

**RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

August 14, 2024, 12:00 p.m.
Community Services Building
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

A. SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

The Special meeting was called to order at 12:16 p.m. by Mayor Eduardo Martinez.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eduardo Martinez let the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Soheila Bana, Gayle McLaughlin, Doria Robinson, Melvin Willis, Cesar Zepeda, Vice Mayor Claudia Jimenez, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez.

Absent: None.

D. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

E. AGENDA REVIEW

None.

F. NEW BUSINESS

F.1 Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 63-24 and a resolution approving a settlement agreement with Chevron Corporation

ADOPT a resolution rescinding (“Rescinding Resolution”) Resolution No. 63-24, which would remove from the November 5, 2024, ballot a proposed business license tax on oil refining and ADOPT a resolution approving a settlement agreement (“Tax Agreement Resolution”) with Chevron Corporation– City Attorney’s Office (Dave Aleshire 510-620-6509).

Michael Colantuano from Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC, gave an overview of the item.

Mark Wassberg, Andrea Zuniga, John Gioia, Brian Hubinger, Raully Butler, Connie Cho, Sue Wilson, Megan Zapanta, Jose Abastida, Josh Anijar, Jamin Pursell, Sean Staulbaum, and Kerry Guerin gave comments in person.

Elsa Stevens, Shana Lazaro, Sylvia Arredondo, Ben Therriault, Jane Courant, Lazuli, Martine Johannessen, Christoper Lehman, Rita Barouch Anuoluwapo Olabode Halimah Houston, and Lujain Al-Sleh gave comments via Zoom.

Vice Mayor Jimenez stated that if the Chevron Refinery was sold that the original provisions of the settlement agreement stand and Chevron Government Affairs Manager, Brian Hubinger publicly agreed.

A motion made by Mayor Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Robinson, rescinded Resolution No. 63-24, and adopted **Resolution No. 97-24**, by the following vote:

Ayes (7): Mayor Eduardo Martinez, Melvin Willis, Cesar Zepeda, Doria Robinson, Soheila Bana, Gayle McLaughlin, and Vice Mayor Claudia Jimenez

Passed (7 to 0)

G. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m., to meet again on September 10, 2024.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

Mayor