The Regular Meeting of the Richmond Housing Authority was called to order at 6:29 p.m., by Chairperson McLaughlin who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Lopez, Marquez, Sandhu, Vice Chairperson Bates, and Chairperson McLaughlin. Housing Commissioners Hall and Williams. Absent: Commissioners Butt, Thurmond, Viramontes, and Rogers. (Commissioners Butt, Thurmond, Viramontes, and Rogers arrived during Item D-1 presentation)

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A proposal to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director of the Housing Authority to execute a contract with the security firm OSS International, Inc. to provide security services for Nevin Plaza and Hacienda, which are Richmond Housing Authority Public Housing senior residential properties, from November 1, 2007, through October 31, 2008, with a City option to extend the term for an additional year, at a cost of $295,300 annually was presented. Tim Jones, Housing Director, gave an overview of the item. He stated this was not a performance issue with the current security service, it was a procurement issue. The contract had not been out to bid for over eight years. Mr. Jones also stated that OSS International, Inc. would be able to provide armed guards, if needed. Speakers were: Joe Fisher, Jim McMillan, Corky Booze, Terry Anderson, Darlene Thomas, Michael Davenport, Reverend James Harris, and Jackie Thompson. A representative from OSS International, Inc. also spoke on this item. Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Vice Chairperson Bates, to reject staff’s recommendation of contracting with OSS International, Inc. Commissioner Marquez offered a friendly amendment to refer the item to the Public Safety Committee. The friendly amendment was accepted. Discussion continued and a substitute motion was made by Chairperson McLaughlin, seconded by Vice Chairperson Bates to approve staff’s recommendation. Commissioner Lopez offered a friendly amendment to direct staff to look into providing security services to Friendship Manor. The substitute motion failed by the following vote: Ayes: Commissioners Butt, Lopez, Thurmond, and Chairperson McLaughlin. Noes: Commissioners Rogers, Sandhu, Viramontes, and Vice Chairperson Bates. Abstentions: Commissioner Marquez. Absent: None. The original motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Commissioners Lopez, Marquez, Rogers, Sandhu, Viramontes, and Vice Chairperson Bates. Noes: Commissioner Thurmond and Chairperson McLaughlin. Abstentions: Commissioner
Butt. **Absent**: None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

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Chairperson

Attest:

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Secretary