



City of Richmond

Informal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Monday, June 11, 2018

4:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Richmond City Council convened in Informal Session on Monday, June 11, 2018, in the Council Chamber, located on the second floor of City Hall, 900 East Broad Street.

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 (late arrival)
The Honorable Michael Jones (late arrival)
The Honorable Kristen Larson
The Honorable Ellen Robertson (late arrival)
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Staff Present

Lou Ali, Council Chief of Staff
Lisa Braxton, Interim Deputy City Clerk
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney
Meghan Brown, Deputy Council Chief of Staff
Allen Jackson, City Attorney
Candice Reid, City Clerk

Council President Chris Hilbert called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. and presided.

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

Docket Review

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

Consent Agenda:

1. Ord. 2017-242 – to be continued to Monday, July 23, 2018
2. Ord. 2018-044 – retained on the Consent Agenda
3. Ord. 2018-118 – retained on the Consent Agenda
4. Ord. 2018-119 – retained on the Consent Agenda
5. Ord. 2018-120 – retained on the Consent Agenda
6. Ord. 2018-121 – retained on the Consent Agenda

7. Ord. 2018-122 – retained on the Consent Agenda
8. Ord. 2018-123 – retained on the Consent Agenda
9. Ord. 2018-124 – retained on the Consent Agenda
10. Ord. 2018-125 – retained on the Consent Agenda
11. Ord. 2018-156 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Councilor Kim Gray arrived at 4:10 p.m. and was seated.

12. Res. 2018-R046 – retained on the Consent Agenda
13. Res. 2018-R047 – retained on the Consent Agenda
14. Res. 2018-R048 – retained on the Consent Agenda
15. Res. 2018-R049 – retained on the Consent Agenda
16. Res. 2018-R050 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Regular Agenda:

17. Ord. 2018-101 – to be continued to Monday June 25, 2018
18. Ord. 2018-110 – to be amended and continued to Monday June 25, 2018

Councilor Parker Agelasto provided an introduction of a proposed amendment to Ord. 2018-110 and stated that the amendment would require directors of departments that provide emergency response during catastrophic events to live within the city limits; however, the amendment also included the allowance for a residency waiver under certain circumstances.

Councilor Ellen Robertson arrived at 4:11 p.m. and was seated.

Councilor Andreas Addison, chief patron of Ord. 2018-110, stated that he has no objections to the proposed amendment since it met the expectations for emergency preparedness.

Councilor Kim Gray expressed concern that the proposed amendment did not include any Council appointees, such as the City Clerk and Council Chief of Staff, as part of the emergency response, noting the necessity of their attendance if an emergency meeting is mandated.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated that she cannot support the proposed amendment to Ord. 2018-110.

Councilor Parker Agelasto stated that he was not opposed to adding the City Attorney, City Clerk and Council Chief of Staff positions to the proposed amendment for inclusion to the residency requirement.

President Chris Hilbert expressed his discomfort with Ord. 2018-110 and its proposed amendment.

19. Ord. 2018-126 – to be continued to Monday, June 25, 2018

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

Councilor Kim Gray informed Council of increasing traffic mishaps along the Broad Street Bus Rapid Transit Corridor.

President Chris Hilbert requested a briefing on the Greater Richmond Transit Company's bus rapid transit system as well as the new bike lanes along Franklin Street.

Councilor Michael Jones arrived at 4:23 p.m. and was seated.

Richmond Regional Planning District Commission (RRPDC) Strategic Plan

Martha Shickle, RRPDC executive director, provided Council with a presentation regarding RRPDC's background, strategic plan, key findings, mission and values, priorities, portfolio of recent projects and future objectives. A copy of the presentation has been filed.

Tim Davey, RRPDC's Future Ad Hoc Committee chair, was also in attendance.

City Council Expenditure and Reimbursement Guidelines Governing Uses of Council District Funds (Resolution 2015-R18-23)

City Attorney Allen Jackson provided Council with a draft of a proposed amendment to Res. 2015-R18-23, which would no longer require the approval via resolution for reimbursement of Council district funds to councilmembers. A copy of the information has been filed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

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