

From: [William Muth](#)
To: [Jordan, Katherine - City Council](#); [Jordan, Katherine - City Council](#); [Mayor Levar Stoney](#); [Mayor Levar Stoney](#)
Cc: [City Clerk's Office](#); [Saunders, Lincoln - CAO](#); [Anderson, Maggie A. - Mayor's Office](#); [Jones, Michael J. - City Council](#)
Subject: Co-Patron and Pass Ordinance 2023-188
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 1:19:19 PM

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Dear Councilperson Jordan,

As a resident of your district, I write on behalf of my two grandchildren — Micah 9 months and Leona just turning two — who also live in Richmond City.

For their sake and the future of all Richmond residents, I urge you to co-patron and pass Ordinance 2023-188 that will establish a public utility commission for Richmond Gas Works (RGW).

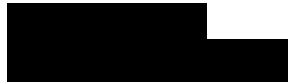
I am very concerned about the current state of methane gas leaks, that, on average, take 245 days to repair, and over the past decade have leaked 4.5 million metric tons of carbon emissions at a cost to ratepayers of over \$47,000,000. Further, RGW has consistently overspent its budgeted allocation (as much as 6-fold in FY 2022), with very little accountability.

Beyond these immediate safety and costs to Richmonders, I am extremely concerned about RGWs contribution to global warming. Consistent with City Councils Climate and Ecological Emergency Resolution of 2021, the need to plan immediately for a robust transition plan from fossil fuels to renewable energy is essential.

A PUC that provides transparency and citizen oversight is an essential step toward keeping families informed and managing the green conversion.

Thank you for your great advocacy in the past, and for championing this next step towards a livable future for all of us.

Sincerely,
Dr. William Muth



From: [Shavon Peacock](#) [REDACTED] [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2023 7:42:53 AM

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Sincerely,

Shavon Peacock
[REDACTED]

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From: [Dan Taylor](#) [REDACTED] [You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Brian Lalor \(feat-faults0m@icloud.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Molly Nugent \(mollynugent441@gmail.com\)](mailto:mollynugent441@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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Sincerely,

Molly Nugent



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From: [Cheryl Johnson \(cheryl.johnson115@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:cheryl.johnson115@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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Sincerely,

Cheryl Johnson



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From: [Elise Nugent \(elisenugent16@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:elisenugent16@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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Sincerely,

Elise Nugent



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From: [Jenna Downing \(jenna-tricare@comcast.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:jenna-tricare@comcast.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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Sincerely,

Jenna Downing



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From: [Ethan Downing \(ethan-tricare@comcast.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:ethan-tricare@comcast.net)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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Sincerely,

Ethan Downing



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From: [Tyrene Downing \(craigslist505@comcast.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:craigslist505@comcast.net)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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Sincerely,

Tyrene Downing



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From: [Daryl Downing \(dtdowning@comcast.net\)](mailto:dtdowning@comcast.net) Sent You a Personal Message
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Daryl Downing



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From: [Harry Herskowitz \(harryherschowitz@outlook.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:harryherschowitz@outlook.com)
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Harry Herskowitz



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From: [Kevin Cianfarini \(kevincianfarini@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:kevincianfarini@gmail.com)
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From: [Maggi Tinsley](#)  [Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Paul Littell \(plittell4@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Meg Lessard \(m.k.lessard@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:m.k.lessard@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Robert Sullivan \(biz5th@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Thomas Beach \(tbeach2k@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Ben Weiner \(benjamin.weiner@sierraclub.org\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:benjamin.weiner@sierraclub.org)
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Rita Buxbaum \(ritabux22@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:ritabux22@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Patricia Kadar \(pakadar@verizon.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Amy Cleveland \(whiteoaktree18@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Mike Elbourn \(mike.elbourn@icloud.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:mike.elbourn@icloud.com)
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From: [Michael Sobel \(mksobel@msn.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Tiera Leos \(leostn20@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:leostn20@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Shannon Veale \(shannon.bing@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:shannon.bing@gmail.com)
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From: [Margaret Porter-Daniel \(jimdandymfpd@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:jimdandymfpd@gmail.com)
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Aileen Rivera \(jgmoulds@aol.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:jgmoulds@aol.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Friday, July 14, 2023 8:57:15 AM

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From: [John McClain \(ffclubhero@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [JoEllen Daniel \(joellendaniel@hotmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:joellendaniel@hotmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Meredith O'Connor \(rigsbyrna@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Shabaka Moore \(shabakajones@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:shabakajones@yahoo.com)
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Sincerely,

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From: [Natalie DeBoer \(natdebo53@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:natdebo53@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Betty Byrne Ware \(bettybware1@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Erin Hillert \(ehillert@thejamesriver.org\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:ehillert@thejamesriver.org)
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From: [William Schreier \(wjschreier1950@msn.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:wjschreier1950@msn.com)
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From: [Sally Chambers \(shcchambers@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:shcchambers@gmail.com)
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Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [William Muth \(wrmuth@vcu.edu\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:wrmuth@vcu.edu)
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Lois Lommel \(lolo2636@verizon.net\)](mailto:lolo2636@verizon.net) Sent You a Personal Message
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From: [Ra Hi \(ramonadhinkle@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:ramonadhinkle@yahoo.com)
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From: [Howell Perkins \(hppeds@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:hppeds@gmail.com)
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From: [Beverly Pettway \(bevpettway@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:bevpettway@gmail.com)
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From: [lynn marlen \(xtendent@telus.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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lynn marlen



