

## **Mayor and Councilmembers:**

This is the weekly report for the week ending July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

### 1. **Meeting Notes**

The next meeting of the City Council is Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> beginning with a Closed Session at 5:00 PM, and with the regular agenda starting at 6:30 PM. This is the final meeting before the Council's traditional August hiatus. The first City Council meeting in September is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Please enjoy the summer.

### 2. **Richmond Bay Campus Community Workshop**

This past, Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) and UC Berkeley hosted a workshop in the Richmond Auditorium to provide a presentation and receive community input on the site vision for the proposed Richmond Bay Campus (LBNL Second Campus). Community members were invited to visit tables on topics including connectivity/ transportation, education and community wellness, jobs and business opportunities, Berkeley Lab research at Richmond Bay Campus, planning and community input, remediation and restoration, site character, and sustainability. Presentations were provided by Jeff Miller, Head of Public Affairs, LBNL; Horst Simon, Deputy Director, LBNL; Graham Fleming, Vice Chancellor for Research, UC Berkeley; Linda Morris Williams, Associate Chancellor, UC Berkeley; and Scott Shell, Principal, EHDD Architects.

Please save the date for another Richmond Bay Campus Community Meeting on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012, in Richmond addressing the topic of what type of research will be conducted at the proposed Richmond Bay Campus.

You can view [meeting photos](#), and [photos](#) from the photo booth using these links. For questions, or to provide additional comments, email [rbc@lbl.gov](mailto:rbc@lbl.gov) or contact Armando Viramontes, community relations, LBNL at [aviramontes@lbl.gov](mailto:aviramontes@lbl.gov), (510) 486-6536; Julie Sinai, community relations, UC Berkeley, at [jsinai@berkeley.edu](mailto:jsinai@berkeley.edu), (510) 643-5296, or the Richmond City Manager's Office at (510) 620-6512.

### 3. **Richmond Health Equity Partnership (RHEP)**

This past Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, the City of Richmond hosted the fifth convening of the Richmond Health Equity Partnership (RHEP) at City Hall. The RHEP consists of representatives of the City of Richmond, Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS), West Contra Costa Unified School District (WCCUSD), and University of California, Berkeley Associate Professor Jason Corburn. The RHEP will build new working partnerships between local government institutions to

advance health equity for children and families in Richmond. The RHEP also supports the long-term goals of the community-led [Healthy Richmond](#) Initiative.

At the meeting, RHEP partners discussed the need to identify actionable and relevant indicators in order to both track and improve the health of Richmond residents. The Health Equity Data, Training, and Report Card subcommittee presented a draft list of traditional health indicators. The Health in All Policies (HiAP) subcommittee reported on the development of a HiAP strategy document that will help guide City policies. City staff and graduate students reported on how data currently being collected can be used to understand and improve health in Richmond. This two-year effort is supported by The California Endowment. For more information on the RHEP, visit the Health Initiatives webpage at [www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org).



#### 4. **Fire Department Athletic Endeavors**

July has been a busy month for a number of Richmond firefighters who successfully competed in a variety of athletic events. On July 7<sup>th</sup>, Captain Rick Abercrombie and Engineer Marc Lucero competed in a seven day multistage mountain bike race called the BC Bike Race on the Sunshine Coast of British Columbia, Canada. This race had riders traversing through 333 miles of very rugged mountainous terrain. Racers came from all over the world and the level of experience ranged from local amateur riders to professional. Riding was only done during daylight hours and both Rick and Marc completed the race in slightly over 37 hours; good enough for an 88<sup>th</sup> place finish in the Epic Men's solo version of the race.



The California Firefighter Olympics were held July 16<sup>th</sup> – July 20<sup>th</sup> in San Jose. Firefighters throughout the state, representing their respective agencies, come together and compete in a variety of sports. The Richmond Fire Department had a basketball team and a softball team competing. The basketball team was comprised of six Richmond Fire Department members - Marcus Rayon, Merlin Turner, Rico Rincon, Anthony Woodards, Jeremy Booth and Eric Mendoza-Govan. Four other firefighters from other departments played on the team as well and assisted them in winning a third consecutive gold medal. The basketball team has won the gold medal five out of the last six years.

Members of the softball team were Oscar Jones, Victor Bontempo, Robert Giaramita, Shawn McCombe, Kevin Carr, Jason Collins, Dell Desamparo, Chris Riccardi and retired Fire Captain Jim Russey who served as the team's coach. The team lost a game early in the tournament and had to fight their way through the losers' bracket to eventually win a bronze medal.

Since Richmond doesn't have its own ice hockey team, Engineer Scott Duncan played with the Contra Costa County Fire team in the Firefighter Olympics. Also in June, Scott played ice hockey with a combination police/fire team in the U.S. Police- Fire Games. Ice hockey in the summer – go figure.

## 5. **Recreation Highlights**

### Weigh of Life

Shields-Reid Community Center will be hosting Weigh of Life classes on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Classes are \$15 per month and will be offered from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 6:00 PM -7:00 PM in the multipurpose room beginning Monday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. Interested participants, ages 18 & over, can call the Community Center at 510-620-6822 for further information.

### FREE Family Movies

On Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, the Recreation Department held its annual summer movie night. More than 60 families viewed *Red Tails* and *The Three Stooges*. The second summer movie night will be held next month on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, featuring another double feature of *Cars 2* and *We Bought a Zoo*.

## 6. **Public Works Updates**

**Facilities Maintenance Division:** Carpenters repaired the cabinets and installed blinds at the May Valley Community Center, repaired the broken window at the Point Richmond Library, replaced the broken door glass at Parchester Community Center, and installed a dorm divider in Fire Station #68 for provisional fire fighters.

Painters completed some interior painting at Fire Station #61 and the exterior of the main entrance to the Main Library.

Stationary Engineers repaired the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) at 450 Civic Center Plaza, installed the roof hatch at the Memorial Auditorium, installed a water fountain at Fire Station #66, and repaired the supply fan at the Richmond Swim Center.

**Parks and Landscaping Division:** Parks crews completed landscape clean up at John F. Kennedy and Monterey Parks, continuing with the tennis court renovations at the Plunge, continued landscape renovation project on Barrett Avenue and Marina Way, vegetation clean up at South 51<sup>st</sup> Street on the Bay Trail Spur, landscape maintenance in the Hilltop Business District, and flail mowing near Hilltop Lake.



Solano Play Lot Sod Installation

Tree Crew trimmed and pruned trees along 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Willard Avenue, 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, May Road at Valley View Road, and at Burg Park. In front of Peres Elementary School and along Pennsylvania Avenue were trimmed in preparation for paving.

Streets Division: Pavement Maintenance paved on Pennsylvania Avenue from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Streets and Turpin Court to the end of the cul-de-sac.



Pennsylvania Avenue Grinding

The Signs and Lines crew hung the banner for the Iron Triangle Community event to be held in the Nevin Park on Saturday, July 28, 2012.



Iron Triangle Community Event Banner Being Hung

Regularly scheduled commercial and residential street sweeping routes for the fourth Monday through Friday are Sante Fe, Coronado, Marina Bay, Metro Richmore Village, Pullman, Cortez/Stege, Park Plaza, Laurel Park, City Center, Richmond Annex, Parkview, Panhandle Annex, Eastshore and Point Richmond Neighborhood Council areas.

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*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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