ORDINANCE NO. 4800

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Subdivision J (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS), Division 3.1 (DISCHARGES INTO POTW), Article B (SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND DRAINS), Chapter 6 (WATER & SEWER), of Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Subdivision J, Division 3.1, Article B, Chapter 6, all of Title 5 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained by the amendment of Sections 5-6-224 to read as follows:

(New language is underscored; deleted material is stricken)

Sec. 5-6-224 – Method of storm and subsoil water disposal.

(a) Buildings shall have drainage provision for conveying storm water from roofs, paved areas and areaway drains, subsoil water, condensate, cooling water, etc., on the premise to a public storm sewer: except that where a public storm sewer is not available, an approved method of disposal shall be provided to the satisfaction of the director of transportation and environmental services. The director of transportation and environmental services may permit alternative means of disposal if the director deems the proposed alternative method to provide an environmental benefit to the City and the director determines that no nuisance will be created on any adjacent property or within the public right of way. Alternative methods of disposal may include, but are not limited to, onsite surface discharge, onsite infiltration and onsite detention in the form of a rain barrel or cistern. The director may require additional supporting information such as geotechnical or other engineering analyses. Direct discharge of roof drains within the public right of way may be permitted at the director's discretion. Direct discharge of ground water to gutters in the public right of way may be permitted at the director's discretion when a public storm sewer is not available.

[Intervening sections unchanged.]

- (e) Grading plans will be considered valid for a term of thirty six months from the date of approval. A request to extend the validity of a grading plan must be submitted in writing to the director of transportation and environmental services a minimum of sixty days prior to expiration with a \$100 fee. The director will determine if additional modifications or a new grading plan submission is required.
- (f) Any change to an approved grading plan requires that an amended grading plan be filed and that the amended grading plan be reviewed and approved, pursuant to the provisions

of this section 5-6-224(d). The director of transportation and environmental services may allow minor modifications without an amended grading plan.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon passage.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE Mayor

Final Passage: April 13, 2013