

Board Meeting MINUTES

May 19, 2026, 8:00 AM at H.T. Grill (indoor wine room), 1701 S Catalina Ave

CALL TO ORDER 8:08 AM

I. **ROLL CALL** Kimberly Judy, Brian Diederich, Ralph Russomano, Greg Gomez, Allen Sanford, Victoria Tapp, Mike Ward, Cris Bennett, Lauren Bass. Non Board Members: Brad Waller, Kathleen Fisher, Robin Garfield

II. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes from April 21, 2026 meeting (Secretary) **(attachments item #1)**

Motion to approve Minutes by Greg Gomez, 2nd by Kimberly Judy; all in favor-APPROVED

2. Receive & file
 - a. Financial report **(attachments item #2)**

Motion to approve Minutes by Mike Ward 2nd by Kimberly Judy; all in favor-APPROVED

III. GUESTS

1. Redondo Beach Police Dept (Kyle Lofstrom)
2. Redondo Beach Public Works, Deputy Director (Mike Klein)
3. Nike After Dark Tour (Owen R. Strong Event Consultant Break On Through Productions)
4. Garfield Consultants (Robin Garfield, Dine Around Riviera Village)

IV. UPDATES

1. Farmers Market **(attachments item #3)**
2. Social media (Kathleen Fisher)

FB: 12,893 | IG 19,274

3. Parklets (Cris Bennett)

Il Posto was EVICTED from the parklet and Ugo took over. RB Brewing Company was also EVICTED due to non payment of city rent/fees.

4. Plants (Greg Gomez)
5. Lamp post banners (Kathleen Fisher)
6. Events Director (Kim Judy)
 - a. Dine Around Riviera Village (Ralph Russomano, Kim Judy, Robin Garfield)

Sold out in 3 days. No mailers will be needed which will save a lot of money. We will have a "post event" ad in the Easy Reader thanking everyone. Our expenses came in \$3,000 below budget.

- b. Summer Festival (Mike Ward)

- c. Next Merchant Mixer, June 17, 6-8 PM, location TBD (Victoria Tap)

V. DISCUSSION & VOTING ITEMS

1. Parklets Permit extension

The city wants to approve a 5 year extension of the parklet program tonight at the council meeting. Discussion ensued about whether or not we should make a request to the city about them managing the parklets instead of the RVA BID. It was decided by vote to let the city approve this first, then obtain Coastal Commission approval before we make requests. The RVA Board is unanimously in support of the extension and we want to continue the use of 47 parking spaces for the parklets but keep them as a floating 47 spaces and not the currently used 47 spaces.

- a. May 19 City Council Public Hearing

Cris Bennet and Ralph Russomano to attend on 05/19/26

2. RVA Board Elections 2024-2026

- a. Count Ballots

The new members elected to the 2026-2028 Board are Lisa Babros, Alexadra Soto and Peter Olpe.

VI. ONGOING ITEMS

- 1. Digital directory touch screen (Jeff Ginsburg)
- 2. Retractable Bollards
- 3. RVA entry sign PCH; clean or replace
- 4. Beautification \$30k Project
- 5. Make more formal, a program focusing on Riviera Village sidewalk beautification
- 6. Permanent Parklets
- 7. Morgan Moore Memorial: \$1,125 in prepaid acct.

VII. CITY LEADERSHIP UPDATES (City Council Member Brad Waller)

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-agenda items up to 3 minutes per individual)

IX. ADJOURNMENT 9:54 AM

- 1. Next BID meeting (June 16, 2026)
- 2. Any agenda questions or additions, please email coordinator@rivieravillage.net

(attachments #1)

CURRENT BOARD ROSTER 2024-2026

Name	License #	Address	Additional Role	Add'l Role2
Bass Lauren	318410	McGaughey & Spirito, 116 Avenue I	Insurance	
Bennett, Cris	302409	Good Stuff, 1617 S PCH	Parklets	
Diederich, Brian	308860	Riviera Funding, 1801 S Catalina Ave Ste201	SECRETARY	
Ginsburg, Jeff	309640	Plaza Riviera, 1611 S Catalina Ave Ste115	Bollards grant	Touch screen directory
Gomez, Gregory	327704	Property Owner, 1830 S Elena	VICE PRESIDENT	Plants maintenance
Judy, Kimberly	327316	Card De A, 265 Avenida Del Norte	Events Director	Farmers Market Dine Around
Russomano, Ralph	1256290	HT Grill, 1845 S Elena Ave Ste30	TREASURER	
Sanford, Allen	331039	BeachLife Grotto, 1711 S Catalina	PRESIDENT	
Tap, Victoria	302312	Salon Riviera, 1807 S Catalina Ave		
Ward, Mike	290198	Village Runner, 255 Avenida Del Norte	Lamp Posts	

CURRENT VENDORS

Insurance

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Legal

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 2381 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 405
 El Segundo, California 90245
 (310) 798-4940

Parklet Cleaning

John | info.pathtoclean@gmail.com

Farmers Market

Lynda Habash | lyndahabash@ca.rr.com | 310-212-0180

Digital Kiosk Maintenance

Pat Dacy | 3V Signs | pat@3vsigns.com

Plant Maintenance

Cultivate with Jess, Jesse Mayote | 310-989-5278 | jpmayotte@gmail.com

RVA EVENT SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Organizer	Details	Event Planner
3/14/2026	St. Pat's Day Run	Village Runner	8AM	VR Events
4/1/2026	RVA Merchant Mixer	RVA	6PM-8PM	RVA
4/7/2026	City Council Meeting	Lauren Bass	6PM	RVA
5/5/2026	City Council Meeting	Kim Judy	6PM	RVA
6/3/2026	Dine Around Riviera Village	RVA	5-8PM	Robin Garfield

6/9/2026	City Council Meeting	Greg Gomez	6PM	RVA
6/11-7/19 2026	World Cup			
6/17/2026	RVA Merchant Mixer	RVA	6PM-8PM	RVA
6/26-28/2026	Summer Festival	RVA		?
7/4/2026	31st Annual 4th of July 5k and Firecracker Dash / Village Runner	Village Runner	6:30AM - 11AM Catalina street closure	VR Events
8/19/26	RVA Merchant Mixer	RVA	6PM-8PM	RVA
8/22-23/2026	Sidewalk Sale	RVA	Discounted racks and tables on sidewalk	RVA
9/??/2026	LA Kings RB 5K	LA Kings	Catalina closed from Vista del Mar to Ave I. Ave I closed between Catalina & Esplanade	LA Kings
10/31/2026	Halloween Trick or Treat	RVA	3-8PM	Lynda Habash
11/18/2026	RVA Merchant Mixer	RVA	6PM-8PM	RVA
12/3/2026	Holiday Stroll	RVA	5-9PM	Lynda Habash

Attachments

- 1 Previous meeting minutes
- 2 Treasurer report
- 3 Farmers Market