



## City of Richmond

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# 2020 Legislative Proposals Work Session Minutes

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Monday, July 22, 2019

11:00 AM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

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### **Councilmembers Present**

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President  
The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President (late arrival)  
The Honorable Andreas Addison (early departure)  
The Honorable Parker Agelasto (late arrival)  
The Honorable Kim Gray  
The Honorable Michael Jones (late arrival)  
The Honorable Kristen Larson (late arrival)  
The Honorable Reva Trammell

### **Absent**

The Honorable Ellen Robertson

### **Staff and Others Present**

Laura Bateman, City Lobbyist  
Meghan Brown, Interim Council Chief of Staff  
Joyce Davis, Council Policy Analyst  
Bill Echelberger Jr., Council Budget Analyst  
Jamie Isley, Assistant City Clerk  
Allen Jackson, City Attorney  
Ron Jordan, City Lobbyist  
Candice Reid, City Clerk  
Debora Shaw, Council Management Analyst

## **WELCOME**

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m., and presided.

*Councilor Michael Jones arrived at 11:01 a.m.*

*Councilor Parker Agelasto arrived at 11:04 a.m.*

*Councilor Kristen Larson arrived at 11:08 a.m.*

## **REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

Bill Echelberger, Council budget analyst, reviewed and discussed the Council recommended budget priorities for the fiscal year 2019-2020.

*Councilor Chris Hilbert arrived at 11:50 a.m.*

## REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

Ron Jordan and Laura Bateman, city lobbyists, reviewed and discussed the Council legislative proposals for the 2020 Virginia General Assembly Legislative Session.

*Councilor Kim Gray requested information regarding past and future funding for designated police officers within the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority housing projects. Councilor Gray asked to be added as a co-patron to the legislative request for a local homestead property tax exemption program.*

*Councilwoman Reva Trammell requested information about liability insurance for volunteers with regard to the proposed exemption from grass cutting statutes for certain persons.*

*Councilor Andreas Addison asked that single-use plastic bottles be added to the legislative request for a tax on all plastic bags.*

*Councilor Gray asked that items that do not require state action be assigned to a separate list.*

*Councilor Addison requested information concerning the fiscal impact of an electronic voting system.*

## NEXT STEPS

Meghan Brown, Interim Council Chief of Staff, notified Council of the August submission deadline for additional legislative requests to be discussed at the September Organizational Development Standing Committee Meeting.

*Councilor Andreas Addison departed the meeting at 1:15 p.m.*

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

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