

**RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, July 21, 2015**

The Richmond City Council Evening Open Session was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Mayor Tom Butt.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Councilmembers Nat Bates, Eduardo Martinez, Gayle McLaughlin, Vinay Pimplé, and Mayor Tom Butt. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles and Vice Mayor Myrick arrived after open session adjourned to closed session.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**CITY COUNCIL**

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.

**LIABILITY CLAIMS - (Government Code Section 54956.9):**

Silva vs. City of Richmond  
Griffin vs. City of Richmond  
Sousa vs. City of Richmond

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** (Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9):

One case

The Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 5:36 p.m. Closed Session adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Tom Butt who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Councilmembers Nat Bates, Jovanka Beckles, Eduardo Martinez, Gayle McLaughlin, Vinay Pimplé, Vice Mayor Jael Myrick, and Mayor Tom Butt. **Absent:** None.

**STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

**Withdrew item H-10 from the agenda,** (“the matter to approve a contract with NEMA Construction

to remove and install 110 new traffic rated boxes and to rewire the Greenway lighting system between San Pablo Avenue and 2nd Street for a cost of \$235,300, plus a City-controlled contingency of \$14,700, for a total not to exceed amount of \$250,000"); **moved item H-22 from the consent calendar to the end of the agenda**, ("the matter to approve a three-month contract with Holland & Knight LLP for federal and state advocacy services, for a cost of \$36,000 and for a term through October 22, 2015, to maintain continuity in these services until a new, long-term contract is in place following successful completion of a competitive procurement process"). A motion was made by Councilmember McLaughlin, seconded by Councilmember Beckles, to move item K-2 directly following the consent calendar, ("the matter to consider introducing an ordinance amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish a Rent Mediation Board (Option C) (first reading) or consider introducing an ordinance amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish Rent Control plus Just Cause for Eviction (Option D) (first reading)"). A substitute motion by Mayor Butt, seconded by Councilmember McLaughlin, was accepted by all Councilmembers and **moved all four items regarding rent control immediately following the consent calendar: K2, K3** ("the matter to introduce an ordinance (first reading) amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish a rent review process and designating the Housing Advisory Commission to act as the rent review board"), **L2** ("the matter to direct the city manager to research the effectiveness of rent control and provide a report to the City Council"), **and I-2** ("the matter to adopt an urgency ordinance establishing a 45-day moratorium on rent increases until the City Council has implemented a policy to stabilize rents in the City of Richmond").

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

City Attorney Bruce Goodmiller stated that there were no reportable actions.

### **REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Bill Lindsay forewent his report in the essence of time.

### **OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Leonard Taylor gave comments regarding his visit to the Santa Clara Arcade event and announced current road construction on Rollingwood Drive.

Rodney Alamo Brown and Antwon Cloird announced the Soul Food Sunday softball event at 2:00 p.m. at Nichol Park on Sunday, August 26, 2015, and thanked all for their participation at the Men and Women of Purpose BBQ event.

Naomi Williams thanked all for their support at a recent Commission on Aging event and Public Works for its services, and announced a Commission on Aging bus trip, August 5, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., to Golden Gate Park Japanese Tea Garden and the Conservatory Flower Garden. No food will be provided. Call (510) 233-0777 for tickets.

Mark Wassberg gave comments regarding illegal immigration.

Gerald Smith, Rick Perez, and Julie Perez gave comments regarding the death of the Perez's son in Richmond on September 14, 2014.

Texanita Bluit gave comments regarding the opening of a park in the Santa Fe neighborhood and safety in Richmond.

Amy Anderson gave comments regarding city official's involvement in city events.

Herk Schusteff and Mary DeBenedictis gave comments regarding the proposed Canyon Oaks II development near El Sobrante.

Amanda Elliott announced the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Music on the Main event on July 22, and August 26, 2015, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the lot on Marina Way and Macdonald Avenue.

Oscar Garcia gave comments regarding gun violence in the Iron Triangle neighborhood and immigration.

Eric Avery gave comments regarding the Richmond Half-Steppers and its participation in the Junior Olympics.

### **CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

On motion of Councilmember Pimplé, seconded by Councilmember Beckles, all items marked with an (\*) were approved by the unanimous vote of the City Council.

\*-Approved a legal services agreement with Colantuono Highsmith & Whatley, P.C. for as-needed specialized legal advice regarding taxation and revenue issues, in an amount to not exceed \$15,000, a term expiration June 30, 2016.

