

# City of Richmond

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# **Formal Meeting Minutes**

Monday, July 22, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

# **Councilmembers Present**

The Honorable Kristen Nye, President

The Honorable Ann-Frances Lambert, Vice President

The Honorable Andreas Addison (early departure)

The Honorable Nicole Jones (early departure)

The Honorable Katherine Jordan

The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (early departure)

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille (early departure)

The Honorable Ellen Robertson

The Honorable Reva Trammell (early departure)

#### Call to Order

Council President Kristen Nye called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and presided.

# **Chamber Security and Spanish Interpretation Announcement**

Michael Winborne, City Hall Security Manager, announced security policies and expected conduct for members of the public present in the Council Chamber.

City Clerk Candice Reid stated that Spanish interpretation service was available in the Council Chamber and that attendees should speak with a representative to receive the appropriate equipment. City Clerk Reid also stated that Spanish interpretation service was available virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Roxana Talavera-Denson, Language Access Coordinator, Office of Immigrant and Refugee Engagement, then provided Spanish interpretation of City Hall Security Manager Winborne's and City Clerk Candice Reid's announcements.

Invocation was offered by Samuel Patterson, Liturgical Minister of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 3300 R Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Members of Council and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

# Chamber Emergency Evacuation Plan Announcement and Public Speaker Guidelines

Upon the President's request, Assistant City Clerk Nahdiyah Muhammad provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency along with public speaker guidelines.

## **Action on Appointments and Reappointments**

There were no appointments or reappointments.

#### **Awards and Presentations**

There were no awards and presentations.

#### **Public Comment**

CD.2024.249 July 22, 2024 Public Comment Period Speakers List

Summer Natour addressed Council and requested that members adopt a proposed ceasefire resolution related to the conflict in Gaza. Ms. Natour also stated her concerns regarding the city's public safety funding allocations.

Scott Leibowitz addressed Council and requested that members not adopt a proposed ceasefire resolution related to the conflict in Gaza. Mr. Leibowitz also stated that Council should instead concentrate on local issues and not foreign affairs.

Melvin Jones addressed Council and stated his concerns about an interaction he had with the Richmond Police Department and Animal Care and Control officers at his house. Mr. Jones also stated his concerns about the city's code enforcement policies.

Nancy Wein addressed Council and requested that members adopt a proposed ceasefire resolution related to the conflict in Gaza. Ms. Wein also stated her concerns regarding the United States of America's financial support of Israel.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Reem Khaldi addressed Council and requested that members adopt a proposed ceasefire resolution related to the conflict in Gaza. Ms. Khaldi also stated her concerns regarding the conflict in Gaza and its impact on civilians.

Thomas King addressed Council and requested that members adopt a proposed ceasefire resolution related to the conflict in Gaza. Mr. King also stated that Council should prioritize the concerns of city residents.

Willie Hilliard addressed Council and stated his support for RVAgreen 2050. Mr. Hilliard also stated his concerns that the city's budget and planned developments do not reflect the RVAgreen 2050 plan.

Richmond City youths King Macklin, Cerenity Durham, Promise Clark, and Angel Gayles addressed Council and requested the city improve pedestrian safety in their neighborhoods.

## **Agenda Review and Amendments**

## Councilor Andreas Addison moved to amend the agenda as follows:

1. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-094 To amend City Code § 11-36, concerning exemptions to sound control, for the purpose of modifying the hours during which the City's refuse collection and sanitation services shall be exempted from the requirements of the City's sound control provisions.

Patrons: Ms. Jordan and Ms. Lynch

To be amended and continued to Monday, September 9, 2024

2. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-146 To authorize the special use of the property known as 2416 3rd Avenue for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

To be continued to Monday, September 9, 2024

**14.** ORD. 2024-180

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2300 Semmes Avenue, 2201 McDonough Street, 2301 McDonough Street, 215 West 22nd Street, 217 West 22nd Street, 219 West 22nd Street, 221 West 22nd Street, 301 West 22nd Street, 307 West 22nd Street, 315 West 22nd Street, 322 West 22nd Street, 302 West 22nd Street, 2100 Perry Street, and 222 West 21st Street for the purpose of up to three multifamily buildings containing an aggregate of up to 266 dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended) (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

To be amended and continued to Monday, September 9, 2024

**20.** ORD. 2024-186

To amend City Code § 21-4, concerning definitions related public procurement, and to amend Ch. 21, art. II, by adding therein new section 21-74, concerning the payment of prevailing wages for certain construction contracts, as authorized by Va. Code § 2.2-4321.3(C).

