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We Are Richmond Ready!

Emergency Preparedness in Richmond

by Callie Jones, Richmond Ready Committee

A new standing committee of the RNA was adopted in late 2016. This committee is focused on emergency preparedness and is called Richmond Ready. Once a month for the past year, a small core group of Richmond residents have volunteered their time to work on developing the goals and aspirations of this committee.

To clarify, Richmond Ready is not the Richmond NET (Neighborhood Emergency Team). Richmond Ready is made up of any community member who wishes to be proactive and engage in helping our community become more resilient in the face of emergencies. Richmond NET is a group of trained, volunteer first responders. Thirty hours of training prepares them to provide disaster assistance within their own neighborhoods. Although we will be collaborating with Richmond NET on forums and events, our functions are very different.

Richmond Ready's guiding statement:

Richmond Ready is a group of Richmond residents who are interested in emergency preparedness and building community. We aim to educate and inform neighbors on ways to become more prepared for any type of emergency. We also support efforts to work together neighbor by neighbor, block by block to become part of a more resilient community in the case of a disaster such as earthquake, fire, chemical release, water contamination, or flood.

The objectives for this committee are the following:

- Provide various ways for people to access resources and current information about emergency preparedness

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Southeast Conversation

A Roundtable Discussion on Crime and Safety

by Brian Hochhalter, RNA Board Member

Several RNA Board members attended the Southeast Neighborhood Conversation with City of Portland & Multnomah County leaders as well as Public Health and Safety Officials. The meeting was held Thurs, Nov 16, 2017 at Taborspace and organized by the group Concerned Southeast Citizens.

The focus of this well-attended meeting was the to address the perception of increased neighborhood crime/safety issues and the corresponding police, criminal justice and public policy responses.

The Mayor's office, represented by Berk Nelson and Seraphie Allen, indicated that they were aware of most of the issues raised by the attendees, and that they are addressing them in a different way than the previous administration.

From a criminal justice standpoint, Jim Hayden, Sr. Deputy DA, pointed to lack of jail beds as being the primary reason for release of offenders back into the public sphere, often within days. Mr. Hayden encouraged concerned citizens to lobby the Multnomah County Commissioners for funding and action that will support the County Justice Department needs.

Sgt Robert Simon and Sgt Randy Teig of the Portland Police Bureau offered some encouragement as they reported that previously depleted ranks are rebuilding in their respective precincts. Both officers encouraged the public to report, report, report via telephone or online.

See portlandoregon.gov/police/cor/ for details on how to report crime and safety issues.

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Updates on City Policy

by Heather Flint Chato, Urban Planner,
RNA Board Member, Division Design Initiative Cofounder

The Comprehensive Plan and the New Mixed Use Zones (MUZ)

The Comprehensive Plan and the new Mixed Use Zones (MUZ) have now been approved at the state level. The new Mixed Use Zones will be effective with a new Design Overlay for many of our inner SE main streets taking effect as of May 24th, 2018. This will bring some new design requirements including greater articulation of mixed-use commercial buildings, increased design review, and changes in Floor area requirements, among others. As the city builds out its implementing measures, watch for the new design standards and guidelines updates as well as other projects coming forward such as the Residential Infill and Better Housing By Design multifamily zones proposal implementation efforts. See below for more updates on design-related policy and planning issues from your friendly neighborhood Division Design Initiative rep.

State of Preservation Report

This report by the Historic Landmarks Commission is worth a read. It highlights a fundamental misunderstanding about historic preservation clarifying that preservation is not an obstacle to housing and density and is a key strategy to achieving our climate and sustainability goals. Of note is the long-overdue need to update the City's historic resources inventory, which will begin in the coming year.

Learn More:

State of Preservation report:

portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/662837

Watch the City Council session online:

portlandoregon.gov/video/player/?tab=council (click on November 29th pm session). The latter is worth a listen as the presentation by the Landmarks Commission and the discussion by the Council on balancing competing values were both very heartening.

Better Housing By Design

The Better Housing by Design project is revising development and design standards in Portland's multi-dwelling zones (R3, R2, R1 and RH) outside the Central City. These medium- to high-density residential zones provide opportunities for new housing to meet the needs of a growing Portland. The types of housing allowed in these areas include apartment buildings of varying sizes, fourplexes, townhouses and rowhouses. A concept report was issued in July 2017. The City is now working on a proposed code development package which will be coming forth soon. This may affect some areas on Division so this is one to watch.

For more info:

Short project summary:

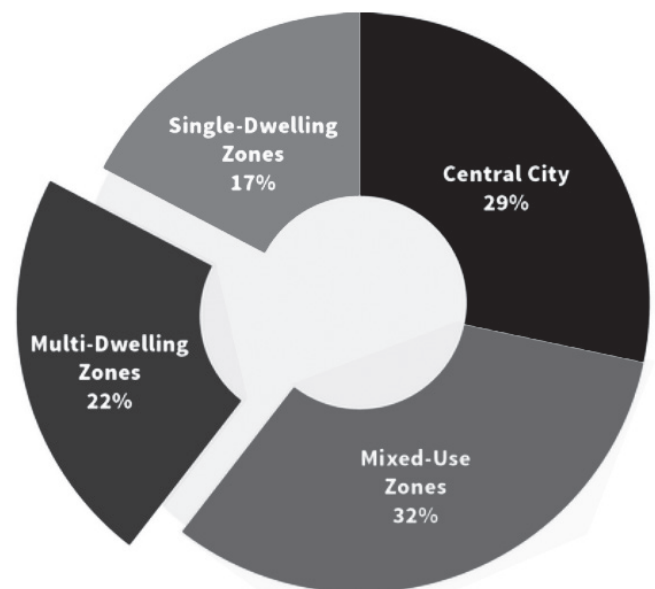
portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/619961

Concept Report (July 2017):

portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/645263

City's Project website here:

portlandoregon.gov/bps/71903



The Multi-dwelling zones outside of the Central City are anticipated to be the location of over 23,000 new housing units by 2035. That is 22 percent of the total residential growth anticipated for the next 20 years.

