

Monday, December 13, 2021 6:00 Pl	Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall
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## **Councilmembers Present**

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President The Honorable Ellen Robertson, Vice President The Honorable Andreas Addison The Honorable Michael Jones (early departure) The Honorable Katherine Jordan The Honorable Ann-Frances Lambert The Honorable Kristen Larson The Honorable Stephanie Lynch The Honorable Reva Trammell

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., and presided.

Invocation was offered by Reverend Gwynn Crichton of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 815 E. Grace Street, Richmond, VA.

Members of Council and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

## CHAMBER EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

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 along with citizen speaker guidelines.

## **APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS**

Vice President Ellen Robertson moved that the following appointments and reappointments be approved:

Board Name	Criteria for Appointment	Applicant Name	<u>Terms</u>
Central Virginia Waste Management Authority (6 members)	Alternate – Live or work in the city	Noah Hillerbrand	12/13/2021 – 12/12/2024 Succeeding Kevin A. White
Commission of Architectural Review (9 members)	At-Large City Resident	John C. Grier	12/13/2021 – 09/14/2024 Succeeding James W. Klaus
Urban Design Committee (11 members)	Landscape Architect – Live or work in the City	Luigi Mignardi	01/28/2022 – 01/27/2025 Succeeding Andrea Almond
Aging and Disabilities Advisory Board (11 members)	Representatives of the business community – Live or work in the City	Jaron Clay	12/13/2021 – 02/10/2023 Succeeding Olive Chambers
	Persons with disabilities – City Resident	Glynis Boyd Hughes	02/08/2022 – 02/07/2025 Succeeding Charles Barker

Aging and Disabilities Advisory Board (11 members)	Past or current caregivers of a person with a disability or senior citizen – City Resident	Valerie James-Gilbert	01/27/2022 – 01/26/2025 Succeeding Kimberly Adams
	City employee or an attorney or paralegal whose firm or office handles cases for senior citizens or persons with a disability, has experience addressing Americans with Disabilities Act issues – No residency or work location requirement	April Bingham	02/08/2022 – 02/07/2025 Succeeding E. Yvette Jones
Community Criminal Justice Board	At-Large City Resident	Terry Frye	12/13/2021 - 09/13/2023
(15 members)		(reappointment)	
	At-Large City Resident	Elizabeth Johnson	12/13/2021 – 03/13/2022 Succeeding Eric J. Reynolds
	At-Large City Resident	Dr. Michon Moon	12/13/2021 – 9/10/2023 Succeeding David Robinson
	Public Defender or attorney experienced in criminal defense – Live or work in the City	Tracy Paner (reappointment)	12/13/2021 – 09/13/2023
	Community Services Board Administrator	Dr. John Lindstrom (reappointment)	12/13/2021 – 06/12/2023
	Designee/An Attorney of the Commonwealth – Live or work in the City	Crystal Foster Fitzgerald (reappointment)	02/11/2022 – 02/10/2024

## The motion was seconded and unanimously approved

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

## AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no awards or presentations.

## CITIZEN COMMENT

Citizens were provided an opportunity to offer comments in writing prior to the Formal City Council meeting. All written citizen comments received by the Office of the City Clerk were provided to members of the Council prior to the meeting, and are included as an attachment to the December 13, 2021 Formal City Council meeting minutes, which can be accessed at <u>https://richmondva.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5358534&GUID=6D13F386-45C6-4FFA-B16A-0188E75CD269&Options=&Search=.</u>

*Melvin Jones* addressed Council and stated his concerns with the relining of the city's sewer system. Mr. Jones informed Council that the use of chemicals with the relining was causing rodents to vacate the sewer system and enter people's homes. Mr. Jones requested assistance from city administration regarding the issue.

President Cynthia Newbille requested that city administration contact Mr. Jones regarding his concern.

*Gian Bustillo* addressed Council and stated his concerns with Richmond Police Department (RPD) staffing. Mr. Bustillo also stated that he believed the staffing shortages of RPD was a result of low morale and better pay in surrounding counties. Mr. Bustillo further stated that the staffing shortages negatively impacted safety in the city.

*Marty Jewell* addressed Council and stated his concerns with the relining of the city's sewer system. Mr. Jewell also stated that he was concerned about the chemicals being used in the relining process and the potential harm caused to humans.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated her appreciation of police officers, and noted that Council was working to support officers.

## AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

## The following agenda amendments were considered:

#### ORD. 2021-265

To provide for the vacation of a portion of a subdivision plat, pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2272(2), pertaining to a lot originally reserved for recreation, known as 3021 Falcon Road and described on a certain subdivision plat as Lot 12-1, Staffordshire, Section 5, Block M.

## To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### ORD. 2021-270

To amend Ord. No. 2021-041, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Special Fund Budgets for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and appropriated the estimated receipts of the Special Revenue funds, to transfer funds in the amount of \$1,300,000.00 from the Office of the City Attorney's "Delinquent Tax Sales" special fund and to amend Ord. No. 2021-042, adopted May 24, 2021, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget, and determined a means for financing the same by appropriating the funds transferred to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget by increasing revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Enslaved African Heritage Campus project by \$1,300,000.00 for the purpose of procuring design services and associated community engagement.

## To be amended and continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### ORD. 2021-328

To authorize the special use of the property known as 939 Myers Street for the purpose of an outdoor event venue and farmer's market, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### RES. 2021-R065

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Department of Public Works to develop a process for City residents to request traffic studies of the residential areas within their neighborhoods for the purpose of assessing the appropriateness of instituting a 15 mile per hour speed limit in such areas to increase traffic safety.

## To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### RES. 2021-R082

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the development of a process for the designation of development project areas within the city of Richmond to be funded through tax increment financing pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-3245.2 and the preparation of a report concerning the feasibility of designating certain development project areas within the city of Richmond.

## To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

## ORD. 2019-275

To amend ch. 6 of the City Code by adding therein a new art. XII (§§ 6-596-6-602) to establish a technology zone program in accordance with Va. Code § 58.1-3850, for the purpose of facilitating the development and location of technology businesses in the city of Richmond, capital investment, and job creation. (As Amended)

## To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### ORD. 2019-276

To amend City Code §§ 26-872, concerning definitions related to license taxes, and 26-989, concerning licenses taxes for personal services businesses, and to amend ch. 26, art. XV, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein a new section numbered 26-1003.1, concerning the license tax for technology businesses, for the purpose of creating a new business, profession, and occupation license category called "technology business" and imposing a new license tax on such businesses. (As Amended)

#### To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### ORD. 2021-097

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1500 North Lombardy Street for the purpose of four wall signs, upon certain terms and conditions.

