

# **Richmond City Council**

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# **Formal Meeting Minutes**

Monday, September 22, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

## **Council Members Present**

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President

The Honorable Katherine Jordan, Vice President

The Honorable Sarah Abubaker

The Honorable Andrew Breton

The Honorable Kenya Gibson

The Honorable Nicole Jones

The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (late arrival)

The Honorable Ellen Robertson

The Honorable Reva Trammell

#### Call to Order

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and presided.

## **Spanish Interpretation Announcement**

City Clerk Candice Reid stated that Spanish interpretation service was available in the Council Chamber and that attendees should speak with a representative to receive the appropriate equipment. City Clerk Reid also stated that Spanish interpretation service was available virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Roxana Talavera-Denson, Language Access Coordinator, Office of Immigrant and Refugee Engagement, then provided Spanish interpretation of City Clerk Reid's announcement.

## **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Reverend Dr. James Henry Harris of Second Baptist Church, West End, provided the invocation. Members of Council and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Chamber Emergency Evacuation Plan Announcement and Public Speaker Guidelines

Upon the President's request, Council Management Analyst Pamela Nichols provided information on the appropriate way to evacuate the Council Chamber in an emergency along with public speaker guidelines.

## **Action on Appointments and Reappointments**

CD.2025.286 Board Appointments and Reappointments - September 22, 2025

Councilor Andrew Breton moved to approve the following appointments to the Civilian Review Board:

Angela Fontaine Jannie Hawkins Evan Feinman Rafaella Sale

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Robertson, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0. Lynch had not yet arrived.

#### **Awards and Presentations**

CD.2025.287 20250922 Formal Awards and Recognitions Ceremony Docket

Councilor Nicole Jones, on behalf of City Council, and Mayor Danny Avula, recognized and proclaimed September 15 through October 15 as Richmond Latin and Hispanic American Heritage Month.

President Cynthia Newbille, on behalf of City Council, recognized and honored the work of CARITAS in the community helping persons in need.

## **Public Comment**

CD.2025.281 September 22, 2025 Public Comment Period Speakers List

Thomas Courtney addressed Council raising concerns with the Virginia Museum of Fine Art expansion.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch arrived at 6:25 p.m.

Kashisha Pillai, New Virginia Majority, addressed Council regarding adding an anti-rent gouging bill to the city's legislative agenda.

Rosmeri Castillo, New Virginia Majority, addressed Council regarding dignified living and accessibility, explaining her difficulties with paying rent due to health problems and other external factors.

Deanna Smith, Housing Opportunities Made Equal, addressed Council regarding adding an anti-rent gouging bill to the city's legislative agenda.

Omari Al-Qadaffi, Legal Aid Justice Center, addressed Council regarding Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority's involvement with public housing redevelopment in the city.

Justin Cerny addressed Council raising concerns with the Department of Public Works and billing issues he and others were experiencing.

Kiara Harris, Gilpin Informed Residents, addressed Council regarding Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority's actions regarding public housing redevelopment in the city.

Emeka Anya, New Virginia Majority, addressed Council regarding housing displacement, the pricing out of residents, and adding an anti-rent gouging bill to the city's legislative agenda.

Cassie Knight addressed Council regarding the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority and played indistinct phone recordings of conversations allegedly related to RRHA CEO Steven Nesmith.

A copy of all material provided has been filed.

