

# **City of Richmond Formal Meeting Minutes**

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Monday, July 22, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

# **Councilmembers Present**

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President

The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President

The Honorable Andreas Addison

The Honorable Parker Agelasto

The Honorable Kim Gray

The Honorable Michael Jones

The Honorable Kristen Larson

The Honorable Ellen Robertson

The Honorable Reva Trammell

President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m., and presided.

Invocation was offered by Reverend Larry J. Cochran of Belmont United Methodist Church, 3510 Broad Rock Boulevard, Richmond, VA.

Members of Council and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

# CHAMBER EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN AND CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk RJ Warren provided information on the appropriate manner in which the Council Chamber is to be evacuated in the event of an emergency along with citizen speaker guidelines.

#### **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Vice President Chris Hilbert, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized Historic Evergreen Cemetery, and thanked the dedicated individuals, organizations, and entities that have contributed in supporting the historic preservation project.

President Cynthia Newbille, and all members of Richmond City Council, recognized and thanked The Honorable Michael N. Herring, Esq., for his service as Commonwealth's Attorney for the city of Richmond.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell, on behalf of Richmond City Council, recognized and honored Jon E. Mathiasen for his service as president and chief executive officer of the Capital Region Airport Commission.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENT**

**Darlene Annette Richardson** addressed the issue of homelessness, and the need for the city to provide assistance for homeless individuals. Ms. Richardson also read a letter she received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and provided a copy of the letter.

President Cynthia Newbille asked that Reginald Gordon, deputy chief administrative officer for Human Services, speak with Ms. Richardson regarding her comments.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

**Cheryl Nici-O'Connell, Richmond United for Law Enforcement,** addressed the issue of public safety in the city.

**Juanita Gaines** thanked Richmond Police Officers Charles Battle and Brandy Talley for their work in the Davee Gardens neighborhood. She praised the officers for handling abandoned disabled vehicles and addressing illegal activities in city parks.

Councilwoman Reva Trammell thanked Officers Battle and Talley and stated they would receive plaques acknowledging their work.

**Ray Muhammad** expressed his concern with the suffix "Jr." being absent from the recently renamed Arthur Ashe Boulevard.

Councilor Kim Gray explained the decision not to have "Jr." added was due to space limitations on street signage. She added that Mr. Ashe's family was consulted on the decision.

Mr. Muhammad provided English translation copies of the Quran.

A copy of the material provided has been filed.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

# Councilor Kim Gray moved that the following appointments and reappointments be approved:

Board Name	Criteria for Appointment	Applicant Name	<u>Terms</u>
Navy Hill Development Advisory Commission (9 members)	Chair*	Pierce Homer	07/22/2019 – terminating upon the completion of the commission's duties
	Vice Chair*	John Gerner	07/22/2019 – terminating upon the completion of the commission's duties
Board of Building Code Appeals, Electrical Division (5 members & 3 alternates)	Citizen with Electrical Systems*	Doug Albertson (reappointment)	11/11/2019 – 11/11/2022
Board of Building Code Appeals, General Division (5 members & 3 alternates)	Citizen Representative*	John Bock (reappointment)	07/22/2019 – 06/10/2022
Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee (2 members and 2 alternates appointed by the city)	Reside or work in city*	Sera Erickson	07/22/2019 – 04/22/2020 Succeeding Chris Obenshain, resigned
	Alternate*	Devon Barnhart	07/25/2019 – 07/25/2021 Succeeding Todd Phillips
City Planning Commission (9 members)	Qualified Voter	John "Jack" Thompson (reappointment)	07/22/2019 – 07/08/2022
Clean City Commission (15 members)	1st District Representative	Angie Heyming	07/22/2019 – 01/28/2021 Succeeding Linda Dunn
	4th District Representative	Caroline Cardwell (reappointment)	10/22/2019 – 10/22/2021
	Corporate/Citizen Volunteer Representative	Jessica Wright	07/22/2019 – 07/25/2021 Succeeding Doug Allen

