



City of Richmond

Formal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
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Monday, January 13, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President (early departure)
The Honorable Andreas Addison (early departure)
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 6:06 p.m., and presided.

Invocation was offered by Reverend Charles "Charlie" T. Dupree of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 815 East Grace 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

Councilor Michael Jones, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized and honored the Richmond Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities Richmond Southside Community Center under 12 Youth Football Program, the Ducks football team, for its successful season which included winning the 2019 Richmond Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities under 12 City Youth Football Championship and participating in the Snoop Youth Football League National Championship held in Los Angeles, California.

Councilor Michael Jones, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized and honored the Excel to Excellence Youth Football League Junior 14 and Under Youth Cheerleading Program, All Star Cheer Squad, for its successful inaugural season which included participating in the Snoop Youth Football League National Championship held in Los Angeles, California.

CITIZEN COMMENT

James Minor addressed Council regarding the need for economic development in the city. Mr. Minor expressed his frustrations with the limited number of commercial retail stores within the city. Mr. Minor stated people needed to come together to address poverty.

Sandra Antoine addressed Council and shared her appreciation for Mayor Levar Stoney. Ms. Antoine stated the restaurant meals tax advocated by Mayor Stoney had benefited the city.

Charles Willis, United Communities Against Crime (UCAC) executive director, addressed Council regarding violence within the city. Accompanying Mr. Willis were family members of victims who lost their lives due to violence. Mr. Willis stated UCAC assisted families victimized by violence and helped organized vigils and funerals. Mr. Willis also stated UCAC struggled to accommodate these efforts due to lack of funding and requested help with funding or donations.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell thanked Mr. Willis for his efforts and asked that he inform Council of specific needs.

Mr. Willis stated UCAC was in need of balloons, candles, clothing, an audio system, and a computer.

Councilor Michael Jones expressed his hope that Council would provide UCAC with funding through the city's budget.

Kanika McBride addressed Council and alleged members of her family were victims of mistaken identity by the Richmond Police Department (RPD) which resulted in a confrontation between her family and police officers. Ms. McBride also stated RPD's records management system should diminish situations such as mistaken identity.

President Cynthia Newbille stated her upcoming Council district meeting would address public safety and invited Ms. McBride to attend.

Councilwoman Trammell also invited Ms. McBride to the January 28, 2020, Public Safety Standing Committee meeting.

Kim Rolla, Legal Aid Justice Center attorney, Richmond Transparency Accountability Project member, addressed Council regarding RPD's records management system. Ms. Rolla expressed her belief that a public forum was necessary to provide citizens an opportunity to share views regarding the records management system.

Councilor Kim Gray informed Council the issue of scheduling a public forum was addressed multiple times in prior Public Safety Standing Committee meetings.

Councilwoman Trammell suggested the Public Safety Standing Committee coordinate an open forum.

Police Chief William Smith addressed Council and stated the implementation process for the records management system was taking longer than anticipated. Chief Smith also stated a public forum was held, but admitted it was poorly advertised.

President Newbille requested that the Public Safety Standing Committee organize a public forum on the RPD records management system.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Michael Jones moved to amend the agenda as follows:

ORD. 2019-263

To abolish the Citizen Advisory Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration; to repeal ch. 2, art. V, div. 4 (§§2-844-2-846) of the City Code, concerning the creation, composition, terms of office, duties, and functions of the Commission; and to terminate the terms of the Commission's members.

To be continued to Monday, April 13, 2020

ORD. 2019-302

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1620 Park Avenue for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-319

To reduce the speed limit on Libbie Avenue between Guthrie Avenue and the City's corporate boundary from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-320

To reduce the speed limit on Patterson Avenue between Willow Lawn Drive and Pepper Avenue from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour.

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.

To be amended and continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020; referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

ORD. 2019-341

To amend section 21-4 of the City Code, concerning public procurement, for the purpose of revising the definition of emerging small business.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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, January 27, 2020

ORD. 2019-352

To amend section 30-800.3 of the City Code, concerning changes in nonconforming uses, for the purpose of requiring a minimum lot area of 750 square feet per dwelling unit when a nonconforming use is changed to a multifamily dwelling within certain residential zoning districts.

Moved to Regular Agenda

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, January 27, 2020

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.

