

INTRODUCED: June 10, 2019

A RESOLUTION No. 2019-R021

To express the Council's support for a joint effort by the City and the School Board of the City of Richmond to develop energy-efficient improvements to the City's public schools pursuant to the authority granted by amendments to state law for the modernization of public school buildings and facilities.

Patrons – Ms. Larson and Mr. Agelasto

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JUN 24 2019 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapters 818 and 819 of the 2019 Acts of Assembly of Virginia, effective July 1, 2019, the General Assembly of Virginia amended sections 2.2-2279 and 15.2-4901 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, added in Chapter 9 of Title 22 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, an article numbered 3, and added in Chapter 23 of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, a new section numbered 56-589.1, all of which include provisions to promote the modernization and increased energy-efficiency of public school buildings and facilities to the extent that they generate more electricity than they consume and authorize local school boards to execute certain contracts to achieve those goals; and

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: JUN 24 2019 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Richmond recognizes that the capital needs of the school division administered by the School Board of the City of Richmond are vast and believes that the City and the School Board should take advantage of new state legislation that is intended to support and encourage energy efficient schools; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Richmond that the Council support a joint effort by the City and the School Board of the City of Richmond to develop energy-efficient improvements to the City's public schools pursuant to the authority granted by the provisions by Chapters 818 and 819 of the 2019 Acts of Assembly of Virginia.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the Council supports a joint effort by the City and the School Board of the City of Richmond to develop energy-efficient improvements to the City's public schools pursuant to the authority granted by Chapters 818 and 819 of the 2019 Acts of Assembly of Virginia.



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DATE May 28, 2019

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TITLE Public-Private Energy Construction

This is a request for the drafting of an Ordinance Resolution

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

Kristen N. Larson, 4th District Representative

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Finance and Economic Development

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

The Patron requests resolution to express the intent of City Council that the City of Richmond and Richmond Public Schools shall collaborate to utilize the new authority granted by SB1131 and HB2192 to make public school buildings energy efficient, and energy positive.

BACKGROUND

Summary:

- The 2019 General Assembly passed SB 1331 and HB 2192, Modernization of public school buildings and facilities, which establish:
 1. The intent of the General Assembly that both new public school buildings and improvements and renovations to existing public school buildings be designed, constructed, maintained, and operated to generate more electricity than consumed; and
 2. The "Achieving Zero Energy – Advanced Energy Design Guide" published by the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air-Conditioning Engineers as the design standards for such public school buildings and facilities.
- This new state legislation allows for:
 1. A local school division to enter into a lease agreement with a private entity to meet such energy standards,

2. Solar energy generation in public school buildings and facilities,
 3. Sale of solar energy produced to a utility under certain conditions, and
 4. The Virginia Small Business Financing Authority, and Industrial development authorities to assist in acquisition, construction, equipping, expansion, enlargement, improvement, financing, and refinancing in order to provide for the modernization of public school buildings.
- The patron believes that utilization of the new authority granted by the General Assembly will provide additional financing options for construction and modernization of Richmond's public schools.
 - The patron further believes that new authority granted by the General Assembly will result in operating savings, and potential new revenues, Richmond's public schools.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Fiscal Impact	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Amendment Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact		
There is no expenditure or revenue impact. The proposed resolution expresses the intent of Council.		

Attachment/s Yes No