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Minutes

Governmental Operations Standing Committee

Thursday, June 23, 2016

5:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Committee Members and Staff in Attendance

The Honorable Jonathan Baliles – Chair
The Honorable Cynthia Newbille – Member
Lou Brown Ali, Council Chief of Staff
Debra Bowles, Assistant City Clerk
Meghan Brown, Interim Deputy Council Chief of Staff
Jean Capel, City Clerk
Joyce Davis, Council Policy Analyst
Alexander Rawles, Boards and Commissions Administrator
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney

Absent

The Honorable Charles Samuels - Vice Chair

Call to Order

Chair Jonathan Baliles called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m.

The start of the meeting was delayed due to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting concluding after 5:00 p.m. Both meetings were held in the same location.

Evacuation Announcement and Citizen Speaker Guidelines

Upon the chair's request, Debra Bowles, assistant city clerk, provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency.

Public Comment

None

Paper(s) for Consideration

Committee member Cynthia Newbille moved to continue the following papers to the July 28, 2016 Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting, which was seconded and approved ~ Vote 2/0:

ORD. 2016-033 - To amend ch. 2, art. III, div. 7 of the City Code by adding therein a new section 2-216, concerning the obstruction of inspector general

investigations, to provide that certain employees who obstruct inspector general investigations by denying the Office of the City Auditor, when not required by law to so deny, immediate access to information are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination by their appointing authority.

Patron: Mr. Samuels

RES. 2016-R007 - To declare a public necessity and to initiate an amendment to the City's zoning ordinance making the Department of Planning and Development Review, instead of the Office of the City Clerk, responsible for the mailing of required notices of City Planning Commission meetings.

> Patron: Vice President Hilbert

RES. 2016-R016 - To establish a policy of the Council that the Council will appoint no person to the Board of Commissioners of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to more than two consecutive full terms.

> Patron: Mr. Agelasto

Discussion Item(s)

Review of Board and Commission Terms

Boards and Commissions Administrator Alexander Rawles provided an overview of the boards and commissions term limit policies report that was provided to each committee member. Mr. Rawles summarized the information found on each page of the report and suggested that the committee review the information prior to proposing changes to policies governing terms of City Council appointed members of boards and commissions.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the Thursday, May 26, 2016, meeting were approved ~ Motioned by Committee member Cynthia Newbille and seconded ~ Vote 2/0.

Staff Report

Council Policy Analyst Joyce Davis provided the committee with the June staff report.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.