

Richmond City Council Formal Meeting Minutes ~ Monday, November 9, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Richmond City Council met in the Council Chamber on Monday, November 9, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

Invocation was offered by Reverend Tyel Banks, Anointed Fellowship Praise Church, 5000 Probst Street, Richmond, VA 23231.

Members of Council and the audience recited the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

Council Members Present

The Honorable Michelle Mosby, President

The Honorable Christopher Hilbert, Vice President

The Honorable Parker Agelasto The Honorable Jonathan Baliles

The Honorable Katherine Graziano The Honorable Cynthia Newbille

The Honorable Ellen Robertson The Honorable Charles Samuels

The Honorable Reva Trammell

CHAMBER EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

President Michelle Mosby called the meeting to order and presided. Upon the President’s request, Candice Reid, Deputy City Clerk, provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency along with citizen speaker guidelines and conduct during the meeting.

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Councilor Jonathan Baliles moved that the following appointments/reappointments be approved:

<u>Board Name</u>	<u>Criteria for Appointment</u>	<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>Terms</u>
Affordable Housing Trust Fund Oversight Board	Representative from an organization dedicated to promoting affordable housing	Glenn Hudson	11/10/2015 – 11/10/2018 (Reappointment)
Capital Area Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Advisory Board	Applicants must reside or work in the city	Carlton G. Edwards, Sr.	11/09/2015 – 03/26/2018 (Reappointment)
		Kelly S. Miles	01/09/2015 – 01/10/2017 Succeeding Harold L. Watkins, II, resigned

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Aging and Disabilities Advisory Board	Resident of the city who is a senior citizen	Linda G. Broady-Myers	01/27/2016 – 01/27/2019 (Reappointment)
	Attorney or paralegal (i) whose firm or office routinely represents or handles cases for senior citizens or disabled persons, (ii) who has experience addressing issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act and (iii) who shall not be required to be a resident of or have a principal place of business in the city	Melanie M. Lee	11/10/2015 – 11/10/2018 (Reappointment)
Richmond Behavioral Health Authority	Representative of the community, to include a consumer or a family member of a consumer when practical	Alma Moore	01/01/2016 – 01/01/2019 (Reappointment)
Board of Building Code Appeals, General Division	Licensed general contractor	Thomas K. Davis	01/28/2016 – 01/28/2019 (Reappointment)
	Citizen with knowledge of the building construction trade	C. Nelson Williams	01/28/2016 – 01/28/2019 (Reappointment)
Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee	Applicants must reside or work in the city	William Steele	11/23/2015 – 11/23/2017 (Reappointment)
City Planning Commission	Qualified voter	Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield	01/28/2016 – 01/28/2019 Succeeding Lynn McAteer
Highway Safety Commission	Qualified voter	Fatima Yousofi	12/11/2015 – 12/11/2018 (Reappointment)
Board of Commissioners of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority	Applicants must reside or work in the city	Samuel Young	01/09/2016 – 01/09/2020 (Reappointment)
Urban Design Committee	Landscape architect	Andrea Almond	01/28/2016 – 01/28/2019 (Reappointment)
	Citizen of the city	Kathryn Harnsberger	01/28/2016 – 01/28/2019 (Reappointment)
Community Criminal Justice Board	Attorney for the Commonwealth	Michael N. Herring	11/11/2015 – 11/11/2017 (Reappointment)

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Richmond Ambulance Authority	No criteria need be met for appointment	Dr. Joseph W. Boatwright, III	11/28/2015 – 11/28/2017 (Reappointment)
		Matthew A. Conrad	11/09/2015 – 10/24/2017 Succeeding C. Michael DeCamps, Esquire
		Dr. Susangeline Strickland	01/09/2016 – 01/09/2018 (Reappointment)

The motion was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

Vice President Chris Hilbert and President Michelle Mosby, on behalf of City Council, and Mayor Dwight C. Jones, recognized Melvin S. Jones, Jr., Founder and President of the Maggie L. Walker Statue Foundation, for his commitment to and advocacy of the erection of the Maggie L. Walker statue, which will be completed in the fall of 2016. Mr. Jones accepted the recognition and thanked Council and Mayor Jones for their support of his efforts.

President Michelle Mosby, on behalf of City Council, and Mayor Dwight C. Jones, recognized the Central Virginia Waste Management Authority (CVWMA) commemorating its 25th Anniversary. Kim Hynes, Executive Director, accepted the recognition on behalf of CVWMA and thanked Council and Mayor Jones for their support in making citizens aware of waste management and recycling within the city.

President Michelle Mosby, on behalf of City Council, and Mayor Dwight C. Jones, recognized Lieutenant Mark Ryals and Firefighter Rebecca Cheeley of the Richmond Fire Department, both credited with saving individuals in life threatening events. President Mosby and Mayor Jones thanked both individuals for going above and beyond the call of duty. Lt. Ryals and Ms. Cheeley thanked Council and Mayor Jones for their recognitions.

President Michelle Mosby, on behalf of City Council, recognized Nicole Lea and Jasmine China for their dedication to advocating and promoting awareness to the public through the “Cells of Life: The Jasmine Care Project” on Sickle-cell Anemia. Nicole Lea accepted the recognition and thanked Council for its support of the project.

President Michelle Mosby, on behalf of City Council, recognized Pastor Victor Torres, co-founder and Pastor of New Life Outreach International, for the work that he and his church do to assist Richmond citizens. Pastor Torres thanked Council for the recognition and its support.

