AGENDA
Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mayor
Gayle McLaughlin

Vice Mayor
Jim Rogers

Councilmembers
Nathaniel Bates
Jovanka Beckles
Courtland “Corky” Boozé
Jeff Ritterman
Thomas K. Butt

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Housing Authority
Joint Powers Financing Authority
Surplus Property Authority
Local Reuse Authority
MEETING PROCEDURES

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PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Anyone who desires to address the City Council on items appearing on the agenda must complete and file a pink speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the City Council’s consideration of the item. Once the City Clerk has announced the item and discussion has commenced, no person shall be permitted to speak on the item other than those persons who have submitted their names to the City Clerk. Your name will be called when the item is announced for discussion. Each speaker will be allowed TWO (2) MINUTES to address the City Council on NON-PUBLIC HEARING items listed on the agenda.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Individuals who would like to address the City Council on matters not listed on the agenda or on Presentations, Proclamations and Commendations, Report from the City Attorney, or Reports of Officers may do so under Open Forum. All speakers must complete and file a pink speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the commencement of Open Forum. The amount of time allotted to individual speakers shall be determined based on the number of persons requesting to speak during this item. The time allocation for each speaker will be as follows: 15 or fewer speakers, a maximum of 2 minutes; 16 to 24 speakers, a maximum of 1 and one-half minutes; and 25 or more speakers, a maximum of 1 minute.

SPEAKERS ARE REQUESTED TO OCCUPY THE RESERVED SEATS IN THE FRONT ROW BEHIND THE SPEAKER’S PODIUM AS THEIR NAME IS ANNOUNCED BY THE CITY CLERK.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted, approved or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received from the audience or the City Council. A member of the audience requesting to remove an item from the Consent Calendar must complete and file a speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the City Council’s consideration of Agenda Review. An item removed from the Consent Calendar may be placed anywhere on the agenda following the City Council’s agenda review.

The City Council’s adopted Rules of Procedure recognize that debate on policy is healthy; debate on personalities is not. The Chairperson has the right and obligation to cut off discussion that is too personal, too loud, or too crude.

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EVENING OPEN SESSION

5:00 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

Shimada Room of the Community Services Building

A. CITY COUNCIL

A-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision [a] of Government Code Section 54956.9):

Chevron vs. Contra Costa

Brentwood vs. Contra Costa

A-2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6):

Agency designated representative(s): Bill Lindsay
Unrepresented employee: City Attorney
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

6:30 p.m.

A. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

B. ROLL CALL

C. READING OF THE CODE OF ETHICS

D. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

E. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

F. AGENDA REVIEW

G. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS

G-1. PROCLAMATION honoring the 761st Tank Battalion, one of three Black American Tank Battalions in World War II, and The Ladies Auxiliary for their historic role and invaluable contributions to the World War II effort - Mayor McLaughlin (620-6503) and Councilmember Bates (620-6581).

G-2. PROCLAMATION, in the spirit of Black History Month, honoring Edna Campbell, Burgundie Spears, and Aaliyah Washington-Burr for their annual Christmas in Richmond Program - Mayor McLaughlin (620-6503) and Councilmember Booze (620-6581).

G-3. PROCLAMATION in recognition of National American Heart Month and the Go Red for Women initiative - Councilmember Ritterman (620-6636) and Mayor McLaughlin 620-6503).

G-4. PRESENT a plaque to express gratitude and appreciation to a special recipient for their contribution to African American History in the City of Richmond - Councilmember Booze.

H. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE AND NON-CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS HELD DURING CLOSED SESSION
I. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

I-1. APPROVE a contract with Precision Concrete Cutting to provide concrete sidewalk cutting services to eliminate sidewalk tripping hazards in an amount not to exceed $40,000 per year on an as-needed basis, and subject to funding availability for a term of three years - Public Works Department (Yader A. Bermudez 231-3008). This item was continued from the February 21, 2012, meeting.

I-2. AUTHORIZE the city manager and the port director to negotiate and execute all required contractual documents with the General Services Administration on behalf of the National Park Services for the lease of the General Warehouse located at the Point Potrero Marine Terminal provided that the lease is for no less than 10 years, the leased premises is approximately 85,000 square feet, the price per square foot is no less than $1.07 per month, and such other terms as directed by the City Council - Port Director (Jim Matzorkis 215-4600).

J. STUDY AND DIRECTION TO STAFF SESSION

J-1. DISCUSS and CONSIDER ideas for reducing the length of City Council meetings and provide direction to staff regarding changes to meeting rules and procedures - City Manager's Office (Bill Lindsay 620-6512). This item was continued from the February 21, 2012, meeting.

K. ADJOURNMENT

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