\*-Approved a ninth contract amendment with Holland and Knight increasing payment limit by \$350,000 and amending the scope of work to include mitigation monitoring and verification services relating to the Chevron Modernization Project (to be paid by Chevron, the project applicant).

\*-Approved a contract with Network Fleet to continue use of GPS tracking and vehicle maintenance management system for police patrol vehicles in an

amount not to exceed \$22,155 for a term from July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

\*-Adopted **Resolution No. 71-15** authorizing the City of Richmond to enter into an agreement with the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office, appointed by the California Office of Emergency Services as the fiduciary agent, to accept grant funds awarded under the State Homeland Security Grant Program for purchase of marine response equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

\*-Approved a three-year service agreement with Linko® Technology, Inc. for installation and technical support of a web-hosted pretreatment management software system for the Source Control Program of the Wastewater Department in the amount of \$50,000 - City Manager's Office (Bill Lindsay 620-6512).

\*-Approved the City's Investment Report and Cash Balance Report for the month of April 2015.

\*-Adopted **Resolution No. 72-15** approving an amendment to the Marina Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District budget to utilize \$70,000 in surplus District reserve funds to complete several capital improvement projects at the Marina, as requested by the Marina Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District Advisory Committee.

\*-Approved the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Debt Policy, Swap Policy, Cash Reserve Policy and Investment Policy.

\*-Approved a three-year contract with Paramount Elevator Corporation for the service and repairs of all City-owned elevators in an amount not to exceed \$225,000.

**WITHDREW from the agenda** the matter to approve a contract with NEMA Construction to remove and install 110 new traffic rated boxes, and to rewire the Greenway lighting system between San Pablo Avenue and 2nd Street for a cost of \$235,300, plus a City-controlled contingency of \$14,700, for a total not to exceed amount of \$250,000.

\*-Approved a construction contract with Granite Rock Company, the lowest responsive bidder, to perform the 2015 Pavement Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$3,812,940.50, with an additional construction contingency not to exceed 10%, or \$381,294.05.

\*-Approved a contract with GRID Alternatives (GRID) in the amount of \$429,000 to provide solar installations to 130 low-income households, with a contingency amount of \$121,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$550,000; and authorized the use of Chevron Environmental and Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) funds for the cost of the contract,

and associated staff costs for project management, outreach and administration.

\*-Approved a contract with the Bay Area Resource Center to expand the RichmondBUILD program to provide training courses and support for new and small Richmond-based contractors. The contract amount is not to exceed \$50,000, and the contract term is from August 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

\*-Approved a contract with Dyett & Bhatia Urban & Regional Planners to complete the comprehensive Zoning Update and associated environmental document to bring the City's zoning map, development standards, and land use regulations into conformance with the General Plan 2030. The amount of the contract is not to exceed \$550,000, with funding provided by the Chevron Environmental & Community Investment Agreement, and the term is through June 30, 2017.

\*-Adopted **Resolution No. 73-15** approving an additional 10% contingency in the amount of \$924,110 to the Remediation and Abatement Agreement with Pacific States Environmental Contractors, Inc. to provide additional remediation and abatement services at the Pt. Molate former United States Naval Fuel Depot IR Site 3, for a total payment amount not to exceed \$11,551,369. Funds for remediation come from the 2008 Early Transfer and Cooperative Agreement (ETCA) with the United States Navy.

\*-Approved a contract with Antea Group, not to exceed \$25,000, to configure their iEHS software for mitigation monitoring and reporting program and conditional use permit conditions compliance tracking and verification for the Chevron Modernization Project, to be paid by fees collected from Chevron.

\*-Approved an interagency agreement with the County of Contra Costa, for the term from June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2017, in order to pay the City for assistance in staffing the North Richmond Mitigation Fee Committee, and for jointly administering the implementation of City/County approved Expenditure Plans totaling \$1,080,054.86.

\*-Approved the City of Richmond's response to Contra Costa County 2014-2015 Grand Jury's letter regarding the establishment of a community court system, and submittal of the response to the foreperson of the 2014-2015 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury.

\*-Approved a letter to State Senators to reject a permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act (ITFA) Extension in H.R. 235 and S. 431 and support Alternative Amendments to correct an overreach affecting voter-approved local telecommunication taxes.

\*-Approved the minutes of the June 23, June 30, and July 7, 2015, meetings.

