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# Agenda

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- SPECIAL OPEN SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
- SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY
- REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 17, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

Community Services Building

440 Civic Center Plaza

Richmond, CA 94804

**Members:**

Eduardo Martinez, Mayor at Large

Jamelia Brown, Councilmember District 1

Cesar Zepeda, Councilmember District 2

Doria Robinson, Vice Mayor, District 3

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Sue Wilson, Councilmember District 5

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**A. SPECIAL OPEN SESSION TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION**

5:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**C. CLOSED SESSION**

**C.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
(Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision  
(d) [as applicable] of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- Two Cases

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

**E. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

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**F. SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY**

5:55 p.m.

**G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**H. ROLL CALL**

**I. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**J. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**K. AGENDA REVIEW**

**L. HOUSING AUTHORITY OPEN FORUM**

**M. HOUSING AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR**

- M.1 Contract Amendment No. 1 with SWCA Environmental Consultants for Testing and Environmental Review of Richmond Village 12**

ADOPT a resolution to APPROVE the first contract amendment with SWCA Environmental Consultants to include Radon Testing for the Part 50 Environmental Review of the Richmond Village Property, increasing the payment amount by \$20,304.32, for a total payment limit of \$37,804.32, with a term expiration of June 30, 2026 – Richmond Housing Authority (Nannette Beachem/Antoinette Terrell/Greg Palomino 510-621-1300).

- M.2 Meeting Minutes 54**

APPROVE the minutes of the November 18, 2025, special Housing Authority meeting - City Clerk's Office (Pamela Christian 510-620-6513).

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

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**O. REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL**

6:00 p.m.

**P. ROLL CALL****Q. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST****R. AGENDA REVIEW****S. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE DURING CLOSED SESSION****T. REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER (public comment allowed under Open Forum)****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)

**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.)

**V.1 City Attorney's Office**

**V.1.a Legal Services Agreement Amendment No. 5 with Bennett, Gelini and Gelini, APC, for Litigation Matters 56**

APPROVE a fifth amendment with Bennett, Gelini and Gelini, APC, to increase the payment limit by \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,159,990 with a term ending December 31, 2027, for litigation representation – City Attorney's Office (Kimberly Chin 510-620-6709/Shannon Moore 510-620-6509).

**V.1.b Legal Services Agreement Amendment No. 3 with Stoel Rives, LLP for Land Use Matters 96**

APPROVE a third amendment to the legal services agreement with Stoel Rives, LLP, to maintain adequate representation in future and pending land use and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) related litigation (Guidiville/Land Use), in the amount of \$100,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$175,000 with term ending December 31, 2026 – City Attorney's Office (Kimberly Chin 510-620-6709/Shannon Moore 510-620-6509).

**V.2 City Clerk's Office**

**V.2.a City Council Minutes 129**

APPROVE the minutes of the January 20, 2026, Regular City Council meeting - City Clerk's Office (Pamela Christian 510-620-6513).

- V.3 Community Development**
- V.3.a Additional Loan for Capital Cost related to the Civic Center Apartments (Homekey) Project** 141
- ADOPT a resolution increasing the City loan amount from \$8.3 million to up to \$10.3 million to 425 Civic Center LP for the Civic Center Apartments project, which will convert an existing motel into a 49-unit permanent supportive housing development for the chronically homeless - Community Development Department (Lina Velasco 510-620-6841/Jesus Morales 510-620-6649).
- V.4 Finance Department**
- V.4.a Contract with SCI Consulting Group for On-Call Consulting Services** 147
- APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the city manager or their designee to negotiate and execute a sole-source contract with SCI Consulting Services to provide financial and technical advisory services for priority City projects, including Advanced Life Support in the Fire Department and evaluation of the Craneway Pavilion, in an amount not to exceed \$70,000, for the term of November 3, 2025, through December 31, 2026 – Finance Department (Emily Combs 510-620-6740/ Mubeen Qader 510-412-2077/Jerry Gurule 510-620-6591).
- V.4.b 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 December 2025** 181
- 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 December 2025 – Finance Department (Emily Combs 510-620-6740).
- V.5 Fire Department**
- V.5.a Contract with TargetSolutions Learning, LLC dba Vector Solutions to Provide a Web-based Fire Industry Training and Compliance Management System** 214
- APPROVE a sole-source contract with TargetSolutions Learning, LLC dba Vector Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$30,494, for a three-year term effective January 1, 2026, through January 1, 2029, with two one-year extension options not to exceed an additional \$12,000 per year for the extended term – Fire Department (Chief Aaron Osorio 510-307-8021/Chief Rico Rincon 510-307-8041/Den Mark Marcelo 510-307-8038).

