



City of Richmond

Formal Meeting Minutes

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Monday, April 24, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Richmond City Council met in the Council Chamber on Monday, April 24, 2017, at 6:05 p.m.

Invocation was offered by Pastor Stephen Hewlett of Riverview Baptist Church, 2604 Idlewood Ave, Richmond, VA.

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

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, President
 The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, Vice President
 The Honorable Andreas Addison
 The Honorable Parker Agelasto
 The Honorable Kim Gray
 The Honorable Michael Jones
 The Honorable Kristen Larson
 The Honorable Ellen Robertson
 The Honorable Reva Trammell

CHAMBER EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

President Chris Hilbert called the meeting to order and presided. Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk Candice Reid 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.

APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

Councilor Parker Agelasto moved that the following appointments and reappointments be approved:

<u>Board Name</u>	<u>Criteria for Appointment</u>	<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>Terms</u>
Advisory Board of Recreation and Parks (13 members)	Maymont Foundation nominee *	Parke Richeson	04/24/2017 – 03/26/2018 <i>Succeeding Norman O. Burns, II, resigned</i>
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Board (5 members appointed by City Council)	Resident of the region served who is involved in business, industry or profession served by the college *	Kathy Graziano	07/01/2017 – 06/30/2021 <i>Succeeding Thurman S. Cash, III, not interested in reappointment</i>
		Michael G. McGhee	07/01/2017 – 06/30/2021 <i>Succeeding Ernesto V. Sampson</i>
Richmond Behavioral Health Authority (15 members)	Individual who is receiving or who has received services or a family member of an individual who receives or who has received services *	Eduardo P. G. Vidal	04/24/2017 – 01/01/2019 <i>Succeeding Alma M. Moore, resigned</i>
	Representative of the community *	Irvin L. Dallas	07/01/2017 – 06/30/2020 <i>Succeeding Paula Owens Parker, not interested in reappointment</i>

<u>Board Name</u>	<u>Criteria for Appointment</u>	<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>Terms</u>
Social Services Advisory Board (9 members)	Citizen of the city	Sayyeda Hall	04/24/2017 – 09/26/2019 <i>Succeeding Billings M. Collins, resigned</i>
		Preston Page	06/23/2017 – 06/22/2021
Board of Fire Appeals (5 members)	Qualified by experience and training to rule on matters pertaining to building construction and fire prevention *	James McAllister	07/10/2017 – 07/09/2022
Clean City Commission (15 members)	Corporate or citizen volunteer	Douglas Allen	07/26/2017 – 07/25/2019

* Applicants must reside or work in the city.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

Councilor Parker Agelasto, on behalf of Richmond City Council, and Mayor Levar M. Stoney, proclaimed the month of May as Richmond Bicycling Month and the third week of May as Richmond Bicycle to Work Week; they encouraged all residents to educate themselves on state and local bicycling laws and to get out on a bicycle.

Councilor Kristen Larson, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized the Westover Hills Neighborhood for being selected for this year's Garden Club of Virginia Historic Garden Week and thanked the residents for preparing their homes and gardens for visitors.

Vice President Cynthia Newbille, on behalf of Richmond City Council, proclaimed the month of May to be Richmond Asthma Awareness Month and encouraged communities to help reduce people exposure to environmental triggers at home, school and work.

All members of Council, Mayor Levar M. Stoney and Chief Administrative Officer Selena Cuffee-Glenn recognized Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Operations John Buturla on his retirement after nearly forty years in law enforcement and public service. Mr. Buturla expressed his appreciation for the recognition.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Linda Jordan stated that, subsequent to expressing her concerns at a previous Council meeting regarding the prohibition of shopping carts on the Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC) buses, a GRTC representative attempted to contact her to discuss her issues. Ms. Jordan further stated that she was advised that GRTC was considering options to assist riders with their shopping needs and asked Councilor Kristen Larson to share the recommendations she had suggested at the last Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting.

Councilor Larson stated that, at the last Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting, she asked for clarity on GRTC's policies regarding handcars and was advised that GRTC does allow riders to utilize handcars on the buses but the handcars must be secured to ensure the safety of all riders.

Cora Hayes expressed thanks to Councilor Parker Agelasto for working with GRTC to have a bus stop replaced. Ms. Hayes also addressed Council regarding GRTC CARE Van services; she recounted incidents where the transportation provider failed to arrive at the scheduled times causing riders to miss their appointments or forced them to secure another form of transportation.

Councilor Ellen Robertson reported that GRTC has been asked to provide Council with information relative to the newly acquired transportation provider, the selection process of the new transportation provider, a revised operational plan and plans to address scheduling issues, at an upcoming Organizational Development Standing Committee meeting.