Councilor Parker Agelasto, on behalf of City Council, recognized the services provided by The Memorial Rifles as color guard, honor guard and funeral detail. Dr. Dean Decker accepted the recognition on behalf of The Memorial Rifles and expressed appreciation to Council for the award.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Iman Shabazz, organizer – New Virginia Majority, addressed Council regarding mass incarceration and the impact incarceration has on families. Mr. Shabazz deferred to Denise Brown, parent of an inmate, for additional comments. Mr. Shabazz presented Council with a petition requesting a resolution aimed at reducing the number of felony arrests and convictions for nonviolent offenses and at ensuring that necessary reentry support is provided to citizens upon release.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Lillie Estes provided Council with a summary referencing resident commissioner leadership in Richmond’s public housing communities. Ms. Estes stated that the current leadership is dysfunctional and requirements need to be updated that will improve the quality of life to those living in public housing.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Jonathan Marcus, President of the West Grace Neighborhood Association and Chair of the RVA Coalition for Smart Transit, addressed Council regarding the proposed Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. Mr. Marcus stated that the proposed plan needs revision that would include areas where bus service is not currently provided. Mr. Marcus also stated that the annual deficits from the proposed plan could equate to more than \$2M and questioned how the deficit would be satisfied. Mr. Marcus asked Council to work with the coalition in tailoring a transit project that works for all citizens.

Jack Marshall, President of the Jackson Ward Association and member of the RVA Coalition for Smart Transit, addressed Council stating that there is great concern of the proposed BRT plan and provided information pertaining to on-going operational costs should the proposed plan be adopted. Mr. Marshall stated that the plan will operate at a deficit every year and asked if the Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC) has a plan to subsidize the deficit or will the city determine how the deficit will be funded.

Reverend Benjamin Campbell of RVA Rapid Transit, stated that metropolitan Richmond has less than twenty-five percent (25%) of its jobs accessible via public transportation. Rev. Campbell stated that the new BRT is the core of a new system for the city and federal and state governments are paying \$42M of the \$50M cost to have the BRT completed. Rev. Campbell also stated that the BRT will provide transportation services from 5:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m., 7 days per week. Rev. Campbell further stated that a study will be completed over the next 9 months to determine a more effective connection of present routes to the BRT and to determine which routes may be transferred into neighborhood routes.

Art Burton of RVA Coalition for Smart Transit, stated that the controversy surrounding the BRT is making sure that processes are done correctly. He also stated that a transportation system should be created that works for all citizens. Mr. Burton further stated that design plans for the transportation system is dividing citizens as opposed to uniting them. Mr. Burton reported that it is time for the city to build a regional public transportation system.

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Roy Bryant of the Citizen Transportation Advisory Board, stated that citizens need regional transportation and a bus route is needed on Jefferson Davis Highway in the 8th District.

Scott Garnett, coffee shop owner on Broad Street, stated that the proposed bus route will divide Broad Street and business owners do not understand the purpose for the proposed route. Mr. Garnett also stated that businesses want better transit; however, are asking that the city slow the process down and allow stakeholders to be involved in the conversation in order to promote a positive impact on the city.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved to amend the agenda as follows:

Ordinance No. 2015-133

To designate and establish the property located at 241 East Ladies Mile Road as an official City park named "Lieutenant Ozell Johnson Memorial Park."

which was continued from September 28, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued to Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-170

To amend and reordain City Code § 98-121, concerning the levy of tax on real estate, to establish a tax rate of \$1.17 for the tax year beginning Jan. 1, 2016, which represents the Rolled Back Tax Rate pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3321(b).

Ordinance No. 2015-171

To amend and reordain City Code § 98-121, concerning the levy of tax on real estate, to establish a tax rate of \$1.18 for the tax year beginning Jan. 1, 2016, pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3321(b), and increasing such rate from the Rolled Back Tax Rate of \$1.17 as computed in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3321(a).

Ordinance No. 2015-172

To amend and reordain City Code § 98-121, concerning the levy of tax on real estate, to establish a tax rate of \$1.19 for the tax year beginning Jan. 1, 2016, pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3321(b), and increasing such rate from the Rolled Back Tax Rate of \$1.17 as computed in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3321(a).

which were introduced on September 14, 2015 and advertised for public hearing and action on this date, be **stricken**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-187

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 2-1080 and 2-1080.2, concerning the composition and terms of office for the Clean City Commission and the organization of and reporting

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requirements for the Clean City Commission, respectively, for the purposes of increasing the membership of the Commission from 15 members to 17 members, clarifying that the Director of Public Works shall serve as an ex officio member of the Commission and increasing the number of members that shall constitute a quorum from eight to nine members.

Ordinance No. 2015-189

To amend City Code § 46.1-69, concerning inspection reports for fire prevention systems, for the purpose of requiring persons or firms testing or inspecting fire prevention systems to be certified and qualified to provide such testing or inspecting services.

Ordinance No. 2015-190

To amend City Code § 46.1-3, concerning the authority of the fire code official at fires and other emergencies, for the purpose of authorizing the fire code official to regulate open burning.

which were introduced on September 14, 2015 and advertised for public hearing and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-191

To amend City Code §§ 38-154, concerning weeds and other vegetation, 38-155, concerning violations and notice, and 38-156, concerning abatement by the City, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code by adding therein a new fee for City Code § 38-156(b) for the purpose of imposing one notice per growing season, designating the amount of administrative charges for abatement by the City, imposing civil penalties for violation or such sections, and requiring the Director of Planning and Development Review to prepare and deliver to the City Council and the Chief Administrative Officer a report concerning the costs incurred, charged to property owners and paid to the City associated with the City's efforts to abate violations of such sections.

which was continued from September 28, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-192

To amend and reordain ch. 2, art. VII of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 3, consisting of §§ 2-1341-2-1344, for the purpose of requiring the maintenance of an internet location at which public information concerning certain projects is electronically published for public access.

which was continued from October 12, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-197