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From: [Betsy Flowers \(flowersgrowpot@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Kelly Kruschel \(kellymkruschel@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Sunday, July 16, 2023 12:49:10 PM

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From: [Hannah Holtzman \(hannah.holtzman@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Steven Heinitz \(recycle63@verizon.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Amber Walczuk \(amber.n.walczuk@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:amber.n.walczuk@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Andrew Peacock \(peacockandrewj@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:peacockandrewj@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Barry O'Keefe \(barrywilder@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:barrywilder@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Daniel deSa \(ddesa97@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Susan Miller \(susan.miller1417@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:susan.miller1417@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Paige Wesselink \(paige.annawesse@sierraclub.org\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:paige.annawesse@sierraclub.org)
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From: [Daniel Hart \(dhart@richmond.edu\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:dhart@richmond.edu)
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From: [William Muth \(wrmuth@vcu.edu\)](mailto:wrmuth@vcu.edu) Sent You a Personal Message
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 12:39:51 PM

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From: [Jill Eggers \(radiobath@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:JillEggers@radiobath@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Jen Krondon \(jen.krondon@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:jen.krondon@gmail.com)
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From: [Riley Champine \(riley@champine.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:riley@champine.net)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Allison Tillet \(legal-lyres0h@icloud.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Laura Frieze \(mildaplotkin@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Robert Brown \(brownt@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Becky Lakin \(becky@thegivingwall.org\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:becky@thegivingwall.org)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Hunter Hedgecock \(hedgecockhn@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Daniel Wavering \(dmw4545@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:dmw4545@gmail.com)
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From: [Chris Berg \(chris.jberg@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:chris.jberg@gmail.com)
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From: [Sabrina Rivera \(sabrina.k.rivera@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:sabrina.k.rivera@gmail.com)
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From: [Alexis Malec \(lexzahara101@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:lexzahara101@gmail.com)
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From: [Tyler Brown \(teebrown.tyler@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:teebrown.tyler@gmail.com)
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From: [Jean Westcott \(jeanrw@live.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:jeanrw@live.com)
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From: [Joshua Lopez \(jlopez09@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Elizabeth Zizzamia \(bethzizzamia@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:bethzizzamia@gmail.com)
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From: [Rebecca Courtright \(kvirginia10@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:kvirginia10@gmail.com)
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From: [Paige Harvey \(pharvey1952@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Keith Elliott \(keithelliott11@hotmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:keithelliott11@hotmail.com)
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From: [Timothy Cywinski \(tim.cywinski@sierraclub.org\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:tim.cywinski@sierraclub.org)
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From: [John Kenney \(thrpastor@aol.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:thrpastor@aol.com)
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From: [AnnaLea Elliott \(annaleag23@yahoo.com\)](mailto:annaleag23@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message
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From: [Leigh Eicher \(leigh.eicher@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Kelly Adams \(kelly.adams@sierraclub.org\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:kelly.adams@sierraclub.org)
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From: [Jon Greenberg \(mostalalchemist@aol.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Maureen Phinney \(maureenphinney26@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
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From: [Mary-Helen Sullivan \(sulgray4@verizon.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Jan Taylor \(janmact@comcast.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
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From: [Patricia Kinser \(pkinser01@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Shavon Peacock \(shavonandrew@verizon.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:shavonandrew@verizon.net)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Friday, July 21, 2023 7:57:10 AM

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From: [Dorothy Rilee \(dottyrilee@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:dottyrilee@gmail.com)
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From: [Rhonda Johnson \(rdtgjohnson@hotmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:rdtgjohnson@hotmail.com)
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From: [David Evans \(dsihevans6880@verizon.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:dsihevans6880@verizon.net)
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From: [Karen Holliday \(kdodger7@yahoo.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
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From: [Marsha Gainey \(gaineyml@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Saturday, July 22, 2023 9:05:22 PM

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From: [Margaret Porter Daniel \(jimdandymfpd@gmail.com\) Sent You a Personal Message](mailto:jimdandymfpd@gmail.com)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 10:40:46 AM

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From: [lynn marlin \(xtendent@telus.net\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 11:22:02 PM

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From: [Mary Finley-Brook \(mbrook@richmond.edu\) Sent You a Personal Message](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Please Support Ordinance 2023-188 for a Public Utilities Commission
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2023 7:53:31 AM

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From: [Joh Gehlbach](#)
To: [Rodney Poole](#)
Cc: [PDR Land Use Admin](#)
Subject: Realtors Letter of Support - Ordinance 2023-196
Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 4:30:27 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[Ord. 2023-196 ADUs - Realtors Support.pdf](#)

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Chairman Poole,

On behalf of the Richmond Association of Realtors®, I'm writing to submit a letter of support for Ordinance 2023-196, that would allow a homeowner to construct an accessory dwelling unit by-right. You will find it attached to this email.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Joh

Joh Gehlbach

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Vice President of Government Affairs

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July 11, 2023

Chairman Rodney Poole
900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Chairman Poole:

On behalf of the Richmond Association of REALTORS®, I enthusiastically offer our support for Ordinance 2023-196, which enables single-family homeowners to build accessory dwelling units (ADUs) by-right. Adopting this ordinance is consistent with the goals of Richmond 300, supports the diversification of housing types throughout the city, and promotes environmentally sustainable infill development.

