



City of Richmond

Formal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Monday, February 8, 2021

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall
Virtual Meeting

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Ellen Robertson, Vice President (late arrival)
The Honorable Andreas Addison (late arrival)
The Honorable Michael Jones
The Honorable Katherine Jordan
The Honorable Ann-Frances Lambert
The Honorable Kristen Larson (late arrival)
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (early departure)
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., and presided.

ELECTRONIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

City Clerk Candice Reid, in accordance with Ordinance No. 2020-093, adopted April 9, 2020, as most recently amended by Ordinance No. 2020-232, adopted December 14, 2020, announced the meeting would be held through electronic communication means. City Clerk Reid stated notice of the meeting was provided to the public through a public information advisory issued on January 28, 2021, and through Legistar on the city website in accordance with usual practice. She also stated members of the public were encouraged to provide comments in writing prior to the meeting and all comments received prior to 10:00 a.m., on Monday, February 8, 2021, were provided to Council members. Ms. Reid indicated that members of the public who signed up to speak and provide comment would be called to speak at the appropriate time.

Invocation was offered by Reverend Kenny Callaghan of Metropolitan Community Church of Richmond, 2501 Park Avenue, Richmond, VA.

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

Councilor Andreas Addison joined the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk RJ Warren provided citizen speaker guidelines.

Vice President Ellen Robertson joined the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no awards or presentations.

APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved that the following appointments and reappointments be approved:

<u>Board Name</u>	<u>Criteria for Appointment</u>	<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>Terms</u>
Sister Cities Commission (13 members)	*	Kejie Meng	02/08/2021 – 11/10/2023 <i>Succeeding Darren Green</i>
Board of Building Code Appeals, Plumbing and Mechanical Division (8 members)	Certified Master Plumber*	Anson Bell (reappointment)	04/24/2021 – 04/23/2024
Board of Fire Appeals (5 members)	Individual qualified by experience and training to rule on matters pertaining to building construction and fire prevention*	William Willis (reappointment)	02/28/2021 – 02/28/2026
		William Andrews	02/08/2021 – 10/25/2025 <i>Succeeding Craig Willingham</i>
City Planning Commission (9 members)	Qualified voter of the city who holds no office of profit under the city government	Vivek Murthy (reappointment)	04/24/2021 – 04/23/2024
Clean City Commission (15 members)	3 rd District Representative	Edward Gilchrist (reappointment)	02/28/2021 – 02/27/2023
	8 th District Representative	Claudia Spurill	02/08/2021 – 01/28/2023 <i>Succeeding Christopher Woody</i>
Commission of Architectural Review Board (9 members)	At-Large resident*	Ashleigh Brewer (reappointment)	04/24/2021 – 04/23/2024
Safe and Healthy Streets Commission (12 members)	Transportation Safety Expert	Michael Todd (reappointment)	03/24/2021 – 03/23/2024
	Qualified voter of the city who holds no office of profit with the city	Christopher Woody, Sr.	03/24/2021 – 03/23/2024 <i>Succeeding John Bolecek</i>
Urban Design Committee (11 members)	Member of a community focused organization or business*	Justin Doyle	02/08/2021 – 02/07/2024 <i>Succeeding Dawn Hicks</i>
	Member with demonstrated arboriculture or forestry expertise or a member of the Urban Forestry Commission*	Eva Clarke	02/08/2021 – 02/07/2024
Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority (7 directors)	Resident of the city	Neil Millhiser	02/08/2021 – 01/28/2025
Minority Business Enterprise and Emerging Small Business Advisory Board (9 members)	At-large resident of the city	Melody Short	02/28/2021 – 02/27/2024
	Minority Business Enterprise Member*	Eddie Jackson, Jr.	02/08/2021 – 11/28/2023 <i>Brittany Rawlinson</i>
Capital Area Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP) Policy Advisory Board (4 members appointed by Council)	*	Dr. A'Tasha Christian	03/26/2021 – 03/26/2024
		Andre W. Tolleris	02/08/2021 – 01/28/2024 <i>Succeeding J. Alexis Fisher-Rizk</i>
Task Force on the Establishment of a Civilian Review Board (9 members)	Tenant of public housing	Teenora Thurston	02/08/2021 – Terminating upon the completion of task force duties

* Applicants must either reside or work in the city.