## To be continued to Monday, February 28, 2022

#### ORD. 2021-189

To provide for the crediting of receipts of business, professional, and occupational taxes in excess of \$32,713,958.00 during Fiscal Year 2021-2022 to a special reserve assigned to support the reduction of business, professional, and occupational taxes applicable to certain businesses.

#### To be continued to Monday, January 24, 2022

#### ORD. 2021-208

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3101 East Marshall Street for the purpose of a mixed-use building, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### To be amended and continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

#### ORD. 2021-315

To provide for the removal of certain monuments on City-owned property and to provide for the disposition of such monuments, as authorized by Va. Code § 15.2-1812.

#### To be continued to Monday, January 10, 2022

# Councilor Michael Jones moved to amend the agenda as presented, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

## CONSENT AGENDA

## The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

#### ORD. 2021-280

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3310 Richmond-Henrico Turnpike for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-300

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1823 Rose Avenue for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended)

#### ORD. 2021-301

To install an appropriate number of speed tables to be determined by the Department of Public Works in Hawthorne Avenue between West Brookland Park Boulevard and the southern terminus of Dupont Circle.

#### ORD. 2021-302

To erect all-way stop signs at the intersections of South Pine Street and China Street and South Pine Street and Albemarle Street.

#### ORD. 2021-303

To amend Ord. No. 2021-040, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by revising the title of the Non-Departmental line item entitled "Next Up LLC" for the purpose of clarifying that the appropriation for this line item shall be expended for "NextUp RVA."

#### ORD. 2021-304

To amend the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget by transferring \$1,156,360.00 from the Office of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services to the Non-Departmental agency and increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to certain eligible community partners by \$1,156,360.00 for the purpose of funding a collaborative community health literacy program.

#### ORD. 2021-305

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept \$206,211.03 from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, to amend the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities called the ADA Access Trail at Pump House Park Special Fund, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' ADA Access Trail at Pump House Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' ADA Access Trail at Pump House Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' ADA Access Trail at Pump House Park Special Fund by \$206,211.03 for the purpose of funding improvements to the trail from Pump House Drive to the bridge spanning the lock and canal at Pump House Park.

## ORD. 2021-306

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept \$90,335.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Shared Mobility Special Fund by \$90,335.00 for the purpose of funding the City's Park-N-Ride Bus Purchase project.

#### ORD. 2021-307

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, and to amend the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Office of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services by \$25,000.00 for the purpose of funding a comprehensive community assessment for the development of gun violence prevention and intervention services.

#### ORD. 2021-309

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$145,000.00 from the James River Outdoor Coalition and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Universal Access project in the Culture and Recreation category by \$145,000.00 for the purpose of funding the

construction of a universal access ramp at Huguenot Flatwater Park located at 8600 Riverside Drive in the city of Richmond.

## ORD. 2021-310

To declare surplus and to direct the sale of a portion of the City-owned real estate known as 1111 Fourqurean Lane, consisting of 2.270 acres ±, for \$10,000.00 to the Commonwealth Catholic Charities Housing Corporation for the purpose of facilitating the construction of an affordable multifamily residential development.

## ORD. 2021-311

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Deed between the City of Richmond and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of General Services, for the purpose of conveying by quitclaim deed the City-owned right-of-way known as Bank Street from North 9th Street to North 14th Street, North 10th Street from East Main Street to Bank Street, North 12th Street from East Main to Bank Street, and Governor Street from East Main Street to Bank Street, consisting of 127,363.7± square feet, for nominal consideration to the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of General Services.

## ORD. 2021-312

To declare a public necessity for and to authorize the acquisition of the parcel of real property owned by the Virginia Department of Transportation and known as 3008 Idlewood Avenue for the purpose maintaining the property as a City green space, playground, and recreational area.

## ORD. 2021-313

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administrative Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation for the purpose of receiving grant funds in the amount of \$90,355.00 to fund the City's Park-N-Ride Bus Purchase project.

#### ORD. 2021-314

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a License Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Tourism Authority, doing business as Virginia Tourism Corporation, for the purpose of facilitating the continued operation of the Welcome Center in the Main Street Station at 1500 East Main Street in the city of Richmond.

## ORD. 2021-316

To designate that portion of Wythemar Avenue located between its intersection with Larchmont Lane and its intersection with Midlothian Turnpike in honor of Sharnez Hill and her daughter, Neziah Hill.

## ORD. 2021-317

To designate the 3500 block of East Broad Rock Road in honor of Melissa Anne Paige.

## ORD. 2021-318

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute an Assignment, Assumption and Amendment of Main Street Station License Agreement between the Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority, the City of Richmond, Virginia, and Variant Events, LLC for the purpose of assigning to the City of Richmond the Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority's license agreement with Variant Events, LLC for Variant Events, LLC's continued use of Main Street Station at 1500 East Main Street in the city of Richmond.

## ORD. 2021-319

To amend and reordain City Code § 27-282, concerning the special parking districts program and permitted expenditures from the fund, to enable funds to be used equitably by neighborhood associations within their boundaries for the maintenance of clean and safe neighborhood environments.

#### ORD. 2021-320

To authorize the special use of the property known as 610 North 29th Street for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling with an attached deck, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-321

To authorize the special use of the property known as 918 North 35th Street for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-322

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1012 West 49th Street and 1015 Herbert Street for the purpose of up to three single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-323

To authorize the special use of the property known as 506 Cheatwood Avenue for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

## ORD. 2021-324

To authorize the special use of the property known as 302 Clovelly Road for the purpose of one lodging unit accessory to a single-family dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-326

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1807 Harwood Street for the purpose of up to three two-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-327

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 509 Lincoln Avenue and 511 Lincoln Avenue for the purpose of three single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2021-329

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2317 Rosewood Avenue for the purpose of an elevated deck and fence with screening panels accessory to a single-family dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

## ORD. 2021-330

To authorize the special use of the property known as 7012 Marlowe Road for the purpose of an office use, including medical office uses, upon certain terms and conditions, and to repeal Ord. No. 77-34-45, adopted Feb. 28, 1977, Ord. No. 78-8-23, adopted Feb. 13, 1978, Ord. No. 81-019-30, adopted Feb. 23, 1981, Ord. No. 82-207-191, adopted Sept. 13, 1982, Ord. No. 87-165-183, adopted Sept. 14, 1987, Ord. No. 93-028-39, adopted Feb. 22, 1993, and Ord. No. 97-188-204, adopted Jun. 23, 1997.

