

Riverside Neighborhood Association

Encompassing Neighbors from Lawrence Street to Light Street and from Key Highway to the Railyard

COMMUNITY MEETING: Monday, August 26, 2019
6:00 pm at Salem Lutheran Church (corner of Randall & Battery)

GUEST SPEAKERS: District 11 Councilman Eric T. Costello

Riverside Residential Parking Permit (RPP) Update

~ Jeff Brown

On Tuesday evening, August 6th, the Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) held a public meeting at Salem Lutheran Church. The purpose of the meeting was to present one final review of the proposed new RPP Area #48, and to take comments and questions from those in attendance. Councilman Costello was in attendance, as well PABC Executive Director Peter Little, RNA President John Pare and RNA Parking Chairman Jeff Brown. The meeting was lightly attended. Most attendees came with questions about the new area and rules. Comments and feedback, when given, were overwhelmingly positive. A number of the attendees were from bordering RPP areas #19 and #30 with questions about how Light Street and Fort Avenue would be impacted. RPP Program Manager Steve Robinson is compiling a meeting summary which RNA will publish once available.

This meeting was the final step required before implementation, and Director Little indicated that he would be drafting the executive order for the creation of Area #48 in the coming days. This step usually kicks off the creation and installation of signage, the RPP permit application process, and also communications to the pilot area and surrounding community with details about the RPP plan and enforcement dates. It is likely that RNA could have signs installed in September with enforcement beginning sometime in October, after which blocks adjoining the pilot area would be eligible to petition for inclusion. However, implementation may be slightly delayed as RNA considers a new opportunity that has been presented.

RNA Calendar of Upcoming Events

AUG

Aug 26 Community Meeting

SEPT

Sept 07 Garden Club

Sept 08 Concert

Sept 19 BPD Southern Meeting

Sept 30 Community Meeting

OCT

Oct 05 Garden Club

Oct 17 BPD Southern Meeting

Oct 28 Community Meeting

PABC is getting ready to implement a virtual permitting system. The funds are allocated and the contract with the vendor (who runs these programs in other cities) is nearly ready to be signed. Another existing RPP area is being chosen to do their permit renewal on the new system. RNA is being offered the opportunity to be the first brand new RPP area to implement the system, and it is being given serious consideration. There are a few reasons for this.

The first is enforcement. An RPP area is worthless if the rules are not enforced, and the city has traditionally had difficulty with enforcement. The virtual system will use vehicles with license plate readers, thus allowing more of the neighborhood to be covered. It will also be more easily able to track things like enforcement of two-hour parking regulations.

The second reason is convenience to residents. The permit application process can be done and verified completely online (no trips downtown required), and you won't need a

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Daily Specials.
\$8 Burgers Tuesday.
Bingo Wednesday.
Trivia Thursday.
Sunday Supper.

***Walk down and see
 what's new!***

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sticker on your car. Things like visitors passes will also be automated. If you have a guest, you'll be able to register their plate via an app or an automated phone line.

Many more details about this system will be forthcoming. At this time, RNA is trying to learn about the timelines for implementation of virtual permits. If the system can be launched in a reasonable time frame then we will likely start the new area with the system. If the wait is too long, then we may choose to start with the traditional paper-based system and transition later. It will likely be about a month until a decision is made and RNA will publish more information as we have it.

If you'd like to keep abreast of RPP development then please keep an eye on RNA's newsletters and our Facebook pages. Additionally, the PABC has created a web page containing information for Area #48, and you may subscribe there to receive new announcements via email :

<https://parking.baltimorecity.gov/new-tentative-area-48-riverside>

Finally, additional RPP questions can be directed to RNA via email at RPP@RNAParking.org.

HOMES FOR SALE

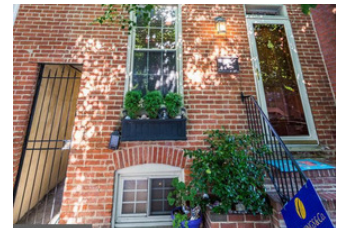
RIVERSIDE AND FEDERAL HILL

1120 Riverside Ave - 3 bedrooms 2.5 baths, gas fireplace, exposed brick, large kitchen w/granite counters, stainless appliances & breakfast bar, 2nd living room, rear patio & parking pad that fits 2 compact cars
 Listed for Sale for \$400,000 or for Rent for \$2,750/month
 MLS# MDBA475744

1417 Battery Ave - 2 bedrooms 2.5 baths, refinished original floors, WB fireplace, big kitchen with new appliances, Pella windows, roof deck + 2nd deck, parking pad fits 2 cars
 Listed for \$359,900
 MLS # MDBA479180

1516 Stack St- UNDER CONTRACT

48 E. Fort Ave - UNDER CONTRACT



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English Turkey Oak ~ Jackson Fisher

Riverside Park lost one of its green giants this past month; the notable English Turkey Oak, located near the Randall/Riverside entrance, was removed by the Forestry Department after it had died earlier this summer. The English Oak, which had an official diameter of 43.8 inches, was the biggest tree in Riverside Park. It was an unusual species in this area and was included on the city's list of notable trees.

RIVERSIDE CONCERT SERIES
SECOND SUNDAYS @ 5 PM

Presented by:
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September 08 **Get Steady**
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Promoting a Happier Riverside Environment

~ John Pare

Spring is the time of year most closely associated with cleaning, but realistically, it's a year-round job. The cleaner we make our homes, sidewalks, and alleys, the happier we will be living in our environments. Tall weeds and grass have started to sprout up through the sidewalks all over the neighborhood. The City's Department of Housing Enforcement requires homeowners and tenants to keep sidewalks and alleys free of these unsightly plants to promote a clean and welcoming aesthetic and to remove any places rats may hide. Additionally, the department may issue citations for overgrown weeds and grass if they deem it necessary.

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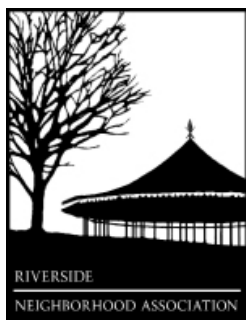
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On Thursday, July 25 Councilman Eric Costello organized the 11th District Town Hall Against Hate to create an open forum for discussion regarding the recent string of hateful and bigoted literature that has been distributed throughout our South Baltimore neighborhoods. Following Councilman Costello, a representative from the Baltimore Branch of the NAACP spoke. This was followed by Jeremy Bloomstone from the Anti-Defamation League, who provided an extensive presentation regarding major hate groups in the United States.

On Sunday July 28th, the community came together to celebrate Friends and Family Day at Riverside Pools. It was a great success with cotton candy, a DJ, Ms Twist, and over 400 hot dogs served! A special thanks to all the neighborhood volunteers and The Foundry for helping work the event, Luke Clippinger for the donation of the Slip 'n Slide, and the Splash City team for organizing. All promoting a happier Riverside environment.

Lastly, the renovations to Cross Street Market are coming along nicely. At the time of this writing, there are nine vendors open, with four more scheduled to open later this month which include Gangster Vegan, Rice Crook, Sobeachy, and Taco Love Grill.



2019 Riverside Neighborhood Association Dues Payment Slip

\$5 per person

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Please note: You can now pay dues and make donations on RNA's website: riversideneighborhoodassociation.com.