

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, September 18, 2018

The Richmond City Council Evening Open Session was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Mayor Thomas K. Butt.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Ben Choi, Eduardo Martinez, Jael Myrick, Vice Mayor Melvin Willis, and Mayor Thomas K. Butt. **Absent:** Councilmembers Jovanka Beckles and Ada Recinos.

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):

SPRAWLDEF vs. City of Richmond

Flowers vs. City of Richmond et al.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code Section 54957.6):

Title: Acting City Manager

The following individuals gave comments: Jim Hanson, Robert Cheasty, Jan Gilbrecht, Debbie Bayer, and Shirley Dean.

The Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 5:13 p.m.
Closed Session adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Mayor Butt.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles.

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

AGENDA REVIEW

Item H-9 was withdrawn from the agenda.

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

City Attorney Bruce Goodmiller stated Shasa Curl was selected as Acting City Manager, effective September 19, 2018,

by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt. **Noes:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles. **Abstained:** None.

REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Acting City Manager Richard Mitchell gave an update regarding the replacement of the hot water heaters and the inoperable elevator at Nevin Plaza. The city was currently working on resolving these issues as quickly as possible.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Cordell Hindler gave comments regarding a public speaker's recent use of profanity at a city council meeting with children in the audience.

Wesley Ellis gave comments regarding the problems residents have experienced at Nevin Plaza and the injustice experienced by Willie Agnew.

Joseph Moore gave comments regarding an inaccurate police report filed on him and the adverse effects it had on his life.

Mark Wassberg gave comments regarding the process to remove items from the consent calendar..

Kathy Robinson stated that new people should be elected to the city council this November.

Mitchell Jamison gave comments regarding fraudulently foreclosed homes in Richmond.

Rick Perez gave comments regarding the death of his son, Pedie Perez and the murder of K. Harley.

Patricia Perez gave comments regarding the death of her grandson, Pedie Perez.

Amy Lee Anderson stated the city did not assist her against attacks by microwave technology.

Tarnel Abbott stated people did not feel safe at city council meetings due to a member of the public who bullied and intimidated them.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Councilmember Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Choi, the items marked with an (*) were approved by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt. **Noes:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles. **Abstained:** None.

*H-1. Approved the city manager, or his designee, to execute an interagency agreement with the County of Contra Costa, in the amount of \$200,000, for a term beginning October 1, 2018, and ending September 30, 2020, in order to pay the City for assistance staffing the North Richmond Mitigation Fee Committee and jointly administering the implementation of City/County approved Expenditure Plans.

*H-2. Accepted and appropriated a two-year \$160,000 grant award to the City Manager's Office from TransForm for the Car Sharing and Mobility Hubs in Affordable Housing project; approved an agreement with TransForm to complete outreach, education, and coordination tasks related to the grant-funded project; and authorized the city manager to enter into a two-year contract with the Richmond Community Foundation, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, to assist in the performance of grant-related tasks.

*H-3. Received the monthly report on Point Molate activities for the month of July 2018.

*H-4. Approved the City of Richmond's response to Grand Jury Report No. 1808 entitled, "Joint Powers Authorities," and submittal of the response to the foreperson of the 2017-2018 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury.

*H-5. Authorized the Richmond Police Department to participate in the State of California rental vehicle program for the purpose of securing unmarked police vehicles with Enterprise Holdings Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$360,000 from July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2021.

*H-6. Approved the purchase of the software upgrade dongles from Motorola Solutions. The proposed Motorola Solution equipment in an amount not to exceed \$110,608.

*H-7. Approved standing orders with Hanson Aggregates, Dutra Materials and Syar Industries, Inc. to provide asphalt for paving and pothole repairs in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 per contract term, per vendor for five years.

*H-8. Adopted **Resolution No. 74-18**, authorizing the city manager to execute reoccurring contracts for fiscal year 2018-19 with Contra Costa County, Stege Sanitary District, West County Wastewater District and the State of California Water Resources Control Board at an aggregate annual amount of \$828,694.

H-9. WITHDREW actions to update the Planning Commission; appoint Nancy Baer, reappointment, seat #1, term expiration date June 30, 2020, Jen Loy, reappointment, seat #2, term expiration date June 30, 2020, Andrew Butt, reappointment, seat #4, term expiration date June 30, 2020, Yu-Hsiang 'Michael' Huang, reappointment, seat #5, term expiration date June 30, 2020, Claudia Garcia, reappointment, seat #6, term expiration date June 30, 2020, and Macy Leung, new appointment, seat #7, term expiration date June 30, 2020.

*H-10. Approved actions to update the Arts and Culture Commission; appointed Steven Robinson, new appointment, seat #3, filling an unexpired term with a term expiration date of January 31, 2019.

*H-11. Approved actions to update the Library Commission; appointed David Duer, reappointment, seat #3, term expiration date July 1, 2021, Cordell Hindler, reappointment, seat #5, term expiration date July 1, 2021.

*H-12. Approved actions to update the Commission on Aging; appointed Bernadette Garcia-Roger, new appointment, seat

#8, term expiration May 19, 2021, Catherine Burkhart, new appointment, seat #11, term expiration date May 19, 2021.

*H-13. Approved actions to update the Public Art Advisory Committee; appoint Michelle Baker, new appointment, seat #7, term expiration date February 20, 2020.

*H-14. Approved a contract increase of \$150,000 with MuniTemps and extend the contract ending period to June 30, 2019. MuniTemps, provides general financial management consulting services to assist City with staff transitions, staff training, and operational support for Finance functions.

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

I-1. The matter to discuss and direct city staff to begin researching an Equal Access Ordinance that standardizes translation services in the three most commonly used non-English languages in the city of Richmond. Research and proposals should include information and cost for: translation services being provided during City Council meetings, city sponsored community forums, and for promotional and marketing materials for city sponsored events was presented by Councilmember Recinos. Cordell Hindler and Mark Wassberg gave comments. A motion by Councilmember Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Willis, approved the item, by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, Vice Mayor Willis, and Mayor Butt. **Noes:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles. **Abstained:** None.

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

Mayor Butt reported that he attended the Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco.

Councilmember Choi reported that he attended the League of California Cities meeting.

Councilmember Martinez reported that he attended the 'Diesel Free by 33' session at the Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m., to meet again on Tuesday, September 25, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

Mayor