#### ORD. 2021-331

To rezone the property known as 4501 East Main Street from the RF-2 Riverfront District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

#### ORD. 2021-332

To rezone the properties known as 215 Hull Street and 301 Hull Street from the B-7 Mixed-Use Business District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

#### ORD. 2021-334

To amend Ord. No. 2021-040, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, to (i) create a new line item in the Non-Departmental agency entitled "Public Safety Employee COVID-19 Hazard Bonuses," (ii) transfer \$5,000,000.00 from the "Reserve for Contingencies - First Responder Hazard Pay (ARPA)" line item in the Non-Departmental agency, and (iii) appropriate such \$5,000,000.00 to the new "Public Safety Employee COVID-19 Hazard Bonuses" line item in the Non-Departmental agency, all for the purpose of providing funds for the payment of one-time bonuses to certain eligible City employees who perform public safety functions.

## ORD. 2021-335

D. 2021-335 To amend section II of the Pay Plan by adding therein a new subsection (D) providing for the payment of one-time bonuses to certain eligible City employees who perform public safety functions.

## RES. 2021-R074

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be conducted a study of the official zoning map for the purpose of designating the area known as the Carver neighborhood as a design overlay district.

## RES. 2021-R077

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be developed goals and a "scorecard" for certain development projects that promote cohesion between the implementation of the City's Master Plan and the implementation of the City's economic development plans and that ensure positive growth and equitable opportunity for the citizens of the City of Richmond.

## RES. 2021-R078

To approve of the City's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, and their related corporate entities, and to direct the City Attorney to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against the settling entities.

## RES. 2021-R079

To request that the Council Chief of Staff cause the preparation of a study to specifically identify the amendments to the Constitution of Virginia and the General Assembly of Virginia actions necessary to authorize the City to implement a homestead tax exemption and a real property tax cap that provides a 25 percent reduction in the real estate taxes imposed upon real property owners in the city of Richmond meeting certain income and residency requirements.

## RES. 2021-R080

To request that the Council Chief of Staff cause the preparation of a study and recommendations for real property tax relief for persons who are not eligible for such relief under current programs authorized under state law for the elderly taxpayers.

## RES. 2021-R081

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer provide the Council with a quarterly report on the expenditure of all funds received by the City, whether from the United States government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or otherwise, provided pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

## RES. 2021-R083

To endorse, for the City of Richmond, legislative proposals set forth within the document entitled "City of Richmond Legislative Proposals for the Virginia General Assembly 2022 Regular Session;" to request the Richmond delegation to the General Assembly of Virginia to take legislative action consistent with and in vigorous support of such recommendations; to support other legislative action recommendations; and to encourage other organizations and individuals to support such recommendations.

Citizens were provided an opportunity to offer comments in writing regarding Consent Agenda items prior to the Formal City Council meeting. All written citizen comments received by the Office of the City Clerk were provided to members of the Council prior to the meeting, and are included as an attachment to the December 13, 2021 Formal City Council meeting minutes, which can be accessed at https://richmondva.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5358534&GUID=6D13F386-45C6-4FFA-B16A-0188E75CD269&Options=&Search=.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch provided an introduction and background information regarding ORD. 2021-316. Councilor Lynch informed Council that several members of the audience were in attendance regarding ORD. 2021-316 and the designation of a portion of Wythemar Avenue in honor of Sharnez Hill and her daughter, Neziah Hill.

Councilor Kristen Larson requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2021-309, ORD. 2021-316, ORD. 2021-317, RES. 2021-R079, and RES. 2021-R080.

Councilor Ann Frances Lambert stated her support for ORD. 2021-280, ORD. 2021-323, and ORD. 2021-327, and she informed Council that she worked with the applicant referenced in the proposed ordinances regarding the concerns of citizens.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated that he believed the city should name a representative to the Virginia Housing Board and requested that the city's Legislative Proposals for the Virginia General Assembly 2022 Regular Session, addressed in RES. 2021-R083, include a request that the city have the ability to appoint a member to the Virginia Housing Board. Councilor Addison provided members with a printed copy of his request.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Councilor Katherine Jordan requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2021-305, ORD. 2021-307, ORD. 2021-309, ORD. 2021-316, ORD. 2021-317, and RES. 2021-R081.

Interim City Attorney Haskell Brown confirmed that an amendment was not necessary to include Councilor Addison's request regarding RES. 2021-R083 and the Virginia Housing Board.

President Cynthia Newbille confirmed that it was the consensus of Council to include Councilor Addison's' request.

Councilor Michael Jones stated he was concerned with making an addition to RES. 2021-R083 at the current stage of the process.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell and Councilor Michael Jones requested to be added as copatrons of ORD. 2021-280, ORD. 2021-323, and ORD. 2021-327.

President Newbille requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2021-316 and ORD. 2021-317.

Councilor Michael Jones requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2021-316.

Councilor Michael Jones provided additional information regarding RES. 2021-R080, and he requested that his colleagues support the proposed resolution.

## Public Hearing

*Shirley B. Davis, II* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-280, and stated that she was concerned with the size of the proposed development.

*Kenneth Jeffery Brock Hall* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-319, and stated that he was concerned with the expansion of parking districts in the city. Mr. Hall informed Council he was concerned that neighborhood associations and homeowners would be provided too much power to regulate parking in certain neighborhoods.

*Geena Landon* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-300, and stated that the proposed development did not meet the requirements of the Code of the City of Richmond or the city's zoning ordinance. Ms. Landon also stated that the development did not match the aesthetics of the surrounding neighborhood, and she informed Council that she had collected signatures of residents that agreed with her opposition. Ms. Landon further stated that the proposed development would lead to increased traffic and illegal parking.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

*Barbara Starkey Goode, Oak Grove Civic Association Vice President,* informed Council that she opposed the special use permit referenced in ORD. 2021-326.

