

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,

October 7, 2025, 3:30 p.m.
Community Services Building
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

A. OPEN SESSION TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Eduardo Martinez called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

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

C. CLOSED SESSION

C.1 LIABILITY CLAIMS (Government Code Section 54956.9)

- Claimant: Lori Reese Brown
Agency Against: City of Richmond
- Claimant: Terminal One Development, LLC
Agency Against: City of Richmond

C.2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

- Agency Representatives: Sharrone Taylor, Jack Hughes, Lisa Charbonneau

Employee organizations:

1. SEIU Local 1021 Full Time Unit and Part Time Unit
2. IFPTE Local 21 Mid-Level Management Unit and Executive Management Units
3. Richmond Police Officers Association RPOA
4. Richmond Police Management Association RPMA
5. IAFF Local 188
6. Richmond Fire Management Association RFMA

C.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code Section 54957.6)

- Title: Community Police Review Commission Investigative Officer

D. PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION (limited to items on the Closed Session agenda only)

Cordell Hindler gave comments regarding the Community Police Review Commission Investigative Officer and in support of positive labor negotiations.

E. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Open Session adjourned at 3:33 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

F. REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Chairperson Eduardo Martinez called the meeting to order at 5:57 p.m.

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Eduardo Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

H. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Soheila Bana, Jamelia Brown, Doria Robinson, Sue Wilson, Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez. **Absent:** Commissioner Claudia Jimenez arrived after the roll was called. Tenant Commissioner Jaycine Scott was absent for the entire meeting.

I. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

J. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Housing Authority Director Antoinette Terrell presented the report. Link to report: [REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR](#)

K. AGENDA REVIEW

None.

L. HOUSING AUTHORITY OPEN FORUM

Cordell Hindler asked the commissioners to approve the consent calendar as presented.

M. HOUSING AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Chairperson Eduardo Martinez
Seconded by Vice Chairperson Cesar Zepeda

Ayes (6): Commissioners Jamelia Brown, Claudia Jimenez, Doria Robinson, Sue Wilson, Vice Chairperson Cesar Zepeda, and Chairperson Eduardo Martinez

Absent (2): Commissioner Soheila Bana, and Tenant Commissioner Jaycine Scott

Passed

M.1 Contract with BDO USA for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Operating Subsidy Calculations

ADOPT a resolution and APPROVE a contract with BDO USA to calculate and submit subsidy calculations for the Richmond Housing Authority for calendar years 2026 and 2027, with the contract commencing October 7, 2025, and ending December 31, 2027 – Richmond Housing Authority (Nannette Beachem/Antoinette Terrell/Greg Palamino 510-621-1300).

Adopted Resolution No. 2200.

M.2 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE the minutes of the August 19 and 26, 2025, special Housing Authority meetings - City Clerk's Office (Pamela Christian 510-620-6513).

N. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

O. REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Eduardo Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

P. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers, Jamelia Brown, Claudia Jimenez, Doria Robinson, Sue Wilson, Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez. **Absent:** Councilmember Soheila Bana arrived after the roll was called.

Q. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

R. AGENDA REVIEW

Item *V.4.b. - Resolution amending Position Control* was removed from the consent calendar for discussion.

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

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- Claimant: Lori Reese Brown
- Agency Against: City of Richmond

The item was discussed. No reportable action was taken.

- Claimant: Terminal One Development, LLC
- Agency Against: City of Richmond

The item was not discussed.

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The item was discussed. No reportable action was taken.

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T. REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER (public comment allowed under Open Forum)

City Manager Shasa Curl presented the report. Link to report: [CITY MANAGER REPORT](#)

T.1 NEW EMPLOYEE REPORT - 1st Tuesday

Human Resources Director Sharonne Taylor presented the report. Link to report: [SEPTEMBER NEW EMPLOYEE REPORT](#)

U. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

(public comment on items that remain on the Consent Calendar or items not on the agenda - limited to 2 minutes unless otherwise specified - Back and forth dialogue with the Council is prohibited)

Soheila Bana gave comments regarding Assembly Bill 91, which required state and local agencies to collect and publicly report disaggregated demographic data for Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) communities starting January 1, 2027.

Councilmember Bana also invited the community to the No Kings Parade in El Sobrante on October 18, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Cordell Hindler gave comments against the closure of the Rigger's Loft.

Irania De La Mora thanked the Catholic Charities organization for helping the immigrant community. Ms. De La Mora also gave comments regarding a recent dog attack she experienced.

Sonia Manriquez requested a meeting with the mayor or with an appropriate person regarding housing plans for the unhoused community.

Antwon Cloird gave comments regarding the lack of economic investment in the community.

Mark Wassberg gave comments regarding Immigration and Customs Enforcement in Richmond.

Janet Flint gave comments in favor of Item V.7.d - Official City of Richmond Native Tree.

Diego Garcia gave comments requesting support for more sports fields in Richmond.

V. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

(All items placed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and noncontroversial. These items will be enacted upon together with a motion and second, without discussion, of any member of the City Council, and each item shall be deemed to have received the action recommended.)

To approve all items on the consent calendar excluding Item *V.4.b. – (Resolution amending Position Control)* which was removed from the consent calendar for discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Claudia Jimenez

Seconded by Councilmember Jamelia Brown

Ayes (7): Councilmember Soheila Bana, Councilmember Jamelia Brown, Councilmember Claudia Jimenez, Councilmember Doria Robinson, Councilmember Sue Wilson, Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez

Passed

V.1 City Attorney's Office

- V.1.a Legal Services Agreement Amendment No. 3 with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore for Labor and Employment Matters

APPROVE Amendment No. 3 to the Legal Services Agreement with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to increase the payment limit by \$400,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,565,000 – City Attorney's Office (Dave Aleshire 510-620-6509/Shannon Moore 510-620-6505/Sharrone Taylor 510-620-6803).

V.2 Community Development

- V.2.a Contract Amendment No. 3 with Land Econ Group for Financial Analysis

APPROVE Amendment No. 3 with Land Econ Group, increasing the contract amount by \$75,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$125,000, to continue providing financial and economic analyses services related to real property negotiations, for a term ending December 31, 2026 – Community Development Department (Lina Velasco 510-620-6706).

- V.2.b Legal Services Agreement Amendment No. 1 with Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP

APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the Legal Services Agreement with Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP, in the amount of \$400,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$800,000, with a term ending on December 31, 2028, to continue representing the City in real estate negotiations, including property disposition and/or leases to be paid for using deposits from negotiating parties and/or transaction proceeds – Community Development Department (Lina Velasco 510-620-6706).

V.3 Finance Department

- V.3.a Investment and Cash Balance Report, Monthly Overtime Reports, Documentary Transfer Tax Report, and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) and Pension Report for the Month of August 2025

RECEIVE the City's Investment and Cash Balance Report, Monthly Overtime Reports, Documentary Transfer Tax Report, and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) and Pension Report for the month of August 2025 – Finance Department (Emily Combs 510-620-6740).

V.4 Human Resources

- V.4.a Contract Amendment with George Hills Company, Inc. to General Liability Claims Administration

APPROVE a contract amendment with George Hills Company, Inc. increasing the payment the limit by \$100,000, for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$760,000, for a term beginning July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, to provide third-party administration of general liability claims – Human Resources Department (Nickie Mastay/Sharrone Taylor 510-620-6602).

- V.4.b Resolution Amending Position Control

ADOPT a resolution amending staffing (position control) to transfer the existing position of one (1) Community Engagement Manager from the Police Department to the City Manager's Office – Human Resources Department (Nickie Mastay/Sharrone Taylor 510-620-6602).

The city council requested clarification from the city manager regarding whether the city council had authorized the position control change from the police department to the city manager's office, and if the police chief was advised of the change. City Manager Shasa Curl said she had made the decision to transfer the position control to the City Manager's office.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robinson, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez to approve the item.

Mayor Martinez offered a friendly amendment to ensure that the city manager provides a report at the next city council meeting regarding the conversation with the police chief regarding the position control transfer.

Adopted Resolution No. 140-25.

Motion by Councilmember Doria Robinson

Seconded by Councilmember Claudia Jimenez

Ayes (6): Councilmember Jamelia Brown, Councilmember Claudia Jimenez, Councilmember Doria Robinson, Councilmember Sue Wilson, Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez

Noes (1): Councilmember Soheila Bana

Passed

V.5 Library and Community Services

V.5.a Contract with Glampervan Global LLC for Mobile Crisis Response Vans Interior Build-out.

APPROPRIATE \$176,851.71 from the General Fund to the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget of the Community Crisis Response Program and APPROVE a contract with Glampervan Global LLC for the interior van build-out for the two (2) Ford Transit CCRP vans for an amount not to exceed \$176,851.71 and for a contract term from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026 - Community Crisis Response Program (Sam Vaughn 510-620-5404/Michael Romero 510-620-6791/Joan Binalinbing 510-620-6531).

V.6 Mayor's Office

V.6.a Proclamation Recognizing and Celebrating National Manufacturing Week, October 6–10, 2025

PROCLAMATION recognizing and celebrating National Manufacturing Week from October 6 to October 10, 2025, in the City of Richmond – Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503)

V.6.b Appointment of Jan Mignone to the Recreation and Parks Commission

APPOINT Jan Mignone to the Recreation and Parks Commission, term expires October 26, 2028 – Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503).

V.6.c Establishment of a Council and City Staff Ad Hoc Committee for the Black Resiliency Project and Fund (BRPF)

DIRECT the City Manager to establish a Council and City staff Ad Hoc Committee on the Black Resiliency Fund, composed of Mayor Eduardo Martinez and Councilmember Doria Robinson, to provide guidance to staff regarding the purpose, goals, and use of the Fund — Mayor Eduardo

Martinez (510-620-6503)/ Councilmember Doria Robinson (510-620-6565).