## **Agenda Review and Amendments**

Deputy City Clerk Kiley Kesecker presented the agenda amendments as follows:

4.	ORD.	To authorize the special use of the property known as 3122 2nd Ave			
	2025-052	for the purpose of up to three single-family detached dwellings and two			
		single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.			
		(6th District)			

To be continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

5.	ORD.	To authorize the special use of the properties known as 3801 Hanover		
2025-079 Avenue and 3803 Hanover Avenue for the purpose of up to				
		single-family detached dwellings and [eight] four single-family attached		
		dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (1st		
		District)		

To be amended and continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

<u>DRD.</u>	To authorize the special use of the property known as 2618 Rear West			
2025-081 Main Street for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing				
	[four] three dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (2nd District)			

To be amended and continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

7.	ORD.	To authorize the special use of the property known as 3200 2nd Ave			
	<u>2025-113</u>	for the purpose of up to [one] two single-family detached [dwelling]			

dwellings, [two] one two-family detached [dwellings] dwelling, and four single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (6th District)

To be amended and continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

8. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-148 To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2201 Fenton Street and 2203 Fenton Street for the purpose of up to three single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

This ordinance was withdrawn.

9. ORD. 2025-150

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3923 Grove Avenue for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling and 16 single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

To be continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

**34.** ORD. 2025-161

To amend ch. 5 of the City Code by adding therein a new art. VI, consisting of §§ 5-160 - 5-167, for the purpose of establishing a residential rental inspection program.

To be continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

**35.** ORD. 2025-184

To provide for the granting by the City of Richmond to the person, firm or corporation to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law of an easement upon, over, under, and across certain property known as Thomas B. Smith Community Center and located at 2009 Ruffin Road for the construction, maintenance, and operation of improvements and associated appurtenances for the generation, distribution and transmission of electricity in accordance with a certain Right of Way Agreement.

To be continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Councilor Stephanie Lynch was excused at 6:51 p.m.

**36.** ORD. 2025-185

To provide for the granting by the City of Richmond to the person, firm or corporation to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law of an easement upon, over, under, and across certain property known as Lucks Field Community Center located at 1925 U Street for the construction, maintenance, and operation of improvements and associated appurtenances for the generation, distribution and transmission of electricity in accordance with a certain Right of Way Agreement.

To be continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

**37.** ORD. 2025-186

To provide for the granting by the City of Richmond to the person, firm or corporation to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law of an easement upon, over, under, and across certain property known as St. Mary's Hospital located at 5801 Monument Avenue for the construction, maintenance, and operation of improvements and associated appurtenances for the generation, distribution and transmission of electricity in accordance with a certain Right of Way Agreement.

To be continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

**40.** RES. 2025-R035

To reverse the decision of the Commission of Architectural Review denying an application for a certificate of appropriateness for the property located at 2201 Venable Street in the city of Richmond, regarding construction of a three-story, detached single-family dwelling, by fully approving such application. (7th District)

To be moved from the Regular Agenda to the Consent Agenda

Councilor Sarah Abubaker made a motion to further amend the agenda to continue the following two items to the October 14, 2025 Council meeting:

**38.** ORD. 2025-207

To amend City Code § 26-355, concerning the levy of tax on real estate, to establish a tax rate of \$1.20 for the tax year beginning Jan. 1, 2026, pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3321(b), and increasing such rate from the Rolled Back Tax Rate of \$1.146 as computed in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3321(a).

Continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

**39.** ORD. 2025-208

To amend City Code § 26-355, concerning the levy of tax on real estate, to establish a tax rate of \$1.16 for the tax year beginning Jan. 1, 2026, pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3321(b), and increasing such rate from the Rolled Back Tax Rate of \$1.146 as computed in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3321(a).

Continued to Tuesday, October 14, 2025

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 5, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Trammell, Abubaker. Noes 3, Robertson, Jordan, Newbille. Lynch was excused.

Councilor Sarah Abubaker made a motion to approve the remaining agenda amendments as presented.

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 7, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Robertson, Trammell, Abubaker, Newbille. Noes 1, Jordan. Lynch was excused.

## The Consent Agenda

#### The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

1. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-025

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 5009 Rear Snead Road, 5015 Snead Road, and 5015 Rear Snead Road for the purpose of up to 180 multifamily dwelling units and a clubhouse, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (9th District)

This ordinance was adopted.