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 7, Addison, Jordan, Lambert, Lynch, Trammell, Robertson, Newbille. Noes None. Jones was excused. Larson had not yet arrived.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Reverend Robin Mines addressed Council and stated members should do more to address public housing living conditions in the city. Reverend Mines also stated her concerns with the possible displacement of public housing residents during planned renovations projects.

Quinton Robbins, on behalf of Richmond for All, addressed Council and stated that Richmond for All approved of the proposed amendments discussed by Council at its February 8, 2021 Master Plan work session. Quinton Robbins also stated that Richmond for All supported the proposed amendments that addressed affordable housing, density and emergency shelter.

Councilor Kristen Larson joined the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Sebastian Shetty, on behalf of Partnership for Smarter Growth, addressed Council and stated his appreciation of Council working with constituents to review potential amendments to the city's Master Plan. Sebastian Shetty requested that Council work to ensure that future developments provide greater density to help address the lack of housing options in the city.

Laura Wright, Virginia Poverty Law Center housing attorney, addressed Council and stated her appreciation that Council was working to implement amendments to the city's Master Plan that would help address the affordable housing crisis in the city. Laura Wright also stated that she believed it was important to provide low-income citizens with additional assistance to secure stable housing.

J. Lockwood addressed Council and stated he was able to find stable work in the city with the help of a local union. J. Lockwood also stated that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic made it difficult to find work in city, and asked that Council work to address wage disparity in the city.

President Cynthia Newbille requested that city administration work to provide J. Lockwood with information and assistance from the Office of Community Wealth Building.

Kimberly Hines addressed Council and shared her experience with the difficulty of finding stable work in the city. Kimberly Hines stated Council should require working opportunities for citizens with the redevelopment of the city owned public safety building.

President Newbille stated Council was informed earlier that evening by city administration that it intended to provide citizens with opportunities for work through community partnerships regarding the redevelopment of the public safety building.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Stephanie Lynch moved to amend the agenda as follows:

ORD. 2020-261

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 30-420.1, 30-420.1:1, and 30-420.2, concerning permitted uses in the R-73 Multifamily Residential District; 30-426.1, 30-426.1:1, and 30-426.2, concerning permitted uses in the RO-2 Residential-Office District; 30-432.1, concerning permitted uses in the I Institutional District; 30-434.1 concerning permitted uses in the B-1 Neighborhood Business District; 30-436.1, concerning permitted uses in the B-2 Community Business District; 30-438.1 and 30-438.2, concerning permitted uses in the B-3 General Business District; 30-440.1 and 30-440.2, concerning permitted uses in the B-4 Central Business District; 30-450.1, concerning permitted uses in the OS Office-Service District; 30-452.1, concerning permitted principal and accessory uses in the M-1 Light Industrial District; 30-1045.6, concerning specific conditions applicable to particular uses, and 30-1220, concerning certain definitions; to amend ch. 30. art. VI of the City Code by adding

therein a new div. 15 (§§ 30-698-30.698.3), concerning specific conditions applicable to particular uses; and to amend ch. 30, art. XII of the City Code by adding therein new sections 30-1220.32:1, 30-1220.84:1, 30-1220.84:2, 30-1220.95:1, 30-1220.95:2, 30-1220.120:1, and 30-1220.122:1.

To be amended and continued to Monday, February 22, 2021

ORD. 2020-265

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2515 Rear Hanover Avenue for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, storage, a parking area, and a community garden, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be amended and continued to Monday, March 8, 2021

ORD. 2020-266

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3419 2nd Avenue for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, March 8, 2021

Citizens were provided an opportunity to offer comments in writing regarding pending legislation prior to the Formal City Council meeting. All written comments received by the Office of the City Clerk were provided to members of the Council prior to the meeting and are included as an appendix to the February 8, 2021 Formal City Council meeting minutes.

The motion to amend the agenda was seconded and unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

ORD. 2020-256

To amend ch. 2, art. V of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 11 (§§ 2-1035-2-1039) for the purpose of establishing a Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission. (As Amended)

ORD. 2020-264

To authorize the special use of the property known as 111 Spring Street for the purpose of a parking deck, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2020-270

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 509 Libbie Avenue and 511 Libbie Avenue for the purpose of up to 14 single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2020-272

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute an Agreement for Mutual Aid Fire and Rescue Services Among Designated Localities in Central Virginia between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and certain localities within the Commonwealth of Virginia and certain entities for the purpose of establishing cooperation between the City's Department of Fire and Emergency Services and the fire and rescue departments and agencies of certain localities and certain entities in the furnishing of certain fire and rescue services.

