AGENDA
Tuesday, October 17, 2006

Mayor
Irma L. Anderson

Vice Mayor
Maria T. Viramontes

Councilmembers
Nathaniel Bates
Thomas K. Butt
Richard Griffin
John E. Marquez
Gayle McLaughlin
Jim Rogers
Tony K. Thurmond

The Richmond City Council also serves as Board Members and Commission Members for the following:

Community Redevelopment Agency
Housing Authority
Joint Powers Financing Authority
Surplus Property Authority
Local Reuse Authority
MEETING PROCEDURES

The City of Richmond encourages community participation at its City Council meetings and has established procedures that are intended to accommodate public input in a timely and time-sensitive way. As a courtesy to all members of the public who wish to participate in City Council meetings, please observe the following procedures:

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Anyone who desires to address the City Council on items appearing on the agenda must complete and file a pink speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the City Council’s consideration of the item. Once the City Clerk has announced the item and discussion has commenced, no person shall be permitted to speak on the item other than those persons who have submitted their names to the City Clerk. Your name will be called when the item is announced for discussion. Each speaker will be allowed TWO (2) MINUTES to address the City Council on NON-PUBLIC HEARING items listed on the agenda.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Individuals who would like to address the City Council on matters not listed on the agenda or on Presentations, Proclamations and Commendations, Report from the City Attorney, or Reports of Officers may do so under Open Forum. All speakers must complete and file a pink speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the commencement of Open Forum. The amount of time allotted to individual speakers shall be determined based on the number of persons requesting to speak during this item. The time allocation for each speaker will be as follows: 15 or fewer speakers, a maximum of 2 minutes; 16 to 24 speakers, a maximum of 1 and one-half minutes; and 25 or more speakers, a maximum of 1 minute.

SPEAKERS ARE REQUESTED TO OCCUPY THE RESERVED SEATS IN THE FRONT ROW BEHIND THE SPEAKER’S PODIUM AS THEIR NAME IS ANNOUNCED BY THE CITY CLERK.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted, approved or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received from the audience or the City Council. A member of the audience requesting to remove an item from the Consent Calendar must complete and file a speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the City Council’s consideration of Item C, Agenda Review. An item removed from the Consent Calendar may be placed anywhere on the agenda following the City Council’s agenda review.

*The City Council’s adopted Rules of Procedure recognize that debate on policy is healthy; debate on personalities is not. The Chairperson has the right and obligation to cut off discussion that is too personal, too loud, or too crude.*

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EVENING OPEN SESSION
5:00 p.m.

A. **ROLL CALL**

B. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

C. **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

CLOSED SESSIONS
Shimada Room of City Hall

CITY COUNCIL

CC-1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
(Subdivision [a] of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Three Cases:
Kubota vs. City of Richmond
Baykeeper vs. City of Richmond
Wiseman vs. City of Richmond

CC-2. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**
(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Title: City Manager
City Attorney

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PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. AGENDA REVIEW

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

D-1. ADOPT – the following resolutions for the development of the Miraflores Housing Development Project:

a) Resolution of the City Council of the City of Richmond authorizing the acceptance and transfer of HUD Section 108 Loan and Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grant funds, and pledge of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds as security for the Section 108 Loan - Community Redevelopment Agency (Steve Duran 307-8140)

b) Resolution of the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of HUD Section 108 Loan and Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grant funds for the Miraflores Development Project and pledge of certain tax increment revenues as security for the Section 108 Loan – Community Redevelopment Agency (Steve Duran 307-8140).


E. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

F. ADJOURNMENT
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A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. AGENDA REVIEW

D. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE AND NON-CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS HELD DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

E. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

F. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS

F-1. Proclamation recognizing Breast Cancer Awareness Month – Mayor Anderson (620-6503).

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

G-1. APPROVE – a contract with Dunbar Armored, Inc. to provide courier service to transport monies and documents for the City of Richmond. Contract period is October 18, 2006, through November 1, 2009. Total amount of contract will not exceed $43,000 – Finance Department (James Goins 620-6740).