To be continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

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 amended and continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

ORD. 2019-211

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute the Navy Hill Development Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and The NH District Corporation for the purpose of providing for the financing, construction, maintenance, and operation of public improvements and private development within an area generally bounded on the west by North 5th Street, on the north by East Leigh Street, on the east by North 10th Street, and on the south by East Marshall Street.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-212

To create the Navy Hill Fund.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-213

To declare surplus and direct the conveyance of a portion of the City-owned real estate known as 601 East Leigh Street, consisting of 171,906± square feet, for nominal consideration to the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-214

To declare surplus and direct the conveyance of certain parcels, or portions thereof, of City-owned real estate known as 601 E. Leigh St., 501 N. 7th St., 808 E. Clay St., 800 E. Clay St., 500 N. 10th St., 500 E. Marshall St., 500 A E. Marshall St., 116 N. 7th St., 114 N. 7th St., 112 N. 7th St., and 401 E. Broad St. to The NH District Corporation for the purpose of facilitating the redevelopment of the area bounded generally by E. Leigh St. on the north, N. 10th St. on the east, E. Marshall St. on the south, and N. 5th St. on the west.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-215

To close, to public use and travel, certain right-of-way areas comprised of portions of East Leigh Street, East Clay Street, North 5th Street, and North 7th Street, such portions together consisting of 44,590± square feet, to retain easements in certain of the closed right-of-way areas, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept the dedication of right-of-way improvements and property, consisting of approximately 66,977± square feet, in connection with the closing of the right-of-way areas, for the purpose of facilitating the redevelopment of the area bounded generally by East Leigh Street on the north, North 10th Street on the east, East Marshall Street on the south, and North 5th Street on the west.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-216

To authorize the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond to encroach upon the public right-of-way with proposed encroachments on East Clay Street and East Leigh Street between their intersections with North 5th Street and North 7th Street for the purpose of facilitating the redevelopment of the area bounded generally by East Leigh Street on the north, North 10th Street on the east, East Marshall Street on the south, and North 5th Street on the west.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-217

To repeal ch. 30, art. IV, div. 26 (§§ 30-448.1-30-448.4) of the City Code; to amend ch. 30, art. IV, by adding therein a new div. 26 (§§ 30-448.1-30-448.8); and to amend City Code §§ 30-503, 30-519, 30-710.1, 30-710.4, 30-710.13, and 30-1220, all for the purpose of modifying the zoning regulations applicable in the CM Coliseum Mall District.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-218

To amend the official zoning map for the purpose of designating certain street blocks as “priority streets” and certain street blocks as “street-oriented commercial streets” in the area bounded generally by East Leigh Street on the north, North 10th Street on the east, East Marshall Street on the south, and North 5th Street on the west.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-219

To rezone the properties known as 601 E. Leigh St., 501 N. 7th St., 808 E. Clay St., 800 E. Clay St., 500 N. 10th St., 900 E. Marshall St., 406 N. 7th St., 408 A N. 7th St., 500 E. Marshall St., and 500 B E. Marshall St. from the B-4 Central Business District to the CM Coliseum Mall District.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

ORD. 2019-343

To amend City Code §§ 30-402.2, 30-411.3, 30-412.2, 30-413.3, 30-413.13, 30-414.2, 30-416.2, 30-418.2, 30-419.4, 30-420.1, 30-426.1, 30-428.1, 30-430.1, 30-433.2, 30-433.11, 30-434.1, 30-436.1, 30-438.1, 30-440.1, 30-442.1, 30-444.2, 30-446.2, 30-447.2, 30-447.11, 30-448.1, 30-450.1, 30-457.1, concerning permitted principal uses, and 30-1220, concerning definitions related to zoning, and to amend ch. 30, art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 14 (§§ 30-697-30-697.3), concerning short-term rentals.

To be amended and continued to Monday, January 27, 2020

RES. 2019-R044

To establish a policy for the future allocation of any surplus revenues the City receives as a result of a certain redevelopment of the area bounded generally by East Leigh Street on the north, North 10th Street on the east, East Marshall Street on the south, and North 5th Street on the west.

To be continued to Monday, February 10, 2020

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances were considered:

ORD. 2019-247

To amend ch. 8, art. II of the City Code by adding therein a new § 8-34, concerning [unsolicited] offers to give or dedicate fee simple interests in real estate to the City, for the purpose of imposing certain reporting requirements when the City receives an [unsolicited] offer to give or dedicate fee simple interests in real estate to the City. (As Amended)

ORD. 2019-314

To amend City Code §§ 24-523, concerning the obligation to maintain, repair or reconstruct the site of an excavation, and 24-551, concerning the obligation to comply with excavation requirements in public rights-of-way, for the purpose of imposing a time period within which an excavation site shall be maintained, repaired, or reconstructed and prescribing new penalties for violations of ch. 24, art. VII of the City Code. (As Amended)

ORD. 2019-318

To amend City Code § 12-11, concerning the form of the budget submitted to the Council, for the purpose of requiring, with some exceptions, that each capital project included in the Proposed or Adopted Capital Improvement Plan shall be listed individually and not grouped into one listed project with other, unrelated capital projects. (As Amended)

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. 2019-329

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 revising the title of the Non-Departmental line item entitled "Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Richmond - North

Richmond Teen Center” for the purpose of removing the restriction that the appropriation for this line item be expended only for the North Richmond Teen Center.