ORD. 2020-273

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Department of Emergency Management, and the City of Richmond, on Behalf of the Richmond Department of Fire and Emergency Services Water Rescue Team Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Emergency Management, for the purpose of establishing

cooperation between the City's Department of Fire and Emergency Services and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Emergency Management in the furnishing of certain swiftwater rescue services.

ORD. 2020-274

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Virginia Port Authority Maritime Incident Response Team Operating Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the Virginia Port Authority, for the purpose of establishing cooperation between the City's Department of Fire and Emergency Services and the Virginia Port Authority in the furnishing of certain maritime incident response services.

ORD. 2021-003

To amend Ord. No. 2020-049, adopted May 11, 2020, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by re-appropriating a \$500,000.00 portion of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 fund balance excess, assigned to the Capital Reserve, to the General Fund Cash Transfer for Capital Projects program, and to appropriate these transferred funds to the Capital Improvements Projects for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and to amend the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget by appropriating such transferred funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 to the Department of Public Works' City Hall project in the City Facility Maintenance & Improvements category for the purpose of constructing improvements to the southwest quadrant of City Hall necessary to house either an employee health clinic or a relocated credit union office, or both.

ORD. 2021-004

To direct the sale of the City-owned real estate known as 809 West 44th Street, 811 Rear West 44th Street, and 4306 Rear Reedy Avenue for \$8,000.00 to Lelia Pendleton and Stuart Halloran.

ORD. 2021-005

To declare a public necessity for the acquisition and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept the dedication as public right-of-way of a portion of the properties known as 1801 Richmond Highway and 1805 Richmond Highway, consisting of 524.89± square feet, from TRC Jefferson Davis, LLC; to accept a donation from TRC Jefferson Davis, LLC, of certain services and materials valued at \$20,000.00 for the reconstruction, paving, and future maintenance of a certain City-owned alley located between Webber Avenue and Royal Avenue; and to execute a Right-of-Entry Agreement between the City of Richmond and TRC Jefferson Davis, LLC for the purpose of facilitating the development of the property known as 1801 Richmond Highway by TRC Jefferson Davis, LLC, and providing for the expansion of a certain City-owned alley located between Webber Avenue and Royal Avenue.

ORD. 2021-008

To amend City Code § 30-1220.21, concerning the definition of the term "clinic," to include certain opioid treatment facilities in such definition.

ORD. 2021-009

To amend and reordain Ordinance No. 87-49-74, adopted April 27, 1987, which in turn amended Ordinance No. 81-82-68, adopted May 11, 1981, entitled "to authorize the use of the real estate containing 2770 square feet, known as 307 North Robinson Street."

ORD. 2021-010

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2018-192, adopted Jul. 23, 2018, which authorized the properties then known as 800, 802, and 806 North 32nd Street, and now known as 3112, 3116, 3120, and 3124 N Street, for the purpose of up to four single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions, to modify certain feature requirements.

ORD. 2021-011

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 501, 509, and 511 Decatur Street for the purpose of a mixed-use building containing up to 118 dwelling units and commercial uses on the ground floor, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-012

To authorize the special use of the property known as 821 Albemarle Street for the purpose of a personal service business, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-013

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2206 Joplin Avenue for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-014

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2700 East Cary Street for the purpose of a freestanding sign, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-015

To amend Ord. No. 2020-051, adopted May 11, 2020, which (i) accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and the four fiscal years thereafter, (ii) adopted a Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, and (iii) determined a means of financing the same, by reducing estimated receipts and the appropriation for the Department of Public Works' Transportation Projects by \$15,000,000.00; to amend Ord. No. 2020-050, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 special fund budgets and made appropriations thereto, by establishing a new line item called the "CVTA Special Fund" line item and increasing estimated receipts from the Central Virginia Transportation Authority and the amount appropriated to the new Department of Public Works' CVTA Special Fund line item by \$12,195,491 for the purpose of funding the planning, design, operations, maintenance, and construction of transportation improvements within the city of Richmond.

