



AGENDA REPORT

Mayor's Office

DATE:	October 28, 2025
TO:	Members of the City Council
FROM:	Mayor Eduardo Martinez
Subject:	Appointment of James Davis to the Historic Preservation Commission
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	N/A
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	N/A
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	James Davis is applying for a vacant seat on the History Preservation Commission
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	APPOINT James Davis to the Historic Preservation Commission with a term that expires on July 31, 2026 – Mayor's Office (Mayor Eduardo Martinez 510-620-6503).

DISCUSSION:

James Davis brings a deep knowledge of Richmond's history and a strong commitment to historic preservation. A retired college professor with over 20 years of experience teaching U.S. and California history, he remains active in the community as a docent at the Rosie the Riveter Visitor Center and has served as the vice president of the Richmond Museum of History. He also manages historical plaques for the Point Richmond History Association and regularly contributes to local historical publications. With his academic background, hands-on preservation work, and passion for Richmond's heritage, Mr. Davis will be a valuable addition to the Historic Preservation Commission.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: Attachment 1 – James Davis's redacted application.