Board Name	Criteria for Appointment	Applicant Name	<u>Terms</u>
	Director of City Department or Director designee	Darlene Jenkins/Mallory (reappointment)	09/14/2019 - 09/14/2021
Green City Commission (9 members)	Energy efficiency	Susan Hill (reappointment)	10/25/2019 – 10/25/2022
	Sustainability	Katherine Jordan (reappointment)	10/25/2019 – 10/25/2022
	Green building practice	Stuart Nuckols (reappointment)	10/25/2019 – 10/25/2022
	Environmental protection	Daniel Klein	10/25/2019 – 10/25/2022 Succeeding Michael Phillips
	At-Large Resident	Margaret Hopkins	07/22/2019 – 07/28/2022 Succeeding Trip Pollard
		Catherine P. Long	10/25/2019 – 10/25/2022 Succeeding Elizabeth Seward
Urban Design Committee (10 members)	Citizen Representative*	Sahied Mansaray	07/22/2019 – 05/13/2022 Succeeding Chris Arias
Minority Business Enterprise and Emerging Small Business Advisory Board (9 members)	Representative of a minority business enterprise*	Jonette Meade	07/22/2019 – 01/09/2020 Succeeding Janet West, resigned
Maggie L. Walker Initiative Citizens Advisory Board (15 members)	Resident of a census tract with 25% poverty	Dominic Barrett	07/22/2019 – 03/09/2020 Succeeding Elliot Haspel, resigned
	Rep. of business with majority Richmond workforce	Avohom Carpenter	07/22/2019 – 07/21/2022 Succeeding Melissa Davis, resigned
Maggie Walker Community Land Trust Citizens' Advisory Panel (4 members)	*	Micah Morris	07/22/2019 – 07/21/2022
		Melissa Guevara	07/22/2019 – 07/21/2022
Richmond Public Library Board (9 members)	Must reside in the city	Emily Altman	07/22/2019 – 07/22/2023 Succeeding Danita Green,
		Christine Peterson	07/22/2019 – 07/22/2023 Succeeding Larry Olanrewaju,
		Janet Woody	07/22/2019 – 07/22/2023 Succeeding Gail Zwirner

<sup>\*</sup> Applicants must reside or work in the city.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

# **AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS**

#### Councilor Michael Jones moved to amend the agenda as follows:

# ORD. 2018-324

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2007-131-174, adopted Jul. 23, 2007, which authorized the special use of the property known as 1400 Grove Avenue for the purpose of permitting a multifamily dwelling consisting of no more than ten units and authorized the special use of the properties known as 1410 and 1412 Grove Avenue for the purpose of allowing single-family attached dwellings on substandard sized lots, together with accessory off-street parking, to remove from the ordinance the provisions pertaining to 1412 Grove Avenue, upon certain terms and conditions.

# To be continued to Monday, December 9, 2019

# ORD. 2018-325

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1412 Grove Avenue for the purpose of either a single-family attached dwelling or a single-family detached dwelling and up to four rooms or groups of rooms for short-term rental use, upon certain terms and conditions.

# To be continued to Monday, December 9, 2019

#### ORD. 2019-018

To rezone the property known as 1206 Dinwiddie Avenue from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the B-7 Mixed-Use Business District.

# To be continued to Monday, September 9, 2019

# ORD. 2019-118

To amend City Code ch. 2, art. IV, div. 1 by adding therein a new § 2-239, concerning value engineering, for the purpose of requiring value engineering for projects costing more than \$5,000,000.00.

# To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2019

# ORD. 2019-178

To authorize the special use of the property known as 4000 Hopkins Road for the purpose of a storage building as a principal use, upon certain terms and conditions.

# To be continued to Monday, September 9, 2019

#### ORD. 2019-186

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Certificate of Completion for the benefit of Church Hill North Phase 2B LLC and the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority at such time as the Chief Administrative Officer has determined that a certain deed condition requiring the construction and development of certain parcels of land as an affordable housing development has been fulfilled and completed.