RES. 2020-R056

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Department of Finance and the Department of Human Resources to conduct a study of the City's telecommuting workforce to determine if cost savings and other benefits have been derived from the telecommuting policies adopted by the City in response to the COVID-19 pandemic for the purpose of potentially continuing or expanding upon such policies after the pandemic.

Citizens were provided an opportunity to offer comments in writing regarding Consent Agenda items prior to the Formal City Council meeting. All written comments received by the Office of the City Clerk were provided to members of the Council prior to the meeting and are included as an appendix to the February 8, 2021 Formal City Council meeting minutes.

Public Hearing

Joe Andrews, Westhampton Citizens Association, Land Use Committee chairman, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-270, and stated he did not believe the proposed special use permit referenced in ORD. 2020-270, adhered to the recommendations in the city's recently adopted Master Plan. Mr. Andrews also stated that the proposed development would be too tall and close to the sidewalk, and he urged Council to deny the special use permit as proposed.

Stuart Carter spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-270, and stated her main opposition was the four story building height requested in the special use permit. Ms. Carter also stated she supported development on the referenced parcel, but that the development should not exceed three stories. Ms. Carter requested Council follow the city's Master Plan and deny the special use permit.

Kevin Vonck, Department of Planning and Development Review acting director, informed Council that the Planning Commission had a detailed review of ORD. 2020-270. Mr. Vonck stated that the Master Plan recommends a three story restriction in the area referenced in ORD. 2020-270, but that the proposed development would occur in a mixed-use area on a major street, which allows for a proposed height of over three stories.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert stated her appreciation for Ord. 2020-256, and expressed her hope that the Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission's outreach will be done in an equitable way.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated he appreciated Joe Andrews and Stuart Carter for their comments. Councilor Addison also stated the development referenced in ORD. 2020-270, was first proposed before the adoption of the current Master Plan. Councilor Addison further stated he understands the concern, but believed the development was appropriate in the proposed location.

Councilor Kristen Larson stated her appreciation for fellow members that had requested to co-patron ORD. 2020-256, and informed members that diversity would be a priority in the implementation of the steering commission.

President Cynthia Newbille stated her support for ORD. 2020-270, and for the need to include a diverse group of citizens in the participatory budget process.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

The following ordinance was considered:

ORD. 2020-117

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Records Management System User Agreement between the City of Richmond and Virginia Commonwealth University for the purpose of contracting for the use of equipment and materials as allowed by Va. Code § 15.2-1736 by allowing the Virginia Commonwealth University Police Department to become an operational user of the Department of Police's records management system for the input, retrieval, and storage of records and facilitating interoperability between the Department of Police and the Virginia Commonwealth University Police Department.

Police Chief Gerald Smith and Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Police Chief John Venuti provided an introduction of ORD. 2020-117. Police Chief Smith stated the memorandum of understanding between the two police departments would continue a prior agreement to share records information.

Citizens were provided an opportunity to offer comments in writing regarding ORD. 2020-117 prior to the Formal City Council meeting. All written comments received by the Office of the City Clerk were provided to members of the Council prior to the meeting and are included as an appendix to the February 8, 2021 Formal City Council meeting minutes.

Public Hearing

Thalia Hernandez spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and stated many students and residents within the area surrounding VCU did not support the ordinance.

Naomi Isaac, Virginia Student Power Network member, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and stated police stops of individuals on VCU's campus was disproportionately enforced on Black students and residents. Naomi Isaac also stated that increased policing in the city would not decrease violence in the city.

Taylor M. Maloney, VCU Student Government Association president, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and stated she believed the proposed ordinance would have a negative impact on Black students attending VCU.

Jasmine Jones spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and encouraged Council to not adopt the proposed ordinance. Jasmine Jones stated her belief that predictive policing did not work.

Chelsea Higgs Wise, Marijuana Justice executive director, and Capital Race founder, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and expressed her concerns with the records management software developer, SOMA Global, and with the implementation of the records management system administered by the Richmond Police Department (RPD). Chelsea Higgs Wise also stated her concerns that the RPD did not conduct sufficient public outreach regarding the procurement of the new records management system.

