

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

City Council Legislative Meeting

The February 27, 2024 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of the City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through a video conference call on Zoom webinar. The meeting can be accessed by government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom by the following link:

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I. OPENING MATTERS

1. Calling the Roll

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the City Clerk called the meeting to the roll. All members of City Council were present.

2. Electronic Participation Resolution (if needed)

3. Closed Session (if needed)

4. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

5. [24-1819](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of March as Irish-American Heritage Month and Honoring St. Patrick's Day.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

II. Oral Reports from Members of Council on Boards, Commissions and Committees

***Council of Governments (COG) Transportation Planning Board (TPB)
(Councilman Aguirre)**

***Library Board (Councilman Aguirre)**

***Waterfront Commission (Councilmember Bagley)**

***Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Councilmember Bagley)**

***Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP) (Councilmember Bagley and Councilman Aguirre)**

***Transportation Commission (Councilman McPike)**

City Council gave the reports.

Oral Report from the City Manager

6. [24-1820](#) Potomac Yard Entertainment District Update.

City Manager Parajon, Stephanie Landrum, CEO, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership, and Ms. Kendel Taylor, Finance/Acting Deputy City Manager, gave an update presentation on the Potomac Yard Entertainment District and responded to questions from City Council.

III. ACTION DOCKET**Regular Consent Calendar (7-10)**

7. [24-1798](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the National Park Service for the Semiquincentennial Grant Program.
8. [24-1802](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for the Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success for Communities, Local Governments, Universities, Colleges, and Tribes/Tribal Organizations.
9. [24-1803](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Department of Criminal Justice Services for the Victims of Crime Act Victim Services Grant Program.
10. [24-1833](#) Consideration of Authorization to the City Manager to Enter into a Support Agreement in Connection with a Loan to be Obtained by the Industrial Development Authority for Certain Economic Development Activities.

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception on item #10, which was considered under separate motion. The approval was as follows:

7. City Council: (1) approved the submission of the grant application; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents to apply for, accept, and implement the grant, if awarded.

8. City Council: (1) authorized the application and potential acceptance of the grant award for funding to DCHS in the amount of \$1,875,000 for the duration of five years with no match required to implement evidence-based substance use prevention and mental health promotion programming in the City of Alexandria; and (2) approve the following positions supported by grant revenues if the competitive request is successful: one Grant Coordinator (1 FTE) to oversee grant activities, one Training and Prevention Specialist (1 FTE) to provide implementation support for grant activities, one Human Services Specialist II (1 FTE) to deliver evidence-based prevention education curricula; and one part time Data Analyst (0.5 FTE) to support evaluation of grant activities; and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary

documents that may be required.

9. City Council: (1) authorized the grant application for competitive funding to DCJS for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 to 2027 in the amount of \$200,000 with twenty percent (20%) match requirement to enhance services for victims of intimate partner violence and sexual assault survivors residing in the City of Alexandria. The matching funds requirement will be met using in-kind volunteer hours from the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Program. Contingent on funding availability, awarded projects may receive continuation funding in State Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027; and (2) authorized the City manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

10. City Council: (1) authorized the City Manager to execute a support agreement, in substantial conference with the attachment to this memorandum, in connection with a loan to be obtained by the Industrial Development Authority for the purpose of financing the acquisition and build out of three commercial condominium units and activates the first designated arts space within the Old Town North Arts District; and (2) directed the City Manager to include for City Council consideration an appropriation equal to the amortization schedule as part of the annual budget and appropriation authorization process during the loan repayment period. (separate motion)

Roll-Call Consent Calendar (11-13)

11. [24-1801](#) Consideration of a Resolution for a Grant Application to the United States Department of Transportation for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity Grant Program. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
12. [24-1797](#) Consideration of a Resolution Requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation to Make Changes in the Lane Mileage Eligible for State Roadway Maintenance Payments. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
13. [24-1800](#) Consideration of Resolutions to Support Grant Applications for the Transportation Land-Use Connections Program and Regional Roadway Safety Program at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approvals were as follows:

11. City Council adopted the resolution to: (1) to support the submission of up to \$1,000,000 for a planning study on Seminary Road between Library Lane and North Beauregard Street; (2) authorize the City Manager to allocate \$250,000 in developer contributions from the City Capital Improvement Program for a 25% local match; and (3) authorize the City Manager to apply to the RAISE discretionary grant program and enter into any agreements with USDOT to accept and implement the grant. (RES. NO. 3210)

12. City Council adopted the resolution: (1) requesting that VDOT update the list of roadways in the City that are eligible to receive annual maintenance payments from the State; and (2) authorized the City Manager to forward the resolution to the Commissioner of Highways and VDOT, and enter into any necessary agreements, and receive the payments. (RES. NO. 3211)

13. City Council adopted the resolutions: (1) to support the submission of a grant application by March 8, 2024, for up to \$100,000 in Technical Assistance to perform

planning, outreach and conceptual design for corridor improvements on Edsall Road between South Pickett Street and the city boundary; (2) approved the resolution to support the submission of a grant application by March 8, 2024, for up to \$100,000 in Technical Assistance to study safety improvements on Seminary Road between North Beauregard Street , and City boundary; and (3) authorized the City Manger to apply to the Transportation Land-Use Connections Program (TLCP) AND Regional Roadway Safety program (RRSP) for Technical Assistance through MWCOG and enter into any agreements with MWCOG to accept and implement the grants. (RES NOS.3212 and 3213)

IV. ACTION MATTERS

Recommendations from the City Manager

- 14. [24-1751](#) Presentation of the Proposed Annual Operating Budget for FY 2025 (including Schools), the Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for FY 2025 to FY 2034 (including Schools CIP), and the Proposed Tax Rate Recommendations.

City Manager Parajon presented the proposed Annual Operating Budget for FY 2025 (including Schools), the Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for FY 2025 to FY 2034 (including Schools CIP), and the Proposed Tax Rate Recommendations to City Council.

Resolutions

None.

Ordinances

None.

V. Other Business

15. Oral Reports and Oral Presentations from Members of City Council

- 16. [24-1788](#) Consideration of City Council Calendar.

City Council received and approved the FY2024 City Council Schedule.

17. Closed Session (if needed)

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

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 of Council decisions made at the meeting.