



**City Hall  
1401 Marina Way South  
Richmond, CA 94804**

**AGENDA  
Tuesday, January 22, 2008**

**Mayor  
Gayle McLaughlin**

**Vice Mayor  
Nathaniel Bates**

**Council Members  
Thomas K. Butt  
Ludmyrna Lopez  
John E. Marquez  
Jim Rogers  
Harpreet S. Sandhu  
Tony K. Thurmond  
Maria T. Viramontes**

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

**Community Redevelopment Agency  
Housing Authority  
Joint Powers Financing Authority  
Surplus Property Authority  
Local Reuse Authority**

# 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 and discussion has commenced, 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 TWO (2) MINUTES to address the City Council on NON-PUBLIC HEARING items listed on the agenda.**

**OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:** Individuals who would like to address the City Council on matters not listed on the agenda or on **Presentations, Proclamations and Commendations, Report from the City Attorney, or Reports of Officers** 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. Councilmembers will have two minutes to respond to comments made during Open Forum.**

**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 must complete and file a speaker’s card with the City Clerk **prior to the City Council’s consideration of Item C, Agenda Review.** An item removed from the Consent Calendar may be placed anywhere on the agenda following the City Council’s agenda review.

*The City Council’s adopted Rules of Procedure recognize that debate on policy is healthy; debate on personalities is not. The Chairperson has the right and obligation to cut off discussion that is too personal, too loud, or too crude.*

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**Evening Open Session**  
5:00 p.m.

- A. ROLL CALL**
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

**Closed Session**  
Shimada Room of City Hall

**A. CITY COUNCIL**

**A-1. LIABILITY CLAIMS - PENDING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9)**

Claimant: Karen Slentz  
Agency Claimed Against: City of Richmond

Claimant: Penny Turner  
Agency Claimed Against: City of Richmond

**A-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision [a] of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

Booker, et al. vs. City of Richmond

Richmond Residents for Responsible Antenna Placement and Planning ("RAP"), et al vs. City of Richmond

**A-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9:**

Three Cases

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**Special Meeting Richmond Housing Authority**

6:30 p.m.

- A. **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**
- B. **ROLL CALL**
- C. **STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**
- D. **OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**
- E. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

E-1. APPROVE - the minutes of the Housing Authority meeting minutes for the meetings held on: June 26, 2007; July 31, 2007; November 6, 2007, the and Special Joint Meeting of the Richmond Housing Authority, Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency, and the City Council held on December 11, 2007 – Housing Authority (Tim Jones 621-1310).

- F. **ADJOURNMENT**

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**Special Meeting Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency**

6:35 p.m.

- A. **ROLL CALL**
- B. **STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**
- C. **OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**
- D. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

D-1. APPROVE - minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Richmond Redevelopment Agency held on December 11, 2007 - City Clerk's Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).

- E. **ADJOURNMENT**

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**Special Joint Meeting of the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency/City Council**

6:45 p.m.

**A. ROLL CALL**

**B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**C. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**C-1. ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION of the RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL and the RICHMOND COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD - approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency and the Employment & Training Department of the City of Richmond to fund and implement blight abatement activities through the Helping Hand Program in Redevelopment Project Areas in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for a period of one (1) year from approval of the MOU - Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency/Employment and Training (Steve Duran/Sal Vaca 307-8006).**

**C-2. APPROVE - minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the Richmond Redevelopment Agency and City Council and the Special Joint Meeting of the Richmond Housing Authority, Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency, and the City Council held on December 11, 2007 - City Clerk's Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).**

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

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**CITY COUNCIL**

7:00 p.m.

**A. ROLL CALL**

**B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**C. AGENDA REVIEW**

**D. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE AND NON-CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS HELD DURING CLOSED SESSION**

**E. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS**

**E-1.** Presentation of the 2008 Martin Luther King, Jr. Richmond Community Leadership and Service Awards - Mayor McLaughlin (620-6503).

