

City of Richmond Special Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 6, 2017

3:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

In accordance with City Charter §6.06, the council of the city of Richmond, Virginia, convened for the mayor's presentation of the Fiscal Plan for Fiscal Year 2018. Council President Chris Hilbert called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. and presided.

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, President The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, Vice President The Honorable Parker Agelasto The Honorable Kim Gray (*early departure*) The Honorable Michael Jones The Honorable Kristen Larson The Honorable Ellen Robertson The Honorable Reva Trammell

<u>Absent</u>

The Honorable Andreas Addison

CHAMBER EVACUATION PLAN

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

MAYOR'S BUDGET PRESENTATION

Mayor Levar M. Stoney presented the Proposed Fiscal Plan for Fiscal Year 2018 (FY18), and the city's Capital Improvement Plan for 2018-2022, which included, but were not limited to, the following highlights:

- Total General Fund revenues projected at \$681,213,792 and total Capital Improvement Plan expenditures and revenues projected at \$60.2 million and at \$175.5 million over 5 years
- Increased school funding of \$6.1 million over last year's budget and recommended utilization of \$1.5 million Richmond Public Schools (RPS) projected funding surplus, as partial funding source of salary raises for teachers
- \$1.6 million in funding for school maintenance in FY18 and \$7.3 million through FY22
- \$7.1 million in FY18 and \$11.9 million over 5 years in funding for the 800 MHz radio system, as well as funding for fire station renovations and a police property and evidence facility
- Recommended utilization of FY17 funding surplus for Public Works Department needs to focus on grass cutting and alley repairs within current fiscal year

• Increased gas, water, wastewater and stormwater utility rates

Councilor Kim Gray exited the meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION

The following ordinances were introduced for public hearing on Monday, April 24, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2017-036

To adopt the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; and to appropriate the estimated revenues for such fiscal year for the objects and purposes stated in the said budget.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-037

To adopt the Special Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Special Revenue funds for the said fiscal year.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-038

To accept a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2017, and for the four fiscal years thereafter; to adopt a Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2017; and to determine the means of financing the same.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-039

To appropriate and to provide funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-040

To adopt the Debt Service Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated expenditures from the Debt Service Fund for the said fiscal year.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-041

To adopt the Internal Service Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Internal Service funds for the said fiscal year.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-042

To adopt the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Richmond Cemeteries Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Richmond Cemeteries for the said fiscal year for the operation and management of the facilities.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-043

To adopt the Department of Public Works' Parking Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 2018; and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Department of Public Works' Parking Enterprise Fund for the said fiscal year for the operation and management of parking facilities.

Patrons: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-044

To adopt the Electric Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Electric Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Electric Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Electric Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-045

To adopt the Gas Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Gas Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Gas Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Gas Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-046

To adopt the Department of Public Utilities' Stores Internal Service Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Department of Public Utilities' Stores Internal Service Funds for the said fiscal year.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-047

To adopt the Stormwater Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Stormwater Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Stormwater Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the stormwater utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-048

To adopt the Wastewater Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Wastewater Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Wastewater Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Wastewater Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-049

To adopt the Water Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2017, and ending Jun. 30, 2018; to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Water Utility for the said fiscal year; and to make appropriations from the Water Utility Renewal Fund or Operating Fund for renewing, rebuilding or extending the plant and distribution system of the Water Utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-050

To amend and reordain section 3 of Article III of Ord. No. 93 117 159, adopted May 24, 1993, to suspend the Career Development Program for certain Police and Fire officers for Fiscal Year 2017 2018.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-051

To amend section 12A of Article III of Ord. No. 93 117 159, adopted May 24, 1993, concerning salary supplements for the Commonwealth Attorney's Office, to provide the Commonwealth Attorney with a salary supplement of \$46,768 and a contribution to the Virginia Retirement System on his behalf of \$9,713 and to provide the Commonwealth Attorney's Office with \$774,895 for salary supplements and \$184,956 for a contribution to the Virginia Retirement System for members of the office for Fiscal Year 2017 2018.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-052

To amend section 12B of Article III of Ord. No. 93 117 159, adopted May 24, 1993, concerning salary supplements for the Sheriff's Office, to provide the Sheriff with a salary supplement of \$23,069 and the Sheriff's Office with \$4,440,009 for salary supplements for members of the office for Fiscal Year 2017 2018.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-053

To amend and reordain section 25 of Article III of Ordinance No. 93 117 159, adopted May 24, 1993, to suspend the Educational Incentive Program for certain Police and Fire Officers for Fiscal Year 2017 2018.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-054

To amend section 43 (Step Based Pay System for Sworn Fire Fighters and Police Officers) of Article III of the pay plan adopted by Ord. No. 93 117 159 on May 24, 1993, for the purpose of providing for a step advancement for certain sworn fire and police personnel.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-055