To amend City Code § 46.1-51, concerning permit issuance to engage in or conduct a certain business, enterprise or activity, for the purpose of adding a separate permit for thermal pest control treatment, and to amend ch. 46.1, art. V, div. 3 of the City Code, concerning amendments to the fire prevention code, by adding therein a new section 46.1-63, for the purpose making it unlawful for any person to use or operate a temporary heat source to heat the interior of a building, structure or premise to a temperature above 100 degrees Fahrenheit for pest control treatment purposes unless such person has complied with certain conditions.

which was introduced on September 14, 2015 and advertised for public hearing and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-199

To amend City Code §§ 38-156, concerning the abatement of certain refuse, litter and weed control violations, and 86-44, concerning the times and places of collection for bulk items, brush and loose leaves, for the purposes of requiring the Chief Administrative Officer to waive certain fees for the abatement of certain violations, requiring the Director of Public Works to provide written notification of the date on which bulk items are scheduled for collection, and prohibiting the placement of bulk items for collection on or near a public right-of-way more than 48 hours before the date scheduled for collection.

which was continued from September 28, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-204

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 98-263, concerning the eligibility of residential real property in redevelopment and conservation areas and rehabilitation districts for partial tax exemption, 98-264, concerning the application requirements for such partial tax exemption, and 98-265, concerning the amount of such exemption and the basis for taxes during construction, for the purposes of adjusting applicable threshold requirements to qualify for such exemption, adding maximum rent limits for certain dwelling units, authorizing an additional exemption period for certain structures and requiring that property owners file annual renewal applications with the City Assessor.

which was continued from October 12, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-205

To amend ch. 46.1, art. V, div. 3 of the City Code, by adding therein a new section 46.1-64, concerning maximum standpipe outlet pressure, for the purpose of regulating the maximum outlet pressure for firefighting standpipe systems.

Ordinance No. 2015-206

To amend City Code § 46.1-51, concerning permit issuance to engage in or conduct a certain business, enterprise or activity, for the purpose of removing the fee for the exception that a tank may be abandoned if empty and increasing the fee for filling or removing residential heating oil tanks of less than 1,100 gallon size, and to amend City Code § 46.1-53, concerning the removal and closure of underground storage tanks, for the purpose of removing the exception that a tank may be abandoned if empty and to require soil testing to determine the contents of the tank.

Ordinance No. 2015-207

To amend ch. 46.1, art. V, div. 3 of the City Code, by adding therein a new section 46.1-62, concerning fire escape examination and maintenance, for the purpose of requiring the examination and maintenance of all fire escapes on buildings within the city.

which were introduced on September 17, 2015 and advertised for public hearing and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Ordinance No. 2015-208

To amend City Code § 38-152, concerning unlawful accumulation, for the purpose of making it unlawful to permit the accumulation of certain furniture manufactured primarily for indoor use on any property or on any alley, sidewalk, public right-of-way, grass strips, or street abutting such property.

which was continued from September 28, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Resolution No. 2013-R254

To support the City Administration's efforts to settle certain claims asserted by certain owners of real property abutting Princeton Creek in the City of Richmond.

which was continued from October 12, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, and

Resolution No. 2014-R258

To reverse the decision of the Commission of Architectural Review that denied a certificate of appropriateness for the proposed painting of the exterior brick portions of a condominium located at 407 North Allen Avenue.

which was continued from July 27, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **withdrawn**, and

Resolution No. 2015-R53

As Amended

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be prepared and delivered to the Council and the Mayor a report on the local tax revenues generated by businesses located in the area of the city of Richmond known as Carytown.

which was continued from September 28, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **continued to Monday, December 14, 2015.**

The motion was seconded and **adopted:** Vote – Unanimous.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances and resolutions entitled:

Ordinance No. 2015-102-202

As Amended

To amend City Code § 74-72, concerning contracting for professional services by competitive negotiation, to revise the contractual limits applicable to contracts for architectural or professional engineering services for multiple projects, to provide for multiphase professional services contracts, to modify the monetary threshold for procuring professional services as a small purchase, and to otherwise conform the section to the requirements of the Virginia Public Procurement Act.

Ordinance No. 2015-156-203

To authorize the special use of the property known as address 311 Stockton Lane for the purpose of authorizing two accessory dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Ordinance No. 2015-188-204

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$22,428.90 from the Virginia Department of Health’s Office of Emergency Medical Services; to transfer \$4,410.90 from the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Budget, Fire and Emergency Services account; and to appropriate the total amount of \$26,839.80 to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services by \$26,839.80 for the purpose of providing funding for the purchase of emergency medical supplies

Ordinance No. 2015-198-205

As Amended

To amend City Code §§ 110-32, 110-33, 110-34, 110-37, 110-44, 110-45, 110-46, 110-51, 110-52, 110-57, 110-58, 110-62, and 110-66, concerning the regulation of taxicabs in the city, ~~and to repeal City Code § 110-56, which required holders of a certificate of public~~

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~~convenience and necessity to have a telephone listing,~~ for the purpose of partially implementing recommendations by the Capital Region Taxicab Advisory Board.

Ordinance No. 2015-201-206

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2519 Mandy Lane for the purpose of a family day home for up to 12 children located within an existing single-family dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions

Ordinance No. 2015-213-207

As Amended

To amend ch. 42, art. I of the City Code by adding therein a new section numbered 42-16 for the purpose of requiring that the Chief Administrative Officer present certain financial [~~reports~~] synopses on a monthly basis.

Ordinance No. 2015-214-208

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2015-55-82, adopted May 15, 2015, which appropriates and provides funds for financing the school budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, for the purpose of appropriating additional revenues from the Commonwealth of Virginia

Ordinance No. 2015-215-209

To amend Ord. No. 2015-57-83, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Special Fund Budget, to transfer the Special Parking Districts special fund from the Department of Finance to the Department of Public Works, and to appropriate funds in the amount of \$363,000.00 to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues from parking fines and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Special Parking Districts special fund by \$363,000.00 for the purpose of providing services in accordance with the Special Parking Districts Program established by City Code § 102-303.

