



City of Richmond

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Meeting Minutes Public Safety Standing Committee

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

1:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor – City Hall

Committee Members and other Councilmembers in Attendance

The Honorable Reva Trammell – Chair
The Honorable Nicole Jones – Vice Chair
The Honorable Kristen Nye – Member

Others in Attendance

Greg Lukanuski, Deputy City Attorney
Nahdiyah Muhammad, Assistant City Clerk
Candice Reid, City Clerk
Steve Taylor, Council Policy Analyst
RJ Warren, Deputy City Clerk

Call to Order

Chair Reva Trammell called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m., and presided.

Chamber Emergency Evacuation Plan Announcement and Public Speaker Guidelines

Assistant City Clerk Nahdiyah Muhammad provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency along with public speaker guidelines.

Public Comment Period

Janet Ramsey addressed the committee and informed members that she previously provided written comments. Ms. Ramsey also stated her concerns regarding broken parking meters near City Hall and not being able to find adequate parking.

Sarah Ramsey addressed the committee and stated her concerns regarding available parking and broken parking meters. Ms. Ramsey also addressed the committee regarding the Richmond Police Department (RPD) not addressing what she believed were instances of embezzlement as a criminal offense.

[CD.2024.222](#) June 25, 2024 - Public Safety Standing Committee Public Comment Documents

Attachments: [20240625 Public Safety Written Public Comment](#)
[20240625 Public Comment Hand out](#)

A copy of material provided has been filed.

Chair Reva Trammell addressed Ms. Ramsey regarding her comments.

Yasmin Mahmood, Owner and Landlord of Gate Oaks Apartments, addressed the committee and stated her concerns regarding the illegal activity occurring within the area around Gate Oaks Apartments and safety concerns for residents.

Richmond Police Department (RPD) Deputy Chief Sydney Collier addressed the committee regarding Ms. Mahmood's concerns.

Uma Nidmarty addressed the committee and stated her concerns regarding the safety and maintenance of the Shockoe Bottom area.

Deputy Chief Sydney Collier requested contact information for public comment speaker Uma Nidmarty to address her concerns. Deputy Chief Collier provided the committee with additional information regarding the actions taken by RPD.

Approval of Minutes

There were no amendments or corrections to the meeting minutes of April 23, 2024 and the committee approved the minutes as presented.

[CD.2024.188](#) April 23, 2024 - Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [20240423 Public Safety Minutes DRAFT](#)

Presentation(s)

There were no presentations.

Paper(s) for Consideration

The following resolution was considered:

1. [RES. 2024-R020](#) To approve the City of Richmond Plan of Services under the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

Attachments: [Res. No. 2024-R020](#)

Rhonda Gilmer, Deputy Director of the Department of Justice Services, provided the committee with additional background information regarding RES. 2024-R020.

Public Hearing

There were no public hearing speakers.

There were no comments or discussions and Member Kristen Nye moved to forward RES. 2024-R020 to Council with recommendation to approve, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

Board Vacancies

There were no board vacancies.

Discussion Item(s)

There were no discussion items.

Staff Report

Council staff provided the committee with the June Public Safety Standing Committee staff report.

[CD.2024.221](#) June 25, 2024 - Public Safety Staff Report

Attachments: [20240625 Public Safety Staff Report](#)

A copy of material provided has been filed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.