

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

1025 ESCOBAR STREET
MARTINEZ, CA 94553



AGENDA

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

6:30 PM

East Richmond Heights Municipal Advisory Council

Jon Sargent (Chair), Victoria Lynn Curtis (Vice-Chair), Jinwei Zhang, Joann Pavlinec, Pam DeWitt, Bara Sapir, Royer Ramirez- Ruiz

Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee

1. Roll Call and Introductions

2. Treasurer's Report

3. Approval of Minutes

approve the March 19, 2025 Minutes

approve 3.19.25 erhMAC Minutes

[25-1330](#)

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes erhMAC 3.19.25](#)

4. Presentations

P.1. Presentation by Contra Costa County Supervisor's Office

P.2. County's Urban Limit Line (ULL) and 65/35 Land Preservation Plan, Department of Conservation and Development (DCD)

P.3. Presentation by Sheriff's Office Bay Station Commander, Lt. Brian Holland

P.4. Presentation by Contra Costa County Fire Protection District

P.5. Presentation by California Highway Patrol (tentative)

5. Discussion Items

ERH Music Festival Swag & Branding Budget Approval

2025 ERH Music Festival Planning for the erhMAC

[25-1331](#)

Attachments: [FESTIVAL Planning for the MAC](#)

6. Subcommittee Reports

SR.1 Land Use Committee: Joann Pavlinec, Jinwei Zhang

7. Regional Historical Presentation, Fran Cappelletti

8. Agenda Items / Speakers for Upcoming ERHMAC Meetings

9. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Council and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes)

The next meeting is currently scheduled for May 21, 2025

Adjourn

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Staff Report

File #: 25-1330

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Subject: approve 3.19.25 erhMAC Minutes

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Meeting Minutes

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**Open Door United Methodist Church, 6226 Arlington Blvd, Richmond, CA 94805 |
<https://cccouny-us.zoom.us/j/81874478413>**

East Richmond Heights Municipal Advisory Council

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1. Roll Call and Introductions

00:00:30

Present	Victoria Curtis, Pamela DeWitt, Joann Pavlinec, Royer Ramirez Ruiz, Bara Sapir, and Jon Sargent
Late	Jinwei Zhang

2. Treasurer's Report

00:00:54

Ronnie Mills delivered the Treasurer's Report, stating the current balance is \$1,180 with a few 2024 layouts still pending. Jinwei Zhang joined shortly after and confirmed their attendance.

3. Approval of Minutes

00:01:43

This was approved.

[25-970](#)

Attachments: [2.12.25 Minutes](#)

During the meeting, a motion was made to approve the minutes, which was seconded and passed unanimously. Additionally, a new audience and subcommittee were introduced in relation to a new ordinance

This Discussion Item was approved.

Motion:	Pavlinec
Second:	Curtis
Aye:	Curtis, DeWitt, Pavlinec, Ramirez Ruiz, Sapir, and Sargent
Late:	Zhang
Result:	Passed

4. Presentations

00:3:00

P.1. Presentation by Contra Costa County Supervisor's Office

Ronnie from Supervisor Gioia's office gave a brief update. The East Richmond Heights MAC recommended forming an ad hoc group for fire safety. A traffic safety subcommittee was proposed, with plans for a site visit in El Sobrante and a 2025 slurry seal project to improve road safety. Current vacancies in advisory boards were mentioned. There was interest in the fire safety group, limited to two members. PG&E's gas line work may affect the slurry seal, scheduled for summer 2025. Traffic issues on Arlington Boulevard are being addressed by Public Works. Coordination of traffic inspections and resurfacing is planned. Concerns about Cal Fire regulations and the need for a Fire Wise Committee were raised. The view ordinance review is ongoing, with a meeting to be scheduled.

