

Richmond Police Department

MEMORANDUM



TO: Chief Chris Magnus
Deputy Chief Ed Medina

FROM: Tim Higaes, Code Enforcement Manager

DATE: August 18, 2009

SUBJECT: Code Enforcement Update – July 2009

- **Recruitments/staffing**--Shanita Harris has joined our team. Shanita has worked in various departments throughout the City, most recently in Redevelopment. Shanita has jumped right in with both feet and is a much needed and welcomed addition to our team.
We received a total of approximately 178 applications for the Parking Enforcement position, of which 113 were qualified. We will be testing and interviewing the best qualified applicants in September.
- **Notices/Fines for Unmaintained Residential Properties in Foreclosure**--In July we issued 16 notices, conducted 1 fine imposition hearing resulting in the imposition of \$30,000 in fines, and issued 6 certificates of compliance.
- **One Block at a Time** -- This quarters OBAT will be held in the Iron Triangle. The tentative date will be October 24th. This area was chosen to augment Richmond's Community Health and Wellness Element of the General Plan Update. Health and Wellness covers a range of issues from access to healthy foods to safe and clean streets for residents. The goals of One Block at a Time and the General Plan update overlap and will improve the health and wellness of the Iron Triangle neighborhood and help the City meet the requirements of the State Endowment that is funding the health and wellness element.
- **Monthly Success**—These are photos of an abatement of exterior overgrowth at a vacant property located at 3138 Benjamin Drive.

3138 Benjamin Drive (Before)



3138 Benjamin Drive (After)



Monthly Statistics

The CEO's issued 188 notices of violations and 102 administrative citations.

Total administrative citation fines this month: **\$ 62,750**

The staff executed 8 abatement warrants at the locations listed below for either interior/exterior clean-up and/or boarding.

1444 Mariposa 2103 Hoffman Blvd 3138 Benjamin
145 South 35th 3100 Florida 648 2nd Street
2935 Moyers Rd 560 22nd Street

We released 30 property liens upon payment resulting in the recovery of **\$ 106,816.63**

Unit's Total Fines/Fees

Unmaintained Residential Foreclosed Properties	\$ 30,000.00
Administrative fines	\$ 62,750.00
Warrant attorney fees	<u>\$ 910.00</u>
 Billed	 <u>\$ 93,660.00</u>

Public Works: Private Property abatement: **Not Available Supervisor on Vacation**
Public Property abatement: