

CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE

Sustainability Committee

Thursday, December 1, 2022

7:00 am – 8:00 am

Zoom: <https://4cd.zoom.us/j/87546586273> Meeting ID: 875 4658 6273

Members

Chairperson: William Tandongfor (Acting Chair)

Managers: Bruce King, Tracy Marcial, John Wade*

Faculty: Nader Sharkes*, Joy Eichnerlynch, Michelle Naido, Vanna Gonzales*, Dionne Perez*, Bansal Gurtej, Natasha Lockett

Classified: Jim Gardner, Moises Rocha*, Taliha Pasaoglu, Tadaletch (Tady) Yoseph*, Jose Carlos Martin*, Courtney Carson*

Students: Kevin G. Ruano Hernandez*

Absent*

In Attendance: William Tandongfor, Jim Gardner, Michelle Naidoo, Natasha Lockett, Bruce King, Taliha Pasaoglu, Bansal (TJ) Gurtej, Tracy Marcial.

Guests: Patrick Phelan, Samantha Carr

Meeting Minutes

Topic	Outcome/Decisions	Action Items
I. Call to Order	Call to order at 7:11 a.m.	
II. Approval of Agenda	TJ Gurtej motion to approve the agenda with the addition of City of Richmond presentation for 10 minutes, Michelle seconded, and the committee unanimously approved	
III. Approval of the November 3, 2022 minutes	None.	
IV. Action Items	None.	

<p>V. Discussion Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates Current Sustainability trends and goals - Tracy Marcial. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 of the Districtwide goals are going to the Governing Board to be enacted for FY2023-2025 • There are tentative goals set for FY2025-2030 • Recycling and associated sustainability initiatives in the city/county - Reagan Chung <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>See attachment "12 Ways to Live More Sustainability"</i> • Sustainability Projects in Culinary – Elisabeth Schwarz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance • Electric Car charging stations updates –Bruce King. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking Lot 9 Electric Vehicle charging stations were vandalized and the company was contacted to get the parts ordered. • Obtain information from Safety Committee about safety protocols for these charging stations in the future. • Anyone can use the parking area where the EV stations are with parking permits. <p>Here is info about EV charging, shuttle, and other transportation information: https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/2876/Transportation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compost and Recycling collection on campus – Jim Gardner 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student Workers are assisting with emptying out the green bins in the Science and ELC buildings. • Update Zero waste initiatives implementation on campus – William T.<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Business Office and the Foundation has donated funds to order the 3-part recycling bins to be placed on multiple levels in each building and exterior locations on campus. • Reminder – Sustainability events for 2023 – Bruce King<ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 2023 Arbor Day for planting new fruit trees in the Culinary Garden on campus.• April 2023 Earth Day will have 25 vendors providing the community with helpful information about our local resources.• May 2023 Bike to School Day to educate the community on the importance of the air quality and providing energy snacks for those that bike to school/work. • Recycling of Library books- William Tandongfor<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last meet it was discussed about the awareness of gently used books being recycled or in garbage bins after the end of buy back week of books not purchased by the bookstore or students no longer needing them for study. The proper recycling of the hardbound books is done by removing	
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	<p>the content from the adhesive use to bind the hardcover. That process is lengthy and done carefully.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Starting December 5th, the plan is to collect the gently used books in front of the Custodial Office in AA building and donate to a country in need.• William Tandongfor has partnered with other leaders in the Bay Area African Community to start the donations in Cameroon. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• City of Richmond Environmental and Health Initiatives – Samantha Carr<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implement “I heart Richmond” to provide education, programs, and resources to prevent and cleanup of illegal dumping.• Richmond Green blue new deal workforce development Plan with just transition framework• SB1383 partnership with Republic Services and RecycleMore• Transparent Richmond is used to input data regarding illegal dumping and other environmental issues in Richmond. Expanding neighborhood cleanups which will need volunteers to help with the cleanup, and dumpster day in Richmond.• The events, initiatives and other information will be sent via listserv.	
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Provide your email to Samantha Carr to be added to the listserv:

Samantha_carr@ci.richmond.ca.us

www.richmondenvironment.org

www.transparentrichmond.org

- City of Richmond Rheem Creek cleanup – Patrick
 - Rheem creek runs through Contra Costa College
 - Rollingwood neighborhood has reported major flooding issues
 - Clean up project will include cleaning the drainage pipes and other vegetation that has grown in those areas. Replant other vegetation that will not be a long-term issue to clogging the drains again.Wildcat Creek Council:
<https://www.wcspcouncil.org/>

- Richmond Greenway project
- Information Week of 12/5-12/10 shared the roadway safety and bike/ped action plan - promoting sustainable travel!
Come to bridge week events!
<https://ci.richmond.ca.us/4198/Richmond-Greenway-Gap-Study>

Goals for the Bike and Pedestrian Action Plan include:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a recommended bicycle and pedestrian network that builds on Richmond’s existing assets and focuses on closing existing gaps • Develop a list of near-term (1-3 year) infrastructure projects focusing on bicycle and pedestrian safety and comfort • Develop an implementation strategy that identifies potential funding opportunities and applies those to each project • Develop a general set of guidelines for the development and implementation of bicycle facilities and off-street paths <p>https://travelsaferichmond.org/</p>	
<p>VI. Review/Set Goals for 2022/2023</p>	<p>Goals 1-3, 6-7 are District led with the input of the campus community. Goals 4-5, 8-9 Campus Focused initiatives See attached <i>2035 Districtwide Updated Sustainability Goals</i></p>	
<p>VII. Adjournment</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 7:53 a.m. Next meeting is February 2, 2023 at 7:00 a.m.</p>	

12 WAYS TO LIVE MORE SUSTAINABLY

Every day we make choices in our lives that affect the environment, the climate and other species. From what we eat to how many children we decide to have, there's a lot we can do to "choose wild" and reduce our environmental footprint to leave more room for wild animals and plants.

1. [Think twice before shopping.](#)
2. [Make sure your big purchases have big environmental benefits.](#)
3. [Go #Plastic Free.](#)
4. [Boycott products that endanger wildlife.](#)
5. [Pay attention to labels.](#)
6. [Be water wise.](#)
7. [Drive less, drive green.](#)
8. [Green your home.](#)
9. [Choose Wild Energy.](#)
10. [Take Extinction Off Your Plate.](#)
11. [Choose to have a smaller family.](#)
12. [Use your voice and your vote.](#)

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

2035 Districtwide Updated Sustainability Goals

(Based on BOG 2021 Climate Action & Sustainability Framework)

Goals 1-3, 6-7: District led with campus input
Goals 4-5,8-9: Campus focused





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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC REVIEW OF DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Date: October 7, 2022
To: Agencies, Organizations and Interested Parties
Subject: Availability of Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the "Guidelines and Procedures for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act" as amended to date, this letter is to advise you that the City of Richmond Planning Division has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the following project:

Project No: PLN21-282

Project Title: Raven SR Bioenergy Project

Project Location: The project site is located at 1 Parr Boulevard, in the City of Richmond, Contra Costa County, California. It is within the West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill (WCCSL) facility located in the northwest area of the City of Richmond, in Contra Costa County, California. For purpose of the environmental document, the project would occur within approximately 2.5 acres of the existing Bulk Materials Processing Center (BMPC) of the WCCSL. The property is located approximately 0.25 miles west of Parr Boulevard (approximately 0.25 miles west from Richmond Parkway) via an unpaved access road. The northern boundary of the project site is the City of Richmond/Contra Costa County jurisdiction line; the project site is located wholly within the City of Richmond, except for use of an existing access/egress road located within the County.

Parcel No: 408-140-009 (174.93 acres)

Project Sponsor/Applicants: Raven SR Inc.; Matt W. Murdock CEO

Project Description: The Raven SR Bioenergy Project (project) proposes to construct and operate a bioenergy system composed of the Raven SR multi-patented Steam/CO₂ Reformation process at the project site. The non-combustion process would convert blended green waste and food waste, obtained from the existing BMPC operation adjacent to the project site, into renewable, transportation grade hydrogen that would be exported offsite for various renewable energy products. No long-term hydrogen storage would occur onsite. The project would also involve the construction of a modular structure and industrial canopy.

Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration Prepared

A Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) has been prepared. Its purpose is to identify any potential environmental impacts that would result from implementation of the proposed project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. The IS/MND is available for review online at <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4365/Raven-SR-Bioenergy-Project>. Copies are also available for review at the following location:

City of Richmond Planning Division Department, City Hall, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA, 94804. The Planning Division public counter is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15105(a), a minimum thirty-day (30) public review period is required and shall commence on the date of this notice (October 7, 2022). All written comments on this document must be submitted to the City of Richmond Planning Division within this 30-day review period, or by **Monday, November**

7, 2022 by 5:00 p.m.

Please mail or email your written response to this Notice of Availability no later than by 5:00 p.m. on November 7, 2022 to:

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Please include in your written response the name and phone number of a contact person in your agency.