AN ORDINANCE No. 2024-024

To repeal City Code § 26-3, concerning application of payments and to amend ch. 26, art. I, of the City Code by adding therein a new section numbered 26-3.1, concerning application of payments all for the purpose of clarifying the application of tax payments.					
Patrons – President Nye, Mayor Stoney, Mr. Addison, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Newbille, Ms. Lynch, Ms. Trammell, Vice President Lambert, Ms. Jordan and Ms. Jones					
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	PUBL	IC HEARING:	FEB 12 2024 A	Г 6 Р.М.	
THE CITY OF	F RICHMOND H	IEREBY ORDA	AINS:		
§ 1. That section 26-3 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended,					
be and is hereb	y repealed as fo	ollows:			
[Sec. 26-3. Ap	plication of pay	ments.			
The Direc	etor of Finance sh	all not be requir	ed to credit all pa	yments of local levies first agains	
the most delinquent account and may instead credit such payments, to the extent permitted by law					
AYES:	7	NOES:	0	ABSTAIN:	
ADOPTED:	FEB 12 2024	REJECTED:		STRICKEN:	

in the manner deemed appropriate where the taxpayer has entered into a bona fide payment agreement with the City.]

§ 2. That Chapter 26, Article I, of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020) be and is

hereby amended and reordained by adding therein a new section numbered 26-3.1 as follows:

Sec. 26-3.1. Application of payments.

The Collector shall credit payments of local levies to the currently due liability for the tax type that was paid. If there are additional funds available from the payments after the currently due liability is satisfied, the Collector shall credit them to the most delinquent local account, the collection of which is not subject to a defense of an applicable statute of limitations.

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

A TRUE COPY:

TESTE:

City Clerk

Office of the Council Chief of Staff

Ordinance/Resolution Request

TO Laura Drewry, City Attorney

FROM LaTesha Holmes, Council Chief of Staff

Office of the Council Chief of Staff

COPY Kristen Nye, President, 4th District Councilmember

Tabrica Rentz, Deputy City Attorney Timmy Siverd, 4th District Liaison

DATE January 18, 2023

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This is a request for the drafting of an

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Resolution

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

President Kristen Nye and Mayor Levar Stoney

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Expedited Consideration

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

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BACKGROUND

This request is to amend City Code to apply payments to the current month, rather than the most delinquent account.

Va. Code 58.1-3913 requires the Director of Finance to credit payments to the most delinquent local account still within the statute of limitations "unless otherwise provided by ordinance of the governing body." Finance has been following State Code in their application of payments. However, this language allows the City of Richmond to update City Code 26-3 to provide for payments to be applied to the current month.

This ordinance repeals City Code § 26.3, concerning application of payments and to amend ch. 26, art. I, of the City Code by adding therein a new section numbered 26-3.1, concerning application of payments, all for the purpose of clarifying the application of tax payments. The requested introduction and expedited date for consideration is January 22, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT	
Fiscal Impact	Yes □ No ⊠
Budget Amendment Required	Yes □ No ☒
Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact	\$ TBD
Attachment/s Yes No 🛛	