The legalization of by-right ADU development presents a variety of opportunities for Richmond's housing market, including benefits for seniors and first-time homebuyers. A Partnership for Housing Affordability study concluded that many seniors in Richmond are aging in place and their homes are typically first-time homebuyer stock. While undoubtedly, some residents prefer to age in place, others financially have no other option when moving to a 55+ community would require a mortgage. By-right ADU development makes it easier for adult children to house aging parents, while simultaneously creating much needed multigenerational housing and adding first-time homebuyer stock back to the market.

In 2021, Richmond declared a climate emergency. Housing policy is perhaps one of the most underutilized tools when it comes to reducing emissions and meeting sustainability goals. In Portland, Oregon, a 2023 study shows that 74% of ADUs were constructed within a ¼ mile of "city centers," a designation similar to Richmond 300's priority growth nodes. Infill development, of which ADUs are an essential component of, enables people to live closer to jobs and services and utilize non-car transportation modes. A Coalition for Smarter Growth study demonstrates that compact development reduces greenhouse gas emissions by 10-40%.

Furthermore, ADUs support economic integration. ADUs are costly to build. Most recent estimates are around \$200,000-\$300,000. The homeowners with financial resources to build ADUs live in affluent neighborhoods where there are very few rental units. If owners in these areas choose to build and rent an ADU, they will be offering housing in communities of opportunity that are otherwise out of reach to Richmonders who cannot afford to buy a home in that neighborhood.

Lastly, this is a private property rights issue. An individual homeowner should not have to go through a burdensome special use process and submit themselves to a public hearing to build an ADU on their property. Administrative approval from staff addresses communal health, welfare, and safety concerns. Not only does transitioning away from an SUP for accessory dwelling units streamline the process for a property owner, but it also utilizes Planning Commission and City Council meeting time more efficiently.

For all these reasons, the Richmond Association of REALTORS® supports the adoption of Ordinance 2023-196. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joh Gehlbach", written in a cursive style.

Joh Gehlbach
Vice President of Government Affairs

CC: Planning Commission & City Council

From: [Wesley Hayden](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Seeking Action for Traffic Calming in Council District 7 / Shockoe Bottom Area
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 2:12:47 PM

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Good Afternoon,

My name is Wesley Hayden and I currently live in the Shockoe Bottom neighborhood in Council District 7. I am currently looking to approach City Council with a request to put signage and other traffic calming measures in the area, as serious car accidents are becoming too common in the neighborhood and often caused by reckless driving on and near Main Street for several blocks by drivers traveling over the speed limit and failing to stop for stop signs or yield to right of way, and I am worried that it is a matter of time until there are pedestrian deaths in the neighborhood. I wanted to inquire as to the best way to approach the City Council with this issue and request for action. I see that there is an upcoming meeting for the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee on August 22nd. Would a request for public comment at this or any other City Council meeting be appropriate, and if so what would be the best way to request a moment for comment and to ensure a proper use of this time?

I appreciate your response and any information you can provide as to best work towards this matter. If this is the wrong office to contact, I would appreciate any information you may be able to share as to the proper offices and individuals to contact.

Thank you,

Wesley Hayden

From: [Lisa Delao](#)
To: [Robertson, Ellen F. - City Council](#)
Cc: [Saunders, Lincoln - CAO](#); [Anderson, Maggie A. - Mayor's Office](#); [Mayor Levar Stoney](#); [City Clerk's Office](#); [Jones, Michael J. - City Council](#)
Subject: Support for Public Utility Commission
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 12:41:56 PM

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Dear Honorable City Council Vice President Robertson,

My name is Lisa Delao and I am a resident of the 6th district at [REDACTED] and a teacher at Huguenot High School. I am writing to express my support for City Council Ordinance 2023-188 for the purpose of establishing a Public Utilities and Services Commission.

Climate change is an immensely concerning and pressing matter that needs to be addressed in as many ways as possible now. This commission is just one important way for people to become involved in the operation of public utilities and take action on the impact that gas and public utilities have on our planet. The future of life on this planet depends on residents and government officials working together to create solutions.

Thank you so much for your time and attention to this matter. I hope that you will support City Council Ordinance 2023-188 in establishing a Public Utilities and Services Commission.

