

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,

January 14, 2025, 5:00 p.m.
Community Services Building
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

City of Richmond Swearing-In Ceremony

A. Welcome and Introduction

Mayor Eduardo Martinez welcomed everyone to the Swearing-In Ceremony.

B. Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Soheila Bana, Gayle McLaughlin, Doria Robinson, Cesar Zepeda, Melvin Willis, Vice Mayor Claudia Jimenez, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez.
Absent: None.

C. Invocation

Pastor Eric Morris, Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church gave the invocation.

D. Best Wishes to Departing Councilmembers

Mayor Martinez and Councilmembers Bana, Robinson, Zepeda, and Vice Mayor Jimenez gave comments.

E. Acknowledgment of Service Awards/Proclamations to leaving Councilmembers

Mayor Martinez presented the service awards and proclamations. Harpreet Sandhu, representing the Office of John Garamendi and Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia also presented proclamations.

F. Comments

Councilmembers McLaughlin and Willis gave comments.

G. Public Comment

Cordell Hindler, Kay Wallace, Juan Reardon, Elsa Stevns, Ryan Lau, Amy Ishi, Brown, Maya Vaughn, Francisco Ortiz, John Gioia, Guadalupe Enalla, and Tarnell Abbot.

H. Administration of Oath of Office and Presentation of Certificates of Election

City Clerk Pamela Christian administered the oath of office and presented Certificates of election to newly and re-elected Councilmembers Jamelia Brown, Sue Wilson, and Claudia Jimenez.

I. Comments and Expressions of Appreciation

Newly and re-elected Councilmembers Jamelia Brown, Sue Wilson, and Claudia Jimenez gave comments.

J. Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Soheila Bana, Jamelia Brown, Claudia Jimenez, Doria Robinson, Sue Wilson, Cesar Zepeda, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez. **Absent:** None.

K. Welcome to Newly and Re-elected Councilmembers

Mayor Eduardo Martinez, Councilmembers Soheila Bana, Doria Robinson, and Cesar Zepeda gave comments.

L. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Mayor Eduardo Martinez gave closing remarks. The swearing-in ceremony adjourned at 7:23 p.m. A reception followed in the Richmond Memorial Auditorium.