

## **RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, October 4, 2016**

The Richmond City Council Evening Open Session was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Councilmembers Beckles, McLaughlin, Myrick, Pimple, and Mayor Butt. **Absent:** Councilmembers Bates and Vice Mayor Martinez arrived after adjourning to Closed Session.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The city clerk announced that the purpose of the Open Session was for the City Council to hear public comments on the following items to be discussed in Closed Session:

### **CITY COUNCIL**

#### **A-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision [a] of Government Code Section 54956.9):**

Upstream vs. City of Richmond

The Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 5:32 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 6:36 p.m., by Mayor Butt, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, McLaughlin, Myrick, Pimplé, Vice Mayor Martinez, and Mayor Butt. **Absent:** None.

### **STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None.

### **AGENDA REVIEW**

Item H-4 was withdrawn from the Consent Calendar.

### **REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE DURING CLOSED SESSION**

City Attorney Bruce Goodmiller stated that there were no final actions taken.

### **REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager, Bill Lindsay, gave comments regarding the Mathieu Court Alley re-build and stated that a grant was received to make the alley a play area also. It is also the second year of the Richmond Promise Scholarship Program and announced that the application process opened on October 3, 2016.

## **OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Antwon Cloird gave comments regarding jobs in the community that won't be given to residents of Richmond. Mr. Cloird also stated that there will be a mental health summit on October 6, 2016, in San Pablo and that Richmond also needs these important resources.

Ron Deziel asked people to vote against Proposition 64 regarding the Adult Use of Marijuana.

Kathleen Sullivan announced that there will be a mental health conference on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 3 p.m., at Maple Hall in San Pablo.

Patty Hopson gave comments regarding homelessness and asked what progress the city has made regarding eliminating homelessness in Richmond.

Mark Wassberg gave comments regarding the Richmond Progressive Alliance candidates currently running for seats on the Richmond City Council.

Gerald Smith stated that the District Attorney's report regarding the Pedie Perez death was not accurate and more investigating should be done.

Rick Perez stated that the Richmond Police Department covered up facts regarding the investigation of the death of Pedie Perez.

Cesar Zepeda invited everyone to the Off The Grid Food Emporium at Hilltop Lake Park, at the corner of Lakeside Drive and Research Drive starting October 28, 2016, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Melvin Willis stated that the SEIU Local 1021 Social Workers have been on strike due to wage issues.

Bea Roberson invited everyone to the Crime Prevention Board Annual Dinner on Saturday, October 15, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at the Richmond Recreation Center, 3230 Macdonald Avenue.

## **CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

On motion of Vice Mayor Martinez, and seconded by Councilmember Beckles, all items marked with an (\*) were approved by the unanimous vote of the City Council.

\*- **H-1.** Adopted **Ordinance No. 14-16 N.S.**, amending Richmond Municipal Code Chapter 12.56 to meet the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program.

\*-**H-2.** Appropriated the amount of \$371,312 from the Wastewater enterprise fund balance to the sewer line repairs capital project to fund the Urgent Sewer Force Main Repairs Project.

\*-**H-3.** Approved a contract amendment with PES Environmental, Inc. (PES) for Enhanced Area T product removal work, Area T annual work and performance of the annual inspection, analysis and report of the nine deed restricted properties in Marina Bay.

**H-4.** WITHDREW the matter to approve a contract Nichols Consulting Engineers to provide technical and budgetary oversight for environmental remediation activities at Pt. Molate in an amount not to exceed \$236,306.18, with a term extending through June 30, 2017.

\*-**H-5.** Approved the city manager's response to Grand Jury Report No. 1614 entitled, "Where Will We Live? The Affordable Housing Waiting List is Closed," and submittal of the response to the foreperson of the 2015-2016 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury.

\*-**H-6.** Approved the city manager's response to Grand Jury Report No. 1615 entitled, "Truancy and Chronic Absences in Contra Costa County Schools," and submittal of the response to the foreperson of the 2015-2016 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury.

\*-**H-7.** Adopted **Resolution No. 92-16**, authorizing the acceptance and appropriation of grant funds from the Cities of Service Bay Area Impact Volunteering Program in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

\*-**H-8.** Adopted **Resolution No. 93-16**, authorizing the acceptance of the Automatic Aid Agreement, Exhibit A - Operation Plan, and the Support Services and Specialized Resources Agreement between the City of Richmond and Contra Costa County Fire Protection District.

\*-**H-9.** Authorized the city manager to accept an Easement Deed from the Hilltop Village Owners Association, and to sign the Certificate of Acceptance in order to record the Easement with the County Recorder, and adopted **Resolution No. 94-16**.

\*-**H-10.** Approved the proclamation declaring the first Saturdays of October as "Bay Day" in the City of Richmond.

\*-**H-11.** Approved actions to update the Youth Council: APPOINT Demetrio Rodriguez, new appointment, seat #1, term expiration October 1, 2017.

\*-**H-12.** Approved an appointment to the Environmental and Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) Transportation Oversight Committee: appointed: Carolyn Douglas, new appointment, seat #5, term expiration July 25, 2019.

\*-**H-13.** Adopted **Resolution No. 95-16**, of the City Council encouraging autonomous vehicle testing as a public safety and economic development initiative in the City of Richmond.

\*-**H-14.** Approved a contract with Municipal Code Corporation, for ordinance, zoning code codification, and supplements of the City's municipal code, for a five-year period, with two one-year options to extend, for the City Clerk's Office and the Planning Department, from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2021, in the combined amount of \$17,000 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$85,000.

\*-**H-15.** Approved the minutes of the special City Council meeting held Tuesday, September 13, 2016, and the regular meeting held Tuesday, September 20, 2016.

\*-**H-16.** Adopted **Resolution No. 96-16**, to accept and appropriate \$115,000 in funding from the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) awarded to the Richmond Police Department for implementation of an effective, comprehensive and strategic approach to address problematic traffic related issues, focusing on impaired driving.

\*-**H-17.** Approved a one-year contract with Vohne Liche Kennels, Inc. to provide canine maintenance training at a cost not to exceed \$12,600 commencing September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2017.

\*-**H-18.** Approved a three-year sole-source contract with Vigilant Solutions for software maintenance of the license plate recognition system, in an amount not to exceed \$24,000, for a term from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2019.

#### **COUNCIL AS A WHOLE**

The City Council received a presentation of the Mayor's Housing Strategy by Alex Knox, Mayor's Office Director of Policy and Strategy, who presented a PowerPoint. Councilmember Bates stated that the city needs to be more aggressive in inviting more development into the city. Councilmember Myrick asked if best practices in other cities regarding in-lieu fees have been studied. Councilmember McLaughlin stated that the issue of homelessness and tenants being displaced from their homes should be immediately addressed also. Michael Gliksohn and Nikka Beasley gave comments.

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

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m., in memory of Maryann Faye, to meet again on Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk of the City of Richmond

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Approved:

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Mayor