Sarah Driggs expressed thanks to Council for its approval of a resolution requiring city administration to study the potential negative impacts associated with the proposed development on the Westwood Tract. Ms. Driggs indicated that she initially faced obstacles in her efforts to gather information relative to the zoning history of the Westwood Tract; however, she was eventually granted access to the information.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Councilor Kim Gray advised Ms. Driggs that she, along with President Chris Hilbert, were meeting with city representatives and area stakeholders to determine a plausible resolution regarding the property's zoning designation.

Toni Jacobs provided information relative to the city's first missing persons rally and stated that, as a parent of a missing daughter, she felt it was necessary to organize an event, along with the Richmond Police Department, the Richmond Ambulance Authority and the Richmond City Sheriff's Office, to bring more awareness to missing persons in the city. Ms. Jacobs urged residents to attend the event.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Councilor Michael Jones commended Ms. Jacobs for her strength and dedication to bringing awareness, not only to her missing daughter, but to all of the missing persons in the city.

Richmond Police Chief Alfred Durham reported the number of active missing persons cases in the city and expressed thanks to Ms. Jacobs for her strength and dedication.

City Council members expressed their support for assisting in the dissemination of information regarding Richmond's missing persons.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Michael Jones moved to amend the agenda as follows:

ORD. 2017-012

To close, to public use and travel, a portion of Northumberland Avenue running from the south line of West Roberts Street to such portion's southern terminus, consisting of 16,355± square feet, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, May 22, 2017

ORD. 2017-068

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Contract between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the Better Housing Coalition to make a grant of \$250,000 to the Better Housing Coalition for the purpose of supporting feasibility analysis and predevelopment activities for the development and redevelopment of the Eastview neighborhood in the city of Richmond.

To be continued to Monday, May 22, 2017

ORD. 2017-069

To amend City Code §§ 8-58, 8-61, 8-62, and 8-63, concerning the sale of City-owned real estate, for the purpose of providing for the conduct of a competitive process prior to the acceptance of an unsolicited offer to purchase City-owned real estate.

To be continued to Monday, May 22, 2017

ORD. 2017-081

To amend and reordain City Code § 13-195, concerning the storage of tires, for the purpose of extending the prohibition against the outside storage of used tires to all tires.

To be continued to Monday, June 26, 2017

ORD. 2017-082

To approve the Work Plan and Budget for the fiscal year ending Jun. 30, 2018, for the provision of services in the Downtown Richmond Special Service and Assessment Districts.

To be continued to Monday, May 22, 2017

RES. 2017-R022

To designate the properties known as 910 Goddin Street, 1000 Goddin Street, 4907 Goddin Court, a portion of 1000 A Carlisle Avenue, 1000 B Carlisle Avenue, 1021 Carlisle Avenue, and the portion of Northampton Street closed to public use and travel by Ord. No. 2015-256, adopted Jan. 11, 2016, as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

To be amended and continued to Monday, May 22, 2017

RES. 2017-R023

To declare a public necessity to amend ch. 30 of the City Code and to initiate an amendment to the City's zoning ordinance to prohibit the use of commercial flags and restrict the use of building mounted banners.

To be continued to Monday, June 26, 2017

ORD. 2016-140

To amend ch. 12, art. II of the City Code by adding therein a new section 12-37, concerning the disposition of certain revenues from real estate taxes, for the purpose of funding the operation of public schools in the city.

To be continued to Monday, July 24, 2017

ORD. 2016-270

To declare surplus and to direct the sale of City-owned real estate located at 101 North 6th Street, 603, 609, 611, 615 and 619 East Grace Street, 612 East Franklin Street, and 112, 114 and 116 North 7th Street, for \$3,950,000 to City Center Development, LLC, for the purpose of the construction of a mixed-use development including commercial and residential space.

To be continued to Monday, May 8, 2017

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille, Hilbert. Noes None. Larson was excused.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

ORD. 2017-018

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 82-7-16 and Ord. No. 2007-98-69, adopted February 8, 1982 and amended April 9, 2007, which authorized the special use of the property known as 301 West Franklin Street, to authorize the installation of two canopy signs, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended)

ORD. 2017-077

To amend Ord. No. 2016-057, adopted May 13, 2016, which appropriated and provided funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2016, and ending Jun. 30, 2017, for the purpose of transferring \$5,500,000 from the Instruction classification to the Pupil Transportation classification.

ORD. 2017-078

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund Performance Agreement between the City of Richmond, Owens & Minor Medical, Inc., and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond to facilitate the consolidation of Owens & Minor Medical, Inc.'s current distribution center and administrative operations, to improve, equip and operate a new centralized distribution center and administrative operations facility in the city of Richmond, and to set forth the responsibilities of the parties.

ORD. 2017-079

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$1,500,000 from the Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to a new line item in the Non-Departmental agency called the Owens & Minor Medical, Inc. (the Company) - Commonwealth Opportunity Fund line item for the purpose of providing funds to the Economic Development Authority to provide a grant to Owens & Minor Medical, Inc., pursuant to a Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund Performance Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, Owens & Minor Medical, Inc., and the Economic Development Authority of Richmond, Virginia, dated _____, 2017.

