



City of Richmond

Formal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Monday, January 27, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President
The Honorable Andreas Addison
The Honorable Kim Gray
The Honorable Michael Jones (early departure)
The Honorable Kristen Larson
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch
The Honorable Ellen Robertson
The Honorable Reva Trammell

President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and presided.

Invocation was offered by Minister Joy Franklin of Truth Ministries, 4719 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA.

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

CHAMBER EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk RJ Warren provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency along with citizen speaker guidelines.

APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

There were no appointment/reappointment items for consideration.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

President Cynthia Newbille, on behalf of Richmond City Council, honored and recognized Vice President Chris Hilbert on his fifteen years of service as a Council representative, to the citizens of the 3rd District.

Councilor Kristen Larson, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized and honored Nathan Burrell, Maintenance and Operations Facility Manager for the Department of Parks, Recreations and Community Facilities, Southern District, for his many years of dedicated service on behalf of the James River Park System.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Shirley Jefferson addressed Council and expressed her concerns regarding homelessness in the city. Ms. Jefferson informed Council that many of those who are homeless are women and veterans who need assistance.

Hannah Van Buskirk informed Council she did not support the proposed Navy Hill Development (NHD) project and referenced prior economic development projects that she believed failed. Ms. Van Buskirk expressed her concerns that the NHD proposal did not benefit schools.

Ben Himmelfarb addressed Council and stated he did not support the proposed NHD project. Mr. Himmelfarb expressed his belief that the NHD project developers were more concerned about profit than the needs of citizens.

Joe Reeves addressed Council and informed members he emigrated to the United States of America from the Republic of Liberia in 2001. Mr. Reeves expressed his concern regarding homeless individuals holding signs asking for money or food and stated these individuals require assistance. Mr. Reeves stated the city should consider shelters for the homeless a priority over construction of new prisons.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved to amend the agenda as follows:

ORD. 2018-324

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2007-131-174, adopted Jul. 23, 2007, which authorized the special use of the property known as 1400 Grove Avenue for the purpose of permitting a multifamily dwelling consisting of no more than ten units and authorized the special use of the properties known as 1410 and 1412 Grove Avenue for the purpose of allowing single-family attached dwellings on substandard sized lots, together with accessory off-street parking, to remove from the ordinance the provisions pertaining to 1412 Grove Avenue, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, March 9, 2020

ORD. 2018-325

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1412 Grove Avenue for the purpose of either a single-family attached dwelling or a single-family detached dwelling and up to four rooms or groups of rooms for short-term rental use, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, March 9, 2020

ORD. 2019-275

To amend ch. 6 of the City Code by adding therein a new art. XII (§§ 6-596-6-602) to establish a technology zone program in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3850, for the purpose of facilitating the development and location of technology businesses in the city of Richmond, capital investment, and job creation.

To be continued to Monday, February 24, 2020

ORD. 2019-276

To amend City Code §§ 26-872, concerning definitions related to license taxes, and 26-989, concerning license taxes for personal services businesses, and to amend ch. 26, art. XV, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein a new section numbered 26-1003.1, concerning the license tax for technology businesses, for the purpose of creating a new business, profession, and occupation license category called "technology business" and imposing a new license tax on such businesses.

To be continued to Monday, February 24, 2020

ORD. 2019-294

To close, to public use and travel, a portion of Greenville Avenue between its southern terminus and Kansas Avenue and a portion of a 16' alley located in the adjacent block to the east of Greenville Avenue and bounded by Kansas Avenue to the north and Carter Street to the east, together consisting of 22,760± square feet, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept the

dedication of a 500 square foot right-of-way area for a turnaround near the proposed new southern terminus of the alley, all for the purpose of facilitating redevelopment of the area, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-328

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1900 Chamberlayne Parkway for the purpose of office, group home, shelter, and social service delivery uses, upon certain terms and conditions.
(As Amended)

Moved to Regular Agenda

ORD. 2019-342

To establish the Citizens' Capital Improvement Plan Commission to advise the Council and the Mayor on matters involving funding priorities within the Capital Improvement Plan established by Ord. No. 2019-043, adopted May 13, 2019.

To be continued to Monday, March 23, 2020

ORD. 2020-010

To designate a certain portion of City-owned property located within the Low Line as a garden named the "Dominion Energy Garden at the Low Line Green."

