INTRODUCED: October 14, 2025

# **Expedited Consideration**

### A RESOLUTION No. 2025-R042

To provide for the nomination of Odie Donald II, Nicole Jones, and Ellen F. Robertson as the City of Richmond's three Directors and the election of the Board of Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company for the period commencing upon election and qualification of these nominees as Directors and terminating on the date of the 2026 annual meeting of shareholders upon the election and qualification of the successors to these Directors.

Patron – President Newbille

Approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: OCT 14 2025 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond and the County of Chesterfield each own one-half of all outstanding shares of the common stock of Greater Richmond Transit Company; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond has the right to nominate three citizens of the City of Richmond as Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company and the obligation to vote its shares of common stock for these three nominees, the three nominees of the County of Chesterfield, and the three nominees of the County of Henrico; and

WHEREAS, the County of Chesterfield and the County of Henrico have nominated their nominees to serve on the Board of Directors during the current year, and an annual meeting of

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shareholders has been scheduled for the purpose of electing the nine nominees to the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Richmond as the governing body of the City is the holder of the common stock issued to the City of Richmond and is entitled to appoint and nominate the City of Richmond's three Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company and to vote its shares of stock for its three nominees, the three nominees of the County of Chesterfield, and the three nominees of the County of Henrico; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Richmond desires to nominate Odie Donald II, Nicole Jones, and Ellen F. Robertson to serve as Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company;

NOW, THEREFORE,

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

That Odie Donald II, Nicole Jones, and Ellen F. Robertson are hereby nominated and appointed to serve as members of the Board of Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company.

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the President of the Council, Cynthia I. Newbille, or her designee, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, is hereby authorized to vote each of the five shares of common stock of the Greater Richmond Transit Company issued to the City of Richmond and to take such other steps as may be requisite to effectuate the election of the hereinafter named persons as members of the Board of Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company for a period commencing upon the election and qualification of these nominees as Directors and continuing through the date of the 2026 annual meeting of stockholders and the election and qualification of the successors to

these Directors: Odie Donald II, Nicole Jones, and Ellen F. Robertson, the three nominees of the County of Chesterfield, and the three nominees of the County of Henrico.

A TRUE COPY: TESTE:

City Clerk

**DATE:** September 18, 2025

**TO:** The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: Cynthia Newbille, President & 7th District Council Member

THROUGH: RJ Warren, Council Chief of Staff

**THROUGH:** Will Perkins, Senior Legislative Services Manager

**FROM:** Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst

RE: Nominating Nicole Jones, Ellen Robertson, Odie Donald II to the Board of

Directors of the Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC).

## CNL-2025-0051

**PURPOSE:** To nominate Council Members Nicole Jones, Ellen Robertson, and Chief Administrative Officer Odie Donald II for election to the Board of Directors of GRTC at its 2025 annual meeting.

**BACKGROUND:** GRTC provides public transportation in the City and metro region. The company's stock is owned by the City of Richmond and the County of Chesterfield. The governing bodies of the jurisdictions owning GRTC, and Henrico County have authority to nominate persons for election to its Board of Directors. With this legislation, the Richmond City Council will nominate City Chief Administrative Officer Donald and Council Members Jones and Robertson for election to GRTC's Board of Directors.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon adoption

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** September 28, 2025

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: October 12, 2025

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** Committee Waiver - Expedited Consideration.

**AFFECTED AGENCIES:** GRTC, City Council, CAO

**RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.:** None

**ATTACHMENTS:** None.

**STAFF:** Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst, (804-646-2780)