



City of Richmond

Formal Meeting Minutes

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Monday, March 27, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Richmond City Council met in the Council Chamber on Monday, March 27, 2017, at 6:10 p.m.

Invocation was offered by Dr. Alonza Lawrence, Moore Street Missionary Baptist Church, 1408 W. Leigh Street, Richmond, VA.

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

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, President
The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, Vice President
The Honorable Andreas Addison
The Honorable Parker Agelasto
The Honorable Kim Gray
The Honorable Michael Jones
The Honorable Kristen Larson
The Honorable Ellen Robertson
The Honorable Reva Trammell

CHAMBER EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

President Chris Hilbert called the meeting to order and presided. Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk Candice Reid 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.

President Chris Hilbert asked that a moment of silence be observed for Dr. Virgie Binford, a long time educator in the Richmond area, consultant and someone who made a tremendous impact on Central Virginia and on the city of Richmond.

APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

There were no appointment/reappointment items for consideration.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

President Chris Hilbert and Councilor Parker Agelasto, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized the 100th Anniversary of the United States of America's entry into World War I and the supporters of the Virginia World War I Memorial Carillon.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Melvin Jones addressed the Council supporting raises for city employees and retirees. Mr. Jones also expressed concerns regarding potholes and cemented alley ways.

Annie Gaines addressed the Council concerning trash in the 2800 block of Walmsley Boulevard and a drainage problem in her backyard, and stated that former 1st District Council Representative G. Manoli Loupassi has been the only person to reach out to assist her.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell inquired about the use of a van that was given to the Sheriff's Office, by Seibert's Towing, to transport inmates to assist with clean-ups in the city.

President Chris Hilbert recommended that Ms. Gaines meet with Bobby Vincent, interim director, Department of Public Works, to discuss her concerns.

Ana Edwards, chair, Defender of the Sacred Ground Historical Reclamation Project, addressed Council regarding the community-generated proposal for the Shockoe Bottom Memorial Park. Ms. Edwards stated that the proposal supports a single resource historic designation for the memorial park area, protecting the African burial grounds, the slave trading site and Lumpkin's Jail from inappropriate development, committing to a master planning approach to Shockoe Bottom Historic preservation and development, and encouraging the mayor to meet with long standing Shockoe Bottom community stakeholders to discuss planned goals for the site.

Rodney Hunter addressed the Council in support of the Shockoe Bottom Memorial Park, expressing the desire to make the historical project a memorial for all to celebrate in the city and in Virginia.

Robert Nieweg, senior field director, National Trust for Historic Preservation, addressed Council stating that the National Trust sees Shockoe Bottom as a national treasure that should be treated with the greatest care and transformed into a site that promotes truth and reconciliation. Mr. Nieweg advised Council that the National Trust for Historic Preservation strongly supports the community-generated proposal.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Cheryl Nici-O'Connell, a former Richmond police officer, provided Council with background information concerning parole denial of an inmate who could be released under geriatric reform. Ms. Nici-O'Connell stated that there is a website where a letter can be downloaded, signed and sent to the Virginia Parole Board supporting the denial. She provided Council with t-shirts, from Richmond United for Law Enforcement, in support of men and women in blue.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

L. Shirley Harvey addressed the Council concerning Curtis J. Holt, Sr.'s movement which led to a majority African American City Council. Ms. Harvey expressed concerns with the city's poverty and crime rates and with alleged corruption in city departments.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Parker Agelasto moved to amend the agenda as follows:

ORD. 2014-093

To establish an Advisory Task Force for the Economic Revitalization of South Richmond to provide advice to the Council, the Mayor and other City agencies concerning strategies and initiatives to improve the economic health of and promote economic development in certain Enterprise Zones and along certain corridors of South Richmond.

To be amended and continued to Monday, April 10, 2017

ORD. 2015-199

To amend City Code §§ 38-156, concerning the abatement of certain refuse, litter and weed control violations, and 86-44, concerning the times and places of collection for bulk items, brush and loose leaves, for the purposes of requiring the Chief Administrative Officer to waive certain fees for the abatement of certain violations, requiring the Director of Public Works to provide written notification of the date on which bulk items are scheduled for collection, and prohibiting the placement of bulk items for collection on or near a public right-of-way more than 48 hours before the date scheduled for collection.

