

2024 Advisory Body Annual Report

Advisory Body Name:

North Richmond Waste & Recovery Mitigation Fee Joint Expenditure Planning Committee (NRMFC)

Advisory Body Meeting Time/Location:

Meetings are regularly scheduled twice a year, with special meetings scheduled from time to time at the discretion of the Committee. The meeting dates and times for the 2024 calendar year are identified in Section 3 of this document (page 2). Both meetings were held in-person.

Chair (during the reporting period):

Dulce Galicia, North Richmond Municipal Advisory Council Representative: Unincorporated
Annie King-Merdith, North Richmond Resident: Incorporated Area (Chair as of Oct, 18, 2024)

Staff persons (during the reporting period):

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation & Development:

- Deidra Dingman & Justin Sullivan

Richmond City Manager's Office:

- Lori Reese-Brown & LaShonda Wilson

Reporting Period: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

1. Activities

The NRMFC made recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors and Richmond City Council on the use of money collected through a Waste & Recovery Mitigation Fee established as result of an Environmental Impact Report to mitigate impacts from the expansion of the West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill (WCCSL) Bulk Materials Processing Center (BMPC) located in the North Richmond area. The Committee provided feedback to City/County Committee staff about recommended uses of the mitigation fee for the purpose of defraying the annual costs associated with the collection and disposal of illegally dumped waste in the North Richmond area as a result of the BMPC expansion.

2. Accomplishments

In 2024, the NRMFC received a Tonnage & Revenue update along with informational reports on all expenditure plan strategies. Projected tonnage revenue reports indicated more revenue for the 2024/2025 fiscal year than was provided in 2023/2024. At the May 2024 meeting staff provided a recommended 2024/2025 budget based in part on actual 2023/2024 costs at that time. Based on staff's suggestions, the committee recommended adoption of the 2024/25 Expenditure Plan (attached as Exhibit B), which includes the changes shown in the table below:

Expenditure Plan Strategy	Budget Changes in the 2024/25 Expenditure Plan
Strategy 1 – Bulky Item Pick-ups & Disposal Vouchers	Increase by \$4,500
Strategy 2 – Neighborhood Clean-ups	No Change
Strategy 3 – Prevention Service Coordinator	No Change
Strategy 4.A. – City/County Right-of-Way Pick-ups & Tagging Abatement	No Change
Strategy 4.B. – City/County Right-of-Way Pick-ups	Decrease by \$15,000

Expenditure Plan Strategy	Budget Changes in the 2024/25 Expenditure Plan
Strategy 5 – Code Enforcement Staff - County	No Change
Strategy 6 – Illegal Dumping Law Enforcement	No Change
Strategy 7 – Surveillance Cameras	No Change
Strategy 8 – Code Enforcement Staff - City	Decrease by \$13,666.67
Strategy 9 – Community Services Coordinator	No Change
Strategy 10 – Community-Based Projects	No Change
Strategy 11 – North Richmond Green Community Service Programs	No Change
Strategy 12 – North Richmond Green Campaign	No Change
Strategy 13 – Garden Projects	No Change
Strategy 14 – Mobile Tool Lending Library	No Change
Committee Administrative Staffing	No Change
Contingency	Increased by \$6,937.73

The 2024-2025 Expenditure Plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors and the Richmond City Council in June 2024.

3. Attendance/Representation

The seven-member Committee is comprised of three members of the Richmond City Council, one member of the Board of Supervisors, two members of the North Richmond Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) that are residents of unincorporated North Richmond, and one incorporated North Richmond (NR) resident. The Committee's Amended Bylaws provide for designation of alternates and procedures for removal of members based upon number of absences without prior notification. The level of participation for each Committee member is outlined in the table below as well as the status of a quorum being achieved for each meeting date.

2024 Meeting Dates & Attendance

Committee Members & Alternates	May 17 2-5 pm	Oct 18 2-4 pm	Appointed By
Dulce Galicia, CHAIR - North Richmond MAC	Yes	No	County
John Gioia, VICE CHAIR – Board of Supervisors	No	No	County
Beverly Scott – North Richmond MAC	Yes	Yes	County
Doria Robinson – Richmond City Council	No	Yes	City
Melvin Willis – Richmond City Council	Yes	No	City
Annie King-Meredith – Incorporated NR Resident	Yes	Yes	City
Eduardo Martinez – Richmond City Council	No	No	City
Jorge Rico Vera - North Richmond MAC, Alternate	No	No	County
Tania Pulido – Board of Supervisors, Alternate	Yes	Yes	County
Marena Brown - Incorporated NR Resident, Alternate	No	No	City
Quorum achieved	Yes	Yes	

4. Training/Certification

Staff is awaiting signed certificates for implicit bias training from some members. All County appointed Committee Members/Alternates have completed and submitted the other required training certificates.

5. Proposed Work Plan/Objectives for Next Year

The Committee plans to have its next meeting on May 16, 2025. Anticipated topics to be discussed at this meeting include budget planning for the next Expenditure Plan cycle (FY 2025/2026), including future revenue projections, proposed funding allocations for existing and potential new strategies. The committee will also consider recommending approval of a new 2025/2026 Expenditure Plan to the County Board of Supervisors and Richmond City Council.

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