# To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2019

# ORD. 2019-189

To amend City Code §§ 26-401, concerning the amount of exemption for rehabilitated residential or multifamily qualified structures, and 26-404, concerning that amount of exemption for rehabilitated commercial or industrial qualified structures, for the purpose of reducing the exemption period for rehabilitated residential and multifamily qualified structures from ten years to five years; reducing the exemption period for rehabilitated commercial and industrial qualified structures outside of an Enterprise Zone from seven years to three years; reducing the exemption period for rehabilitated commercial and industrial qualified structures within an Enterprise Zone from ten years to five years; and removing the provision allowing a partial tax exemption for renovated residential or multifamily real estate exceeding the square footage limitations set forth in City Code §26-399.

# To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2019

### RES. 2019-R014

To encourage all City departments and citizens and businesses of the city of Richmond to recycle and decrease the use of single-use plastic products for the purpose of reducing litter and improving the local environment.

# To be continued to Monday, September 9, 2019

#### RES. 2019-R022

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Director of Public Works to present to the Council a plan for security measures and cost estimates providing for the installation and use of metal detectors at City Hall and providing, to the extent permitted by the U.S. and Va. Constitutions and applicable law, for procedures governing the search of persons entering City Hall for weapons.

#### To be amended and considered

### RES. 2019-R025

To declare a public necessity to amend City Code § 30-800.3 and to initiate an amendment to the City's zoning ordinance to require a minimum lot area of 750 square feet per dwelling unit when a nonconforming use is changed to a multifamily dwelling within certain residential zoning districts.

# To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2019

#### ORD. 2018-236

To amend ch. 26, art. V, div. 2 of the City Code by adding therein new sections 26-370-26-374, concerning a real estate tax deferral program for real estate owned and occupied as a sole dwelling, for the purpose of establishing a new real estate tax deferral program for real estate owned and occupied as a sole dwelling.

# To be continued to Monday, September 23, 2019

The motion to amend the agenda was seconded and unanimously approved.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

# The following ordinances and resolutions were considered:

#### ORD. 2018-289

To amend ch. 24, art. I of the City Code by adding therein a new § 24-4 for the purpose of requiring the Department of Public Works to [conduct a study] produce a report of the conditions of all streets, roads, and bridges in the city and to provide [a] such report to City Council by no later than Feb. 1, [2019] 2020, and by no later than Feb. 1 each year thereafter. (As Amended)

# ORD. 2019-146

To erect all-way stop signs at the intersection of West 14th Street and Perry Street.

#### ORD. 2019-147

To erect all-way stop signs at the intersections of Spring Street and South Pine Street, Spring Street and South Laurel Street, Albemarle Street and South Laurel Street, and Albemarle Street and South Cherry Street, with a painted stop line at each intersection.

# ORD. 2019-159

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2711 East Broad Street for the purpose of a dwelling unit within an accessory building, upon certain terms and conditions.

# ORD. 2019-160

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1515 Hull Street for the purpose of an artist woodworking studio, upon certain terms and conditions.

# ORD. 2019-161

To rezone the property known as 1039 West Grace Street from the R-73 Multifamily Residential District to the B-5 Central Business District.

# ORD. 2019-162

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$72,385.09 in revenues from SMG; to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Economic Development called the 17th Street Farmers Market Special Fund; and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Economic Development's 17th Street Farmers Market Special Fund by \$72,385.09 for the purpose of providing funding for

expenses related to the RVA On Ice skating rink and associated 17th Street Farmers Market improvements.

# ORD. 2019-163

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$13,500.00 in anticipated registration fees from the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' firefighter training event; to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by creating a new special fund for the Department of Fire and Emergency Services called the Fire Special Events Special Fund; and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' Fire Special Events Special Fund by \$13,500.00 for the purpose of providing funding for expenses related to a firefighter training event to be held Sept. 4, 2019, through Sept. 6, 2019.