To be continued to Monday, February 24, 2020

ORD. 2020-011

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute appropriate documents releasing the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority and its successors in interest from the reversionary right of the City contained in a certain quit claim deed concerning the properties known as 1116 North 31st Street and 1501 North 31st Street for the purpose of allowing the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to develop the properties as single-family residential units offered for sale to the public and to ensure that eight such parcels be developed as single-family affordable housing units offered for sale to qualified purchasers.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

RES. 2019-R050

To express the Council's support for implementing the Walmsley Boulevard extension project as recommended in the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization's Commerce Corridor Study Implementation Plan.

To be continued to Monday, February 24, 2020

RES. 2019-R068

To express the Council's support for certain goals in alignment with the Vision Zero traffic safety program that promote sustainability and equity in access to safe transportation.

To be continued to Monday, February 24, 2020

RES. 2019-R069

To request the Richmond delegation to the General Assembly of Virginia to introduce and support the enactment of legislation authorizing the City to (i) establish designated no turns on red zones in City streets and (ii) allow bicyclists to treat a stop sign as a yield sign and a red light traffic signal as a stop sign, for the purpose of supporting certain goals in alignment with the Vision Zero traffic safety program that promote sustainability and equity in access to safe transportation.

To be amended and considered

ORD. 2018-236

To amend ch. 26, art. V, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein new sections 26-370-26-374, concerning a real estate tax deferral program for real estate owned and occupied as a sole dwelling, for the purpose of establishing a new real estate tax deferral program for real estate owned and occupied as a sole dwelling.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

RES. 2019-R057

To require that Richmond Performing Arts Alliance take all actions necessary to sell at fair market value its property at 623 East Broad Street and contribute the proceeds thereof to its endowment as provided in a Comprehensive Agreement dated Sept. 14, 2007.

To be continued to Monday, March 23, 2020

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

ORD. 2019-257

To rezone the properties known as 13, 17, 19, 21, and a portion of 9 West 20th Street; 16, 18, 20, and 22 West 19th Street; 1900, 1906, 1920, and 1922 Bainbridge Street; and a portion of 2005 Hull Street from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the B-7 Mixed-Use Business District; the property known as 12 West 19th Street and a portion of 9 West 20th Street from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District; and the properties known as 1901, 1917, and a portion of 2005 Hull Street from the B-3 General Business District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

ORD. 2019-324

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1703 Maury Street for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-330

To amend Ord. No. 2019-041, adopted May 13, 2019, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Budget, by increasing anticipated revenues from fees for employees of the Department of Police who provide law enforcement services at certain special events and the amount appropriated to the Department of Police's Police-Operations program by \$350,000.00 for the purpose of providing funding for overtime costs associated with providing law enforcement services for certain special events.

ORD. 2019-331

To amend Ord. No. 2019-044, adopted May 13, 2019, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2019-190, adopted Jul. 22, 2019, which appropriated and provided funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2019, and ending Jun. 30, 2020, to make transfers from the contingency reserves major classification to other major classifications to facilitate the implementation of the School Board's strategic plan.

ORD. 2019-334

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept a donation of professional services and associated tools valued at approximately \$75,000.00 from Greenlink Analytics, Inc., and in connection therewith to execute a Contract for Donated Goods and Services between the City and Greenlink Analytics, Inc., for the purpose of providing a citywide climate and energy model.

ORD. 2019-335

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Deed of Quitclaim of Utility Easement Portion and Deed of Correction between the City of Richmond and Sauer Properties, Inc. for the purpose of releasing a portion of a utility easement and correcting a deed reference in an Easement Deed.

ORD. 2019-336

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Deed of Utility Easement between the City of Richmond and Regency Goodwyn, LLC, for the purpose of granting a variable width water line easement to the City.

ORD. 2019-337

To adopt an amendment to the Master Plan for the City of Richmond, adopted by the City Planning Commission on Nov. 6, 2000, and by the City Council by Ord. No. 2000-371-2001-11, adopted Jan. 8, 2001, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2017-148, adopted Sept. 25, 2017, to incorporate the James River Park System Master Plan: Final - 16 October 2019 with the Richmond Riverfront Plan Amendment 1: Downriver Update 2017, applicable to the downriver area along the James River identified in the Richmond Riverfront Plan, to include the area from Huguenot Flatwater Park east to the border with Henrico County as part of the Master Plan.

ORD. 2019-338

To repeal ch. 26, art. V, div. 3 (§§ 26-397-26-408) of the City Code and to amend ch. 26, art. V, by adding there a new div. 3 (§§ 26-408.1-26-408.11) for the purpose of modifying the requirements for the partial exemption of rehabilitated structures from real estate taxation.

