



# City of Richmond

## Special Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street  
Richmond, VA 23219  
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Monday, April 20, 2020

1:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall  
(Virtual Meeting)

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### **Councilmembers Present**

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President  
The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President (late arrival)  
The Honorable Andreas Addison  
The Honorable Kim Gray  
The Honorable Michael Jones  
The Honorable Kristen Larson  
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (late arrival)  
The Honorable Ellen Robertson  
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., and presided.

### **ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION**

City Clerk Candice Reid, in accordance with Ordinance No. 2020-093, adopted April 9, 2020, announced the meeting would be held through electronic communication means. City Clerk Reid stated notice of the meeting was provided to the public through a public information advisory issued on April 9, 2020, and through Legistar on the city website in accordance with usual practice. She also stated there would be no public hearing or opportunity for public comment during the meeting.

### **MOTION TO AMEND AND CONTINUE AND TO STRIKE**

**Councilor Kristen Larson moved that the following budget-related ordinances entitled:**

**ORD. 2020-049**

To adopt the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, and to appropriate the estimated revenues for such fiscal year for the objects and purposes stated in the said budget.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 11

After the words "sum of", strike the dollar amount "\$782,558,146" and insert the dollar amount "\$744,050,117"

Page 2, Line 3

After the text "FY2021", insert the text "(4/16/2020)"

Page 2, Line 5

At the beginning of the line, insert the text "(4/16/2020)"

Page 2, Line 9

At the beginning of the line, strike the dollar amount "\$782,558,146" and insert the dollar amount "\$744,050,117"

Page 2, Line 11

After the text "FY2021", insert the text "(4/16/2020)"

Page 2, Line 12

After the word "Programs", insert the text "(4/16/2020)"

Page 2, Line 15

After the words "sum of", strike the dollar amount "\$782,558,146" and insert the dollar amount "\$744,050,117"

Page 3, Line 2

After the text "FY2021", insert the text "(4/16/2020)"

**ORD. 2020-050**

To adopt the Special Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Special Revenue funds for the said fiscal year.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 13

After the words "Attachment A", insert a comma followed by the text "dated April 16, 2020"

Page 1, Line 15

After the words "sum of", strike the dollar amount "\$117,936,432" and insert the dollar amount "\$116,220,718"

**ORD. 2020-051**

To accept a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2020, and for the four fiscal years thereafter; to adopt a Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning Jul. 1, 2020; and to determine the means of financing the same.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 2, Line 13

After the word "the", strike the text "14-page" and insert the text "16-page"

After the word "Program", insert a comma followed by the text "Amended 4/16/2020"

Page 2, Line 19

After the word "the", strike the text "14-page" and insert the text "16-page"

After the word "Program", insert a comma followed by the text "Amended 4/16/2020"

Page 2, Line 23

After the word "the", strike the text "14-page" and insert the text "16-page"

After the word "Program", insert a comma followed by the text "Amended 4/16/2020"

**ORD. 2020-052**

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Richmond, Virginia and the Public Defender for the City of Richmond, Virginia for the purpose of providing funds to supplement the salaries of employees in the Public Defender's Office for the City of Richmond.

**be stricken**

ORD. 2020-053

To appropriate and to provide funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 11

After the word "exceeding", strike the dollar amount "\$221,484,783" and insert the dollar amount "\$211,136,767"

Page 1, Line 12

After the sequence number "(ii)", strike the dollar amount "\$192,042,090" and insert the dollar amount "\$181,694,074"

Page 1, Line 14

After the words "Board of", strike the dollar amount "\$192,042,090" and insert the dollar amount "\$181,694,074"

Page 2, Line 4

After the word "event", strike the dollar amount "\$431,165,519"

Page 2, Line 5

At the beginning of the line, insert the dollar amount "420,817,503"

ORD. 2020-059

To adopt the Gas Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021; 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.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 15

After the word "of", strike the dollar amount "\$189,950,523" and insert the dollar amount "188,023,220"

ORD. 2020-061

To adopt the Stormwater Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021; 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 stormwater utility and for the purchase of vehicles.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 10

