



Richmond City Council

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Formal Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 8, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Council Members Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Katherine Jordan, Vice President
The Honorable Sarah Abubaker
The Honorable Andrew Breton (early departure)
The Honorable Kenya Gibson
The Honorable Nicole Jones (early departure)
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (early departure)
The Honorable Ellen Robertson (early departure)
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Call to Order

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and presided.

Spanish Interpretation Announcement

City Clerk Candice Reid stated that Spanish interpretation service was available in the Council Chamber and that attendees should speak with a representative to receive the appropriate equipment. She also stated that Spanish interpretation service was available virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Roxana Talavera-Denson, Language Access Coordinator, Office of Immigrant and Refugee Engagement, provided Spanish interpretation of Ms. Reid's announcement.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Reverend Tyrone Nelson of Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church provided the invocation. Members of Council and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chamber Emergency Evacuation Plan Announcement and Public Speaker Guidelines

Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk Kiley Kesecker provided information on the appropriate way to evacuate the Council Chamber in an emergency along with public speaker guidelines.

Action on Appointments and Reappointments

[CD.2026.163](#) Board Appointments and Reappointments - June 8, 2026

Councilor Nicole Jones moved that the following appointments and reappointments be approved:

Central Virginia Waste Management Authority:
Joy Shaw

City Personnel Board:
Betty Burrell (reappointment)
Linda Jackson-Shaw (reappointment)
Glenda Cooper

Clean City Commission:
Teresa Ashe

Public Utilities and Services Commission:
Ryan Duckett
Andrew Krakie

Advisory Board for the Assessment of Towing Fees and the Storage of Vehicles:
Abin Thomas (reappointment)

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Awards and Presentations

There were no awards or presentations.

Public Comment

[CD.2026.167](#) June 8, 2026 Public Comment Period Speakers List

Martin Gary provided updates and information on the Shockoe Arts and Cultural District initiative.

Agenda Review and Amendments

Councilor Nicole Jones moved to amend the agenda as follows:

5. [ORD. 2026-093](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 3317 Rear Monument Avenue for the purpose of up to four single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

To be continued to Monday, July 27, 2026

6. [ORD. 2026-102](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 3415 Crenshaw Mews Alley for the purpose of up to thirteen attached garages, upon certain terms and conditions, and to repeal Ord. No. 2021-325, adopted Dec. 13, 2021, and all amendatory ordinances thereto. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

To be continued to Monday, June 22, 2026

13. [ORD. 2026-120](#) To authorize the special use of the properties known as 901 South Meadow Street, 903 South Meadow Street, 905 South Meadow Street, 907 South Meadow Street, 911 South Meadow Street, 915 South Meadow Street, 921 South Meadow Street, and 923 South Meadow Street, for the purpose of up to 31 single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

To be continued to Monday, June 22, 2026

15. [ORD. 2026-122](#) To accept a quitclaim deed from the School Board conveying a portion of 1461 Commerce Road, consisting of approximately 8.234± acres, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Office to act on behalf of the City in executing such deed. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula and Ms. Robertson

To be moved to Regular Agenda

16. [ORD. 2026-123](#) To declare surplus and direct the sale of a portion of the city-owned real estate known as 1461 Commerce Road, consisting of 8.234± acres, to City Central, LLC or its affiliate, for \$4,705,500, or such lesser amount as may be provided for herein, for the purpose of facilitating the construction of a mixed-use development. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula and Ms. Robertson

To be moved to Regular Agenda

17. [ORD. 2026-124](#) To declare surplus and direct the sale of a portion of the City-owned real estate known as 1451 Commerce Road, consisting of 4.715± acres, to City Central, LLC or its affiliate, for \$2,694,500, or such lesser amount as may be provided for herein, for the purpose of facilitating the construction of a mixed-use development. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula and Ms. Robertson

