



City of Richmond

Special Meeting Minutes

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Monday, November 6, 2017

5:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

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

CHAMBER EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

Council Vice President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. and presided. Upon the president's request, Interim Deputy City Clerk Lisa Braxton provided information on the appropriate manner in which to evacuate the Council Chamber in the event of an emergency along with citizen speaker guidelines.

PAPER FOR CONSIDERATION

The following resolution was considered:

RES. 2017-R078

To create a new reservation of fund balance called the Road and Sidewalk Improvements Reserve intended to be categorized as an assigned fund balance and used for improvements to roads and sidewalks in the city.

Patron: Ms. Larson

Councilor Kristen Larson introduced RES. 2017-R078.

Councilor Parker Agelasto requested that Council be provide with an update regarding the city's tax amnesty program for delinquent taxpayers.

John Wack, Finance director, informed Council that the FY 2018 first quarterly financial report will be available by November 15th.

Councilor Kim Gray arrived at 5:11 p.m. and was seated.

Councilor Michael Jones and Councilwoman Reva Trammell expressed concern regarding the equitable distribution of funding intended by proposed RES. 2017-R078 across Council districts.

Both Councilors Kristen Larson and Kim Gray stated that the intent of RES. 2017-R078 was to allocate funding for road and sidewalk repairs that would impact the entire city.

Councilor Parker Agelasto stated that he supports RES. 2017-R078 and requested an analysis of in-house versus contracted maintenance expenditures with the adoption of the proposed legislation.

Councilor Ellen Robertson also expressed support for RES. 2017-R078 and requested that city administrative formulate a strategy for the utilization of the proposed additional funding.

There were no further comments or discussions and **RES. 2017-R078** was unanimously **adopted**. (President Chris Hilbert had not yet arrived.)

PAPER FOR INTRODUCTION AND EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION

Councilor Michael Jones moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and unanimously approved:

RES. 2017-R080

To create a new reservation of fund balance called the School Maintenance – Lead Abatement and Water Fountain Replacement Reserve intended to be categorized as an assigned fund balance and used for the replacement of water fountains and connecting service lines in public schools administered by the School Board of the City of Richmond, Virginia.

Patrons: Mr. Jones and Vice President Newbille

Interim Richmond Public Schools Superintendent Thomas Kranz introduced RES. 2017-R080.

Councilor Kim Gray expressed concerned with the utilization of funding for proposed RES. 2017-R080 and stated that there were other health-related issues that should also be addressed by the Richmond Public Schools system.

Both Councilors Parker Agelasto and Kristen Larson stated that proposed RES. 2017-R080 was restricted to the replacement of entire water fountain systems and should be flexible to the allowance of restoration of parts where applicable.

City Attorney Allen Jackson informed Council that the adoption of RES. 2017-R080 only limited surplus funding from being allocated into the city's unassigned fund balance and that a budget amendment would later be required to earmark for a specified purpose.

President Chris Hilbert arrived at 5:55 p.m. and presided.

Vice President Cynthia Newbille requested a strategy to combat lead-related illness.

Councilor Kim Gray suggested that RES. 2017-R080 be amended to reflect the inclusion of other health and safety related issues as a utilization for the proposed assigned fund balance.

Council recessed at 6:10 p.m. awaiting the draft of the proposed amendment to RES. 2017-R080.

Council reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

Councilor Kim Gray moved that RES. 2017-R080 be amended as follows:

Page 1, Line 6

At the beginning of the line, strike the words "and Water Fountain Replacement"

Page 1, Line 7

After the article “the”, strike the words “replacement of water fountains and connecting service lines” and insert the text “abatement of lead in the water supply first and then other issues related to health and safety”

Page 1, Line 15

After the words “for the”, strike the words “replacement of water fountains and connecting service lines” and insert the text “abatement of lead in the water supply first and then other issues related to health and safety”

Page 1, Line 20

After the preposition “to”, strike the words “replace water fountains and connecting service lines” and insert the text “abate lead in the water supply first and then other issues related to health and safety”

Page 2, Line 1

After the comma following the word “necessary”, strike the words “with lead free water fountains and service lines” and the comma

Page 2, Line 11

After the article “the”, strike the words “replacement of water fountains and connecting service lines” and insert the text “abatement of lead in the water supply first and then other issues related to health and safety”

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Larson, Agelasto, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille, Hilbert. Noes None. Robertson excused.

There were no further comments or discussions and **RES. 2017-R080 was adopted:** Ayes 8, Jones, Larson, Agelasto, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille, Hilbert. Noes None. Robertson excused.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

INTERIM CITY CLERK