<u>Patrons:</u> Ms. Lynch, President Nye, Ms. Robertson, Mayor Stoney, Mr. Addison and Ms. Jordan

To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2024

**21.** ORD. 2024-187

To amend City Code §§ 26-871, concerning the establishment of annual license taxes, and 26-873, concerning exemptions to license taxes, to increase the threshold for business, professional and occupational license taxes from \$250,000.00 to \$500,000.00.

Patrons: Mr. Addison and Ms. Lynch

To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2024

**30.** <u>RES.</u> To reque 2024-R021 Departm

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Department of Economic Development to engage a consultant to work with the property owners and businesses in the Carytown neighborhood to establish a Business Improvement and Recruitment District and to submit an ordinance setting forth the particulars of such District to the Council.

Patrons: Ms. Lynch and Ms. Trammell

To be amended and considered

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Addison, Jordan, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Newbille, Nye. Noes None. Lambert was excused.

# The Consent Agenda

The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

3. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-169 To authorize the special use of the property known as 2711 Q Street for the purpose of up to two single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

**4.** ORD. 2024-170

To authorize the special use of the property known as 409 Cleveland Street for the purpose of a café with accessory retail, production, wholesale, and certain distribution uses, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

5. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-171 To authorize the special use of the property known as 3513 Idlewood Avenue, for the purpose of two single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

6. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-172 To authorize the special use of the property known as 308 Oak Lane for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, with driveway access to the street exceeding nine feet in width, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

**7.** ORD. 2024-173

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a First Amendment to Grant Contract between the City of Richmond and The Salvation Army for the purpose of modifying the City's payment obligation of grant funds to The Salvation Army for the operations of an inclement weather shelter and year-round emergency shelter located at 1900 Chamberlayne Avenue. (3rd District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney and Vice President Lambert

This ordinance was adopted.

8. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-174 To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a First Amendment to Grant Contract between the City of Richmond and Emergency Shelter, Inc., doing business as HomeAgain, for the purpose of modifying the City's payment obligation of grant funds to HomeAgain for the operations of a 50 bed, year-round emergency shelter located at 7 North 2nd Street. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney and Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was adopted.

9. ORD. 2024-175

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the reconstruction of Jefferson Avenue from 21st Street to 25th Street. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**10.** ORD. 2024-176

To repeal ch. 14, art. III of the City Code, consisting of §§ 14-147 through 14-155, concerning the City's erosion and sediment control program; and to amend 14-83, concerning floodplain districts, 14-120, concerning required permits, 14-263, concerning general performance criteria, 14-295, concerning enforcement of ch. 14, art. IV, and 14-322 through 14-333, 14-335, and 14-336, concerning the City's stormwater management program, and to amend ch. 14, article V, by adding therein new sections numbered 14-323.1, concerning regulated land-disturbing activities, and 14-329.1, concerning erosion and sediment control plan and contents of plans, all for the purpose of

aligning the City Code with state law.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**11.** ORD. 2024-177

To accept a quitclaim deed from the School Board of the City of Richmond conveying a portion of the real property located at 813 North 28th Street and commonly known as Ethel Bailey Furman Park to the City and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to act on behalf of the City in executing such deed. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney and Ms. Newbille

This ordinance was adopted.

**12.** ORD. 2024-178

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute an Assignment and Assumption of Leasehold Interest in Ground Lease between the City and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond for the purpose of the assumption by the City of the Authority's ground lease of a 15.04-acre parcel located at 2401 West Leigh Street to facilitate the transfer of the ownership and operation of the facilities located thereon from the Authority to the City. (2nd District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney, Vice President Lambert and Ms. Jordan

This ordinance was adopted.

**13.** ORD. 2024-179

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1600 Roseneath Road and 3406 West Moore Street for the purpose of a mixed-use building, upon certain terms and conditions. (2nd District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

**15.** ORD. 2024-181

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2519 Hermitage Road and 1613 Rhoadmiller Street for the purpose of an animal shelter with an outdoor area, upon certain terms and conditions. (2nd District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request) and Vice President Lambert

This ordinance was adopted.