To be moved to Regular Agenda

19. [ORD. 2025-231](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 3219 Tuxedo Boulevard for the purpose of up to [five] four single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District) (As Amended)
- Patrons:*** Mayor Avula (By Request)
- To be amended and continued to Monday, June 22, 2026**
22. [ORD. 2026-090](#) To amend City Code §§2-1301.4, concerning the City's rights and authority, and 2-1301.14, concerning labor-management dispute and impasse resolution, to modify collective bargaining procedures. (As Amended)
- Patrons:*** Ms. Trammell, Ms. Gibson, Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Lynch and Vice President Jordan
- To be amended and continued to Monday, June 22, 2026**
23. [ORD. 2026-092](#) To establish the Code Refresh Review Commission for the purpose of developing optimal recommendations for a forthcoming rewrite of the City's zoning ordinance, based upon best practices and expert and community input.
- Patrons:*** Ms. Trammell
- To be continued to Monday, June 22, 2026**
24. [ORD. 2026-096](#) To establish the Resident Planning Review Commission for the purpose of advising the Council concerning the City's implementation of the Master Plan.
- Patrons:*** Ms. Gibson
- To be continued to Monday, June 22, 2026**

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 9, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0.

The Consent Agenda

The following ordinances and resolution were considered:

1. [ORD. 2026-076](#) To amend City Code §§14-335, concerning the City's Erosion and Stormwater Management Program, 28-780, concerning the City's Pre-treatment Program, and 28-966, concerning penalties for illicit discharge and connection violations.
- Patrons:*** Mayor Avula
2. [ORD. 2026-087](#) To designate the 2300 block of Rosewood Avenue in honor of James "Jimmy Lee" Bracey.

Patrons: Ms. Lynch, Ms. Robertson, President Newbille, Vice President Jordan and Ms. Trammell

3. [ORD.](#) To amend City Code § 24-34, concerning duty to remove snow from paved sidewalks, to modify responsibilities, penalties, and definitions.
[2026-089](#)

Patrons: Vice President Jordan and Mayor Avula

4. [ORD.](#) To amend City Code §§ 2-1202.7, concerning duties and reporting of the Public Utilities and Services Commission, and 2-1202.8, concerning the conduct of affairs of the Commission.
[2026-091](#)

Patrons: Vice President Jordan

This ordinance was adopted.

7. [ORD.](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 3300 Delano Street for the purpose of up to two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (8th District)
[2026-103](#)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

8. [ORD.](#) To authorize a Mosby Court South Redevelopment preliminary community unit plan permitting the development of a residential community of up to 600,000 square feet and no more than 500 dwelling units and up to 25,000 square feet of ground floor commercial area on approximately 12.84 acres of land located at 1804 P Street and 1930 P Street, upon certain terms and conditions, and to repeal Ord. No. 1961-164-144, and all amendatory ordinances thereto. (7th District) (As Amended)
[2026-106](#)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request), Ms. Robertson and President Newbille

9. [ORD.](#) To amend ch. 2, art. V of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 23, consisting of §§ 2-1202.15-2-1202.18, for the purpose of establishing the Sister Cities Commission, and to repeal Res. No. 91-R180-207, adopted Jul. 22, 1991, and all amendatory resolutions thereto.
[2026-116](#)

Patrons: Ms. Jones and Mayor Avula

10. [ORD.](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 607 Arnold Avenue for the purpose of up to two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (6th District)
[2026-117](#)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

11. [ORD. 2026-118](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 2720 Clearfield Street for the purpose of no more than one single-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions. (9th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

12. [ORD. 2026-119](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 1710 Mactavish Avenue for the purpose of a motor vehicle sales, rental, and service facility, upon certain terms and conditions. (2nd District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

14. [ORD. 2026-121](#) 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 and Richmond Behavioral Health Foundation for the purpose of funding a trauma healing response network.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

18. [RES. 2026-R023](#) To establish a five-member panel pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-1643 and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer consult with the President and Vice President of the Council to develop and recommend a list of at least seven qualified candidates to the Council for appointment to such panel.

Patrons: President Newbille

Public Hearing

Mark Olinger spoke in opposition to ORD. 2026-106, stating that the planned development is too large for the acreage of the site.

Steven Nesmith, Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) CEO, and Sherrill Hampton, RRHA Senior Vice President of Real Estate and Community Development, spoke in support of ORD. 2026-106 and provided information on the proposed project.

Thomas Courtney spoke in support of ORD. 2026-089, stating that it will provide necessary clarification of snow removal regulations and engage large scale property owners for compliance.

Al Hutchinson spoke in support of ORD. 2026-087 and stated that James "Jimmy Lee" Bracey was a great community leader.

Charlene Hinton spoke in support of ORD. 2026-087 and shared some words about the positive impact James "Jimmy Lee" Bracey has had on the community.