Ordinance No. 2015-216-210

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Project Agreement for Use of Commonwealth Transportation Funds - Fiscal Year 2016 between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the purpose of receiving a grant of \$99,161.00 to fund Phase 3 improvements to Main Street Station.

Ordinance No. 2015-217-211

To amend City Code § 110-136, concerning bus fares, for the purpose of authorizing an expansion of the fare pass program to provide an unlimited use pass for seniors, valid Medicare recipients, and minors between six and 18 years old and a "One Ride Plus" pass for patrons that require two different buses to arrive at their final destinations.

Support

Nicholas Smith stated that supports the proposed legislation; however, charging additional fees for transfer riders is not smart. Mr. Smith encouraged Council to review the status of the transportation system for future consideration regarding all fares.

Ordinance No. 2015-218-212

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Lease between the East District Family Resource Center and the City of Richmond for the purpose of leasing the property known as 2405 Jefferson Avenue for use by the East District Family Resource Center as a community-based resource center.

Ordinance No. 2015-219-213

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept grant funds in the amount of \$68,740.00 from the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Police by \$68,740.00 for the purpose of purchasing equipment for the Department of Police.

Ordinance No. 2015-220-214

To amend Ord. No. 2015-73-84, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopts the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Budget and makes appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring \$200,000 within the Non-Departmental agency from the Health Diagnostic Laboratory, Inc., line item and appropriating this \$200,000 to the Venture Richmond, Inc., line item for the purpose of providing funds to Venture Richmond, Inc., for the continued operation of the Clean and Safe Program.

Ordinance No. 2015-221-215

To amend Ord. No. 2015-73-84, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopts the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Budget and makes appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring \$200,000 from the Department of Economic and Community Development agency and appropriating this \$200,000 to a new line item in the Non-Departmental agency for the purpose of making a grant to the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to assist with the long-term redevelopment of the Creighton Court community.

Ordinance No. 2015-222-216

To amend Ord. No. 2015-73-84, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopted a General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and made appropriations pursuant thereto, to transfer funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 from the City Council agency and to appropriate the transferred funds to a new Non-Departmental agency line item for the purpose of making a grant to Groundwork RVA, Inc. to support its Oak Grove-Bellemeade Green Team activity.

Ordinance No. 2015-223-217

To amend and reordain City Code § 30-77, which assigns polling places in the city, to relocate and establish a new polling place for Precinct 810

Ordinance No. 2015-224-218

To adopt a new Code of the City of Richmond, Virginia; to repeal the Code of the City of Richmond, Virginia, 2004; to prescribe the effect of such repeal; and to provide for the manner of amending the new City Code.

Ordinance No. 2015-225-219

To accept a deed from the School Board conveying 100 West Baker Street to the City and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to act on behalf of the City in executing such deed.

Ordinance No. 2015-226-220

To declare surplus and to direct the sale of City-owned real estate located at 100 West Baker Street for nominal consideration to the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority for the purpose of facilitating private investment, job creation, and economic development in the area around the property.

Ordinance No. 2015-227-221

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1712 Bellevue Avenue for the purpose of commercial events as a permitted principal use, upon certain terms and conditions.

Ordinance No. 2015-228-222

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1800 Highpoint Avenue, 1814 Highpoint Avenue, and 1815 Highpoint Avenue for the purpose of a mixed-use development that includes multifamily residential use and uses permitted in the B-6 Mixed-Use Business District, upon certain terms and conditions.

Ordinance No. 2015-229-223

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3508 East Broad Street for the purpose of waiving the parking requirement for a single-family dwelling and a dwelling unit located in an accessory building, upon certain terms and conditions.

Ordinance No. 2015-231-224

To designate the 1900 Block of Princess Anne Avenue in honor of Alicia C. Rasin.

Support

Charles Willis, Executive Director – Citizens Against Crime, spoke in support of the proposed legislation expressing appreciation to Council for honoring Alicia C. Rasin, the city’s “ambassador of compassion.” Mr. Willis stated that the proposed legislation acknowledges Council’s commitment to recognize citizens that have worked hard within the community.

Resolution No. 2015-R60-64

To designate certain parcels of City property as parcels that may be made available for annual use as community garden sites for periods not to exceed one year at a time.

Resolution No. 2015-R61-65

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to fund the James River Branch Trail project to provide bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements on the proposed James River Branch Trail between its intersections with Basset Avenue and North Hopkins Road.

Support

Nicholas Smith spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements would be beneficial to all citizens.

were considered.

There were no further comments or discussions and the **Consent Agenda** was **adopted:**
Vote – Unanimous.

REGULAR AGENDA

The ordinance entitled:

Ordinance No. 2015-35

To amend City Code § 2-221, concerning the City Auditor, and City Code § 2-543, concerning the duties of the Department of Information Technology, for the purpose of prescribing that the main internet webpage of each department or other agency include a link to audit reports and information concerning the status of implementations of audit recommendations

which was continued from October 12, 2015 for consideration and action on this date was considered.

Councilor Charles Samuels stated that he had been in discussion with city administration and suggested that audit reports from 2012 and after be included. Mr. Samuels stated that if city administration is agreeable, he would prepare an amendment to the proposed legislation for introduction at the December 14th Council meeting.

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Lenora Reid, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer – Finance, stated that city administration is in agreement with audit reports from 2012 and after being included.

Councilor Charles Samuels moved that **Ordinance No. 2015-35** be **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**. The motion was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

The ordinance entitled:

Ordinance No. 2015-173-225

To amend and reordain City Code § 98-121, concerning the levy of tax on real estate, to establish a tax rate of \$1.20 for the tax year beginning Jan. 1, 2016, pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3321(b), and increasing such rate from the Rolled Back Tax Rate of \$1.17 as computed in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3321(a).

which was introduced on September 14, 2015 and advertised for public hearing and action on this date was considered.

