



City of Richmond

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Agenda

City Council

Monday, April 27, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

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Order of Business

Invocation

To be offered by Pastor Philip Turner of Pine Street Baptist Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Chamber Emergency Evacuation Plan Announcement and Public Speaker Guidelines

Roll Call

Action on Appointments and Reappointments

Awards and Presentations (Applause permitted during this portion of the meeting only)

Public Comment

Agenda Review and Amendments

Action Items (Consent Agenda)

Action Items (Regular Agenda and Motions)

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions

Reports or Announcements by Members of the Council

Adjournment

City Council is Richmond City's local legislative body and is composed of one council representative elected from each of the city's nine voter districts. Council members are elected to serve a four year term of office. Council elects one of its own to serve as the president and presiding officer for a two year term.

Time and Place of Meetings

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in the City Council meetings. The City Council meets in the City Hall second floor Council Chamber, in informal work session at 4:00 p.m., and in formal session at 6:00 p.m., on the second and fourth Monday during the months of January, February, March, April, May, June and September and only on the second Monday during the months of October, November and December. In the month of July, one such meeting is held on the fourth Monday of the month and in the month of August, no such meetings are held. All meetings of the Council are open to the public.

Public Comment Period

The Public Comment Period is an opportunity for persons to address Council concerning the services, policies and affairs of the city and to discuss issues not on the agenda for the business meeting.

Guidelines for Public Participation*

The maximum time allotted to persons speaking to any matter under consideration by the Council shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes for proponents and thirty (30) minutes for opponents.

Speakers should state their full legal name, any organization(s) they represent and any economic or professional relationship(s) that would benefit by the adoption of the paper(s) they are addressing.

Speakers are not permitted to address or question the Council Chief of Staff, the City Attorney, the City Clerk, or any staff member directly. Questions should be directed to the President who may, at his/her discretion, solicit a response.

Applause is permitted during the "Awards and Presentations" period only.

Persons speaking regarding agenda items are generally limited to three (3) minutes; however, no individual from the public may speak for more than ten (10) minutes total during the business meeting.

Individuals may express their views in writing in lieu of an oral presentation.

Reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with a disability. Individuals are encouraged to contact the City Clerk's Office at 804-646-7955 for a "Request for Reasonable Accommodation" form, which must be completed to receive assistance.

* The full text of the Council's Rules of Procedure is available on the City Clerk's website at www.rva.gov/office-city-clerk or in the Office of the City Clerk located in City Hall at 900 East Broad Street, Suite 200.

THE CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and non-controversial. The Consent Agenda provides a method for the expeditious handling of items that do not require discussion and will be approved unanimously by a single roll-call vote of the Council.

The public may speak to any item on the Consent Agenda when the public hearing is announced by the President.

[ORD.](#)
[2026-073](#)

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1215 North 29th Street for the purpose of up to one two-family detached dwelling and one dwelling unit within an accessory building, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

Legislative History

3/23/26 City Council introduced and referred to the Planning Commission

[ORD.](#)
[2026-074](#)

To authorize the special use of the property known as 101 Cowardin Avenue for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing up to 120 dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions, and to repeal Ord. No. 85-316-86-1, adopted Jan. 13, 1986, and all amendatory ordinances thereto. (6th District)

Patrons: Mayor Avula (By Request)

Legislative History

3/23/26 City Council introduced and referred to the Planning Commission

[ORD.](#)
[2026-075](#)

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 80-125-107, adopted Jun. 30, 1980, which authorized the use of the real estate, a parcel containing 2.274 acres, located on the south side of Forest Hill Avenue east of Bliley Road being more completely described as follows: beginning at a point on the south side of Forest Hill Avenue, said point being 670 feet east of the center line of Bliley Road; thence extending 208.41 feet in a southeasterly direction along the south line of Forest Hill Avenue to a point; thence extending 381.23 feet in a southwesterly direction along a line of bearings 54° 03' 10" W to a point; thence extending 232.56 feet in a northwesterly direction along a line of bearing N 43° 26' 40" W to a point; thence extending 77.64 feet in a northwesterly direction along a line of bearing N 42° 11' 05" W to a point; thence extending 410.83 feet in a north-easterly direction along a line of bearing N 68° 12' 25" E to the point of beginning, for multiple-family dwelling (condominium) purposes and to authorize the construction of eighteen townhouse (condominium) dwelling units (for sale), with accessory off-street parking, to allow for accessory structures and additions that are customarily incidental and clearly subordinate to the single-family attached dwellings. (4th District)

Patrons:

Mayor Avula (By Request)

Legislative History

3/23/26 City Council introduced and referred to the Planning Commission

[ORD.](#)
[2026-076](#)

To amend City Code §§14-335, concerning the City's Erosion and Stormwater Management Program, 28-780, concerning the City's Pre-treatment Program, and 28-966, concerning penalties for illicit discharge and connection violations.

Patrons:

Mayor Avula

Legislative History

3/23/26 City Council introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee

[RES.](#)
[2026-R003](#)

To commit to working with the City's Administration to development and implement a comprehensive energy efficiency program that reduces the energy burden and cost of living for vulnerable households, supports small businesses, assists in the preservation of housing and the stabilization of neighborhoods, and makes meaningful progress towards the City's climate goals.

Patrons:

Ms. Lynch, Mr. Breton, Vice President Jordan, Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Gibson and President Newbille

Legislative History

1/12/26 City Council introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee

1/20/26	Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee	recommended for continuance to the City Council
2/9/26	City Council	continued and referred back to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee
2/17/26	Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee	continued to the City Council
2/23/26	City Council	continued and referred back to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee
3/17/26	Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee	continued to the City Council
3/23/26	City Council	continued and referred back to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee

[RES.
2026-R013](#)

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer amend Administrative Regulation 4.8, concerning the City's leave policy, to modify the maximum carryforward policy and procedures for paying out vacation leave balances for unclassified employees as a one-time occurrence during the transition to implement a maximum carryforward procedure and to request that the Chief Administrative Officer submit a written report of the operational and fiscal impacts of implementing such amendments and any additional proposed amendments no later than June 30, 2026.

Patrons:

Ms. Robertson

Legislative History

3/10/26	City Council	introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee
3/23/26	City Council	continued and referred back to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee

THE REGULAR AGENDA

[ORD.
2025-282](#)

To amend ch. 26, article V, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein a new section 26-370, concerning a deferral program for certain real estate taxes pursuant to and in accordance with Code of Virginia § 58.1-3219.

Patrons:

Ms. Abubaker, Ms. Trammell, Mr. Breton and Ms. Lynch

Legislative History

12/15/25	City Council	introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee
1/21/26	Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee	recommended for continuance to the City Council

2/9/26	City Council	continued and referred back to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee
3/23/26	City Council	continued and referred back to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee