

Office of the Council Chief of Staff

Land Use, Housing, & Transportation Standing Committee

January 21, 2025 Legislative Summary

Previous Meeting: December 17, 2024

Next Meeting: February 18, 2025

Committee Notes

Presentation(s):

• None

Discussion Item(s):

• None

Ordinances & Resolutions for Consideration

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

1. Ordinance No. 2024-317

Patron Cmbrs. Lynch & Jordan

Key Points:

- To amend and reordain City Code § 27-132, concerning the use of photo speed monitoring devices in highway work zones and school crossing zones and penalties, for the purpose of adding high-risk intersection segments authorized by Va. Code § 46.2-882.1.
- Allows installation of monitoring devices at intersections to improve safety and achieve Vision Zero safety goals.
- Such intersections may be near a school, site of a traffic fatality since 2014, or an intersection with a marked crosswalk.
- A fine of \$50 for the first violation; fines for second/subsequent violations is \$100.
- Patron requested that the paper be continued to the Committee's January 2025 meeting.

Fiscal Impact: ⊠ None □ Yes. No fiscal impact anticipated.



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2. Resolution No. 2024-R041

Patron Cmbrs. Lynch & Jordan

Key Points:

- To express support for the study and installation of photo speed monitoring devices in high-risk intersection segments, including the 600 and 700 blocks of South Belvidere Street and certain other locations, pursuant to Va. Code § 46.2-882.1 and through the City of Richmond's Department of Police "Safety Camera Program" and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer consider identifying additional locations for the installation of photo speed monitoring devices and increasing the number of photo speed monitoring devices deployed by the City. (5th District).
- These segments of roadway cited are deemed areas of particularly dangerous speeding.
- Patron requested that the paper be continued to the Committee's January 2025 meeting.

Fiscal Impact: ⊠ None □ Yes. The legislative request is not expected to have fiscal impact. Actual installation and operation, if done, will have costs.

3. Ordinance No. 2024-317

Patron Cmbr. Robertson

Key Points:

- Designates the 900th block of Decatur Street in honor of Rev. Robert A Winfree.
- Rev. Winfree pastors New Life Deliverance Tabernacle located on this block.
- Rev. Winfree is known for partnering with community members, businesses, and governmental entities to provide food and health assistance to the needy and educational and career assistance to young people in need of training.

Fiscal Impact: ⊠ None □ Yes. Costs of signage is usually covered by DPW operating funds.



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4. Resolution No. 2025-R008

Patron Mayor Avula

Key Points:

- Expresses City Council's support for the City's participation in the United States Department of Transportation's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity funding program for a Mayo Bridge replacement project.
- DPW continues to pursue funding towards replacement of the Mayo Bridge.
- The City will receive \$25M if approved for the grant which requires a local match of 20%, if approved or \$6.25M.

Fiscal Impact: \square None \square Yes. This resolution supports the application for federal funds. The City will be required to provide matching funds if approved for the grant but not at the time of this resolution.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

5. Resolution No. 2025-R008

Patron Cmbr. Lynch

Key Points:

- Directing the Planning Commission, to prepare, submit to public hearing, and consider an amendment to the Master Plan that identifies the area generally bounded by Riverside Drive, Cowardin Avenue, Hull Street, and West 24th Street as a Neighborhood Node and to request that the CAO cause PDR, DPW, DED and HCD to collectively work with the City Planning Commission to prepare such amendment to the Master Plan.
- A node is a local crossroads within or next to larger residential areas that offers goods and services to nearby residents, employees, and visitors.
- Furthermore, the resolution requests that the Planning Commission adopt an amendment to the Master Plan during its 2025 review for inclusion of the area as a neighborhood node.
- This node plan should also include an implementation matrix prioritizing streetscapes, roadway safety improvements, and the supporting the development commercial uses.

Fiscal Impact: \square None \square Yes.