

NORTH RICHMOND MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Tuesday, April 7, 2026, 515 Silver Street. North Richmond, CA

MINUTES

Meetings are being conducted at the Corine Sain Senior/Family Community Center, 515 Silver Street, N. Richmond, CA 94801. Meetings are accessible on ZOOM.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m. Board members present were:

Princes Robinson and Latifah Abdulah. Absent were Annie King-Meredith, Glory Lopez, and Donald Gilmore.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

A quorum was not present; the minutes and the agenda were not approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Latifah Abdullah, N.R. Resident - Community Engagement Manager/Urban Tilth Farms - N. Richmond: Address street sweeping, was encouraged by officers of the CCC Sheriff's Department. They addressed the street sweeping issue at the N. R. Green meeting. They have a plan to enforce the street sweeping code enforcement laws. Latifah keeps seeing drones flying in the neighborhood. Would like to thank the residents who attended the Community Impact Funds meetings. The farm is on spring break. Middle school students just finished the after-school program at the farm. That was the Pre K - 5th grade. The Eagle Scouts are doing their projects. There are opportunities available to become an Eagle Scout. Residents are encouraged to bring their young people to the farm. The farm is hosting (60) students from the Danville area. At times, students from other countries have visited the farm. Would like to see local folks coming as well.

Cynthia announced the upcoming North Richmond 15th Annual Music Festival. To be held on July 11th at Shields/Reid Park. From 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. This year is going to be extra special. Will be partnering with the City of Richmond - Grand opening of the newly renovated Shield/Reid Park.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY REPORTS

Sergeant Brian Fitzgearld/CCC Sheriff's Department: Reporting March 2026.

There were 441 calls for service, which generated into 29 reports. There was an assault with a deadly weapon on the 14th on Sanford Street. One residential burglary on York Street. One theft and vandalism on 4th street. Addressing the upcoming music festival on July 11th. The department is asking the coordinators to put in an event notification form. So that they will know what road closures will be necessary, Would also like to know how many patrons are expected to attend, so that the department will be prepared. Attended a meeting last month pertaining to street sweeping. Drove through the neighborhood looking at the street sweeping signage to make sure that it was correct. Also distributed flyers throughout the community, regarding the towing of illegally parked cars on street sweeping days. Residents have two weeks to comply with the street sweeping rules; the department will begin towing legally parked cars. Some of the patrol units went around and looked at the street lighting and addressed Public Works about their findings.

Lieutenant Lucas/Richmond Police Department: Reporting for March 2026.

There were 605 calls for service, generating 65 incident reports. There were 21 arrests and 43 traffic stops. There were 10 calls for service, and 30 citations were issued. Tickets were issued for 21 parking violations. Responded to motor vehicle reports, specifically break-ins of people's cars. Stuff is being stolen out of them. There were nine stolen vehicles in the area. Several assaults took place. One was on Castro below the underpass. There seems to be a small homeless encampment popping back up. Will be getting some social services out there with hopes of helping people, and will proceed to clear out the area. There were several shot spotter activations. No injuries were reported, just property damage. In response to the drone that was reported, it belongs to the RPD. They are working on a special investigation. Princess asks Lt. Lucas whether his reporting statistics strictly for the North Richmond area. The answer is yes.

Michael Romero, Leader and the ROCK team -of Community Crisis Response Program/ROCK (Reach Out With Compassion and Kindness): A mobile unit designed for non-life-threatening calls, such as wellness checks and behavioral health crises. This program is funded by the City of Richmond. ROCK responders, often with lived experience, provide support, de-escalation, and referrals to services. Key aspects of the CCRP and ROCK program: ROCK currently responds to non-violent, non-medical, non-life-threatening calls in a trauma-informed way. The ROCK Program reduces over-reliance on police through offering mobile crisis support that meets people with care and not criminalization, wherever they are. ROCK responders help people to address the issues that created the crisis in the first place by helping them connect with resources and care. They will collaborate with the city's first responders and dispatchers, as well as the county's C.O.R.E. and A3 crisis response teams. Contra Costa County also has a response team. Contact: 1-844-844-5544. You may contact Mt. Romero at (510) 965-3492.

PROGRAM AND OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

Jessica Walden, Lending Library Specialist/North Richmond Mobile Tool Library:

Jessica announces: Park Rx Day, Saturday, April 25th, from 10 AM to 1 P.M. at Nicholl Park. A fun-filled day in nature will help improve your health and well-being through active and informative park activities. This event is for the young and the old. There will be free community fitness, a rock-climbing wall, and a walk with a doctor; you may get pre-medical advice. Food and children's activities will be available. The Mobile Tool Library is present every 1st and 3rd Saturday in N. Richmond. Located at the corner of FJW and Gertrude Ave. People are coming out and borrowing tools. The library will be expanding to another location, the May Valley Community Center.