Allan-Charles Chipman spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and stated he was concerned that RPD did not have sufficient public outreach regarding the procurement and implementation of the new records management system.

Kalia Harris, Virginia Student Power Network co-director, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and encouraged Council to not adopt the proposed ordinance. Kalia Harris stated she believed Council should require more public discussion regarding the memorandum of understanding between the two police departments and stated the shared data would be flawed.

Dr. Eli Coston, Ph.D., VCU assistant professor, and Richmond Transparency and Accountability Project (RTAP) member, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-117, and stated RTAP opposed the proposed ordinance. Dr. Coston also stated that the RPD did not hold sufficient public outreach regarding the procurement and implementation of its new records management system. Dr. Coston further stated that the new records management system would lead to racial disparities regarding police action on citizens.

Councilor Katherine Jordan requested information on the RPD's public outreach efforts regarding the procurement and implementation of the new records management system.

Acting Chief Administrative Office (CAO) Lincoln Saunders stated he could not provide information regarding the prior public outreach efforts by former Police Chief William Smith, and stated an effort would be made in the future for public input regarding the use of the records management system.

Police Chief Gerald Smith stated that the RPD was open to conduct public forums with citizens in the future regarding use of the records management system, and also stated that the use of the system would increase public safety.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert stated that she had concerns with ORD. 2020-117, and wanted more public input regarding the proposed ordinance. Councilor Lambert also stated that she would work to ensure proper oversight of the RPD and its use of the records management system. Councilor Lambert indicated she would abstain from consideration of ORD. 2020-117.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell inquired if VCU leadership had any information to provide regarding the proposed ordinance.

Matt Conrad, VCU Executive Director of Government and Board Relations, addressed Council and stated that VCU leadership supported the proposed ordinance. Mr. Conrad also stated that the memorandum of understanding between the two police departments would increase safety.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated he understood concerns raised by citizens, but noted that he did not believe that striking the proposed ordinance would impact the concerns raised. Councilor Addison also stated that other efforts, such as the implementation of recommendations made by the Task Force to Reimagine Public Safety, and the establishment of a Civilian Review Board, will be necessary to address concerns raised regarding police.

Vice President Ellen Robertson stated it was a priority of Council to improve the relationship between police and citizens. Vice President Robertson informed Council that she would vote to adopt ORD. 2020-117, because she did not believe striking the proposed ordinance would lead to the necessary changes with how police interact with citizens.

President Cynthia Newbille confirmed with Chief Smith that opportunities for public dialogue with the RPD regarding the records management system would occur. President Newbille requested that Chief Smith coordinate with the Public Safety Standing Committee regarding public outreach.

Councilor Katherine Jordan stated she would work to ensure that the city's Civilian Review Board would be involved with oversight regarding the records management system.

Councilor Michael Jones stated he previously opposed the expansion of the VCU Police Department's authority within the city. Councilor Jones also stated he would not vote to adopt the proposed ordinance and looked forward to implementing recommendations made by the Task Force to Reimagine Public Safety.

President Newbille stated she wanted the RPD and city administration to ensure that public discussions are conducted regarding the RPD's records management system.

There were no further comments or discussions and **Ord. 2020-117 was adopted:** Ayes 6, Addison, Jordan, Larson, Trammell, Robertson, Newbille. Noes 2, Lynch, Jones. Abstentions 1, Lambert.

MOTIONS

Councilor Kristen Larson moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2020-261

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 30-420.1, 30-420.1:1, and 30-420.2, concerning permitted uses in the R-73 Multifamily Residential District; 30-426.1, 30-426.1:1, and 30-426.2, concerning permitted uses in the RO-2 Residential-Office District; 30-432.1, concerning permitted uses in the I Institutional District; 30-434.1 concerning permitted uses in the B-1 Neighborhood Business District; 30-436.1, concerning permitted uses in the B-2 Community Business District; 30-438.1 and 30-438.2, concerning permitted uses in the B-3 General Business District; 30-440.1 and 30-440.2, concerning permitted uses in the B-4 Central Business District; 30-450.1, concerning permitted uses in the OS Office-Service District; 30-452.1, concerning permitted principal and accessory uses in the M-1 Light Industrial District; 30-1045.6, concerning specific conditions applicable to particular uses, and 30-1220, concerning certain definitions; to amend ch. 30. art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 15 (§ § 30-698-30.698.3), concerning specific conditions applicable to particular uses; and to amend ch. 30, art. XII of the City Code by adding therein new sections 30-1220.32:1, 30-1220.84:1, 30-1220.84:2, 30-1220.95:1, 30-1220.95:2, 30-1220.120:1, and 30-1220.122:1.