ORD. 2019-332

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$165,000.00 from the Commonwealth of Virginia 9-1-1 Services Board; to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Emergency Communications called the Next Generation 9-1-1 Implementation Special Fund; and to appropriate the grant funds received to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Emergency Communications’ Next Generation 9-1-1 Implementation Special Fund by \$165,000.00 for the purpose of funding costs for improvements to the 9-1-1 call handling equipment within the City’s emergency communications network.

ORD. 2019-333

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept grant funds in the amount of \$19,000.00 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 \$19,000.00 for the purpose of funding improvements to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services’ emergency mobile command post camera system.

ORD. 2019-344

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1000 West Franklin Street for the purpose of multifamily dwellings containing an aggregate of up to 18 dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-345

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1512 North 27th Street for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-346

To authorize the special use of the property known as 18 West Franklin Street for the purpose of a tourist home with up to five rooms or groups of rooms, upon certain terms and conditions

ORD. 2019-347

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1817 Floyd Avenue for the purpose of limited special events, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-348

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 92-169-108, adopted May 26, 1992, which authorized the special use of the property known as 2820 West Cary Street for the purpose of operating a proposed 5,086 square foot shopping center within an existing building, waiving the off-street parking requirement, to modify the permitted uses, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-349

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 84-309-31, adopted Feb. 25, 1985, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2001-310-283, adopted Oct. 8, 2001, and Ord. No. 2019-087, adopted Apr. 22, 2019, which authorized the special use of the property known as 5612 Grove Avenue for the purpose of non-medical office use, to authorize a freestanding sign, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-350

To authorize the special use of the property known as 806 West Clay Street for the purpose of the construction of an addition to an existing single-family attached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2019-351

To amend Ord. No. 2015-5-30, adopted Feb. 9, 2015, which authorized a Preliminary Community Unit Plan permitting the development of a residential community of up to 300 dwelling units on approximately 21.76 acres of land located at 1501 North 31st Street and 1611 North 31st Street, to modify the phasing requirements.

There were no comments or discussions and the **Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted with the exception of ORD. 2019-351**, which was also adopted: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Lynch, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Hilbert (conflict of interest).

Councilwoman Reva Trammell expressed her concern that the Blackwell Historic Community Civic Association (BHCCA) was not consulted regarding ORD. 2019-324. Councilwoman Trammell requested that consideration of the ordinance be continued to allow more discussion.

Mark Olinger, Planning and Development Review director, stated the BHCCA was informed about ORD. 2019-324 and no response was received.

Interim City Attorney Haskell Brown informed Council that a motion to reconsider the adoption of the Consent Agenda was necessary to continue ORD. 2019-324.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved to reconsider the Consent Agenda, which was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Lynch, Gray, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes 1, Trammell.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved to continue ORD. 2019-324 to the Monday, January 27th Council meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

There were no further comments or discussions and the **Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted with the exception of ORD. 2019-351**, which was also adopted: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Lynch, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Hilbert (conflict of interest).

REGULAR AGENDA

The following ordinance was considered:

ORD. 2019-352

To amend section 30-800.3 of the City Code, concerning changes in nonconforming uses, for the purpose of requiring a minimum lot area of 750 square feet per dwelling unit when a nonconforming use is changed to a multifamily dwelling within certain residential zoning districts.

Councilor Kim Gray provided an introduction to ORD. 2019-352.

Opposition

Doug Allen, American Institute of Certified Planners, spoke in opposition to ORD. 2019-352 and stated the proposed ordinance would restrict much needed housing opportunities within the city. Mr. Allen expressed his belief that ORD. 2019-352 was a legislative overreach to address a particular development.

Samantha Ladin spoke in opposition to ORD. 2019-352 and thanked Council for moving consideration of the ordinance to the Regular Agenda. Ms. Ladin expressed her belief that committee deliberation of proposed legislation should not occur during the work day, but during a time more accessible to the public.

Justin Hazelworth spoke in opposition to ORD. 2019-352 and stated due to a housing crisis in the city more mixed-income housing opportunities should be available.

Adam Lockett spoke in opposition to ORD. 2019-352. Mr. Lockett stated he was aware the ordinance would only effect 100 properties in the city, but he believed that was 100 too many.

