

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

1 Calling the Roll.

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

2 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

City Council observed a moment of silence and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meetings of City Council:[14-1797](#)

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2013

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2013

City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of June 15 and the regular meeting minutes of June 25, 2013.

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

None.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)**CONSENT CALENDAR (4-17)****(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)****4** [14-1820](#)

Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards,
Commissions and Committees:

(a) Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
Marcus Allen

(b) Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board
Sean Holihan

(c) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
Michelle Lore

(d) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission
Emma Beall

(e) Citizen Corps Council
Bobby Mahoney

(f) Commission on Employment
Chris Applegate

(g) Human Rights Commission
Betty Morrison

(h) Public Records Advisory Commission
Bill Toye
Anthony Jones

5 [14-1821](#)

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board
1 Citizen-at-Large

(b) Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member

(c) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Citizen Member

(d) Citizen Corps Council
1 Citizen Member

(e) Commission on Aging
1 Citizen Member Who Is 60 Years of Age or Older

(f) Commission on Employment
2 Business Representatives From Among Recognized Area Businesses
Including Minority-Owned and Small Businesses

(g) Commission on Persons With Disabilities
3 Citizen Members

(h) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
1 Citizen Member
1 Planning District I Representative
1 Public Records Advisory Commission Representative

(i) Industrial Development Authority

2 Citizen Members

(j) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board

1 Landlord or Representative of Landlords

(k) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee

1 Qualified Professional Skilled in Architecture

(l) Torpedo Factory Art Center Board

1 Representative of the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association

(m) Waterfront Commission

1 Commission for the Arts Representative

1 Citizen Representative Who Resides East of Washington Street and South of King Street

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

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| 6 | <u>14-1759</u> | Ratification of Submission of a Grant Application to the Virginia Office of Attorney General for Police Department Equipment and Training. |
| 7 | <u>14-1806</u> | Ratification of an Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Application for Police Electronic Surveillance Equipment Upgrades. |
| 8 | <u>14-1702</u> | Consideration of a Request to Authorize the Release of Contingent Reserve Funds for Recycling Programs to be Implemented by the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services. |
| 9 | <u>13-1543</u> | Consideration of a Grant Application to the 2013 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) for Emergency Response Equipment. |
| 10 | <u>14-1704</u> | Consideration of Acceptance of a Funding Allocation from the 2013 Local Emergency Management Program Grant in the Amount of \$60,904.43 for the City's Emergency Management Program. |
| 11 | <u>14-1756</u> | Consideration of a Grant Application to the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) Grant Program, Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Health. |
| 12 | <u>14-1758</u> | Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Alliance for Emergency Medical Education and Research (AEMER) EMS Research Grant For Up To \$20,000. |
| 13 | <u>14-1779</u> | Consideration of Acceptance of a Grant Award From the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) in the Amount of \$25, 611 for the City's Stream Monitoring System. |

- 14 [14-1766](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to Expand the Department of Community and Human Services System of Care Funding.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

- 15 [13-1251](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of a Proposed Amendment to Extend Metered Parking Zones.
- 16 [13-1678](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration, Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Section 3-2-353 (Contested Parking Citations) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.
- 17 [14-1800](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Repeal Chapter 7 (Personal Grooming Establishments) of Title 11 (Health, Environmental and Sanitary Regulations) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981 as amended.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of items 8, 15 and 16, which were considered under separate motions, as follows:

4. City Council received the following resignations: (a) Marcus Allen, Affordable Housing Advisory Committee; (b) Sean Holihan, Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board; (c) Michelle Lore, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (d) Emma Beall, Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (e) Bobby Mahoney, Citizen Corps Council; (f) Chris Applegate, Commission on Employment; (g) Betty Morrison, Human Rights Commission; and (h) Bill Toye and Anthony Jones, Public Records Advisory Commission.

5. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) appointed Thomas Owen as the one citizen member to the Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board; (b) appointed Mary Ann Radebach as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee; (c) appointed Pete Benavage as the one citizen member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory committee; (d) appointed Jason Bruder as the one citizen member to the Citizen Corps Council; (e) appointed Charles Bailey as the one citizen member who is 60 years of age or older to the Commission on Aging; (f) reappointed Iris Henley and Dorothy Ramsey as the two business representatives from among recognized area businesses including minority-owned and small businesses, to the Commission on Employment; (g) reappointed David Arnaudo, Charles Benagh and Adam Osterman as the three citizen members to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (h) appointed Anna Stillner as the one citizen member, reappointed Margaret Wood as the one Planning District I representative and reappointed Laura Vetter as the one Public Records Advisory Commission representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (i) reappointed Agnes Artemel and Donald Simpson, Sr, as the two citizen members to the Industrial Development Authority; (j) appointed Matthew Damewood as the one landlord or representative of landlords to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (k) reappointed Shawn Glerum as the one qualified professional skilled in architecture to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; (l) appointed Patricia Washington as the one representative of the Alexandria

Convention and Visitors Association to the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board; and (m) appointed Allison Nance as the one Commission for the Arts representative and reappointed Arthur Fox as the one citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and south of King Street to the Waterfront Commission.

6. City Council: 1. ratified the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia in the amount of \$1,020,510 (due August 1, 2013 during City Council's 2013 summer recess); and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

7. City Council: 1. ratified the submission of an Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant application in the amount of \$113,500 (due August 30, 2013 during City Council's 2013 summer recess); and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

8. City Council authorized the release of \$210,000 from the FY 2014 contingent reserves (funded by the Residential Refuse Fee) to fund the recycling programs that had been preliminarily approved in the FY14 budget process. (separate motion)

9. City Council: 1. authorized the submission of a grant application to VDEM for grant funding totaling \$55,532; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

10. City Council: 1. authorized the City Manager to accept the funding through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management in the amount of \$60,904.43; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

11. City Council: 1. approved the submission of a grant application (due September 16, 2013); and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.

12. City Council: 1. approved the submission of a grant application (due September 30, 2013); and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.

13. City Council: 1. authorized the City Manager to accept the funding through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management in the amount of \$25,611; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

14. City Council: 1. authorized the submission of the three-year grant application to BDHDS for funding in the amount of \$305,771 per year; and 2. approved a 3.5 FTE increase fully supported by grant revenues, to include: a 1.0 FTE caseworker to provide peer parent partner services as part of the intensive care coordination process; three 0.5 FTE direct support technicians to provide intensive in-home parent coaching services; and a 1.0 FTE health and community education specialist to coordinate a local chapter of Youth MOVE (Motivating Others through Voices of Experience) for youth with experience in the mental health, child welfare and juvenile justice systems, and to provide peer youth partner services as part of the intensive care coordination process. These grant-funded positions will terminate upon the expiration of the grant. The individuals who fill these positions will be notified of this condition of employment at the time they are hired and will be required to sign an agreement of understanding with regard to this condition. There are no funds available in the City budget to continue these activities once the grant funds expire.

15. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 21, 2013. (separate motion)

16. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 21, 2013. (separate motion)

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CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

- 18 [14-1824](#) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee
2 Qualified Professional Members Skilled in Architecture, Planning,
Landscape Architecture and/or Urban Design

City Council appointed Gus Ardura and Mark Ramirez as the two qualified professional members skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee.
- 19 [14-1825](#) Beautification Commission
1 Citizen Member

City Council reappointed Beverly Patton as the one citizen member to the Beautification Commission.
- 20 [14-1826](#) Commission for the Arts
1 Member Who Represents Arts Education or Business Expertise Relative to
Arts and Cultural Development, Including Such Perspectives as Marketing,
Finance/Funding, Tourism Promotion and Organizational Development

City Council reappointed Matthew Stensrud as the one member who represents arts education or business expertise relative to arts and cultural development, including such perspectives as marketing, finance/funding, tourism promotion and organizational development to the Commission for the Arts.
- 21 [14-1827](#) Commission on Aging
1 Individual With Leadership Experience in a Volunteer Organization

City Council appointed Mary Lee Anderson as the one individual with leadership experience in a volunteer organization to the Commission on Aging.
- 22 [14-1835](#) Commission on HIV/AIDS
1 Citizen Member

City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Kenya Newby as the one citizen member to the Commission on HIV/AIDS.
- 23 [14-1833](#) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
1 Citizen Member

City Council reappointed Konstantin Gojnycz as the one citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee.

