



City of Richmond Legislative Summit

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Richmond, VA 23219
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Wednesday, November 16, 2016

12:00 PM

Library of Virginia Conference Room
800 East Broad Street Richmond, VA

Council Members Present

The Honorable Michelle Mosby, President
The Honorable Parker Agelasto
The Honorable Jonathan Baliles
The Honorable Cynthia Newbille
The Honorable Ellen Robertson
The Honorable Charles Samuels

Absent

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President
The Honorable Katherine Graziano
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Others Present

The Honorable Levar Stoney, Mayor-Elect
The Honorable Andreas Addison, Councilmember-Elect
The Honorable Jeff Bourne, Richmond Public School Board Chair
The Honorable Kimberly Gray, Richmond Public School Board Member and Councilmember-Elect
The Honorable Michael Jones, Councilmember-Elect
The Honorable Kristen Larson, Richmond Public School Board Member and Councilmember-Elect
The Honorable Betsy Carr, Virginia House of Delegates Representative, 69th Voter District
The Honorable Manoli Loupassi, Virginia House of Delegates Representative, 68th Voter District
The Honorable Jennifer McClellan, Virginia House of Delegates Representative, 71st Voter District
The Honorable Delores McQuinn, Virginia House of Delegates Representative, 70th Voter District
The Honorable Glen Sturtevant, Virginia Senate Representative, 10th Voter District
Lou Brown Ali, Council Chief of Staff
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney
Meghan Brown, Deputy Council Chief of Staff
Jean Capel, City Clerk
Joyce Davis, Council Policy Analyst
William Echelberger, Council Policy Analyst
Allen Jackson, City Attorney
Mark Kronenthal, Mayor's Chief of Staff
Candice Reid, Deputy City Clerk
Debora Shaw, Council Administrative Project Analyst
Steve Skinner, Council Public Information Manager
Steve Taylor, Council Policy Analyst

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m., and Council Chief of Staff Lou Brown Ali provided welcoming remarks to those present.

Council President Michelle Mosby and Mayor's Office Chief of Staff Mark Kronenthal, on behalf of Mayor Dwight C. Jones, delivered opening remarks.

Council Policy Analyst Joyce Davis provided additional remarks and introduced Ron Jordan,

Richmond lobbyist to the Virginia General Assembly, and vice chairman/managing director of Advantus Strategies, who provided an overview of the following Richmond legislative proposals for the 2017 General Assembly session:

- Increase state funding for urban street maintenance and revise the distribution formula
- Review and revise the Local Composite Index (LCI) formula used to determine state funding for school divisions that accommodate large at-risk student populations
- Establish and fund a comprehensive community wealth building state fund matching program
- Ensure that short-term rental regulation allows for local land use controls and tax collection
- Allow town and city governing bodies to set member salaries based on size and complexity of local government and remove state-imposed salary cap
- Expand the definition of “public nuisance” to include “excessive use of police services” and allow for graduated fines when properties exceed excessive call threshold
- Require owners to report lost or stolen firearms to local law enforcement or state police within 24 hours of incident
- Require drivers not to leave motor vehicles unattended until engines are stopped, ignitions are locked, keys are removed and brakes are effectively set
- Clarify through legislation the permissible nature of law enforcement vehicles using “steady burning” emergency lights in certain circumstances
- Define and decide where the municipal natural gas utilities in Virginia can serve natural gas customers

A copy of the information provided has been filed.

Delegate Jennifer McClellen responded to questions regarding the LCI formula from Councilor Jonathan Baliles and President Mosby, stating that several lawmakers and localities agree that the current formula should be changed; however, there is a reluctance in the general assembly to open up the formula for revision.

Council Parker Agelasto suggested that the city work toward collecting payment in-lieu of taxes (PILOT) from the state for its use of the city’s properties to help fund its schools.

Delegate Manoli Loupassi requested a copy of any proposed legislation concerning comprehensive poverty reduction.

Mayor-elect Levar Stoney requested information concerning how much PILOT Richmond receives compared and contrasted with other Virginia localities.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

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