# ORD. 2019-164

To amend ch. 12, art. IV of the City Code by adding therein a new § 12-123, concerning fees for Fire and Emergency Services training events, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code by adding therein a new fee for § 12-123.

# ORD. 2019-166

To amend City Code § 9-58, which assigns polling places in the city, for the purpose of reflecting changes to the street name for the polling places for Precinct 204 and Precinct 215.

# ORD. 2019-167

To amend and reordain City Code § 9-58, which assigns polling places in the city, to relocate and establish a new polling place for Precinct 302.

#### ORD. 2019-168

To approve the use of the property known as 738 Goodes Street for the storage of sulphurous, sulphuric, nitric, picric, hydrochloric, or other corrosive acid, in accordance with City Code § 30-454.1(2).

# ORD. 2019-169

To amend City Code §§ 30-428.1, 30-428.3, and 30-428.6, concerning permitted principal uses, accessory uses, and yards, respectively, and to amend ch. 30, art. IV, div. 15 by adding therein new §§ 30-428, concerning the intent of the district, 30-428.10, concerning requirements for areas devoted to parking or circulation of vehicles, and 30-428.11, concerning building façade fenestration, for the purpose of modifying elements of the RO-3 Residential-Office District to promote walkable neighborhoods.

# ORD. 2019-170

To amend City Code §§ 30-440.1, 30-440.2, 30-440.4:1, 30-440.6, and 30-440.7, concerning permitted principal and accessory uses, principal uses permitted by a conditional use permit, requirements for areas devoted to parking or circulation of vehicles, height, and building façade fenestration in the B-4 Central Business District, and to amend ch. 30, art. IV, div. 22 by adding therein a new § 30-440, concerning the intent of the district, for the purpose of modifying elements of the B-4 Central Business District and promoting dense, transit-oriented development with greater building height than elsewhere in the region.

# ORD. 2019-171

To amend City Code §§ 30-950.2, 30-950.3, and 30-950.4, concerning plan of development overlay districts, and to amend ch. 30, art. IX, div. 6 of the City Code by adding therein a new § 30-950.5, concerning pre-application meetings, for the purpose of creating an Arts District Station/Monroe Ward Plan of Development Overlay District POD-2 bounded generally by Belvidere Street on the west, Broad Street on the north, the Downtown Expressway on the south, and 9th Street on the east.

# ORD. 2019-172

To amend the official zoning map for the purpose of designating certain street blocks as "priority streets" and certain street blocks as "street-oriented commercial streets" in the area bounded

generally by Belvidere Street on the west, Broad Street on the north, the Downtown Expressway on the south, and 9th Street on the east.

# ORD. 2019-173

To rezone certain properties in Monroe Ward, bounded by Belvidere Street on the west, the Downtown Expressway on the south, 1st and 4th Streets on the east, and by Main Street and the alley between Main Street and Franklin Street on the north.

# ORD. 2019-174

To rezone certain properties in the VUU/Chamberlayne Neighborhood Plan area along North Lombardy Street between Brook Road and Chamberlayne Avenue; West Graham Road between North Lombardy Street and Chamberlayne Avenue; Overbrook Road between North Lombardy Street and Chamberlayne Avenue from the 2300 block to the 2900 block.

#### ORD. 2019-175

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1101 Oakwood Avenue for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

# ORD. 2019-176

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3151 Moody Avenue for the purpose of two two-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

# ORD. 2019-177

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3205 P Street for the purpose of up to eight single-family attached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

#### ORD. 2019-179

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the construction of a paved path, a bicycle lane, and an Americans with Disabilities Act-accessible ramp to connect the Virginia Capital Trail at the intersection of Dock Street and South 17th Street with the northern terminus of the T. Tyler Potterfield Memorial Bridge.

# ORD. 2019-180

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the construction of a shared-use bridge over the Kanawha Canal and a paved path on the south side of the Kanawha Canal to improve access to the southern Canal Walk.

# ORD. 2019-181

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for Phase II of the design and construction of a half mile long shared-use path and enhanced crossings paralleling Stony Run Road from its intersection with Williamsburg Avenue to its intersection with Government Road.

