

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, July 2, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 6:32 p.m., by Mayor Thomas K. Butt who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Demnlus Johnson III, Eduardo Martinez, Jael Myrick, Melvin Willis, Vice Mayor Ben Choi, and Mayor Thomas K. Butt. **Absent:** Councilmember Nathaniel Bates arrived during the report from the city manager.

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

AGENDA REVIEW

Item I-1 was continued to the July 16, 2019, City Council meeting. Item J-1 was continued to the September 10, 2019, City Council meeting.

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

There was no Closed Session.

REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Carlos Martinez reported on the status of the revenue refunding bonds restructuring for the Wastewater Enterprise, Civic Center Project, and Point Potrero (Port) Project that was authorized by the Council at its meetings in May 2019. Mr. Martinez stated that the annual assessment valuation conducted by the Contra Costa County Assessor increased the City of Richmond's property tax revenue by 3% (lowest in the county).

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Liz Woods expressed concerns regarding police profiling in Richmond. Ms. Woods disputed her arrest by the Richmond Police Department on May 31, 2019.

Rick Perez gave comments regarding police profiling in Richmond. Mr. Perez stated that he attended a forum on Assembly Bill 392 (police use of force) and was disappointed that the police were being defended. Mr. Perez expressed concerns regarding the Pedie Perez case and recommended de-escalation skills for police officers.

Patricia Perez gave comments regarding Contra Costa District Attorney Diana Becton and how she had not filed charges against the former Richmond police officer, Wallace Jensen, involved in the Pedie Perez case. Ms. Perez expressed concerns regarding Mr. Jensen's employment status and source of income.

Mark Wassberg gave comments regarding government intelligence and tracking undocumented immigrants using the Department of Motor Vehicles' records.

Jeanine Strickland thanked supporters of the Greenway Dirt World Bicycle Park and gave comments in support of Item H-17.

David Drisdale expressed concerns regarding overgrown grass on Cutting Boulevard near Kennedy High School. Mr. Drisdale requested more code enforcement officers to address blighted rental properties, and more parks and recreation staff. Mr. Drisdale suggested more businesses were needed in Richmond such as an Amazon 4-Star store. Mr. Drisdale recommended moving the troubled Arizona Nike Athletic factory to Richmond and extending Bay Area Rapids Transit to The Shops at Hilltop Mall.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

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

***H-1.** Approved a standing purchase order with Grimco, Inc., for traffic signs and lines equipment and supplies in an amount not to exceed \$70,000 for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

***H-2.** Approved an amendment to the existing three-year contract, with the option of two one-year renewal options, with O.C. Jones & Sons, Inc. for the rental of street paving equipment, as needed, to supplement City crews on larger paving projects, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for a total allocation not to exceed \$3,750,000 per contract term.

***H-3.** Approved a standing purchase order with Statewide Traffic Safety & Signs, Inc. for traffic signs and lines materials in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the three fiscal years of 2019-2022.

***H-4.** Adopted **Resolution No. 61-19** accepting the Marina Trash Enclosure at the Melville Square project as completed.

***H-5.** Received the monthly report on Point Molate activities for the month of May 2019.

***H-6.** Adopted **Resolution No. 62-19** to accept and appropriate \$669,066 in Measure H funding from the Contra Costa County Health Services Division, and approved a three-year interagency agreement from July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2022, in support of the Fire Department's Emergency Medical Services program.

***H-7.** Accepted and appropriated grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 from California Volunteers, Office of the Governor, to support disaster preparedness training.

***H-8.** Approved a three-year contract (Fiscal Years 2019/2020-2021/2022) with an optional two-year extension, with Du-All Safety, LLC to provide safety program compliance services, in an amount not to exceed \$442,675.

***H-9.** Approved a contract with Willdan Financial Service to prepare a Sanitary Sewer Rate Study in an amount not to exceed \$29,800.

***H-10.** Approved appointments to the Revolving Loan Fund Board: appointed Imani Berry, new appointment, alternate for the Accountant/CPA seat, and Charice Duckworth, new appointment, City Manager's designee.

***H-11.** Adopted **Resolution No. 63-19** authorizing an application for State Department of Parks and Recreation's Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Grant Program for the Harbour-8th Park Expansion Project, and delegating the city manager or designee to execute the necessary agreements to complete the Project, if grant funds were awarded.

***H-12.** Designated Mayor Tom Butt as voting delegate and Vice Mayor Ben Choi as an alternate to represent the City of Richmond at the Annual Business Meeting of the League of California Cities' 2019 Annual Conference, to be held at the Convention Center in Long Beach, Wednesday, October 16 through Friday, October 18, 2019.

***H-13.** Approved the minutes of the May 21, 2019, regular Richmond City Council meeting.

***H-14.** Approved co-sponsorship of Soulful Softball Sunday for August 25, 2019, and provided in-kind support by not charging fees for use of Nichol Park.

***H-15.** Introduced an ordinance (first reading) setting the tax rate for the Tax Override Pension Fund for Fiscal Year 2019-20 at 0.14%.

***H-16.** Adopted **Resolution No. 64-19** authorizing placement of liens and special assessments for unpaid garbage collection service fees on County property tax records.

***H-17.** Approved a contract with Action Sports Construction in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for emergency repairs to the Greenway Dirt World Bicycle Park. The contract term was from May 1, 2019, to June 30, 2019.

***H-18.** Approved a contract amendment with Contra Costa County Homeless and Housing Services to continue the services of a dedicated, fulltime Coordinated Outreach Referral and Engagement (CORE) team, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

I-1. Continued to July 16, 2019, the matter to adopt a resolution adopting an Addendum to a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and approving a Tentative Subdivision Map and Design Review Permit to construct 46 residential units at 5620 Central Avenue, subject to conditions, and introduce an ordinance (first reading) Rezoning the Cascade Residential Development site from CR, Commercial Regional to PA, Planned Area District.

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

J-1. Continued to September 10, 2019, the matter to approve the Operating Memorandum No. 1 and Credit and Reimbursement Agreement with Terminal One Development LLC (Developer) to effectuate refinements and adjustments regarding the details of performance of the City of Richmond (City) and Developer under the Terminal One Land Disposition Agreement dated August 6, 2014 (LDA), including the expanded scope, scale, and public outreach of the Terminal One Waterfront Park and repurposed Municipal Wharf by Developer, resulting in increase in the benefits accruing to the City and the larger Richmond community under the LDA.

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

Councilmember Willis reported that the Heritage Park Senior Apartments residents received another rent increase notice. Councilmember Willis requested the Council’s support in getting the proposed rent increase reduced to an affordable level.

Councilmember Bates requested the Council and the city manager to place an item on an agenda in September 2019 to discuss prospective revenue and economic growth in Richmond.

Mayor Butt reported that he attended the Climate Mayor’s Summit in Hawaii on June 27, 2019, and participated in a discussion panel regarding cities financial challenges in preparation for climate change. Mayor Butt reported that he attended the United States (U.S.) Conference of Mayors annual meeting in Hawaii from June 28 to July 1, 2019. Mayor Butt stated that he authored a resolution, approved unanimously by the U.S. Conference for Mayors Executive Committee, supporting cities rights to use the courts to seek compensation for climate change-related abdication costs.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m., to meet again on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk of the City of Richmond

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Approved:

Mayor