New Citywide Design Standards & Guidelines

As part of the Design Overlay Assessment (DOZA) project, the city recommended an update to the City's design standards and guidelines. The implementation of DOZA will update how a new
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Design Overlay (“D” Overlay) works, update Design Tools, and improve the design review process. This City is moving ahead on the revised standards and guidelines process now and they have hired several consultants to assist with this work. Several prototype development scenarios will be created to test these new proposed guidelines and standards. As part of our design guidelines effort, we have provided the large volume of background research and recommendations for initial Division Design Guidelines we developed with our consultants Urbworks, and our provisionally adopted design guidelines, and will provide our revised version of the guidelines next month. DOZA Process Discussion Draft coming in April 2018; the DOZA Tools Discussion Draft is in the fall of 2018.

Learn More:

portlandoregon.gov/bps/71499

Division Design Guidelines

An update to the provisionally adopted community draft of the Design Guidelines is anticipated in late February with an implementation Toolkit package planned to roll out this Spring. Learn more about the Division Design Guidelines and the Division Design Initiative at divisiondesigninitiative.org; Get in touch to volunteer or email us to be added to the list serve ilovedivision@gmail.com.

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The panel member’s overall responses exhibited a balance of law enforcement and concerns surrounding human dignity and social justice. Many thanks to the volunteers and organizers of this meeting. You can see the Post-Meeting notes on this site: sites.google.com/view/southeastconversation/

CALENDAR**Next RNA Meeting**

Monday, February 12, 2018, 7:00–9:00 PM
Waverly Heights Church (basement)
3300 SE Woodward Street

Richmond Tag Busters

Fourth Tuesday of the month
Second-floor conference room
of the D Street Building
3050 SE Division St., from 7:00-8:30 pm

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- Enable residents of all kinds to take action and do what they can to become more resilient to natural and man-made emergencies
- Act as liaison between Richmond NET and neighborhood residents
- Keep the topic of emergency preparedness as an ongoing conversation in our neighborhood

Our outreach strategy will support our goals to educate and enable the community to become more resilient by providing several ways to learn, engage and participate in the topic of emergency preparedness. It has four parts: web presence, with thoughtfully selected links and event information, quarterly articles for the Richmond newsletter, a quarterly forum series and social media outreach. Many of these items will roll out in the early months of the year. We are still working on the social media and survey link aspects and will get those on-line as soon as we can. You will also see a branding campaign rolled out in April/May.

We encourage participation in our monthly meetings and currently need volunteers to help us plan for and execute future events, forums, articles and to help get the word out via social media. We meet every second Sunday of the month from 2-3:30 pm at the Fred Meyer Cafe on Hawthorne Blvd.

Information about Richmond Ready can be found on the RNA website at richmondpdx.org/richmondready.

Visit the survey link on our web page to communicate ideas and topics that you would like us to consider.

To learn more about becoming a NET member – portlandoregon.gov/pbem/31667

Richmond Ready Volunteers, MaryAnne and Catha with window placards and Red Cross brochures



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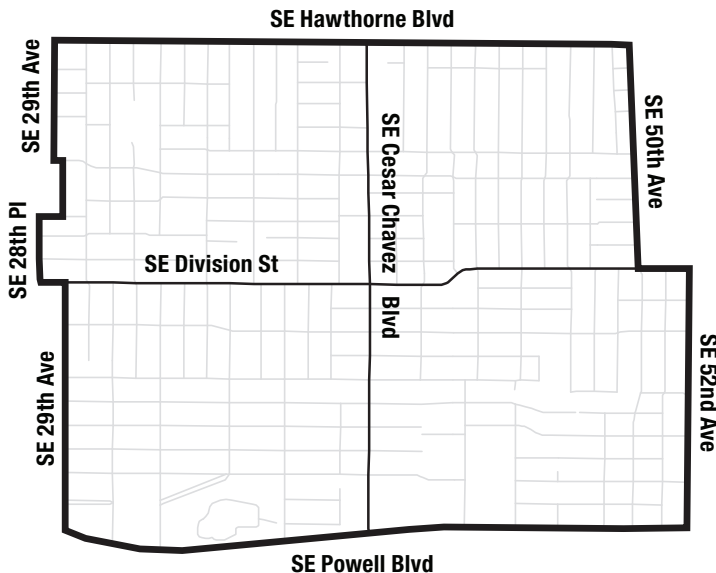
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Neighbors may read about crime prevention techniques + advice and/or contact us directly at:
portlandoregon.gov/oni/28395

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Central Precinct, West of SE Cesar Chavez
 Officer Shaun Sahli, **503-823-0076** (Desk phone)

Transient Camp Outreach Car
 Officer Ryan Engweiler, **503-823-0097**
 (Central Precinct Desk)

Officer Tim Engstrom, **503-823-0097**
 (Central Precinct Desk)

Portland Public Safety Resource Numbers
portlandoregon.gov/oni/article/320566

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 Please contact me if you have any neighborhood questions/comments to share.

Any opinions expressed in the Richmond Neighborhood News are not necessarily those of the Richmond Neighborhood Association or its board. Richmond residents are welcome to submit articles for consideration that concern neighborhood issues. E-mail Jonathan King, at King.jonathan.b@gmail.com.