To be continued to Monday, April 24, 2017

ORD. 2017-008

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 1st Street and 2nd Street Buffered Bike Lanes project.

To be continued to Monday, June 26, 2017

ORD. 2017-012

To close, to public use and travel, a portion of Northumberland Avenue running from the south line of West Roberts Street to such portion's southern terminus, consisting of 16,355± square feet, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, April 24, 2017

ORD. 2017-018

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 82-7-16, adopted Feb. 8, 1982, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2007-98-69, adopted Apr. 9, 2007, which authorized the special use of the property known as 301 West Franklin Street for the purpose of a motel, together with accessory off-street parking, to authorize the installation of two canopy signs, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be amended and continued to Monday, April 24, 2017

ORD. 2017-024

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 2-871-2-872, concerning the Highway Safety Commission, for the purpose of renaming the Highway Safety Commission as the Safe and Healthy Streets Commission and providing that a quorum of the Commission consists of a majority of the members instead of seven members; and to amend and reordain ch. 2, art. V, div. 5 of the City Code by adding therein a new § 2-873, concerning the review of transportation-related projects, to require the review by the Commission of transportation-related projects.

To be amended and continued to Monday, April 10, 2017

ORD. 2017-068

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Contract between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the Better Housing Coalition to make a

grant of \$250,000 to the Better Housing Coalition for the purpose of supporting feasibility analysis and predevelopment activities for the development and redevelopment of the Eastview neighborhood in the city of Richmond.

To be continued to Monday, April 24, 2017

ORD, 2017-069

To amend City Code §§ 8-58, 8-61, 8-62, and 8-63, concerning the sale of City-owned real estate, for the purpose of providing for the conduct of a competitive process prior to the acceptance of an unsolicited offer to purchase City-owned real estate.

To be continued to Monday, April 24, 2017

ORD, 2017-071

To (i) repeal Ord. Nos. 89-202-180, adopted Jul. 10, 1989; 89-203-181, adopted Jul. 10, 1989; 94-156-147, adopted Jun. 27, 1994; 96-172-155, adopted Jun. 10, 1996; 98-200-251, adopted Jun. 22, 1998; and 2004-356-351, adopted Dec. 13, 2004; (ii) repeal art. III, §§ 26 and 31 of the pay plan adopted by Ord. No. 93-117-159, adopted May 24, 1993; and (iii) amend art. III of the pay plan adopted by Ord. No. 93-117-159, adopted May 24, 1993, by adding therein new §§ 26A (concerning reduction-in-force), 26B (concerning severance), and 26C (concerning amicable departure agreements); all for the purpose of revising the City's provisions governing severance pay for classified and unclassified employees, including senior executive employee.

To be continued to Monday, May 8, 2017

RES, 2017-R010

To designate the properties known as 1031 Fourqorean Lane, 1031 Fourqorean Lane Rear, 1101 Fourqorean Lane, and 1111 Fourqorean Lane as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

To be continued to Monday, May 22, 2017

ORD, 2016-270

To declare surplus and to direct the sale of City-owned real estate located at 101 North 6th Street, 603, 609, 611, 615 and 619 East Grace Street, 612 East Franklin Street, and 112, 114 and 116 North 7th Street, for \$3,950,000 to City Center Development, LLC, for the purpose of the construction of a mixed-use development including commercial and residential space.

To be continued to Monday, April 10, 2017

RES, 2016-R016

To establish a policy of the Council that the Council will appoint no person to the Board of Commissioners of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to more than two consecutive full terms.

To be continued to Monday, May 8, 2017

RES, 2017-R015

To request that the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer work with the School Board and other affected governmental agencies to study the potential effects on the City of any proposed development in area of the city bounded by Westwood Avenue to the north, Brook Road to the east, Rennie Avenue to the south, and Loxley Road to the west, including, but not limited to, the effects of such development with regard to historic preservation, schools, stormwater drainage, and traffic.

To be amended and voted on

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

ORD. 2016-221

To amend the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Areas Map in accordance with ch. 14, art. IV of the City Code for the purpose of adding new development and stream determinations [~~approved by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality~~]. (As Amended)

ORD. 2017-033

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$670,813.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services; to amend the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Sheriff and Jail called the Jail Mental Health Program Special Fund; and to appropriate the grant funds received to the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Sheriff and Jail's Jail Mental Health Program Special Fund by \$670,813.00 for the purpose of providing mental health services to inmates at the City Jail.