ORD. 2019-339

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept in-kind goods and services in the form of a facility upgrade, supplies, installation services, and additional equipment valued at \$142,803.35 from the Commonwealth of Virginia 9-1-1 Services Board, for the purpose of funding costs for improvements to the 9-1-1 call handling equipment within the City's emergency communications network.

ORD. 2019-340

To amend ch. 12, art. IV of the City Code, concerning fees for City services, by adding therein a new § 12-123, concerning fees for employees of the City's Department of Police who provide law enforcement services at special events, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code by adding therein new fees for City Code § 12-123, for the purpose of establishing the fees to be charged for employees of the City's Department of Police who provide law enforcement services at special events.

ORD. 2020-001

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services; to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Justice Services called the Post-D Family Engagement Special Fund; and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Justice Services' Post-D Family Engagement Special Fund by \$25,000.00 for the purpose of funding delinquency prevention and alternative intervention programs for juveniles participating in the City's Post-D Program.

ORD. 2020-002

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$37,436.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services; to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Justice Services called the Peer Justice Special Fund; and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Justice Services' Peer Justice Special Fund by \$37,436.00 for the purpose of funding delinquency prevention and alternative intervention programs for juvenile status offenders.

ORD. 2020-003

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$43,127.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services; to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Justice Services called the RED-Race Ethnic Disparity Special Fund; and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Justice Services' RED-Race Ethnic Disparity Special Fund by \$43,127.00 for the purpose of funding a readiness assessment related to equitable treatment of juvenile status offenders and participation in the Georgetown University Certificate Program for reducing racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system.

ORD. 2020-004

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept grant funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 from the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority, and to appropriate the funds received to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development's Brownfields Special Fund by \$50,000.00 for the purpose of funding the assessment and evaluation of the potential redevelopment and reuse of the former Railroad Club located at 2908 P Street in the city of Richmond.

ORD. 2020-005

To amend Ord. No. 2019-041, adopted May 13, 2019, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by re-appropriating a \$250,000.00 portion of the calculated general fund surplus for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 to the Non-Departmental agency "OPEB Trust" line item for the purpose of funding a contribution to the trust established by § 1 of Ord. No. 2018-196, adopted Jul. 23, 2018.

ORD. 2020-006

To amend ch. 26, art. XVIII of the City Code, concerning cigarette taxes, by adding therein a new § 26-1279.1, concerning the establishment of a four percent cigarette tax discount on the sale of heat-applied City cigarette tax stamps, for the purpose of reducing the administrative costs for retailers.

ORD. 2020-007

To amend City Code § 26-967, concerning retail merchants, for the purpose of revising the business license requirements for manufacturers acting as retail merchants.

ORD. 2020-008

To amend and reordain certain fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for section 8-545 (concerning fees for the temporary use of Main Street Station) for the purpose of revising the schedule of fees for the temporary use of Main Street Station.

ORD. 2020-009

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Virginia Brownfields Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Assistance Fund Program Site Assessment and Planning Grant Performance Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority for the purpose of enabling the Authority to provide a grant of \$50,000 to the City to assist in the assessment and evaluation of the potential redevelopment and reuse of the former Railroad Club located at 2908 P Street in the city of Richmond.

ORD. 2020-012

To amend City Code §§ 26-819, concerning the composition of dog and cat licenses and tags, 26-820, concerning dog and cat licenses required annually and vaccinations, and 26-823, concerning false statements to secure a dog or cat license and penalty for failure to obtain a dog or cat license, for the purpose of facilitating the efficient issuance of animal licenses.

ORD. 2020-013

To amend City Code § 4-1, concerning definitions for animal control, for the purpose of revising certain definitions.

ORD. 2020-014

To amend City Code §§ 28-880, concerning general terms of permits, and 28-881, concerning the issuance of permits, for the purpose of modifying certain requirements and limitations for the installation of wireless facilities on City-owned utility poles.

RES. 2019-R070

To request that the Mayor propose a Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget that provides for a non-departmental appropriation of \$5,000 to the Honor the 14 Foundation for the purpose of funding a portion of the start-up costs for the erection of a monument to the 14 Medal of Honor recipients from the United States Colored Troops at the Battle of New Market Heights, and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the City's Administration to develop and implement a plan to erect the monument upon the donation to the City of the necessary funds collected by the Honor the 14 Foundation.

