

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, May 22, 2018

The Richmond City Council Evening Open Session was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Mayor Tom Butt.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Jovanka Beckles, Ben Choi, Eduardo Martinez, Ada Recinos, Vice Mayor Melvin Willis, and Mayor Thomas K. Butt. **Absent:** Councilmember Jael Myrick arrived after the roll was called.

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

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision [a] of Government Code Section 54956.9):

Jacqueline McBride vs. City of Richmond

Ruth DuCharme vs. City of Richmond

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Government Code Section 54956.8):

Property: Metro Walk Phase II at Richmond Multi-Modal Transit Station
Agency negotiators: Bill Lindsay, Shasa Curl
Negotiating parties: City Ventures, The Michaels Development Company I, L.P., oWOW, and SAA/EVI
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

Property: 12th and Macdonald Vacant Lots and Downtown Parking Garage
Agency negotiators: Bill Lindsay, Shasa Curl
Negotiating party: SAA-EVI Richmond Partners, LLC
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code Section 54957.6):

Title: City Manager

There were no public speakers.

The Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 5:02 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Successor Agency to the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency and Richmond City Council was called to order at 6:33 p.m., by Mayor Butt.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Beckles, Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt. **Absent:** None.

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

AGENDA REVIEW

Item L-1 was moved to be discussed directly after approval of the Consent Calendar.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS

E-1. Mayor Butt presented and Director of the TECHS ALL-STARS Reading is Fun Book Club, Felicia Taylor, and associated members of the TECHS ALLSTARS Reading is Fun Book Club presented Certificates of accomplishment to TECHS All-Stars Reading is Fun Book Club students.

E-2. Mayor Butt and councilmembers presented a proclamation declaring June 2018 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in the City of Richmond.

E-3. Mayor Butt and councilmembers presented a proclamation declaring June 2018 as Diversity Celebration Month in the City of Richmond in celebration of Juneteenth, Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride, and Immigrant Heritage Month. Cordell Hindler, Mark Wassberg, and Cesar Zepeda gave comments.

(City Council took a recess from 7:12 p.m. to 7:18 p.m.)

E-4. Mayor Butt announced recent resignations from City of Richmond Boards, Commissions and Committees; vacancies on City of Richmond Boards, Commissions, and Committees as of May 22, 2018, and asked that interested individuals send applications to the City Clerk.

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

City Attorney, Bruce Goodmiller stated that there was nothing to report.

REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Bill Lindsay reported that the second annual 'Taste of Richmond Event' held on Sunday, May 20, 2018, was very successful.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Cordell Hindler stated that presentations should be agendized in order of importance. Mr. Hindler also stated that some positions in the city needed review and revision.

William Allen Musgrave gave comments regarding the cultivation of medical marijuana.

Mark Wassberg gave comments regarding illegal immigration and LGBTQ issues.
(City Council took a recess from 7:36 p.m. to 7:42 p.m.)

Kathy Robinson stated that director of the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts Jordan Simmons, was doing an excellent job. Ms. Robinson also stated that the hate speech tonight should not have been allowed.

Rick Perez stated that police officers needed use of force training.

Patricia Perez gave comments regarding the recent Barbershop Forum held at Kennedy High School.

Eleanor Thompson announced the “Wealth Building for the Entire Family” workshops sponsored by the City of Richmond and Social Progress Inc.

Naomi Williams announced that the Juneteenth Parade and Festival would be held on Saturday, June 16, 2018. Ms. Williams also stated that members of the Commission on Aging should be 55 years or older.

Elsa Monroe gave comments regarding protection for the elderly and hate speech.

Cesar Zepeda invited everyone to “Let’s Party on 23rd Street”, on Saturday, May 26, 2018. Mr. Zepeda also announced that the Richmond Rainbow Pride Event would be held on June 3, 2018, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Marina Bay Park. Also, there would be a 23rd Street Pup Crawl on May 31, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Michael Gliksohn, representing the Housing Action Team of the Richmond Progressive Alliance, gave comments regarding affordable housing issues in the City of Richmond.

Don Gosney gave comments regarding problems that caused traffic issues on northbound San Pablo Avenue near Robert Miller Drive in Hilltop and on Central Avenue near Ryden Road.

Shawn Dunning gave comments regarding the conduct of the City Council in reference to enforcement of the harassment policy and public speakers.