Opposition

Melvin Jones, Jr. spoke in opposition to the proposed ordinance stating that, per the federal government, there would be no cost of living increase for individuals on social security. Mr. Jones also stated that the city's tax rate should remain the same and city revenue should be generated by additional means.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated that she received communication from many citizens requesting that real estate taxes not be increased. Ms. Trammell also stated that maintaining the real estate tax at the current rate does not guarantee that there will not be an increase on citizens' bills due to increased real estate assessments. Ms. Trammell reported that the city has the highest taxes in the area.

Councilor Parker Agelasto noted that there was significant discussion at Council's budget retreat relating to the forecast of real estate assessments and it was made clear that one of the biggest revenue forms within the city is from real estate taxes. Councilor Agelasto stated that much of the increase is due to city investments that are starting to generate payouts. Mr. Agelasto indicated that Council has the option to stimulate the economy by reducing the tax rate; however, after discussions with budget analysts and the city assessor, it is understood that maintaining the rate of \$1.20 would increase revenue to the city above and beyond anticipation. Mr. Agelasto also stated that the proposed legislation does not allow Council to specify where additional revenues would be spent. Mr. Agelasto further stated that the proposed legislation is receiving the additional revenue by way of city property owners and the city should consider a lower tax rate.

Councilor Charles Samuels stated that he would prefer to see a lower tax rate, especially when the state mandates a reduction if the city meets the one percent (1%) increase in land value. Mr. Samuels also stated that he is also aware that, while Council supplemented specific positions of police and firefighters in the current budget, there is still a group of middle-ranking emergency personnel that have not been supplemented. Councilor Samuels further stated that, while he agrees there should be a reduced tax rate, he would support the proposed legislation provided the additional revenue is used to fund education, fire and police.

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Vice President Chris Hilbert stated that the General Assembly makes all local governments roll back the tax rate if revenue and property values are increasing. Mr. Hilbert also stated that Council has specified within the budget public safety, in the form of police and fire, and Richmond Public Schools (RPS) will receive delegated funds.

Ordinance No. 2015-173-225 was **adopted**: Ayes 8, Baliles, Graziano, Samuels, Agelasto, Robertson, Newbille, Hilbert, Mosby. Noes 1, Trammell.

The resolution entitled:

Resolution No. 2014-R184

As Amended

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be issued a request for proposals for the purpose of selecting a development company for the Boulevard Site.

which was continued from October 12, 2015 for consideration and action on this date was considered.

Councilor Jonathan Baliles noted that the Virginia Children's Alliance recently informed Council that they would not be pursuing the Boulevard site. Mr. Baliles also stated that he and Councilor Samuels had introduced the proposed legislation in September 2014; however, based upon notification that additional legislation is forthcoming, continuation of the proposed legislation should be considered. Mr. Baliles also provided an example of a request for qualifications (RFQ) that was developed in 2008. Councilor Baliles reported that it is anticipated that the proposed legislation could encompass the 2008 RFQ and produce mixed use development at the Boulevard site.

Councilor Charles Samuels stated that the current question to consider is if Council wants to allow the public the ability to review a plan and help craft the Boulevard site. Councilor Samuels also stated that, without citizen input, success is not anticipated.

Councilor Kathy Graziano stated that having a plan presented to the public for input prior to the RFQ allows changes to be considered. Councilor Graziano also stated that the developers that respond to the RFQ would then be aware that public engagement occurred. Ms. Graziano further stated that discussion of when the RFQ should be presented should be decided at the December Council meeting.

Councilwoman Trammell reported that the Boulevard site is a valuable piece of property, the city needs to ensure that it receives every penny for the property and development of the property will generate revenue for the city.

Councilor Baliles stated that the process by which the city achieves the best use of the property and maximizing of revenues is a concern. Mr. Baliles also stated that the public will be engaged in the conversation, regardless of how the process moves forward, but determining how to maximize the revenue and which developer has the ability to do it best would need to be determined.

Councilor Jonathan Baliles moved that **Resolution No. 2014-R184** be **continued to Monday, December 14, 2015**. The motion was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

MOTION TO AMEND AND CONTINUE

Councilor Charles Samuels moved that the ordinance entitled:

Ordinance No. 2015-161
As Amended

To amend and reordain City Code § 42-11, concerning the form of the budget submitted to the Council, for the purpose of requiring that certain per capita calculations and information be included in the budget.

which was continued from September 28, 2015 for consideration and action on this date, be **amended** and **continued** to **Monday, December 14, 2015**, as follows:

Page 3, Line 2

After the subsection letter “(f)”, strike the word “In” and insert the words “For budgets introduced in”

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After the subsection letter “(g)”, strike the word “In” and insert the words “For budgets introduced in”

The motion was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION

Vice President Chris Hilbert moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

Resolution No. 2015-R62-66

To encourage and support participation in the “Love Lights” program for the 2015-2016 year, with the display lasting through January 1, 2016.

The resolution, which was introduced on this date for consideration and action, was considered.

Vice President Chris Hilbert stated that the proposed resolution was to encourage participation in the “Love Lights” program which was started by the late Ray Boone, publisher and editor of the Richmond Free Press.

Resolution No. 2015-R62-66 was **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

Resolution No. 2015-R63-67

To appoint Kiya A. Stokes to the position of Council Liaison.

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The resolution, which was introduced on this date for consideration and action, was considered.

Councilor Ellen Robertson stated that the proposed resolution would appoint a new 6th District Council Liaison.