ORD. 2017-080

To amend Ord. No. 2016-047, which adopted the Department of Public Works' Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Parking Enterprise Fund Budget, and Ord. No. 2016-048, adopted May 13, 2016, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Special Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring and re-appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,237,828 from the Department of

Public Works' Parking Management special fund to the Department of Public Works' Parking Enterprise Fund for the purpose of funding parking equipment purchases and capital improvements at various City-owned parking facilities.

RES. 2017-R019

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to submit an application to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development Industrial Revitalization Fund on behalf of the Better Housing Coalition for a grant of \$600,000 for the purpose of the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of nearly 50,000 square feet of commercial and retail space~~[, including the possibility of an affordable child care center,]~~ as part of ~~[a]~~ an approximately \$46,000,000 mixed-use ~~[and]~~ mixed-income, and transit-oriented development of the property located at 3200 West Broad Street. (As Amended)

RES. 2017-R021

To encourage the Director of Finance to seek an audit by the City Auditor of the revenue administration operations of the Department of Finance and to make available to the City Auditor such information as the City Auditor deems necessary for the proper verification of the assessments and collections of local taxes and other local revenues.

Lee Downey, deputy chief administrative officer of the Department of Economic and Community Development, advised Council of city administration's request to continue proposed RES. 2017-R019 to the next Formal Meeting of Council.

Councilor Parker Agelasto moved that RES. 2017-R019 be continued to the Monday, May 8, 2017, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

There were no further comments and **the Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted with the exception of ORDS. 2017-078 and 2017-079, which were also adopted:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille, Hilbert. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Agelasto (Conflict of Interest).

REGULAR AGENDA

There were no Regular Agenda items for consideration.

BUDGET RELATED PAPERS

The following ordinances were considered:

ORD. 2017-036

To adopt the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; and to appropriate the estimated revenues for such fiscal year for the objects and purposes stated in the said budget.

ORD. 2017-037

To adopt the Special Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Special Revenue funds for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2017-038

To accept a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2017, and for the four fiscal years thereafter; to adopt a Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2017; and to determine the means of financing the same.

ORD. 2017-039

To appropriate and to provide funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018.

ORD. 2017-040

To adopt the Debt Service Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated expenditures from the Debt Service Fund for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2017-041

To adopt the Internal Service Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Internal Service funds for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2017-042

To adopt the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Richmond Cemeteries Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Richmond Cemeteries for the said fiscal year for the operation and management of the facilities.

ORD. 2017-043

To adopt the Department of Public Works' Parking Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018; and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Department of Public Works' Parking Enterprise Fund for the said fiscal year for the operation and management of parking facilities.

ORD. 2017-044

To adopt the Electric Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Electric Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Electric Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Electric Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

ORD. 2017-045

To adopt the Gas Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Gas Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Gas Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Gas Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

ORD. 2017-046

To adopt the Department of Public Utilities' Stores Internal Service Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Department of Public Utilities' Stores Internal Service Funds for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2017-047

To adopt the Stormwater Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Stormwater Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Stormwater Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the stormwater utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

ORD. 2017-048

To adopt the Wastewater Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Wastewater Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Wastewater Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Wastewater Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

ORD. 2017-049

To adopt the Water Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Water Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Water Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Water Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

ORD. 2017-050

To amend and reordain section 3 of Article III of Ord. No. 93-117-159, adopted May 24, 1993, to suspend the Career Development Program for certain Police and Fire officers for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

ORD. 2017-051

To amend section 12A of Article III of Ord. No. 93-117-159, adopted May 24, 1993, concerning salary supplements for the Commonwealth Attorney's Office, to provide the Commonwealth Attorney with a salary supplement of \$46,768 and a contribution to the Virginia Retirement System on his behalf of \$9,713 and to provide the Commonwealth Attorney's Office with \$774,895 for salary supplements and \$184,956 for a contribution to the Virginia Retirement System for members of the office for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

ORD. 2017-052

To amend section 12B of Article III of Ord. No. 93-117-159, adopted May 24, 1993, concerning salary supplements for the Sheriff's Office, to provide the Sheriff with a salary supplement of \$23,069 and the Sheriff's Office with \$4,440,009 for salary supplements for members of the office for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

ORD. 2017-053

To amend and reordain section 25 of Article III of Ordinance No. 93-117-159, adopted May 24, 1993, to suspend the Educational Incentive Program for certain Police and Fire Officers for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

ORD. 2017-054

To amend section 43 (Step-Based Pay System for Sworn Fire Fighters and Police Officers) of Article III of the pay plan adopted by Ord. No. 93-117-159 on May 24, 1993, for the purpose of providing for a step advancement for certain sworn fire and police personnel.

ORD. 2017-055

To amend and reordain the fee set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for section 4-248 (concerning the fee for disposition of a dead companion animal) of the City Code to modify the fee for such service.

ORD. 2017-056

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 7-6(a) and (c) (concerning cemetery fees) and 7-92 (concerning fees for care of burial spaces and lots) to increase the charges for internments, disinternments, reinternments, and entombments

ORD. 2017-057

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 8-277 (concerning fees for the use of the Dogwood Dell Amphitheater and Carillon in Byrd Park), 8-278 (concerning fees for the use of City-owned equipment), 8-279 (concerning fees for use of public parks), and 8-284(b) and (c) (concerning meeting fees) of the City Code.

ORD. 2017-058

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for section 23-42 (concerning fees for solid waste) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

ORD. 2017-059

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28-191(2) and 28-191(3) (concerning fees for residential gas service), 28-192(2) (concerning fees for residential gas peaking service), 28-193(2) (concerning fees for general gas service), 28-195(f) and 28-196(f) (concerning fees for transportation service), 28-198(2) (concerning fees for municipal gas service), 28-202(c) (concerning fees for large volume gas sales service), and 28-203(c) (concerning fees for large volume, high load factor, gas sales service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

ORD. 2017-060

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28-923 (concerning fees for residential stormwater service) and 28-924 (concerning fees for developed nonresidential and multifamily residential properties stormwater service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

ORD. 2017-061

To amend and reordain certain fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28-650 (concerning fees for residential wastewater service), 28-651 (concerning fees for commercial wastewater service), 28-652 (concerning fees for industrial wastewater service), 28-653 (concerning fees for state and federal wastewater service), 28-654 (concerning fees for municipal wastewater service) and 28-799 (concerning fees for discharge of hauled materials into designated septage receiving stations by contractors) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

ORD. 2017-062

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28-326 (concerning fees for residential water service), 28-327 (concerning fees for commercial water service), 28-328 (concerning fees for industrial water service), 28-329 (concerning fees for municipal water service), 28-330 (concerning fees for state and federal water service), 28-458 (concerning fees for water for fire protection) and 28-549 (concerning fees for water use during conservation periods) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

ORD. 2017-063

To amend City Code §§ 26-21-26-23 and 26-26-26-29, concerning the City's tax amnesty program, for the purpose of providing for a 2017 tax amnesty period.

ORD. 2017-064

To authorize the issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$37,850,000 to finance the cost of school projects and general capital improvement projects of the City for the following purposes and uses: construction,

reconstruction, improvements and equipment for public schools; construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for various infrastructure needs, including traffic control facilities, streets, sidewalks and other public ways, bridges, storm sewers, drains and culverts, and refuse disposal facilities; participation in redevelopment, conservation and community development programs, including the construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for targeted public facilities included in these programs; construction, reconstruction, improvements and equipment for public institutional, operational, cultural, educational and entertainment buildings and facilities, including but not limited to the theaters, parks, playgrounds, cemeteries, libraries and museums; acquisition of real property therefor as appropriate; and the making of appropriations to the City's Economic Development Authority ("EDA") to be used by the EDA to finance capital expenditures or to make loans or grants to finance capital expenditures for the purposes of promoting economic development; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects, to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of taxable bonds, for the same purposes and uses, in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such general obligation public improvement bonds.

ORD. 2017-065

To authorize the issuance of public utility revenue bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$63,200,000 to finance the cost of capital improvement projects of the gas, water and wastewater utilities and public utilities buildings and facilities for the following purposes and uses: enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the gas plant and transmission lines; enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the waterworks plant and transmission lines; enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the wastewater plant and intercepting lines; construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, and improvement of sanitary and storm water sewers, pumping stations, drains and culverts; construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of public utility buildings and facilities therefor, including but not limited to the stores division; and acquisition of real property and real property rights (including without limitation easements and rights-of-way) therefor as appropriate; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects; to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to approve the form of supplemental indenture of trust; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of taxable bonds, for the same purposes and uses, in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such public utility revenue bonds.

ORD. 2017-066

To authorize the issuance of general obligation equipment notes of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$2,300,000 to finance the cost of equipment for the following purposes and uses: acquisition of computer, radio, office, solid waste collection, office furniture and miscellaneous equipment and vehicles for the various departments, bureaus and agencies of the City, and equipment for City schools; and to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell equipment notes to finance the acquisition of such equipment, and to authorize the issuance of taxable notes, for the same purposes and uses, in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such general obligation equipment notes.

Public Hearing Speakers

Malinda Miller, speaking on behalf of the Broad Rock Elementary School PTA, asked that Council allocate funds to assist the Broad Rock Elementary School's PTA with purchasing a much needed electronic marquee communication board.

Janine Bell, founder of the Elegba Folklore Society, urged Council to approve funding for CultureWorks and the Elegba Folklore Society.

Councilor Kim Gray asked for clarification regarding the funding request for the Elegba Folklore Society.