*Frank Wilson* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-326, and stated that the proposed development was too large for the amount of land provided on the property. Mr. Wilson also stated that he did not believe the proposed development was compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Mr. Wilson further stated his concerns with the amount of parking available for the development.

*Louise McQueen* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-326, and stated the proposed development did not provide enough affordable housing options. Ms. McQueen also stated that the proposed development did not meet the recommendations of the city's Master Plan.

*Mary Bryant* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-326, and stated that the proposed development did not provide enough affordable housing options. Ms. Bryant also stated she was concerned that the apartments were too expensive, and that the development would lead to higher rents and more evictions in the surrounding area.

*Joe Davenport, Carytown South Civic Association Member,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-312, and stated the proposed recreational green space would benefit families in the surrounding area.

*Jeremy Latimer, Carytown South Civic Association Member,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-312, and stated the city's acquisition of the property referenced in the proposed ordinance was a necessary first step to provide a safe playground and green space for residents.

**Charles Willis** spoke in support of ORD. 2021-316, and he informed Council of his desire that all members of Council co-patron the proposed ordinance. Mr. Willis also spoke in support of ORD. 2021-326, and stated that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance.

**Andrew Alli** spoke in support of ORD. 2021-322, and stated he was in favor of more density in the city. Mr. Alli also informed Council that more traffic signage was needed in the area if more development was to take place. Mr. Alli also requested that more planted trees be included in the development.

**Denise Hill Taylor** spoke in support of ORD. 2021-316, and informed Council that she was the mother and grandmother of Sharnez and Neziah Hill. Ms. Hill stated Sharnez and Neziah deserved to be honored.

President Cynthia Newbille informed Ms. Taylor that Council wanted to join in the effort to honor Sharnez and Neziah Hill. President Newbille confirmed that all members of Council would join as co-patrons of ORD. 2021-316.

**Reverend Donte McCutchen** spoke in support of ORD. 2021-316, and stated the street renaming would provide comfort to the family of Sharnez and Neziah Hill.

*Mark Baker, Baker Development Resources Owner,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-321, ORD. 2021-323, and ORD. 2021-327, and stated the developments were in compliance with the city's Master Plan. Mr. Baker also spoke in support of ORD. 2021-300, and informed Council that the proposed ordinance was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

**Zeb Becker, ORD. 2021-326 Applicant,** spoke in support of ORD. 2021-326 and stated that it was his goal to develop more handicap accessible housing in the neighborhood in which he lives.

*Allan-Charles Chipman* spoke in support of RES. 2021-R079 and RES. 2021-R080, and stated similar programs were successful in other cities. Mr. Chipman also stated that it was important to support current homeowners trying to remain in the city.

*Michael Winborne, City Security Manager,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-317, and stated his appreciation of Melissa Anne Paige.

*Matthew Diomataris* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-301, and stated that the proposed speed tables would greatly improve safety and traffic on Hawthorne Avenue.

*Keith Andes, IAFF Local 995 President,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-334 and ORD. 2021-335, and stated his concerns with the potential of certain public safety employees not receiving the one-time bonus provided by the ordinances. Mr. Andes informed Council of his concern that certain lateral hires would not receive the bonuses.

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Lincoln Saunders stated that he was recently informed about the possible exclusion of certain public safety employees from receipt of the bonuses. CAO Saunders informed Council he had the administrative authority to grant the referenced employees as eligible, and that he would be taking steps to direct the employees receive the bonuses.

*John McCarty, Richmond Firefighter,* informed Council that he was a recent lateral hire with the Richmond Fire Department. Mr. McCarty stated his appreciation for the action CAO Saunders stated he would be making regarding bonus eligibility.

*Michelle Brown Harris, Battery Park Civic Association President,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-301, and stated that the proposed speed tables would increase safety in the neighborhood.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert recognized the memory of Melissa Anne Paige and stated her appreciation for Michael Wilborne's comments.

Vice President Ellen Robertson requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2021-307, ORD. 2021-310, ORD. 2021-332, ORD. 2021-334, ORD. 2021-335, RES. 2021-R074, and RES. 2021-R080.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated that Rodney Hall was unable to attend the meeting, but wanted to note his support for ORD. 2021-326. Councilwoman Trammell also stated that it was important to develop vacant properties in the city to provide more affordable housing options.

President Cynthia Newbille requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2021-307 and ORD. 2021-310.

There were no further comments or discussion and the **Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted.** 

#### The following ordinance was considered:

#### ORD. 2021-308

To amend Ord. No. 2021-042, adopted May 24, 2021, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, and determined a means of financing the same, by transferring funds in the amount of \$7,310,391.00 from the School Planning and Construction project in the Education category and appropriating such transferred funds to the School Modernization - George Wythe High School project in the Education category for the purpose of funding the planning and design of a new George Wythe High School.

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Lincoln Saunders provided an introduction and background information regarding ORD. 2021-308. CAO Saunders informed Council that the Mayor still had questions yet to be addressed by the Richmond City School Board (RCSB) regarding the design and construction of a new George Wythe High School (GWHS).

## Public Hearing

*LaQuisha Williams* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and she requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until the RCSB can provide a clear plan on the use of the funds.

*Charles Willis, Richmond Highway Neighborhood Civic Association President,* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and stated that the association had tried to meet with the RCSB regarding a new GWHS, but was unsuccessful obtaining a meeting. Mr. Willis requested that Council withhold the transfer until a meeting can take place.

**Thad Williamson** requested that Council move to continue consideration of ORD. 2021-308, until the RCSB is committed to construct an appropriately sized school. Mr. Williamson stated that a school size of 2,000 students was necessary to provide a sufficient education environment.

**Reverend Robin Mines, Swansboro West Neighborhood Association President,** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and stated her concerns with the delay of construction of a new GWHS. Reverend Mines also stated that the delay was negatively impacting student performance. Reverend Mines requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until the RCSB approves a plan for a 2,000 student sized GWHS.

**Rosalind Gibson** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until the RCSB can provide a plan that will accommodate a 2,000 student sized GWHS.