Best regards,
Lisa Delao

From: [Thomas Beach](#)
To: [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#)
Cc: [Mayor Levar Stoney](#); [Anderson, Maggie A. - Mayor's Office](#); [City Clerk's Office](#); micheal.jones@rva.gov
Subject: Support for the PUSC (city council ordinance 2023-188)
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 2:03:00 PM

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Dear Mr. Addison --

I am writing to express my support for city council ordinance 2023-188 to establish the Richmond Public Utilities Services Commission.

It's clear that the city has a substantial investment in its utilities, and is eagerly pursuing expansion of the gas utility into surrounding counties. When such investments make good economic sense, I'm all for them. But expanding Richmond Gas is a lose-lose effort for all stakeholders -- not only customers of Richmond Gasworks, but the city itself.

This counter-productive spending represents a missed opportunity to invest smartly in green energy. Solar and wind are not only the technologies of the future, but the job-creators of today. No Richmond Gas pipe fitter wants to be unemployed as a result of this transition, but would eagerly embrace the opportunities offered in solar installation, distribution line extension, and wind energy. There are also opportunities for "big box" business owners -- shopping centers, large apartment buildings, etc. -- who can turn their expansive roofs into money-making power plants.

As today's extreme weather events and the established science of climate change make abundantly clear, fossil fuels are killing us -- slowly, to be sure, but quite inevitably. A Public Utilities Services Commission would enhance consumer protection, avoid the stranded assets of obsolete pipe lines, and help keep city residents safe from the dangers and monetary waste of gas leaks.

Please lend your support for this urgently needed ordinance and help make the PUSC a reality.

Tom Beach



From: [Laura Hagen \(she/her\)](#)
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Support of proposed amendments to prohibit keeping wild or exotic animals
Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 8:30:13 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[2023-7-23 HSUS-Comments-RVA-Exotics.pdf](#)

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Dear President Jones and Members of the Richmond City Council:

On behalf of the Humane Society of the United States and our Richmond supporters, please accept the attached testimony in support of the proposed amendments to city code that would prohibit keeping wild or exotic animals. We offer the attached comments on the proposal and urge its adoption to ensure both public safety and animal welfare.

Thank you,
Laura Hagen

Laura Hagen

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humanesociety.org



The Humane Society of the United States is the nation's most effective animal protection organization, fighting for all animals for more than 60 years. To support our work, please make a [monthly donation](#), give in [another way](#) or [volunteer](#).





July 23, 2023

Michael J. Jones, President
Richmond City Council
900 E. Broad Street, Suite 305
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Support for proposed amendments to prohibit keeping wild and exotic animals

Dear President Jones and Council Members:

The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) and our supporters in Richmond are in favor of the proposed amendments to city code that would prohibit keeping wild or exotic animals. We offer the following comments on the proposal and urge adoption of it to ensure both public safety and animal welfare.

WILD AND EXOTIC ANIMALS POSE PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH RISKS

The private possession of wild and exotic animals such as non-human primates, venomous snakes, and crocodiles, puts communities at risk. Even when born in captivity and hand-raised, wild animals retain their wild, and often predatory, instincts. They can (and do) injure and kill people, as evidenced by hundreds of incidents in the U.S. in the last two decades alone, and they take every opportunity to escape. For example:

- In 2010, a Chesapeake, Virginia man suffered two attacks in two weeks from his pet capuchin monkey. The first incident resulted in a severed vein and torn ligaments. The monkey bit off his little finger in the second incident.¹
- Also in 2010, a 30-year-old Hampton, Virginia man was flown to a hospital in Richmond after he was bitten on the hand by his pet albino monocled cobra and began throwing up blood. Anti-venom had to be flown in from Florida. The cobra was kept in a shed behind his house with other snakes. A neighbor expressed concern for her grandchildren after learning there was a nearby resident keeping venomous snakes.²
- In 2016 in Virginia Beach, a man who brought his white-headed capuchin monkey to the Oceanfront and performed in public for tips fled the scene after his monkey bit a 9-year-old girl on the hand, breaking the skin. The girl, who was with her family visiting from Pennsylvania, was interacting with the man and his monkey when she was bitten. The girl was taken to the emergency room and underwent treatment for rabies and herpes B virus since the monkey's medical history was unknown.³
- In 2018, a 4-foot alligator kept as a pet in Gate City escaped and was loose for two weeks. The alligator was found and shot during an overnight search of Big Moccasin Creek by officials with the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources.⁴
- In 2022, a man was taken to VCU Medical Center after he was bitten by an African Pit Viper, also known as Gaboon viper, that he was keeping as a pet. The man was initially given anti-venom provided by the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. Virginia State Police rushed another 35 doses of anti-venom from the Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Center in Virginia Beach to the medical center.⁵

Every day, law enforcement personnel and other first responders risk their lives in the line of duty, but they should never have to face something as extraordinary as an aggressive primate or a deadly king cobra. Ultimately it is the taxpayer, as well as the law-abiding sanctuary community, that ends up footing the bill in the wake of attacks, escapes, or confiscations that are inevitable when wild animals are kept in private hands.