Daniel Klein spoke in opposition to ORD. 2019-352 and stated that increased housing density raises real estate tax revenue for the city without raising the real estate tax rate. Mr. Klein stated housing density would allow the city to address the increased migration of individuals to the city.

Support

Jerome Legions spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated more housing opportunities were necessary for single family homes and not apartment buildings.

Omari Al-Qadaffi spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated increased density creates parking issues for longtime residents in proposed development areas. Mr. Al-Qadaffi also stated small businesses do not have resources to provide parking for customers.

Robert Liddell, West Grace Street Association president, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated the ordinance was reasonable and properly vetted.

Charleen Baylor spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated the ordinance would protect against gentrification. Ms. Baylor also stated developers could still request special use permits if a proposed development does not comply with ORD. 2019-352.

Janis Allen, Historic Jackson Ward Association president, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated the ordinance would require developers to work with communities regarding potential developments that required a special use permit.

Jerry Beverage, Fan District Association president, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated too much density created issues with increased traffic, parking, noise and trash. Mr. Beverage expressed his belief that the ordinance was properly vetted and met an appropriate balance.

Steve Nuckols, Monument Avenue Preservation Society member, spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated the ordinance would keep development in check.

Preston Lloyd spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated the ordinance met an appropriate balance regarding density development in the city.

Rodney Poole spoke in support of ORD. 2019-352 and stated the ordinance created clarity on non-conforming use conversions.

Councilor Gray stated increased density created issues that forced longtime home owners to move away from their established neighborhoods.

Councilor Michael Jones inquired about the impact if the minimum lot area of 750 square feet per dwelling unit referenced in ORD. 2019-352 was reduced to 500 square feet.

Mark Olinger, Planning and Development Review director, stated the reduction in square footage would increase the number of units by 50% and would increase issues such as parking and trash by 50%.

Councilor Ellen Robertson stated her original preference was for a minimum lot area of 500 square feet, but after speaking with Planning and Development Review she was satisfied with 750 square feet.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch stated she originally opposed ORD. 2019-352, but was made aware the purpose of the ordinance was to close a loophole and now supported ORD. 2019-352.

President Cynthia Newbille stated she had questions about ORD. 2019-352, but was comfortable with the ordinance being adopted.

There were no further comments or discussions and **ORD. 2019-352 was unanimously adopted.**

MOTIONS

Councilor Kristen Larson moved that the ordinance entitled:

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.

be amended and continued to Monday, January 27, 2020, as follows:

Page 1, Line 5

After the comma following the word "home", strike the word "shelter" and the following comma

Page 1, Line 13

After the comma following the word "home", strike the word "shelter" and the following comma

Page 3, Line 8

After the comma following the word "home", strike the word "shelter" and the following comma

Page 3, Line 11

After the comma following the year "2019", insert the text "with sheet A-106 dated January 9, 2020" followed by a comma

Page 3, Line 21

After the comma following the word "home", strike the word "shelter" and the following comma

Page 3, Line 23

After the word "home", strike the text "and shelter uses" and insert the word "use"

Page 4, Line 3

After the period following the word "ordinance", insert the text "However, any shelter use provided for in such report and management plan shall not be permitted" followed by a period

The motion was seconded and approved: Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Lynch, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Newbille. Noes None. Abstentions 1, Hilbert.

Councilor Ellen Robertson moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2019-343

To amend City Code §§ 30-402.2, 30-411.3, 30-412.2, 30-413.3, 30-413.13, 30-414.2, 30-416.2, 30-418.2, 30-419.4, 30-420.1, 30-426.1, 30-428.1, 30-430.1, 30-433.2, 30-433.11, 30-434.1, 30-436.1, 30-438.1, 30-440.1, 30-442.1, 30-444.2, 30-446.2, 30-447.2, 30-447.11, 30-448.1, 30-450.1, 30-457.1, concerning permitted principal uses, and 30-1220, concerning definitions related to zoning, and to amend ch. 30, art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 14 (§§ 30-697-30-697.3), concerning short-term rentals.

be amended and continued to Monday, January 27, 2020, as follows:

Page 154, Line 7

After the period following the section symbol and the numeral “3”, insert the text “That the Department of Planning and Development Review shall provide a report on the implementation of this ordinance to the City Planning Commission at the first meeting of the City Planning Commission following July 1, 2021” followed by a period

Page 154, Line 10

At the beginning of the line, insert a section symbol and the numeral “4” followed by a period

The motion was seconded.