ORD. 2017-034

To amend City Code § 2-302, concerning when certain fiscal and economic impact statements are required, for the purpose of requiring that the impact statements be provided to the Council and to the City Clerk and that the same be published on the City's website for each ordinance authorizing an economic development project and for each written motion to amend such an ordinance.

ORD. 2017-035

To amend and reordain City Code § 26-549, concerning the moratorium on acceptance of applications for tax exemptions, for the purpose of imposing a new requirement that triennial applications for retention of the exempt status by designation of real or personal property be filed with and reviewed by the City Assessor during such moratorium.

ORD. 2017-067

To amend Ord. No. 2016-053, adopted May 13, 2016, which adopted a General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and made appropriations pursuant thereto, to transfer funds in the amount of \$35,000 from the Department of Economic and Community Development agency and to appropriate this \$35,000 to a new line item in the Non-Departmental agency called the Carytown, Inc. - Litter Cleanup line item for the purpose of making a grant to Carytown, Inc. to support litter cleanup activities in the Carytown area.

ORD. 2017-070

To authorize the Director of Procurement Services, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Goods and Services Contract between the City of Richmond and CliftonLarsonAllen LLP for auditing services.

RES. 2017-R012

To declare a public necessity to amend ch. 30 of the City Code and to initiate an amendment to the City's zoning ordinance to prohibit the extraction of natural gas by means of hydraulic fracturing within the limits of the city of Richmond.

RES. 2017-R013

To amend the Rules of Procedure adopted by Res. No. 2017-R001, adopted Jan. 3, 2017, for the purpose of providing for the earlier availability of the text of resolutions proposed to be voted on

under expedited consideration at the same meeting at which they are introduced and of motions to amend legislation proposed to be voted on at the same meeting at which they are amended.

RES. 2017-R014

To set the rate of personal property tax relief for qualifying vehicles for the 2017 tax year pursuant to City Code §§ 26-495-26-497.

RES. 2017-R016

To designate certain parcels of City property or portions thereof as City property that may be made available for annual use as community garden sites for periods not to exceed one year at a time.

RES. 2017-R017

To amend the Rules of Procedure adopted by Res. No. 2017-R001, adopted Jan. 3, 2017, for the purpose of regulating the use of the press area within the Council Chamber during meetings of the City Council and its committees.

RES. 2017-R018

To amend Res. No. 2017-R002, adopted Jan. 3, 2017, which designates which Council members shall serve on the Council's Standing Committees and the various boards, commissions, and other collegial bodies on which Council members serve to conform references to the officers of the Organizational Development Standing Committee to the Council's Rules of Procedure.

Opposition

Julie Kerr spoke in opposition to proposed ORD. 2016-221 requesting that Council delay its approval. Ms. Kerr stated that residents were not notified of the amendment to the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Map and were sent violation and fine notices.

Miles Morin, executive director, Virginia Petroleum Council, spoke in opposition to proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that Richmond sits entirely on solid granite which cannot hold oil and gas so banning fracturing is a waste of time. Mr. Morin distributed a map produced by the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy showing that the city has zero potential for any oil and gas and asked Council to oppose the resolution.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Alan Schintzius spoke in opposition to proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that, as pointed out, there is nothing to fracture in the city and urged Council to invest in its retirement system instead.

David Clarke, counsel of the Virginia Oil and Gas Association, spoke in opposition to proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that he is mainly concerned about the precedent the ban would set for other localities to enact similar bans on fracturing.

Support

Scott Burger spoke in support of proposed RES. 2017-R012 requesting that Council get ahead of the game by passing the legislation and to further research hydraulic fracturing.

Montigue Margruder, spoke in support of proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that hydraulic fracturing should be banned statewide.

Jamshid Bakhtiari, Virginia field coordinator, Chesapeake Climate Action Network, spoke in support of proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that hydraulic fracturing has destructive and irreversible impacts on the quality of water, air, soil, and life for communities.

Lannie Sullivan, spoke in support of proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that she echoes Mr. Bakhtiari's comments and hopes that Council supports the progressive resolution.

Barbara Adams, spoke in support of proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that hydraulic fracturing has proven to be highly destructive and thanked Councilor Parker Agelasto for patroning the legislation.

