

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, January 10, 2023

Community Services Building
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

A. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

The Special Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Thomas K. Butt via teleconference.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Demnlus Johnson III, Gayle McLaughlin, Melvin Willis, Vice Mayor Eduardo Martinez, and Mayor Thomas K. Butt. **Absent:** Councilmembers Nathaniel Bates and Claudia Jimenez arrived after the roll was called.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEO

The public comment instructional video was shown.

D. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

E. AGENDA REVIEW

None.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT – (limited to items on the agenda only)

There were no public comments via teleconference.

G. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

To approve Item G.1.

Ayes (5): Councilmember Jimenez, Councilmember Johnson III, Councilmember McLaughlin, Councilmember Willis, and Vice Mayor Martinez

Noes (1): Mayor Butt

Absent (1): Councilmember Bates

Passed (5 to 2)

Mayor Butt stated that he voted against Item G.1 because the documents that were included with the item were a violation of state law, Richmond Municipal Code, and did not include a canvass of votes by precinct which was required by both of those items. City Attorney Dave Aleshire stated for the record that the precinct votes which the city received from the county were incorporated in the resolution and included all the precincts and the exact vote; moreover, it was in the same format as the resolution that the council including the mayor approved on December 20, 2022, which dealt with the election returns generally. Mr. Aleshire further clarified that item G.1 was only dealing with District 2 because the results in District 2 were being updated due to a recount that was requested. Mayor Butt restated that the count was not included and that he received a corrected version from the county.

G.1 Canvass the returns of the recount of the November 8, 2022, General Election District 2 Ballots

ADOPT a resolution Declaring the Canvass of Returns and Results of the General Municipal Election held on November 8, 2022, for District 2 – City Clerk’s Office (Pamela Christian 510-620-6513).

Adopted Resolution No. 2-23

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m., to meet again on January 17, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

Mayor