

INTRODUCED: May 26, 2026

A RESOLUTION No. 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.

Patron – President Newbille

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JUN 8 2026 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2026, one or more members of the Council was served with a show cause order pursuant to section 15.2-1643 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, concerning repairs to the facilities of the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond located at 400 North Ninth Street in the city of Richmond (hereinafter, “the Court Facilities”); and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to comply with the requirements of the aforementioned statute and respond in good faith by establishing a five-member panel and requesting that the Chief Administrative Officer consult with the President and Vice President of the Council to develop

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and recommend a list of at least seven qualified candidates to the Council for appointment to such panel;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

That the Council hereby establishes a five-member panel pursuant to section 15.2-1643 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, to review the Court Facilities and make recommendations in accordance with such statute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the panel for which this resolution calls and as prescribed by section 15.2-1643 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, shall consist of five members, three of whom shall be qualified by training and experience as either an architect or a professional engineer, not representing the same firms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Council hereby requests that the Chief Administrative Officer, in accordance with the requirements of section 15.2-1643 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, regarding the composition of the panel for which this resolution calls, 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 by no later than June 15, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That all reasonable costs, fees and expenses of the panel for which this resolution calls and as prescribed by section 15.2-1643 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, shall be paid by the City, subject to the approval of the Council, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer.

DATE: May 15, 2026
TO: The Honorable Members of City Council
THROUGH: RJ Warren, Council Chief of Staff
THROUGH: Will Perkins, Senior Legislative Services Manager
FROM: The Honorable President Cynthia Newbille
RE: 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.

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PURPOSE: 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. Three of the selected members shall be qualified by training and experience as either an architect or a professional engineer, not representing the same firms.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon Adoption

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: May 26, 2026

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: June 8, 2026

REQUESTED AGENDA: Regular

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Organizational Development

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Chief Administrative Officer

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

STAFF: Will Perkins, Senior Legislative Services Manager (804)-646-5975