**F. STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**

**F-1.** 2008 State of the City Address - Mayor McLaughlin (620-6503).

**G. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**H. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**H-1.** APPROVE - a three-year service contract between the City of Richmond and ECMS, Inc. for the cleaning and repairing of firefighters' personal protective clothing in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 - Fire Department (Chief Michael Banks - 307-8041)

**H-2.** APPROVE - the Frequency Reconfirmation Agreement with Nextel of California to allow for the reconfiguration of the 800 MHz band to minimize harmful interference to public safety radio communications systems. All costs associated with this rebanding project will be paid by Nextel - Police Department (Chief Chris Magnus 620-6656).

**H-3.** APPROVE - a lease for a single-story house to fulfill the residential component of Transitional Housing Program (Plus) Grant to provide housing for youth transitioning from the Foster Care System. The lease period is one year, beginning February 1, 2008, and ending February 1, 2009. The total amount of the lease will not exceed \$21,450 - Employment & Training (Sal Vaca 307-8006).

**H-4.** APPROVE - contract with Douglas Herring & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$425,000 for environmental review services for expanded automobile operations at Point Potrero Marine Terminal - Port (Jim Matzorkis 215-4600).

**H-5.** ADOPT A RESOLUTION - to authorize the Port Director or his designee to execute for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, any actions necessary for the purpose of applying for Port Security Grant funding in accordance with applicable state and federal program guidelines - Port (Jim Matzorkis 215-4600).

**H-6.** ADOPT RESOLUTIONS: (1) to **abandon** a portion of the City of Richmond's 10'

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wide sanitary sewer easement within the property owned by North Bay Storage Partners, LLC, located at 300 West Ohio Avenue, and (2) **accepting** a 10' wide easement for sanitary sewer purposes within the property owned by North Bay Storage Partners, LLC, located at 300 West Ohio Avenue - Engineering (Rich Davidson 307-8105).

- H-7.** APPROVE - the range of land use alternatives that reflect the Council's input received during a study session held on December 4, 2007, for analysis in the General Plan EIR - Planning Department (Richard Mitchell 620-6706).
- H-8.** APPROVE - a contract with Bartel Associates for actuarial services in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 - Finance Department (James Goins 620-6740).
- H-9.** APPROVE - a contract with John Knox of Orrick, Herrington, and Sutcliffe for \$50,000, to prepare legal documents for the implementation of a land disposition agreement between the City and Upstream Point Molate LLC for the land known as Point Molate in the City of Richmond - City Manager's Office (Bill Lindsay 620-6512).
- H-10.** APPROVE - minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held on January 8, 2008 - City Clerk's Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).

**I. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- I-1.** Adopt Resolution of Vacation No. 902 ordering the vacation of a portion of B Street located between West Barrett Avenue and Garrard Boulevard, subject to conditions - Planning Department (Richard Mitchell 6620-6706).

**J. AGREEMENTS**

**K. RESOLUTIONS**

- K-1.** ADOPT A RESOLUTION - in support of the model legislation for the Homeowners and Bank Protection Act - Vice Mayor Bates (620-6581).
- K-2.** ADOPT A RESOLUTION - setting forth the City Council's decision on January 8, 2008 denying the appeal and affirming the Design Review Board's approval of a Design Review Permit DR 1103829, demonstrating that the San Pablo Avenue mixed-use project is in compliance with the City of Richmond's Zoning Ordinance - Planning Department (Richard Mitchell 620-6706).

**L. ORDINANCES**

**M. COUNCIL AS A WHOLE**

**M-1.** Discuss and direct staff to coordinate with community organizations, Contra Costa County, and the State, as well as the Consumer Services Agency to conduct a Consumer Home Mortgage Workshop to provide information, assistance, and resources to affected Richmond homeowners and to post resources on the City Website - Councilmembers Lopez and Thurmond (620-6581).

**M-2.** Adopt resolutions endorsed by the Communications Workers Association in support of the Speed Matters Initiative and safety measures for residents and utility workers during residential visits - Councilmember Thurmond (620-6581).

**N. REPORTS OF OFFICERS: STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS, REFERRALS TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)**

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

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