



**ON POINT** *Nov / Dec 2017*



## ***Thank you!***

The fall is squarely upon us with the colors changing and the rains falling, it is the time of year we express thanks to you for your support of the Point Richmond Neighborhood Council and the work that we do together to support the Point Richmond community and beyond. Thank you to the Point Richmond Neighborhood Council Board for your many hours of passionate work you put into making Richmond a great place to live and work!

The Point Richmond History Association's kiosk is done! It is at the corner of Washington Ave and W. Richmond Ave. It is a truly lovely design. The kiosk was jointly funded by the Point Richmond History Association, Point Richmond Neighborhood Council and the Point Richmond Business Association. The Point Richmond Neighborhood Council's Board is working on the ultimate design, we currently have a temporary display up at this time. The Point Richmond History Association has done a great job of displaying some wonderful history. A special thanks to the PRHA, Bonnie Jo Cullison and everyone who helped make this project happen.

There will be a Turkey Trot immediately before the Turkey Shoot on Thanksgiving. To participate, meet up at the fountain in front of the plunge at 9am. Neighbors will run or walk through the tunnel, out to Ferry Point, around the park, and back to the plunge. It's exactly a 5k and can be completed in 20-50 minutes.

The annual Turkey Shoot (no turkeys will be harmed) is scheduled for 10:00am Thanksgiving morning, beginning at the Plunge and ending in the back-parking lot of Starbucks where the annual Thanksgiving Day poem and additional stanza will be read with an ensuing shot of Wild Turkey (hence the turkey shoot) or apple cider will be raised in thanks of all that we have been blessed with over the past year. Donations are kindly appreciated.

Here is the link to sign up to help for the feast preparations or helping to serve at the event on Thanksgiving <http://salutemarinabay.com/day-of-giving-thanks-sign-up>

The annual downtown tree lighting ceremony at the Indian Statue park will take place at dusk on Saturday November 25.

We will have one meeting for November and December due to the holidays. It will be held on Wednesday December 13 beginning at 7pm. We will have Chevron speaking on their Long Wharf Project, Officer Lande will present on cyber-bullying. The issue of cyber-bullying is a very real issue that hit home at our house recently, please come and learn what you can do to stay safe online.

The Land Use Design Review Committee will review two new restaurants within the Point Richmond Historic Business District located at 130 Railroad Nate Trivers of the Up and Under is the applicant.

See you all around the Point!

***David Schoenthal***

**David Schoenthal, President  
Point Richmond Neighborhood Council**

**PRNC MEMBERSHIP DUES**—are still one of the best deals in town! Dues are \$10/individual, \$15/household. Membership payments for 2017 are being accepted now! Pay with cash or check at the next meeting. If you want to vote at our General Membership meetings each month, be part of the solution become a member today



## AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council  
Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 7:00pm (Early start time)  
Point Richmond Community Center  
[PointRichmondNeighborhood@gmail.com](mailto:PointRichmondNeighborhood@gmail.com)

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7:00	<i>Call to order and approval of Minutes from the October 25, 2017 PRNC meeting</i>	2 minutes
7:02	<i>Police Report, Richmond Police Department</i>	5 minutes
7:07	<i>President's Report, David Schoenthal</i>	2 minutes
7:09	<i>Treasurer's Report, Buzz Bayliss</i>	2 minutes
7:11	<i>Report on Membership, June Hight</i>	2 minutes
7:13	<i>Chevron's Long Wharf Project Update</i>	20 minutes
7:33	<i>Community Briefs (2 minutes each)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>USS Red Oak Victory Ship, Graham Perrett, (510) 234-1045</i></li><li>• <i>Women's Westside Improvement Club, Linda Newton, (510) 235-0081</i></li><li>• <i>Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council – Margaret Jordan <a href="http://richmondneighbors.org/">http://richmondneighbors.org/</a></i></li><li>• <i>Point Richmond Business Association, David Schoenthal- <a href="http://www.pointrichmondbusiness.com">www.pointrichmondbusiness.com</a></i></li><li>• <i>Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey, (510) 232-2934</i></li><li>• <i>Richmond Smart Lighting Coalition (510) 697-2742, <a href="http://Richmond-Smart-Lighting.or">Richmond-Smart-Lighting.or</a></i></li></ul>	12 minutes
7:45	<i>Cyber-Bullying: How to Be Safe Online</i> <i>Officer Brian Lande – Richmond Police Department</i>	15 minutes
8:00	<i>Community Briefs (2 minutes each)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut, (510) 547-8111 <a href="http://www.rta-ca.org">www.rta-ca.org</a></i></li><li>• <i>TRAC, Richmond Bay Trail, Bruce Beyaert, <a href="http://www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail">www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail</a></i></li><li>• <i>Brickyard Cove Alliance for Responsible Development (BCARD), Gene Scott</i></li><li>• <i>Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan, (510) 234-5334</i></li><li>• <i>Masquers Playhouse, Kathe Kiehn, <a href="http://www.masquers.org">www.masquers.org</a></i></li><li>• <i>Plunge West Garden update, Maryn Hurlbut 510-596-8880, <a href="http://www.rta-ca.org/plungewest">www.rta-ca.org/plungewest</a>.</i></li><li>• <i>Magick Lantern, Kate Spaulding</i></li></ul>	14 minutes
8:14	<i>Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee Report on the West Contra</i> <i>Costa Unified School District's Budget, Presented by Chair Sallie DeWitt</i>	15 minutes
8:29	<i>Land Use/Design Review Committee</i> <i>- 130 Railroad – Two new restaurants – Applicant Nathan Trivers</i> <i>Items to be considered at the LUDRC meeting must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair, two weeks prior to the General Membership meeting. Contact Rod at <a href="mailto:rdsatre@live.com">rdsatre@live.com</a>. (510) 232-5059. <u>The LUDRC Committee meets monthly prior to the PRNC General Membership meeting at 6:00pm at the Point Richmond Community Center at 139 Washington Ave. Please plan to attend the LUDRC meeting at 6:00pm and General Membership meeting at 7:00pm if your project is being considered.</u></i>	15 minutes
8:44	<i>Public Forum: Please sign up. As many as 5 speakers (2 minutes each).</i> <i>Issues brought to the attention of the Council in the Public Forum cannot result in Council action at this meeting. Instead, submit issues to Dave Schoenthal at <a href="mailto:dbschoen@hotmail.com">dbschoen@hotmail.com</a> prior to the next PRNC Board Meeting.</i>	10 minutes
8:54	<i>In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn</i>	