**16.** ORD. 2024-182

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 75-309-302, adopted Dec. 15, 1975, as most recently amended by Ord. No. 2023-316, adopted Nov. 13, 2023, pertaining to the "Stony Point Community Unit Plan," for the purpose of amending the development standards, as they pertain to Map Section E of the Southern Portion of the Plan, to modify the development standards as they pertain to Map Section K of the Northern Portion of the Plan, regarding permitted principal and

accessory uses, signage, hours of operation, and developable building area. (4th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was adopted.

**17.** ORD. 2024-183

To amend Ord. No. 2024-099, adopted May 13, 2024, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, to (i) transfer \$1,000,000.00 from the Non-Departmental agency Eviction Diversion Program, (ii) create a new line item entitled "Non-Departmental Eviction Diversion Program - Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation" in the Non-Departmental agency, and (iii) appropriate such \$1,000,000.00 to such new line item in the Non-Departmental agency for the purpose of providing funding to the Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation for the implementation of the City's Eviction Diversion Program.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney, Vice President Lambert, Ms. Robertson and Ms. Newbille

This ordinance was adopted.

**18.** ORD. 2024-184

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a PY 2024 / FY 2025 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 \$9,584,765.00; and to appropriate \$9,584,765.00 for various projects.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney, Ms. Robertson and Ms. Newbille

This ordinance was adopted.

**19.** ORD. 2024-185

To amend Ord. No. 2019-188, adopted Jul. 22, 2019, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2020-094, adopted May 11, 2020, and Ord. No. 2021-268, adopted Oct. 11, 2021, and to amend Ord. No. 2020-164, adopted Aug. 10, 2020, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2020-191, adopted Sept. 28, 2020, Ord. No. 2021-089, adopted Apr. 26, 2021, Ord. No. 2021-184, adopted Jul. 26, 2021, Ord. No. 2021-268, adopted Oct. 11, 2021, Ord. No. 2022-300, adopted Nov. 7, 2022, and Ord. No. 2023-182, adopted Jun. 26, 2023, which authorized the Chief Administrative Officer to submit original and amended Fiscal Year 2020 Consolidated Annual Action Plans to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 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; accepted funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the total amount of \$15,027,206.00 and appropriated \$16,854,300.00 for various projects, to re-appropriate \$271,135.00 from surplus and reprogrammed CDBG-CV funds, for the purpose of providing funds to The Daily Planet, Inc., CARITAS, and YWCA Richmond, for homeless men and family shelters.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney, Ms. Robertson and Ms. Newbille

This ordinance was adopted.

**22.** ORD. 2024-188

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Fiscal Agency Agreement between NextUp RVA and City of Richmond for the purpose of authorizing NextUp RVA to act as a fiscal agent on behalf of the City to facilitate funding for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' 2024 CarMax Basketball Youth Development and Summer Camp program.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney, Ms. Robertson and Ms. Newbille

This ordinance was adopted.

**23.** ORD. 2024-189

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for an on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute certain transportation project agreements between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for various transportation projects in the city of Richmond.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**24.** ORD. 2024-191

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 from the United States Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Gas Utility Budget, which appropriated the estimated receipts of the gas utility, by increasing estimated receipts and the amount appropriated for the gas utility by \$10,000,000.00, for the purpose of providing funding for the repair, rehabilitation, and replacement of natural gas pipelines and related equipment.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**25.** ORD. 2024-192

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, 95 APTS LLC, and the Economic Development Authority of

the City of Richmond for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable housing development located at 506 Maury Street. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**26.** ORD. 2024-193

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, Swansboro Place, LLC, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable housing development located at 2008 Hull Street. (8th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**27.** ORD. 2024-194

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 11-34, concerning administration and enforcement of ch. 11, art. II, 11-37, concerning violations of ch. 11, art. II, and 11-38 concerning the penalties for violation of ch. 11, art. II, for the purpose of modifying the City's sound control program.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was adopted.

**28.** ORD. 2024-195

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, 512 Hull Street, LLC, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable housing development located at 512 Hull Street. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney and Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was adopted.

**29.** RES. 2024-R020

To approve the City of Richmond Plan of Services under the Virginia

Juvenile Community Crime Control Act.

**Patrons:** Mayor Stoney and Vice President Lambert

This resolution was adopted.