be amended and continued to Monday, February 22, 2021, as follows:

Page 39, Line 21

After the word "Section", strike the section number "30.698.3(c)" and insert the section number "30-698.3(d)"

Page 50, Line 2

After the word "with", strike the section number "30.698.3(c)" and insert the section number "30-698.3(d)"

Page 51, Line 13

After the word "Section", strike the section number "30.698.3(c)" and insert the section number "30-698.3(d)"

Page 64, Line 17

After the word "with", strike the section number "30.698.3(c)" and insert the section number "30-698.3(d)"

Page 70, Line 5

After the word "with", strike the section number "30.698.3(c)" and insert the section number "30-698.3(d)"

Page 77, Line 19

After the word "than", insert the number "1,320"

Page 79, Line 7

After the subdivision letter "(b)", insert the text "Within seven days of receipt of the materials described in section 30.698.3(d) for a certificate of zoning compliance for an emergency housing, a transitional housing, or a permanent supportive housing use, the Zoning Administrator shall provide written notice of such application to:

- (1) All owners of real property within 150 feet of the applicant's property; and
- (2) The Council member representing the district in which the applicant's property is located; and
- (3) At least one civic or neighborhood association established in accordance with applicable law that advocates for the district or area in which the applicant's property is located and of which the Zoning Administrator has actual knowledge.

Page 79, Line 17

At the beginning of the line, insert a subdivision letter "(c)"

Page 80, Line 1

At the beginning of the line, strike the subdivision letter "(c)" and insert the subdivision letter "(d)"

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

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2020-265

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2515 Rear Hanover Avenue for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, storage, a parking area, and a community garden, upon certain terms and conditions.

be amended and continued to Monday, March 8, 2021, as follows:

Page 4, Line 4

After the word "dwelling", strike the word "may" and insert the text "shall not"

Page 4, Line 9

After the word "contain", strike the text "up to"

Page 5, Line 1

At the beginning of the line, insert the text

- (h) Occupancy of the dwelling shall be limited to four persons.
- (i) The second floor of the dwelling shall be limited to storage use only.
- (j) All windows and doors on the north elevation of the dwelling are to be fire-rated, subject to the requirements of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources."

Page 5, Line 13

After the period following the word “thereof”, insert the text “Storm or surface water shall not drain onto abutting properties” followed by a period

Page 5, Line 21

After the subsection letter “(e)”, insert the text “Upon completion of underground utilities installation and renovations, the existing cobblestone alley shall be repaired to existing or better condition, in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Public Works” followed by a period

Page 6, Line 1

At the beginning of the line, insert a subsection letter “(f)”

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

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

RES. 2021-R014

To consent to Virginia Commonwealth University’s plan for the removal and relocation of the Howitzer Monument from the property being the triangular parcel bounded by Grove Avenue, North Harrison Street, and Park Avenue in the city of Richmond, and known as “Howitzer Park.”

Patron: Mr. Jones

Councilor Michael Jones provided an introduction of the RES. 2021-R014.

Councilor Kristen Larson inquired why expedited consideration of the proposed resolution was necessary, and requested to be notified prior to meetings about the reasoning for any proposed resolutions in need of expedited consideration.

Councilor Michael Jones informed members he was approached by Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) about the removal request referenced in RES. 2021-R014, and stated VCU requested the statue be removed as soon as possible.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell inquired about the disposition of the statue.

Matt Conrad, VCU Executive Director of Government and Board Relations, stated that VCU was eager to acquire Council’s approval to remove the statue, because the statue was previously removed and VCU wanted to remove the remaining base of the statue. Mr. Conrad stated VCU would be in charge of the disposition of the removed statue.

Councilor Larson stated she was concerned that expedited consideration made it difficult for citizens to provide comment on the proposed resolution.