After the word "of", strike the dollar amount "\$11,583,187" and insert the dollar amount "\$11,463,187"

ORD. 2020-062

To adopt the Water Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021; 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.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 10

After the word “of”, strike the dollar amount “\$71,925,347” and insert the dollar amount “\$70,555,352”

ORD. 2020-064

To amend City Code §§ 28-191, 28-192, 28-194, 28-195, 28-196, 28-198, 28-199, 28-200, 28-201, 28-202, 28-203, and 28-204, concerning gas service, for the purpose of changing the measurement of natural gas from quantities per thousand cubic feet to quantities per hundred cubic feet, and 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), 28-193(3) (concerning fees for small commercial gas sales), 28-194(2) (concerning fees for large volume gas service), 28-195(f) and 28-196(f) (concerning fees for transportation service), 28-198(2) and 28-198(3) (concerning fees for municipal gas service), 28-199(c), 28-100(d), and 28-199(g)(2), (concerning flexibly priced interruptible gas service), 28-200(2), 28-200(3) and 28-200(4) (concerning unmetered gaslight service), 28-201(c) (concerning gas air conditioning service), 28-202(c) (concerning fees for large volume gas sales service), 28-203(c) (concerning fees for large volume, high load factor, gas sales service), and 28-204(b) and 28-204(c) (concerning fees for natural gas vehicle gas service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July 2020, to establish revised charges for such services.

**be stricken**

ORD. 2020-065

To amend 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 residential properties stormwater service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2020, to establish revised charges for the stormwater utility’s services.

**be stricken**

ORD. 2020-066

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), and 28-654 (concerning fees for municipal wastewater service) of the City Code, effective as of the date of rendering bills for Cycle I in July, 2020, to establish revised charges for such services.

**be stricken**

ORD. 2020-067

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, 2020, to establish revised charges for such services.

**be stricken**

ORD. 2020-081

To adopt the Wastewater Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021; 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.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 16

After the words "sum of", strike the dollar amount "\$82,093,569" and insert the dollar amount "\$80,190,321"

ORD. 2020-082

To amend the schedule of classifications and assigned ranges incorporated into section I of the Pay Plan for the purpose of revising the wording of certain classification titles and changing the pay ranges of certain classification titles; to amend section II(B) of the Pay Plan to provide a 2% pay increase for classified and unclassified permanent City employees who are not in the step based pay system for police and fire employees; and to amend sections III(B)(11), III(B)(12), III(B)(25)(e), III(B)(36), and III(B)(40), of the Pay Plan to (i) provide the Commonwealth Attorney's Office with \$884,474 for salary supplements and \$202,138 for Virginia Retirement System contributions and the Commonwealth Attorney with a \$51,074 salary supplement and a \$10,306 Virginia Retirement System contribution, (ii) provide the Sheriff's Office with \$2,236,106 for salary supplements and the Sheriff with a \$41,301.20 supplement, (iii) to suspend the education incentive for police and fire program until Jun. 30, 2021, (iv) to change the living wage, and (v) to add the new "Driver Pump Operator" classification to the step-based pay system for sworn fire and police officers.

**be amended and continued to Monday, April 27, 2020, as follows:**

Page 1, Line 4

After the word "To", strike the text "amend the schedule of classifications and assigned ranges incorporated into section I of the Pay Plan for the purpose of revising the wording of certain classification titles and changing the pay ranges of certain classification titles; to amend section II(B) of the Pay Plan to provide a 2% pay increase for classified and unclassified permanent City employees who are not in the step based pay system for police and fire employees; and to"

Page 1, Line 8

After the word "sections", insert the text "III(B)(4)" followed by a comma

Page 1, Line 9

After the sequence number "(i)", insert the text "suspend police and fire career development, (ii)"

Page 1, Line 13

After the comma following the word "contribution", strike the sequence number "(ii)" and insert the sequence number "(iii)"

Page 1, Line 14

After the comma following the word "supplement", strike the sequence number "(iii)" and insert the sequence number "(iv)"