\*-Adopted **Resolution No. 74-15** approving service contracts with CSG Consultants, Inc. and Interwest Consulting Group for as-needed services for an amount not to exceed \$750,000 per firm, over a three-year period, with an option to extend each contract for one year.

In the matter to approve a three-month contract with Holland & Knight LLP for federal and state advocacy services, for a cost of \$36,000 and for a term through October 22, 2015, to maintain continuity in these services until a new, long-term contract was in place following successful completion of a competitive procurement process, on motion by Councilmember McLaughlin, seconded by Councilmember Beckles approved a three-month contract with Holland & Knight LLP for said services by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Beckles, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** Councilmembers Bates and Martinez. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Mayor Butt.

\*-Adopted **Resolution No. 75-15** affirming the City Council's June 16, 2015, decision to deny the appeal of Chung Yeung Yiu, and affirm the Planning Commission's approval of the 289-unit Nevin Homes Residential Project located on Nevin Avenue, between 21st and 23rd Streets.

\*-Adopted **Resolution No. 76-15** authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute loan documents between the City and the RHA Housing Corporation, which will include a loan agreement, deed of trust and promissory note, to effectuate a loan utilizing the City's Successor Housing Fund, unspent Section 108 Iron Triangle loan proceeds and in-lieu funds for the RAD rehabilitation projects, in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.

\*-Approved recommendations to staff to examine the effectiveness of youth programming in Richmond and collaborate with the City, County, youth oriented non-profits and the West Contra Costa Unified School District to create an inventory of current programming and to explore ways to maximize programming, identify gaps and leverage funding.

\*- Adopted **Resolution No. 77-15** approving the City of Richmond Policy and Procedures Manual for Grants and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Guidelines and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Guidelines

\*-Approved the following appointments and re-appointments: Commission on Aging, Lionel Glenn Johnson, new appointment, term expiring May 19, 2017; Economic Development Commission, Michele Wells, new appointment, term expiring March 30, 2018; Point Molate Community Advisory Committee,

Dorothy Gilbert, re-appointment, term expiring May 30, 2017, Paul Carman, re-appointment, term expiring May 30, 2017, Jeanne Kortz, re-appointment, term expiring May 30, 2017; Richmond-Shimada Friendship Commission, Kieko Nelson, new appointment, term expiring July 21, 2018.

\*-Accepted grant award from the East Bay Community Foundation for the Office of Neighborhood Safety (ONS) in the amount of \$20,000 to provide general and emergency support services for ONS Fellowship participants.

\*-Approved the Amended and Restated Lease Agreement with the City of Richmond and the YWCA of Contra Costa County for the use of space for a day care program at the west wing of the Richmond Recreation Complex at 3230 Macdonald Avenue.

\*-Adopted **Ordinance No. 19-15 N.S.**, establishing certain fees for the proposed Master Fee Schedule and, after the second reading of the ordinance, adopted **Resolution No. 78-15** setting the dollar amount for the new fees and adjusting the dollar amount for current fees.

## **ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

### **-CONTINUED ORDINANCES**

***Refer to RENT CONTROL ITEMS for Item I-2***, the matter to adopt an urgency ordinance establishing a 45-day moratorium on rent increases until the City Council has implemented a policy to stabilize rents in the City of Richmond.

### **-CONTINUED COUNCIL AS A WHOLE**

The matter to review the effectiveness of eliminating the Public Safety/Services and the Finance, Administrative Services and Economic Development Committees was presented by Councilmember Martinez who provided comments regarding his research on the purpose and effectiveness of standing committee meetings. City Attorney Bruce Goodmiller pointed out that this was a discussion item for review and one or more Councilmembers would need to initiate a resolution to direct staff to draft an ordinance to re-start the standing committees.

The matter to provide direction to staff regarding the selection of a firm to provide federal and state advocacy services to assist with obtaining funding for projects and programs. Specific options include: (1) entering into a new multi-year contract with Holland & Knight; (2) entering into a six-twelve month extension of services with Holland & Knight while staff solicits new service proposals; (3) entering into a contract with one of the two other firms that submitted a proposal to provide legislative advocacy services (Federal

Advocates, Inc. or FTI Consulting); or (4) entering into a contract for federal advocacy services only with one of the three firms that submitted a proposal, and solicit separate proposals for advocacy services at the State level was presented by Project Manager Lori Reese-Brown who explained the proposal evaluation process that had taken place. Representatives of The Federal Advocates and FTI Consulting gave comments regarding their interest and qualifications. Members of the evaluation committee Councilmembers Martinez, McLaughlin, and Economic Development Commissioner Dexter Vizinau gave comments regarding their participation on the evaluation committee. On motion of Councilmember Beckles, seconded by Councilmember Bates, directed staff to negotiate a contract and execution date with The Federal Advocates and return to City Council at the first meeting in September 2015 by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** Councilmember Pimplé. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Mayor Butt.