# ORD. 2019-182

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for Phase III of the design and construction of a half mile long shared-use path and enhanced crossings paralleling Stony Run Road from its intersection with Government Road to its intersection with Jennie Scher Road.

# ORD. 2019-183

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia

Department of Transportation to provide funding for the installation of updated traffic signals, traffic circulation enhancements, and pedestrian safety improvements on Semmes Avenue and other streets surrounding the Patrick Henry School of Science and Arts.

# ORD. 2019-184

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the design and construction of a traffic signal modernization project at the three-way intersection of Semmes Avenue, Forest Hill Avenue, and Dundee Avenue as well as pedestrian markings and sign improvements on Forest Hill Avenue and West 34th Street.

#### ORD. 2019-185

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Stadium Use Agreement between the City of Richmond and Navigators Baseball LP, for the purpose of granting Navigators Baseball LP a right to use the property known as The Diamond, located at 3001 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard.

# ORD. 2019-190

To amend Ord. No. 2019-044, which appropriated and provided funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2019, and ending Jun. 30, 2020, to make transfers from the contingency reserves major classification to other major classifications to facilitate the implementation of the School Board's strategic plan.

# ORD. 2019-191

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 28-193(3), 28-194(2) (concerning fees for large volume general gas service), 28-199(d) (concerning flexibly priced interruptible gas service), and 28-200(4) (concerning unmetered gaslight service), to establish revised charges for such services.

# ORD. 2019-192

To amend and reordain certain fees set forth in Appendix A of the City 2019-192 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), and 28-654 (concerning fees for municipal wastewater service), to establish revised charges for such services.

#### RES. 2019-R017

To amend Res. No. 2007-R162-2008-29, adopted Feb. 11, 2008, as previously amended by Res. No. 2010-R91-118, adopted Jul. 26, 2010, Res. No. 2015-R18-23, adopted Mar. 23, 2015, Res. No. 2018-R065, adopted Jul. 2, 2018, and Res. No. 2018-R066, adopted Sept. 10, 2018, which adopted City Council Expenditure and Reimbursement Guidelines governing the use of Council District Funds and Council Operations Funds, for the purpose of ensuring that Council District Funds are not depleted before a newly-elected Council member takes office.

#### RES. 2019-R023

To name Boatwright Drive located between its intersection with Campus Drive and its intersection with the corporate boundary between the City of Richmond and the County of Henrico as "College Road."

# RES. 2019-R024

To impose enhanced speeding penalties pursuant to City Code § 27-163 and to authorize the placement of signs giving notice thereof on the portion of Evansway Lane located between Whitehorse Road and Westgate Drive, the portion of Cedar Grove Road located between Westgate Drive and Pondera Road, and the portion of Croatan Road located between Pondera Road and Apache Road.

#### RES. 2019-R026

To request that the Mayor would participate in a meeting with the Council with the objective of identifying and discussing the appropriate priorities of the City and that the Council Chief of Staff coordinate with the Office of the Mayor and the Department of Budget and Strategic Planning to schedule this meeting to occur in the month of September.

# **Opposition**

**Steven Chaplin** spoke in opposition to Ord. 2019-177, and stated the lot size was too small for the number of houses proposed to be built. Mr. Chaplin added that the proposed houses would be too expensive to be described as affordable housing.

**Janet King** spoke in opposition to Ord. 2019-160, and stated that as managing member of four parcels adjacent to 1515 Hull Street, she was concerned with possible outside storage of contractor equipment at the 1515 Hull Street property.

# Support

*Eddie Dooley,* on behalf of a property owner on P Street, stated he and the property owner supported Ord. 2019-177.

*Matthew Jarreau* spoke in support of Ord. 2019-177, because of added value the proposed development would bring to the neighborhood.

Mark Baker, Baker Development Resources owner, and on behalf of the 3205 P Street property owner, spoke in support of Ord. 2019-177. Mr. Baker stated the proposed project met requirements of the city.

