

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket - Final

Saturday, January 12, 2013

9:30 AM

Council Chamber

City Council Public Hearing

OPENING

1 Calling the Roll.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Eulle, and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present.

2 Public Discussion Period.

1. Jessica Wisser, 2121 Eisenhower Avenue, executive director, Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, spoke of the 25th anniversary of the music director, Kim Allen Kluge, and the reflection of the ASO's journey from its humble beginnings to a local world class symphony. She spoke of their performances on February 9 and 10, and she invited Council to join them at Northern Virginia Community College's Alexandria's campus for a celebration of the spirit of Alexandria and the impact Maestro Kluge has had on the culture of the City. She said there will also be a party at the Westin Hotel on March 2.

2. Gary Carr, 215 Aspen Street, spoke as an advocate of running and running tracks to combat childhood obesity and sedentary ways. He said Francis Hammond Middle School went from having one of the worst playing fields in the area to what is now one of the best. He said George Washington's Middle School track is uneven, unmarked and unacceptable.

3. Randy Stephens, 5610 Bloomfield Drive, spoke for American Legion Post 129, noting that they only have a few buildings to house black history, and he said there is no reason to have the building leveled and moved.

4. Kevin Beekman, 3905 Elbert Avenue, presented the City with a donation of \$1,000 from the Four Mile Run Farmers Market for the expansion of Four Mile Run Park.

5. Annabelle Fisher, 5001 Seminary Road, said thank you to Craig Fifer in Communications for his help on her computer and IT issues. She said on the issue of Comcast and the City now broadcasting the meetings, she wished the City good luck. She suggested that when citizens come up to speak, that there be no side-bar conversations on the dais.

6. Bert Ely, 200 S. Pitt Street, offered comments on an upcoming test of left turn restrictions on Union Street, noting that City staff has proposed a test of three left turn restrictions at King and Union, from northbound Union onto westbound King, from eastbound King onto northbound Union, and from westbound King onto southbound Union. He said the restrictions have raised concerns that it will divert traffic onto parallel north/south streets, especially near Lee and Fairfax Streets. He said it is important to measure the restrictions impact on nearby streets. He noted that several residents have expressed concern about the proposed 24 hour applicability of the turn restrictions.

7. Kathryn Papp, 504 Cameron Street, spoke about introducing bikes to the City, and she said Council needs to consider moving the Mt. Vernon bike trail off of Union Street and onto Washington Street; all bicycles should be registered and owners charged a fee; bike rules and regulations needs to be readily accessed on the City's

website; adding bicycles to the mix in the wrong places increases unnecessary delay; Capital bikeshare can be moved to the suburbs and use its energy and dedication to spearhead the transformation of the suburbs into a better place; and educational loan is not going to solve the kind of problems they are seeing, so they need to be more attentive to fewer customers.

8. Boyd Walker, 1307 King Street, with the Greater Alexandria Preservation Alliance, spoke about the American Legion building, which will be allowed to be demolished February 1 without intervention by Council. He said the building has attracted a lot of interest, as it is the only known building of its type. He said the City has already invested in the building by buying a \$25,000 option for sell the building.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission

(None)

END OF ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

(None)

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

Planning Commission (continued)

- 3 [TA13-001](#) Text Amendment #2013-0001
Public Hearing and Consideration of a text amendment to the zoning ordinance to permit schools and day care centers in the I/Industrial zone with approval of an administrative Special Use Permit. Staff: Department of Planning and Zoning
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-0
City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.
- 4 [SUP12-077](#) Special Use Permit #2012-0077
106 Hume Avenue - Emma's
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for a restaurant (coffee shop and wine bar) and a request for a parking reduction; zoned CL/Commercial Low.
Applicant: Connie Desrosiers
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation, with an amendment to condition #3, change the words "before 11:00 p.m." to "after 11:00 p.m."