Warren Goldsboro spoke in support of ORD. 2026-087 and stated that James "Jimmy Lee" Bracey was a great mentor and coach.

Diane Cottman spoke in support of ORD. 2026-087 and stated that James "Jimmy Lee" Bracey was a great mentor who provided encouragement and guidance, leaving behind an inspirational legacy.

Mary Richardson spoke in support of ORD. 2026-087 and described the positive impact James "Jimmy Lee" Bracey had on her life.

President Newbille, Vice President Jordan, and Councilor Trammell asked to be added as co-patrons to ORD. 2026-087.

At the request of Councilor Kenya Gibson, Director of Planning and Development Review Kevin Vonck provided additional information on ORD. 2026-106 and explained how the proposed project aligns with the Master Plan.

President Newbille stated that there are many components related to the Mosby South redevelopment warranting further discussion, noting that ORD. 2026-106 is not the final plan.

The Consent Agenda was adopted: Ayes 9, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0.

The Regular Agenda

The following ordinances were considered:

15. [ORD. 2026-122](#) To accept a quitclaim deed from the School Board conveying a portion of 1461 Commerce Road, consisting of approximately 8.234± acres, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Office to act on behalf of the City in executing such deed. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula and Ms. Robertson

16. [ORD. 2026-123](#) To declare surplus and direct the sale of a portion of the city-owned real estate known as 1461 Commerce Road, consisting of 8.234± acres, to City Central, LLC or its affiliate, for \$4,705,500, or such lesser amount as may be provided for herein, for the purpose of facilitating the construction of a mixed-use development. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula and Ms. Robertson

17. [ORD. 2026-124](#) To declare surplus and direct the sale of a portion of the City-owned real estate known as 1451 Commerce Road, consisting of 4.715± acres, to City Central, LLC or its affiliate, for \$2,694,500, or such lesser amount as may be provided for herein, for the purpose of facilitating the construction of a mixed-use development. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula and Ms. Robertson

Angie Rogers, Director of Economic Development, provided background information on the proposed ordinances and explained their compliance with the City Code.

Public Hearing

There were no public hearing speakers.

Councilor Kenya Gibson stated that the surplus declaration and conveyance of the proposed properties is illegal under the City Code, and a bad deal for Richmond Public Schools. She added that she would not be supporting the proposed legislation.

ORD. 2026-122, ORD. 2026-123, and ORD. 2026-124 were adopted: Ayes 8, Breton, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 1, Gibson.

The following ordinance was considered:

20. [ORD. 2025-282](#) To amend ch. 26, article V, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein a new section 26-370, concerning a deferral program for certain real estate taxes pursuant to and in accordance with Code of Virginia § 58.1-3219. (As Amended)

Patrons: City Council

Councilor Sarah Abubaker provided an introduction and background information on the deferral program established by the proposed ordinance, noting that is one tool among several that Council is building to address affordability and displacement concerns.

President Newbille asked to be added as a co-patron to the proposed ordinance.

Public Hearing

There were no public hearing speakers.

There was no discussion and ORD. 2025-282 was adopted: Ayes 9, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0.

The following ordinance was considered:

21. [ORD. 2026-059](#) To amend City Code 2-728, concerning the Department of Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response, to require the routing of E-911 calls for emergency medical services to the Richmond Ambulance Authority by the Department of Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response.

Patrons: Ms. Trammell, Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Gibson and Ms. Lynch

Councilor Reva Trammell provided a brief introduction and background information on the proposed ordinance.

Chief Administrative Officer Odie Donald stated that city administration supported the intent to move EMS call routing back to Richmond Ambulance Authority (RAA), but stressed the importance of having a robust, carefully planned implementation plan. He also noted the potential cost savings from future co-location of dispatch functions.

Public Hearing

Chip Decker, RAA CEO, stated that RAA meets national standards more reliably than the Department of Emergency Communications (DEC), and the system has underperformed since DEC took over two years ago. He also reiterated that any interpretation of call quality must rely on national standards, not subjective assessments.

Councilor Kenya Gibson stated that she was alarmed by the number of calls that are not being answered within the mandated time frame.

Councilor Nicole Jones asked what critical events have occurred to make the transfer of call centers such an immediate need, and why it must be implemented in 30 days.