**Sandra Antoine** spoke in support of Ord. 2019-146, and stated the stop signs would slow down high-speed traffic.

*Mary Lorino*, spoke in support of Ord. 2019-160, and stated outside storage of contractor equipment would not be allowed at 1515 Hull Street.

Mark Olinger, Planning and Development Review director, confirmed that Ord. 2019-160 allowed interior wood working only, and the associated special use permit directs future 1515 Hull Street occupants to adhere to this requirement.

There were no further comments or discussions and the **Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted.** 

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

# The following ordinance was considered:

#### ORD. 2019-188

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as an application for the receipt of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds; to accept funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the total amount of \$7,480,634.00; and to appropriate \$7,480,634.00 for various projects.

Denise Lawus, Housing and Community Development deputy director II, introduced the proposed ordinance.

Councilor Parker Agelasto noted that five city employees would be chosen to participate in a pilot program regarding affordable housing and asked how these five employees would be selected.

Ms. Lawus informed Council that an application process would determine the employees selected to participate.

# **Opposition**

*Omari Al-Qadaffi, Legal Aid Justice Center, Housing Unit,* spoke in opposition to Ord. 2019-188, and stated the proposed ordinance does not fully address affordable and fair housing needs of the city.

# **Support**

Phil Cunningham, Better Housing Coalition, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

**Charles Willis** spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

**Melanie McDonald, Homeward operations director,** spoke in support of the proposed ordinance, and stated it would aid Homeward in its efforts against homelessness.

Mary Kay Huss, Richmond Metropolitan Habitat for Humanity, chief executive officer, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance, and stated the proposed funds would assist Habitat for Humanity to build new housing for five families and assist current homeowners throughout the city with home repairs.

*Malcolm Jones, Rebuilding Together Richmond (BTR), executive director*, expressed his support for the proposed ordinance. Mr. Jones informed Council about BTR's involvement with critical home repair services, and noted these services are possible because of grant funding.

Heather Crislip, Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia, Inc. (HOME), president and chief executive officer, spoke in support for the proposed ordinance. Ms. Crislip stated the funds would help HOME provide critical housing counseling and fair housing services to city residents.

**Lee Householder, project:HOMES, chief executive officer**, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance, and stated it would assist project:Homes in its efforts to provide affordable housing needs to city residents.

**Darlene Richardson** spoke about homelessness in the city, and stated the city should provide more services and housing to homeless individuals.

Councilor Kim Gray noted that many homeowners are facing code enforcement deadlines for home repairs, and that the proposed funds should be used on these individuals. She asked that the organizations that addressed Council help citizens regardless of location within the city.

There were no further comments or discussions and Ord. 2019-188 was unanimously adopted.

# The following resolution was considered:

#### RES. 2019-R018

To request the Richmond delegation to the General Assembly of Virginia to introduce and support the enactment of legislation to amend sections 5.05 and 6.11 of the Charter of the City of Richmond to clarify that the Council shall have 14 calendar days from the date of the City Clerk's receipt of the Mayor's notice of veto of any budget ordinance, or any portion thereof, to override such veto, notwithstanding the requirement of section 6.11 that the Council adopt the budget by no later than May 31 of each year.

Councilor Kim Gray introduced the proposed resolution.

President Cynthia Newbille reported that all members of Council requested to be added as copatrons of Res. 2019-R018.

Lincoln Saunders, Office of the Mayor, chief of staff, stated the Office of the Mayor would prefer Council work with the mayor on all charter changes collectively rather than individual changes as they arise.

President Newbille stated it is Council's intention to compile and review proposed charter changes collectively in the future.

There were no further comments or discussions and **Res. 2019-R018 was unanimously adopted.** 

# **Councilor Parker Agelasto moved that the resolution entitled:**

# RES. 2019-R022

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Director of Public Works to present to the Council security measures providing for the installation and use of metal detectors at City Hall and providing, to the extent permitted by the U.S. and Va. Constitutions and applicable law, for procedures governing the search of persons entering City Hall for weapons.