Keith Andes, president of the Richmond Firefighters Association, expressed support for funding requests to increase the salaries of the city's police, fire and emergency services personnel.

President Chris Hilbert asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of a city resident who lost her life as the result of the injuries she sustained during a recent house fire.

Brad Nixon, President of the Richmond Coalition of Police (RCOP), expressed support for a proposed salary increase for Richmond Police officers. Mr. Nixon stated that the salary increase will reduce the department's struggles with retaining its current officers.

William Pantele, on behalf of RCOP, expressed support for a pay increase for the city's police officers.

Lucy Meade, director of Venture Richmond, urged Council to approve funding for Venture Richmond to continue its downtown services to make the city clean, safe and green. Ms. Meade stated that Venture Richmond was also responsible for managing some of the city's major park attractions.

Karen Stanley, chief executive officer for CARITAS, asked Council to approve funding for CARITAS and explained the services and programs it offers.

Cheryl Nici-O'Connell, Richmond United for Law Enforcement, expressed the importance of Council approving funding for the city's police officers and emergency services personnel.

Charlene Pitchford stated that the Office of Community Wealth Building (OCWB) provides essential services to the city's residents and needs funding to continue its efforts to build a better city for all residents.

Daryl Clark explained how the OCWB assisted him in his efforts to become a productive citizen and urged Council to approve funding for the department.

Felicia Beckett recounted the circumstances which led her to seek support from OCWB and stated that the department provides necessary assistance to the city's residents; she urged Council to reconsider a proposed reduction in the funding for the office.

Christopher Davis detailed how the OCWB provided services for him to enhance the skills he needed to become a more productive citizen and asked Council not to reduce funding for the department.

Leslie Buck urged Council to allocate funds for the construction of a new stable for the Richmond Police Mounted Unit and stated that construction of a new stable has been delayed for sixteen years.

Jeanette Bowles stated that she appreciated the assistance she received from the OCWB and that its staff was instrumental in her personal and professional growth. She further stated that the services the office provides goes beyond employment opportunities and asked Council to approve the needed budget for the department.

Vernon Parker Jr., stated that the OCWB provides training and services for all citizens regardless of their background and urged Council to support its funding request.

Bryan Williams stated that the OCWB assists citizens with the skills needed to build a better life. Mr. Williams stated that the department's staff was caring and dedicated to helping others. He further stated that it was important for the OCWB to receive funding to increase its staff and to continue assisting the city's residents.

Ashley Singleton explained that she was a survivor of domestic violence and the support she received from the Workforce Innovation Program helped her to rise above her situation. Ms. Singleton stated that OCWB should receive the funding it needs to continue its efforts in assisting citizens who face obstacles in employment, skillbuilding and self-confidence.

Jon Lugbill, executive director of Sports Backers, stated that Sports Backers has worked to transform the city into more physically active communities and asked Council to support funding for the organization.

Twandra Lomax-Brown, family and consumer science educator for the Richmond Virginia Cooperative Extension, provided Council with a packet of information regarding the Virginia Cooperative Extension, highlighted the programs of the Virginia Cooperative Extension and urged Council to approve funding for the agency.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Jarene Fleming highlighted some of the benefits of cultural arts in the city and urged Council to fully fund the Elegba Folklore Society.

Marcus Squires expressed support for funding for the Richmond Sister Cities Commission so it may continue its efforts to foster citizen diplomacy and urged Council to support funding for infrastructure improvements in the 9th Council District.

Thomas Wagstaff, CEO and executive director of Capital Area Partnership Uplifting People (CAPUP), stated that the organization has been dedicated to its fight against poverty for over fifty years ago, despite a continuous decrease in funding from year to year. Mr. Wagstaff asked Council to consider fully funding the organization's requested budget.

Greta Harris, president and CEO of the Better Housing Coalition, asked Council to invest the resources into addressing root causes of poverty in the city by fully funding the OCWB.

Scott Garka, president of CultureWorks, stated that a reduction in the city's contributions to the Arts and Cultural Funding Consortium budget will negatively impact the organization's efforts to provide support and leadership to the region's vibrant communities. Mr. Garka expressed support for full funding for CultureWorks and the Richmond Performing Arts Alliance (RPAA). Mr. Garka

further stated that he was concerned about the impact an increase in the city's admissions tax will have on organizations.

Valerie Tellmann-Henning reflected on her performing arts career and expressed the importance of Council supporting funding for the Arts and Cultural Consortium.

Melania Lambert asked Council to support funding for the Arts and Cultural Consortium.

Ira White stated that he was introduced to dance by Richmond Ballet's educational outreach program and that the city's youth need exposure to the world of arts. Mr. White urged Council to support funding for the Arts and Cultural Consortium.

Janet Starke, executive director of Richmond Performing Arts Alliance, stated that the city's financial support of the Arts and Cultural Consortium has assisted organizations in bringing world-class performing arts to students of all ages. Ms. Starke also expressed concern about the impact an increase in the city's admissions tax will have on the arts communities.