- 24 [14-1828](#) Sister Cities Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Robert Hay, Jr. as the one citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee.
- 25 [14-1829](#) Social Services Advisory Board
2 Citizen Members
1 Parent Member
City Council appointed Kenneth Batey and Deena Disraelly as the two citizen members and appointed Deb Riley as the one parent member to the Social Services Advisory Board.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (60 min.)

- 26 [14-1757](#) Consideration of a Wesley Housing Development Corporation Funding Request for Lynhaven Apartments.
City Council: 1. approved a new of \$1.078 million to WHDC for the substantial renovation of the 28-unit Lynhaven Apartment complex, comprised of \$862,400 in federal HOME and \$215,600 in local matching funds from the Housing Opportunities Fund, to be added to the outstanding principal and interest balance of approximately \$422,000 from the existing City loan on the property for a total loan amount of \$1.5 million; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents in connection with this project and its funding, including a support letter for WHDC's 4% (non-competitive) Low Income Housing Tax Credit application to VHDA and for tax exempt bond financing.
- 27 [13-1496](#) Update on the Implementation of the DASH Efficiency Study Recommendations.
City Council endorsed the recommendations detailed in the report and authorized the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the ATC Board along the lines of the terms and conditions outline in the report.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Mayor Euille said he had an opportunity to attend a trip to Tawain at the invitation of the Tawain government and was one of ten mayors and county administrators from across the country who attended. He noted that it was very enlightening to see a democracy at work in a country of 23 million people. Mayor Euille said they met with federal governments officials, the presidents cabinet, as well as several mayors.

(b) Mayor Euille said the City had a successful arts festival this past weekend. He said vendors said their sales doubled from a year ago.

(c) Councilwoman Pepper said she was part of the March on Washington and it was

a wonderful experience and was pleased to be a part of it. She said the connections with Metrorail and DASH were perfect and all were on time

(d) Councilwoman Pepper said she had occasion to fly out of Washington, D.C. and had to take cabs to get there. She said the taxocab credit card ordinance was operative as of September 1, and she took a cab going and back and both cabs had the appropriate mechanism to use credit cards.

(e) Councilwoman Pepper said she was very disturbed to look out her living room window to see huge gusts of smoke from a fire, and it turned out it was the warehouse in the 800 block of S. Pickett Street. She said cheers go to all the firefighters who worked on putting the fire out. She said that at the same time, the City had a water main break and it took maneuvering to get the right amount of water to the building.

Fire Chief Thiel gave an update on the fire and the investigation into the fire, which was concluded to be incendiary in nature.

City Manager Young noted that they met with Virginia American Water yesterday to get an understanding of the frequency of the breaks from their perspective. They indicated that they have a significant amount of investment in the repair and maintenance but they are not where they would like to be. He said Virginia American Water would like to be on a 100-year replacement cycle but are on a 300-year replacement cycle. Mr. Young said they indicated that relative to other systems, the frequency of water main breaks in Alexandria is below the norm and the system operates pretty well.

Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, said Virginia American Water will be sending a report within the next two weeks, which will be provided to Council.

(f) Councilmember Lovain spoke of the Children and Youth Master Plan, which has been in progress for a long time. He said that tomorrow night, the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission will consider the draft plan, and they have had community forums and has had lots of research and discussions with stakeholders. The draft, which will be approved by the Commission tomorrow night, will go to the public for public hearings and review and will hopefully get to Council in December.

(g) Councilmember Lovain spoke of street lights, as Council received a letter over the summer by Dominion saying that they performed a one-time limited street light survey at their own expense and found numerous lights that were out. He said the letter said that under the contract with the Virginia Energy Purchasing Governmental Association, the cities and municipalities have responsibility for reporting of outages. He said he was wondering if the City could do something to make it a better system by having a hotline or to have a place on the website.

