

# **City of Richmond**

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# **Agenda**

# **City Council**

Monday, September 22, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

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#### **Order of Business**

Invocation		
Pledge of Allegiance		
Chamber Emergency Evacuation Plan Announcement and Public Speaker Guidelines		
Roll Call		
Action on Appointments and Reappointments		
Awards and Presentations (Applause permitted during this portion of the meeting only)		
Public Comment		
Agenda Review and Amendments		
Action Items (Consent Agenda)		
Action Items (Regular Agenda and Motions)		

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions

Reports or Announcements by Members of the Council

Adjournment

City Council is Richmond City's local legislative body and is composed of one council representative elected from each of the city's nine voter districts. Council members are elected to serve a four year term of office. Council elects one of its own to serve as the president and presiding officer for a two year term.

# **Time and Place of Meetings**

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in the City Council meetings. The City Council meets in the City Hall second floor Council Chamber, in informal work session at 4:00 p.m., and in formal session at 6:00 p.m., on the second and fourth Monday during the months of January, February, March, April, May, June and September and only on the second Monday during the months of October, November and December. In the month of July, one such meeting is held on the fourth Monday of the month and in the month of August, no such meetings are held. All meetings of the Council are open to the public.

#### **Public Comment Period**

The Public Comment Period is an opportunity for persons to address Council concerning the services, policies and affairs of the city and to discuss issues not on the agenda for the business meeting.

### **Guidelines for Public Participation\***

The maximum time allotted to persons speaking to any matter under consideration by the Council shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes for proponents and thirty (30) minutes for opponents.

Speakers should state their full legal name, any organization(s) they represent and any economic or professional relationship(s) that would benefit by the adoption of the paper(s) they are addressing.

Speakers are not permitted to address or question the Council Chief of Staff, the City Attorney, the City Clerk, or any staff member directly. Questions should be directed to the President who may, at his/her discretion, solicit a response.

Applause is permitted during the "Awards and Presentations" period only.

Persons speaking regarding agenda items are generally limited to three (3) minutes; however, no individual from the public may speak for more than ten (10) minutes total during the business meeting.

Individuals may express their views in writing in lieu of an oral presentation.

Reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with a disability. Individuals are encouraged to contact the City Clerk's Office at 804-646-7955 for a "Request for Reasonable Accommodation" form, which must be completed to receive assistance.

\* The full text of the Council's Rules of Procedure is available on the City Clerk's website at www.rva.gov/office-city-clerk or in the Office of the City Clerk located in City Hall at 900 East Broad Street, Suite 200.

## THE CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and non-controversial. The Consent Agenda provides a method for the expeditious handling of items that do not require discussion and will be approved unanimously by a single roll-call vote of the Council.

The public may speak to any item on the Consent Agenda when the public hearing is announced by the President.

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

Patrons:

Mayor Avula (By Request)

#### Legislative History

3/24/25	City Council	introduced and referred to the Planning Commission
4/15/25	Planning Commission	recommended for continuance to the City Council
4/28/25	City Council	continued and referred back to the Planning Commission
5/6/25	Planning Commission	recommended for continuance to the City Council
5/12/25	City Council	continued and referred back to the Planning Commission
6/3/25	Planning Commission	recommended for continuance to the City Council
6/9/25	City Council	continued and referred back to the Planning Commission

2. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-184

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

Patrons:

Mayor Avula

#### Legislative History

7/28/25 City Council introduced and referred to the Land Use,
Housing and Transportation Standing

Committee

3. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-185 To provide for the granting by the City of Richmond to the person, firm or corporation to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law of an easement upon, over, under, and across certain property known as Lucks Field Community Center located at 1925 U Street for the construction, maintenance, and operation of improvements and associated appurtenances for the generation, distribution and transmission of electricity in accordance with a certain Right of Way Agreement.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

Legislative History

7/28/25 City Council introduced and referred to the Land Use,

Housing and Transportation Standing

Committee

4. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-186 To provide for the granting by the City of Richmond to the person, firm or corporation to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law of an easement upon, over, under, and across certain property known as St. Mary's Hospital located at 5801 Monument Avenue for the construction, maintenance, and operation of improvements and associated appurtenances for the generation, distribution and transmission of electricity in accordance with a certain Right of Way Agreement.

<u>Patrons:</u> Mayor Avula

Legislative History

7/28/25 City Council introduced and referred to the Land Use,

Housing and Transportation Standing

Committee

**5.** ORD. 2025-187

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

and Assessment Districts.

Patrons: Ms. Robertson

Legislative History

7/28/25 City Council introduced and referred to the Finance and

**Economic Development Standing** 

Committee

THE REGULAR AGENDA

6.	ORD.
	2025-100

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

Patrons:

Ms. Lynch, Mr. Breton, Vice President Jordan, Ms. Gibson, Ms. Jones and Ms. Abubaker

#### Legislative History

4/28/25	City Council	introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee
5/21/25	Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee	recommended for continuance to the City Council
6/2/25	City Council	continued and referred back to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee
7/16/25	Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee	recommended for continuance to the City Council
7/28/25	City Council	continued and referred back to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee

**7.** ORD. 2025-161

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

#### <u>Patrons:</u> Mayor Avula

### Legislative History

6/23/25	City Council	introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee
7/22/25	Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee	recommended for continuance to the City Council
7/28/25	City Council	continued and referred back to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee

8. <u>ORD.</u> 2025-183 To declare that Council has not authorized redevelopment of Gilpin Court and prohibit undertakings pursuant to a certain Master Development Agreement to redevelop Gilpin Court without Council authorization.

<u>Patrons:</u> Ms. Gibson

Legislative History

7/28/25

City Council

introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee