AGENDA

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Mayor
Thomas K. Butt

Vice Mayor
Ben Choi

Councilmembers
Nathaniel Bates
Demnlus Johnson III
Eduardo Martinez
Jael Myrick
Melvin Willis

Housing Authority Tenant Commissioners
Jaycine Scott
Tanise Smith

The Richmond City Council also serves as Board Members and Commission Members for the following:

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

COMMUNICATION ACCESS INFORMATION:
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MEETING PROCEDURES

The City of Richmond encourages community participation at its City Council meetings and has established procedures that are intended to accommodate public input in a timely and time-sensitive way. As a courtesy to all members of the public who wish to participate in City Council meetings, please observe the following procedures:

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, 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 up to TWO (2) MINUTES to address the City Council on NON-PUBLIC HEARING items listed on the agenda. Speakers are allowed up to THREE (3) minutes on PUBLIC HEARING items.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Individuals who would like to address the City Council on matters not listed on the agenda or on items remaining on the consent calendar 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 that is sponsored by City staff must first complete a speaker’s card and discuss the item with a City staff person who has knowledge of the subject material prior to filing the card with the City Clerk and prior to the City Council’s consideration of Agenda Review. Councilmembers who request to remove an item from the consent calendar must do so during Agenda Review. An item removed from the Consent Calendar may be placed anywhere on the agenda following the City Council’s agenda review.

CONDUCT AT MEETINGS: Richmond City Council meetings are limited public forums during which the City strives to provide an open, safe atmosphere and promote robust public debate. Members of the public, however, must comply with state law, as well as the City’s laws and procedures and may not actually disrupt the orderly conduct of these meetings. The public, for example, may not shout or use amplifying devices, must submit comment cards and speak during their allotted time, may not create a physical disturbance, may not speak on matters unrelated to issues within the jurisdiction of the City Council or the agenda item at hand, and may not cause immediate threats to public safety.
CITY HARASSMENT POLICY: The City invites public comment and critique about its operations, including comment about the performance of its public officials and employees, at the public meetings of the City Council and boards and commissions. However, discriminatory or harassing comments about or in the presence of City employees, even comments by third parties, may create a hostile work environment, if severe or pervasive. The City prohibits harassment against an applicant, employee, or contractor on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, medical condition, mental disability, marital status, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth, and related medical conditions), sexual orientation, gender identity, age or veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local law. In order to acknowledge the public’s right to comment on City operations at public meetings, which could include comments that violate the City’s harassment policy if such comments do not cause an actual disruption under the Council Rules and Procedures, while taking reasonable steps to protect City employees from discrimination and harassment, City Boards and Commissions shall adhere to the following procedures. If any person makes a harassing remark at a public meeting that violates the above City policy prohibiting harassment, the presiding officer of the meeting may, at the conclusion of the speaker’s remarks and allotted time: (a) remind the public that the City’s Policy Regarding Harassment of its Employees is contained in the written posted agenda; and (b) state that comments in violation of City policy are not condoned by the City and will play no role in City decisions. If any person makes a harassing remark at a public meeting that violates the above City policy, any City employee in the room who is offended by remarks violating the City’s policy is excused from attendance at the meeting. No City employee is compelled to remain in attendance where it appears likely that speakers will make further harassing comments. If an employee leaves a City meeting for this reason, the presiding officer may send a designee to notify any offended employee who has left the meeting when those comments are likely concluded so that the employee may return to the meeting. The presiding officer may remind an employee or any council or board or commission member that he or she may leave the meeting if a remark violating the City’s harassment policy is made. These procedures supplement the Council Rules and Procedures relating to disruption of orderly conduct at Council meetings.

Any law enforcement officer on duty or whose service is commanded by the presiding officer shall be Sergeant-at-Arms of the Council meetings. He/she, or they, shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the presiding officer for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the Council meetings (City Council Rules of Procedure and Order Section III F, RMC Section 2.12.030).

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OPEN SESSION TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION

5:00 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

Shimada Room of the Community Services Building

CITY COUNCIL

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code Section 54956.8):

Property: Point Molate
Agency negotiators: Carlos Martinez and Lina Velasco
Negotiating parties: Orton Development, Inc., Point Molate Partners, Samuelson Schafer, and SunCal
Under negotiations: price and terms of payment

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (paragraph (1) of Subdivision [d] of Government Code Section 54956.9):

Hill vs. City of Richmond

RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code Section 54956.8):

Property: Hacienda Housing Complex, 1300 Roosevelt Avenue
Agency negotiators: Carlos Martinez and Shasa Curl
Negotiating parties: Mercy Housing California and Community Housing Development Corporation of North Richmond
Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code Section 54957.6):

Title: Citizens Police Review Commission Investigative Officer
SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY

6:25 p.m.

A. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

B. ROLL CALL

C. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

D. AGENDA REVIEW

E. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

F. HOUSING AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR

   F-1. ADOPT a resolution removing former Richmond Housing Authority Acting
       Executive Director, Gabino Arredondo, and adding Richmond Housing
       Authority Executive Director, Nannette Beacham, as authorizing signatory on
       Mechanics Bank depository and checking accounts - Richmond Housing
       Authority (Nannette Beacham 621-1309).

   F-2. ADOPT a resolution authorizing the purchase of 12 evacuation chairs from
       Health Products For You to provide emergency evacuation through the stairwell
       to the many senior and disabled tenants of the Nevin Plaza Senior Housing
       facility in an amount not to exceed $18,372.14 - Richmond Housing
       Authority (Nannette Beacham 621-1310).

   F-3. APPROVE the minutes of the February 26, 2019, Special Richmond Housing
       Authority meeting - City Clerk's Office (Pamela Christian 620-6513).

G. ADJOURNMENT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL
6:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. AGENDA REVIEW

D. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE DURING CLOSED SESSION

E. REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

F. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

G. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR


G-2. APPROVE a legal services agreement with the Telecom Law Firm for representation of the City concerning telecommunications matters, including assistance with wireless and wired siting applications, in the amount of $300,000 (with funds for payment generated from fees from the wireless and wired siting applications), with a term ending December 31, 2020 - City Attorney's Office/Planning and Building Services Department (Bruce Reed Goodmiller 620-6509/Lina Velasco 620-6706).

G-3. APPROVE the purchase of the pre-fabricated concrete "Ozark I" restroom buildings from CXT Inc. Precast Products to be placed at Southside Park in an amount not to exceed $95,687.53 - Department of Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations - (Tim Higares 620-6508).

G-4. ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE grant funds in the amount of $2,500 from Contra Costa County Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER) Group, Inc. to support community emergency preparedness - Fire Department (Chief Adrian Sheppard 307-8041).

G-5. APPROVE a Fourth Amendment to the contract with DNV GL to provide energy efficiency incentives to Richmond businesses, increasing the amount of the contract by $500,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed $1,000,000, and for a term ending December 31, 2019, with funding from the Environmental and Community Investment Agreement - City Manager's Office (Carlos Martinez/Adam Lenz 620-6512).
G-6. RECEIVE the monthly report on Point Molate activities for the month of January 2019 - City Manager’s Office (Carlos Martinez/Craig Murray 620-6512).

G-7. APPROVE appointments to the Citizens Police Review Commission: APPOINT Catherine Montalbo, new appointment, seat #5, term expiration date November 1, 2022; and Christopher Whitmore, new appointment, seat #6, term expiration date November 1, 2022; and Armond Lee, new appointment, seat #7, term expiration date November 1, 2022 - Office of the Mayor (Mayor Tom Butt 620-6503).

G-8. APPROVE appointments to the Arts and Culture Commission: APPOINT Rosalie Barnes, re-appointment, seat #1, term expiration date January 31, 2023; Michael Cohen, new appointment, seat #2, term expiration date January 31, 2023; Steven Robinson, re-appointment, seat #3, term expiration date January 31, 2023; Joshua Horne, new appointment, seat #4, term expiration date January 31, 2023; and Meighann Helene, new appointment, seat #9, filling an unexpired term with an expiration date of October 31, 2021 - Office of the Mayor (Mayor Tom Butt 620-6503).

G-9. APPROVE the recommendation of the City Council to provide a compensation adjustment to the City Clerk. Effective March 2, 2019, the City Clerk's monthly salary will be increased from $10,083/month to $11,092/month (a 10% increase) - Human Resources Management Department (Lisa Stephenson 620-6600).

G-10. APPROVE the minutes of the January 29, February 19, and March 5, 2019, regular meetings, the February 8, retreat, and February 12, 2019, special meeting - City Clerk's Office (Pamela Christian 620-6513).

G-11. APPROVE a contract with Team Ghilotti, Inc. for the construction of a short-term bicycle and pedestrian connections with the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, in an amount not to exceed $620,000 - Engineering and Capital Improvement Projects Department (Yader A. Bermudez 774-6300).

G-12. PROVIDE consent and direction, by vote of the City Council, to the License Administrator of the city, to compromise, in full, the claim associated with the annual business license fee relating to the five 2019 NPA grantees whose grant funds have not yet been released - Andres Alfonso Leon, Christina Chan, Tania Pulido, Tracey Mitchell, and Antu Atinao Soza - under the provisions of Business License ordinance (Ch. 7.104.340) - Vice Mayor Ben Choi (620-6565) and Mayor Tom Butt (620-6503).

H. COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

H-1. RECEIVE a presentation from City staff on the status of the proposed North Richmond annexation process and ACCEPT City staff’s recommendation to not proceed with the annexation of unincorporated North Richmond into the City of Richmond – City Manager’s Office (Carlos Martinez/LaShonda White 620-
H-2. CONSIDER banning gas-powered leaf blowers in Richmond and provide direction to staff - Councilmember Eduardo Martinez (620-6593) and Councilmember Melvin Willis (412-2050).

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

J. ADJOURNMENT

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