There were no further comments or discussions and **RES. 2021-R014 was adopted:** Ayes 7, Addison, Jordan, Lambert, Lynch, Jones, Robertson, Newbille. Noes None. Abstentions 2, Larson, Trammell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no amendments or corrections to the meeting minutes of the Special Meeting held on Friday, January 15, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.; Informal and Formal Council Sessions held on Monday, January 25, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m., respectively; and Council approved the minutes as presented.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolution on Monday, February 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2021-021

To amend City Code § 24-111, concerning encroachment application and processing fees, for the purpose of extending the application deadline for use of a sidewalk for outdoor dining from October 31, 2020, to June 30, 2021.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(2).

ORD. 2021-022

To amend Ord. No. 2020-049, adopted May 11, 2020, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by reducing total appropriations by \$1,753,657, transferring funds from various agencies and non-departmental programs and the Budget and Revenue Stabilization Contingency Reserve, and appropriating the transferred funds to various agencies and non-departmental programs.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

ORD. 2021-023

To amend Ord. No. 2020-049, adopted May 11, 2020, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by re-appropriating a \$656,995.00 portion of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 fund balance excess identified as an assignment of "Unspent Building Code Fees" in the City's 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and to appropriate these funds to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Planning and Development Review by \$656,995.00 for the purpose of supporting the functions of the Department of Planning and Development Review's Division of Permits and Inspections in compliance with Va. Code § 36-105.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

ORD. 2021-024

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for an on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute the Development Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and Capital City Partners, LLC, for the purpose of providing for the private development of a mixed-use project located at 500 North 10th Street and the construction and dedication of certain public improvements in the vicinity thereof.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m., and the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-025

To direct the sale of the City-owned real estate located at 500 North 10th Street and known as the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners, LLC, for \$3,520,456.00 for the purpose of facilitating the redevelopment thereof.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m., the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., and the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-026

To declare a public necessity for and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept the dedication of right-of-way improvements consisting of 22,277± square feet and property consisting of 6,607± square feet for the purpose of facilitating the redevelopment of the property known as 500 North 10th Street.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m., the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., and the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.

RES. 2021-R015

To express the Council's support for the establishment of a federal guaranteed income program to provide economic relief in the form of ongoing direct cash payments for the duration of the health crisis to families affected financially by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(2).

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, March 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2021-027

To amend Ord. No. 2020-142, adopted Jul. 27, 2020, which authorized the special use of the properties known as 1705, 1707, and 1711 Westover Hills Boulevard, and 4922 New Kent Road for the purpose of retail, office, and commercial uses accessory to an existing church, to allow a sign, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-028

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1031 Fourquare Lane, 1031 Rear Fourquare Lane, and 1101 Fourquare Lane for the purpose of a multifamily development containing up to 56 dwelling units within up to 14 dwellings, community center, leasing office, open space, and a playground, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-029

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1518 Pulaski Street for the purpose of a personal fitness business within an accessory building, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-030

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1919 Wilmington Avenue for the purpose of no more than one dwelling unit within an accessory building to an existing single-family dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-031

To rezone the property known as 2902 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard from the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

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

Councilor Stephanie Lynch left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

CITY CLERK

From: [Matthew Kittrell](#)
To: [PDR Land Use Admin](#); [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Special use permit 2515 Hanover
Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 9:12:45 AM

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Hello, I live at [REDACTED]. Ideally carriage houses are owner-occupied and accountable for what happens on the property. In this case they will not occupy the property so we're not thrilled. That's our biggest concern and if he can support that, we appreciate it.

Our requests:

1. Limit the occupancy of the single dwelling unit to 4 people. Their design allows for two bedrooms.
2. Remove the option to use property as a short-term rental (airbnb, corporate rental, etc.) We had an AirBNB party house on the block in the past and it was a disaster.
3. Repair existing cobblestone alley to existing or better condition upon completion of underground utilities and renovations. Do not allow gravel to be used in any driveway as it prevents the alley from draining
4. Second floor limited to storage use only. No residential occupancy/bunk room permitted.
5. Change address to 203 Rear N. Robinson(they own 203 N Robinson as well) rather than 2515 Rear Hanover. Much easier for the mailman and then we don't have to deliver their mail.
6. All windows and doors on north elevation are to be fire-rated
7. Drain all gutter water to the alley. Presently it runs into the yard of 2515 Hanover Ave

Thank you,
Matthew Kittrell

From: [Denise Holden](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#); [Robert Finkbeiner](#)
Subject: Ordinance No. 2021-012 special use permit for 821 Albemarle Street
Date: Friday, January 29, 2021 2:46:01 PM

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If Candice D. Reid would please accept this as my opinion for the meeting February 1. We invested in the neighborhood of Oregon Hill when we bought 811 Albemarle Street, just 3 buildings away from the corner in question. We do not object to use of the lower portion to be used as a beauty salon. I would like to see these historic buildings used as the neighborhood as a whole was designed:

Walking distance/urban neighborhood.