**RENT CONTROL ITEMS – heard immediately following the approval of the Consent Calendar**

Mayor Butt announced the order in which the City Council would take action on the four rent control items on the agenda as follows: items K-2, K-3, I-2, and L-2.

The matter to consider introducing an ordinance amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish a Rent Mediation Board (Option C) (first reading) or consider introducing an ordinance amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish Rent Control plus Just Cause for Eviction (Option D) (first reading), was presented by City Manager Bill Lindsay. Mr. Lindsay introduced the item and provided background information based on the City Council's direction to prepare two policy draft ordinances for Options C and D at its June 23, 2015, and July 7, 2015, City Council meetings. Staff convened a working group on July 1, 2015, as directed by the City Council, and returned a number of policy options to Councilmembers that assisted staff with drafting the ordinances. Mr. Lindsay presented a PowerPoint presentation that highlighted policy Options C and D: overview and applicability; City Council direction; key components; example process; and a draft summary of the estimated staff time and cost for each of the four policy options (A, B, C and D) initially proposed to Councilmembers at the City Council meeting on June 23, 2015.

The matter to introduce an ordinance (first reading) amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish a rent review process and designating the Housing Advisory Commission to act as the rent review board was introduced and **withdrawn from the agenda by Mayor Butt.**

The matter to adopt an urgency ordinance establishing a 45-day moratorium on rent increases until the City Council has implemented a policy to stabilize rents in the City of Richmond was introduced by Councilmember Beckles. Councilmember Beckles requested that a moratorium on rent increases be implemented immediately following the adoption of any rent control policy and remain in effect until the rent control policy was in full effect.

The matter to direct the city manager to research the effectiveness of rent control and provide a report to the City Council was presented by Councilmember Pimplé with graphs of a cross-city comparison highlighting rent increase rates for cities with and without rent control in effect. Councilmember Pimplé recommended that the City Council take no action on a rent control policy until staff provides additional evidence of the effect of rent control on rent increases.

At the conclusion of the presentations and introductions of the four rent control items on the agenda, discussion ensued. Housing Authority Executive Director Tim Jones advised the City Council that Section 8 landlord participants are currently required by law to follow an existing judicial proceeding eviction process and that a Just Cause for Eviction ordinance would add time to an eviction process and create an extra layer of protection by local laws that the participating Section 8 landlord would be required to comply with. Mr. Jones also advised approximately 500-600 single-family dwellings would be affected by the proposed rent control policy that would otherwise be exempt if they were not a Section 8 landlord participant. Councilmember McLaughlin clarified that her motion at a previous City Council meeting intended to include Section 8 landlord participants in the Just Cause for Eviction policy only and not the Rent Control policy.

A motion was made by Councilmember Beckles, seconded by Vice Mayor Myrick, to suspend the procedural rules and limit each public speaker's time to one-minute. A **substitute motion** by Councilmember Bates, seconded by Mayor Butt, to hear all speakers with the regular two-minute time limit and continue the three rent control agenda items to a special meeting later in the week, failed by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Pimplé, and Mayor Butt. **Noes:** Councilmembers Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Abstentions:** None. **Absent:** None. **The initial motion, required by vote of the supermajority, failed and speakers were granted two-minutes each to address the Council by the following vote: Ayes:** Councilmembers Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** Councilmembers Bates, Pimplé, and Mayor Butt. **Abstentions:** None. **Absent:** None.

