

## **Mayor and Councilmembers:**

This is the weekly report for the week ending November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

### **1. Meeting Notes**

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, beginning with a Closed Session at 5:00 PM, followed by the regular agenda at 6:30 PM.

For planning purposes, please be advised that scheduled City Council meetings during the remainder of the year following next week's meeting are (all Tuesdays): November 20<sup>th</sup>, November 27<sup>th</sup>, December 4<sup>th</sup>, and December 18<sup>th</sup>. The first meeting following the New Year will be the swearing in ceremony on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **2. Healthy Richmond Logo Contest - \$500 Prize**

Healthy Richmond is a 10-year partnership funded by The California Endowment to create meaningful and lasting improvements in the health of children and youth in Richmond. Healthy Richmond is holding a contest for Richmond residents to create its new logo. The winner receives \$500 and a meeting with a graphic design professional to perfect the logo. The contest deadline is November 30<sup>th</sup>. View the [contest flier](#) and find out more about [Healthy Richmond](#).

### **3. 2012 Richmond Inner Harbor Emergency Operations Center Exercise**

On Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, the City of Richmond hosted the Richmond Inner Harbor Regional Exercise in our Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at City Hall. These types of exercises have been done recently on an annual basis to prepare for a coordinated disaster response to a potential marine emergency by the various responsible agencies. The focus of the exercise is to effect interaction between industry and government in accordance with the National Contingency Plan, Area Contingency Plan, and Facility Response Plans while responding to a simulated gasoline spill in the bay.

Over twenty agencies and approximately 150 people participated in the exercise, including BP Richmond Terminal, Kinder Morgan, IMTT, California Oils, Marine Spill Response Corporation, National Response Corporation Environmental Services, the U.S. Coast Guard, California Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR), California Department of Fish and Wildlife Management, Richmond Fire, Richmond Office of Emergency Services (OES), Richmond Police, and Richmond Port staff.

This year the drill was slightly different in that the exercise simulated participants as they were taking over day two of an incident response, rather than being the initial responders. Everyone was provided an opportunity to improve their incident command skills, identify lessons learned, and share best practices within a

coordinated command framework. This was the third year our City's EOC facilities were used for this drill.

Richmond OES Manager Kathy Gerk deserves credit for working closely with Blue Water & Associates, Inc. on the planning and coordination of a very successful exercise.

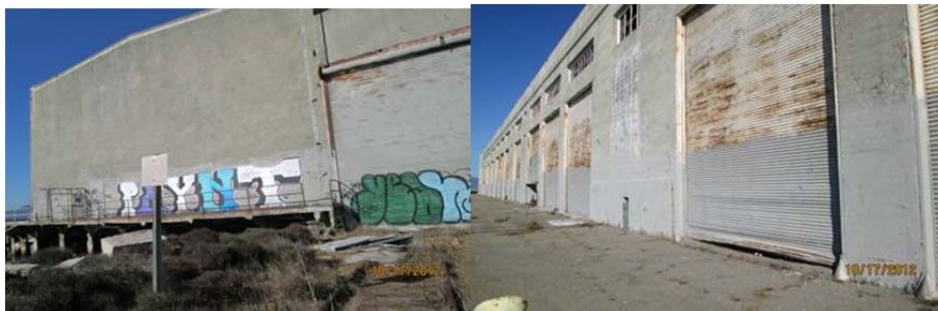
#### 4. **Code Enforcement Updates**

Last month the Code Enforcement Abatement Crew conducted a major clean-up of Terminal One, a City-owned waterfront property. Due to the remote location, Terminal One has been plagued by constant vandalism. To curtail this activity, the Abatement Crew (consisting of twelve staff members) spent 25 hours removing overgrown vegetation, used 40 gallons of paint to remove graffiti, boarded up openings to secure the commercial structure, repaired damaged fencing, and removed debris from the property. This was a major project and the Code Enforcement Abatement crew should be commended for their hard and efficient work. Code Enforcement staff will continue to monitor and maintain the property until it can be demolished or rehabilitated.



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#### 5. **Health in All Policies Community Workshop**

Health in All Policies (HiAP) recognizes that the causes of health disparities, and the resulting health inequities, are the consequence of a variety of social factors

that impact individuals and communities "upstream," beyond the scope of traditional health services. This concept acknowledges that all city departments impact health, even those that we do not traditionally consider as conducting health-related work. The City Richmond's Health in All Policies Strategy is a collaborative approach with the goal of improving health equity by addressing the social determinants of health and integrating health into the decision making processes across all departments of the City.

Those interested in this Health in All Policies effort can learn more about this strategy and provide feedback at a community workshop on November 29<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM in the City Council Chambers. Find out more about Health in All Policies at [www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org). Please RSVP at [www.healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com](http://www.healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com) so that we can plan the logistics accordingly. A successful information meeting on this topic was held this past Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.



**Richmond Health Initiatives**



launches **Health in All Policies**

Come get involved!

Info Meeting: Nov. 8, 2012, 6-7:30pm  
Working Meeting: Nov. 29, 2012, 6-7:30pm  
City Council Chambers  
440 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond  
Light refreshments from 5:30-6:00pm



Please RSVP: <http://healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com/>

For more information about Richmond's Health in All Policies and other Health Initiatives please visit:  
[www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org) or call (510) 620-6606

**Iniciativas de Salud de Richmond**



lanza **Salud en todas sus Medidas**  
Venga y involúcrese!

Info de la Junta: 8 de Nov., 2012, 6-7:30pm  
 Trabajo de la Junta: 29 de Nov., 2012, 6-7:30pm  
 City Council Chambers  
 440 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond  
 Comida ligera a partir de 5:30-6:00pm



Por Favor de Registrarse: <http://thealthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com/>  
 Para obtener mas información acerca de Salud de Richmond en Todas sus Medidas y otras iniciativas de Salud,  
 por favor visite: [www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org) o llame al (510) 620-6606

6. **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) United Heckathorn Technical Assistance Meeting**

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, the EPA is hosting a meeting at which those interested can hear about and discuss the results from the recently completed [Technical Needs Assessment \(TANA\)](#) for the United Heckathorn Superfund Site. (Please find meeting fliers in [English](#), [Spanish](#), and [Laotian](#).) At the meeting, the EPA will give a brief update on the clean-up schedule and an overview of the TANA process and findings. We are encouraging those interested to attend the meeting, get involved in helping implement actions identified in the report, and [find out more](#) about the United Heckathorn Superfund site.





## EPA Invites the Community to a United Heckathorn Technical Assistance Meeting

Come hear about and discuss the results from the Technical Assistance Needs Assessment (TANA) completed in October 2012 for the United Heckathorn Superfund Site located in Richmond, CA. This is a follow-up to the technical assistance workshop that EPA held on July 9, 2012. The purpose of the initial workshop and the subsequent community interviews was to gather information to better understand the technical assistance needs of Richmond communities, and to help them become more involved with the cleanup process.

### At this meeting, we will:

- » Give a brief update on the site cleanup schedule
- » Give an overview of the TANA process and findings
- » Discuss the next steps for implementing the recommendations from the report



**US EPA**  
**United Heckathorn**  
**Technical Assistance**  
**Follow-up Meeting**

**Monday, December 3, 2012**  
Time: 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m.  
at the  
RichmondBUILD III Facility  
500 23rd Street  
Richmond, CA

If you have any questions about the workshop, please call Jackie Lane, Community Involvement Coordinator at (415) 972-3236 or email her at [lane.jackie@epa.gov](mailto:lane.jackie@epa.gov)

For more information on EPA's Technical Assistance resources, go to this website:  
<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/community/resources.htm>

For more information on the Site cleanup, contact Rachelle Thompson, Remedial Project Manager at (415) 972-3962, or email her at [thompson.rachelle@epa.gov](mailto:thompson.rachelle@epa.gov).