Tony Ucciferri, Deputy Executive Director/Housing Authority Contra Costa County:

The HA has closed on one more sale of the scattered sites at market rate. They still have ten more properties in escrow. Some buyers are securing their own appraisals to basically verify the sales price, if it's what it should be. Continuing to work with CHDC and Eden Housing on completing the agreement for the main campus. Once completed, they will begin to hammer out the details as to what the housing will look like. Continuing to partner with Partnership for the Bay's Future. Corroborating with Richmond Land and CHDC. Hopefully could make some progress in closing on the sale of the land. Richmond Community Foundation has been busy renovating purchased property. Starting to market the purchased property that was redeveloped. They have three single-family units and one duplex. To be rehabilitated and sold to low-income families. Questions: Do they plan on dropping the price of the property/vacant lot on 2nd Street? The appraisal is \$240,000 and will be updated soon. Bertha Alvarez has a question about who is responsible for cleaning trash at several scattered site locations. Tony says once the property is sold and the transaction is closed, it's the new owner's responsibility to maintain the property.

Tania Pulido, District Coordinator/Supervisor, John Gioia's Office: Received a lot of applications for the Community Impact Funds. Over 200 applications were submitted. The staff meets on Friday; hopefully, Supervisor Gioia will have made some final selections. Thanks to everyone who reported street lights outages. The Sheriff's Department also gave Tania a list of lights that were out. Street sweeping issues are starting to be addressed. Looking to start an N.R. Resident Leadership Committee. To address unresolved issues. Laticia wants to know if the NRMAC meetings could be held at a different time. Interviewed one person for a vacant seat on the NRMAC board. Glory's seat may become open; she is expecting a child. Chevron may come back to the NRMAC. Andrea may return or a replacement from Verde school may apply. Earth Day celebrations will take place on April 18th at Lucky A's Baseball Field. The event starts at 9:00 a.m. and continues until 2:00 p.m. Bee asked if there was a County-Wide Calendar for events. That question is hard to answer with clarity. Throughout the county, there are calendars, announcements, newsletters etc, but not one that includes all news and events.

Janine Shaheed, Community Engagement Manager/Community Development Housing

Management: Sitting in for Kalu - Did a Task Force walk, walked the Wildcat Creek.

Encouraging the North Richmond residents to come out and join in on the walks. Leticia is asking if some of the Task Force Walks can be changed to a different time of day, in order for working people to join in on the walks. Working with the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office on the towing of abandoned vehicles. Getting the community together. Earth Day will be held on April 18th at Lucky A's Baseball Field. The event starts at 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. There will be food, games, a petting zoo, planting at the Habitat Garden located at Shields/Reid Park, and Restoration of the WildCat Creek.

Princess Robinson, Executive Director/Richmond Land: The Eco Village Project has been updated. There are two phases to the program. Phase I: Rehab four duplexes into eight units. This is the larger plot of land by Verde School. The cost is eight million dollars. Phase II: Develop four small cottages on the smaller plot of land by Verde School. The cost will be four million dollars. The projects will be under Land Trust Programs. Looking for funding to make these visions become a reality. All are welcome to become a member of Richmond Land.

Latifah Abdullah, North Richmond Community Engagement Manager/Urban Tilt Farm:

Latifah asks if the scattered site located at FJW and Market has been purchased. The lawn is overgrown and is badly in need of cutting. She also asks whether the Main Campus will consist of single-family homes or townhouses. Tony says that everything is up in the air. She announces that there will be a special City of Richmond election in June. The pre-k - 5th-grade students finished their program at the farm. Classes will resume in May. They enjoyed their time at the farm. Gardens were planted, they fed the livestock, and they learned about life on a farm. It is spring break for middle schoolers at the farm. There are candidates for Eagle Scouts. Students from Shields/Reid Park had farm days at the farm. Sixty students from out of the area visited and participated in activities at the farm. N.R. residents came out to the farm for visits. Results for the Series of Workshops: (Not for Us, Without Us) A variety of projects were voted on. Some results were the Parkway Overpass, Repainting of N. R. homes affected by the fallout from the Chevron Refinery, N. R, Grocery Cooperative, Wild Cat Creek Trail improvement, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

NEXT MEETING 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. May 5, 2026 515 Silver Street N Richmond, CA