



City of Richmond

Informal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
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Monday, May 23, 2016

4:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Richmond City Council convened in Informal Session on Monday, May 23, 2016, in the Council Chamber located on the second floor of City Hall, 900 East Broad Street.

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Michelle Mosby, President
The Honorable Jon Baliles
The Honorable Kathy Graziano
The Honorable Cynthia Newbille
The Honorable Ellen Robertson (late arrival)
The Honorable Charles Samuels
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Reported Absent

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President
The Honorable Parker Agelasto

Staff Present

Lou B. Ali, Council Chief of Staff
Lisa Braxton, Assistant City Clerk
Jean V. Capel, City Clerk
Allen Jackson, City Attorney
Candice Reid, Deputy City Clerk
Tabrica Rentz, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Council President Michelle Mosby called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m. and presided.

Upon the President's request, Assistant City Clerk Lisa Braxton provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency.

Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority (RMTA) Update

Angela Gray, RMTA chief executive officer, provided Council with an update regarding the Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority's objectives, mission and fiscal fitness since the equalization of the authority in 2014. A copy of the presentation has been filed.

Jim Holland, RMTA chairman, along with other RMTA Board of Directors members were also in attendance.

Multi-Year School Capital Investment Funding Plan Draft Report and Analysis

David Rose and Roland Kooch, Davenport and Company financial advisors, provided Council with a preliminary report and analysis of a multi-year school investment funding plan which identified potential local revenue options for supporting possible capital investments for both the city and Richmond Public Schools over the next ten years. A copy of the presentation has been filed.

Councilor Ellen Robertson arrived at 4:25 p.m. and was seated.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell expressed concern over enacting any of the potential revenue sources addressed in the school investment funding plan and asked why efficiencies surrounding city expenditures had not been assessed.

Lenora Reid, deputy chief administrative officer – Finance and Administration, was available to answer questions regarding the draft report and city's finances.

Councilor Jon Baliles requested that the report be revised to reflect historic annual funding of Richmond Public Schools' statistics dating back to 2006.

President Michelle Mosby requested that councilors review the school investment funding plan for further discussion during the June Organizational Development Standing Committee meeting.

Councilor Ellen Robertson requested an itemized listing for adopted FY2017-21 capital improvement program (CIP) projects and Richmond Public Schools' Phase 1 capital needs projects not included in the adopted CIP.

Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC) Board Vacancy

Boards and Commissions Administrator Alexander Rawles informed Council of a potential vacancy for the Greater Richmond Transit Company Board and reviewed the process for considering potential candidates.

It was the consensus of Council to delay any review for a new appointee until October, 2016 when all members of the GRTC board are to be reconsidered.

Docket Review

Assistant City Clerk Lisa Braxton reviewed the following agenda items as indicated:

Consent Agenda:

1. Ord. 2014-217 – to be continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
2. Ord. 2015-199 – to be continued to Monday, July 25, 2016
3. Ord. 2016-091 – to be amended and continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
4. Ord. 2016-097 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Mike Sawyer, Public Works city transportation engineer, stated that city administration opposes the adoption of Ord. 2016-097 based upon the current technical engineering study.

5. Ord. 2016-102 – retained on the Consent Agenda
6. Ord. 2016-104 – retained on the Consent Agenda
7. Ord. 2016-125 – retained on the Consent Agenda
8. Ord. 2016-130 – retained on the Consent Agenda
9. Ord. 2016-131 – retained on the Consent Agenda

10. Ord. 2016-132 – retained on the Consent Agenda
11. Ord. 2016-133 – to be amended and continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
12. Ord. 2016-134 – retained on the Consent Agenda
13. Ord. 2016-135 – retained on the Consent Agenda
14. Ord. 2016-136 – retained on the Consent Agenda
15. Ord. 2016-142 – retained on the Consent Agenda
16. Ord. 2016-143 – retained on the Consent Agenda
17. Ord. 2016-144 – to be continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
18. Ord. 2016-145 – retained on the Consent Agenda
19. Res. 2016-R032 – retained on the Consent Agenda
20. Res. 2016-R034 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Lenora Reid, deputy chief administrative officer – Finance and Administration, informed Council that the proposed settlement of Res. 2016-R034 is to be allocated from the city's revenue stabilization fund.

21. Res. 2016-R035 – retained on the Consent Agenda
22. Res. 2016-R036 – retained on the Consent Agenda
23. Res. 2016-R037 – retained on the Consent Agenda

There were no further comments or discussions concerning Consent Agenda items reviewed.

Regular Agenda:

24. Ord. 2016-137 – to be continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
25. Ord. 2016-138 – to be continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
26. Ord. 2016-139 – to be continued to Monday, June 27, 2016
27. Ord. 2016-140 – to be continued to Monday, June 27, 2016

There were no comments or discussions concerning Regular Agenda items reviewed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.