¹ "Chesapeake veteran says attack by his service monkey was worse than combat," WTKR-TV3, March 24, 2010. Lauren King, "Service monkey bites Chesapeake man again," Virginian-Pilot, March 30, 2010.

² "Pet cobra bites his owner," WVEC, November 22, 2011. Jason Marks, "Man OK after pet albino cobra bites him," WAVY, November 22, 2011.

³ Jane Harper and Stacy Parker, "Monkey bites 9-year-old girl at Virginia Beach Oceanfront," The Virginian-Pilot, August 4, 2016.

⁴ "Wildlife officials kill alligator found in Southwest Virginia," WYMT, July 25, 2018.

⁵ "State police race to save man bitten by pet snake, one of world's deadliest," WRIC, March 27, 2022.



Further, wild animals can carry diseases that are easily transmitted to humans, such as rabies, tuberculosis, Salmonella, and Herpes B. Macaque monkeys, which are commonly kept as pets, naturally carry the Herpes B virus, which can be deadly in humans. Most reptiles carry and shed Salmonella in their feces. There is no simple way to tell which reptiles play host to the microbe and which do not; reptiles that carry Salmonella do not show any signs, and even those that carry Salmonella may shed the bacterium intermittently. Individuals can become infected by ingesting Salmonella after handling a reptile or objects the reptile contaminated, and then failing to wash their hands properly.

KEEPING WILD AND EXOTIC ANIMALS ADVERSELY IMPACTS ANIMAL WELFARE

Wild animals also often suffer greatly in captivity. They require substantial space, escape-proof housing, and specialized and costly care. The average person simply does not have the expertise and resources needed to properly house and care for these animals. As a result, exotic animals kept as “pets” are often confined in conditions that compromise their physical and psychological welfare. They are deprived of adequate exercise and the ability to express natural behaviors. Many monkeys, for example, are raised as if they were children in human households. It is common for non-human primates kept in these socially deprived conditions to develop neurotic and self-injurious behaviors.

Eventually, animals who inevitably become too difficult for their owners to handle, or who have outgrown their usefulness as “pets,” are typically left to languish in neglected and isolated conditions, passed from owner to owner, or simply turned loose, endangering the community and native wildlife. The lucky ones find placement in a genuine sanctuary. Experts, including the Association of Zoos and Aquariums and the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians, oppose keeping exotic and wild animals as pets.

In conclusion, the private possession of wild species is inhumane, poses unacceptable physical harm and zoonotic disease risks to the community and emergency responders, and is detrimental to true wildlife conservation efforts. We commend your efforts on this important matter and urge you to quickly enact the proposed ordinance change.

Thank you for giving our comments your consideration.

Sincerely,

Laura Hagen, Director, Captive Wildlife
The Humane Society of the United States



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Richmond City Council,

On behalf of RVA YIMBY, we are writing to submit a petition in support of Ordinance 2023-196 regarding the by-right development of accessory dwelling units. It has been signed by 235 Richmonders and the district distribution is as follows:

- 35 residents in the 1st District
- 35 residents in the 2nd District
- 21 residents in the 3rd District
- 27 residents in the 4th District
- 37 residents in the 5th District
- 16 residents in the 6th District
- 25 residents in the 7th District
- 3 residents in the 8th District
- 3 residents in the 9th District
- 33 residents in neighboring counties

Please include this district breakdown and attached petition in the official public comment.

Your neighbors,

Andrew Bryant & Will Wilson
Richmond City Leads
RVA YIMBY

CC - Planning Commission



Dear Richmond Planning Commission & City Council,

235 Richmonders have signed a petition in support of Ordinance 2023-196, allowing accessory dwelling units by-right.

Here is the petition they signed:

We, the undersigned, ask that the City of Richmond allow accessory dwelling units by-right in all residential zones for the following reasons:

1. We have a housing shortage. ADUs will help increase the number of available homes.
2. Private property rights. A homeowner should be able to safely and legally construct an ADU with approval from planning staff.

You can view each petition signer and the comments they left you below.

Your neighbors,
Andrew Bryant & Will Wilson
Richmond City Leads, RVA YIMBY

1. David Lee (*District 1*)

A great first step towards improving our challenge of a lack of affordable housing.

2. Stephen Ackley (*District 7*)

Legalization of ADUs will help the housing crisis!

3. Haerin Kim (*District 1*)

4. Ariel Richards (*District 2*)



5. Alexander Cleary (*District 6*)

6. Alexandra Cook (*District 4*)

7. Alicia McDonough (*District 1*)

8. Allison Dubinsky (*District 4*)

9. Allison Clark (*District 1*)

10. Amy Garber (*District 1*)

11. Amy Hyman (*District 7*)

12. Andrew Isidoridy (*District 5*)

13. Andy Boenau (*District 2*)

Please legalize housing. It shouldn't require a popularity contest to get staff or your neighbor's approval.

14. Ansley Perkins (*District 2*)

I have listened to the presentations, found the most recent slide a helpful visual on all the types of ADUs. I wholeheartedly support legalizing them.

