

**City of Alexandria  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, September 10, 2024 6:15 PM  
City Council Legislative Meeting**

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PRESENT: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Amy B. Jackson, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, Sarah R. Bagley, John Taylor Chapman, Alyia Gaskins, and R. Kirk McPike.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Parajon, City Manager; Ms. Cordell Ivery, City Attorney; Ms. Dawson, Director, Libraries; Mr. Lamber, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Bulova, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria; Mr. Browand, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Mr. Spengler, Director, RPCA; Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, RPCA; Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing; Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Mr. Gonzales, Office of Housing; Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Demeke, ITS, and Police Lt. May.

RECORDED BY: Gloria Sitton, City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

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**I. OPENING MATTERS**

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present, with Councilmember Bagley attending the meeting virtually.

2. Approval of Electronic Participation Resolution by Members of City Council. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilman Aguirre and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the electronic participation resolution. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

**RES. NO. 3241**

**Resolution Regarding Electronic Participation by a Member of City Council**

**WHEREAS**, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2 provides that an individual member of a public body may fully participate in meetings electronically if any such member meets the criteria of the code and the public body has adopted an Electronic Meeting Policy; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council adopted an Electronic Participation Policy on June 22, 2021 as Resolution No. 3011; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council Member Sarah Bagley notified the Mayor and the Clerk that he is unavailable to be physically present for September 10, 2024, City Council Legislative Meeting due to a medical matter, specifically personal illness; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council Member has not participated in more than two or 25% of City Council Meetings by electronic means during this calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council Member will participate in the City Council Meeting by Zoom Video Conference Call from Alexandria, Virginia, and arrangements have been made to ensure the member shall be heard by all participants at the City Council Meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, a quorum of the City Council is physically assembled in person.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:**

That pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3708 and the City Council's Electronic Meeting Policy Resolution 3011, City Council Member Sarah Bagley will participate remotely in this meeting by video conference call.

**Closed Session.**

3. Consideration of a closed session to discuss reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, buildings or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building, or structure. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously by City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:16 p.m., pursuant to Virginia Code section 2.2-3711(A)(19), to discuss plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity or specific cybersecurity threats or vulnerabilities to include briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to respond to such matters or a related threat to public safety; a discussion of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision (2) or (14) of section 2.2-3705.2, where discussion in an open meeting would jeopardize the safety of any person or the security of a facility, building, structure, information technology system, or software program; or discussion of reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building, or structure or the safety of persons using such facility, building, or structure. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:03 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session that was previously circulated to the Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 3242**

**WHEREAS**, the Alexandria City Council has this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024 recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the city council that such executive session was conducted in accordance with Virginia law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the city council does hereby certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters that were identified in the motion by which the executive session was convened, and that are lawfully exempted by the Freedom of Information Act from the Act's open meeting requirements, were heard, discussed or considered by council during the executive session.

4. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

5. Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes from the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2024;  
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2024;  
The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2024; and  
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of July 2, 2024.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilman Aguirre and carried unanimously, City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of June 11, 2024; the public hearing meeting minutes of June 15, 2024; the regular meeting minutes of June 25, 2024; and the public hearing meeting minutes of July 2, 2024. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins,

and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

## **II. PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

6. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Alexandria Little League Winning the 2024 Virginia State Championship.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

7. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing September 14, 2024 as Alexandria Library Black Family Reunion Day.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

8. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the 15th Anniversary of Move2Learn.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Gaskins, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

9. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the Torpedo Factory Art Center's 50th Anniversary.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

## **III. Oral Reports from Members of Council on Boards, Commissions, and Committees**

### **\*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Councilman Aguirre and Councilmember Bagley)**

Councilman Aguirre reported that there was celebration of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Commission with a video presentation of the Commission over the years. Councilmember Bagley noted that the video presentation is available to the public to view online on the website and YouTube.