2. ORD. 2025-032

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, Refuge Apartments, LP, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable housing development located at 5015 Snead Road, 5009 Rear Snead Road, and 5015 Rear Snead Road, or a site resulting from any such consolidation of the aforementioned parcels. (9th District)

This ordinance was adopted.

3. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-046 To amend Ord. No. 2008-270-261, adopted Nov. 10, 2008, which amended Ord. No. 2003-296-255, adopted Sep. 8, 2003, which authorized a Community Unit Plan at 1300 Westwood Avenue for a mixed-use development consisting of a maximum of one hundred forty residential units, a community center with reception facility and non-medical office, a preventative healthcare facility, two private schools, and a fifty unit dormitory, and modified the plan for the fence required between the subject property and 1409 Palmyra Avenue, to modify the Community Unit Plan to allow for the development of tennis courts. (As Amended) (3rd District)

This ordinance was adopted.

10. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-173 To authorize the special use of the property known as 2201 North Lombardy Street for the purpose of a mixed-use building, upon certain terms and conditions. (3rd District)

This ordinance was adopted.

**11.** ORD. 2025-187

To approve the Work Plan and Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, for the provision of services in the Downtown Special Service and Assessment Districts.

This ordinance was adopted.

**12.** ORD. 2025-189

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$8,719.00 from the

United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development's HOME - ARP Special Fund by \$8,719.00, for the purpose of funding the construction of the Rady Street Apartments project.

This ordinance was adopted.

**13.** ORD. 2025-192

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a First Amendment to Lease Agreement between the City of Richmond and Challenge Discovery Projects, Inc. for the purpose of providing outpatient behavioral health clinic services at 2405 Jefferson Avenue. (7th District)

This ordinance was adopted.

**14.** ORD. 2025-193

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation for the purpose of funding the FLT – Kanawha Plaza Multi Use Trail project.

This ordinance was adopted.

**15.** ORD. 2025-194

To designate the 2800 block of 3rd Avenue in honor of the Reverend F. Todd Gray.

This ordinance was adopted.

**16.** ORD. 2025-195

To designate the 4800 block of Bryce Lane in honor of Dr. Lois Bias.

This ordinance was adopted.

**17.** ORD. 2025-196

To designate the 3400 block of Castlewood Road in honor of Bishop Alfred L. Nicholson.

This ordinance was adopted.

**18.** ORD. 2025-197

To designate the 200 block of East 19th Street in honor of Curtis T.

"Bubba" Johnson.

This ordinance was adopted.

**19.** ORD. 2025-198

To designate the 200 block of East Clay Street in honor of Jack Green.

This ordinance was adopted.

20.	ORD.
	2025-199

To designate that portion of West Broad Street located between North Foushee Street and North Adams Street in honor of Ted Santarella.

This ordinance was adopted.

**21.** ORD. 2025-200

To designate the 1600 block of South Meadow Street in honor of Dr. Joan Belle Christian.

This ordinance was adopted.

**22.** ORD. 2025-201

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$224,012.00 from the Great American Insurance Company, and to amend Ord. No. 2025-058, adopted May 12, 2025, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and determined a means of financing the same, to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Complete Streets project in the Transportation - Federal/State/Regional category by \$224,012.00, for the purpose of appropriating funds received from the Great American Insurance Company for various infrastructure improvements in the Governor's Retreat subdivision.

This ordinance was adopted.

**23.** ORD. 2025-202

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$4,388,200.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to amend Ord. No. 2025-058 adopted May 12, 2025, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvements Projects for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and determined a means of financing the same, by (i) establishing a new project for the Department of Public Works in the Transportation category called the "Fall Line Trail (FLT) – Kanawha Plaza Multi Use Trail" project and (ii) increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the new Department of Public Works' "Fall Line Trail (FLT) – Kanawha Plaza Multi Use Trail" project in the Transportation category by \$4,388,200.00, for the purpose of providing funding for the Fall Line Trail Kanawha Plaza Multi Use Trail project.

This ordinance was adopted.

