



City of Richmond

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Informal Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 13, 2025

4:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Katherine Jordan, Vice President
The Honorable Sarah Abubaker
The Honorable Andrew Breton
The Honorable Kenya Gibson
The Honorable Nicole Jones (electronic participation)
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch
The Honorable Ellen Robertson
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Staff Present

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

Call to Order

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 4:03 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.

President Newbille announced that, pursuant to Rule III (D)(4)(b) of Council's Rules of Procedure, Councilor Nicole Jones requested to participate in the meeting via Microsoft Teams from her home due to a medical condition preventing her physical attendance.

Vice President Katherine Jordan moved to allow Councilor Jones to participate in the meeting by electronic communication means. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Councilor Jones joined the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

Docket Review

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

Consent Agenda:

1. Ord. 2024-312 – to be continued to Monday, January 27, 2025
2. Ord. 2024-317 – to be continued to Monday, January 27, 2025
3. Ord. 2024-318 – retained on the Consent Agenda
4. Ord. 2024-319 – retained on the Consent Agenda
5. Ord. 2024-320 – retained on the Consent Agenda
6. Ord. 2024-321 – retained on the Consent Agenda
7. Ord. 2024-322 – retained on the Consent Agenda
8. Ord. 2024-323 – retained on the Consent Agenda
9. Ord. 2024-324 – retained on the Consent Agenda
10. Ord. 2024-325 – to be continued to Monday, February 10, 2025
11. Ord. 2024-326 – to be continued to Monday, February 10, 2025
12. Ord. 2024-327 – to be continued to Monday, February 10, 2025
13. Ord. 2024-328 – to be continued to Monday, February 10, 2025
14. Ord. 2024-329 – to be continued to Monday, February 10, 2025
15. Res. 2024-R040 – to be continued to Monday, February 10, 2025

Vice President Katherine Jordan requested that Res. 2024-R040 be continued to allow for further discussion regarding the proposed legislation at the February Organizational Development Standing Committee meeting.

It was the consensus of Council to continue Res. 2024-R040 to the February 10, 2025 Council meeting.

16. Res. 2024-R041 – to be continued to Monday, January 27, 2025

17. Res. 2024-R042 – retained on the Consent Agenda

18. Res. 2024-R043 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Regular Agenda:

19. Ord. 2024-187 – to be amended and continued to Monday, February 24, 2025

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

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

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