Councilor Kristen Larson suggested ORD. 2019-343 be referred to the January 21, 2020, Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting and consideration of ORD. 2019-343 by Council be continued to the February 10, 2020, Formal Council meeting.

The motion to amend and continue ORD. 2019-343 to Monday, January 27, 2020 failed:
Ayes None. Noes 9, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Lynch, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille.

Councilor Kristen Larson moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2019-343

To amend City Code §§ 30-402.2, 30-411.3, 30-412.2, 30-413.3, 30-413.13, 30-414.2, 30-416.2, 30-418.2, 30-419.4, 30-420.1, 30-426.1, 30-428.1, 30-430.1, 30-433.2, 30-433.11, 30-434.1, 30-436.1, 30-438.1, 30-440.1, 30-442.1, 30-444.2, 30-446.2, 30-447.2, 30-447.11, 30-448.1, 30-450.1, 30-457.1, concerning permitted principal uses, and 30-1220, concerning definitions related to zoning, and to amend ch. 30, art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 14 (§§ 30-697-30-697.3), concerning short-term rentals.

be amended and continued to Monday, February 10, 2020, and referred to the Tuesday, January 21, 2020 Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and unanimously approved:

RES. 2020-R001

To amend Res. No. 2017-R002, adopted Jan. 3, 2017, as previously amended by Res. No. 2017-R018, adopted Mar. 27, 2017, Res. No. 2017-R051, adopted Jul. 24, 2017, and Res. No. 2019-R002, adopted Jan. 14, 2019, 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 designate the chairs and members of the various boards, commissions, and other collegial bodies on which the Council members serve.

Patron: President Newbille

President Cynthia Newbille provided additional information regarding RES. 2020-R001.

There were no further comments or discussions and **RES. 2020-R001 was unanimously adopted.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Stephanie Lynch moved to approve the following Richmond City Council meeting minutes: Navy Hill Development Proposal Work Session held on Monday, December 2,

2019, at 3:00 p.m., and Informal and Formal Council Sessions held on Monday, December 9, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, January 27, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.:

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

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

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

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

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

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

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

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

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

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

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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."

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2020-013

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

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020, at 12:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mr. Addison

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020, at 12:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patrons: City Council

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Vice President Hilbert

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

RES. 2020-R005

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

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Ms. Robertson

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

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.

Patron: Mr. Addison

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020, at 12:00 p.m.

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

ORD. 2020-015

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1018 North 32nd Street for the purpose of a two-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 Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-016

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1121 North 20th Street for the purpose of up to five single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-017

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1512 North 23rd Street for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-018

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2615 West Cary Street, 2617 West Cary Street, and 2619 West Cary Street for the purpose of tourist homes, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-019

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 3019 Grayland Avenue and 3021 Grayland Avenue for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings and two single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-020

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3615 East Broad Street 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 Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-021

To authorize the special use of the property known as 4647 Arrowhead Road for the purpose of a wildlife rehabilitation facility accessory to 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 Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-022

To authorize the special use of the property known as 815 North 33rd Street for the purpose of up to four single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-023

To authorize the special use of the property known as 821 North 25th Street for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing up to three live/work units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2020-024

To authorize the special use of the property known as 8764 West Huguenot Road for the purpose of two automated teller machines as accessory uses to an existing convenience store and automobile service station, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinance on Monday, March 23, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2020-025

To erect all-way stop signs at the intersections of Bainbridge Street and West 10th Street; Bainbridge Street and West 12th Street; Bainbridge Street and West 14th Street; Porter Street and West 10th Street; Porter Street and West 12th Street; Porter Street and West 14th Street; Perry Street and West 10th Street; Perry Street and West 12th Street; McDonough Street and West 10th Street; McDonough Street and West 12th Street; and McDonough Street and West 14th Street.

Patron: Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

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

Councilor Michael Jones exited the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Councilor Kim Gray inquired why consideration of a \$25,000.00 increase to the agreed upon compensation for an independent consultant to review the Navy Hill Development proposal was not referred to a closed session of Council.

Interim City Attorney Haskell Brown informed Council that the increased compensation was within the Office of the Council Chief of Staff's budget.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell expressed her concern that the increased compensation was not brought before Council prior to being authorized.

President Cynthia Newbille stated the authorization followed standard procurement procedure.

Council Chief of Staff Lawrence Anderson informed Council that the procurement team that authorized the increase were required to keep negotiations confidential due to procurement procedure. Mr. Anderson stated he informed Council of the decision once permitted.

Vice President Chris Hilbert exited the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

President Newbille suggested that procurement procedure be reviewed for potential changes based on that evening's discussion.

Councilor Andreas Addison exited the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

CITY CLERK