**Point Richmond Neighborhood Council**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, October 25, 2017**  
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1. **Called to Order** at 7:03 pm. Minutes from the previous meeting on September 27, 2017 were approved with no amendments. Board Members present: Dave Schoenthal, Dave Bleckinger, June Hight, Garry Hurlbut, Charmain Tyler, Buzz Bayliss, and Hilary Brown.
2. **Police Report, Richmond PD:** No report from officer because there was a shooting just before the meeting started and he was called away. However, before he left he mentioned there were three auto burglaries and two petty thefts.
3. **President's report, Dave Schoenthal:** On Friday, November 3 Brezo at the Baltic is having a fundraiser for Mendocino County fires. 100% of profits from that evening will go to fire victims. Measure CC will be on the ballot next year for a \$12 per year parcel tax to replace a parcel tax that is expiring; supporters of the measure will come to Richmond to explain what was accomplished with money from the last parcel tax. On October 26th the PRBA luncheon will feature Betty Reid Soskin followed by lunch at Assemble; all are welcome. On October 29th from 1-4pm there is a Dia de Los Muertos celebration at the Richmond History Museum at 4th and Nevin. There will also be a cleanup of the park by the Museum. On October 31st there will be a Halloween parade from the Washington School through the Point business district starting around 10 or 10:30am. On November 14th the Richmond Chamber of Commerce will host Bill Lindsey who will talk about the 12 big things that happened in the city last year. Chamber of Commerce has named Up & Under as the Small Business of the year, in part because they served 15,000 meals to people in Sonoma and Napa and they always step up to give back to the community. PRNC now has a Facebook page! Please "like" and "follow" us on Facebook!
4. **Introduction to new board members:** For those who missed the last meeting, we extend a warm welcome to Dave Bleckinger our new first VP and Buzz Bayliss the new Treasurer! We are also looking for a new PRNC president; if you know anyone who is interested, please call Dave or send him an email!
5. **Treasurer's report, Buzz Bayliss:** Current balances are: Benevolent Fund, \$12,213.96; Wig Wag Fund, \$2,970.94; General Fund, \$2,947.61; total, \$18,132.52.
6. **Membership report, June Hight:** Our current membership is at 88 members. If you would like to renew or join our membership, please see June. Remember, you cannot vote on motions unless you are a member.
7. **Land Use / Design Review Committee:** There was no quorum at tonight's meeting, so the general meeting will act with no formal guidance from the LUDRC. Two projects were considered:
  - a. **The Artist's Lofts on Tewksbury:** This project includes four residential live-work units with two parking spots each. There is retail / office space on the bottom floor and living space on the top floors. The original plan presented about a year ago was more modern, but they were advised to come back with an aesthetic that is more suitable to the historic district. A motion was made to approve the project as presented; motion passed with unanimous approval by membership.
  - b. **128 E. Scenic Ave / 88 Buena Vista Ave:** This is a proposal for a new residential house with a separate in-law unit. The main house will be less than 2500 square feet and will be located on East Scenic, the second in-law unit will be 871 square feet and will be located at the bottom of the property on Buena Vista. The upper unit will have a two-car garage; lower unit will have a one car garage. There will be a BBQ area between the two houses and a walk way connecting the two structures. Community asked questions about parking and construction staging on East Scenic: Plan is to build driveway first creating space for parking and construction. A suggestion was made to make approval conditional on addressing parking during construction. A motion was made to approve the project as presented with the condition that temporary off-street parking is available for work vehicles; motion was passed with unanimous approval.
8. **Downtown Point Richmond Parking and Traffic Plans – Denee Evans and Patrick Pheelan:** The community considered a proposal to increase the amount of parking in the triangle area by making some