The following speakers gave comments: Helen

Byrne, Ezzie Ruth Martin, BJ Thorsnes, Maurice Williams, Brian Fisher, Marie Walcek, Robert Sloan, Dave Taylor, Stan Niedzwiedz, Veronica Keeton, Alice Powell, Sharon Peng, Daniel Lee, Carol Li, Fred Li, Mary, Chenda, Jeremiah Tsai, Luke Blacklidge, Evert R. Anderson, Helen Shie, Christina Lee, Hoeger, Vanessa Siebern, Kristen Hoeger, Steve Shie, Mon Lee, Keith Slipper, Norma La Bat, Silvia Ledezman, Jennifer Wong, Jon Wagner, David Lyles, Adam Pitzler, Joe Lawton, Larry Caldwell, Erik Meyers, Theresa Karr, Edith Pastrano, Melvin Willis, Noe Gudino, Sasha Graham Croner, Marvin Webb, Donna Powers, Millie Cleveland, Alysabeth Alexander, Dan Jammeyson, Brian McKeon, Sarah Kobrinsky, Andrew Kolar, Dan Horper, Susan Hybloom, William Casey, Gabriel Haaland, Bill Barish, Mark Wassberg, Jameson Adams, Mary Virginia Watson, Mike Parker, Patricia Byers, Liz Kimura, Mara Randle, Tarnel Abbott, Glen Zamorian, Robert Guillebeau, Frances Clay, Cecilia Lucas, Jeff Shoji, Aimee Inglis, Leah Simon-Weisby, Tim Laidman, Rosa Arriaga, Jas Sikand, Tamisha Walker, Eli Moore, Antonio Silva, Jerry Feagley, Lawrence Robinson, and Tyra Wright.

A point of order and motion by Councilmember McLaughlin, seconded by Councilmember Beckles, to end debate by 11:28 p.m. and vote on item K-2, passed by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** Councilmembers Bates, Pimplé, and Mayor Butt. **Abstentions:** None. **Absent:** None.

*(Approximately 11:27 p.m. Mayor Butt departed the meeting and appointed Vice Mayor Myrick to chair the remainder of the meeting. Councilmember Pimplé departed the meeting and returned after the vote on item K-2.)*

A motion was made by Councilmember McLaughlin, seconded by Councilmember Beckles, to approve the first reading of the ordinance for Option D (*introduce an ordinance amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish Rent Control plus Just Cause for Eviction*) with the following amendments: include an allowable increase in rate up to 100 percent Consumer Price Index (CPI); the interim rent board be appointed rather than having the City Council serve as the interim rent board; the elected and appointed interim rent board be only five members rather than seven without specification; revise the Powers and Duties, Section 11.100.0309(f)(15) to state, “Determine allowable rent increase pass-through costs for sewer increases or other property related fee increases above CPI as necessary;” base rent start on July 21, 2015; policy program be up and running on November 1, 2015; and clarification in the ordinance that the inclusion of Section 8 units is for Just Cause for Eviction units only and not for rent control, with a friendly amendment by Vice-Mayor Myrick to change the effective date of the policy program to December 1, 2015. The friendly amendment was accepted, and the motion passed by the following votes: **Ayes:**

Councilmembers Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** Councilmember Bates. **Abstentions:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Pimplé and Mayor Butt. Mr. Lindsay suggested to City Council that a definition for “property related charges” be defined for the purpose of the pass-through.

*(At 11:30 p.m. on motion of Vice Mayor Myrick, seconded by Councilmember Beckles, extended the meeting until the completion of hearings for urgent items by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, and Vice Mayor Myrick. Noes: Councilmember Bates. Abstentions: None. Absent: Councilmember Pimplé and Mayor Butt.)*

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**CONTINUED to July 28, 2015**, the matter to adopt a resolution authorizing the City of Richmond to levy special assessments against certain properties having unpaid invoices related to administrative citations, nuisance abatement costs, and foreclosure ordinance fines pursuant to Richmond Municipal Code Chapters 9.22, 6.38, 9.50 and 2.63.

The Assistant City Clerk Ursula Deloa announced that it was time, pursuant to public notice, to hold a public hearing to hear comments regarding the proposed wastewater rate increase; and introduce an ordinance (first reading) setting wastewater user rates for fiscal years 2015-16 through 2019-20. The recommended annual rate increases are 6.8% for each of these five fiscal years, was introduced by City Manager Bill Lindsay. Mr. Lindsay stated that the purpose of the rate increase was to fund an approximately \$104 million capital program to provide substantial improvements to the waste water treatment plant, and that residents had been notified. Vice Mayor Myrick declared the public hearing open. The following speakers gave comments in opposition: Veronica Keeton, Susan MacHarq, and Gwendolyn Trotter. On motion of Councilmember Beckles, seconded by Councilmember McLaughlin closed the public hearing by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Mayor Butt. On motion of Councilmember Beckles, seconded by Councilmember McLaughlin said ordinance received first reading and was laid over to July 28, 2015, for second reading by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, and McLaughlin. **Abstain:** Councilmember Pimplé. **Absent:** Mayor Butt.