Councilor Sarah Abubaker stated that emergency calls will still go through DEC, but the change will occur at the point where DEC brings in RAA for medical calls. She added that the proposed legislation would actually build capacity for DEC because RAA will be taking medical calls off the department's plate sooner in the process.

Councilor Ellen Robertson expressed concerns that noncompliance at the levels described could indicate a much larger problem.

Vice President Katherine Jordan asked what was not done correctly the first time to warrant the proposed change in call routing, and asked if a 30 day transition period is enough time to implement those changes.

CAO Donald confirmed that 30 days is not ideal, but noted that there is flexibility in the proposed ordinance.

Councilmembers agreed on the importance of having an implementation plan and clear coordination to ensure the transition is done safely and correctly.

There was no further discussion and ORD. 2026-059 was adopted: Ayes 9, Breton, Gibson, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0.

Councilor Nicole Jones left the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Motions

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved that the ordinance entitled:

19. [ORD. 2025-231](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 3219 Tuxedo Boulevard for the purpose of up to [five] four single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District) (As Amended)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

be amended and continued to June 22, 2026, to modify the number of dwellings and the Plans.

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Breton, Gibson, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0. Jones had departed the meeting.

Councilor Reva Trammell moved that the ordinance entitled:

22. [ORD. 2026-090](#) To amend City Code §§2-1301.4, concerning the City's rights and authority, and 2-1301.14, concerning labor-management dispute and impasse resolution, to modify collective bargaining procedures. (As Amended)

Patrons: Ms. Trammell, Ms. Gibson, Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Lynch and Vice President Jordan

be amended and continued to June 22, 2026, to further modify collective bargaining procedures.

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Breton, Gibson, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Abubaker, Jordan, Newbille. Noes 0. Jones had departed the meeting.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

There were no amendments or corrections to the following meeting minutes, which were approved as presented.

[CD.2026.162](#) May 26, 2026 Informal Meeting Minutes

[CD.2026.164](#) May 26, 2026 Formal Meeting Minutes

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions

[CD.2026.169](#) June 8, 2026 Introduction Papers List

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolution on Monday, June 22, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.:

25. [ORD. 2026-134](#) To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by changing the uses and allocation of the Council District Funds for the First District pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2503 for the use of the Council Member in the representation of the First District.

Patrons: Mr. Breton

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

26. [ORD. 2026-135](#) To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by changing the uses and allocation of the Council District Funds for the Fourth District pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2503 for the use of the Council Member in the representation of the Fourth District.

Patrons: Ms. Abubaker

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

27. [ORD. 2026-136](#) To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by changing the uses and allocation of the Council District Funds for the Fifth District pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2503 for the use of the Council Member in the representation of the Fifth District.

Patrons: Ms. Lynch

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

28. [ORD. 2026-137](#) To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by changing the uses and allocation of the Council District Funds for the Sixth District pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2503 for the use of the Council Member in the representation of the Sixth District.

Patrons: Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

29. [ORD. 2026-138](#) To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by changing the uses and allocation of the Council District Funds for the Seventh District pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2503 for the use of the Council Member in the representation of the Seventh District.

Patrons: President Newbille

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

30. [ORD. 2026-139](#) To amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Budget and made

appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring funds in the amount of \$80,000.00 from the Outside Agencies and Central Appropriations agency Venture Richmond, Inc. line item in the Organizational Subsidy category for the Administration and Finance portfolio and to appropriating such transferred funds in the amount of \$80,000.00 to the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services for the purpose of funding CARITAS Surge Shelter Operations.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

31. [ORD. 2026-140](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$1,164,547.84 from the National Opioid Settlement Fund, resulting from settlement agreements with Sandoz Group, Kroger, CVS, Allergan, Teva, Walgreens, and Distributor, and to amend Ord. No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Special Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and made appropriations thereto, by increasing the revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services' National Opioid Settlement Special Fund by \$1,164,547.84, for the purpose of funding opioid abatement and remediation strategies to combat the opioid crisis.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

32. [ORD. 2026-141](#) To amend Ord No. 2025-057, adopted May 12, 2025, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 from the National Opioid Settlement Special Fund for the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services and appropriating such transferred funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 to the Medication Assisted Treatment Pilot Program Special Fund for the City Sheriff for the purpose of funding the Medication Assisted Treatment Pilot Program.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

33. [ORD. 2026-142](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a YMCA of Greater Richmond Grant Contract between the City of Richmond and the Young Men's