Page 1, Line 15

After the comma following the date "Jun. 30, 2021", strike the text "(iv) to change the living wage"

Page 2, Line 2

After the period following the section number "1", strike the text "That the nine-page schedule entitled "Classifications and Assigned Ranges" and dated January 5, 2019, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 2019-292, adopted November 12, 2019, incorporated into the Pay Plan by section I of the Pay Plan, be and is hereby amended by excluding the classifications as shown on the ten-page schedule entitled "Classifications and Assigned Ranges, Exclude" and dated July 4, 2020, a copy of which schedule is attached to and incorporated into this ordinance, and by including the classifications as shown on the nine-page schedule entitled "Classifications and Assigned Ranges, Include" and dated July 4, 2020, a copy of which schedule is attached to and incorporated into this ordinance.

§ 2. That (i) section III(B)(29) of the Pay Plan shall not apply to the amendments made by section 1 of this ordinance, (ii) no employee whose position this ordinance moves to another classification, pay range, or pay band shall receive a pay increase or decrease due to any adjustment made by this ordinance, and (iii) for purposes of this section, words or phrases defined in section III(A) of the Pay Plan have the meanings set forth in section III(A) of the Pay Plan.

§ 3. That section II(B) of the Pay Plan be and is hereby amended as follows:

- B. The provisions of this section II(B) apply to the fiscal year commencing July 1, ~~[2019]~~ 2020, and ending June 30, ~~[2020]~~ 2021. All employees in classified and unclassified City permanent positions shall have their base rate of pay adjusted to reflect a ~~[three]~~ two percent increase, subject to the following conditions:
1. Employees not employed continuously in a permanent position on June 30, ~~[2018]~~ 2019, shall not be eligible for a base rate of pay adjustment except as indicated in section II(B)(4).
  2. Employees in the classifications of Police Recruit, Police Officer I, Police Officer II, Police Officer III, Police Officer IV, Master Police Officer, Police Sergeant, Police Lieutenant, Police Captain, Fire Recruit, Fire Fighter I, Fire Fighter II, Fire Fighter III, Fire Fighter IV, Master Fire Fighter, Driver Pump Operator, Fire Lieutenant, Fire Captain, Fire Battalion Chief, Staff Battalion Chief, and any other employee in the step based pay system for which Section III(40) provides shall not be eligible for the ~~[three]~~ two percent increase in base rate of pay.
  3. If, as a result of the application of the ~~[three]~~ two percent increase to an employee's base rate of pay for which this section II(B)(1) provides, an employee's base rate of pay would exceed the maximum rate of pay for that employee's classification, (i) that employee's base rate of pay shall be increased only to the maximum rate of pay for that employee's classification, and (ii) that employee shall not be eligible for additional increases to that employee's base rate of pay until the maximum rate of pay for that employee's classification pursuant to section I is adjusted to exceed such employee's base rate of pay.
  4. If, after the application of the two percent increase, an employee's base rate of pay is below an employee's minimum rate of pay for that employee's classification, that employee's base rate of pay shall increase to the minimum of that employee's classification.

5. The amount of the increase shall be calculated on the employee's base rate of pay as of July ~~[5, 2019]~~ 3, 2020.  
~~[5. For the avoidance of doubt, constitutional officers and their employees who do not have classifications or titles set forth in the "Classifications and Assigned Ranges," dated January 5, 2019, shall receive the three percent increase if they meet the other requirements of this section II(B).]~~

Page 4, Line 13

At the beginning of the line, insert the text "That section III(B)(4)(b) of the Pay Plan be and is hereby amended as follows:

- b. Advancement between classifications in accordance with career development plans implemented pursuant to this section, except for advancement from Police Recruit to Police Officer I and from Fire Recruit to Fire Fighter I, shall be suspended" followed by the stricken text "for the period commencing July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019" and a period

Page 4, Line 19

After the section symbol, strike the number "4" and insert the number "2"

Page 5, Line 6

After the section symbol, strike the number "5" and insert the number "3"

Page 6, Line 3

After the section symbol, strike the number "6" and insert the number "4"

Page 6, Line 7

After the section symbol, strike the number "7", the period, and the text "That section III(B)(36) of the Pay Plan be and is hereby amended as follows:

36. **Living Wage.**  
Any employee in a position (other than Summer Youth Program, Special Event Worker, Intern, or other special employment program participants as determined by the Director of Human Resources) working either full-time or part-time shall have an hourly rate of pay at least ~~[\$12.07]~~ \$12.60."