Trip Pollard, senior attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center spoke in support of proposed RES. 2017-R012 stating that hydraulic fracturing is a 24/7 industry activity and has no place in urban areas like Richmond; he urged Council to support the legislation.

There were no further comments or discussions and **the Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted with the exception of RES. 2017-R012, which was also adopted:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Agelasto, Gray, Trammell, Newbille, Hilbert. Noes, None. Abstentions 1, Addison.

REGULAR AGENDA

Councilor Kim Gray moved that the resolution entitled:

RES. 2017-R015

To request that the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer work with the School Board and other affected governmental agencies to study the potential effects on the City of any proposed development in area of the city bounded by Westwood Avenue to the north, Brook Road to the east, Rennie Avenue to the south, and Loxley Road to the west, including, but not limited to, the effects of such development with regard to historic preservation, schools, stormwater drainage, and traffic.

be amended, as follows:

Page 1, Line 18

After the word "Tract", insert a comma followed by the text "an area planned for institutional use in the City's Master Plan"

Page 2, Line 4

At the beginning of the line, add the recitals "WHEREAS, the Council believes that none of these historic preservation, school, stormwater drainage, and traffic issues were addressed when Ordinance No. 53-21-31, adopted February 9, 1953, rezoned the Westwood Tract from a 'B' Single Family Dwelling District to an 'E' Multiple Family Dwelling District to permit the expansion of the Union Theological Seminary's facilities; and

WHEREAS, a letter dated November 15, 2016, from David Hudson, the Principal of Linwood Holton Elementary School, to Kimberly Gray states his conclusion that the aforementioned proposal to construct a multifamily development of approximately 300 apartment units on the Westwood Tract would increase that elementary school's enrollment by 68 to 147 students; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that the traffic impact analysis entitled 'Bristol and Westwood Development, Traffic Impact Analysis, Richmond, Virginia,' prepared by Timmons Group, and dated June 25, 2015, did not sufficiently capture the morning traffic associated with Veritas School and did not sufficiently model the traffic or safety impacts of a proposed new access point at the intersection of Westwood Avenue and Lamont Street; and"

Page 3, Line 10

At the beginning of the line, add the text "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer are hereby requested to consider the following in conducting this study:

1. Ordinance No. 53-21-31, adopted February 9, 1953, and any additional site plans for dormitories;
2. Any documentation or recommendations from the process required by section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. § 470f, that the Virginia Department of Historic Resources is currently conducting;
3. The letter dated November 15, 2016, from David Hudson, the Principal of Linwood Holton Elementary School, to Kimberly Gray, a copy of which is attached to this resolution, and any additional documentation of school impacts;
4. Any information relating to frequent flooding in the neighborhood or combined sanitary and stormwater sewer overflows into the James River; and
5. An independent traffic model and safety evaluation of the proposed full access entrance from Westwood Avenue located opposite Lamont Street, including full development of the entire 33.843-acre Westwood Tract, current and future traffic associated with Veritas School, and any alternative access points to avoid congestion and safety concerns.”

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Opposition

Jennifer Mullen, on behalf of Union Theological Seminary, spoke in opposition of the proposed legislation urging Council to continue the resolution and meet with the land owner to review the facts. Ms. Mullen stated that the body cannot and should not interfere with Seminary’s property rights.

Andrew Conclin, representing Union Theological Seminary and Bristol Development, spoke in opposition of the proposed legislation stating that property rights exist at all times, not only when it’s politically popular. Mr. Conclin requested that Council vote against the paper or continue it to get another point of view other than those referenced in the resolution.

Support

Hampton Carver spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that he hopes everyone will see that the legislation is an effort by a community to protect itself, to protect the city, and to make sure everyone operates on the same rules with openness and transparency.

Elizabeth Kostelny, chief executive officer, Preservation Virginia, spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that Preservation Virginia has been the voice for historic places across the Commonwealth and asked that Council support the resolution.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Will Scribner spoke in support of the proposed legislation and referenced a letter sent to Council from Principal David Hudson of Linwood Holton School regarding the overcrowding of students should the legislation be approved.

Ben Campbell spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that the resolution is very important because the traffic, water and school studies were not properly done.

Charles Saunders spoke in support of the proposed legislation providing information relative to recurring flooding on Brook Road, a needed storm water analysis of the entire Westwood Tract and watershed, and potential petroleum contaminated soils from underground storage tanks.

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Thomas Wolf spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that, if a decision was made based on incorrect information, it must be reconsidered.