**31.** RES. 2024-R022

To designate the property known as 1021 East 4th Street as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was adopted.

### **Public Hearing**

Charles Willis, United Communities Against Crime Executive Director, Advisory Board of Recreation and Parks member, spoke in support of ORD. 2024-178, and stated that the proposed ordinance would benefit the city and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities.

Anna Mackiewicz spoke in support of ORD. 2024-173 and ORD. 2024-174, and stated that the city needed to ensure that the city's nonprofit partners provide consistent adequate shelter and services, and that no individual is denied entry.

Councilor Ellen Robertson requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2024-183, ORD. 2024-184, ORD. 2024-185, ORD. 2024-188, and ORD. 2024-174.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch addressed ORD. 2024-173 and ORD. 2024-174, and stated that both ordinances reflect collaboration between the city and Henrico County to address homelessness in the city.

Councilor Cynthia Newbille requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2024-183, ORD. 2024-185, and ORD. 2024-188.

Councilor Robertson requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2024-195.

Vice President Ann-Frances Lambert requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2024-173.

President Kristen Nye provided additional background information regarding ORD. 2024-182 and the Stony Point Community Unit Plan. President Nye stated that the community supported the proposed changes to the plan, and that she was also in support of the proposed changes.

There were no further comments or discussions and the Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted.

## The Regular Agenda

#### The following ordinance was considered:

**32.** ORD. 2024-190

To declare surplus and direct the conveyance of the City-owned real estate known as 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue, consisting of  $0.973 \pm$  acres, for nominal consideration to The Virginia League for Planned Parenthood, Incorporated for the purpose of facilitating the construction and operation of a health center. (3rd District)

<u>Patrons:</u> Mayor Stoney, Mr. Addison, Vice President Lambert, Ms. Lynch, Ms. Jones, President Nye, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Newbille and Ms. Jordan

Traci DeShazor, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services, provided an introduction and additional background information regarding the proposed ordinance.

### **Public Hearing**

Marty Jewell spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the city should not approve the conveyance of 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue to the Virginia League for Planned Parenthood, Incorporated, because he did not believe the \$10.00 fee, to be paid to the city, was a sufficient price for the property.

Barbara Constable spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that Virginia can do more to care for pregnant women. Ms. Constable also stated that the city already had enough abortion clinics available.

Josh Hetzler, Founding Freedoms Law Center attorney, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2024-190, and stated that he did not believe the proposed ordinance was legal, because the city had not adopted a resolution declaring 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue as surplus property.

Sylvia Dearson spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that nearby residents of 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue were unaware of the proposed health clinic.

Dennis Petrocelli, M.D., spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that no abortion is ever medically necessary.

Sheila Furey, M.D., Virginia Medical Freedom Alliance President, spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated her concerns about the proposed health clinic.

Brooke Sadler spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated her concerns about abortion.

Hadasa Carter, Williams Baptist Church Women's Prison Ministry Leader, spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the building located at 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue should be used to provide services to women in need, and not be the location of a Planned Parenthood women's clinic.

Edda Bond spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the proposed health clinic would not provide true health services to individuals in need.

C. Greg Carroll spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that conveying the property to Planned Parenthood without a bidding process was not equitable because other organizations could provide needed services at that location.

Elizabeth Favert spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that other facilities should have been provided a chance to obtain the property located at 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue. Ms. Favert also stated her concerns about abortion.

Frederick Michael Decker spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated his concerns about abortion.

Elizabeth Higgins spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated she did not believe the proposed conveyance of 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue adhered to Council's mission and vision.

Alicia Tagert spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated her concerns about the proposed health clinic's location. Ms. Tagert also stated her concerns about the \$10.00 fee that Planned Parenthood was paying for property located at 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue.

Gray Miller spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated his concerns about abortion and Planned Parenthood.

Lee Becton spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated his concerns about abortion and Planned Parenthood.

Peter Burdette spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and he addressed his experience as an adopted child. Mr. Burdette also stated his concerns about abortion.

Michael Gardner spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated his concerns about abortion. Mr. Gardner also stated that the city already had enough clinics located in low-income areas of the city.

Glenn Dearson spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that Richmond should not be burdened to increase abortion services because laws prohibit abortion in other states.

Antonio spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that a former public school building should not be used to provide abortion services.

