September 22, 2006

To: Honorable Mayor Irma L. Anderson
    Members of the City Council

From: Meeting of the Public Safety and Public Services Standing Committee

SUBJECT: SUMMARY
Meeting of the Public Safety and Public Services Standing Committee
Thursday, September 21, 2006 @ 10:38 a.m.

Present: Members Bates, Marquez, McLaughlin and Rogers (arrived @10:43 a.m.)

Absent: None.

Discussion regarding blight in the Santa Fe Neighborhood

- Rhonda Harris, President of Santa Fe Neighborhood Council, stated that there is proliferation of abandoned homes/cars, illegal dumping, blight, etc. and wants to come to a solution to these many problems that have plagued the area for many years.

- Ralph Lloyd, Public Works Department, commented that there is a new Abatement Supervisor, Terrance Johnson. One of the test surveillance cameras were placed temporarily in the Santa Fe Neighborhood. The neighborhood is patrolled everyday. The dumping takes place both in the day and night. Once dumping is reported, someone usually goes out that same day.

OUTCOME:

Councilmember Bates asked that Mr. Lloyd and other Public Works staff work directly with Ms. Harris and give the committee a progress report in two weeks and also give an update at the next Public Safety Committee meeting. Chair Marquez stated that communication between Public Works and neighborhoods is more open and efficient.

Report regarding the status of the new inspection process

*(Held over to the Public Safety Committee meeting of October 19, 2006)*

Update on current list of registered and licensed lobbyists in the City of Richmond

- Chair Marquez asked for a copy of the lobbyist ordinance in order to further discuss this matter and to determine possible sanctions against those lobbyists who do not obtain a business license.
OUTCOME:

Will return for further discussion on the next Public Safety Committee meeting of 10/19/06.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.