



City of Richmond

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Summary City Council

Monday, March 23, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

- [ORD. 2025-258](#) To authorize the special use of the properties known as 6320 Daytona Drive, 6330 Daytona Drive, and 6340 Daytona Drive for the purpose of up to [eight] five single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (9th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.
- [ORD. 2026-003](#) To declare surplus and direct the conveyance of the City-owned real estate known as 301 Boroughbridge Road, consisting of 3.636± acres, 201 Covington Road, consisting of 1.284± acres, 209 Covington Road, consisting of 0.367± acres, 301 Covington Road, consisting of 0.367± acres, 307 Covington Road, consisting of 0.367± acres, and 313 Covington Road, consisting of 0.367± acres and commonly known as Sankofa Community Orchard, for nominal consideration to Central Virginia Agrarian Commons for the purpose of facilitating urban agriculture.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was adopted.
- [ORD. 2026-042](#) To amend and reordain Ord. No. 1994-219-209, adopted Oct. 10, 1994, which authorized the special use of the property known as [2107-2117] 2107-2119 West Cary Street, for the purpose of the construction of a twelve-unit multi-family dwelling and six single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions, to modify the terms and conditions. (As Amended) (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.
- [ORD. 2026-051](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 4021 Crutchfield Street for the purpose of a home occupation within an accessory structure, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

5. [ORD. 2026-052](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$69,015.00 from the Virginia Department of Fire Programs, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Fire and Emergency Services called the "Virginia Fire Services PPE Grant Special Fund," and increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' "Virginia Fire Services PPE Grant Special Fund" by \$69,015.00 for the purpose of providing funding for firefighter turnout gear and personal protective equipment.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was adopted.

6. [ORD. 2026-053](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Richmond Recovery Court entitled "Virginia State Opioid Response (SOR) Special Fund," and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Richmond Recovery Court's "Virginia State Opioid Response (SOR) Special Fund" by \$30,000.00 for the purpose of providing funding to combat the public health crisis caused by escalating opioid misuse, opioid use disorder, and opioid-related overdoses.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was adopted.

7. [ORD. 2026-054](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept a donation of landscaping services from Capital Trees valued at approximately \$32,000.00, for the purpose of performing tree improvements in Byrd Park located at 1401 Pump House Drive, 2601 Police Memorial Way, and 2301 Amelia Street in the city of Richmond. (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was adopted.

8. [ORD. 2026-055](#) To amend City Code § 2-1213, concerning the employee first-time homebuyer's assistance program, for the purpose of expanding the program to include employees of the School Board of the City of Richmond as authorized by Code of Virginia, §15.2-958.2(A).

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was adopted.

9. [ORD. 2026-056](#) To designate the 2300 block of Barton Avenue in honor of Sister Rosetta Tharpe. (3rd District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula, Ms. Gibson, President Newbille and Vice President Jordan

This ordinance was adopted.

10. [RES. 2026-R003](#) To commit to working with the City's Administration to development and implement a comprehensive energy efficiency program that reduces the energy burden and cost of living for vulnerable households, supports small businesses, assists in the preservation of housing and the stabilization of neighborhoods, and makes meaningful progress towards the City's climate goals.

Patrons: Ms. Lynch, Mr. Breton, Vice President Jordan, Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Gibson and President Newbille

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11. [RES. 2026-R013](#) To request that the Chief Administrative Officer amend Administrative Regulation 4.8, concerning the City's leave policy, to modify the maximum carryforward policy and procedures for paying out vacation leave balances for unclassified employees as a one-time occurrence during the transition to implement a maximum carryforward procedure and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer submit a written report of the operational and fiscal impacts of implementing such amendments and any additional proposed amendments no later than June 30, 2026.

Patrons: Ms. Robertson

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12. [ORD. 2025-215](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 1705 Commonwealth Avenue for the purpose of a space for outdoor events, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

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13. [ORD. 2025-282](#) To amend ch. 26, article V, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein a new section 26-370, concerning a deferral program for certain real estate taxes pursuant to and in accordance with Code of Virginia § 58.1-3219.

Patrons: Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Trammell, Mr. Breton and Ms. Lynch

