RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, March 6, 2018

The Richmond City Council Evening Open Session was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Tom Butt.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Ben Choi, Ada Recinos, Vice Mayor Melvin Willis, and Mayor Thomas K. Butt. Absent: Councilmember Eduardo Martinez arrived at 5:01 p.m. after the roll was called. Councilmember Jael Myrick arrived after the Open Session adjourned to Closed Session. Councilmembers Jovanka Beckles was absent for the entire Closed Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The city clerk announced that the purpose of the Open Session was for the City Council to hear public comments on the following items to be discussed in Closed Session:

CITY COUNCIL

LIABILITY CLAIMS - (Government Code Section 54956.9):

Richard Abercrombie vs. City of Richmond

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

City of Richmond vs. Chevron

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957.6):

Title: City Manager
Title: City Clerk

Cordell Hindler gave comments regarding the public employee performance evaluations of the City Manager and City Clerk.

The Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 5:02 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Mayor Butt.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Beckles, Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt. Absent: None.

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

AGENDA REVIEW

None.
REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE DURING CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Bruce Goodmiller stated there were no final actions taken.

REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Bill Lindsay reported that on Saturday, March 2, 2018, he attended a dinner honoring the public safety employees. Awards included: Officer of Year, Teamwork, and Professional Staff. Richmond Police K-9 Officer Brandon Hodges, K-9 partner Gunner, was awarded the 2017 Officer of the Year. Team Work Award was presented to: Captain Arnold Threets, Lieutenants Eric Smith and Tracy Mollenbernd, Sergeant Tim Gard, Communications Manager Michael Schlemmer, Police Information Technology Supervisor Eric Tam, Records Supervisor Kay Carzoli, and Network Specialist Luan Trinh. Professional Staff of the Year Award was presented to Records Supervisor Kay Carzoli.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Bea Roberson expressed concerns regarding Items G-1, G-2, G-3, and G-4 and the cost of the Rent Program to tax payers.

Naomi Williams gave comments, on behalf of the Commission on Aging, regarding the lack of disabled parking near the auditorium and the Nevin Street improvements.

Kathy Robinson reminded members of the public of the homeless. Ms. Robinson suggested the Armory and auditorium could be places for the homeless citizens of Richmond. She encouraged citizens to vote for people that care for everybody.

Tana Monteiro, Myisha Dozier, and Jose Andrade gave comments regarding Item G-7 and requested to participate in the construction of a fitness zone in Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

Rick Perez, Patricia Perez, and Gerald Smith gave comments regarding the Pedie Perez case and investigation. Gerald Smith also gave comments regarding police misconduct.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Councilmember Myrick, seconded by Councilmember Martinez, the items marked with an (*) were approved by the unanimous vote of the City Council:

*G-1. Introduced an ordinance (first reading) establishing the wages, salary, and compensation for the new classification of Rent Program Services Analyst (Salary Range No. 043D $5,174 - $6,187/month).

*G-2. Introduced an ordinance (first reading) establishing the wages, salary, and compensation for the new classification of Rent Program Services Analyst II (Salary Range No. 055D $6,357 - $7,684).
*G-3. Adopted Resolution No. 10-18 amending the City of Richmond's Position Classification Plan to add the new classification of Rent Program Services Analyst I.

*G-4. Adopted Resolution No. 11-18 amending the City of Richmond's Position Classification Plan to add the new classification of Rent Services Analyst II.

*G-5. Approved the purchase of 16 Scott self-contained breathing apparatus 45-minute cylinders from Allstar Fire Equipment, Inc. in the amount of $16,579.78.

*G-6. Approved the purchase of two Motorola mobile radios for new fire apparatus from Red Cloud, Inc. in the amount of $14,690.31.

*G-7. Adopted Resolution No. 12-18 to accept grant funds and appropriate $75,000 to construct a fitness zone in Martin Luther King, Jr. Park (MLK) and APPROVE an agreement between the City of Richmond and The Trust for Public Land for the Richmond Wellness Trail Fitness Zone Project.

*G-8. Adopted Resolution No. 13-18 authorizing placement of liens and special assessments for unpaid garbage collection service fees on County property tax records.


*G-10. Approved a grant-funded contract with Nelson Nygaard Inc. in an amount not to exceed $193,000 to continue the development of the Richmond Integrated and Equitable Multimodal Mobility Plan, under the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Sustainable Communities grant program.

*G-11. Approved international travel for Community and Economic Development Director Shasa Curl and Management Analyst Gabino Arredondo to participate in the Global Learning Exchange for Building Equitable & Healthy Communities in Nairobi, Kenya, with all travel expenses paid for by the University of California, Berkeley via external grant funding.

*G-12. Adopted Resolution No. 15-18 approving a city-wide policy for the distribution, use and reporting of tickets or passes to a facility, event, show or performance in compliance with Fair Political Practices Commission Regulation section 18944.1.

CITY OF RICHMOND CONSENT CALENDAR
RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO POLICY DECISIONS ON ISSUES THAT PERTAIN TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS

*H-1. Adopted Resolution No. 16-18 in support of protecting our ocean and coast from offshore drilling, exploration and fracking.

STUDY AND ACTION SESSION

I-1. The City Council received a presentation on the Richmond wastewater system, including sanitary sewer and wastewater treatment plant capital improvement planning and projects. This item was continued from the February 27, 2018, meeting, and was presented by Water Resource Recovery Director Ryan Smith. Mr. Smith’s PowerPoint presentation highlighted the following: The wastewater collection system; sewer capital projects and sanitary sewer overflows; good and bad pipes; pipeline assessment and certification program grade 5 pipe segments; capital costs 10-year Capital Improvement Projects; Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP); rehabilitation projects needed in near-term; recent aerial view of the WWTP; headworks and secondary process upgrades. Discussion ensued. The Council requested information on the date each facility was built and the capacity, listing of the improved technology, and the life expectancy of each facility. Staff reported that the capacity of each facility was 40 million gallons per day and construction would be launch immediately following the award of the state revolving loan funds. The Council also recommended staff to continue addressing wastewater odor control.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS: REFERRALS TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)

Councilmember Martinez reported that he attended a ribbon cutting for the Tom Bates Sports Complex on Saturday, March 3, 2018. He also reported that he attended a Legislative Briefing on Human Rights to Water and a graduation for the WELL Untapped Program.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m., to meet again on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

Mayor