Clearly, the corner was meant to be used commercially with living quarters upstairs, the giant glass windows being the give away. The windows make it awkward to be used as living space. I wouldn't feel safe sleeping there!

For 6 years, I have been hoping someone would turn that little place into a take-out sandwich shop, like Garnett's, conveniently next to Hollywood Cemetery where in better times, many go to walk, meditate, and be with others, past and present.

A beauty salon isn't what I was hoping for, but will bring the building to life again. Parking MUST be addressed, since Albemarle normally is filled with commuting students trying to score free parking 2/3 of the year. One or two customers at a time is fine. More than that will cause strife.

I wish them luck!

Denise Holden 

From: [Alex Caligiuri](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office: Jordan, Katherine - City Council](#)
Subject: About ORD 2020-117
Date: Thursday, February 4, 2021 5:50:05 PM

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To Katherine Jordan,

I am a resident of the 2nd district of Richmond and I want you to know that I want you to vote NO on Ordinance 2020-117. Living between the two campuses of VCU I do not believe that VCU PD and RPD should have a partnership or share information to surveil residents and students.

Vote NO on Ordinance 2020-117!

Alex Caligiuri

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [Jennifer Surratt](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Public Comment for Council NO on ORD2020-117
Date: Sunday, February 7, 2021 11:15:24 PM

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Greetings Delegates,

Thank you for all of your efforts to create a better Richmond for all residents. I came to Richmond as a VCU student and I have lived in various districts in the last 25 years, making the 3rd my home for the last decade.

I remain concerned at the lack of movement to create systems, policies and practices to address harm to our most vulnerable citizens. The pandemic has of course exacerbated and exposed those areas that were so seriously lacking. We have many who are out of work, we have increasing homelessness and housing instability, an ongoing eviction crisis, food insecurity and the ongoing ways in which white supremacy demands that our modes of operation do not break from "tradition."

I am therefore incredibly disheartened to see that ORD 2020-117 was recommended to full council for a vote. I believe that 2020 (and ongoing now in 2021) made clear all the ways in which policing negatively impacts Black and brown folks and our most vulnerable citizens. We do not need to do any expanding of policing in our communities. We have other needs that should be addressed and we need to focus on those areas. Policing doesn't help with job loss, hunger, or homelessness. If council cannot agree to decrease policing, then at the very least I ask that you do nothing to expand the reach and power of police.

Thank you to VCU Student Power and Race Capitol for the following statistics and language:

For many years, the Richmond community, including VCU students and staff, have spoken out about their opposition to increased surveillance through VCU PD's expanded access to dispatching predictive policing tools.

I urge you to look at the data, which shows that less than 20% of the student population of VCU is Black and about 15% of the faculty population is Black, while Black people accounted for more than 48% of the people arrested by VCU people in 2019 for all offenses, and 51% for drug offenses.

VCU's police department, one of the largest campus police departments in the nation, has a proven historical racial bias in arrest behavior. Using this biased data for its intended purpose, to determine "trends and patterns" or "hotspots" of crime, is of serious concern to the Richmond community. Soma Global Records management system, which is currently used by the Richmond Police Department, is a predictive policing tool. Black and brown Richmonders are already disproportionately overpoliced by both the RPD and VCU PD. This records management system agreement would allow that violence to continue.

Vote NO on ORD2020-117. Thank you.

Jennifer Surratt
3rd District Resident 23222

From: [Tyler Vance](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Records management comment
Date: Monday, February 8, 2021 9:59:47 AM

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Hello,

I just wanted to submit a public comment as a new resident of Richmond that I do not support the sharing of Richmond Police Department's with VCUPD.

Thanks for your time,

Tyler Vance