P.2. Presentation by Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, Assistant Chief Dave Watson

Assistant Chief Dave Watson outlined Contra Costa County Fire's all-hazards response, department growth, and recent accomplishments, including new equipment and training programs. Fire safety tips emphasized CWS alerts, evacuation zones, and defensible space. Concerns about fire maps, insurance rates, and power outages were addressed. Suggestions included neighborhood fire drills, community engagement, and using Earth Day to raise awareness. Funding delays for a fire break and the need for more community support were also discussed.

P.3. Presentation by Sheriff's Office Bay Station Commander, Lt. Brian Holland

There have been recent incidents of petty theft, vandalism, fraud, and reckless shooting in the area. Residents are advised to check their car license plates for theft. New regulations have been introduced regarding the recycling of catalytic converters to help prevent theft. Additionally, a discussion was held about the state law that prohibits collaboration with federal agencies.

*P.4. Presentation by California Highway Patrol (tentative)***5. Discussion Items****6. Subcommittee Reports**

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No meetings since Winter 2024

SR.1 Land Use Committee: Joann Pavlinec, Jinwei Zhang

7. Regional Historical Presentation

01:34:42

8. Agenda Items / Speakers for Upcoming ERHMAC Meetings

01:37:50

A proposal was made to showcase local artists at upcoming meetings, with mention of Richmond's digital artists and their open studios. Additionally, the mural team at the Arlington Market highlighted their upcoming event. There was general support for promoting local artists and their work.

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01:42:56

There was a suggestion to plant magnolia trees to foster a community movement, but concerns were raised about potential negative connotations associated with them. One person proposed researching fire-resistant trees as an alternative. Additionally, there was a reminder about the latest neighborhood updates and the water district's rebate program. In terms of emergency preparedness, it was introduced that the neighborhood net radio meets on the first Wednesday of each month. The group discussed the advantages of using radios for emergency communication, and it was clarified that these radios do not require electricity and can be used during emergencies.

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01:58:03

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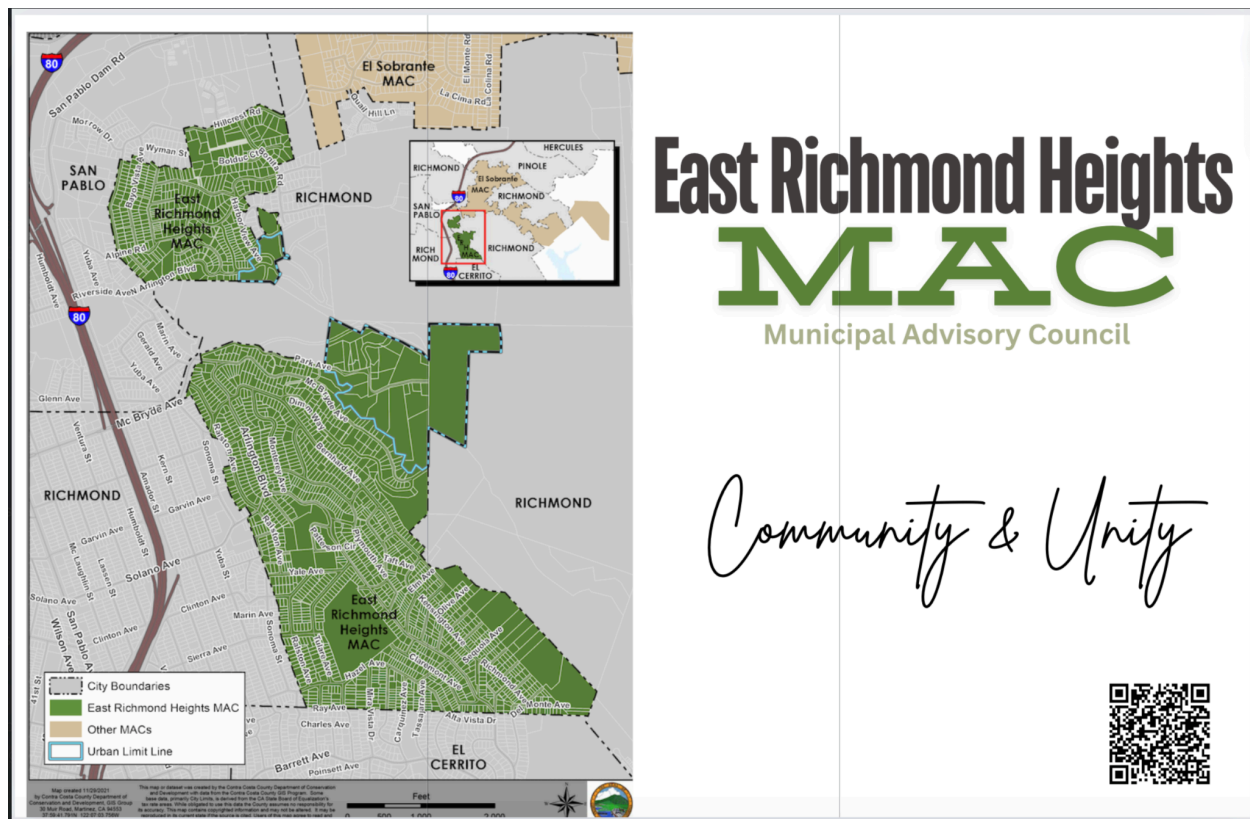
2025 ERH Music Festival Planning for the erhMAC

