

RIVER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Notes
September 18, 2025
7:30 pm

1. **Roll Call and Agenda Approval** – Meeting came to order, a quorum was established, and the agenda was approved.

2. **Neighborhood Watch Update** – Rex Hescock (update by e-mail)

Rex reported that a neighbor reported late night door-knocking several times, which upset the resident.

Sacramento Police Department reported that an Air Unit assisted with a DUI driver near Messina and Carlson at 1:49pm on August 21st.

3. **Website** – Elise Drakes on behalf of Jesse Law

Jesse reported that he has spent time virtually with Brian to walk through needed website changes. He asked if Brian could meet with him again to finalize the effort.

4. **Holiday Lights** – Elise Drakes

Elise proposed the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, December 20th and 21st, for this year's Holiday Lights. Elise will write an article for inclusion in the upcoming RP Review.

5. **RPNA Membership Update** – Joe Thompson (update by e-mail)

Joe shared an updated Membership summary to the Board by e-mail on September 18th; refer to attached document entitled "Membership Update September 2025."

Joe noted that combined membership and merchandise income is up \$1,334 year over year with half of September days still remaining. Joe gave a shout-out to Rex for his work to sell River Park merchandise at the recent Art Show at Scottish Rite.

Joe also reported that RPNA membership is holding steady at 564 members; this number is up by two members month over month and up by seven, year over year. Currently, there are seven members who have registered and not paid; Joe will be sending them direct invoices with payment options.

Elise and Colin discussed a push for auto-renew as a method to avoid membership lapses.

6. **Merchandise Updates** – Fatima Thompson (update by e-mail)

Fatima reported that the July investment in merchandise (t-shirts, totes) has nearly been recovered, with \$65.02 remaining to break even. Total initial cost was \$1,076.02 and total revenue to date (as of September 19th) was \$1,013.00. Once remaining inventory is sold, the investment will be fully profitable.

7. Buffalo Stampede Update – Fatima Thompson (update by e-mail)

Fatima noted in an e-mail to the Board on September 19th that she would be happy to attend the next Buffalo Chips board meeting with Karla and/or Lisa, suggesting to request a specific time slot on the BC agenda, in order to keep RPNA's update focused and efficient.

8. RPNA Discussion with City – Fatima Thompson (update by e-mail)

Fatima provided awareness to the Board through e-mail on September 19th that Phil Pluckebaum's office has committed to providing the following actions to support RPNA:

1. Assisting with securing sponsors for RPNA Events (eg. SMUD)
2. Union Pacific Contact
3. Ensuring that River Park has trash bins and portable restrooms at the 4th of July (eg. Atlas Disposal)
4. Screen on the Green's return to River Park
5. SactoMoFo relationship development to support River Park events
6. Councilmember (or delegate) representation at monthly RPNA meetings
7. Attend Fall General Meeting on 10/18

9. RP Review Update – Inna Tysoe

Inna discussed a few items needed for the upcoming RP Review, including an article on Holiday Lights from Elise, awareness of the Fall Meeting by Karla, and an article on the RPNA general elections, which Colin offered to write. Post meeting note: all material was submitted to Inna by Friday, September 19th.

The Fall Meeting will be held on October 18th at 10:30am at Caleb Greenwood.

10. Additional Items – Board

Three guests joined the September 18th meeting: Daniel Washington, District Director for Senator Ashby, Councilmember Phil Pluckebaum, and a new member of Phil's team, Sarim Malik.

Elise and Colin, Board Members present at the September 18th meeting, discussed the topic of disaster preparedness and that the Fall Meeting might be optimal timing to bring neighborhood awareness to this initiative.

Daniel Washington noted that Senator Ashby sits on the Emergency Management Committee for the State, and that the Sacramento County Office of Emergency Services (OES) may also be a helpful resource for River Park's disaster preparedness efforts.

Phil Pluckebaum added to the disaster preparedness topic, observing that River Park has not historically conducted disaster training or drills. He offered that the City has resources to give an

overview, if desired. Phil also suggested engaging with the Block Captains on solutions to involve the entire neighborhood.

Adjourn – RPNA Board members welcome all current, new, and prospective neighborhood association members to attend next month’s RPNA Board meeting on Thursday, October 16th at 7:30 pm at the Presbyterian Church. River Park community members can reach out to the RPNA at sacramentorpna@gmail.com.

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