24. ORD. 2025-203

To accept a quitclaim deed from the School Board conveying a portion of 200 West Clay Street and a portion of 119 West Leigh Street and commonly known as Abner Clay Park to the City and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to act on behalf of the City in executing

such deed. (2nd District)

This ordinance was adopted.

**25.** ORD. 2025-204

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute an Amendment I: Extension of Project Period between the City of Richmond and the National Recreation and Park Association for the purpose of supporting the ongoing implementation of the Mentoring Opportunities for Youth Initiative project.

This ordinance was adopted.

**26.** ORD. 2025-205

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$125,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services and to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Justice Services' Help Me Help You Program Special Fund by \$125,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Help Me Help You program.

This ordinance was adopted.

**27.** ORD. 2025-206

To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by (i) increasing anticipated revenues from certain funds due to the City from the Virginia Department of Taxation, in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-1748 and Ord. No. 2025-099, adopted Jun. 2, 2025, by \$200,000.00; (ii) creating a new special fund for the Office of Sustainability called the "Disposable Plastic Bag Tax Special Fund;" and (iii) appropriating the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing the estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Office of Sustainability's "Disposable Plastic Bag Tax Special Fund" by \$200,000.00, all for the purpose of funding local environmental cleanups, education programs designed to reduce environmental waste, pollution and litter mitigation, and providing reusable bags to recipients of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or Women, Infants, and Children Program benefits.

This ordinance was adopted.

28. RES. 2025-R036

To approve of the City's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun Pharmaceuticals, Zydus, and Sandoz, and their related corporate entities, and to direct the City Attorney to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against the settling entities.

#### This resolution was adopted.

**29.** RES. 2025-R037

To approve of the City's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against Purdue Pharma and the Sackler Parties, and their related corporate entities, and to direct the City Attorney to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against the settling entities.

This resolution was adopted.

30. <u>RES.</u> 2025-R038 To approve the Richmond Behavioral Health Authority's performance contract for Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027.

This resolution was adopted.

**31.** RES. 2025-R039

To direct the City Planning Commission, as a part of its required review of the Master Plan in 2025, to prepare, submit to public hearing, and consider an amendment to the Master Plan that identifies the area generally bounded by, to the south, Interstate 95 and Interstate 64; to the east, Hermitage Road from Interstate 95 and Interstate 64 to the five-way intersection at Brookland Parkway and Westwood Avenue, Chatham Road from Westwood Avenue to Palmyra Avenue; to the north, Palmyra Avenue from Chatham Road to Hermitage Road, and Oakdale Avenue from Hermitage Road to Catalpa Avenue; and to the west, Catalpa Avenue from Oakdale Avenue to Westwood Avenue, and Westwood Avenue from Catalpa Avenue to Interstate 95 and Interstate 64, as a Neighborhood Node and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Department of Planning and Development Review, the Department of Public Works, the Office of Equitable Transit and Mobility, the Department of Economic Development, and the Department of Housing and Community Development to collectively work with the City Planning Commission to prepare such amendment to the Master Plan.

This resolution was adopted.

**32.** RES. 2025-R040

To express the Council's acceptance of the findings of the MGT Performance, City of Richmond, Virginia Minority Business Enterprise, 2023 Disparity Study and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Office of Minority Business Development to (i) develop and implement a comprehensive plan of action based on the recommendations of such disparity study to promote equity in the City's procurement practices and (ii) conduct a comprehensive minority business enterprise disparity study every five years beginning in Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

This resolution was adopted.

**40.** RES. 2025-R035

To reverse the decision of the Commission of Architectural Review denying an application for a certificate of appropriateness for the property located at 2201 Venable Street in the city of Richmond, regarding construction of a three-story, detached single-family dwelling, by fully approving such application. (7th District)

This resolution was adopted.

## **Public Hearing**

Kei'Shaun Hardy, Virginia Union University student, spoke in support of ORD. 2025-173 and stated that the proposed development of the Gateway North complex represents an historic moment of growth for VUU that will expand opportunities for future generations of students.