# be amended, as follows:

Page 1, Line 5

After the word "Council", insert the text "a plan for"

After the word "measures", insert the text "and cost estimates"

Page 2, Line 8

After the word "Council", insert the text "a plan for"

After the word "measures", insert the text "and cost estimates"

Page 2, Line 15

After the word "Council", insert the text "a plan for"

After the word "measures", insert the text "and cost estimates"

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. Res. 2019-R022, as amended, was considered.

Councilor Michael Jones thanked Public Safety Standing Committee members for their input, support and amendment to RES. 2019-R022. He expressed his appreciation that multiple councilmembers were able to collaborate on the proposed resolution.

There were no further comments or discussions and **Res. 2019-R022**, as amended, was unanimously adopted.

Councilor Kristen Larson moved to expedite consideration of the following resolution, which was seconded and unanimously approved:

#### RES. 2019-R027

To authorize the issuance of general obligation public improvement refunding bonds of the City of Richmond, Virginia in the maximum principal amount of up to \$15,500,000 to refund all or portions of certain general obligation bonds previously issued by the City; to authorize the Director of Finance, with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to sell such refunding bonds for such purposes; to provide for the form, details and payment of such bonds; and

to authorize the issuance of taxable bonds in the same maximum principal amount and payable over the same period as such general obligation public improvement refunding bonds.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

John Wack, Department of Finance, director, introduced the proposed resolution.

There were no further comments or discussions and Res. 2019-R027, was unanimously adopted.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

President Cynthia Newbille confirmed that Pierce Homer was selected chair and John Gerner was selected vice chair of the Navy Hill Development Advisory Commission.

Councilor Kim Gray inquired about a potential date for the introduction of the Navy Hill Development proposal to Council.

Selena Cuffee-Glenn, chief administrative officer, stated the proposal would be presented once negotiations were completed.

Members of Council discussed and agreed to move the time of the August 5, 2019, Organizational Development Standing Committee meeting from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilor Parker Agelasto moved to approve the following Richmond City Council meeting minutes: Informal and Formal Council Sessions held on Monday, June 24, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., and the Special Council Meeting held on Monday, July 1, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

#### INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, September 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.:

# ORD. 2019-193

To amend Ord. No. 2019-042, adopted May 13, 2019, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Special Fund Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by increasing estimated revenues from the fee for an electronic summons system imposed by City Code § 12-122 and the amount appropriated to the Department of Police's Police eTicket Account Special Fund by \$15,000.00, to provide for the implementation and maintenance of a new electronic summons system.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

# ORD. 2019-194

To amend City Code § 12-122, concerning fee to support an electronic summons system, for the purpose of providing for an assessment of the fee in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court of the City of Richmond.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Public Safety Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 23, 2019, at 12:00 p.m.

# ORD. 2019-195

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Contract between the City of Richmond and Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia, Inc., for the purpose of making a \$485,140 grant to Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia, Inc., from the funds appropriated to the Non-Departmental - Human Services line item to support the implementation of the Eviction Diversion Program.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2019, at 2:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-196

To amend City Code §§ 2-894, 2-895, and 2-896, concerning the functions, duties, and administration of the Maggie L. Walker Initiative Citizens Advisory Board, for the purpose of modifying the member qualifications, duties, and administration of the Board.

Patron: Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2019, at 2:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-197

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for the design and construction of multi-modal infrastructure to improve the safety and operation of all users within the Virginia Biotechnology Research Park.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-198

To amend City Code § 26-582, concerning the eligibility of residential real property for the partial tax exemption from real property taxation, for the purpose of changing the requirement that eligible properties must have been vacant for at least two years to a requirement that eligible properties must not have had a building situated on such properties for at least two years.

Patron: Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# ORD. 2019-199

To install pedestrian curb ramps on the northwest, southwest, and southeast corners at the intersection of Juniper Street and 3rd Avenue, and on the northwest, southwest, northeast, and southeast corners at the intersection of Spruce Street and 3rd Avenue.

