



## City of Richmond

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### Minutes

## Governmental Operations Standing Committee

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Thursday, January 25, 2018

5:00 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room - City Hall

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#### Committee Members and Staff in Attendance

The Honorable Andreas Addison – Chair  
The Honorable Parker Agelasto – Member  
Lou Brown Ali, Council Chief of Staff  
Tara Bethea, Assistant City Clerk  
Lisa Braxton, Interim Deputy Clerk  
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney  
Joyce Davis, Council Policy Analyst  
Charles Jackson, Council Budget Analyst  
Alexander Rawles, Boards and Commissions Administrator

#### Absent

The Honorable Kimberly Gray – Vice Chair

#### Call to Order

Chair Andreas Addison called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

#### Evacuation Announcement

Upon the chair's request, Tara Bethea, assistant city clerk, provided information on the appropriate manner in which the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency along with citizen speaker guidelines.

#### Public Comment

None

#### Approval of Minutes

Member Parker Agelasto moved to approve the minutes of October 26, 2017, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

#### Presentation

##### Department of Public Works (DPW) Snow Removal and Resources

Keith Rogers, Public Works senior assistant, provided the committee with a review of the department's winter maintenance plan which included key elements, snow removal response priorities, current pool of resources and estimated costs for recent storm events. Mr. Rogers reported that DPW used outside contractors to help with the city's snow removal efforts due to inoperable fleet and the department needs additional funding in the amount of 2.2 million dollars for replacement.

*A copy of the presentation provided has been filed.*

*Member Parker Agelasto requested an itemized maintenance log for current snow removal fleet.*

*Chair Andreas Addison suggested that city trucks be utilized for multiple purposes and not just for snow removal.*

## **Paper(s) for Consideration**

### ORD. 2017-236

To amend ch. 12, art. I of the City Code by adding therein a new § 12-11.01 for the purpose of requiring the Chief Administrative Officer to cause to be developed a ten-year citywide infrastructure maintenance plan for the purpose of identifying, funding, and completing City infrastructure maintenance projects.

**Patron:** Ms. Robertson

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Operations Robert Steidel, stated that currently, the city has an infrastructure maintenance plan.

*It was the consensus of the Committee to continue Ord. 2017-236 until the patron's intention is clarified.*

**Member Agelasto moved to continue the following paper to the February 22, 2018 Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved:**

### RES. 2017-R079

To amend the Rules of Procedure adopted by Res. No. 2017-R001, adopted Jan. 3, 2017, as previously amended by Res. No. 2017-R013, adopted Mar. 27, 2017, Res. No. 2017-R017, adopted Mar. 27, 2017, and Res. No. 2017-R032, adopted Jun. 26, 2017, for the purpose of requiring a formal City Council meeting to be held on the fourth Monday of the month of October.

**Patron:** Ms. Larson

Council Policy Analyst Joyce Davis, introduced RES. 2017-R079 stating that the proposed resolution would allow a second Council meeting to be held in October and informed the committee that the patron requested additional information regarding the occurrences of special meetings and the volume of introduction papers.

**Member Agelasto moved to continue the following paper to the February 22, 2018 Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved:**

### RES. 2017-R092

To establish a policy of the Council that the Council will appoint a current City retiree to the Board of Trustees of the Richmond Retirement System to fill one of the three appointments not required to be a member of the classified service.

**Patron:** Mrs. Robertson and Mr. Agelasto

*Member Parker Agelasto provided an introduction of Res. 2017-R092 and requested that the proposed legislation be continued to allow him an opportunity to have further discussion with the chief patron; he asked that citizens in attendance be allowed to provide public comment.*

## **Support**

Glenwood Burley, 23-year Richmond Police Department (RPD) retiree, acknowledged the patrons of RES. 2017-R092 and stated that there should be an appointee who can be a contributing factor on the board to represent retirees.

Larry Glidewell, 37-year Richmond Fire Department (RFD) retiree, spoke in support of adding a city retiree to the board and asked that the Committee forward RES. 2017-R092 to Council for approval.

Keith Andes, 35 ½-year RFD retiree and Richmond Firefighters Association I.A.F.F. Local 995 president, stated that he is supportive of the proposed resolution.

Linda Pixie, 27-year RPD retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Wayne Dodson, 46-year RFD retiree and Richmond Retired Firefighters Association president, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Buddy Downy, 45-year city retiree, spoke in support for the proposed resolution and noted that it would be beneficial to have a retiree on the board.

Rick Pleasant, 30-year RPD retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Bill Sherman, 33-year RPD retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Shirley Richardson, 30-year RPD retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Charlene Short, 38-year Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Marvin Smith, 30-year Department of Public Utilities retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Joe Mitchell, 35-year RPD retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

David Martin, 40-year RPD retiree, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

*Member Parker Agelasto noted that under Council's Rules of Procedures, there is nothing that prohibits Council from appointing a city retiree to the Board of Trustees of the Richmond Retirement System; however, it is the appointee's responsibility to represent all interested parties.*

*Chair Andreas Addison thanked all of the retirees in attendance for their years of service.*

**Member Agelasto moved to continue the following paper to the February 22, 2018 Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved:**

**RES. 2017-R093**

To express the City Council's support for making improvements and repairs to streets, sidewalks, and alleys a priority to ensure that all people may travel safely and conveniently upon them.

**Patron:** Ms. Gray

**Chair Addison moved to continue the following paper to the February 22, 2018 Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved:**

**Board Vacancies**

Boards and Commissions Administrator Alexander Rawles reviewed board applications for consideration by the committee.

**Member Agelasto moved to forward the following appointments to Council with the recommendation to approve, which was seconded and unanimously approved:**

<u>Board Name</u>	<u>Criteria for Appointment</u>	<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>Votes Received</u>
City Personnel Board (10 members)	Members of the classified system of the city of Richmond  (2 vacancies)	Candidate's Name	
		Charlene Beth Brinson	134
		La Forest Fields Williams	66