Jenyia Andrews, Virginia Union University student, spoke in support of ORD. 2025-173 and stated that the proposed development will provide housing stability for students and strengthen the relationship between VUU and city leadership.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch returned at 7:01 p.m.

Jasira Lemaitre, Virginia Union University NAACP President and SGA Vice President of External Affairs, spoke in support of ORD. 2025-173 and the importance of providing affordable housing for students and graduates.

James Johnson III, Virginia Union University student, spoke in support of ORD. 2025-173 and stated that the proposed development at Gateway North will help ensure that VUU students and graduates can remain in the city to reinvest their skills and energy into the community.

Cameron Cosby, Virginia Union University graduate student, spoke in support of ORD. 2025-173 and the Gateway North complex as a meaningful step towards stability, health, and opportunity.

Charles Willis spoke in support of ORD. 2025-194 through ORD. 2025-200, and thanked Council for considering the honorary designation of streets for such meaningful individuals.

Adrienne Whitaker, Minority Business Enterprise and Emerging Small Business Advisory Board Chair, spoke in support of RES. 2025-R040 and the development of a clear plan to provide opportunity and access for all businesses in the city.

Sonji Rollins Tucker, SRT Wealth Design Group, spoke in support of RES. 2025-R040 and stated that the acceptance of the disparity study will help establish Richmond as a forward-thinking city that values inclusion and opportunity for all.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch stated her support for the motion to continue ORD. 2025-207 and ORD. 2025-208 to October 14, 2025, that was approved earlier in the meeting.

Several Councilmembers thanked those in attendance from Virginia Union University for participating in the legislative process and commended their civic engagement.

All members of Council requested to be added as co-patrons to ORD. 2025-173.

President Cynthia Newbille requested to be added as a co-patron to RES. 2025-R040.

There was no further discussion, and the Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted.

## The Regular Agenda

## The following ordinance was considered:

**33.** ORD. 2025-100

To amend City Code § 12-12, concerning the form of the budget submitted to Council, to require publication of a side-by-side comparison with the mayor's proposed budget submission with agency-level budget request documents and to amend ch. 12, art. I of the City Code by adding therein a new section 12-25, concerning publication of agency-level budget requests, for the purpose of requiring submission of agency-level budget request documents.

This ordinance was adopted.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch provided an overview of the proposed ordinance and explained the city budget process compared to the State.

## **Public Hearing**

There were no public hearing speakers.

Councilor Kenya Gibson expressed her support for the proposed ordinance and the deeper understanding of the needs of each department it will provide.

Councilor Andrew Breton stated that the proposed ordinance would help ensure that the mayor's budget is aligned with the goals of City Council, as well as provide a helpful tool for fulfilling Council's obligation to validate the budget.

Councilor Ellen Robertson stated that the budget task force, after discussions with city administration, felt that administration needs to have the benefits of their "working papers" to make collective decisions about the budget regarding departmental requests.

Councilor Reva Trammell expressed support for the proposed ordinance and requested to be added as a co-patron.

Vice President Jordan stated that she hopes the level of transparency the proposed ordinance would provide will help underscore why keeping the tax rate at \$1.20 is necessary.

Chief Administrative Officer Odie Donald II stated that the proposed ordinance would hinder the ability of administration to improve operations in alignment with the goals of Council.

President Cynthia Newbille clarified that the recommendation of the Budget Review Task Force was to not move forward with the proposed ordinance, which Councilor Robertson confirmed.

There were no further comments or discussions, and ORD. 2025-100 was adopted: Ayes 7, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan. Noes 2, Robertson, Newbille.