- V.6.d Approve of International Travel to Zhoushan, China to Ratify 2026–2028 Sister City Mutual Agreement and Commemorate the 32nd Anniversary

AUTHORIZE travel for Mayor Eduardo Martinez to Zhoushan, Republic of China, to celebrate the Sister Cities 32nd Friendship Anniversary; attend the Seventh China–U.S. Sister Cities Conference; and update the Mutual Agreement between Sister Cities Richmond and Zhoushan — Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503).

V.7 Public Works

- V.7.a Abatement Report from the Public Works Director

RECEIVE a written abatement report from the Public Works Director - Public Works Department (Daniel Chavarria 510-620-5478).

- V.7.b Contract with Four Selected Firms for As-Needed Concrete Construction and Repair

ADOPT a resolution and APPROVE as-needed concrete construction and repair contracts with: (1) Calico California Constructores Inc., (2) Inder Design Build LLC (dba Iengco), (3) Ruvalcabo Paving Inc., and (4) Yerba Buena Engineering & Construction Inc., each in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, over an initial three-year term effective upon contract execution; and AUTHORIZE the city manager, or designee, to approve up to two optional one-year extensions in an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000 per year, per contractor, subject to budget availability – Public Works Department (Dan Santos 510-620-6645/Robert Armijo 510-620-5477).

Adopted Resolution No. 141-25.

- V.7.c Regional Measure 3 Funding Allocation for Point Richmond Cut-Through Traffic Design

ADOPT a resolution to: (1) REQUEST an allocation for Regional Measure 3 funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission; (2) ACCEPT the Contra Costa Transportation Authority's designation as project sponsor for Point Richmond Traffic Improvements; and, if awarded (3) ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE Regional Measure 3 funds in the amount of \$180,000 for Point Richmond Traffic Improvements – Public Works Department (Hillal Hamdan 510-621-1612/Robert Armijo 510-620-5477).

Adopted Resolution No. 142-25.

- V.7.d Official City of Richmond Native Tree

ADOPT a resolution designating the Coast Live Oak (*Quercus agrifolia*) as the official native tree of the City of Richmond – Public Works Department (Jason Lacey 510-620-6920).

Adopted Resolution No. 143-25.

W. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NOT BEFORE 6:30 P.M.

- W.1 Public Hearing to Amend the Boundaries of Underground Utility District No. 2022-1 (Pierce Street / San Mateo Street)**

HOLD a Public Hearing to ADOPT a Resolution amending the boundaries of Underground Utility District No. 2022-1 on Pierce Street and San Mateo Street to

incorporate eight adjacent parcels, ensuring consistency with the original intent and supporting completion of the I-80/Central Avenue Interchange Project – Public Works Department (Hillal Hamdan 510-621-1612/Robert Armijo 510-620-5477).

The city clerk announced that pursuant to public notice, that it was time to hold a public hearing to adopt a resolution amending the boundaries of Underground Utility District No. 2022-1 on Pierce Street and San Mateo Street to incorporate eight adjacent parcels, ensuring consistency with the original intent and supporting completion of the I-80/Central Avenue Interchange Project.

Deputy Public Works Director and City Engineer Robert Armijo and Senior Civic Engineer Hillal Hamdan presented a PowerPoint. Link to presentation: [Underground Utility District Presentation](#)

Mayor Martinez opened the public hearing. There were no public speakers. Mayor Martinez closed the public hearing.

Adopted Resolution No. 144-25.

Motion by Councilmember Claudia Jimenez

Seconded by Councilmember Doria Robinson

Ayes (7): Councilmember Soheila Bana, Councilmember Jamelia Brown, Councilmember Claudia Jimenez, Councilmember Doria Robinson, Councilmember Sue Wilson, Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda, and Mayor Eduardo Martinez

Passed

X. REPORTS OF OFFICERS: REFERRALS TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)(limited to two minutes per Councilmember)

Councilmember Robinson reported the following: she attended the Macdonald Avenue Task Force tour for the Macdonald Avenue Revitalization; and attended the recent Martin Luther King Community Design Session at the Nystrom United Revitalization Effort (NURVE) group meeting.

Councilmember Jimenez thanked the Public Works Department for conducting the Barrett Avenue improvement project walk through.

Vice Mayor Zepeda reported the following: he attended the Marin Clean Energy meeting that discussed the potential lease of battery storage locations in Richmond; attended the Mayor's and Supervisor's conference; and announced the upcoming 20th Anniversary of Urban Tilth.

Councilmember Bana reported on the recent Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

Mayor Martinez reported that he attended the Atchison Village celebration event.

Y. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m., in memory of Richmond Police Officer Jonathan Platzner, television anchor Belva Davis, Richmond community mentor George Ito, and Reverend Dr. J. Alfred Smith, to meet again on October 21, 2025.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

Mayor