Howard Bender, vice president of Central/Northern Virginia Operations for the Virginia Opera, thanked city leaders for its continuous support in helping to position the city to become a major arts designation and encouraged Council to approve the budget for CultureWorks.

John Sydnor, executive director of the Enrichmond Foundation, speaking in support for funding for the Enrichmond Foundation, briefly updated Council on some of the organization's events for this year and stated that the funding will further support the organization's mission.

Roderyck Bullock urged Council to reconsider a budget amendment to reduce funding for the Office of Community Wealth Building. Mr. Bullock stated that the OCWB provides valuable assistance to the city's low-income residents and that reducing the department's funds will have a negative impact on the city.

Jay Patrick, CEO of Liberation Veteran Services, formerly Liberation Family Services, updated Council on the organization's accomplishments over the last year and asked Council to continue its financial support to assist the city's homeless veterans.

Clifton Rawls urged Council to support funding for the OCWB.

Stephanie Starling expressed support for funding for the Southside Community Center. Ms. Starling stated that the community center serves over four hundred of the city's youth and is vital to the city's Southside.

Megan Rollins, president of Boaz and Ruth, thanked Council for its past financial support of Boaz and Ruth and asked Council to continue its financial support.

Giles Harnsberger, director of Groundwork RVA, explained the mission of Groundwork RVA and expressed support of funding for the foundation. Ms. Harnsberger stated that it was the foundation's goal to one day become financially independent.

Robert Argabright, board member of Groundwork RVA, reported that Groundwork RVA began its efforts with one of the city's schools and one property, and has since expanded to twenty-two properties. Mr. Argabright asked Council to approve funding for the organization so that it can continue cultivating young conservation leaders and creating green infrastructure in the city's urban neighborhoods.

Jo White, board member of Boaz and Ruth and Storefront for Community Design, expressed support for funding for Boaz and Ruth, Storefront for Community Design and the Ann Hardy Plaza.

Glennys Flemming expressed support for a proposal to increase the city's cigarette tax. She stated that the additional revenue will provide needed funding for the city's schools and an increase in the tax will reduce the use of tobacco. Ms. Flemming provided a handout of cigarette companies' argument against a tax increase.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Lucas Fritz stated that the city has begun to thrive as an arts community and that the city's financial support was paramount to the continued success of the arts community; however, an increase in the admissions tax will significantly impact the future growth of the city.

Anthony Wells expressed opposition to a proposed one year suspension of the career development program and the educational incentive program for police and fire officers; he remarked that the city's officers should be rewarded for the services they provide.

Stephen Dickinson, executive director of Central Virginia Legal Aid Society (CVLAS), stated that CVLAS provides free civil legal assistance for low-income citizens and has successfully collected thousands in damages for its clients. Mr. Dickson stated that a loss in funding will impact the organization's ability to continue to provide legal representation to the city's citizens.

Tommy Cox, speaking on behalf of the Saving Our Youth and the Richmond Guardian Angels Organizations, expressed support for proposed funding for Ann Hardy Park. Mr. Cox emphasized that restoring Ann Hardy Park will assist the area's residents in providing positive alternatives for the city's youth.

Bea Robinson, employee of Boaz and Ruth, stated that Boaz and Ruth rebuilds lives and communities by providing a variety of basic needs for residents returning to society after incarceration and funding for the program will help make the city a better place to live.

Bob Adams, member of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Oversight Board and a board member of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority, distributed copies of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund 2015-16 impact report and expressed support of increased funding for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Clint Bowes, president of the Maymont Foundation Board of Directors, asked Council to support funding for the Maymont Foundation.

Will Isenberg, representative of the James River Outdoor Coalition, expressed support of a proposed reallocation of funds from the Maymont Foundation to the James River Park System, and asked Council to approve funding for the necessary resources needed to maintain the T. Tyler Potterfield Memorial Bridge.

Judith Lynch asked Council to support funding for the Southside Community Center and stated that the community center was a valuable resource for the youth located in the city's Southside.

Priscilla Jones asked Council to support funding for the Southside Community Center, road improvements for Hey Road, and a gateway project for Hull Street Road. Ms. Jones expressed thanks to Councilor Michael Jones for his efforts to address the needs of the 9th District.

Kelly King Horne, executive director of Homeward and chairperson of the Richmond Community Development Alliance, expressed support of a budget amendment for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Ms. King Horne outlined a number of events planned to commemorate the 10th Affordable Housing Awareness Week.

Chip Nunley, chairman of the Board of Directors for the Central Virginia Legal Aid Society (CVLAS), stated that there is a large justice gap as it relates to the ability of people in poverty to obtain adequate legal representation in civil matters. Mr. Nunley further stated that CVLAS, comprised of approximately seven lawyers, provided such justice for thousands of citizens in the city and the funding will allow CVLAS to continue to fight for the city's residents.