**Theresa Kennedy** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until the RPS Board can provide a plan that will accommodate a 2,000 student sized GWHS. Ms. Kennedy stated the RPS Board's proposal of a 1,600 student sized GWHS was too small and would soon be overcrowded.

*Keisha Cummings, 2Love LLC Founder and Chief Executive Officer,* stated that more community engagement was necessary regarding the construction of a new GWHS. Ms. Cummings requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until Council receives more input from the community.

**Reverend Donte McCutchen** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until RCSB Board provides a community driven plan regarding the construction of a new GWHS. *Tisha Irvy, Wythe Can't Wait Member,* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and stated her concerns that a new GWHS would not be sufficiently supported with funding. Ms. Irvy also stated that the condition of the current GWHS was unsafe, and she requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until the RCSB has a community plan for a new GWHS.

*Marty Jewell, Richmond Crusade for Voters 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-308, and stated that he was in support of schools building schools. Mr. Jewell informed Council that he believed a 1,600 student sized GWHS was appropriate.

**Stephanie Starling** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-308, and she stated that the city's Southside residents were often ignored regarding infrastructure improvements. Ms. Starling requested that Council withhold the funding transfer until the RCSB can ensure it will work in concert with the Mayor and Council regarding construction of a new GWHS that will accommodate 2,000 students.

Councilor Michael Jones stated that he was very concerned about the construction of a new GWHS moving forward with plans to accommodate only 1,600 students. Councilor Jones also stated that it was important that the RCSB take into consideration the desires and concerns of citizens. Councilor Jones further stated his concerns that middle schools within the George Wythe area, were already at capacity for student enrollment. Councilor Michael Jones moved to continue ORD. 2021-308 to the January 10, 2022 Formal Council Meeting, which was seconded.

RPS Superintendent Jason Kamras addressed Council at President Cynthia Newbille's request, and informed members of his concerns with the proposed 1,600 student sized GWHS. Superintendent Kamras stated that he based his concerns on available data and his worry about a new GWHS opening at capacity.

RCSB Chair Cheryl Burke informed Council of her history as a teacher in an overcrowded student environment. Chair Burke stated that she was concerned with the 1,600 student sized GWHS. Chair Burke also stated that she supported the motion to continue consideration of ORD. 2021-308.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert stated her concerns with the conditions of RPS buildings throughout the city. Councilor Lambert also stated that she had concerns with the proposed size of GWHS and the amount of community engagement in the decision making process.

Councilor Katherine Jordan stated that she wanted more information on the plans for a technical school in the city's Southside. Councilor Jordan also stated that it was important schools be constructed with future attendance and graduation rates being considered.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated it was important that the new GWHS be constructed with the next 20 years in mind regarding student growth.

Councilor Kristen Larson stated she believed ORD. 2021-308 only addressed the process of a procedural budget transfer, and that consideration of proposed building plans for GWHS should not be the matter being considered by Council. Councilor Larson also stated that she believed Council should respect the RCSB's decision regarding construction. Councilor Larson informed members she would vote no on the motion to continue consideration of ORD. 2021-308.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch stated that she did not believe the RCSB was acting on the desires of community members regarding the construction of a new GWHS. Councilor Lynch informed members that she believed that the community wanted Council to continue consideration of the budget transfer. Councilor Lynch also stated that she hoped the RCSB members would attend the January 10, 2022 Formal Council meeting to discuss the ordinance with Council.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated that the city's Southside was rapidly growing, especially within the Hispanic population. Councilwoman Trammell also stated that she did not believe the previously conducted census accurately accounted for the number of residents in the city. Councilwoman Trammell further stated she believed that a new GWHS should accommodate 2,000 students based on recent developments in the city's Southside.

Vice President Ellen Robertson stated that the city's Southside population had a large population growth in recent years. Vice President Robertson also stated her concerns with the reading level of RPS students, and further stated it was Council's responsibility to ensure sufficient space was provided for student growth.

President Cynthia Newbille informed members that she invited RPS Superintendent Kamras and RPS Board members to attend the Formal Council meeting to address ORD. 2021-308. President Newbille stated that Councilmembers received an email from five RCSB members that evening prior to the start of the Formal Council meeting. President Newbille also stated that she was disappointed the five RPS Board members did not attend the Formal Council meeting, and she requested that Deputy City Clerk RJ Warren read into the record, the email received from the five RPS Board members.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Councilor Lynch stated that she believed RPS administration was behind schedule regarding review and moving forward with construction plans for a new GWHS, and that Council's decision to continue consideration of ORD. 2021-308 would not create any additional delays.

Superintendent Jason Kamras informed Council that review of the request for proposals (RFP) received regarding GWHS construction was still ongoing. Superintendent Kamras stated that he believed a finalist to be awarded the school construction contract would be identified by late January or early February of 2022.

Councilor Michael Jones stated his disapproval that RCSB members did not attend the Formal Council meeting to address ORD. 2021-308. Councilor Jones also stated that the city needed to take necessary steps to provide translation services to the city's Spanish speaking population.

President Newbille stated that the city's youth must be a priority, especially as the city constructs new infrastructure with growth in mind. President Newbille also stated that she was concerned with the RCSB's plans for a 1,600 student sized GWHS.

There were no further comments or discussions and the motion to continue **ORD. 2021-308 to the Monday, January 10, 2022 Formal Council meeting was approved:** Ayes 8, Addison, Jordan, Lambert, Lynch, Trammell, Jones, Robertson, Newbille. Noes 1, Larson.

## The following ordinance was considered:

## ORD. 2021-251

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 98-248-318, adopted Oct. 12, 1998, which authorized the special use of the property known as 6424 Elkhardt Road for the conversion of an existing office for use as a contractor's shop with accessory outdoor storage, to instead authorize a convenience store, upon certain terms and conditions.

Kevin Vonck, Department of Planning and Development Review Director, provided an introduction and background information regarding ORD. 2021-251. Director Vonck stated that the Planning Commission did not provide a favorable recommendation for ORD. 2021-251.

Councilor Michael Jones stated that he shared with members of the Planning Commission his concerns with the proposed convenience store and its proximity to River City Middle School. Councilor Jones requested that Council support his desire that the proposed ordinance be rejected.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated her support of Councilor Jones's request.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated that the city needed to look at attracting better investments in the city's Southside.