**V.6 Library and Community Services**

- V.6.a Richmond Fund for Children and Youth Calendar Year 2026 - 2027 Grants** 243
- ADOPT a resolution approving grant award recommendations from the Richmond Fund for Children & Youth (RFCY) Oversight Board for Calendar Years 2026-2027 to eight (8) youth-serving nonprofit organizations in a total amount not to exceed \$1,217,161 annually and AUTHORIZE the city manager, or their designee, to negotiate and execute grant service agreements with approved grantees - City Manager's Office (Patrick Seals 510-307-8016/Jora Atienza Washington/Nicholas Delgado 510-620-6523).
- V.6.b Contract with Cheryl Maier for American Job Centers of California (AJCC) One-Stop Operator Services** 252
- APPROVE a sole-source contract with Cheryl Maier to serve as the American Job Centers of California (AJCC) Coordinator for the Richmond Workforce Development Board (RWDB) for a term commencing July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, for a total payment limit of \$20,000 – Community Services Department (Tamara Walker 510-307-8006/LaShonda White 510-620-6828).
- V.6.c Contract Amendment No. 3 with Epic Limousine for Youth Outdoors Richmond Transportation** 289
- APPROVE a third contract amendment with Epic Limousine to provide transportation services for the Youth Outdoors Richmond Program, increasing the contract by \$56,520 for a new total contract amount of \$85,820, and extending the contract term to June 30, 2027 – Community Services Department (Tetteh Kisseh 510-620-6919/Ranjana Maharaj 510-620-6972/Jene Levine-Snipes 510-307-8132).
- V.6.d Contracts with Libraria, Ingram Content Group, Mackin Book Company, and Midwest Tape LLC, for Library Materials Services** 344
- ADOPT a resolution to APPROVE contracts, upon approval by the City Attorney's Office, with Children's Plus DBA Libraria, Ingram Content Group, Mackin Book Company, and Midwest Tape LLC, for library materials and preprocessing services, each in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 per year, for a term of three years from February 2026 through January 2029, with two optional one-year extensions, and AUTHORIZE the city manager or their designee to execute the contracts – Community Services Department (Christopher Larsen/Kate Eppler/LaShonda White 510-620-6561).

<b>V.7</b>	<b>Mayor's Office</b>	
<b>V.7.a</b>	<b>Amend the 2025 Appointments to Committees and Liaison Positions</b>	<b>350</b>
	AMEND the 2025–26 appointments of the Mayor and City Councilmembers to Regional Committees, Ad Hoc Committees, and Liaison positions to add the Community Crisis Response Program Advisory Board and designate Councilmember Claudia Jimenez as its liaison, and to confirm the exchange of liaison assignments between the Mayor and Councilmember Zepeda on the MCE Clean Energy Board - Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503).	
<b>V.7.b</b>	<b>Re-appoint Brian Carter to the Design Review Board</b>	<b>356</b>
	APPOINT Brian Carter to the Design Review Board with a term that expires on March 17, 2028 – Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503)	
<b>V.7.c</b>	<b>Direct the City Manager to identify funding for the Shimada Sister City Delegation Visit in Recognition of the 65th Anniversary of the Richmond–Shimada Sister City Relationship</b>	<b>359</b>
	DIRECT the city manager to identify funding in an amount not to exceed \$23,000 for expenses associated with hosting an official delegation from Shimada, Japan, in coordination with the Richmond–Shimada Friendship Commission, and at mid-year provide an update on potential requests from other Sister Cities for City Council consideration - Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503) and Councilmember Cesar Zepeda (510-620-6593).	
<b>V.7.d</b>	<b>Opposing the Unlawful United States Military Intervention Against Venezuela</b>	<b>361</b>
	ADOPT a resolution opposing unauthorized United States military intervention in Venezuela, affirming the City of Richmond's commitment to peace, human rights, constitutional governance, and the prioritization of public resources for local community needs - Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503) and Vice Mayor Doria Robinson (510-620-6568).	
<b>V.7.e</b>	<b>Appointment of Shahzaib Shahid to the Planning Commission</b>	<b>366</b>
	APPOINT Shahzaib Shahid to the Planning Commission with a term that expires on June 30, 2028 – Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503).	

**V.8 Public Works****V.8.a Purchase of Twenty (20) Fleet Vehicles for Fire, Police, and Abatement Operations from Dublin Chevrolet**

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ADOPT a resolution to APPROVE the purchase of twenty (20) fleet vehicles from California Automotive Retailing Group, Inc. DBA Dublin Chevrolet, utilizing Alameda County Master Contract No. 901979, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,125,000, for use by the Fire Department, Police Department, and Abatement operations – Public Works Department (Daniel Chavarria/Darin Fitzpatrick 510-231-3008).

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

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

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