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AGENDA
Tuesday, November 18, 2008

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Housing Authority
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Surplus Property Authority
Local Reuse Authority
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EVENING OPEN SESSION
A. ROLL CALL

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION
Shimada Room of City Hall

A. CITY COUNCIL

A-1. LIABILITY CLAIMS - PENDING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9):

Penny Turner vs. City of Richmond

A-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Subdivision [a] of Government Code Section 54956.9):

Nishioka vs. City of Richmond

A-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Initiation of litigation pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9):

Two Cases

B. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

B-1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code Section 54956.8):

Property: APN: 513-321-002 South 47th Street and Florida Avenue
Agency Negotiator: Steve Duran, Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency
Negotiating Parties: Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency and the Carey 1985 Trust
Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

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STUDY SESSION
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6:00 p.m.

A. RECEIVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE HONDA PORT OF ENTRY PROJECT INCLUDING OPERATIONS, LOGISTICS, ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, FINANCING OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, LOCAL EMPLOYMENT IMPACTS, AND FINANCIAL IMPACTS - PORT (JIM MATZORKIS 215-4600).

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SPECIAL MEETING
RICHMOND COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

6:45 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

D-1. ADOPT a resolution authorizing the transfer of Agency funds to the Planning Department in an amount not to exceed $99,000 for costs associated with the preparation of the environmental review documents for Marina Bay Parkway Grade Separation Project - Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency (Steve Duran/Alan Wolken 307-8140).

D-2. ADOPT a resolution authorizing the execution of a Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account (HRCSA) Project Baseline Agreement and a Funding Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for funding of the Marina Bay Parkway Grade Separation - Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency (Steve Duran/Alan Wolken 307-8140).

D-3. APPROVE the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 28, 2008 - City Clerk's Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).

E. ADJOURNMENT

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 p.m.

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A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. AGENDA REVIEW

D. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS

E. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE AND NON-CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS HELD DURING CLOSED SESSION

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

F-1. ADOPT a resolution authorizing staff to apply for $100,000 in State of California Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Funds through Contra Costa County for the purpose of developing a citywide Master Bicycle Plan - Planning and Building Services Department (Richard Mitchell 620-6706).

F-2. APPROVE the installation of three speed-control undulations on Hartnett Avenue and two on Chanslor Avenue near Fifth Street, using existing approved contract funds - Engineering Services (Rich Davidsion 307-8105).

F-3. APPROVE contract amendment #1 with Willdan Financial Services (formerly MuniFinancial), increasing the payment limit by $6,500 to a new total limit of $12,772 and extending the term of the contract to December 31, 2009, for assessment engineering services associated with preparation of the 2009-10 Engineer's Report for the Hilltop Landscape Maintenance Assessment District - Public Works (Yader A. Bermudez 231-3009).

F-4. APPROVE a second amendment to the contract with Vallier Design Associates, Inc. for work on the Nicholl Park Master Plan, amending the scope of services, increasing the payment limit by $10,000 to a new total limit of $59,000, and extending the term of the contract to June 30, 2009 - Public Works (Yader A. Bermudez 231-3009).


F-6. ADOPT an ordinance (second reading) amending Richmond Municipal Code Chapter 6.38 to provide enhanced enforcement power over unmaintained vacant property - Mayor McLaughlin/Councilmember Butt/City Attorney's Office (620-
F-7. APPROVE a contract with Gary Doupnik Manufacturing for delivery and installation of an ADA-compliant modular classroom and restroom trailer at the Fire Training Center in an amount not to exceed $90,000 - Fire Department (Chief Michael Banks 307-8041).

F-8. APPROVE a contract in the amount of $175,000 with the law firm of Shute, Mihaly and Weinberger LLP for representation of the City of Richmond in the action entitled Communities for a Better Environment vs. City of Richmond - City Attorney's Office (Randy Riddle 620-6509).

F-9. ADOPT a resolution to approve the request for an extension of unspent encumbered funds for the Dornan Drive Tunnel Repair and Rehabilitation project (Federal-Aid Project No. IBRL02-5137(029)) and the Filbert and Kelsey Streets Improvement project (Federal-Aid Project No. STPLER-5137(026)) and AUTHORIZE the City Engineer to sign the Cooperative Work Agreement Extension Request on behalf of the City Council - Engineering Services (Rich Davidsion, 621-1825).

F-10. ADOPT a resolution approving a 3% annual cost-of-living increase, in addition to the 2% minimum cost-of-living increase, for the recipients of the General Pension Fund, for a total annual cost-of-living increase of 5% for these recipients - Finance Department (James Goins 620-6740).

F-11. APPROVE the following appointments: Youth Baseball Advisory Commission: Pamila Henderson, term expires 11/16/11 (completing the unexpired term of Antoinette Lawrence); Housing Advisory Commission: Arnie Kasendorf, term expires 11/1/10 - Mayor's Office (Mayor McLaughlin 620-6503).

F-12. APPROVE the minutes of the meetings held on October 21 and 28, 2008 - City Clerk's Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

G-1. Conduct a public hearing on an appeal by Fred Arm from the Design Review Board's approval of the certification of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
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and Design Review Permit for the Honda Port of Entry Project at Point Potrero
and AFFIRM, MODIFY, or DENY the certification of the EIR with Statement of
Overriding Consideration and accompanying Mitigation Monitoring Reporting
Program and AFFIRM, MODIFY, or DENY the Design Review Permit, subject
to conditions - Planning and Building Services Department (Richard Mitchell
620-6706).

CITY COUNCIL RECESS

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE SURPLUS PROPERTY
AUTHORITY/CITY COUNCIL

A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. RESOLUTIONS

C-1. ADOPT a resolution approving the following documents relating to the Port of
Richmond's Honda Port of Entry Project: (1) second amended and Restated
Lease Agreement, (2) Marine Terminal Operating Agreement, and (3) Minimum
Annual Guaranty Agreement - Port (Jim Matzorkis 215-4600).

D. ADJOURNMENT

CITY COUNCIL RECONVENE

H. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

I. AGREEMENTS

J. RESOLUTIONS

K. ORDINANCES

K-1. INTRODUCE an ordinance amending and restating Ordinance No. 1-99 N.S.,
creating a special fund and authorizing the City to pledge and assign net
revenues from Port operations into the special fund as security for Port related
debt obligations - Finance Department/Port (James Goins/Jim Matzorkis 620-6740/215-4600).

L.  COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

L-1.  Direct staff to: (1) schedule a City Council study session with Jim Sandoval,
California Climate Change Working group member; and (2) research the
feasibility of a Sustainable Economic Zone and Incentives for the City of
Richmond (This item was heard at the November 7, 2008, Finance Committee
Meeting) - Councilmember Viramontes (620-6581).

M.  COMMUNICATIONS

N.  REPORTS OF OFFICERS: STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS, REFERRALS
TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)

O.  ADJOURNMENT

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