G-2. APPROVE – contract with PlanetBids, Inc. to provide an On-line Vendor Registration/Bid Management System for period of one year in the amount of $19,000 – Finance Department (James Goins 620-6740).

G-3. APPROVE - contract with Todd Jersey Architecture of Berkeley to provide bid specifications, bid phase services, and technical services for the renovation of the Richmond Natatorium, for a total cost not to exceed $60,000 – Engineering (Rich Davidson 307-8105).

G-4. APPROVE - contract with Lawrence H. Loder, a Civil Engineering Consultant, to provide services to meet the requirements in the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) Agreement, at a total cost not to exceed $40,000 – Engineering (Rich Davidson 307-8105).
G-5. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION** – authorizing the filing of an application for the federal Surface Transportation Program/Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (STP/CMAQ) funding for the Central Richmond Greenway East Segment Project – Engineering (Rich Davidson 307-8105).

G-6. **INTRODUCE AND ADOPT AN ORDINANCE** - extending the moratorium on new crematoriums, until September 1, 2007. – City Attorney’s Office (John Eastman 620-6509).

G-7. **APPROVE** – an emergency contract with California Splicing and Testing to provide specialized high voltage repair of a 12,000 volt power line at Point Potrero Marine Terminal in the amount of $16,000 – Port (Jim Matzorkis 215-4600).


G-10. **ADOPT A RESOLUTION** – authorizing recruitment incentives for police officer candidates – Human Resources (Leslie Knight 620-6600).

G-11. **APPROVE** - contract with Ralph Andersen & Associates to administer the recruitment process for selected positions in the Library and Community Services Department. The term of the contract is September 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, and the total amount of the contract will not exceed $20,000 – Human Resources (Leslie Knight 620-6600).

G-12. **APPROVE** - appointment to the **Historic Preservation Committee**: Ethel Dotson, – Mayor Anderson (620-6503).

G-13. **APPROVE** – minutes of the Evening Open Session held on October 3, 2006 – City Clerk Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).

**H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**
I. RESOLUTIONS

I-1. ADOPT A RESOLUTION - to study the feasibility and use of biodiesel and biodiesel blends in the City and at the Port of Richmond – Councilmember McLaughlin and Butt (237-1256/620-6581).

I-2. ADOPT A RESOLUTION - expressing support for the County plan to assist Doctors Hospital by forming a Joint Powers Authority, developing a community education and engagement process and implementing structural changes – Mayor Anderson, Councilmember Rogers and Thurmond (620-6503/620-6581).

J. ORDINANCES


K. COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

K-1. Staff recommends that the City Council authorize staff to negotiate a lease with DiCon Fiberoptics, Inc. (“Dicon”), 1689 Regatta Boulevard, for the temporary relocation of police department operations until the new Public Safety building can be occupied. Furthermore, if negotiations are not successful, the City Council authorizes staff to negotiate a lease for 1400-1402 Marina Way South (Marine Westshore) – City Manager’s Office (Bill Lindsay 620-6512).


K-3. Consider spending $5,000,000 per year in Redevelopment funds for pothole prevention/street paving until the Pavement Condition Index is improved from the current average of 52 (unacceptable) to 70 (acceptable) – Councilmember Rogers (620-6512).

K-4. Discuss issues regarding abatement of graffiti near railroad right-of-way on I-580 at Central Avenue and provide direction to staff – Councilmember Rogers (867-5725).

K-5. Discuss issues and concerns associated with the lack of African American Superior Court judges currently serving in Contra Costa County and direct staff to prepare a
letter for the Mayor’s signature to be sent to Governor Schwarzenegger’s office, inviting a representative of that office to address the Council concerning the judicial appointment process, and, in particular, appropriate outreach to the legal community to enable the appointment of qualified African American judges to serve the Contra Costa community – Councilmember Rogers (620-6512).

K-6. Receive report concerning the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCTAC) subregional development impact fee program and provide direction to staff as appropriate – Vice Mayor Viramontes (620-6581).

L. COMMUNICATIONS

M. REPORTS OF OFFICERS: STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS, REFERRALS TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)

N. ADJOURNMENT

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