15. Anthony Ramallo (*District 3*)

We want ADUs!

16. Paul Cox (*District 7*)

17. Autumn Davis (*District 8*)

18. Benjamin Cronk (*District 1*)

It would be great to lift the maximum roof to 25' so it more historically accurate to existing carriage houses and increases functionality to the resident.



19. Bahar Sayed (*District 2*)

20. Barry Greene Jr. (*District 9*)

21. Kathryn Baylor (*Henrico*)

22. Ben Buckland (*District 4*)

23. Ben DeMaria (*District 5*)

24. Beau Richards (*District 2*)

Legalize ADUs! Our aging family members need housing!

25. Betty Schexnayder (*Chesterfield*)

26. William Rider (*District 1*)

Legalize ADU's by-right!

27. Bill Riggs (*Henrico*)

28. Blaine Sledge (*District 4*)

29. Bryson Lefmann (*District 5*)

30. Oliver Bonhotel (*Henrico*)

Allowing for ADUs will help with our housing crisis throughout the region.

31. Brandon Dupert (*District 6*)

32. Christian Naranjo (*District 3*)

33. Brian Bills (*District 2*)

We need more varied and affordable housing options, ideally built by people or families and not only by big developers!



34. Brian Beard (*District 1*)

35. Bryan Wilson (*District 1*)

I'm a soon to be homeowner in the West End of Richmond and the ability to construct an ADU was a significant attractor. I support making the permitting and approval process a standardized process to encourage more ADU construction. This will increase housing stock and help to make Richmond an affordable livable city.

36. Andrew Bryant (*District 7*)

Yes for more housing!

37. Blake Stack (*District 5*)

38. William Sweeney (*District 4*)

NOW!

39. Brandon Joswick (*District 6*)

40. Ben Wong (*District 1*)

41. Caitlin West (*District 1*)

42. Crystal Caldwell (*District 3*)

43. Camille Robinson (*District 1*)

Absolutely!! Legalize them. They should be a given and only need a "permit" if you're doing something crazy.

44. Carissa Ferguson (*Henrico*)

45. Carly Romeo (*District 5*)

46. Carter Snipes (*District 2*)



47. Cathryn Hutton (*District 8*)

ADU's will be a huge help to Richmond residents and help make housing more affordable for all. Please pass this ordinance!!!

48. Chris Dobrogosz (*Henrico*)

49. Christopher Smith (*District 1*)

50. Cynthia Cobbs (*District 2*)

Allowing ADU's will help with our crisis in affordable housing

51. Jerry Plum (*District 7*)

52. Colin Taylor (*District 5*)

53. Gillian Cubbage (*District 7*)

54. Daniel Alloway (*District 5*)

55. Daniel Warshaw (*District 3*)

One of the best ways to add some density to a fairly suburban district like the 3rd!

56. Danielle Guichard (*District 1*)

57. Anne Darby (*District 3*)

58. J. David Conmy (*District 7*)

59. David Wile (*District 7*)

60. Deborah DiazGranados (*District 1*)

I support the legalization of ADUs.



61. Derek Wolter (*District 5*)

62. Daniel Thomas (*District 3*)

Provided it doesn't overload utilities or pose a hazard, the city has no business telling me what I can and can't build on my land.

63. Diana Harland (*District 1*)

64. Maggie Graff (*Henrico*)

65. Dominick DeDonno (*District 4*)

66. Don O'Keefe (*District 2*)

67. Donald Hoover (*District 1*)

68. Doug Allen (*District 5*)

Legalize housing!

69. Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson (*Henrico*)

70. Ellyn Parker (*District 4*)

71. Linnea Morgan (*District 9*)

72. Brian Ennis (*District 3*)

More homes please! Allow people to age in place, care for elders, or help someone find a small place to live.

73. Eric Mai (*District 7*)

ADUs help address a desperate need for aging-in-place and multigenerational households.

74. Erin O'Hara (*District 2*)



75. Elizabeth Johnson (*District 4*)

76. Emilie Yang (*Hanover*)

77. Sophie Fields (*District 5*)

78. Liam Orr (*District 4*)

79. Momin Khan (*District 5*)

It's just common sense.

80. Frank Pagurko (*District 1*)

81. Fred Ries (*District 6*)

82. Olivia Kay (*District 5*)

83. Ginna Lambert (*District 1*)

84. George Ramallo (*District 1*)

I would greatly appreciate this to help make housing more affordable.

85. Gray Taylor (*Chesterfield*)

86. Grace Heckel (*District 3*)

87. Grady Tollison (*District 1*)

88. Grady Hart (*District 2*)

Fully legalize By-Right ADUs!

89. Gray O'Rielly (*District 2*)



90. Eli Gray (*District 3*)

ADU's are a good solution to Richmond's ongoing growing pains and current housing crisis.

91. Gabriel Salmon (*District 4*)

92. Raleigh Heckel (*Chesterfield*)

93. Heidi Molano (*District 3*)

94. Chris Ellis (*District 5*)

95. Hope Neels (*District 1*)

96. Callie Houghland (*District 2*)

97. Conner Kasten (*District 2*)

As Richmond continues to grow we need to densify and address our housing shortage aggressively to avoid failing our neighbors and reduce our climate impact. ADUs are part of a strategy to do that successfully.

