

NORTH RICHMOND MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

515 Silver Avenue – North Richmond, CA 94801

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. Board members present were:

Aaron Morgan, Dr. Henry Clark, Beverly Scott, Andrea Bailey and Annie King-Meredith.

*Beverly Scott arrived at 5:21 p.m. and Aaron Morgan leaves at 5:24 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENCA/MINUTES

The agenda and minutes were reviewed by the board members. Both items were approved, four to zero.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Belinda Thomas from REACH Fellowship International, will be hosting a painting party this Saturday at the Las Deltas Housing Projects, 1649 First Street, Richmond CA.

Pam Saucer-Bilbo/director of Men and Women of Valor: Job Fair, 1350 Kelsey Street, Richmond, CA 94801. October 20, 2017, 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 p.m. Employers include: Contra Costa County, Chevron – Modernization Project, City of Richmond, Express Employment, Restaurant Depo, Blue Apron, American Auto Works, LLC, Costco, and many others. Men and Women of Valor offers low impact exercises. Come out and join them for some fun and a new healthy start to improve your health, mind and body. Tuesday and Thursday morning, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – 1350 Kelsey Street, Richmond, CA 94801.

Leslie Zecena, Northern California Breathmobile – Asthma Program: Leslie reports that the program has been very busy and doing great work in the community at Verde School. The program will have staff present and a display booth at the North Richmond Shoreline Festival.

Stephine Ny, Love Your Block: announces that there will be a beautification of Rancho Market, located at 5th Street & Market, on 10/28, led by John Gioia's office, Love Your Block and NHNR and CHDC.

PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

Andrea Bailey and Ben Priddy/Chevron: Information was presented on What's in Your Air?

The Richmond Community Air Monitoring Program in collaboration between Chevron, the City of Richmond and Argos Scientific, an independent expert – provides real time data 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Data is collected from three stations along the Richmond Refinery fence line and three neighborhood stations – North Richmond, Atchison Village and Point Richmond. State of the art stations measure air quality in Richmond. Air quality readings are recorded and analyzed 24 hours a day. Data is available at fenceline.org/Richmond for anyone

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY REPORTS

Officer Moczulski/RPD: Office Moczulski reports for the month of September 2017.

Last month was a busy month; one hundred and ninety eight calls for service were reported. There were four shootings in the neighborhood. Some arrest were made, six stolen and six recovered vehicles, and one burglary. This year (one hundred and twenty vehicles) have been stolen or recovered in North Richmond.

PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS

Alison McKee, director and Melinda Cervantes/CCC Public Library: Alison presents on the reading room slated for Shield's & Reid Community Center, summer reading program. In 2013 library staff came to the community and sought feedback about what kind of library services they would like to see in the North Richmond community.

Discussion was held with Supervisor Gioia about creating a reading room. Alison and staff began working with Supervisor Gioia's office on the project. Immediately they were able to get the bookmobile back out into the community during the summer.

They have coordinated with the City of Richmond and were able to present summer reading programs. Several community meetings have been attended, in order to develop partnerships. The library has received a grant of \$66,000 from Sunshine Giving for this literacy center/reading room for 0-5 year old children. The program will have an ample amount of books, computer stations for children and parents. Scheduled opening /Spring of 2018. Shield's & Reid and the City of Richmond contributing space and staff. The county will add books and supplies to space.

The composition of the program will include a book rich environment, colorful bulletin boards, literacy educational hands on toys, and practice of perfecting writing skills.

The community is grateful and proud of the persistency of Alison and the CCC Library staff and Sup. Gioia, for developing this project, that is so essential to the children of this community.

PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS CONTINUED

Todd Berryhill and Eric Zell on the Galaxy Desserts site: The 10-acre+parcel on Parr & Parkway is no longer under development by Galaxy Desserts. The site has been acquired by Scannell Developers. A distribution company/warehousing is being planned for the property. They want NRMAC's input, as the project has not been submitted to the county yet.

They know that it's important to keep the trucks out of the community. Supervisor Gioia says must keep trucks out and reduce emissions. Must have trucks use electric power when possible and air quality maintained. Local hiring and commitment to employment for NR residents.

Berryhill says storm water conveyance is its biggest challenge. The buildings will house manufacturing or warehousing, will have many employees. Solar panels on the roofs is a priority, which Gioia pushed. The project is in the initial stages. Application to the county and hope to get permits sometime next year for construction.

Beverley Scott says to please ask for re-entry population hires in North Richmond.

Don Gieseke on More Than A Game's plans for Lucky A's Park: Don presents that they are here to help existing sports programs and work to improve fields and facilities. Work at Shields & Reid for baseball camps every Friday. A video was presented featuring the work that the program has performed in various parts of the world. Their objective is to focus on unity. The next scheduled project is the work and improvement of the NR/Lucky A's Baseball Field.

Janie Holland/CHDC: Janie announces that CHDC will be managing the Multicultural Senior Citizen's Center as of Monday.

CHDC Application to modify storm water conveyance. Annie King motions, Dr. Clark supports, passes 4-0. The motion approves the modification of the project boundaries/exception to the collect and conveyance requirements which the NRMAC is assured by county staff will not negatively impact the community. The NRMAC further directs that County Public Works will work with the applicant to ensure safe runoff and support the project's development.

Pacific Wood Recycling/to establish wood recycling facility at 109 Brookside Drive: The facility is presently located on Goodwick Ave. They are seeking support to do business at a location, located near their present location.

Annie motions to support the Pacific Wood Recycling permit. Passes 4-0.

OTHER AGENCY/PROGRAM REPORTS

Robert Rogers, Deputy Director/Supervisor John Gioia's Office: Robert presents on legislative achievements, including Becton as DA and Immigrant Support Legislation.

The Willie Spears Clean-up Day was a great success. On Saturday, October 28th, a paint party will be hosted at Rancho Market. Volunteers will be painting the exterior of the store.

Tania Pulido, Community Coordinator/CHDC: Tania reports that she no longer works for NHNR. CHDC has taken over that position in the community. Recruiting will start up for the Twilight Basketball Program. Report on the Willie Spears Trash Day: each of the 24 to 30 trash dumpsters were filled and emptied. Tania would like to thank the volunteers and paid workers for doing such a great job, and she looks forward to next year's clean-up day.

Erika Ito and Stephane Ny/Love Your Block: Announcing at the end of August, mini grant applications were open. The criteria for the grants were focused on existing projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

North Richmond Shoreline Festival: Saturday, October 7, 2017, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Point Pinole Regional Shoreline Park. All free food & entertainment – bird watching with the Audubon Society, pony rides, live music, fishing, nature walks, children activities, free children books, kids' chu chu train, demonstrations, fun for the whole family. Learn about sea level rise, celebrate Bay Day.

For more information, contact Lana Martarella at (510) 219-1571.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 7, 2017

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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