Page 6, Line 13

At the beginning of the line, strike the section symbol "§" and the number "8" and insert the number "5"

Page 9, Line 7

At the beginning of the line, after the section symbol "§", strike the number "9" and insert the number "6"

*Vice President Chris Hilbert joined the meeting.*

*Councilor Kim Gray expressed her concerns regarding the time available to review the proposed amendments to budget-related ordinances.*

*President Cynthia Newbille informed members the proposed amendments were consistent with discussions held at Council's previous budget work session.*

There were no further comments or discussion, and **the motion was seconded and approved:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes None. Lynch had not yet arrived.

## MOTION TO CONTINUE

**Councilor Ellen Robertson moved that the following budget-related ordinances be continued to Monday, April 27, 2020:**

ORD. 2020-054

To adopt the Debt Service Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, and to appropriate the estimated expenditures from the Debt Service Fund for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2020-055

To adopt the Internal Service Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Internal Service funds for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2020-056

To adopt the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Richmond Cemeteries Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Richmond Cemeteries for the said fiscal year for the operation and management of the facilities.

ORD. 2020-057

To adopt the Department of Public Works' Parking Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, 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.

ORD. 2020-058

To adopt the Electric Utility Budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021; 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.

ORD. 2020-060

To adopt the Department of Public Utilities' Stores Internal Service Fund Budgets for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, and to appropriate the estimated receipts of the Department of Public Utilities' Stores Internal Service Funds for the said fiscal year.

ORD. 2020-063

To amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of City Code § 8-274(a)(2), (concerning the issuance of permits and conditions for concessions) for the purpose of providing for permit fees for the issuance of permits for concessions in public parks and playgrounds of the City.

ORD. 2020-068

To authorize the issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$33,000,000 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.

ORD. 2020-069

To authorize the issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$9,976,000 to finance the cost of capital improvement projects of the stormwater utility of the City for the following purposes and uses: replacement of and upgrades to the stormwater facilities, including but not limited to, construction, reconstruction, improvements, rehabilitation and upgrades of stormwater sewers and associated facilities; new and replacement infrastructure of the storm sewer system, drainage structures, catch basins, ditches, storm sewer pipes, culverts, green infrastructure; acquisition of real property therefor as appropriate; and equipment for various infrastructure needs; and authorizes 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 and 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.

ORD. 2020-070

To cancel all authorized but unissued notes authorized by the City of Richmond in Fiscal Years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018, to authorize the issuance of general obligation equipment notes of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$4,867,332 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.

ORD. 2020-071

To cancel all authorized but unissued bonds authorized by the City of Richmond in Fiscal Years 2016-2017, to authorize the issuance of public utility revenue bonds of the City of Richmond in the maximum principal amount of \$103,007,500 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.

ORD. 2020-072

To amend Appendix A of the City Code by increasing the fee for section 4-307, concerning the annual fee for a breeding permit, per dog or cat.

ORD. 2020-073

To amend Appendix A of the City Code for section 4-275 (concerning impoundment and violation notice and fee for board and care) for the purpose of establishing a separate adoption fee for puppies.

ORD. 2020-074

To amend City Code § 12-95, (concerning athletic activities, adult leagues, tennis tournaments, tennis camps, and softball tournaments) for the purpose of removing the separate fees for softball tournaments and for the recreation centers known as Pine Camp Art and Recreation Center and portions of Hickory Hill Community Center, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code for section 12-95 (concerning athletic activities, adult leagues, tennis tournaments, tennis camps, and softball tournaments) for the purpose of establishing revised charges for such activities.

