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Richmond, Virginia

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Land Use, Housing, & Transportation Standing Committee

December 17, 2024

Legislative Summary

Previous Meeting: November 19, 2024

Next Meeting: January 21, 2025

Committee Notes

Presentation(s):

- None

Discussion Item(s):

- None

Ordinances & Resolutions for Consideration

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

1. Ordinance No. 2024-317

Patron Cmbr. Lynch

Key Points:

- To amend and reordain City Code § 27-132, concerning the use of photo speed monitoring devices in highway work zones and school crossing zones and penalties, for the purpose of adding high-risk intersection segments authorized by Va. Code § 46.2-882.1.
- Allows installation of monitoring devices at intersections in order to improve safety and achieve Vision Zero safety goals.
- Patron requests that the paper be continued to the Committee's next meeting.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes. No fiscal impact anticipated.

2. Ordinance No. 2024-318

Patron Mayor Stoney

Key Points:

- To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of



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Transportation for the purpose of administering the Commerce Road - (UPC 125367), Broad Rock Boulevard - (UPC 125368), Bells Road - (UPC 125369) and Commerce Road SGR - (UPC 125370) paving projects.

- The legislation is needed to get State Primary Extension Paving Programs Funds.
- The Project is funded with dollars from the Commonwealth Transportation Board.
- The City may receive \$1,385,900 in State funds for the purposes of resurfacing primary arterial roadways.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes.

3. Ordinance No. 2024-R041

Patron Cmbr. Lynch

Key Points:

- To express support for the study and installation of photo speed monitoring devices in high-risk intersection segments, including the 600 and 700 blocks of South Belvidere Street and certain other locations, pursuant to Va. Code § 46.2-882.1 and through the City of Richmond's Department of Police "Safety Camera Program" and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer consider identifying additional locations for the installation of photo speed monitoring devices and increasing the number of photo speed monitoring devices deployed by the City. (5th District).
- These segments of roadway cited are deemed areas of particularly dangerous speeding.
- Patron requests that the paper be continued to the Committee's next meeting.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes. The legislative request is not expected to have fiscal impact. Actual installation and operation, if done, will have costs.

4. Ordinance No. 2024-R043

Patron Mayor Stoney

Key Points:

- To request the Virginia Department of Transportation to amend the street mileage inventory for the City of Richmond.
- Council action is needed to have VDOT inventory the City's street mileage, which may lead to increased State funding for the City.



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- The City will receive \$130,336.80 in additional monies from VDOT.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes.

5. Ordinance No. 2024-319

Patron Mayor Stoney

Key Points:

- To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Lease Agreement between the City of Richmond and American Towers LLC for the purpose of allowing American Towers LLC to continue to maintain and operate a telecommunications tower and telecommunications facilities at 8800 West Huguenot Road. (4th District).
- This would establish a new 5-year lease.
- The City of Richmond will receive rent in the amount of \$35,000.00 annually increasing by 103% annually, in addition to a one-time \$12,308.81 additional rent.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes.

OFFICE OF EQUITABLE TRANSIT AND MOBILITY

6. Ordinance No. 2024-320

Patron Mayor Stoney

Key Points:

- To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a GRTC Downtown Transfer Hub Site Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Richmond and the Greater Richmond Transit Co. for the purpose of constructing a permanent transfer hub and mixed-use development at 500 North 10th Street. (6th District).
- The purpose of the MOU is to establish an understanding between all Parties on the following:
 - The pathway for GRTC to advance development of the Permanent Transfer Hub at the Site.
 - The shared vision and goals for the future development of the Permanent Transfer Hub in



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- Downtown Richmond as a catalyst for the City Center redevelopment plan and transit-oriented development in Richmond.
- The roles and responsibilities of each Party in the development of the Permanent Transfer Hub.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

7. Ordinance No. 2024-R040

Patron Mayor Stoney

Key Points:

- To accept and approve the biennial real estate strategies plan entitled "2024 Biennial Real Estate Strategies Plan for City Owned Surplus Properties."
- In total, the 2024 Plan lists 28 parcels of city-owned real estate covering approximately 55.625± acres of land area throughout the City, which are separated into two categories this year.
 - Category One - Residential consists of parcels and assemblages with the opportunity to facilitate the development of multi-family rental and/or for-sale/rent affordable housing; and
 - Category Two - Commercial consists of parcels and assemblages of land parcels with future commercial or large-scale mixed-use development, as well as, to facilitate the development of multi-family rental and/or for-sale affordable housing units

Fiscal Impact: None Yes.

8. Ordinance No. 2024-R042

Patron Mayor Stoney

Key Points:

- To express support for the conveyance of the property located at 2911 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard from Virginia Commonwealth University to the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond, for the



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purpose of facilitating the continued construction and operation of the Diamond District Redevelopment Project. (2nd District)

- In 2024, the City entered into the Diamond District Redevelopment Project Purchase and Sale and Development Agreement by and between the City, Diamond District Partners, LLC, and the EDA (the "PSDA").
- The PSDA provides that "subject to all necessary authorizations and approvals, the EDA shall acquire the Sports Backers Parcel from [VCU]".
- Due to the provisions in the Deed restricting VCU's ability to convey the property to another party unless the City consents to such conveyance, this O&R Transmittal seeks a Resolution to authorize VCU to convey the Sports Backers Parcel to the EDA, as contemplated by the PSDA.

Fiscal Impact: None Yes.