Christian Association of Greater Richmond for the purpose of operating low-cost afterschool programming at six elementary schools.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

34. [ORD. 2026-143](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Second Amendment to Grant Contract between the City of Richmond and The Salvation Army for the purpose of extending the term of the contract through June 30, 2027, with the option to exercise three additional one-year term extensions, for the continued operations of an inclement weather shelter and year-round emergency shelter located at 1900 Chamberlayne Avenue. (3rd District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

35. [ORD. 2026-144](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a First Amendment to Lease Agreement between the City of Richmond, as tenant, and The Salvation Army, as landlord, for the purpose of leasing a portion of the property located at 1900 Chamberlayne Avenue for the operation of a resource and training center. (3rd District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

36. [ORD. 2026-145](#) To designate the 1000 block of North Lombardy Street in honor of Coach Howard D. Hopkins. (3rd District)

Patrons: Ms. Gibson, Ms. Jones and Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

37. [ORD. 2026-146](#) To designate the 2800 block of Fendall Avenue in honor of Reverend A. Lincoln James, Jr. (3rd District)

Patrons: Ms. Gibson, Ms. Robertson and Ms. Jones

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

38. [ORD. 2026-147](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$295,267.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to amend Ord. No. 2025-058, adopted May 12, 2025, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and determined a means of financing the same, to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Complete Streets project in the Transportation Federal/State/Regional category by \$295,267.00 for the purpose of providing funding for the Chamberlayne Avenue resurfacing project from Walton Avenue to Hammond Avenue.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

39. [ORD. 2026-148](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Richmond Recovery Court entitled "Byrne State Criminal Justice Improvement Program (SCIP) Grant Special Fund," and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Richmond Recovery Court's "Byrne State Criminal Justice Improvement Program (SCIP) Grant Special Fund" by \$150,000.00 for the purpose of providing funding to combat the public health crisis caused by escalating substance use, opioid use disorders, and opioid-related overdose.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

40. [ORD. 2026-149](#) To amend City Code § 21-4, concerning definitions related to public procurement.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

41. [ORD. 2026-150](#) To amend City Code § 21-40, concerning joint and cooperative procurement, for the purpose of conforming the City's cooperative procurement laws to the optional provisions of Va. Code § 2.2-4304.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

42. [ORD. 2026-151](#) To amend City Code § 26-610, concerning the evaluation and expiration of the partial exemption of certain rehabilitated commercial or industrial structures from real estate taxation, for the purpose of extending the expiration date from June 30, 2026, to June 30, 2027.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

43. [RES. 2026-R025](#) To approve an expenditure in the amount of \$10,163.68 from the Council District Funds for the Third District to pay Gibson Universal, LLC for direct mail and postage to distribute an informational mailer to Third District residents.

Patrons: Ms. Gibson

This resolution was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(b).

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, July 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.:

44. [ORD. 2026-152](#) To close, to public use and travel, an unimproved portion of Lafayette Street, located north of Sterling Street and south of Grove Avenue, consisting of approximately 5,159± square feet, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

45. [ORD. 2026-153](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 2502 4th Avenue for the purpose of a day nursery for up to 12 children, upon certain terms and conditions. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

46. [ORD. 2026-154](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 1235 North 36th Street for the purpose of up to two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

47. [ORD. 2026-155](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 5 North Colonial Avenue Rear for the purpose of up to six attached garages, which may be rented to persons who reside outside of the same entire block as the Property, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

48. [ORD. 2026-156](#) To authorize the special use of the properties known as 5219 Euclid Avenue, 5221 Euclid Avenue, and 5221 ½ Euclid Avenue for the purpose of up to six single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

49. [ORD. 2026-157](#) To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2021-018, adopted Feb. 22, 2021, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2022-052, adopted Mar. 28, 2022, which authorized the special use of the properties known as 5300 Rear Hull Street Road, 5311 Warwick Road, 5315 Warwick Road, and 5323 Warwick Road for the purpose of up to 65 single-family attached dwellings, to instead authorize up to 73 single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions, to modify the addresses included in the special use and certain terms and conditions, upon certain terms and conditions. (9th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch left the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Councilor Andrew Breton left the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Reports or Announcements by Members of the Council

Members of Council provided reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities.

Councilor Ellen Robertson left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

CITY CLERK