The Assistant City Clerk Ursula Deloa announced that it was time, pursuant to public notice, to hold a public hearing to adopt a resolution approving a 2.53% increase to the annual assessments for the Hilltop Landscape Maintenance District for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, based on the annual change in the

Consumer Price Index. Vice Mayor Myrick declared the public hearing open. There were no public speakers. (*Approximately 12:15 p.m., Councilmember Beckles exited the meeting.*) On motion by Councilmember McLaughlin, seconded by Councilmember Bates, closed the public hearing by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles and Mayor Butt. On motion by Councilmember Bates, seconded by Councilmember Martinez, adopted **Resolution No. 79-15** by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles and Mayor Butt.

The Assistant City Clerk Ursula Deloa announced that it was time, pursuant to public notice, to hold a public hearing to adopt a resolution approving a 3% increase to the annual assessments for the Marina Bay Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, based on the annual change in the Consumer Price Index. Vice Mayor Myrick declared the public hearing open. There were no public speakers. On motion by Councilmember Bates, seconded by Councilmember Martinez, closed the public hearing by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles and Mayor Butt. On motion by Councilmember Bates, seconded by Councilmember Martinez, adopted **Resolution No. 80-15** by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Councilmember Beckles and Mayor Butt.

The Assistant City Clerk Ursula Deloa announced that it was time, pursuant to public notice, to hold a public hearing to adopt a resolution approving funding recommendations of unspent Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from Fiscal Year 2011-2013, in the amount of \$851,401, with funding to be used for local nonprofit organizations and City programs supporting the priorities identified in the adopted Five-Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, which include affordable housing, homeless prevention, community development, improvements to public infrastructure and accessibility was presented by Acting Housing and Community Development Director James Goins. Vice Mayor Myrick declared the public hearing open. There were no public speakers. On motion by Councilmember Bates, seconded by Councilmember Beckles closed the public hearing by the following vote: **Ayes:** Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:** None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Mayor Butt. On motion of Councilmember Beckles, seconded by Councilmember McLaughlin adopted **Resolution**

**No. 81-15** by the following vote: **Ayes:**  
Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez,  
McLaughlin, Pimplé, and Vice Mayor Myrick. **Noes:**  
None. **Abstain:** None. **Absent:** Mayor Butt.

**CONTINUED to July 28, 2015**, the matter to  
adopt a resolution allowing the sanitary and storm  
sewer fees to be collected on the annual 2015-2016  
property tax rolls.

### **ORDINANCES**

**CONTINUED to July 28, 2015**, the matter to  
introduce an ordinance (first reading) amending  
Richmond Municipal Code Article VI, Building  
Regulations by adding a new Chapter 6.47, Permit  
Process for Small Residential Rooftop Solar Systems,  
implementing provisions of AB 2188 by creating an  
expedited, streamlined permitting process for small  
residential rooftop solar systems.

**Refer to RENT CONTROL ITEMS for: Item  
K-2**, the matter to consider introducing an ordinance  
amending the Richmond Municipal Code to establish a  
Rent Mediation Board (Option C) (first reading) or  
CONSIDER introducing an ordinance amending the  
Richmond Municipal Code to establish Rent Control  
plus Just Cause for Eviction (Option D) (first reading)  
and **Item K-3**, the matter to introduce an ordinance  
(first reading) amending the Richmond Municipal Code  
to establish a rent review process and designating the  
Housing Advisory Commission to act as the rent review  
board.

**CONTINUED to July 28, 2015**, the matter to  
introduce an ordinance (first reading) of the City  
Council of the City of Richmond repealing Article III,  
Chapter 3.40 of the Richmond Municipal Code  
pertaining to the Community Development  
Commission.

### **COUNCIL AS A WHOLE**

**CONTINUED to July 28, 2015**, the matter to  
direct staff to further research a Fair Housing Ordinance  
to include previously incarcerated residents.

**Refer to RENT CONTROL ITEMS for Item  
L-2**, the matter to direct the city manager to research the  
effectiveness of rent control and provide a report to the  
City Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:54 a.m., to meet again on Tuesday, July 28, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

Pamela Christian  
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Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

Tom Butt  
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Mayor

Certified as a True Copy

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Clerk of the City of Richmond