



**CITY OF RICHMOND**  
**Recreation & Parks Commission Meeting**  
**AGENDA**

**Wednesday, November 3, 2021 6:00 PM**

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**Board Members:** Joey Smith, Chair, Brendan Havenar-Daughton, Vice Chair, Allison Blakeley, Secretary, Vacant, Treasurer  
**Commissioners:** Maryn Hurlbut, Soheila Bana, Pardip Saini, Eleanor Thompson, Catalin Kaser

1. **Call to Order** (2 min)

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Genuine acknowledgement of the value of a land acknowledgement
  - The opportunity and risk of this moment in our agenda, and how to embrace it wisely
  - The simple acknowledgement that we stand, sit, live and exist on land that was previously and currently occupied and cared for by First Peoples prior to the establishment of the United States, California statehood and the founding of the City of Richmond
  - Embracing the truth and leaning into our discomfort
  - Relentlessly identifying and pursuing opportunities for genuine engagement with local indigenous communities to understand indigenous struggles, needs and goals with a specific focus on exploring pathways to return indigenous lands to indigenous hands

2. **Roll Call** (1 min)

3. **Welcome and Meeting Procedures** (1 min)

*Individuals who would like to address the Recreation and Parks Commission on relevant matters not listed on the agenda or on Department Reports for Information items not pulled for discussion, may do so under **Open Forum**.*

*Public comment may be made on agenda items when the item is discussed. The standard amount of time for each speaker, in either instance, will be two (2) minutes.*

4. **Agenda Review** (1 min)

*The order in which items will be heard may be adjusted by Commissioner vote at this time. In addition, items may be removed from or placed on the Consent Calendar at this time. Individual items may be removed from Department Reports for Information for discussion, explanation, or continuance to a future meeting. In addition, the order in which items will be heard may be adjusted at this time.*

5. **Open Forum** (10 min.; 2 min per speaker)

*Issues brought to the attention of the commission in **Open Forum** cannot result in discussion or action at this meeting. Individuals who would like to address the Recreation and Parks Commission on relevant matters **not** listed on the agenda or on Department Reports for Information items **not** pulled for discussion, may do so at this time.*

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6. **Announcements through the Chair** (5 min.)

7. **Consent Calendar** (2 min)

*Items on the Consent Calendar are considered matters requiring little or no discussion and will be acted upon in one motion.*

APPROVE minutes of the October 6, 2021 meeting.

8. **Department Reports For Information** (10 min) – this was requested by staff to move to an earlier time  
*Unless items were pulled for discussion during Agenda Review, all reports are considered received and accepted by the commission requiring no further action.*

- a. Public Works: Facilities and Parks & Landscaping Divisions
- b. Community Services Division: CSD, Pools, Neighborhood & Volunteer Services.

9. **Ad Hoc Committee Reports** (20 min)

- a. Urban Green Canopy Committee (Brendan/Catalin/Maryn)
- b. Willie May's Day (Maryn/Eleanor/Joey)
- c. Willie Mays Field Committee (Maryn/Eleanor/Joey)
- d. Associate Commissioner Committee (Maryn/Allison/Joey)

10. **Presentations**

None

11. **Discussions and Action Items**

*Following discussion of each item, the commission may vote to make recommendations to Commissioners, staff and/or to the City Council.*

- a. **APPROVE** the Juneteenth Freedom Mural Project at the South 37<sup>th</sup> Underpass and **APPROVE** a request to rename the South 37<sup>th</sup> Underpass to “Juneteenth Freedom Underpass” – Stephanie Ny
- b. **RECEIVE** an update regarding the City’s Parks Master Plan - Staff
- c. **RECEIVE** an update on the **Statement of Policy and Guidelines for Naming or Re-naming of Parks, Facilities and Streets** – Ranjana Maharaj
- d. **CREATE** a Kiosk concept paper for a “Walk of Honor” to be installed as part of the Yellow Brick Road project – Requestors – Charles Cavenes and Toody Maher
- e. **UPDATE** on Park Signage to include the following information – Greg Hardesty
  - i. Ordinance regarding dog leash and waste pick up by park users
  - ii. Posting multilingual signage (English/Spanish)
  - iii. Signage regarding Illegal dumping
  - iv. Signage with QR Codes
- f. **COORDINATE** open conversation on how the city can support the native stewardship of Ookwe Park:
  - i. Recreation and Parks Commission
  - ii. Sogorea Te' Land Trust
  - iii. Arts and Culture Commission
  - iv. Planning Commission
- g. **UPDATE** on Commissioners term appointments – Ranjana Maharaj

12. **Commissioner Liaison Reports** (18 minutes, 2 min. per member)

*At 8:00 PM, any items remaining on the agenda that require immediate attention may be moved to this time. All other items will be tabled to another meeting or the following commission meeting in order to make fair and attentive decisions. This meeting adjourns at 8:30 PM. The meeting may be extended by a majority vote of the commissioners.*

13. **Commissioner Comments** (9 min.;1 min. per person)

14. **Agenda Setting for Next Meeting and Future Topics** (3 min.)

15. **Adjournment** (1 min.)

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom

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the allotted time, you will then be re-muted. Instructions of how to raise your hand by phone are available at: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362663> -Joining-a-meeting-by-phone. \*\*

## MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Commission Meeting: **First Wednesday of the month; Second Wednesday for the July and January meetings**

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1. Via email to [rec.parkscommission@gmail.com](mailto:rec.parkscommission@gmail.com) and state "Rec.& Parks Commission Speaker." Your email must contain in the subject line **public comments – Item #**. All comments must be submitted on or before 12 pm of meeting date and must include the following:

- a) Your Name
- b) Your Phone Number
- c) The item for which you wish to make a Public Comment.

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**Record of all public comments:** All public comments will be considered a public record, put into the official meeting record, and considered before Commission action. All public comments will be available after the meeting as supplemental materials and will be posted as an attachment to the meeting minutes when the minutes are posted.

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**Effect of Advisory on In-person public participation:** During the pendency of the Executive Order N-29-20, the language in this Advisory portion of the agenda supersedes any language below in the meeting procedures contemplating in-person public comment.