There were no further comments or discussions and **ORD. 2021-251 was unanimously** rejected.

## The following ordinance was considered:

## ORD. 2021-325

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3415 A Floyd Avenue for the purpose of a two-family dwelling and two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

Kevin Vonck, Department of Planning and Development Review Director, provided an introduction and background information regarding ORD. 2021-325. Director Vonck also provided Council with a presentation regarding the special use permit referenced in ORD. 2021-325 and explained the reasoning behind the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

## Public Hearing

**Beth Bostian, Museum District Board of Directors Member,** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-325, and informed Council that the Museum District Board of Directors voted 13-1 to oppose the special use permit referenced in ORD. 2021-325. Ms. Bostian stated that the proposed alley infill project was out of character with the surrounding neighborhood.

*Karen Headley* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-325, and stated that she did not believe the proposed development adhered to the city's Master Plan, because the proposed apartments would not add to the needed inventory of affordable housing options. Ms. Headley also stated that the area of the proposed development was not located in a priority growth node identified in the city's Master Plan.

**Shelby Crouch** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-325, and stated her main concern with the proposed development was emergency access. Ms. Crouch informed Council that she did not believe the development provided sufficient access to emergency vehicles. Ms. Crouch further stated her concerns with the developer being responsible for paving and maintaining the alley in the proposed development.

## A copy of the material provided has been filed.

*Heather Reynolds* spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-325, and stated she recently moved to the city. Ms. Reynolds informed Council of her concerns that the neighborhood she recently moved into would be negatively impacted by the proposed development.

**Adam Helke** spoke in opposition of ORD. 2021-325, and stated he did not believe all the details for the proposed special use permit were finalized enough for approval. Mr. Helke informed Council that the alley referenced in ORD. 2021-325 often floods, and he was concerned with the impact on storm water surge if the development is approved. Mr. Helke further stated that he did not believe the area was a priority for density or alley infills.

*Mark Kronenthal, Roth Jackson Partner, on behalf of ORD. 2021-325 Applicant,* spoke in support of ORD. 2021-325, and informed Council that the applicant had been working with neighbors to address concerns since 2017. Mr. Kronenthal also stated that the rental rate of the proposed apartments was due to the high quality of the material to be used in the construction. Mr. Kronenthal further stated that the design would match the architecture of the surrounding neighborhood.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated his appreciation for citizens that provided comments regarding ORD. 2021-325. Councilor Addison also stated that he believed the developer made sufficient changes to the special use permit based on concerns from surrounding neighbors. Councilor Addison further stated that he felt comfortable approving the special use permit because the applicant would live in the proposed development and that the special use permit was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell stated her concerns with the comments surrounding neighbors of the proposed development provided during the public hearing for ORD. 2021-325. Councilwoman Trammell inquired if consideration of ORD. 2021-325 could be continued.

Councilor Addison stated that he would prefer moving forward with consideration of the proposed ordinance currently before Council. Councilor Addison also stated that he did not believe any further information would be obtained with a continuance.

Councilor Katherine Jordan stated she understood the concerns of neighbors, but informed members that she would rely on Councilor Addison's preference for the special use permit request in his district.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch stated she appreciated the concerns of neighbors, but informed members that she would rely on Councilor Addison's preference for the special use permit request in his district.

There were no further comments or discussions and **ORD. 2021-315 was adopted:** Ayes 8, Addison, Jordan, Lambert, Larson, Lynch, Jones, Robertson, Newbille. Noes 1, Trammell.

## The following resolution was considered:

#### RES. 2021-R026

To direct the City Planning Commission to prepare, submit to public hearing, and consider an amendment making certain changes to the Master Plan.

There were no comments or discussions and Vice President Ellen Robertson **moved to** continue RES. 2021-R026 to the January 10, 2022 Formal Council meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

Councilor Michael Jones left the meeting at 10:18 p.m.

## MOTIONS

## Councilwoman Reva Trammell moved that the ordinance entitled:

## ORD. 2021-270

To amend Ord. No. 2021-041, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Special Fund Budgets for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and appropriated the estimated receipts of the Special Revenue funds, to transfer funds in the amount of \$1,300,000.00 from the Office of the City Attorney's "Delinquent Tax

Sales" special fund and to amend Ord. No. 2021-042, adopted May 24, 2021, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget, and determined a means for financing the same by appropriating the funds transferred to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget by increasing revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Enslaved African Heritage Campus project by \$1,300,000.00 for the purpose of procuring design services and associated community engagement.

## be amended and continued to Monday, January 10, 2022, as follows:

#### Page 1, Line 6

After the text "amount of", strike the dollar amount "\$1,300,000.00" and insert the dollar amount "\$1,000,000.00"

#### Page 1, Line 13

After the word "by", strike the dollar amount "\$1,300,000.00" and insert the dollar amount "\$1,000,000.00"

#### Page 1, Line 22

After the word "of", strike the dollar amount "\$1,300,000.00" and insert the dollar amount "\$1,000,000.00"

## Page 2, Line 3

After the words "revenues by", strike the dollar amount "\$1,300,000.00" and insert the dollar amount "\$1,000,000.00"

#### Page 2, Line 4

After the word "by", strike the dollar amount "\$1,300,000.00" and insert the dollar amount "\$1,000,000.00"

#### Page 2, Line 6

After the word "of", strike the dollar amount "\$1,300,000.00" and insert the dollar amount "\$1,000,000.00"

There were no comments or discussions and **the motion was seconded and approved:** Ayes 7, Addison, Jordan, Lambert, Lynch, Trammell, Robertson, Newbille. Noes None. Larson was excused. Jones was absent.

## **Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert moved that the ordinance entitled:**

#### ORD. 2021-208

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3101 East Marshall Street for the purpose of a mixed-use building, upon certain terms and conditions.

## be amended and continued to Monday, January 10, 2022, as follows:

Page 3, Line 11

After the word "sheet", strike the sheet number "001" and insert the sheet number "002"

Page 3, Line 12

After the word "entitled", strike the text "Renovation & Addition, 3101 – 3105 East Marshall St," and insert the text "3101 East Marshall St - Mixed Used Development" following by a comma

#### Page 3, Line 13

After the word "dated", strike the date "May 25" and insert the date "November 4"

#### Page 3, Line 16

After the word "entitled", strike the text "Renovation & Addition, 3101 – 3105 East Marshall St," and insert the text "3101 East Marshall St - Mixed Used Development,"

## Page 3, Line 18

At the beginning of the line, strike the date "May 25" and insert the date "November 4"

#### Page 4, Line 11

Following the subdivision letter "(d)", strike the text "Off-street parking shall not be required for the Special Use" and insert the text "Four off-street parking spaces shall be provided, substantially as shown on the Plans"

## Page 4, Line 15

At the beginning of the line, insert a subdivision letter "(f)", followed by the text "Private refuse collection shall be utilized for the Special Use" followed by a period

#### Page 4, Line 16

At the beginning of the line, insert a subdivision letter "(g)", followed by the text "Unit 102, as shown on sheet 011 of the Plans, shall contain only one bedroom, with two means of ingress and egress" followed by a period

#### Page 4, Line 18

At the beginning of the line, insert a subdivision letter "(h)", followed by the text "Bicycle racks shall be provided on the Property" followed by a period

#### Page 4, Line 19

At the beginning of the line, insert a subdivision letter "(i)", followed by the text "Planters shall be placed within the alley to protect the residence to the south.

There were no comments or discussions and **the motion was seconded and approved:** Ayes 7, Addison, Jordan, Lambert, Lynch, Trammell, Robertson, Newbille. Noes None. Larson was excused. Jones was absent.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**There were no amendments or corrections to the meeting minutes of the** Special Council Session held on Monday, October 25, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.; Informal and Formal Council Sessions held on Monday, November 8, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m., respectively; Council Work Session held on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.; Council Work Session held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 4:30 p.m.; Special Council Session held on Monday, December 6, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.; and Council approved the minutes as presented.

## INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

# City Council will hold a public hearing on the following resolution on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.:

#### RES. 2021-R084

To adopt redistricting criteria and a redistricting schedule for the 2021 decennial redistricting of Council and School Board election districts.

Patrons: City Council

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

# City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, January 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.:

## ORD. 2021-336

To amend Ord. No. 2021-040, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by revising the title of the Non-Departmental line item entitled "RVA League for Safer Streets" for the purpose of clarifying that the appropriation for this line item shall be expended for "VA League for Safer Streets Inc."

## Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-337

To amend Ord. No. 2021-041, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Special Fund Budgets for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and appropriated the estimated receipts of the Special Revenue funds, to transfer funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 from the Office of the City Attorney's "Delinquent Tax Sales" special fund, and to amend Ord. No. 2021-040, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted a general fund budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, by (i) creating a new "National Slavery Museum Foundation" Non-Departmental line item and (ii) increasing revenues by \$300,000 and appropriating the funds transferred from the Office of the City Attorney's "Delinquent Tax Sales" special fund to the new National Slavery Museum Foundation Non-Departmental line item in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget for the purpose of making a grant to The Museum of the American Slave Trade, also known as the National Slavery Museum Foundation, for the support of planning and fundraising activities for the establishment of a national slavery museum at the Lumpkin's Slave Jail / Devil's Half-Acre site in Richmond.

#### Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

#### ORD. 2021-338

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$8,104,829.57 from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development; to amend Ord. No. 2021-049, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Gas Utility Budget and appropriated the estimated receipts of the gas utility, by increasing estimated receipts and the amount appropriated for the gas utility by \$4,165,337.09; to amend Ord. No. 2021-052, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Wastewater Utility Budget and appropriated the estimated receipts of the wastewater utility, by increasing estimated receipts and the amount appropriated for the wastewater utility by \$2,151,101.51; and to amend Ord. No. 2021-053, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Water Utility Budget and appropriated the estimated receipts of the water utility, by increasing estimated receipts and the amount appropriated for the wastewater utility by \$2,151,101.51; and to amend Ord. No. 2021-053, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Water Utility Budget and appropriated the estimated receipts of the water utility, by increasing estimated receipts and the amount appropriated for the water utility by \$1,788,390.96, all for the purpose of providing economic relief for the City's residential utility customers whose accounts have become delinquent during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-339

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept \$74,529.00 from the United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to amend the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities called The Richmond Environment Special Fund, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of

Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' The Richmond Environment Special Fund by \$74,529.00 for the purpose of funding the development of an environmental literacy plan to provide students of the school division administered by the School Board of the City of Richmond with the knowledge and skills to care for and restore the local watershed.

## Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-340

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$70,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' SHSP Special Fund by \$70,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' emergency management planning, regional collaboration, grants management, public outreach, mitigation, response, and recovery programs.

## Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-341

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$61,990.00 from the United States Department of Agriculture, to amend the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities called the Richmond Compost Initiative Special Fund, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Richmond Compost Initiative Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Richmond Compost Initiative Special Fund by \$61,990.00 for the purpose of funding a food waste diversion and community gardening compost program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the city of Richmond.

## Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-342

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' SHSP Special Fund by \$30,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' public outreach and education programs to increase the emergency preparedness and resilience of the residents of the city of Richmond.

## Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-343

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept \$30,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management's State Homeland Security Grant Program, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' SHSP Special Fund by \$30,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' provision of emergency preparedness kits and information to the residents of the city's public housing communities.

## This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

## ORD. 2021-344

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$12,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' CERT (Citizen Corps) Special Fund by \$12,000.00 for the purpose of supporting the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

#### This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

#### ORD. 2021-345

To amend ch. 2, art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 6, consisting of §§ 2-1301.1-2-1301.20, concerning collective bargaining, for the purpose of providing for collective bargaining with certain City employees.

Patron: Ms. Trammell

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-346

To amend ch. 2, art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 6, consisting of §§ 2-1301.1-2-1301.21, concerning collective bargaining, for the purpose of providing for collective bargaining with certain City employees.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-347

To establish the 2022 City Charter Review Commission to conduct a comprehensive review of the City Charter with the objective of making recommendations for appropriate revisions thereto.

