennsylvania Avenue, Amador Avenue, Hayes Street, and Fran Way. Trees were also cut at the Booker T. Anderson Community Center near the creek.

Hilltop District crews continued maintenance around Hilltop Mall business area, completed irrigation and turf repairs at Bay Vista Park, continued with the Richmond Country Club Vista landscaping project, and continuing with weed abatement along Hilltop area.



Weed Abatement on Richmond Parkway

Marina District crews conducted weed abatement and trimming on the Shoreline Trail, removed graffiti throughout and power washed picnic tables and trash receptacles.



Maintenance on the Shoreline Trail

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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