Ruscal Cayangyang gave comments regarding the City Council Code of Conduct procedures.

Mayor Butt stated that procedures followed by the City Council regarding public speakers were based on law.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Vice Mayor Willis, seconded by Councilmember Recinos, the items marked with an (*) were approved by the unanimous vote of the City Council:

***I-1.** Adopted **Resolution No. 34-18**, approving the Engineer's Report for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the Hilltop Landscape Maintenance District ("HLMD"), declaring the Council's intention to increase the annual assessment in the HLMD, and announcing a public hearing on the proposed increased assessment on June 19, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 440 Civic Center Plaza in the City of Richmond. **This item was continued from the May 15, 2018, meeting.**

***I-2.** Adopted **Resolution No. 35-18**, approving the Engineer's Report for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the Marina Bay Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District, declaring the Council's intention to increase the annual assessment in the Marina Bay Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District, and announcing a public hearing about the proposed increased assessment on June 19, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 440 Civic Center Plaza in the City of Richmond. **This item was continued from the May 15, 2018, meeting.**

STUDY AND ACTION SESSION

J-1. The matter to receive presentations for the development of the Metro Walk Phase II at Richmond Multi-Modal Transit Station project (Project), designated a development team for the Project, and authorized the City Manager and Executive Director of the Successor Agency to assign the existing Disposition and Development Agreement (DDA) for the Project to the designated development team, and to negotiate and execute all necessary amendments to the DDA and agreements with the designated development team to effectuate the development of the Project was presented by Community Development Director Shasa Curl. Developer companies City Ventures, SAA/EVI, oWOW, and The Michaels Development Company presented its proposals. Discussion ensued. *(At 11:00 p.m. a motion by Councilmember Myrick, seconded by Councilmember Martinez extended the meeting to 11:30 p.m. by the unanimous vote of the City Council).* Kathleen Sullivan and Amanda Elliot gave comments. The votes were as follows: Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Myrick, and Vice Mayor Willis voted for SAA/EVI and oWOW; Councilmembers Beckles and Recinos voted for The Michaels Development Company and oWOW; and Mayor Butt voted for SAA/EVI and oWOW. Developers SAA/EVI and oWOW were chosen as developers for the project.

(Councilmember Beckles left the meeting at 11:40 p.m.)

J-2. The city council received a presentation on the proposed schedule for the Point Molate land use visioning and master developer selection process; approve a contract, not to exceed \$250,000 with Wallace Roberts & Todd

LLC, to facilitate development of a land use vision for Point Molate; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to issue a request for qualifications (RFQ) from master developers for the Point Molate site was presented by attorney, Rachel Sommovilla and Senior Planner, Lina Velasco. *(At 11:30 p.m. a motion by Councilmember Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Myrick suspended the rules and extended the meeting an additional 30 minutes by the unanimous vote of the City Council). (Mayor Butt called a Special City Council Meeting for Tuesday, May 29, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. to continue this matter).*

J-3. CONTINUED to the June 26, 2018, City Council meeting, the matter to receive a report from staff about the current process for Skelly Hearings and appeals to employee terminations.

BUDGET SESSION

K-1. CONTINUED to the June 5, 2018, City Council meeting, the matter to receive presentations from department representatives, providing an overview of their proposed operating budget for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

ORDINANCES

L-1. The matter to introduce an ordinance amending Chapter 9.22 Public Nuisances of the Richmond Municipal Code to require enclosure of coal and petroleum coke storage and transfer facilities was presented by Mayor Butt. The following individuals gave comments: Chris Dupin, Janis Hashe, Melissa Yu, Cesar Zepeda, Elsa Monroe, Jim Holland, Lisa Park, Lauren Schiffman, Dave Schoenthal, Sylvia Hopkins, Julie Walsh, Claire Broome, Silvia Ledezma, Diane Livia, Nick Despota, Ann Kroeber, Nancy Arnold, Janet Johnson, David McCoard, Richard Katz, and John Gioia. Discussion ensued. A motion by Vice Mayor Willis, seconded by Councilmember Recinos, introduced first reading of the ordinance by the unanimous vote of the City Council.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS: REFERRALS TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:03 a.m., in memory of Oliver Marie Walker, to meet again on Tuesday, May 29, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

Mayor