Craig Holder spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue location should be used to provide other public services and not abortion.

Craig Rue, Democrats for Life Virginia Chapter Leader, spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated his concerns about abortion. Mr. Rue also stated that he did not believe the city sufficiently informed surrounding residents about the proposed health clinic.

Lauren spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated her concerns about abortion.

Loraine Fleming spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the city already had enough health clinics that provided abortion services. Ms. Fleming also stated that Virginia should not have to be burdened with providing more abortion services due to laws prohibiting abortion in other states.

Monica Murphy, M.D., spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the proposed health clinic would not add to the local community. Dr. Murphy also stated that the location could be used for other services to help city residents.

Gloria Randolph spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and requested that Council not approve the proposed health clinic.

Nina Newton spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that she believed the 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue location could be used for other necessary public services other than a health clinic.

Rachael O'Donnell spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the city should establish a facility that addresses mental health and does not provide abortion services.

Don Blake spoke in opposition of ORD. 2024-190, and stated his concerns about the city conveying the 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue property for \$10.00, because he did not believe it was fair to city tax payers. Mr. Blake also stated that the city could use additional money from the sale of the property to help schools or for other city improvements.

David Robbins spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that he received great health care from Planned Parenthood.

Ray Pickett spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and she informed Council that she is a practicing doula that supports the proposed Planned Parenthood health clinic.

Tara Gibson spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that she trusted the health care services provided by Planned Parenthood.

Tim Berry spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that the proposed health clinic would benefit women in need of health services.

Julia Laing spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that she had received excellent health care from Planned Parenthood. Ms. Laing also stated that the clinic was necessary to handle the increase of women from other states attempting to receive abortion services.

Jennifer Yox spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated her support for abortion services that save the life of pregnant women.

Rebecca Ellistine spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that Planned Parenthood provides life saving reproductive health care.

Emily Yates spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that she received high quality health care from Planned Parenthood that improved her quality of life.

Tammy Alexander spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that Planned Parenthood provides life saving health care. Ms. Alexander also stated her appreciation for Planned Parenthood staff.

Jonathan Castlelove spoke in support of ORD. 2024-190, and stated that Planned Parenthood reproductive care was important to many people in the city.

Sharon Ebert, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer (DCAO) for Planning and Economic Development, provided additional information regarding ORD. 2024-190. DCAO Ebert stated that the city received an unsolicited bid from the Virginia League of Planned Parenthood, Incorporated, for the 4929 Chamberlayne Avenue property, and that the ordinance would declare the property as surplus property to be conveyed to the Virginia League of Planned Parenthood, Incorporated, for the development of a health clinic.

Councilor Katherine Jordan requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2024-190.

There were no further comments or discussions and ORD. 2024-190 was unanimously adopted.

## **Motions**

Councilor Andreas Addison moved that the ordinance entitled:

1. <u>ORD.</u> 2024-094 To amend City Code § 11-36, concerning exemptions to sound control, for the purpose of modifying the hours during which the City's refuse collection and sanitation services shall be exempted from the requirements of the City's sound control provisions.

Patrons: Ms. Jordan and Ms. Lynch

be amended and continued to September 9, 2024, to modify the refuse collection and sanitation services exemption.

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Addison, Jones, Robertson, Lynch, Trammell, Newbille, Lambert, Nye. Noes None. Jordan was excused.

#### Councilor Andreas Addison moved that the ordinance entitled:

**14.** ORD. 2024-180

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2300 Semmes Avenue, 2201 McDonough Street, 2301 McDonough Street, 215 West 22nd Street, 217 West 22nd Street, 219 West 22nd Street, 221 West 22nd Street, 301 West 22nd Street, 307 West 22nd Street, 315 West 22nd Street, 322 West 22nd Street, 302 West 22nd Street, 2100 Perry Street, and 222 West 21st Street for the purpose of up to three multifamily buildings containing an aggregate of up to 266 dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

be amended and continued to September 9, 2024, to modify certain terms and conditions and to require the construction of up to two speed tables or similar traffic calming measures.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

## Councilor Stephanie Lynch moved that the resolution entitled:

**30.** RES. 2024-R021

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Department of Economic Development to engage a consultant to work with the property owners and businesses in the Carytown neighborhood to establish a Business Improvement and Recruitment District and to submit an ordinance setting forth the particulars of such District to the Council.