Rodney Poole spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that Council has the right to initiate a rezoning of the property and it is appropriate to approve the resolution.

Robert Masha spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that City Council is completely within its purview to review information that was not received during the initial zoning approval decision.

Cyane Crump, executive director, Historic Richmond Foundation, spoke in support of the proposed legislation thanking Council for its time and consideration of a very unique resolution.

Adam Sitterding spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that he is concerned about the traffic congestion when walking his kids to school on Westwood Avenue.

Pierce Homer spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that the questions in the resolution were asked four years ago and should have already been addressed. He also stated that the proposed development would cause overcrowding at Linwood Holton School.

John Gass spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that if Seminary is not going to do the right thing for its neighborhood, history and commitment to the city, then it is up to city government to do the right thing.

Dennis Garza spoke in support of the proposed legislation stating that he is proud of his neighbors who came forward to express their concerns about the development and he strongly urges Council to vote to approve the paper.

David White addressed Council concerning assistance with finding room and board.

Councilwoman Ellen Robertson and President Chris Hilbert asked city administration to have someone speak with Mr. White.

Councilor Kim Gray provided background information regarding the proposed resolution. Ms. Gray stated that it is long overdue and urged her colleagues to vote to support the studies that are requested in the resolution.

President Chris Hilbert stated that it's troubling to him that the traffic study did not take into consideration the growth of the Veritas School and how it will impact Westwood Avenue.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated that he supports the proposed resolution, and one of the things he hears is the need for transparency. He also stated that every development in the city impacts traffic, population, schools, and utilities, and studies of each should have been considered. He further stated that the process needs to be reviewed so this will not happen again.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell, Councilor Michael Jones, Councilor Parker Agelasto, Vice President Cynthia Newbille and Councilwoman Ellen Robertson stated that they will support the proposed resolution.

Councilor Kristen Larson thanked everybody who came out and stated that she appreciates the paper and will support it. Ms. Larson also stated that, before developments are approved, consideration of the impact on schools, should be required.

There were no further comments or discussions and **RES. 2017-R015 (As Amended) was unanimously adopted.**

MOTIONS

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2014-093

To establish an Advisory Task Force for the Economic Revitalization of South Richmond to provide advice to the Council, the Mayor and other City agencies concerning strategies and initiatives to improve the economic health of and promote economic development in certain [Enterprise Zones] areas and along certain corridors of South Richmond.

be amended and continued to Monday, April 10, 2017, as follows:

Page 1, Line 5

After the word “determinations”, strike the text “approved by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality”

Page 1, Line 7

At the beginning of the line, strike the words “Enterprise Zones” and insert the word “areas”

Page 1, Line 16

After the words “in certain”, strike the words “Enterprise Zones” and insert the word “areas”

Page 1, Line 18

After the words “for the”, strike the word “Board” and insert the words “Task Force”

Page 2, Line 6

After the words “in certain”, strike the words “Enterprise Zones” and insert the word “areas”

Page 2, Line 7

After the comma following the word “Richmond”, strike the word “as”

After the word “shown”, insert the phrase “as Enterprise Zones”

After the word “entitled”, strike the title “Economic Revitalization of Southside Richmond,” and insert the title “Enterprise Zones 2015 Map,”

Page 2, Line 9

After the word “section”, strike the section number “2-843” and insert the section number “2-761”

Page 2, Line 10

After the word “Richmond”, strike the parenthetical year “(2004)” and insert the parenthetical year “(2015)”

Page 2, Line 12

After the word “of”, strike the word “nine” and insert the word “ten”

Page 2, Line 13

At the beginning of the line, strike the word “eight” and insert the word “nine” After the word “Council”, strike the words “by resolution”

Page 2, Line 17

After the word “sections”, strike the section number “2-836” and insert the section number “2-755”

Page 2, Line 18

At the beginning of the line, strike the section number “2-837” and insert the section number “2-756”

After the word “Richmond”, strike the parenthetical year “(2004)” and insert the parenthetical year “(2015)”

Page 3, Line 5

After the period following the number “4”, strike the words “One member” and insert the words “Two members” After the word “who”, strike the words “is a member” and insert the words “are members”

Page 3, Line 9

After the words “in certain”, strike the words “Enterprise Zones” and insert the word “areas”