Resolution No. 2015-R63-67 was **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Jonathan Baliles moved to approve the following Richmond City Council meeting minutes: Informal Council Session held on Monday, October 12, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., the Formal Council Session held on Monday, October 12, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., and Council/Richmond Public Schools Special Joint Session held on Monday, October 12, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

The motion was seconded and **adopted**: Vote – Unanimous.

REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Jonathan Baliles reminded citizens that the Anthem Richmond Marathon would take place on Saturday, November 14th, at 7:00 a.m. Mr. Baliles stated that a 1st District town hall meeting would be held on Tuesday, November 17th, at 6:00 p.m., at Albert Hill Middle School, 3400 Patterson Avenue, where he would be introducing Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Chief Administrative Officer, to citizens. Councilor Baliles also stated that Mark Olinger, Director – Planning and Development Review, would be present to discuss the city's effort to work with Airbnb and its effect on city neighborhoods. Mr. Baliles wished all citizens a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

Councilor Kathy Graziano stated that Forest Hill Avenue is included in the course for the Anthem Richmond Marathon on Saturday, November 14th, which could cause some traffic delays between 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Councilor Graziano wished citizens a happy Thanksgiving and thanked veterans and those serving in the armed forces for their service to the country.

Councilor Charles Samuels wished citizens a happy Thanksgiving and thanked veterans and current armed forces members for their service. Councilor Samuels reminded citizens of the Anthem Richmond Marathon on Saturday, November 14th, and stated that the marathon will disrupt traffic; however, it would not prevent ambulance, fire and police from assisting citizens as needed. Mr. Samuels suggested that citizens check the course map on the Sportsbackers website at www.sportsbackers.org for additional information. Mr. Samuels announced that the Museum District would be holding its annual meeting on Wednesday, November 11th, at 6:00 p.m., at Temple Beth-El, 3330 Grove Avenue. Mr. Samuels also announced that the Jackson Ward Association would be meeting on Tuesday, November 17th, at 6:00 p.m., at the UNOS Jackson Center, 501 North 2nd Street, and the Carver Area Civic Improvement League would be meeting at 7:00 p.m., at 1103 West Marshall Street. Councilor Samuels also stated that a 2nd District quarterly citizens meeting would be held on December 3rd, at 5:30 p.m., at the Bon Secours Washington Redskins Training Center, 2401 West Leigh Street.

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Councilor Cynthia Newbille reminded citizens to be thoughtful on Veteran's Day, November 11th, and to express thanks and appreciation to all veterans for what they have done and sacrificed for our country.

Councilor Parker Agelasto encouraged citizens of the 5th District to attend civic association meetings, get involved and help improve their community. Councilor Agelasto announced that the Randolph Civic Association would meet on Monday, November 16th, at 6:30 p.m., at the Randolph Community Center, 1415 Grayland Avenue. He also announced that the Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association would meet on Tuesday, November 24th, at 7:00 p.m., at the William Byrd Community House, 224 South Cherry Street, and the Woodland Heights Civic Association would meet on Tuesday, December 1st, at 7:00 p.m., at Woodland Heights Baptist Church, 611 West 31st Street. Mr. Agelasto stated that the Hull Street/Midlothian Civic Association would meet on Monday, December 7th, at 7:00 p.m., at Koinonia Christian Church, 3600 McRand Street. Councilor Agelasto also stated that the 5th District holiday gathering would be on Wednesday, December 2nd, at 6:30 p.m., at the Virginia War Memorial, 621 South Belvidere Street and he invited all members of Council to attend. Mr. Agelasto stated that Wednesday, November 11th, is Veterans Day and that there would be a concert at the Carillon, at 6:30 p.m., in Byrd Park. He announced that the city-wide Veterans Day ceremony would be Tuesday, November 10th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Carillon and the Virginia War Memorial would be hosting Governor Terry McAuliffe with a state-wide Veterans Day Memorial ceremony on Wednesday, November 11th, at 10:00 a.m. Councilor Agelasto stated that citizens can reach him at parker.agelasto@richmondgov.com, and on Facebook and Twitter.

Councilor Ellen Robertson wished all citizens a great Thanksgiving and asked that they remember those less fortunate and thanked veterans for their major contributions. Councilor Robertson stated that a 6th District meeting discussing environmental issues would be held on Saturday, November 14th, at 10:00 a.m., at Hotchkiss Field Community Center, 701 East Brookland Park Boulevard. Ms. Robertson also stated that more than thirty-five citizens have signed up to be environmental ambassadors and the district is looking at ways to better manage environmental issues involving trash, bulk trash and vacant properties within the district. Councilor Robertson further stated that citizens could contact her office at 804-646-7964 for more information. Ms. Robertson announced that Highland Park School and the property across from it have been purchased by the non-profit Community Preservation and Development Corporation. Ms. Robertson stated that the property would be renovated for seventy-seven senior living homes. Ms. Robertson stated that there would be a planning session to receive citizen input on the use of the community center on Thursday, December 3rd, at 6:00 p.m., at the Hotchkiss Field Community Center. Ms. Robertson informed citizens of the facilities plan presentation by Richmond Public Schools (RPS). Ms. Robertson stated that RPS wants feedback from citizens pertaining to the facilities plan and that RPS meetings would be at 6:00 p.m., on the following dates: Tuesday, November 10th, at George Wythe High School, 4314 Crutchfield Street, Tuesday, November 17th, at E. S. H. Greene Elementary School, 1745 Catalina Drive, and Thursday, November 19th, at Armstrong High School, 2300 Cool Lane. Councilor Robertson reported that a press release would be made to announce that the Affordable Housing Trust Fund (AHTF) has leveraged \$23.3M, over 200 new or rehabbed affordable housing units will be completed and an additional 220 families will be placed throughout all city districts. Ms. Robertson stated that the AHTF Board will be presenting at the Governor's Housing Conference, November 18th – 20th. Ms. Robertson further stated that AHTF will be working with the state to increase funding and to ensure that the city has inclusive affordable housing.