98. Haley Minter (*District 2*)

In support

99. Harrison Stewart (*District 1*)

100. Hunter Brower (*District 4*)**Indy Brahm** (*District 2*)

101. Inga Schunn (*District 2*)

102. Ixchael Bashore (*District 4*)

Would be helpful if we stopped building unaffordable housing all together.



103. Jeremy Hoffman (*District 2*)

The climate benefits of allowing ADUs by-right can't be overstated. These types of housing are among the most climate-friendly infill housing we have at our fingertips. It also allows for more housing in places people want to live, instead of relegating new housing out to Richmond's peripheral neighborhoods along major arterial corridors, which struggle with pedestrian, public, and active transportation safety.

104. Jacob Harless (*District 1*)

It is important for our growing city to allow for denser and affordable housing. ADUs are a great step towards that.

105. Jacob Wilson (*District 7*)

I would like to provide affordable housing as small rental units attached to my current and future residential properties.

106. Jeff Wanner (*Henrico*)

107. Jeffrey Halun (*District 1*)

108. Jennifer Wampler (*District 1*)

Please allow ADU by right

109. Jessica Anderson (*District 2*)

110. Jonah Franke-Fuller (*District 4*)

111. Aileen Rivera (*Henrico*)

112. John Kricorian II (*District 6*)

This should be used to empower homeowners to create low-cost rentals. This can and should have a positive effect on affordable housing. My city should not be a hole for the poor to fall in and a playground for the wealthy, that's not justice.

113. Jessica Byrum (*District 1*)



114. Joe Acanfora (*District 5*)

We need more housing asap. I want to build an ADU on my property and I hope my neighbors do too.

115. John Lingenfelser (*Henrico*)

116. Janet Peredo (*Henrico*)

This would be an amazing development in Richmond. I could be able to move back to the city with more affordable options!

117. Jason Tipton (*District 3*)

118. Juliana Dzura (*District 7*)

119. Joseph Boor (*Henrico*)

120. Justin West (*District 4*)

121. Kate Marshall (*District 2*)

122. Karla Susaeta (*Henrico*)

123. Jonathon Holmes (*District 5*)

124. Katelyn Norman (*Henrico*)

125. Kristen Melton (*District 1*)

126. Becca Runyon (*District 5*)

127. Kelci Straka (*Henrico*)



128. Lance Warren (*District 7*)

I'm a small business owner, and I strongly support legalizing ADUs by right, creating a new opportunity for Richmonders seeking to age in place, while also boosting the city's stock of housing that is affordable to a wide range of individuals and families.

129. Laurin Jessup (*Chesterfield*)

130. Lawson Wijesooriya (*District 7*)

131. Lee Williams (*District 5*)

132. Leslie Beard (*District 5*)

Please allow tiny homes in yards! With such a small housing stock, we need more options - AFFORDABLE OPTIONS - for our community.

133. Lewis Jones (*District 1*)

134. Linda Childs (*District 7*)

This is so logical and so important to our fair city!

135. Lisa Gaidanowicz (*District 6*)

136. Dylan Adams (*District 5*)

137. Logan Sorese (*District 9*)

Let's gooooo.

138. Lisa Watson (*District 6*)

139. Mason Mairead (*District 5*)

Common sense growth and investment ordinance to reduce the burden of investing in property and growing the housing stock in our city. I would love to build on at my home and hope the ordinance passes.

140. Mahi Ran (*Henrico*)



141. Morgan Dehaven (*District 5*)

142. Marcus Werner (*Henrico*)

143. Maria Dougherty (*District 6*)

144. Mariah Gannon (*Chesterfield*)

Housing prices are surging and we need inventory to go up. Please restrict usage for Air BnB and other "investment" property uses.

145. Gary Marino (*District 1*)

146. Matthew Via (*District 4*)

147. Morgan Walls (*District 4*)

148. Morgan Curtis (*District 1*)

149. Megan Welch (*District 4*)

150. Matthias Joireman (*District 2*)

151. Michael Grabow (*District 3*)

Support more housing and property rights

152. Patricia Evirs (*District 3*)

This is way overdue and a great option to provide additional (much needed) affordable housing. My biggest concern is how Richmond will pile on tax for such a unit.

153. Molly Armus (*District 6*)



154. Miranda Montgomery (*District 6*)

155. Brock Hall (*District 6*)

Strongly in favor of legalizing ADUs. It's a confusing and silly prohibition that doesn't affect density much but does reduce the quality of rentals (ie. No kitchen appliances).

156. Michael Truxton (*District 4*)

157. John Murden (*District 4*)

158. Neda Rehan (*Henrico*)

159. Natalie Sarcona (*District 5*)

160. Nathan Pal (*Hanover*)

161. Nicholas Donohue (*District 2*)

Please support this ordinance.