#### **Motions**

Councilor Andrew Breton moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD.	To authorize the special use of the properties known as 3801 Hanover
2025-079	Avenue and 3803 Hanover Avenue for the purpose of up to two
	single-family detached dwellings and [eight] four single-family attached
	dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (1st
	District)

be amended and continued to October 14, 2025, to modify the number of dwellings, the Plans, and certain terms and conditions.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Vice President Jordan moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD.	To authorize the special use of the property known as 2618 Rear West
<u>2025-081</u>	Main Street for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing up to
	[four] three dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions. (As
	Amended) (2nd District)

be amended and continued to October 14, 2025, to modify the number of dwelling units, the Plans, and parking.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD.	To authorize the special use of the property known as 3200 2nd Avenue			
<u>2025-113</u>	for the purpose of up to [one] two single-family detached [dwelling]			
	dwellings, [two] one two-family detached [dwellings] dwelling, and four			

single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (6th District)

be amended and continued to October 14, 2025, to modify the number of dwellings and the Plans.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

## **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

There were no amendments or corrections to the following meeting minutes, which were approved as presented.

CD.2025.272	FY 2026 Budget Work Session Minutes
CD.2025.267	July 28, 2025 Informal Meeting Minutes
CD.2025.290	July 28, 2025 Formal Meeting Minutes
CD.2025.289	August 25, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes
CD.2025.280	September 8, 2025 Informal Meeting Minutes
CD.2025.285	September 8, 2025 Formal Meeting Minutes

## **Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions**

CD.2025.293 September 22, 2025 Introduction Papers List

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolution on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.:

**41.** ORD. 2025-221

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response called the "FY26 SHSP Radio Repeater Special Fund," and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response's "FY26 SHSP Radio Repeater Special Fund" by \$250,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing and installing radio repeater equipment.

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

**42.** ORD. 2025-222

To amend City Code § 27-302, concerning towing and storage fees, for the purpose of modifying the limits on fees charged for the towing, storage, and safekeeping of certain vehicles removed from private property.

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

**43.** ORD. 2025-223

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$100,000,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Wastewater Utility Budget which appropriated the estimated receipts of the wastewater utility, by increasing estimated receipts and the amount appropriated for the wastewater utility by \$100,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Canoe Run Park Storage Tank project.

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

**44.** ORD. 2025-224

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Fiscal Agency Agreement between the City of Richmond and NextUp RVA for the purpose of authorizing NextUp RVA to act as a fiscal agent on behalf of the City to facilitate funding for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' 2025 CarMax Basketball Youth Development and Summer Camp program.

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, October 9, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

**45.** RES. 2025-R041

To approve the City of Richmond Plan of Services under the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act.

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, October 9, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.:

**46.** ORD. 2025-225

To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget and made appropriations thereto, by transferring \$2,000,000.00 from the "Delinquent Tax Sales" special fund and appropriating such transferred

funds to the "Affordable Housing Trust Fund" special fund for the purposes set forth in City Code § 16-53.

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

**47.** ORD. 2025-226

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, ECG Semmes, LP, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable housing development located at 2201 McDonough Street, 2300 Semmes Avenue, 2301 McDonough Street, 322 West 22nd Street, 315 West 22nd Street, 307 West 22nd Street, 301 West 22nd Street, 302 West 22nd Street, 2100 Perry Street, 222 West 21st Street, 215 West 22nd Street, 217 West 22nd Street, 219 West 22nd Street, and 221 West 22nd Street. (5th District)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

**48.** ORD. 2025-227

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3100 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard for the purpose of electric vehicle charging stations, upon certain terms and conditions. (2nd District)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

**49.** ORD. 2025-228

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1103 Carlisle Avenue and 1105 Carlisle Avenue for the purpose of up to four single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

**50.** ORD. 2025-229

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2111 Fairfax Avenue for the purpose of up to one single-family detached dwelling and one two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions. (8th District)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

**51.** ORD. 2025-230

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2106 Redd Street for the purpose of up to four two-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

**52.** ORD. 2025-231

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3219 Tuxedo Boulevard for the purpose of up to five single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

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## Reports or Announcements by Members of Council

Members of Council provided reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities.

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There being no further business to come before	re Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.
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