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Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated that an 8th District meeting was held on Thursday, October 8th, at the Satellite Restaurant, 4000 Jefferson Davis Highway. Ms. Trammell thanked John Walsh, Operation Manager – Planning and Development Review, for attending and providing discussion on code enforcement violations, what code enforcement does and how they help citizens. Ms. Trammell thanked Keith Rogers, Senior Assistant – Chief Administrative Office, T. K. Somanath, Chief Executive Officer – Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority, who provided information on how citizens can apply for homes, and Bobby Vincent, Deputy Director of Operations – Public Works, for attending. Ms. Trammell also shared appreciation for city workers. Councilwoman Trammell stated that Wednesday, November 11th, is Veteran’s Day and many restaurants would be offering discounts to veterans and their families and Richmond Animal Control would be offering free pet adoption to veterans. Ms. Trammell also stated that, on October 22nd, a Senior Fair was held at the Hickory Hill Community Center, 3000 East Belt Boulevard. Ms. Trammell thanked Deborah Handy, Council Executive Assistant – Council Office of the Chief of Staff, Yvette Jones, Manager – Human Services, vendors and fifteen volunteers for the work they provided. She reported that two hundred sixty-five visitors attended the event. Ms. Trammell further stated that Senator Rosalyn Dance, 16th Senatorial District, her assistant and firefighters assisted in feeding the senior citizens that were in attendance. Councilwoman Trammell announced that the next 8th District meeting would be Thursday, November 19th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Satellite Restaurant, with special guests the Honorable David Eugene Cheek, Sr., Judge – Richmond Criminal General District Court, Michael N. Herring, Richmond Commonwealth Attorney, and Allen Jackson, City Attorney. Ms. Trammell stated that police officers and firefighters in addition to Chip Decker, of the Richmond Ambulance Authority, would also be in attendance. She reported that the Jefferson Davis and Midlothian corridors and concern of criminal activity would be discussed. Ms. Trammell stated that citizen input is needed in reference to the use of Summer Hill Ruffin Road School at 2717 Alexander Avenue which has been vacant since December 5th, 2012. Councilwoman Trammell thanked Derik Jones, 8th District Representative – RPS School Board, and RPS Board members for giving the school building back to the city. Ms. Trammell stated that citizens can contact her at 804-233-7382 or 804-240-5050. Ms. Trammell thanked Henry Mease, 8th District Liaison, for his dedication and hard work over the past fifteen years and she thanked Council for adopting Ordinance 2015-198-205 relating to taxicab regulations. Councilor Trammell reminded citizens to contact the Richmond Fire Department at 804-646-1526 to receive a free smoke alarm or to have existing alarms inspected.

Vice President Chris Hilbert gave congratulations to coach Mark James and the Virginia Union University football team for a potential Division II play-off berth based on an 8-2 season. Vice President Hilbert stated that there has been an increase in car thefts in the 3rd District and the vast majority of the thefts were due the result of owners leaving doors unlocked and valuables in open sight. Mr. Hilbert stated that citizens may be added to the 3rd District email listing by forwarding their email address to Lisa Townes, 3rd District Liaison, at lisa.townes@richmondgov.com or calling her at 804-646-6055. Mr. Hilbert announced that the Virginia War Memorial, 621 South Belvidere Street, would be holding a service on Wednesday, November 11th, at 10:00 a.m., to honor veterans and he wished our veterans the best and thanked them for the service they have given to our country, and wished citizens a happy Thanksgiving.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Michelle Mosby announced that the Midlothian Team Civic Association, chaired by Alma Moore, would meet on Tuesday, November 10th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Southside Social Services

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Building located in Southside Plaza, 4100 Hull Street. President Mosby asked that all 9th District residents attend the Southside Regional Park community meeting on Thursday, November 19th, at Miles Jerome Jones Elementary School, 200 Beaufont Hill Drive, for discussion on the Southside Regional Community Center recently purchased within the district. Ms. Mosby stated that there would be a Christmas celebration hosted by Alma Moore on Tuesday, December 8th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Southside Social Services Building. President Mosby announced that the leaf collection schedule has been released and citizens can visit the city's website at www.richmondgov.com for details and noted that there is only one pick up for each area. Ms. Mosby wished citizens a happy Thanksgiving, thanked all veterans for their service and stated that President Barack Obama has made a proclamation that the month of November is National Native American Heritage Month. President Mosby stated that citizens can contact her through email at michelle.mosby@richmondgov.com or through 9th District Liaison, Uzziah Harris, at uzziah.harris@richmondgov.com or 804-912-6465.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION

The following ordinances were introduced for public hearing on **Monday, December 14, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.** and referred to City Council standing committees as indicated:

Ordinance No. 2015-232

Patron: Ms. Robertson

To amend and reordain City Code § 2-302, concerning the functions of the Department of Economic and Community Development, and to amend ch. 2 of the City Code by adding therein a new art. VIII, concerning the City's development process, consisting of div. 1 (§§ 2-1401-2-1402), concerning general matters, div. 2 (§§ 2-1411-2-1415), concerning the planning process, div. 3 (§§ 2-1421-2-1426), concerning redevelopment and development projects, and div. 4 (§§ 2-1431-2-1435), concerning economic development projects, for the purpose of establishing a framework for planning, development, review, and approval of projects that involve contributions by the City. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-233

Patron: Ms. Robertson

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 98-263, concerning the eligibility of residential real property in redevelopment and conservation areas and rehabilitation districts for partial tax exemption, 98-264, concerning the application requirements for such partial tax exemption, and 98-265, concerning the amount of such exemption and the basis for taxes during construction, for the purposes of adjusting applicable threshold requirements to qualify for such exemption, adding maximum rent limits for certain dwelling units, authorizing an additional exemption period for certain structures and requiring that property owners file annual renewal applications with the City Assessor. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-234