FESTIVAL Brainstorm

- * MAC flyers/brochures
- * Ipad with a **form** on site for people to sign up to our mailing list (CAN ronnie bring one for us to use? We had one plus written page?)

Form:

- *Name, *email, address, phone, agree to get newsletter (* are musts)
- * QR Code that takes people to the ERH website (this is on the banner I designed)
- * Maps of the ERH jurisdiction. PRINTED UP - Banner (people can take a picture)
- * Banner (make double sided so people see it both ways walking down the street)



- Other tag lines or information on the page. *Where did community and unity come from? Are there any slogans we should be considering?*
- Monthly Meetings
- **Email address and phone number**
- ***cost to create the banner - double sided and what size - what format?**

**For the BOOTH -
FRAN and JOANN**

History Things Joann made - 10 Question Quiz on Huge Boards - with Multiple Choice - 36 x 36 flaps - LET'S REUSE IT! Fran and Joann to come up with more Questions!

JOANNA -

Paper weight rocks with the name ERH MAC (**Joanna** was going to donate these from the church)

What do we want people to know (ON A DEDICATED page or where they can go with a QR code)

- dates, times and place of MAC meetings
- WORKING ZOOM connection URL
- Etiquette to be on zoom (ie. public commentary etc.)
- **Upcoming events** in the area - ie 25th anniversary - - things that are happening - is there a way for people to register the event somehow (ask Ronnie about) -
- richmondside - direct link to them? - that's all of Richmond we might want to add things ASK RONNIE and Kari Hulic
- Comments about things they want discussed - Ronnie can send to us before meeting and we can decide about whether to talk about it
- Action Items for the Community Safety and Wellbeing - ie. to get grants -
- a way for people to sign up getting the information
- Maps of the ERH jurisdiction. PRINTED UP - Banner (people can take a picture)

* Maps of the ERH jurisdiction.

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POSTCARDS

*** Postcards + STAMPS (with Victoria getting labels - info about *the MAC meetings, Festival, Fire safety?* What else?) - We might want to get a picture of all of us. Put a face to the MAC...? (COST for this)**

Marketplace - ad for the festival and MAC?

- *Marketplace - Article on MACs in General - get one of their writers to*
- *Kari Hulic about it too?*
- **Realtors** - Victoria - *when is that meeting - let individual ones know -*
- *Drop off some at realtor place?*

PRINTING - for the Banner - power point for the meeting -

WHAT WE HAVE

John's Canopy

What's NOT COVERED

* Giveaways - pens, stickers, etc.

- * t-shirts or baseball hats
- * table cloth with the name ERH
- * MAC flyers/brochures INFORMATION -
- ** baklava person - turkish restaurant - SIMURGH lives close -
- Fortune Cookies in Oakland - HONEY sticks - Wine - Want their own