To: Honorable Mayor Gayle McLaughlin
Members of the City Council

From: Public Safety and Public Services Standing Committee

SUBJECT: SUMMARY
Meeting of the Public Safety and Public Services Standing Committee
Thursday, March 15, 2012, at 10:12 a.m.

Present: Chair Bates and Councilmember Boozé

Absent: Councilmember Ritterman

THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS AS follows:

1. RECEIVE: a report regarding the status of needed changes to the City Council Chambers as it relates to lighting, picture quality, and sound, and receive a report regarding some Richmond residents not being able to view KCRT Channel 28 - I.T. Department (Sue Hartman 620-6874).

   Sue Hartman gave an overview of the item. Omega Pacific is working on the LED lighting currently. Councilmember Booze and Sue tested the clip-on microphone. Satellite dish providers cannot broadcast local channels. A Comcast representative stated that customers experiencing problems can call 1-800-Comcast. Councilmember Booze requested an outline map of what areas KCRT Channel 28 is broadcast.

2. RECOMMEND: that the City Council introduce an ordinance (first reading) revising portions of Richmond Municipal Code Chapter 11.76 related to removal of inoperable vehicles from private property and Chapter 11.78 related to vehicle repair and storage in residential zoning districts - City Attorney's Office (Bruce Goodmiller 620-6509).

   Councilmember Booze stated this matter will be re-agendized at the next Public Safety Committee meeting. Councilmember Booze wants a moratorium on citing until a revised ordinance can be drafted and approved. This will also be discussed with the City Manager. The matter will return to the next Public Safety Committee meeting after discussing further with legal staff. Jackie Thompson gave comments.

3. DISCUSSION: from the Recreation Department staff on ways to make the Richmond Auditorium a more effective revenue generator and what necessary maintenance and improvements are needed to make this possible - City Council (Councilmember Nat Bates 620-6581). Councilmember Bates stated that the auditorium needs to be cleaned up and look professional. Jackie Thompson made comment and stated that push buttons to open doors are needed; the audio is bad; and bathroom supplies often run out.
OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT

Jackie Thompson thanked staff for the sidewalk work made on Stege Avenue. Ms. Thompson also stated that the red zone at the corner of 37th Street and Stege Avenue is a faded.

Chair Bates stated that the Richmond Rockets will play at PAL building for the playoffs. Tickets are $10.

Diane Holmes
City Clerk