162. Nicholas Wright (*District 7*)

163. Noah Holmes Foster (*District 2*)

Richmond's affordable housing crisis is well documented. ADUs provide an opportunity to add density to residential areas while enhancing urban form.

164. Nick Banta (*Henrico*)

165. Joshua Hoover (*District 2*)

166. Natalie Wilson (*District 1*)



167. Joan Oberle (*District 2*)

I support ADUs. They provide an opportunity for families to stay close in the case of a MIL suite, also provide a source of income. Of course, they need to follow code and other specific criteria.

168. Peter Smith (*District 2*)

169. Pamela James-Goodenow (*District 5*)

170. Peter Coughlin (*District 5*)

171. Jeffrey Pfannenstien (*District 2*)

172. Phil Cunningham (*District 7*)

173. Sven Philipsen (*District 5*)

174. Pippa Holloway (*District 5*)

175. Christopher Plummer (*District 8*)

We know that home prices are a function of the elasticity of supply, so this is one step toward improving that aspect. And the infill of usable land improves neighborhood dynamics and socialization.

176. Samuel Jones (*District 3*)

177. Richard Hankins (*District 4*)

A vital ordinance to address our housing crisis!

178. Riley Champine (*District 4*)

Making ADUs easier to build is an obvious step to start seriously fixing Richmond's housing crisis. Let's pass this now!



179. Robert McNierney (*Louisa*)

180. Rob Risque (*District 7*)

181. Robert McArdle (*District 2*)

182. Ross Hoppe (*District 5*)

183. Ruth Twiggs (*District 5*)

184. Cecil Rybak (*District 7*)

185. Sami Alsawaf (*District 2*)

186. Sam Hallack (*District 7*)

187. Sarah Davis (*District 4*)

188. Sarah Mosher (*District 3*)

189. Steven Carter-Lovejoy (*District 5*)

190. Sharon Shaw (*District 4*)

Please approve Ordinance 2023-196 to make it legal and easier for homeowners to add ADU's to their property. We need that flexibility in affordable housing options

191. Sheryl Johnson (*District 3*)

192. Samantha Kenny (*Henrico*)

193. Samuel Poth (*Henrico*)

194. Scott Winiecki (*Henrico*)



195. Sarah Weisiger (*District 1*)

196. Sophie Blumberg (*District 5*)

197. Justin Kay (*District 5*)

Accessory dwelling units only add value and market flexibility for renters and home-owners alike.

198. Samuel Jones (*District 5*)

199. Stacey Smith (*District 2*)

200. Mary Doerr (*Chesterfield*)

201. Daniel Stokes (*District 5*)

Housing is a human right.

202. Mary-Helen Sullivan (*District 2*)

203. Susan Miller (*District 2*)

204. Susan Martin (*District 5*)

Great help for aging in place!

205. Susannah Bennett (*District 6*)

Do it.

206. Tyler Levinson (*District 3*)

Let me build a home for my sick mother in law!

207. Robert Tedder (*District 5*)



208. Cal Ries (*District 2*)

Richmond City needs to increase the supply of and decentralize the ownership of housing. Easing the restrictions on and reducing the hurdles in creating ADUs is a great step towards this.

209. Tetra Silverberg (*District 7*)

210. David Maughan (*District 6*)

211. James Gillespie (*District 7*)

212. Tracey Heckel (*District 7*)

213. Thomas Marlowe (*District 5*)

I have been priced out of living in my home city. This ordinance would help lower rents overall and provide more housing. As a low-income single working adult, someone who isn't eligible for any type of housing assistance, this ordinance would allow me to move home!

214. Turand Paige (*Henrico*)

215. Micah Gordon (*District 2*)

216. Jon Heckel (*District 7*)

217. Steve Varvel (*District 4*)

218. Chris Crowley (*District 4*)

Seems obvious.

219. Virginia Martin (*District 1*)



220. Vanessa Nesbitt (*District 7*)

ADUs contribute to economic, environmental, and social stability, making our existing housing stock more efficient.

221. Nick Cooper (*District 3*)

222. Mason Watkins (*District 6*)

223. Wes Mills (*Henrico*)

224. Will Bynum (*District 4*)

225. Shatanik Bhattacharjee (*District 4*)

226. Rach Sheeran (*Chesterfield*)

Help us have more freedoms to do what we want with our own property. It will solve many problems.

227. Michael Wiebe (*Henrico*)

Legalize these! Adequate and dynamic housing is crucial for a healthy economy.

228. William Wilson (*District 2*)

Jackson Ward has lots of large lots serviced by alleys. Perfect for ADU's! More density here helps with the revitalization of the Broad St\ 2nd St retail corridors.

229. Warren Lowery (*District 3*)

230. Christopher Yakubisin (*District 3*)

231. Chris Yenson (*District 7*)

232. Wyatt Gordon (*District 6*)

Let's build more housing so people of all incomes and ages can find a home that suits their needs in our city!



233. Yue Yu (*District 1*)

234. Zach Harwood (*District 3*)

235. Zully Jandres (*Chesterfield*)