Kristin Thompson expressed support of funding for Richmond Public Schools (RPS) and the Richmond Police Department. Ms. Thompson stated that the environmental conditions of the city's schools impact a student's ability to learn; therefore, the city needs to focus on providing positive environments for RPS students. She further stated that a decline in education increases crime; and the city needs to allocate funding to obtain and maintain officers to deal with the many levels of crime.

Bishop Darryl Husband, representative of the Capitol City Clergy Coalition and pastor of Mount Olivet Church, stated that the OCWB assists in the health, well-being and quality of life for the city's residents and needs funding to provide resources to proactively address the social, mental and financial challenges that plague some city residents.

Jeremy Simmons expressed concern regarding a proposed increase in the city's admissions tax. Mr. Simmons stated that the increase will be a catastrophic financial burden on local musicians and businesses.

Bishop Ernest Moore spoke in support of funding for the OCWB. Bishop Moore stated that the office has been essential in bridging the gap for the citizens who are currently in poverty.

The meeting recessed at 9:02 p.m., and reconvened at 9:14 p.m.

Glenwood W. Burley expressed support for funding for the city's police and fire personnel and acknowledged the hard work of Richmond Police Chief Alfred Durham.

Pastor Lois Bias, principle of Precious Blessing Academy, urged Council to approve funding for the city's police and fire personnel and stated that it was unfair that the city was constantly losing its well trained officers to the surrounding jurisdictions because of inadequate salaries.

Carolyn Johnson, president of the McGuire Civic Association, expressed support for funding for the city's police and fire officers. Ms. Johnson stated that the city needed to take the necessary steps to secure its seasoned officers.

Breton Pezzelle, performing arts manager of Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, stated that an increase in the city's admissions tax will negatively impact businesses in the arts and cultural communities.

David Fisk, executive director of the Richmond Symphony, expressed support for funding for the Arts and Cultural Consortium, Elegba Forklore Society, Center Stage Foundation – Performing Arts Companies, and the Southside Community Center and opposition to a proposed increase in the city's admission tax.

In response to a request by Councilwoman Reva Trammell, David Fisk reported that a check was presented during a 8th District community meeting which will allow four schools located in the 8th District to purchase instruments, and similar funding will be presented to schools in the 9th District.

Jan Powell, producing artistic director of the Quill Theatre, stated that funding from the city provided the Quill Theatre the ability to revive its production efforts and education programs. Ms. Powell asked Council to approve funding for the Arts and Cultural Consortium and to reject an increase to the city's admissions tax.

Cynthia Schmitt expressed support for funding for the Clean and Safe Program provided through Venture Richmond.

Brian White stated that the Clean and Safe Program is an enhanced service provided through Venture Richmond and a decrease in the city's contribution will negatively impact downtown businesses.

Sanket Acharya, business owner, expressed opposition to the proposed cigarette tax. Mr. Acharya indicated that the increased cost of cigarettes has turned burglars' attention from cash to cigarettes and that an increase in cost will result in an increase in crime.

Elizabeth Wollan, president of the Virginia Opera Board and member of the Richmond Symphony Board, expressed support for funding for the Arts and Cultural Consortium stating that the city's performing arts communities have surpassed the level of performance for a small city and the city should be willing to continue its financial support for such great causes.

A business owner located on West Broad Street expressed concern that an increase in the cigarette tax will negatively impact his business and decrease the city's revenue. He asked Council not to support the proposed tax increase.

A business owner in the city's Southside spoke in opposition to a proposed cigarette tax increase stating that the increase will cause his business to lose money and negatively impact his life and the lives of his employees.

A business owner in the city's Southside spoke in opposition to a proposed increase in the city's cigarette tax stating that the increase will hurt the city's small businesses and reduce the amount of revenue the city receives from those businesses.

A business owner in the city's East End spoke in opposition to a proposed increase in the city's cigarette tax stating that increasing the tax will not be an effective measure to reduce tobacco use amongst teens and it will cause business owners to lose money.

Curtis Lee Jr., community development coordinator for Challenge Discovery Projects, addressed Council regarding funding for the East District Family Resource Center. Mr. Lee stated that there are limited resources for the city's East End residents; therefore, it is critical for the city to continue to providing funding to assist its residents.

