



City of Richmond

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Informal Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 11, 2023

4:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Michael Jones, President
The Honorable Kristen Nye, Vice President
The Honorable Andreas Addison (late arrival)
The Honorable Katherine Jordan
The Honorable Ann-Frances Lambert
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch
The Honorable Ellen Robertson
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Absent

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille

Staff Present

Lisa Braxton, Council Management Analyst, Principal
Laura Drewry, City Attorney
LaTasha Holmes, Council Chief of Staff
Candice Reid, City Clerk
Tabrica Rentz, Deputy City Attorney
RJ Warren, Deputy City Clerk

Call to Order

Council President Michael Jones called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. and presided.

Chamber Emergency Evacuation Announcement

Upon the President's request, Council Management Analyst Lisa Braxton provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency.

Docket Review

Council Management Analyst Lisa Braxton reviewed the following agenda items as indicated:

Consent Agenda:

1. Ord. 2023-090 – retained on the Consent Agenda
2. Ord. 2023-152 – retained on the Consent Agenda
3. Ord. 2023-188 – to be continued to Tuesday, October 10, 2023
4. Ord. 2023-203 – to be continued to Tuesday, October 10, 2023
5. Ord. 2023-205 – retained on the Consent Agenda
6. Ord. 2023-215 – retained on the Consent Agenda
7. Ord. 2023-216 – retained on the Consent Agenda
8. Ord. 2023-217 – retained on the Consent Agenda
9. Ord. 2023-218 – retained on the Consent Agenda
10. Ord. 2023-219 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Vice President Kristen Nye commented on revising Council's Rules of Procedure regarding the committee referral waiving process of budget amendment legislation upon introduction. Vice President Nye stated that a proposal, changing the committee referral for budgetary amendments to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee, is expected to be introduced next month.

11. Ord. 2023-220 – retained on the Consent Agenda
12. Ord. 2023-221 – retained on the Consent Agenda
13. Ord. 2023-222 – retained on the Consent Agenda
14. Ord. 2023-223 – retained on the Consent Agenda
15. Ord. 2023-224 – retained on the Consent Agenda
16. Ord. 2023-225 – retained on the Consent Agenda
17. Ord. 2023-226 – retained on the Consent Agenda
18. Ord. 2023-227 – retained on the Consent Agenda
19. Ord. 2023-228 – retained on the Consent Agenda
20. Ord. 2023-229 – retained on the Consent Agenda

21. Ord. 2023-230 – retained on the Consent Agenda
22. Ord. 2023-231 – retained on the Consent Agenda
23. Ord. 2023-232 – retained on the Consent Agenda
24. Ord. 2023-233 – retained on the Consent Agenda
25. Ord. 2023-234 – to be continued to Tuesday, October 10, 2023
26. Ord. 2023-235 – to be amended and continued to Monday, September 25, 2023
27. Ord. 2023-236 – retained on the Consent Agenda
28. Res. 2023-R011 – to be continued to Tuesday, October 10, 2023
29. Res. 2023-R024 – to be continued to Tuesday, October 10, 2023
30. Res. 2023-R046 – retained on the Consent Agenda
31. Res. 2023-R047 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Regular Agenda:

There were no Regular Agenda items.

There were no further comments or discussions concerning Consent Agenda items.

Referral of Service Delivery Issues to City Administration

Council Chief of Staff LaTasha Holmes reported the following service delivery issues requiring city administration attention and response:

- Engineering of traffic flow at 7th Street and Semmes Avenue (6th District)
- Reconfiguration or elimination of Pork Chop Island (6th District)

Bobby Vincent, Public Works director, was available to answer questions regarding the reported service delivery issues, and updated Council on the installation of current and future traffic calming measures and delineators.

Councilor Andreas Addison arrived at 4:14 p.m. and was seated.

Councilor Ellen Robertson withdrew her resolution scheduled for expedited consideration, later that evening during the Formal Session of Council, and stated that she will await a detailed report of both areas as discussed, in an effort to prepare for future budgeting.

President Michael Jones clarified the referral of service delivery issues to city administration process.

Councilor Reva Trammell reported on the lack of speeding and noise enforcement in the 8th District, which she contributed to a diminished police workforce.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert requested a tour of the emergency shelter located at 1900 Chamberlayne Parkway.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

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