Patrons: President Newbille and Vice President Robertson

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-348

To amend ch. 2, art. IV of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 23, consisting of §§ 2-757-2-759, concerning the Office of Sustainability.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney and Ms. Jordan

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

## ORD. 2021-349

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$408,022.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to

appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Citywide Pedestal Pole to Mast Arm Signal Upgrades (Federal) project in the Transportation category by \$408,022.00 for the purpose of funding the modernization of pedestal pole mounted traffic signals to overhead mast arm signal indicators to improve visibility of traffic signals and reduce traffic accidents.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

## ORD. 2021-350

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$477,035.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Complete Streets project in the Transportation category by \$477,035.00 for the purpose of funding the milling, resurfacing, and construction of Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades for Arthur Ashe Boulevard, from its intersection with Grant Street to its intersection with Idlewood Avenue, and Richmond Highway, from its intersection with Hopkins Road to its intersection with Atwell Drive.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

## ORD. 2021-351

To declare a public necessity for and to authorize the acquisition by gift of the property known as the Lee Circle from the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of its use for the benefit of the public in accordance with the City's master plan.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

## ORD. 2021-352

To abandon and release any interest the City may have in 2300 Hermitage Road pursuant to a certain variable-width ingress and egress easement, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

## ORD. 2021-353

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to convey a portion of City-owned right-of-way known as the northwest quadrant of the intersection of West Leigh Street and North Belvidere Street, consisting of 1,364± square feet, for nominal consideration to the Virginia Department of Transportation, for the purpose of adjusting the boundaries of state and City right-of-way.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-354

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the milling, resurfacing, and construction of Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades for Arthur Ashe Boulevard from its intersection with Grant Street to its intersection with Idlewood Avenue.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-355

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the milling, resurfacing, and construction of Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades for Richmond Highway from its intersection with Hopkins Road to its intersection with Atwell Drive.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

## ORD. 2021-356

To amend City Code §§ 28-72, concerning the duty of building owners to make City water and sewer service connections and the duty of owner or tenant to apply for water service, 28-388, concerning duties of owners and tenants for water service connections, and 28-710, concerning duties of owners and tenants for water service connections, for the purpose of clarifying the methods for calculating and estimating non-City water volume for billing purposes.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-357

To close, to public travel, an unimproved portion of Hanover Avenue in the block bounded by Three Chopt Road and the City's corporate boundary with Henrico County, consisting of 6,219± square feet, and to designate and incorporate such portion of Hanover Avenue into Bandy Field Park.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-358

To vacate, pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2272(2), that part of the Staffordshire Section-5 subdivision plat that reserved 3021 Falcon Road for recreation, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-359

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2010-100-83, adopted May 10, 2010, which authorized the special use of the property known as 200-214 East Leigh Street for the purpose of a multi-family residential use with up to eight (8) dwelling units in an existing carriage house building with the commercial use requirement waived and to authorize the construction of a mixed-use building containing commercial uses and up to sixty-three (63) dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-360

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3300 Broad Rock Boulevard for the purpose of a farmer's market, upon certain terms and conditions, and to repeal Ord. No. 99-370-00-9, adopted on January 10, 2000, and Ord. No. 99-50-55, adopted on March 8, 1999.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-361

To authorize the special use of the property known as 4300 Commerce Road for the purpose of an off-premises sign, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-362

To authorize the special use of the property known as 4508 Grove Avenue for the purpose of up to seven (7) single-family attached dwelling units with off-street parking and common area, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-363

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1626 North 27th Street for the purpose of allowing a single-family detached dwelling.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-364

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2511 Porter Street for the purpose of allowing a two-family detached dwelling.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-365

To authorize the special use of the property known as 8 Rear South Plum Street for the purpose of a multi-family building, containing up to four dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-366

To authorize the special use of the property known as 313 West 26th Street for the purpose of allowing a two-family detached dwelling.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-367

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1000 Westover Hills Boulevard for the purpose of a residential use with up to six dormitory-style units with shared sanitation facilities accessory to a church, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-368

To rezone the property known as 6422 Forest Hill Avenue from the R-2 Single-Family Residential District to the R-4 Single-Family Residential District.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

RES. 2021-R085

To request that the Council Chief of Staff cause the preparation of a study of the City's delinquent tax sale program.

Patron: Vice President Robertson

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2021-R086

To request that the Mayor propose, as part of his annual budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, the necessary amendments to the City Code and appropriations to establish a Department of Mobility and Multimodal Transportation.

Patron: Mr. Addison

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2021-R087

To designate the property known as 2209 Ruffin Road as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2021-R088

To designate the property known as 700 West 44th Street as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2021-R089

To declare surplus, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to seek proposals for, the Cityowned property located at 3101 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard for the purpose of facilitating development of the area in the vicinity of such property.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

## City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, January 24, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.:

#### ORD. 2021-369

To repeal City Code § 12-46, concerning the disposition of revenues derived from the expiration of partial exemptions from real estate taxation and from certain sales of tax delinquent properties, and to amend City Code § 26-104, concerning the duties of the City Assessor, providing for the accounting of certain real estate tax revenues arising from the phased reduction, expiration, and termination of certain partial exemptions from real estate taxation in such a manner as to facilitate the City Council's future appropriation of those revenues to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund concerning disposition of revenues derived from the expiration of partial exemptions from real estate taxation, for the purpose of facilitating an alternate method of funding the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Fund annually.

#### Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2021-370

To deem certain inventory items attached to or located within the City-owned real property known as the Coliseum located at 601 East Leigh Street to be personal property, and not fixtures, and to authorize the severance or removal of such items from the real property known as the Coliseum located at 601 East Leigh Street, as needed, to effectuate any disposal thereof.

# This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

## RES. 2021-R090

To support and encourage the Mayor and his successors in office to propose annually a budget that includes funding in the amount of at least \$10,000,000.00 for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2021-R091

To request that the Mayor propose an annual budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 that recommends appropriations for all budget enhancements requested by City Council agencies.

Patron: Ms. Larson

## This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2021-R092

To establish a policy that Council members will make recommendations for their budget priorities to the Mayor no later than Oct. 1 of each year for consideration in the Mayor's proposed annual budget for the purpose of developing a more collaborative budget development process.

Patron: Ms. Lynch

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

## City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinance on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.:

#### ORD. 2021-371

To amend ch. 27, art. V, div. 1 of the City Code by adding therein a new section 27-132, concerning the use of photo speed monitoring devices in highway work zones and school crossings.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.

## **REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

Members of Council provided reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 11:08 p.m.

CITY CLERK