Patron: Ms. Robertson

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-200

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1117 North 31st Street for the purpose of the expansion of an existing single-family attached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-201

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1119 North 31st Street for the purpose of the expansion of an existing single-family attached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

# ORD. 2019-202

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3022 Jefferson Davis Highway for the purpose of a wireless telecommunications monopole and associated equipment, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

### ORD. 2019-203

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3111 Q Street for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-204

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 224 South Cherry Street, 912 Idlewood Avenue, 914 Idlewood Avenue, 223 South Linden Street, 225 South Linden Street, and 239 South Linden Street for the purpose of a day nursery, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-205

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1600 West Cary Street for the purpose of an outdoor dining area, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-206

To amend and reordain Ord. No. 2018-012, adopted Feb. 12, 2018, which authorized the special use of the property known as 10 West Leigh Street for the purpose of permitting a multifamily dwelling with up to 14 dwelling units, to modify the parking requirements for 10 West Leigh Street, and to except the properties known as 12 West Leigh Street and 14½ West Leigh Street from certain lot area and width and open space requirements, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORD. 2019-207

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1006 West Franklin Street for the purpose of a multifamily dwelling containing up to four dwelling units, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

#### RES. 2019-R028

To support the prohibition of conversion therapy practices in the city of Richmond and throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2019, at 2:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R029

To support the application for an allocation of \$9,825,000 through the Virginia Department of Transportation Revenue Sharing Program to provide maintenance and construction assistance to certain transportation projects.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R030

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Street Bike Infrastructure - Phase II project to fund bicycle infrastructure improvements along 1st Street, 2nd Street, and 3rd Street.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R031

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the Brown's Island Multiuse Trail Connection to T. Potterfield Bridge project to fund bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements to enhance access from Tredegar Street to Brown's Island and from Brown's Island to the T. Potterfield Memorial Bridge.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R032

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the Carnation Street Sidewalk - Phase II project to fund new sidewalks on Carnation Street.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R033

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the Commerce Road Pedestrian Curb Extensions project to fund bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements on South 9th Street and Commerce Road.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R034

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the Greene Elementary School - Safe Route to School - Phase II project to fund pedestrian infrastructure improvements on Catalina Drive.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R035

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the State Route 147 - Cary Street Pedestrian Curb Extensions - Phase II project to fund pedestrian infrastructure improvements on State Route 147.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2019-R036

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the State Route 147 - Main Street Pedestrian Curb Extensions - Phase I project to fund pedestrian infrastructure improvements on State Route 147.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R037

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the Maymont Neighborhood Sidewalks - Phase II project to fund new sidewalks in the city's Maymont neighborhood.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

# This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R038

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the State Route 161 - Park Drive and Blanton Avenue Bike Infrastructure project to fund new bicycle infrastructure improvements along Park Drive and Blanton Avenue.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R039

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the State Route 161 - Westover Hills Boulevard Bike Infrastructure - Phase I project to fund new bicycle infrastructure improvements along Westover Hills Boulevard.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R040

To request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish the Tredegar Street Sidewalk project to fund new pedestrian infrastructure improvements on Tredegar Street.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R041

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause to be conducted a citywide traffic engineering investigation to determine the impact of establishing a citywide maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour.

Patron: Mr. Jones

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

#### RES. 2019-R042

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the Director of Public Utilities to develop a comprehensive plan to address flooding and drainage issues on the south side of the city of Richmond.

Patron: Mr. Jones

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# RES. 2019-R043

To designate the property known as 3900 West Broad Street as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2.

Patron: Ms. Grav

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinance on Monday, September 23, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.:

# ORD. 2019-208

To amend City Code § 12-263, concerning the Budget and Revenue Stabilization Contingency Reserve, to set forth stipulations for the use of the reserve.

Patron: President Newbille

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2019, at 1:00 p.m.

# REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Members of Council provided reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.
CITY CLERK