



Richmond City Council

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Public Safety Standing Committee

October 28, 2025

Legislative Summary

Previous Meeting: September 23, 2025

Next Meeting: November 25, 2025

Committee Notes

Presentation Items:

- Chief Rick Edwards, Richmond Police Department. Chief Edwards will present on public safety impacts and concerns about vape shops on communities, neighborhoods, and their surrounding environs.

Discussion Items:

- Chip Decker, CEO of the Richmond Ambulance Authority. Mr. Decker will give brief updates to the Committee on the Authority.

Ordinances & Resolutions for Consideration

1. Ordinance No. 2025-222

Patron Mayor Avula

Key Points:

- Amends City Code § 27-302, concerning towing and storage fees, for the purpose of modifying the limits on fees charged for the towing, storage, and safekeeping of certain vehicles removed from private property.
- Increases allowable towing fees from \$135 to \$195 while allowing additional fees of no more than \$30 per vehicle towed on Saturdays and Sunday.
- Provides for acceptable methods of payment, meaning - cash, certified, check, or money orders.
- Provides that the Towing Advisory Board shall meet periodically to recommend adjustment to fees as established in the Code.
- Members may wish to ask when fees were last raised.
- Members may wish to ask about the differences in fees charged for tows involving State.

Fiscal Impact: ☐ None ☒ Yes. Amends the City Code regarding towing and storage fees.