To read the TANA or for more Site information, go to the EPA website:  
[www.epa.gov/region09/UnitedHeckathorn](http://www.epa.gov/region09/UnitedHeckathorn)

## 7. Recreation Highlights

### Disabled Peoples Recreation Center (DPRC) Holiday Craft Fair

The Disabled Peoples Recreation Center first annual Holiday Craft Fair was held on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Six vendors provided crafts including crochet scarves and doll clothes, beautiful pottery, watercolor and photography cards, framed art, garden stepping stones, crystal sun catchers, and handmade jewelry. Sales were good and those who stopped by were glad to participate. The vendors were encouraged and will support having another event in the spring and will be back next November for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Holiday Craft Fair.

### Parchester Halloween

The Parchester Community Center hosted a Halloween Party sponsored by the Parchester Neighborhood Council. Elementary aged participants were treated to

homemade cookies made at the community center. The children played games and each received a Trick-or-Treat goodie bag donated by the Parchester Neighborhood Council. A great time was had by all.

### Senior Birthdays

Emeritus at Creekside Lodge donated a cake to the Richmond Senior Center for the November monthly birthday party. Seniors with November birthdays were brought to the front table during lunch time for acknowledgment and, after a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday, the cake was cut and distributed to all. A big thank you to Neal Torres, Emeritus at Creekside Lodge, as well as Senior Center staff for making this such a special occasion for our seniors.



### Annex Zumba

The Richmond Annex Senior Center LOVE their Zumba Instructor Oscar Solano! As a surprise, the group presented Oscar with a healthy Carrot Cake and a birthday card in celebration of his birthday. Oscar teaches 1 day a week at the Annex Senior Center and 2 days week at the Senior Center on Macdonald Ave.



## 8. Public Works Updates

Facilities Maintenance Division: Electricians repaired lights at the Starlight building, installed a new alarm in the Kelsey Street YMCA Daycare building, relamped Atlas Road and Blume Drive, replaced the green light located at Macdonald Avenue and 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, and completed work to return power to the street lights on Meade Street.



Replacing Green Light on Macdonald Avenue and 23<sup>rd</sup> Street

Parks and Landscaping Division: The Crew performed weed abatement along the Richmond Parkway on the Bay Trail segment from Parr Boulevard to Goodrick

Avenue and along the median on San Pablo Avenue to Lakeside Drive. The Crew also performed irrigation installation on Klose Way, irrigation repairs on Hilltop Drive and Robert Miller Drive, landscape maintenance at the Richmond Senior Center and landscape maintenance at six parks, Mira Vista, Boorman, Tiller, Wendell, Nicholl, and Burg.

The Tree Crew trimmed and pruned trees on Potrero Avenue, Maine Avenue, Carlson Boulevard, 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln Avenue, and Rheem Avenue.

Streets Division: Pavement Maintenance Crews grinded and paved Cabrillo Norte and Torrey Pine Court.

Please note that Street Sweeping will continue on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> during the Veteran's Day Holiday in the May Valley, Vista View, and Clinton Hill Neighborhood Council areas.

Street Sweeping continued with the commercial and residential routes for the first Monday through Wednesday and the second Thursday and Friday of the month in the Parchester Village, Hilltop Bayview, Hilltop Green, Fairmede/Hilltop, Hilltop Village, Carriage Hills North Side, El Sobrante Hills, Greenbriar, Hansford Heights, Via Verde, San Pablo Dam Road, Bristole Cone, Clinton Hill IV, and East Richmond Neighborhood Council areas.

Signs and Lines Crews installed buttons and pavement markings on two streets, repainted red curbs, straightened five sign poles, removed a broken pole on San Pablo Avenue and Panama Avenue, and continued with sign fabrication.

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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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[www.ci.richmond.ca.us/list.aspx](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/list.aspx)