ORD. 2020-075

To amend City Code § 12-108, concerning a nonresident fee for nonresidents of the City renting facilities or enrolling in Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities athletic activities or classes, for the purpose of increasing the nonresident fee for the rental of any facility, park or equipment from the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities.

ORD. 2020-076

To amend and reordain City Code § 12-94, (concerning the reservation of picnic shelters and the rental fee for picnic packs), for the purpose of including the fee for reservation of picnic shelters and removing the fee for picnic packs, and to amend the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for City Code §§ 8-281, (concerning the permit processing fee for the use of public grounds, parks, playfields and playgrounds) to increase the cost of the permit processing fee, and 12-94, (concerning picnic shelter fees), for the purpose of removing the fee for rental of picnic packs.

ORD. 2020-077

To amend ch. 13, art. V, div. 3 of the City Code by adding therein new §§ 13-203 and 13-204, to concerning establishing fees for employees of the City's Department of Fire and Emergency Services who conduct Fire Prevention Code inspections on commercial and institutional properties in the City, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code by adding therein new fees for City Code § 13-203, for the purpose of establishing the fees to be charged for employees of the City's Department of Fire and Emergency Services who conduct Fire Prevention Code inspections on commercial and institutional properties in the City.

ORD. 2020-078

To amend City Code § 13-190, concerning the removal and closure of underground storage tanks, for the purpose of including aboveground storage tanks as subject to removal and closure, and to amend the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for City Code § 13-190, for the purpose of establishing a new fee for the removal of aboveground storage tanks.

ORD. 2020-079

To amend § 30-930.6 of the City Code, concerning certificates of appropriateness, for the purpose of establishing a fee for filing an application for a certificate of appropriateness, and to amend Appendix A of the City Code by adding therein new fees for City Code §§ 30-930.6, concerning certificates of appropriateness, and 30-1020.4(a), concerning fees for filing an application for a certificate of zoning compliance, of the City Code, to establish new charges for such services.

ORD. 2020-080

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 8-279 (concerning fees for use of public parks) for the purpose of revising the fees for weddings and to establish fees for rafting in the James River Park Systems, and 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.

**The motion was seconded and approved:** Ayes 8, Jones, Robertson, Larson, Gray, Trammell, Addison, Hilbert, Newbille. Noes None. Lynch had not yet arrived.

*Councilor Stephanie Lynch joined the meeting.*

**REVIEW OF RESPONSES TO THE APRIL 13, 2020 BUDGET WORK SESSION QUESTIONS AND COUNCIL DISCUSSION REGARDING NEXT STEPS**

Council Budget Analyst Bill Echelberger provided Council with an overview of questions proposed by Council at the April 13, 2020 Budget Work Session and responses provided by city administration.

*Councilor Kim Gray expressed her concerns regarding proposed figures put forth by city administration and stated city administration did not incorporate the full potential impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic.*

*Councilor Kristen Larson requested members put forth a Council priorities list regarding budget-related cuts and distribution of surpluses.*

Lincoln Saunders, Office of the Mayor chief of staff, provided Council with additional information regarding Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC) funding. Mr. Saunders stated city administration was still awaiting direction from the Commonwealth of Virginia and United States government, regarding distribution of funds provided by the CARES Act.

*President Cynthia Newbille requested Council staff coordinate with city administration to provide Council with monthly updates regarding the city's budget and revenue figures, in addition to any potential amendments necessary to address the city's budget.*

Acting Chief Administrative Officer Lenora Reid provided Council with information regarding the city's tax amnesty program, and options available to citizens related to the city's real estate tax and personal property tax.

*President Newbille requested city administration provide an update regarding funding to address homelessness in the city at the April 27, 2020 Council Budget Work Session.*

*Councilor Larson requested Richmond Public Schools (RPS) provide an update at the April 27, 2020 Council Budget Work Session regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic's impact on RPS funding.*

It was the consensus of Council to cancel the Wednesday, April 22, 2020 Council Budget Work Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

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CITY CLERK