

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, October 23, 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 Jovanka Beckles, Ada Recinos, Vice Mayor Melvin Willis, and Mayor Thomas K. Butt. **Absent:** Councilmembers Ben Choi, Eduardo Martinez, and Jael Myrick arrived after the council adjourned 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

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

Richmond Development Corp. vs. City of Richmond

Mayor Butt recused himself from discussion on the item because his firm did business with them.

LIABILITY CLAIMS - (Government Code Section 54956.9):

Esparza vs. City of Richmond

RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY

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

Maria Milano vs. Richmond Housing Authority

There were no public speakers.

The Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 5:01 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 7:26 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

Items I-2 and I-3 were discussed together.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS

D-1. Councilmember Jovanka Beckles presented a proclamation recognizing National Native American Heritage Month. The following individuals gave comments: Mike Kinney, Diane Lieva, and Ben Therriault.

D-2. Mayor Butt and Councilmember Recinos presented a proclamation that declared October 23, 2018, to October 27, 2018, as Food Week in the City of Richmond.

D-3. Mayor Butt presented a proclamation declaring the 2nd week of October 2018 as Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week in the City of Richmond.

D-4. Mayor Butt presented a proclamation declared November 2018 as Homelessness Awareness Month in the City of Richmond. The following individuals gave comments: Cordell Hindler, Mark Wassberg, Antwon Cloird, Tarnell Abbot, Kathleen Sullivan, and Diana Leiva.

D-5. Mayor Butt announced recent resignations from City of Richmond Boards, Commissions and Committees; announced vacancies on City of Richmond Boards, Commissions, and Committees as of October 23, 2018, and asked that interested individuals send applications to the City Clerk. Cordell Hindler gave comments.

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

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

REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Carlos Martinez announced the Community Services Department and the Commission on Aging's 21st annual Senior Winter Ball on Saturday, December 15, 2018, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Richmond Auditorium. Tickets could be purchased by contacting Myrtle Braxton at (510) 233-0777. Mr. Martinez also announced that on October 30, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., the City of Richmond hosted a Food Ware Ordinance Workshop for Richmond businesses. Mr. Martinez attended a Meet & Greet on October 17, 2018, at the Richmond Marriot Hotel, hosted by the Richmond Chamber of Commerce and Council of Industries.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Cordell Hindler spoke against obscene language used by speakers at recent city council meetings.

Naomi Williams stated that tickets for the December 15, 2018, Senior Winter Ball could be purchased at the Richmond Recreation Complex from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bea Roberson announced that sign-ups for the Richmond Police and Fireman's Toy Giveaway Holiday Program was on Saturday, October 27, 2018, at 8 a.m., at the Downer YMCA at 263 South 20th Street. Donations can be made at www.richmondfireandpolicetoyprogram.com or unwrapped toys dropped off at any Richmond fire station.

Ms. Dandie stated she was unfairly administered during the meeting for being disruptive.

Sally Tobin gave comments regarding derogatory labels that were given to certain groups of Richmond residents.

Rick Perez gave comments regarding police officers who have sued the City of Richmond. Mr. Perez also gave comments regarding a video of a recent shooting by a police officer in Antioch.

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

Kathy Robinson stated the city didn't have adequate community programs for residents to participate in.

Joseph Puleo stated that city taxes must not be used to subsidize private developments.

Kabir Kapur gave comments regarding redistricting maps possibly being approved by the West Contra Costa Unified School District.

Ben Therriault gave comments regarding the impact a possible 20% reduction in the Richmond Police Department would cause to the community.

Antwon Cloird stated the need for outreach to people who could work on upcoming projects.

Manuel Sarrasino and David Martinez, gave comments regarding the importance of maintaining and augmenting police services.

Mykee Ramen gave comments regarding plans for his property that have not been approved by the city.

Amy Anderson gave comments regarding targeted individuals and the space based weapons issue.

Vice Mayor Willis stated that conversations between the community and the police union would need to take place before any reductions were considered.

Mayor Butt stated that the best way to deal with offensive public speakers was to let them speak without interruption in order to cause further disruption of the meeting.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Councilmember Willis, seconded by Councilmember Recinos, approved the item below by the unanimous vote of the City Council.

H-1. Adopted **Resolution No. 82-18**, authorizing the execution of an Agreement with Contra Costa County for the City to reimburse the County for construction of roadway improvements within City limits along San Pablo Dam Road under the Contra Costa County Local Streets and Roads Preservation Project.

STUDY SESSION/STUDY AND ACTION SESSION

I-1. The city council received a presentation from the East Bay Regional Park District, regarding Measure FF and the impact on local Regionals Parks and city tax payers. Jim Hanson gave comments. A motion by Vice Mayor Willis, seconded by Councilmember Beckles, endorsed Measure FF, by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Beckles, Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos, and Vice Mayor Willis. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** Mayor Butt.

I-2. In the matter to accept the Point Molate Vision for inclusion in the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Point Molate, and AUTHORIZE the city manager to issue the RFP to the shortlist of qualified master developers for Point Molate; and

I-3. In the matter to direct staff to report how the input from the Community Visioning sessions will be incorporated into the Point Molate concept plans presented to the Planning Commission and City Council, the Council combined Items I-2 and I-3 for discussion and action:

A motion by Councilmember Myrick to add the following to the request for proposal: No housing on the southern district; maximum 670 housing units; mix of affordable housing with a goal of two thirds to be moderate, low income, and very low income; include an evacuation plan and a transportation plan with an MOU with AC Transit or shuttle program; infrastructure costs for housing must be self-funded by the project with no additional cost to Richmond taxpayers including no additional debt funded by Richmond taxpayers outside of Point Molate. Vice Mayor Willis seconded the motion and requested a friendly amendment that the south development area drum lot be converted into a community land trust; include a community benefits package; allow multiple developers; and the visioning criteria in the visioning document to include the Richmond Community-owned Development Enterprise document and the Point Molate Community Plan document as criteria for scoring the developments as proposals go out. Discussion ensued. Councilmember Myrick removed the 670 maximum housing stipulations from his motion and only accepted the friendly amendment to include the visioning criteria in the visioning document to include the Richmond Community-owned Development Enterprise document and the Point Molate Community Plan document as criteria for scoring the developments as proposals go out. Vice Mayor Willis withdrew his second. Councilmember Recinos seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Myrick, Recinos. **Noes:** Councilmember Beckles and Mayor Butt. **Abstain:** Vice Mayor Willis.

(11:00 p.m. - A motion by Councilmember Myrick, seconded by Councilmember Myrick, extended the meeting 30 minutes, passed by the unanimous vote of the City Council).

(11:27 p.m. - A motion by Councilmember Myrick, seconded by Vice Mayor Willis, extended the meeting 10 minutes to discuss Item I-1, passed. Councilmember Beckles and Mayor Butt objected.

I-4. CONTINUED the matter to receive a presentation and PROVIDE direction to staff on the development of the City of Richmond Equal Access Ordinance.

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

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:42 p.m., in memory of Richmond resident Sims Thompson, to meet again on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

Mayor