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14. [ORD. 2026-063](#) To adopt the annual budget, which includes all of the separate current expense budgets for the general operation of the City government and for each utility as defined in ch. 13 of the City Charter and provides for increases to certain fees for the fiscal year commencing Jul.1, 2026, and ending Jun. 30, 2027, and to appropriate the estimated revenues for such fiscal year for the objects and purposes stated in such budget.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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15. [ORD. 2026-064](#) To appropriate and to provide funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2026, and ending Jun. 30, 2027.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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16. [ORD. 2026-065](#) To accept a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2026, and for the four fiscal years thereafter; to adopt a Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2026; and to determine the means of financing the same.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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17. [ORD. 2026-066](#) To adopt a new pay plan for the City for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and to repeal Ord. No. 2025-059, adopted May 12, 2025, and all amendatory ordinances thereto.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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18. [ORD. 2026-067](#) To authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and notes of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$135,014,135 to finance the cost of school projects and general capital improvement projects of the City for the following purposes and uses: construction, reconstruction, improvements and equipment for public schools; construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for various infrastructure needs, including transit facilities, traffic control facilities, streets, sidewalks and other public ways, bridges, storm sewers, drains and culverts, street lights, floodwall and levee system facilities and refuse disposal facilities; construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for public safety and other governmental purposes; to make grants or loans to assist in financing capital expenditures for the purposes of promoting the development of housing projects for the benefit of persons with low or moderate incomes; participation in redevelopment, conservation and community development programs, including the construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for targeted public facilities included in these programs; construction, reconstruction, improvements and equipment for public institutional, operational, cultural, educational and entertainment buildings and facilities, including but not limited to the theaters, parks, playgrounds, cemeteries, libraries and museums; acquisition of real property therefor as appropriate; and the making of appropriations to the City's Economic Development Authority and the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to be used to finance capital expenditures or to make loans or grants to finance capital expenditures or to make loans or grants to finance capital expenditures for the purposes of promoting economic development or promoting the development of housing projects for the benefit of persons with low or moderate incomes; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects; to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of such bonds as either federally tax-exempt bonds or federally taxable bonds, or both.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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19. [ORD. 2026-068](#) To authorize the issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$9,778,140 to finance the cost of capital improvement projects of the stormwater utility of the City for the following purposes and uses: replacement of and upgrades to the stormwater facilities, including but not limited to, construction, reconstruction, improvements, rehabilitation and upgrades of stormwater sewers and associated facilities; new and replacement infrastructure of the storm sewer system, drainage structures, catch basins, ditches, storm sewer pipes, culverts, green infrastructure; acquisition of real property therefor as appropriate; and equipment for various infrastructure needs; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects; to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of such bonds as either federally tax-exempt bonds or federally taxable bonds, or both.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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20. [ORD. 2026-069](#) To authorize the issuance of public utility revenue bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$314,003,404 to finance the cost of capital improvement projects of the gas, water and wastewater utilities and public utility buildings and facilities for the following purposes and uses: enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the gas plant, gate stations, transmission, distribution and service lines and associated metering equipment; enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the waterworks plant, pump stations, transmission, distribution and service lines and associated metering equipment; enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the wastewater plant and intercepting lines; construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, and improvement of sanitary and storm water sewers, pumping stations, drains and culverts; construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of public utility buildings and facilities therefor, including but not limited to the stores division; and acquisition of real property and real property rights (including without limitation easements and rights-of-way) therefor as appropriate; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects; to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to approve the form of supplemental indenture of trust; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of such bonds as either federally tax-exempt bonds or federally taxable bonds, or both.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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21. [ORD. 2026-070](#) To authorize the issuance of general obligation equipment notes of the City of Richmond in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$11,000,000 to finance the costs of equipment and vehicles for the various departments, bureaus and agencies of the City and the Richmond Ambulance Authority; and to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to issue and sell equipment notes to finance the acquisition of such equipment and vehicles; to provide for the form, details and payment of such notes; and to authorize the issuance of such notes as either federally tax-exempt notes or federally taxable notes, or both.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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22. [ORD. 2026-071](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a PY 2026-2030 Consolidated Plan and PY 2026 Annual Action Plan to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as an application for the receipt of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds; to accept funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the total amount of \$12,553,779.59; and to appropriate \$12,553,779.59 for various projects.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

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City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinance on Monday, April 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.:

23. [ORD. 2026-072](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response called the "FY26 NG9-1-1 Additional Funding Special Fund," and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response's "FY26 NG9-1-1 Additional Funding Special Fund" by \$150,000.00 for the purpose of implementing a transcription service for radio transmission.

Patrons: Mayor Avula

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.:

24. [ORD. 2026-073](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 1215 North 29th Street for the purpose of up to one two-family detached dwelling and one dwelling unit within an accessory building, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

25. [ORD. 2026-074](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 101 Cowardin Avenue for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing up to 120 dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions, and to repeal Ord. No. 85-316-86-1, adopted Jan. 13, 1986, and all amendatory ordinances thereto. (6th District)
- Patrons:** Mayor Avula (By Request)
- This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**
26. [ORD. 2026-075](#) To amend and reordain Ord. No. 80-125-107, adopted Jun. 30, 1980, which authorized the use of the real estate, a parcel containing 2.274 acres, located on the south side of Forest Hill Avenue east of Bliley Road being more completely described as follows: beginning at a point on the south side of Forest Hill Avenue, said point being 670 feet east of the center line of Bliley Road; thence extending 208.41 feet in a southeasterly direction along the south line of Forest Hill Avenue to a point; thence extending 381.23 feet in a southwesterly direction along a line of bearings 54° 03' 10" W to a point; thence extending 232.56 feet in a northwesterly direction along a line of bearing N 43° 26' 40" W to a point; thence extending 77.64 feet in a northwesterly direction along a line of bearing N 42° 11' 05" W to a point; thence extending 410.83 feet in a north-easterly direction along a line of bearing N 68° 12' 25" E to the point of beginning, for multiple-family dwelling (condominium) purposes and to authorize the construction of eighteen townhouse (condominium) dwelling units (for sale), with accessory off-street parking, to allow for accessory structures and additions that are customarily incidental and clearly subordinate to the single-family attached dwellings. (4th District)
- Patrons:** Mayor Avula (By Request)
- This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**
27. [ORD. 2026-076](#) To amend City Code §§14-335, concerning the City's Erosion and Stormwater Management Program, 28-780, concerning the City's Pre-treatment Program, and 28-966, concerning penalties for illicit discharge and connection violations.
- Patrons:** Mayor Avula
- This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.**