



# City of Richmond

## Informal Meeting Minutes

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Monday, March 14, 2016

4:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

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Richmond City Council convened in Informal Session on Monday, March 14, 2016, in the Council Chamber located on the second floor of City Hall, 900 East Broad Street.

### **Councilmembers Present**

The Honorable Michelle Mosby, President  
The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President  
The Honorable Parker Agelasto  
The Honorable Kathy Graziano  
The Honorable Cynthia Newbille  
The Honorable Ellen Robertson  
The Honorable Charles Samuels  
The Honorable Reva Trammell (late arrival)

### **Reported Absent**

The Honorable Jon Baliles

### **Staff Present**

Lou B. Ali, Council Chief of Staff  
Lisa Braxton, Assistant City Clerk  
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney  
Jean V. Capel, City Clerk  
Allen Jackson, City Attorney  
Candice Reid, Deputy City Clerk

Councilor Michelle Mosby, President of Council, called the meeting to order at 4:21 p.m. and presided.

Upon the President's request, Lisa Braxton, Assistant City Clerk, provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency.

### **Lumpkin's Jail Heritage Site Update**

Delegate Delores McQuinn thanked members of Council for their ongoing commitment to sustain the work of creating a viable heritage site before introducing Joy Bailey Bryant, Lord Cultural Resources Managing Director, who provided Council with a presentation regarding the findings of the Richmond Speaks' process for planning, design and construction of a pavilion and slavery museum at the Lumpkin's Jail site. A copy of the presentation has been filed.

Ms. Bailey Bryant informed Council that the Lumpkin's Jail Site Key Findings report is now posted on the Richmond Speaks' website at [www.richmondspeaksaboutlumpkins.org](http://www.richmondspeaksaboutlumpkins.org).

*Councilwoman Reva Trammell arrived at 4:42 p.m. and was seated.*

Matthew Laird, Ph.D., James River Institute for Archaeology Historian and Principal Investigator, and Jeanie Welliver, Economic and Community Development Project Development Manager, were also available to answer questions regarding the Lumpkin's Jail Heritage Site project.

Councilor Parker Agelasto requested a copy of the request for qualification for the design and development of the conceptual site and architectural planning for the project.

Councilors Cynthia Newbille and Ellen Robertson thanked Delegate McQuinn and Ms. Bailey Bryant and recognized others in attendance for their commitment to the heritage site project.

### **Docket Review**

Lisa Braxton, Assistant City Clerk, reviewed the following agenda items as indicated:

#### Consent Agenda:

1. Ord. 2015-245 – to be continued to Monday, April 11, 2016
2. Ord. 2015-246 – to be continued to Monday, April 11, 2016
3. Ord. 2016-030 – retained on the Consent Agenda
4. Ord. 2016-031 – to be continued to Monday, March 28, 2016
5. Ord. 2016-032 – retained on the Consent Agenda

Councilor Charles Samuels answered questions regarding Ord. 2016-032.

6. Ord. 2016-033 – to be continued to Monday, March 28, 2016
7. Ord. 2016-034 – retained on the Consent Agenda
8. Ord. 2016-035 – retained on the Consent Agenda
9. Ord. 2016-078 – retained on the Consent Agenda
10. Res. 2015-R068 – retained on the Consent Agenda
11. Res. 2015-R069 – retained on the Consent Agenda
12. Res. 2016-R007 – to be continued to Monday, March 28, 2016
13. Res. 2016-R008 – to be continued to Monday, April 11, 2016
14. Res. 2016-R012 – retained on the Consent Agenda
15. Res. 2016-R013 – retained on the Consent Agenda

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

#### Regular Agenda:

16. Ord. 2015-192 – retained on the Regular Agenda

Councilor Parker Agelasto introduced and answered questions regarding Ord. 2015-192.

Lee Downey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer – Economic and Community Development, Charles Todd, Interim Director of Information Technology, John Buturla, Interim Deputy Chief

Administrative Officer – Operations, all expressed concern with Ord. 2015-192 stating that the proposed legislation would have an unknown financial impact on departmental budgets and capital improvement program projects.

In an effort to rally support, Councilor Agelasto asked that Councilmembers propose additional changes to Ord. 2015-192 that would assist with electing to adopt the proposed legislation.

17. Res. 2015-R064 – to be continued to Monday, March 28, 2016

Councilor Charles Samuels requested a continuance of Res. 2015-R064 to allow an opportunity for additional conversation regarding the proposed legislation.

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

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.