

City of Richmond - RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza

MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018, 6:00 PM

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Meeting called to order by Chair Hurlbut at 6:00 p.m.
- B. ROLL CALL**
PRESENT: Maryn Hurlbut, Pardip Saini, Joey Smith, Sohelia Bana
ABSENT: Payal Patel, Eleanor Thompson
- C. AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION**
1. Agenda adopted as is.
- D. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS THROUGH THE CHAIR**
- Outstanding Items
 1. Round Table Work session will be held November 13, 2018.
 2. Recreation and Parks Commission is looking for dedicated commissioners. Applications can be found on the City of Richmond website.
 3. Current trust balance is \$512.62
 - Membership Changes
None
- E. OPEN FORUM**
- Cordell Hindler, Richmond Resident – Distributed flier for the play “*Rip Cord*”; provided suggestions for future Commission meetings
 - Garry Hurlbut, Richmond Resident and President of the Richmond Tennis Association – Announced the Richmond Community Fund and DCIA are providing funding for Richmond youth; discussing issues at Judge Carroll park with Greg Hardesty
 - Kate Spaulding, Richmond Resident and President of Magick Lantern – discussed issues at the Pt. Richmond Community Center
- F. CONSENT CALENDAR**
- none
- G. STAFF REPORTS**
- Parks and Landscaping Division – oral report provided by Superintendent Greg Hardesty
 1. Martin Luther King Wellness Fitness Zone is still on track and installation will start in January 2, 2019.
 2. Bathroom at John F. Kennedy Park will be torn down and a new one reconstructed.
 3. Bathroom at Lucas Park will be upgraded and should be starting at the end of this month.
 4. North tennis court is being resurfaced.
 5. Drinking fountain at Veteran’s Park has been installed.
 6. New drinking fountain will be installed by the North Tennis court and will hopefully be completed by the December meeting.
 - Community Services Department – oral report provided by Director Rochelle Monk
 1. Basketball court resurfacing and painting at Shields-Reid community Center is complete; there will be a celebration on November 18, 2018 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 2. 66th annual Snow Ball will take place at the Richmond Auditorium on December 8, 2018. Looking for volunteers for the event.

3. Love Your Block and Service Works received a \$3000 mini grant to do an extension of the mural at Parchester Community Center.

H. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSIONS, & ACTION ITEMS

- 1 Disaster Preparedness and Evacuation Plan for Richmond and the use of Community Centers and Parks – Adrian Shepherd, Fire Chief, and Genevieve Pastor-Cohen, Emergency Services Manager – Presented information on disaster preparedness and evacuation plans for the city of Richmond.
- 2 Update on city of Richmond’s Urban Forestry Program – Greg Hardesty, Park Superintendent, and Lorenzo Plazola, Groundwork Richmond – Gave presentation on the Forestry Program and Groundwork Richmond

I. COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

- Commissioner Bana – Public Art project on Chevron wall needs electricity, looking into whom to contact for help in making electricity accessible; attended meetings to encourage people to have classes for bike paths along San Pablo Dam Road.
- Commissioner Saini – (inaudible recording)
- Commissioner Smith – Next Homeless Task Force meeting is November 6th at 1:30 in Richmond Room at the Auditorium; planning another visit meeting to the Mills Street Shelter, see Commissioner Smith for more information; asked to close the meeting with a moment of silence in honor of Duane Chapman.
- Chair Hurlbut – Fall clean-up is complete; new bocce ball league being formed, anyone interested should contact Chair Hurlbut; thanked everyone for voting; made a plea for more volunteers for the commission; the neighborhood council in Pt. Richmond are looking to get approve parking along Garrard from Cutting to Richmond Parkway.

A. ACTION ITEMS RECAP

- Finding more commissioners
- Go to neighborhood councils with information learned in this meeting

B. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM RECOMMENDATIONS

- Youth commissioners program
- Looking for new City council liaison
- Regular testing of drinking water in the park fountains
- Marketing city facilities study session

C. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

D. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Commission Meeting – Wednesday, December 3, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Community Services Building, Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Delana Elarms-Andrews – Office Clerk
Abridged by: Ms. Johann Frazier