Patron: Mayor Jones

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept grant funds in the amount of \$42,000.00 from the Duffield Family Foundation, doing business as Maddie's Fund, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Office of Animal Care and Control by \$42,000.00 for the purpose of providing medical care and treatment for homeless animals in the city of Richmond. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-235

Patron: Mayor Jones

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Lease between the City of Richmond, as lessee, and A N T Corporation, as lessor, for the purpose of leasing a portion of the property known as 1630 Chamberlayne Avenue for use by the Office of Animal Care and Control to erect a fenced-in area to exercise shelter dogs. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-236

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend Ord. No. 2015-73-84, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Budget, for the purpose of further specifying and clarifying the intent of certain line items within the Non-Departmental Agency. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-237

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend Ord. No. 2015-73-84, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring and re-appropriating funds in the amount of \$2,150,000 from the Non-Departmental agency to various agencies for the purpose of funding pay adjustments. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-238

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend Ord. No. 2015-57-83, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Special Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by creating

therein a new Office of Community Wealth Building agency and transferring (i) the Center for Workforce Innovation Program special fund, with an appropriated amount of \$229,000, from the Department of Economic and Community Development agency to the new Office of Community Wealth Building agency and (ii) \$300,000 appropriated by Ord. No. 2015-141-151, adopted Jul. 27, 2015, from the Office of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services agency to the new Office of Community Wealth Building agency, for the purpose of providing for the use of these grant funds by the Office of Community Wealth Building. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-239

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend Ord. No. 2015-73-84, adopted May 15, 2015, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by creating therein a new Office of Community Wealth Building agency, transferring funds in the total amount of \$1,317,436 from various agencies, and re-appropriating these transferred funds in the total amount of \$1,317,436 to the new Office of Community Wealth Building agency for the purpose of providing funds for the operation of the Office of Community Wealth Building. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-240

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend ch. 2, art. IV of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 24, consisting of §§ 2-826-2-829, concerning the Office of Community Wealth Building; to amend City Code § 2-302, concerning the functions of the Department of Economic and Community Development; and to amend City Code § 2-921, concerning the composition of the Maggie L. Walker Initiative Citizens Advisory Board, all for the purpose of establishing an Office of Community Wealth Building to implement a comprehensive poverty reduction initiative for the City. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-241

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend and reordain City Code § 78-341, concerning an additional retirement allowance for certain city officials, for the purpose of adding the Director of the Office of Community Wealth Building to the senior executive group for retirement system purposes. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-242

Patron: Mayor Jones

To amend the pay plan adopted by Ord. No. 93-117-159 on May 24, 1993, to include a new classification of Director, Office of Community Wealth Building in the unclassified executive service. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-243

Patron: Ms. Trammell

To accept a quitclaim deed from the School Board conveying 2717 Alexander Avenue to the City and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to act on behalf of the City in executing such deed. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-244

Patron: Mayor Jones

To declare surplus and direct the conveyance of City-owned real estate located at 1722 Arlington Road to McKinnon and Harris, Inc., for \$1,750,000 for the purpose of stimulating private investment, job creation and economic development in the area. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-245

Patron: Mayor Jones, By Request

To conditionally rezone the property known as 2801 East Main Street from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the B-5 Central Business District, upon certain proffered conditions. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-246

Patron: Mayor Jones, By Request

To conditionally rezone the property known as 2825 East Main Street from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the B-5 Central Business District, upon certain proffered conditions. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-247

Patron: Mayor Jones, By Request

To authorize the special use of the property known as 202 Rear South Robinson Street for the purpose of permitting up to six single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-248

Patron: Mayor Jones, By Request

To authorize the special use of the property known as 701 West Clay Street for the purpose of permitting up to three dwelling units and a restaurant, upon certain terms and conditions. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-249

Patron: Mayor Jones, By Request

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 8 West Cary Street and 10 West Cary Street for the purpose of offices and up to two accessory dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-250

Patron: Mayor Jones, By Request

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2001-262-248, adopted Sep. 10, 2001, which authorized the special use of the property known as 3101 Kensington Avenue for the conversion of the existing building for either 40 or 42 multifamily dwelling units and accessory parking, upon certain terms and conditions, to reflect the subdivision of the property into two parcels, now known as 3101 Kensington Avenue and 3131 Kensington Avenue, and to remove the condition that all dwelling units shall be converted to condominiums within five years of the issuance of the certificate of occupancy. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

Ordinance No. 2015-251

Patron: Mayor Jones

To close to vehicular travel a portion of Brook Road located between West Broad Street and North Adams Street for the purpose of creating an urban plaza as part of a public art project. **(Planning Commission, Monday, December 7, 2015, 1:30 p.m.)**

The following resolutions were introduced for public hearing on **Monday, December 14, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.** and referred to City Council standing committees as indicated:

Resolution No. 2015-R64

Patron: Mr. Samuels

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be conducted a study to determine the feasibility of developing a program to connect panhandlers in the city of Richmond with day jobs and charitable and social service organizations by using mobile services and the City's 311 Call Center as an initiative to reduce homelessness and panhandling. **(COMMITTEE: Education and Human Services, Thursday, November 12, 2015, 5:00 p.m.)**

Resolution No. 2015-R65

Patrons: Mayor Jones, President Mosby, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Newbille, Ms. Graziano and Vice President Hilbert

To support a strategy to achieve the "highest and best" use for the City-owned real estate in the area of the city bounded by Interstate 64 / 95 to the north, Hermitage Road to the east, West Leigh Street to the south, and North Boulevard to the west and a time frame for developing this strategy. **(COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development, Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:00 p.m.)**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.