(h) Councilman Chapman said that on September 25, the Eisenhower Avenue Partnership will have a breakfast with the City Manager talking about the future of what is coming to the Eisenhower Valley.

(i) Councilman Chapman said one of the newly formed City programs - a Space of His Own - which is the male version of a Space of Her Own - is looking for male mentors. He said if anyone is interested, they should contact him.

(j) Councilman Chapman said that on September 22, the Untouchables will celebrate

their 25th anniversary and the group has been a grass roots group that has worked with mainly African-American boys starting at age 5-6 until college age.

(k) Vice Mayor Silberberg said that tomorrow is the anniversary of September 11 and the City will have an event to commemorate the anniversary at 10:00 a.m. on Market Square. She said not a day goes by that they don't think of those who perished on 9-11 or those who have served and sacrificed since then.

(l) Vice Mayor Silberberg said Council attended the dedication/ribbon cutting of the ice well restoration next to Gadsby's Tavern and she encouraged residents to see it.

(m) Vice Mayor Silberberg said that on July 13, the City celebrated its birthday and it had a beautiful concert by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra.

(n) Councilman Wilson said that in light of the Chinquapin closure, they have extended the summer season at Old Towne Pool. He said he had the opportunity to go on Sunday for a few hours and it was very well attended. He said that three or four people came up to him to thank the City for doing that. He passed on thanks to the Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities Department for being creative and figuring out a way to keep the pool open a little longer.

(o) Councilman Wilson said he serves on the Long-Range Educational Facilities Planning Work Program and this summer they have been very busy. He said the three most immediate deliverables is later in the Fall they will finalize the enrollment forecasts and will be using the numbers the schools have on October 1.

(p) Councilman Wilson said he also serves on the City Schools Work Group and they will be meeting later in the month. Clearly it has not been a quiet summer in the schools with the leadership change that has occurred. He said there is are very strong opinions and emotions about the decision of the School Board in the community, and they need to work together to define that direction in the future. He said the Work Group will be receiving an update on the shared services matrix this month.

(q) Councilman Smedberg said he has been busy this summer with things that will be coming back later with more updates and thorough reports. He said the Taxi Cab Task Force, the Pension Work Group, NVTA, NVTC and VRE will all be coming back with more thorough reports soon.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

28 [14-1799](#) Combined Sewer System Permit Report.

City Council received the report.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

29 [14-1714](#) Consideration of a Resolution in Support of Virginia's Day to Serve.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution in support of Virginia's Day to Serve. (RES. NO. 2572)

30 [14-1715](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Establish as a Position of the City Council of

the City of Alexandria, Virginia, to Support an Amendment to Reverse Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission, That Corporations Should Not Receive the Same Legal Rights as Natural Persons, That Money is Not Speech, and that Political Expenditures Can Be Regulated. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution to establish as a position of the City Council to support an amendment to reverse Citizens v. Federal Election Commission, that corporations should not receive the same legal rights as natural persons, that money is not speech, and that political expenditures can be regulated. (RES. NO. 2573)

31 [14-1710](#)

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds by the Industrial Development Authority for Volunteers of America.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds by the Industrial Development Authority for Volunteers of America. (RES. NO. 2574)

32 [14-1796](#)

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Implement the Utility Tax Rate Increases Included in the FY 2014 Approved Budget.

City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 21, 2013.

33 [14-1753](#)

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Sell City Property at 200 North Royal Street.

City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 21, 2013.

34 [14-1747](#)

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement 106 of the City Code.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the ordinance to Adopt Supplement 106 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 4824)

35 [14-1780](#)

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Zoning Supplement Number 59.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the ordinance to Adopt Zoning Supplement Number 59. (ORD. NO. 4825)

OTHER

36 [14-1785](#)

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council approved the Council calendar which includes the schedule of City Council legislative meetings and public hearings for September 2013 through June 2014; and noted that the Potomac Yard Park Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony has been scheduled for Saturday, November 16, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.

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The meeting adjourned at 9:55 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.