



City of Richmond

Informal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Monday, April 8, 2019

4:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Andreas Addison
The Honorable Kim Gray (late arrival)
The Honorable Michael Jones
The Honorable Kristen Larson
The Honorable Ellen Robertson (late arrival)
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Reported Absent

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President
The Honorable Parker Agelasto

Staff Present

Lisa Braxton, Assistant City Clerk
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney
Meghan Brown, Interim Council Chief of Staff
Allen Jackson, City Attorney
Candice Reid, City Clerk
RJ Warren, Deputy City Clerk

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and presided.

Upon the President's request, Assistant 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

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

Consent Agenda:

1. Ord. 2018-243 – retained on the Consent Agenda
2. Ord. 2018-245 – retained on the Consent Agenda
3. Ord. 2018-291 – to be continued to Monday, May 13, 2019
4. Ord. 2019-012 – to be continued to Monday, June 10, 2019
5. Ord. 2019-020 – retained on the Consent Agenda
6. Ord. 2019-031 – retained on the Consent Agenda
7. Ord. 2019-079 – retained on the Consent Agenda
8. Ord. 2019-080 – retained on the Consent Agenda

9. Ord. 2019-081 – retained on the Consent Agenda
10. Ord. 2019-082 – retained on the Consent Agenda
11. Ord. 2019-083 – retained on the Consent Agenda
12. Ord. 2019-084 – retained on the Consent Agenda
13. Res. 2019-R014 – to be continued to Monday, May 13, 2019

Councilor Michael Jones and Councilwoman Reva Trammell requested to be added as co-patrons of Res. 2019-R014.

Regular Agenda:

14. Res. 2018-R092 – retained on the Regular Agenda
15. Res. 2018-R103 – to be amended and continued to Monday, April 22, 2019

Councilor Kim Gray arrived at 4:07 p.m. and was seated.

Councilor Kristen Larson clarified the intent of Res. 2019-R014.

Councilor Michael Jones asked his colleagues to partner with him regarding an anti-litter campaign called “Stop It, Don’t Drop It” in the near future.

Matthew Ebinger, Planning and Development Review principal planner, provided an introduction of Ords. 2019-079 and 2019-080.

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

2020 General Assembly (GA) Legislative Schedule

Joyce Davis, Council policy analyst, provided councilors with the 2020 GA legislative schedule and noted the inclusion of two deadline dates, June 28, 2019 and August 15, 2019, for submission of their individual ideas to the city’s legislative agenda proposal, in an effort to improve Council’s legislative submission process. A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Councilor Ellen Robertson arrived at 4:17 p.m. and was seated.

Docket Review

Revisiting a docket review item, Mark Olinger, Planning and Development Review director, informed Council that the proposed adoption of Res. 2018-R092 would demand an additional level of review by the City Attorney’s Office for certificates of zoning compliance and letters of zoning confirmation, which would prolong current streamlined processes.

President Cynthia Newbille asked councilors to consider a continuance of Res. 2018-R092 since the patron was unavailable to address concerns regarding the proposed legislation.

Councilor Kim Gray, citing uncertainty with the suggested adoption, voiced opposition of Res. 2018-R092 and requested that the proposed legislation not be continued, and instead be considered later that evening at the Formal Session of Council.

It was the consensus of Council to await the arrival of the patron of Res. 2018-R092 later that evening at the Formal Session of Council, prior to making a decision regarding possible continuance of the proposed legislation.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

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