Page 3, Line 10

After the comma following the word “Richmond”, strike the word “as”

After the word “shown”, insert the phrase “as Enterprise Zones” After the word “entitled”, strike the title ““Economic Revitalization of Southside Richmond,”” and insert the title ““Enterprise Zones 2015 Map,””

Page 4, Line 21

After the word “meet”, strike the words “at least monthly and”

Page 4, Line 23

After the period following the word “Reporting”, strike the phrase “On the first day of each month” and insert the phrase “No later than 30 days after each meeting of the Task Force”

Page 5, Line 2

After the word “brief”, insert the word “written”

Page 5, Line 3

After the word “activities”, strike the phrase “for the preceding month”

Page 5, Line 10

After the word “Office”, insert the text “of the Council Chief of Staff and the Office”

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

Councilwoman Kim Gray moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2017-018

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 82-7-16, adopted Feb. 8, 1982, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2007-98-69, adopted Apr. 9, 2007, which authorized the special use of the property known as 301 West Franklin Street for the purpose of a motel, together with accessory off-street parking, to authorize the installation of two canopy signs, upon certain terms and conditions.

be amended and continued to Monday, April 24, 2017, as follows:

Page 2, Line 10

After the word “plans”, strike the text “entitled ‘Graduate Richmond,’”

After the word "Group", strike the comma

Page 2, Line 11

At the beginning of the line, insert the text "Graduate Richmond, Canopy West Elevation,"

After the word "September", strike the numeric date "19" and insert the numeric date "9"

After the comma following the year "2016", insert the text "entitled 'Graduate Richmond, Canopy Front Elevation,' dated February 23, 2017, and 'Graduate Richmond Logo,' dated September 18, 2016" and a comma

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

Councilman Andreas Addison moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2017-024

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 2-871—2-872, concerning the Highway Safety Commission, for the purpose of renaming the Highway Safety Commission as the Safe and Healthy Streets Commission and providing that a quorum of the Commission consists of a majority of the members instead of seven members; and to amend and reordain ch. 2, art. V, div. 5 of the City Code by adding therein a new § 2-873, concerning the review of transportation-related projects, to require the review by the Commission of transportation-related projects.

be amended and continued to Monday, April 10, 2017, as follows:

Page 1, Line 6

After the word "Commission", strike the word "and" followed by a comma

Page 1, Line 7

After the word "members", strike the semicolon

After the word "and" following the stricken semicolon, strike the text "to amend and reordain ch. 2, art. V, div. 5 of the City Code by adding therein a new § 2873, concerning the review of transportation-related projects"

Page 1, Line 9

After the words "require the", strike the words "review by" and insert the text "Department of Public Works to provide"

After the word "Commission", strike the word "of" and insert the text "with information concerning"

Page 1, Line 10

After the word "projects", insert the text "upon request therefor by the Commission"

Page 3, Line 18

At the beginning of the line, insert a parenthetical "(e)" and the text "Information on projects. The Department of Public Works shall provide the Commission with information on transportation-related projects upon request therefor by the Commission."

Page 4, Line 1

After the period following the numeral "2", strike the text "That Chapter 2, Article V, Division 5 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) be and is hereby amended and reordained by adding therein a new section numbered 2-873, as follows: Sec. 2-873. Review of transportation-

related projects. For purposes of this section, the term “department” means a City agency responsible for the construction of a transportation-related project and the term “transportation-related project” means a project for the construction of infrastructure in the public right-of-way that affects pedestrian travel, vehicular travel, or both. No contract shall be solicited for the construction of a transportation-related project in the city until the requirements of this section have been met. The department shall submit all plans for the transportation related project to the Commission for review when such plans are 30 percent complete, 60 percent complete, and 100 percent complete. Plans will be deemed submitted to the Commission as of the date on which an employee of the department either provides copies of the plans to each member of the Commission or notifies each member of the Commission in writing of the means by which a member of the Commission can access the plans electronically. The Commission shall review the plans and, by majority vote, provide recommendations to the department concerning the safety-related aspects of the transportation-related project. If the Commission has not voted to provide any recommendations to the department within 30 calendar days after the date on which the plans for a transportation-related project that are 100 percent complete are submitted to the Commission, the Commission will be deemed to have decided not to provide any such recommendations. Departments are encouraged to consider and, where practicable, incorporate the Commission’s recommendations into the plans for the transportation related project prior to the solicitation of a contract for the construction of the transportation-related project. The Commission shall hold meetings with such frequency as may be necessary to avoid delaying the progress of the design of a transportation-related project.”