To amend and reordain the fee set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for section 4 248 (concerning the fee for disposition of a dead companion animal) of the City Code to modify the fee for such service.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-056

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 7 6(a) and (c) (concerning cemetery fees) and 7 92 (concerning fees for care of burial spaces and lots) to increase the charges for internments, disinternments, reinternments, and entombments.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-057

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 8 277 (concerning fees for the use of the Dogwood Dell Amphitheater and Carillon in Byrd Park), 8 278 (concerning fees for the use of City owned equipment), 8 279 (concerning fees for use of public parks), and 8 284(b) and (c) (concerning meeting fees) of the City Code.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-058

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for section 23 42 (concerning fees for solid waste) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-059

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28 191(2) and 28 191(3) (concerning fees for residential gas service), 28 192(2) (concerning fees for residential gas peaking service), 28 193(2) (concerning fees for general gas service), 28 195(f) and 28 196(f) (concerning fees for transportation service), 28 198(2) (concerning fees for municipal gas service), 28 202(c) (concerning fees for large volume gas sales service), and 28 203(c) (concerning fees for large volume, high load factor, gas sales service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-060

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28 923 (concerning fees for residential stormwater service) and 28 924 (concerning fees for developed nonresidential and multifamily residential properties stormwater service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-061

To amend and reordain certain fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28 650 (concerning fees for residential wastewater service), 28 651 (concerning fees for commercial wastewater service), 28 652 (concerning fees for industrial wastewater service), 28 653 (concerning fees for state and federal wastewater service), 28 654 (concerning fees for municipal wastewater service) and 28 799 (concerning fees for discharge of hauled materials into designated septage receiving stations by contractors) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-062

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28 326 (concerning fees for residential water service), 28 327 (concerning fees for commercial water service), 28 328 (concerning fees for industrial water service), 28 329 (concerning fees for municipal water service), 28 330 (concerning fees for state and federal water service), 28 458 (concerning fees for water for fire protection) and 28 549 (concerning fees for water use during conservation periods) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2017, to establish revised charges for such services.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-063

To amend City Code §§ 26 21 26 23 and 26 26 26 29, concerning the City's tax amnesty program, for the purpose of providing for a 2017 tax amnesty period.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-064

To authorize the issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$37,850,000 to finance the cost of school projects and general capital improvement projects of the City for the following purposes and uses: construction, reconstruction, improvements and equipment for public schools; construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for various infrastructure needs, including traffic control facilities, streets, sidewalks and other public ways, bridges, storm sewers, drains and culverts, and refuse disposal facilities; participation in redevelopment, conservation and community development programs, including the construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipment for targeted public facilities included in these programs; construction, reconstruction, improvements and equipment for public institutional, operational, cultural, educational and entertainment buildings and facilities, including but not limited to the theaters, parks, playgrounds, cemeteries, libraries and museums; acquisition of real property therefor as appropriate; and the making of appropriations to the City's Economic Development Authority ("EDA") to be used by the EDA to finance capital expenditures or to make loans or grants to finance capital expenditures for the purposes of promoting economic development; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects, to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of taxable bonds. for the same purposes and uses, in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such general obligation public improvement bonds.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-065

To authorize the issuance of public utility revenue bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$63,200,000 to finance the cost of capital improvement projects of the gas, water and wastewater utilities and public utilities buildings and facilities for the following purposes and uses: enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the gas plant and transmission lines; enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the waterworks plant and transmission lines; enlargement, extension, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of the wastewater plant and intercepting lines; construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, and improvement of sanitary and storm water sewers, pumping stations, drains and culverts; construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, improvement and equipping of public utility buildings and facilities therefor, including but not limited to the stores division; and acquisition of real property and real property rights (including without limitation easements and rights of way) therefor as appropriate; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such bonds for such capital improvement projects; to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; to approve the form of supplemental indenture of trust; to authorize the issuance of notes of the City in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds; and to authorize the issuance of taxable bonds, for the same purposes and

uses, in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such public utility revenue bonds.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ORD. 2017-066

To authorize the issuance of general obligation equipment notes of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$2,300,000 to finance the cost of equipment for the following purposes and uses: acquisition of computer, radio, office, solid waste collection, office furniture and miscellaneous equipment and vehicles for the various departments, bureaus and agencies of the City, and equipment for City schools; and to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell equipment notes to finance the acquisition of such equipment, and to authorize the issuance of taxable notes, for the same purposes and uses, in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such general obligation equipment notes.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Councilor Michael Jones moved to suspend Rule Six of Council's Rules of Procedure for all budget-related ordinances, introduced that day, so that those ordinances are not referred to or reviewed by a standing committee but are instead reviewed during a budget review process developed by the council and the council chief of staff and heard during the budget public hearing on Monday, April 24, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

CITY CLERK