- 5 [SUP12-078](#) Special Use Permit #2012-0078
3401 Mount Vernon Avenue
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to operate a restaurant and a request for a parking reduction; zoned CSL/Commercial Service Low.
Applicant: Jose Mario Cabero and Jose Guillermo Cabero by Mabel Tweddle, agent
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

- 6 [DSUP11-028](#) Master Plan Amendment #2012-0006
Rezoning #2012-0004
Development Special Use Permit #2011-0028
City Charter Section 9.06 Case #2012-0004
114, 116, 116 ½, 118, 118 ½ and 120 East Reed Avenue and 3600 Jefferson Davis Highway - East Reed Multifamily
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for a (A) an amendment to the Potomac West Small Area Plan Chapter of the Master Plan to amend the land use map from CDD/Coordinated Development District to CRMU/Commercial Residential Mixed Use and the zoning map from CDD #7/Coordinated Development District to CRMU-M/Commercial residential mixed used medium zone and to amend the height map to increase the allowable height from 45 feet to 60 feet; (B) a map amendment (rezoning) to amend the zone from CDD #7/Coordinated Development District to CRMU-M/Commercial Residential Mixed-Use Medium; (C) a development special use permit, with site plan, to construct a multifamily residential building including special use permit requests for increased floor area for mixed-use residential/retail development pursuant to Section 5-205(c) of the zoning ordinance and increased floor area and a parking reduction for the provision of affordable housing pursuant to Section 7-700 of the zoning ordinance; and (D) a request for Planning Commission to review whether the proposed sale of property owned by the City of Alexandria and the resulting change in use of that property is consistent with the City of Alexandria Master Plan pursuant to Section 9.06 of the City Charter.; zoned CDD#7/Coordinated Development District. Applicant: AHC, Inc., represented by Duncan Blair, attorney for MPA #2012-0006, REZ #2012-0004 and DSUP #2011-0028 and City of Alexandria for City Charter Section 9.06 Case #2012 0004
Planning Commission Action: MPA #2012-0006 Adopted 6-0
REZ #2012-0004 Recommend Approval 6-0
DSUP #2011-0028 Recommend Approval 6-0
City Charter Section 9.06 Case #2012-0004 Approved 6-0

City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation, with the following

amendments:

Remove item 25A.

A new condition to read: "Upon full occupancy, in the event that there are available residential parking spaces, the applicant may lease those parking spaces to neighboring residents. Residents of East Reed Multifamily will have priority for the leasing of parking in the building."

An addition of condition 89(b) stating "That limited parking is available for lease within the development. The availability of residential street parking in the adjacent neighborhood should not be expected."

Included is a request that the City Manager amend the existing effort to analyze the right turn lane to include analysis and a recommendation on the following parking and traffic mitigation efforts: implementation of a residential parking district; implementation of a restricted overnight parking district; creation of additional street parking on Reed Avenue; other changes to the intersection of Jefferson Davis Highway and Reed Avenue--including light timing and turn restrictions; street sweeping occurs twice a week, and it should talk with the community about continuing that.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 7 [13-0980](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Approve and Authorize the Transfer of City Owned Property Located at 3600 Jefferson Davis Highway, as Part of a Total City Support Package.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the ordinance to approve and authorize the transfer of City owned property at 3600 Jefferson Davis Highway, as part of a total City support package. (ORD. NO. 4781)
- 8 [13-0891](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an ordinance to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment heretofore approved by City Council to the Transportation Master Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2012-0007 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the ordinance for the Transportation Master Plan chapter of the Master Plan Amendment No. 2012-0007. (ORD. NO. 4782)
- 9 [13-0923](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an ordinance authorizing the tenant of the property located at 105 King Street to construct and maintain an encroachment for a bay window at that location.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the ordinance authorizing the tenant of the property at 105 King Street to construct and maintain an encroachment for a bay window at that location. (ORD. NO. 4783)
- 10 [13-0981](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance for a Proposed Amendment to the Taxicab Code to Change Taxicab Fares and to Receive the Taxicab Biennial Review Report. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council deferred adoption of the ordinance to January 22, 2013.

- 11 [13-0982](#) Consideration Of A Resolution Establishing The Process To Be Used To Adopt Operating Budgets And Capital Improvement Programs and A Resolution to Establish FY 2014 Budget Guidance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
This resolution was adopted by City Council on January 8, 2013.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

DEFERRAL/WITHDRAWAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission (continued)

(None)

The meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

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Note: The action docket is a summary of Council's meeting deliberations prepared largely for staff follow-up. Formal minutes of the meeting, when approved by Council, become the official record of the meeting and of Council decisions made at the meeting.