streets one way in order to accommodate parallel parking. This concept would have made the streets safer for bicyclists as well. One element that has to be considered is whether the one way streets can accommodate emergency vehicles including fire trucks. The downtown area has two story buildings and needs to be able to accommodate ladder trucks, meaning there needs to be 20 feet of available lane in the street (8.5 for truck plus 4 feet each side plus extra for pedestrians and firefighters). The downtown streets are only 32 feet wide, so the existing width of street cannot accommodate parallel parking. If the community wants to continue to pursue parallel parking (which would improve walkability and bicycle access) then we would lose about 20 parking spots compared to the current parallel parking design. Suggestion was made to widen Railroad Ave to allow for parallel parking on both sides of that street. The other aspects of the parking program will continue to be used including increased parking enforcement and metered parking, and re-striping the existing parking spots. A motion was made to ask the city to consider negotiating with the Railroad to move the fence along Railroad Ave and extend angled parking on both sides of Railroad Avenue. Motion passed with unanimous support. Note: this action would require approval from BNSF and there may be issues with railway easements.

#### 9. Community Briefs

- a. **Red Oak Victory, Graham Perrett:** Movie series is continuing, but pancake breakfasts have ended for this year. The ship is available to host events in the cargo hold for special events.
- b. **WWIC, Linda Newton:** Next meeting is Tuesday, November 7th at 11:30-1:30 at the Methodist Church. Nancy Burns will speak about dynamic aging. Please make reservations with Linda to RSVP.
- c. **RNCC, Cordell Hindler:** Lori Reese-Brown, a project manager of city manager's office gave an overview about transportation. Jessie Stewart gave a one year report about Richmond Promise. Next RNCC is November 13th at 7pm in City Council Chambers; Republic Services will talk about their operations. There will also be a presentation about community housing.
- d. **RTA, Garry Hurlbut:** About 5 years ago we started working to improve tennis facilities throughout the city and have finished about 12 courts. Now we are collaborating with the school district near tennis courts with transporting kids to the tennis courts.
- e. **Plunge Gardens:** All excavations have been completed and the walk way has been scraped out. Maryn is going to order the pavers next week. Keep an eye out for continued improvements to the garden in the next few months.
- f. **TRAC:** Measure CC is a tax measure about public safety and habitat preservation. Meeting will be held here in the Community Center tomorrow from 7-9.
- g. **History Association:** Kiosk is completed! Check out the current displays!

#### 10. Open Forum

- a. **Fire Chief:** Inspections for vegetation, trees and hydrants are ongoing. If you see parked cars in front of hydrants, or hydrants blocked by vegetation, or leaky hydrants, please call the non-emergency number and let us know.
- b. **Cordell Hindler:** Crime prevention banquet was attended by 75-80 people. Madalyn Law and the Point's own Jessie West were awarded volunteers of the year! Next meeting is November 15th at 7pm (third Wednesday of the month). Michelle Milam will give an overview on protecting yourself around holiday season. Cordell suggests PRNC board consider inviting Alonso Saravia and Officer Lande to talk about cyber bullying.
- c. **Jessie West:** Suggestion for community to explore options for installing cameras on Railroad to improve safety. We may be able to have cameras monitored by retired PD with tapes stored for 7 days. Local businesses may be interested in helping with funding, and there may also be grants available to help pay for monitoring. In other news: North Richmond has been suffering for a long time from the nuisance odors that have recently begun wafting back toward the Point. Suggestion was made to the board to consider inviting Andre Soto from Communities for a Better Environment to speak about effective ways to get odor emitters to clean up.

11. **In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn:** Birthdays: Cordell's godmother Carmen Ventura turned 51 on October 10th and Seth Tonningsen turned 19 on October 14th. In memory of the fire victims from Napa, Sonoma and Mendoceno counties.

#### 12. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 pm

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Hilary Brown; "hilarybrownie (at) hotmail.com" (510) 326-5946*



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Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 p.m. (early start)  
Point Richmond Community Center***

- \* Chevron Long Wharf Project Update*
- \* Cyber-Bullying: How to be Safe Online*
- \* LUDRC - New Restaurants in town!*
- \* Thanksgiving Day 9-10 AM - Turkey Trot, a 5k walk/run starting at the Plunge Fountain*
- \* Thanksgiving Day, 10:00 AM - Annual Turkey Shoot! Meet at the Plunge*
- \* Saturday, November 25th: annual tree lighting ceremony at the Indian Statue*

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