Page 5, Line 5

At the beginning of the line, strike the section symbol, the numeral “3”, and the following period

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

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Agelasto, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille. Noes None. Abstention 1, Hilbert.

RES. 2016-R019

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to submit an application to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development Industrial Revitalization Fund on behalf of the Better Housing Coalition for a grant of \$600,000 for the purpose of the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of commercial and retail space, including the possibility of an affordable child care center, as part of a mixed-use and mixed-income development of the property located at 3200 West Broad Street.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

Councilor Kristen Larson expressed concern regarding the late notice of the legislation which does not give councilors and the public adequate time to review the legislation.

Lee Downey, deputy chief administrative officer, Economic & Community Development answered questions concerning the proposed expedited resolution.

Councilor Kim Gray stated that the location of the property is in her district and she would like to receive background information regarding the project. She expressed concerns regarding expediting legislation.

Mr. Downey explained that the approval of the proposed legislation would allow funding to be available in the fall and would keep the project on the required timeline.

Vice President Cynthia Newbille stated that the following is requested when expediting resolutions: that the person requesting the expedited paper be present and state why the paper is being expedited and specify timelines.

President Chris Hilbert disclosed that his employer, the Virginia Housing Development Authority, has allocated \$150,000 of Community Impact Grant funds for the mixed-use and mixed-income development of 3200 West Broad Street, which project is the subject of this resolution.

This resolution was rejected: Ayes 4, Robertson, Agelasto, Addison, Newbille. Noes 1, Jones. Abstentions 4, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Hilbert.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Michael Jones moved to approve the following Richmond City Council meeting minutes: Special Meeting held on Monday, March 6, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., Budget Work Session held on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., Informal Council Session held on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 4:00 p.m., and the Formal Council Session held on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities were provided by the following council members: Councilors Robertson, Larson, Addison, Gray, Jones, Agelasto, Councilwoman Trammell, Vice President Newbille and President Hilbert.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolution on Monday, April 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2017-075

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$74,852 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; to amend the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Police called the Law Enforcement Intervention Focusing on Education (LIFE) Program Special Fund; and to appropriate the grant funds received to the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Police's Law Enforcement Intervention Focusing on Education (LIFE) Program Special Fund by \$74,852 for the purpose of providing prevention and intervention services, resources, and programs to assist in the diversion of youth from the criminal justice system.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

ORD. 2017-076

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice for the purpose of enabling the City's Department of Justice Services to provide intake

evaluations for direct care to juvenile offenders committed to the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

RES. 2017-R020

To approve an expenditure in the amount of \$500.00 from the Council Districts Funds for the First District to make a donation to Girls for a Change for its 2017 Date with Dad Dinner and Dance..

Patrons: Mr. Addison

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

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances on Monday, April 24, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2017-077

To amend Ord. No. 2016-057, adopted May 13, 2016, which appropriated and provided funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2016, and ending Jun. 30, 2017, for the purpose of transferring \$5,500,000 from the Instruction classification to the Pupil Transportation classification.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 13, 2017, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2017-078

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund Performance Agreement between the City of Richmond, Owens & Minor Medical, Inc., and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond to facilitate the consolidation of Owens & Minor Medical, Inc.'s current distribution center and administrative operations, to improve, equip and operate a new centralized distribution center and administrative operations facility in the city of Richmond, and to set forth the responsibilities of the parties.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

ORD. 2017-079

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$1,500,000 from the Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to a new line item in the Non-Departmental agency called the Owens & Minor Medical, Inc. (the Company) - Commonwealth Opportunity Fund line item for the purpose of providing funds to the Economic Development Authority to provide a grant to Owens & Minor Medical, Inc., pursuant to a Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund Performance Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, Owens & Minor Medical, Inc., and the Economic Development Authority of Richmond, Virginia, dated ____ __, 2017.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following resolution on Monday, May 8, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.:

RES. 2017-R021

To encourage the Director of Finance to seek an audit by the City Auditor of the revenue administration operations of the Department of Finance and to make available to the City Auditor such information as the City Auditor deems necessary for the proper verification of the assessments and collections of local taxes and other local revenues.

Patrons: Ms. Trammell

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

CITY CLERK