

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Saturday, October 14, 2023

9:30 AM

City Council Public Hearing

The October 14, 2023 Public Hearing Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through 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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Meeting Agenda and Live Webcast

The meeting will be webcast live and video and audio recordings will be available a few days after the meeting.

Zoom Registration Form

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Speaker's Form

<https://survey.alexandriava.gov/s3/2020-VIRTUAL-City-Council-Speakers-Form>

Those wishing to address Council should submit a Speaker's Form (see above).

Submission of written statements is encouraged. Please sign up after the docket is created and posted and you are able to verify the meeting date on the City's website.

If the docket is not posted, you will have to return at a later date to complete the speaker's form in order to speak at a Council meeting.

Public Comment will be received at this meeting.

All persons wishing to speak before City Council must complete a Speaker's Form. If you have prepared statement or a written comments for the record you may email it to the City Clerk at CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov.

Speakers are encouraged to submit their written comments to the City Clerk.

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*****TAKE NOTICE: City Council will take a lunch break in the middle of the docket at a reasonable time when the agenda allows for a break.*****

I. OPENING

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present, with Councilman Aguirre attending the meeting via Zoom webinar.

2. Electronic Participation Resolution - Councilman Aguirre

City council adopted the resolution regarding electronic participation. (RES. NO. 3188)

[24-1526](#)

After item

3. Public Discussion Period

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

- 1. Brian Kelley, Alexandria, representing the Commission for the Arts, requested an*

increase in the budget for funding for Arts Grants.

2. Dawn Rogala, Alexandria, spoke about the need for an increase in the budget for funding for Arts Grants.

3. Janice Grenadier, Alexandria, spoke about corruption in the judicial system.

4. Stanley Quick, Alexandria, spoke about the need for an increase in the budget for funding for Arts Grants.

[This period is a public comment period on items not listed on the agenda. The first 15 speakers will speak at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

**4. Public Hearing Period for Zoning for Housing - Housing for All
(Under "Nature of Your Interest," please indicate Zoning for Housing)**

The following persons participated in the public hearing for Zoning for Housing:

1. Zack DesJardins, Alexandria, spoke about the need for many types of solutions to address the housing needs in the City.

2. Sylvia Alimena, Alexandria, spoke against the changes to the zoning code as it relates to housing in the City.

3. Dane Lauritzen, Alexandria, spoke in support of the changes to the zoning code as it relates to housing in the City.

II. ACTION ITEMS

Planning Commission

Consent Calendar (5-6)

5. [24-1487](#) Special Use Permit #2023-00065
1303 King Street - Galactic Panther
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for live entertainment;
zoned: KR/King Street Urban Retail.
Applicant: Erik Muendel
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 7-0
6. [24-1489](#) Development Special Use Permit #2023-10006
801 S. Payne Street - Alexandria Fire Department Burn Building
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Development Special Use
Permit with site plan for the demolition and reconstruction of a non-habitable burn
building, including a Special Use Permit for expansion of a noncomplying use; a
Special Use Permit for a building taller than 30 feet; and modifications to the crown
coverage requirements; zoned: UT/Utility and Transportation

Applicant: City of Alexandria, represented by Noah Bergman, of Wiley|Wilson on behalf of the Department of General Services

Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 7-0

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

5. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

6. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

III. Roll-Call Consent Calendar (7-8)

7. [24-1482](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to remove Section 31 (PANHANDLING) of Chapter 1 (GENERAL OFFENSES) of Title 13 (Miscellaneous OFFENSES). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
8. [24-1483](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 2-2-10 (establishment of election districts and voting places) by amending Subsections (a) and (n) and adding Subsections (ee) and (ff), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, to amend and reordain Section 12-1-4 (Election of school board members; date and manner of election), all of Chapter 1 (SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL BOARD), Title 12 (EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELFARE) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, and to amend and reordain "The Official Map of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, Designating Election Districts and Voting Places," adopted by Section 2-2-13 (MAP OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar, with the exception on item #7, which was considered under separate motion. The approvals were as follows:

7. City Council adopted an ordinance to remove Section 31 (PANHANDLING) of Chapter 1 (GENERAL OFFENSES) of Title 13 Miscellaneous OFFENSES). (ORD. NO. 5507) (separate motion)

8. City Council adopted an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-2-10 (Establishment of election districts and voting places) by amending Subsections (a) and (n) and adding Subsections (ee) and (ff), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, to amend and reordain Section 12-1-4 (Election of school board members; date and manner of election), all of Chapter 1 (SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL BOARD), Title 12 (EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELFARE) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, and to amend and reordain, "The Official Map of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, Designating Election Districts and Voting Places," adopted by Section 2-2-13 (MAP OF ELECTIONS DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

(ORD. NO. 5508)

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Reports and Recommendations from the City Manager

9. [24-1481](#) Public Hearing and Consideration of a First Amendment to a Five-Year License Agreement dated April 1, 2019, between the City of Alexandria, Virginia and Cox Virginia Telecom to Permit Cox to construct and install an additional 3,445 feet of conduit, fiber, and handholes in the City of Alexandria, Virginia's Public Rights-of-Ways.
- City Council: (1) closed the public hearing; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the Amendment with Cox and to take other actions that are necessary to implement the Amendment.*

V. Public Hearing Matters

10. [24-1488](#) Special Use Permit #2023-00057
103 East Del Ray Avenue
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Special Use Permit to construct a new single-family dwelling on a developed substandard lot with yard modifications and a parking reduction; zoned: R-2-5/Single and two-family.
Applicant: Deyi Awadallah
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 6-1
City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.
11. [24-1490](#) Special Use Permit #2023-00060
2000 Mount Vernon Avenue - Evening Star Cafe / Hi/Fi Tex-Mex BBQ
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for additional outdoor seating, expanded outdoor dining hours, outdoor live entertainment, and a temporary trailer at an existing restaurant (amending SUP2012-00054); zoned: CL/Commercial Low.
Applicant: Majestic Grill, Inc., represented by M. Catharine Puskar, Attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 6-1
City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation with an amendment to Condition #23 stating, "The applicant shall control cooking odors, smoke, and any other air pollution from operations at the site and prevent them from becoming a nuisance to neighboring properties as determined by the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services. In order to mitigate impacts of smoke and odor from the smoker and prevent them from being a nuisance to neighboring properties, the applicant shall (1) relocate the smoker away from the western property line to be adjacent to the building stairwell; (2) extend the exhaust pipe up and above the main roof line of the building with the top of the exhaust pipe oriented toward Mt. Vernon Avenue; and (3) install a fan on the roof to dilute and further disperse the smoke. At the six month check-in, the performance of this equipment will be evaluated against

the standard expressed in this condition. If necessary to meet this condition, adjustments to this equipment, or additional equipment, may be requirement.

VI. Ordinances and Resolutions

None.

VII. Closed Session

12. [24-1506](#)

Consideration of a closed executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council convened in closed executive session at 11:40 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter, specifically, interviews of candidates for the position of City Attorney, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of the Virginia.

City Council reconvened in open session at 2:01 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 3189)

VIII. ADJOURN.

The meeting adjourned at 2:02 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.