RES. 2020-R002

To authorize the issuance of public utility revenue refunding taxable bonds of the City of Richmond, Virginia in the maximum principal amount of up to \$180,000,000 to refund portions of certain public utility revenue and refunding bonds previously issued by the City, and to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such refunding bonds for such purposes, providing for the form, details and payment of the such bonds and approving the form of the supplemental indenture of trust.

RES. 2020-R003

To request that the Mayor recommend, and express the Council's intent to support, an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget to appropriate \$2,702,003.00 from the Capital Maintenance Reserve to the School ADA Compliance project in the Education category assigned to the School Board of the City of Richmond, Virginia.

RES. 2020-R004

To approve the issuance by the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority of its multifamily housing revenue bonds in an amount up to \$10,000,000.00 for the acquisition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation and equipping of an approximately 143-unit multifamily residential rental housing project to be known as Bellevue Apartments located at 4203 Chamberlayne Avenue and 4210 Old Brook Road in the city of Richmond.

RES. 2020-R005

To express support for the City's application to become a member of the American Flood Coalition.

RES. 2020-R006

To request that a traffic study be conducted to determine the best traffic calming measures in the area bounded by Hull Street on the south, Cowardin Avenue on the west, Semmes Avenue on the north, and West Commerce Road on the east to determine how best to improve road conditions, traffic efficiency, and traffic safety within that area.

RES. 2020-R007

To amend Res. No. 2018-R105, adopted Jan. 14, 2019, which expressed the Council's support of ratification by the General Assembly of Virginia of the Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution, for the purpose of urging the General Assembly of Virginia to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution during its 2020 session.

Support

Mary Kay Martin, Friends of the James River Park vice president, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and stated the James River Park System (JRPS) Master Plan was necessary to help preserve and protect the JRPS. Ms. Martin informed Council the Master Plan was funded and constructed over a 10-year period.

Katie Lemmert, James River Outdoor Coalition (JROC) president, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and stated the JRPS attracted many residents to the city. Ms. Lemmert expressed her concern that many residents would move away from the city if the JRPS was not protected and maintained.

Mary Wickham, James River Park System Invasive Plant Task Force coordinator, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and stated the JRPS was in distress from invasive vines and species. Ms. Wickham informed Council the proposed ordinance would provide funding to support nature and address invasive threats to the JRPS.

Rob Comit, Friends of Pump House board member, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and stated Friends of Pump House also supported the proposed JRPS Master Plan.

Chris Knoop spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and the proposed JRPS Master Plan. Mr. Knoop provided additional information regarding the restoration of the Pump House.

Catherine Farmer, Richmond Tree Stewards member, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and stated every Thursday she volunteers to remove invasive plants while also planting native trees on Belle Isle. Ms. Farmer informed Council that native caterpillars require native plants as a food source to survive. Ms. Farmer also stated the Richmond bird population relies on native caterpillars as a primary food source.

Zachary Reid, Honor the 14 Foundation board member, spoke in support of RES. 2019-R070 and stated the proposed resolution would provide initial funding for the Honor the 14 Foundation to begin work on creating a memorial on Monument Avenue.

Natalie Stickel spoke in support of ORD. 2019-337 and stated she accompanies Richmond Public Schools students to the JRPS to enjoy the river and park. Ms. Stickel requested Council support the JRPS Master Plan, teachers, students and schools.

Bill Gallasch, Monument Avenue Preservation Society president, spoke in support of RES. 2019-R070 and informed Council the Monument Avenue Preservation Society supported the proposed memorial.

Ben King, Iraq War veteran, stated he honors American heroes by sharing their stories with the next generation and expressed his support for the Honor the 14 Foundation.

Opposition

Ron Moore spoke in opposition of RES. 2019-R070 and expressed his belief that a public referendum be required to allow the addition of a new memorial on Monument Avenue. Mr. Moore stated he did not believe the proposed location at the intersection of Monument Avenue and Meadow Street could accommodate a memorial statue.

Councilor Kim Gray informed Council that a final location for the potential memorial had yet to be determined.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell requested additional information regarding ORD. 2020-006.

John Wack, Department of Finance director, stated the ordinance would allow the city to provide a discount on cigarette tax stamps.

Councilor Michael Jones addressed RES. 2019-R070 and expressed his belief that conversations were necessary involving public input to determine how to handle memorials on Monument Avenue. Councilor Jones also stated the General Assembly of Virginia had yet to decide on the city's request for local control to determine the disposition of memorials and monuments.

Councilor Michael Jones moved to continue RES. 2019-R070 to such a time when Council had an opportunity to chart a plan based on recommendations of the Monument Avenue Commission, which failed for lack of a second.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved to continue ORD. 2020-006 to the Monday, February 10th Council meeting, which was seconded and failed: Ayes 3, Lynch, Gray, Trammell. Noes 6, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille.

Councilwoman Trammell expressed her thanks to city administration for meeting with the Blackwell Historic Community Civic Association regarding ORD. 2019-324 and stated the Blackwell Historic Community Civic Association supported the proposed ordinance.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

The following ordinance was considered:

ORD. 2019-328

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1900 Chamberlayne Parkway for the purpose of office, group home, [shelter," and social service delivery uses, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended)

Opposition

Alesa Hemenway, Chamberlayne Industrial Center Association (ICA) secretary, spoke in opposition of ORD. 2019-328, and informed Council that the ICA submitted a petition containing 175 signatures in opposition of the proposed ordinance. Ms. Hemenway stated the proposed special use permit (SUP) would prevent revitalization of the area.

James Dias spoke in opposition of ORD. 2019-328. Mr. Dias stated the proposed SUP would harm the area and prevent business growth.

Harris Wheeler spoke in opposition of ORD. 2019-328. Mr. Wheeler stated The Salvation Army provided a tremendous presentation on the need for the SUP, but he expressed his disapproval of the proposed location.

Support

Lisa Brown spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated she assisted the homeless community on Chamberlayne Avenue. Ms. Brown informed Council many homeless individuals are woman, children and veterans. Ms. Brown stated she was once homeless and reached personal success because she received provided shelter.

Preston Lloyd, Williams Mullen partner, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 on behalf of The Salvation Army, and stated the proposed SUP would allow The Salvation Army to expand its capacity to address homelessness.

Barbara Brown spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and inquired why new construction projects in the city were not devoted to providing shelter for the homeless.

Kelly King Horne, Homeward executive director, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated the proposed ordinance would address the shortage of emergency shelters supported by staff.

Kimberly Tucker, St. Joseph's Villa housing and homeless services director, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated the proposed SUP would provide emergency shelter for homeless

individuals in a crisis until permanent housing was available. Ms. Tucker said the emergency housing would be temporary and last no more than 30 days.

Denise Bavaro, Virginia Supportive Housing program manager, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328. Ms. Bavaro expressed her belief that housing was a right and the proposed ordinance would provide stable housing for those seeking help.

Karen Stanley, CARITAS president and chief executive officer (CEO), spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated the bank next to the proposed location was not opposed to the SUP. Ms. Stanley also stated concerns raised by opponents regarding criminal activity by homeless individuals in need of emergency shelter were not accurate.

Steven Batsche, The Salvation Army Central Virginia Area Command executive director, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated the proposed SUP would allow The Salvation Army to expand its facilities that provide emergency housing from 9,000 square feet to 40,000 square feet.

Rhonda Sneed, Blessing Warriors RVA Inc., president, and Camp Cathy director, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and addressed Blessing Warriors RVA and Camp Cathy's efforts to address homelessness in the city.

Mary Wilkes spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated the proposed facility was needed in the city.

Mathew Jones, Senior Connections care coordinator manager, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated he disagreed with the issues raised by opponents regarding criminal activity conducted by the homeless community. Mr. Jones also stated that homeless individuals in the city were more likely to be older and victims of violence.

Oludare Ogunde, Project Give Back to Community president, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated Project Give Back to Community provided emergency housing to homeless individuals recently released from incarceration. Mr. Ogunde expressed his belief that The Salvation Army had the ability to address the public safety issue of homelessness in the city.

Sarah Scarbrough, REAL LIFE director, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-328 and expressed her belief that the location referenced in the proposed ordinance was a good choice to address issues in the surrounding community.

Alan Chipman addressed Council and expressed his support for The Salvation Army. Mr. Chipman informed Council of an opioid overdose incident he witnessed that involved a homeless individual. Mr. Chipman stated the individual's life was saved once emergency services arrived. Mr. Chipman expressed his belief that The Salvation Army would help prevent such incidents in the homeless community and asked Council to adopt ORD. 2019-328.