Patrons: Ms. Lynch and Ms. Trammell

be amended to request that the Chief Administrative Officer engage with property owners and businesses located within business corridors of the city of Richmond to discuss whether establishing a Business Improvement and Recruitment District would be beneficial to their economic futures.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

The following resolution was considered:

**30.** RES. 2024-R021

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Department of Economic Development to engage a consultant to work with the property owners and businesses in the Carytown neighborhood to establish a Business Improvement and Recruitment District [and to]; submit an ordinance setting forth the particulars of such District to the Council; and engage with property owners and businesses located within business corridors of the city of Richmond to discuss whether establishing a Business Improvement and Recruitment District would be beneficial to their economic futures. (As Amended)

Patrons: Ms. Lynch and Ms. Trammell

Councilor Stephanie Lynch provided an introduction and additional background information regarding the proposed resolution.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated his support for the proposed resolution.

Councilor Ellen Robertson stated her concerns about Carytown establishing a Business Improvement and Recruitment District before other business corridors in the city.

Councilor Lynch stated that she understood Councilor Robertson's concerns, and she informed members that other business corridors could use the Carytown Business Improvement and Recruitment District as an example to move forward on establishing additional Business Improvement and Recruitment Districts.

### **Public Hearing:**

Kelly Banks, Carytown business owner, spoke in support of RES. 2024-R021, and stated that the proposed Carytown Business Improvement and Recruitment District would help increase the overall contribution of Carytown businesses towards Carytown improvements.

Kamran Shaikh, Carytown business owner, Carytown Merchants Association President, spoke in support of RES. 2024-R021, and stated that too few Carytown businesses contribute funds to improving Carytown. Mr. Shaikh also stated that the proposed Business Improvement and Recruitment District would require that all businesses contribute funds towards improvements and maintenance.

Councilor Reva Trammell stated her support for the proposed Carytown Business Improvement and Recruitment District because it could be used as a pilot for other business corridors in the city. Councilor Trammell requested to be added as a co-patron of RES. 2024-R021.

Councilor Cynthia Newbille stated her support for the approved amendment to RES. 2024-R021, because it notes that other corridors could move forward with a similar Business Improvement and Recruitment District.

Vice President Ann-Frances Lambert confirmed other business corridors in the city would not be required to pay for an additional consultant to establish new Business Improvement and Recruitment Districts, because the Carytown pilot could be used as an example.

Chief Administrative Officer Lincoln Saunders stated that the consultant work for the Carytown Business Improvement and Recruitment District would be used as an example for other business corridors in the city, and that additional consultants would not be necessary.

Councilor Robertson stated her concerns regarding the implementation of the Carytown pilot as an example for other business corridors in the city. Councilor Robertson also stated that other business corridors in the city had put in the effort to deserve the opportunity to serve as the city's pilot for a Business Improvement and Recruitment District.

Councilor Lynch stated that the Carytown Merchants Association put in a lot of initial work to establish a Business Improvement and Recruitment District, and that it deserves to serve as a pilot. Councilor Lynch also stated that she believed other business corridors would be able to use the Carytown pilot as an example.

There were no further comments or discussions and RES. 2024-R021 was adopted: Ayes 8, Addison, Jordan, Jones, Lynch, Trammell, Newbille, Lambert, Nye. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Robertson.

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution:

33. <u>RES.</u> 2024-R024 To approve an expenditure in the amount of \$6,381.74 from the Council District Funds for the Third district to pay Uptown Color, LLC for the printing and mailing of constituent mailers to Third District residents.

Patrons: Vice President Lambert

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Vice President Ann-Frances Lambert provided an introduction for RES. 2024-R024.

There were no further comments or discussions and RES. 2024-R024 was unanimously adopted.

# **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

CD.2024.143	FY 2025 Budget Work Session and Budget-Related Special Meeting Minutes
CD.2024.224	June 6, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes
CD.2024.219	June 24, 2024 Informal Meeting Minutes
CD.2024.226	June 24, 2024 Formal Meeting Minutes
CD.2024.232	July 1, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes
CD.2024.248	July 11, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes

There were no amendments or corrections to the meeting minutes of the Council Budget Work Sessions held on Monday, March 25, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.; Monday, April 1, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.; Monday, April 8, 2024, at 12:30 p.m.; Monday, April 15, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.; Monday, April 22, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.; Monday, April 29, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.; Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.; Special Council Meeting held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.; Special Council Meeting held on Monday, May 6, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.; Special Council Meeting held on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.; Informal and Formal Council Meetings held on Monday, June 24, 2024, at 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m., respectively; Special Council Meeting held on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.; Special Council Meeting held on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., and Council approved the minutes as presented.

## Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions

CD.2024.257 July 22, 2024 Introduction Papers List

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.:

34. ORD. To authorize the special use of the property known as 1513 North 22nd Street for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

35. ORD. To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2417 Carrington Street, 2419 Carrington Street, and 2421 Carrington Street for the purpose of up to six single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and

conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**36.** ORD. 2024-198

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1220 West Cary Street for the purpose of a multifamily building containing up to 12 dwelling

units, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

**Patrons:** Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**37.** ORD. 2024-199

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 3912 Hull Street Road and 3920 Hull Street Road for the purpose of a drive-up automated teller machine, upon certain terms and conditions. (8th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**38.** ORD. 2024-200

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 3303 Lawson Street, 306 East 33rd Street, 308 East 33rd Street, 310 East 33rd Street and 312 East 33rd Street for the purpose of up to five single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**39.** ORD. 2024-201

To authorize the special use of the property known as 601 Levering Lane for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling with an attached garage and an accessory structure, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**40.** ORD. 2024-202

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3208 Park Avenue for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling with a dwelling unit within an accessory structure, upon certain terms and conditions. (1st District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**41.** ORD. 2024-203

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1801 Richmond Highway, 1805 Richmond Highway, 1807 Richmond Highway, 1809

Richmond Highway, and 1817 Richmond Highway for the purpose of a mixed-use building, upon certain terms and conditions. (6th District)

**Patrons:** Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**42.** ORD. 2024-204

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2701 Selden Street for the purpose a single-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and

conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**43.** RES. 2024-R025

To authorize the utilization of the construction management procurement method for the construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Main Pump Station Improvement projects.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

**44.** RES. 2024-R026

To declare that equal access to high-speed gigabit internet access in every home; educational and training facility; and business of the City is a public necessity for all residents and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer develop and implement a "Digital Equity Assessment and Plan" to provide access to high-speed gigabit internet access to all residents.

Patrons: Mr. Addison

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolution on Monday, September 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.:

**45.** ORD. 2024-205

To erect all-way stop signs at the intersections of Cutshaw Avenue and Roseneath Road, Cutshaw Avenue and Tilden Street, Cutshaw Avenue and Cleveland Street, and Cutshaw Avenue and North Belmont Avenue (1st District)

Patrons: Mr. Addison

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

**46.** ORD. 2024-206

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$1,350,000.00 from the United States Department of Transportation, and to amend the Fiscal Year

2024-2025 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Planning and Development Review called the Reconnect Jackson Ward Special Fund, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Planning and Development Review's Reconnect Jackson Ward Special Fund by \$1,350,000.00, for the purpose of funding the implementation of the Reconnect Jackson Ward project.

**Patrons:** Mayor Stoney and Vice President Lambert

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

**47.** ORD. 2024-207

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, the Elmington Capital Group, LLC, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable residential development located at 2201 McDonough Street, 2301 McDonough Street, 2300 Semmes Avenue, 2310 Semmes Avenue, 2310 Semmes Avenue, 2310 Semmes Avenue, 2310 Street, 217 West 22nd Street, 219 West 22nd Street, 221 West 22nd Street, 301 West 22nd Street, 302 West 22nd Street, 307 West 22nd Street, 315 West 22nd Street, 322 West 22nd Street, 222 West 21st Street, and 2100 Perry Street.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

**48.** RES. 2024-R027

To declare evictions without legal representation as a public crisis and to support right-to-counsel programs and programs increasing access to counsel for residents of the city of Richmond facing eviction as a critical necessity.

Patrons: Mr. Addison

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

#### Reports or Announcements by Members of the Council

Members of Council provided reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities.

Councilor Nicole Jones left the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch left the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Councilor Andreas Addison left the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Councilor Cynthia Newbille left the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

Councilor Reva Trammell left the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

# Adjournment

There being no further business before the Cou	ncil, the meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.
CITY CLERK	