Councilor Kristen Larson moved that all budget-related papers be continued to the Monday, May 1, 2017 special meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

MOTIONS

Councilor Andreas Addison moved that the resolution entitled:

RES. 2017-R022

To designate the properties known as 910 Goddin Street, 1000 Goddin Street, 4907 Goddin Court, a portion of 1000 A Carlisle Avenue, 1000 B Carlisle Avenue, 1021 Carlisle Avenue, and the portion of Northampton Street closed to public use and travel by Ord. No. 2015-256, adopted Jan. 11, 2016, as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

be amended and continued to Monday, May 22, 2017, as follows:

Page 1, Line 4

After the word "Court", strike the comma and the text "a portion of 1000 A Carlisle Avenue, 1000 B Carlisle Avenue"

Page 2, Line 15

After the word "Court", strike the comma and the text "a portion of 1000 A Carlisle Avenue, 1000 B Carlisle Avenue"

Page 2, Line 17

After the tax parcel number "E000-1792/041", strike the comma and the tax parcel numbers "E000-2400/072, E000-2400/071"

Page 2, Line 19

After the year "2016", strike the comma and the text "as shown on the map entitled 'Studio Row Fulton Hill Properties,' prepared by VHB, and dated June 2, 2016, a copy of which is attached to this resolution"

Page 3, Line 8

At the beginning of the line, insert the recital "WHEREAS, the Council believes that the nonhousing portion or portions of the building or buildings located or to be located in the revitalization area are necessary or appropriate for the revitalization of such area for the industrial, commercial or other economic development thereof; and"

Page 3, Line 18

After the word "Court", strike the comma and the text "a portion of 1000 A Carlisle Avenue, 1000 B Carlisle Avenue"

Page 3, Line 20

After the tax parcel number "E000-1792/041", strike the comma and the tax parcel numbers "E000-2400/072, E000-2400/071"

Page 3, Line 22

After the year "2016", strike the comma and the text "as shown on the map entitled 'Studio Row Fulton Hill Properties,' prepared by VHB, and dated June 2, 2016, a copy of which is attached to this resolution"

Page 4, Line 16

At the beginning of the line, insert the text "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:
That the Council hereby determines that the nonhousing portion or portions of the building or buildings located or to be located in the revitalization area are necessary or appropriate for the

revitalization of such area for the industrial, commercial, or other economic development thereof.”

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Agelasto Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Hilbert (Conflict of Interest).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved to approve the following Richmond City Council meeting minutes: Informal Council Session held on Monday, April 10, 2017, at 4:00 p.m., and the Formal Council Session held on Monday, April 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved

REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities were provided by the following council members: Councilors Jones, Addison, Robertson, Larson, Agelasto, Gray, Councilwoman Trammell, Vice President Newbille and President Hilbert.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, May 8, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2017-083

To amend Ord. No. 2016-116, adopted Apr. 25, 2016, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2016-226, adopted Nov. 14, 2016, which authorized the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as an application for the receipt of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds; accepted funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the total amount of \$6,368,237; and appropriated \$6,568,237 for various projects, for the purposes of re-appropriating unexpended funds and appropriating additional funds in the total amount of \$691,530 and of reallocating funds for various projects.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

ORD. 2017-084

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$115,000 from the Virginia Department of Transportation; and to appropriate the amount of \$115,000 to the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Traffic Control Installation project in the Transportation category by \$115,000 for the purpose of the installation of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Williamsburg Avenue and Nicholson Street.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolution on Monday, May 22, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2017-085

To rezone a portion of the property known as 3900 West Broad Street from the B-3 General Business District to the I Institutional District; and to conditionally rezone a portion of the property known as 3900 West Broad Street from the B-3 General Business District to the B-3 General Business District (Conditional).

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, May 15, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2017-086

To amend Ord. No. 97-300-98-243, adopted Jun. 22, 1998, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2002-71-102, adopted Apr. 22, 2002, and by Ord. No. 2010-47-57, adopted Mar. 22, 2010, for the purpose of amending the conditions of the special use that pertain to the property known as 3900 West Broad Street, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, May 15, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2017-087

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute a First Amendment to Amended Water Contract between the City of Richmond and the County of Chesterfield for the purpose of providing for the sale of additional water to the County of Chesterfield and for the construction, operation, and maintenance of new water capacity facilities by the County of Chesterfield on a portion of Lewis G. Larus Park located at 8850 West Huguenot Road in the city of Richmond.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.

ORD. 2017-088

To repeal Ord. No. 2014-245-225, adopted Dec. 8, 2014, which declared surplus and directed the sale of certain interests of the City in real estate located at 120 Shockoe Slip and 1331 A East Canal Street and in air rights over a portion of East Canal Street near its intersection with South 13th Street for \$916,000 to Highwoods Realty Limited Partnership for the purpose of facilitating the expansion of the existing headquarters building of the Martin Agency.

Patrons: Mr. Agelasto

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.

ORD. 2017-089

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Contract between the City of Richmond and the Greater Richmond Transit Company for the purpose of making a \$500,000 grant to the Greater Richmond Transit Company from the funds appropriated to the Department of Economic and Community Development to support the implementation of the Greater Richmond Transit Company's Richmond Transit Network Plan.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, May 18, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

RES. 2017-R024

To designate the properties known as 1000 Carlisle Avenue, 1000 A Carlisle Avenue, and 1000 B Carlisle Avenue as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

Patrons: Vice President Newbille (By Request)

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

CITY CLERK