

AGENDA REPORT

City Council

DATE:	November 26, 2024
ТО:	Mayor Martinez and Members of the City Council
FROM:	Councilmember Gayle McLaughlin
Subject:	City Council approval of Library Commission Bylaws
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	None
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	These by-laws are new to the Commission and have not received Council approval in the past
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	The Richmond Library Commission is seeking City Council approval of its new bylaws.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	APPROVE the new bylaws of the Richmond Library Advisory Commission, already approved by the Commission on May 16, 2024 Councilmember Gayle McLaughlin (510-620-6636).

DISCUSSION:

The Richmond Library Commission is an advisory commission (to the City Council) that was established pursuant to the authority of Section 3.16.010.070 of the Richmond Municipal Code. As a City Council liaison to the Commission for the past few years, I can attest to the hard work of this commission and its desire to have clear bylaws to guide their work.

The purpose of this item is to acquire official City Council approval for the Richmond Library Commission's new bylaws. See attached. These bylaws have already been approved by the Commission on May 16, 2024.

It was very important to the Commission to set up these bylaws in order to clarify its powers, duties, meeting procedures and other aspects of the Commission's ongoing work as an advisory commission to the City Council.

These bylaws have been reviewed and approved as to form by the City Attorney's Office.

As the Library prepares for its upgrades and renovations, it is more important than even to have a strong, dedicated Library Commission to provide advice and input toward what I know we all are seeking: a beautifully revamped and renovated Richmond Main Library for the enrichment of all our residents!

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – Draft bylaws