Councilor Ellen Robertson informed Council that the Education and Human Services Standing Committee received a report and presentation regarding city administration's efforts to address homelessness in the city. Councilor Robertson stated The Salvation Army would assist in helping homeless individuals obtain permanent housing and asked that her colleagues support the proposed ordinance.

Councilor Michael Jones stated the issue of district location of emergency housing facilities should not interfere with Council's need to address homelessness.

Councilor Kim Gray acknowledged concerns raised by those in opposition and stated remedies to address criminal activity in the area suggested by the city's Master Plan were still being implemented. Councilor Gray expressed her support of ORD. 2019-328.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell expressed her support of ORD. 2019-328 and stated the Richmond Police Department would address any issues that may occur as a result of the emergency housing facility.

President Cynthia Newbille thanked those who spoke to the proposed ordinance and expressed her support of ORD. 2019-328.

There were no further comments or discussions and **ORD. 2019-328 was adopted:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Lynch, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Hilbert.

MOTIONS

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved that the resolution entitled:

RES. 2019-R069

To request the Richmond delegation to the General Assembly of Virginia to introduce and support the enactment of legislation authorizing the City to (i) establish designated no turns on red zones in City streets and (ii) allow bicyclists to treat a stop sign as a yield sign and a red light traffic signal as a stop sign, for the purpose of supporting certain goals in alignment with the Vision Zero traffic safety program that promote sustainability and equity in access to safe transportation.

be amended as follows:

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After the word "to", strike the text "(i) establish designated no turns on red zones in the City streets and (ii)"

Page 2, Line 2

After the word "to", strike the text "(i) establish designated no turns on red zones in the City streets and (ii)"

Page 2, Line 10

After the word "to", strike the text "(i) establish designated no turns on red zones in the City streets and (ii)"

The motion was seconded approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes None. Lynch was excused. RES. 2019-R069, as amended, was considered.

There were no comments or discussions and **RES. 2019-R069, as amended, was adopted:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes None. Lynch was excused.

Councilor Kristen Larson moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes None. Lynch was excused.

RES. 2019-R008

To appoint Tavares Floyd to the position of Council Liaison.

Patron: Councilor Robertson

Councilor Ellen Robertson asked for her colleagues support in the appointment of Tavares Floyd to the position of Council Liaison.

There were no further comments or discussions and **RES. 2020-R008 was adopted:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes None. Lynch was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Kristen Larson moved to approve the minutes of the following Richmond City Council meetings: Navy Hill Development Proposal Work Session held on Monday, October 14, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.; Special Meeting held on Monday, January 6, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.; Informal and Formal Council Sessions held on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., respectively.

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinance and resolution on Monday, February 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2020-026

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept grant funds in the amount of \$76,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, and to appropriate the funds received to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' SHSP Special Fund by \$76,000.00 for the purpose of funding improvements to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' swift water and flood rescue specialty teams.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

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

RES. 2020-R009

To request that the Mayor withdraw the existing Navy Hill ordinances and conduct a new request for proposals process.

Patrons: Ms. Larson, Ms. Gray, Ms. Lynch, Vice President Hilbert and Ms. Trammell

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, February 24, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2020-027

To grant to the County of Chesterfield, Virginia a temporary construction easement upon, over, under, and across a certain portion of the City-owned real estate known as 8850 West Huguenot Road.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

ORD. 2020-028

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Lease Agreement between Enrichmond Foundation, as Lessee, and the City of Richmond, as Lessor, to allow Enrichmond Foundation to lease office and warehouse space at 1500 East Franklin Street.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

ORD. 2020-029

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1301 North Hamilton Street for the purpose of a retail use accessory to an existing office use, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-030

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1600 West Broad Street and 1606 West Broad Street for the purpose of a mixed-use building containing up to 168 dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-031

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3114 Grayland Avenue for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-032

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2006-130-115, adopted May 22, 2006, which authorized the special use of the property known as 3011 Meadow Bridge Road for the purpose of authorizing commercial uses, which may be operated on a social service delivery basis, and an accessory parking area, to modify the permitted uses, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-033

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2007 Cedar Street for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing up to five dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-034

To rezone the property known as 2408 Ownby Lane from the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the B-5 Central Business District.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-035

To rezone the property known as 2413 Ownby Lane from the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the B-5 Central Business District.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-036

To rezone the properties known as 1601 Overbrook Road and 1611 Overbrook Road from the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the B-5 Central Business District.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 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 Michael Jones exited the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

CITY CLERK