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

Councilmember Bagley reported that VPRRA has purchased the Manassas line from Norfolk Southern to facilitate some improvements for system. Councilmember Bagley reported that there were updates with the station enhancements at the Alexandria station, including the elimination of the at-grade crossing, improvements to the boarding area for passengers, and replacement of the bridge at King and Commonwealth.

**\*Council of Governments (COG) - Climate Energy and Environmental Policy Committee (CEEPC) (Councilmember Bagley)**

Councilmember Bagley reported that the Committee received updates from the committees and awards campaign held every year for environmental work throughout the region by localities and organizations and the awards will be presented in October. Councilmember Bagley reported that there was a presentation about food waste messaging and reminded everyone that Alexandria has composting available at local farmers' markets. Councilmember Bagley reported that there was an update on regional tree canopy and the development of regional action plan for the 50% goal.

**\*Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (Councilman Chapman)**

Councilman Chapman reported that AEDP released its annual report and to celebrate its accomplishments over the past 18 months and was celebrated at an event at the new home of the Art League. Councilman Chapman noted that the Art League is the first official tenant in the Old Town North Arts District. Councilman Chapman noted that the report highlighted the launch of the Small Business/Entrepreneurship program and the pursuit of the entertainment/sports district in Potomac Yard. Councilman Chapman reported that AEDP hosted the Northern Virginia Tech Showcase as part of the Select USA Program to showcase Virginia's tech value to foreign businesses and affiliates. Councilman Chapman reported that the grand opening of the Hotel Heron on Prince Street over the summer. Councilman Chapman reported that AEDP will be hosting a series of small business workshops in the fall.

**\*Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) (Councilman Chapman and Councilwoman Gaskins)**

Councilman Chapman reported that the Commission is looking at how a local jurisdiction in Prince William County has been able to develop units of housing on their school sites for teachers and sworn staff for the last years and how to make it a regional model for other localities to develop the same.

**\*ARHA Redevelopment Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**

Mayor Wilson reported that ARHA has selected a new CEO, Erik Johnson, to serve as leadership for the Authority.

**IV. Oral Report from the City Manager**

Mr. McPike gave an update on the start of the City Hall renovation project and announced the community engagement to give input of the upcoming renovations for the building.

**V. ACTION DOCKET**

**Regular Consent Calendar (10-17)**

10. Receipt of the following resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
  - (a) Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA)  
Tracy Jefferson
  - (b) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee  
Elodie Guillon  
Kyly Larriviere
  - (c) Citizen Corps Council  
Jerry McAndrews
  - (d) Commission for the Arts  
Hosai Rasuli
  - (e) Commission for Women  
Crystal Kramer  
Nia Miller
  - (f) Commission on HIV/AIDS  
Rachael Jacobson  
Mitchel Kent
  - (g) Commission on Persons with Disabilities  
Zacharias Hart
  - (h) Economic Opportunities Commission  
L'Allegro Smith
  - (i) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors  
Sarah Taylor
  
11. Uncontested Appointments for Boards and Commissions
  - (a) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force - 3-year term  
1 business community representative

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 10; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 1 at-large youth member
- (b) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee - 2-year term  
1 citizen member
- (c) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee - 2-year term  
1 member-at-large
- (d) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission - 3-year term  
1 ACPS high school student (one-year term)
- (e) Citizen Corps Council - 3-year term  
1 member in good standing of the CERT program
- (f) Commission for the Arts - 3-year term  
1 ACPS high school student
- (g) Commission on Aging - 3-year term  
1 Commission for Women representative
- (h) Commission on Persons with Disabilities - 2-year term  
1 citizen member
- (i) Community Criminal Justice Board - 2-year term  
1 citizen member
- (j) Environmental Policy Commission - 2-year term  
1 field of environmental science member  
field of urban planning member, due to an expiring term.
- (k) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee - 2-year term  
1 American Legion representative
- (l) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission - 2-year term  
1 Planning District I representative  
1 Historic Houses of Worship representative
- (m) Industrial Development Authority - 4-year term  
1 citizen member
- (n) Park and Recreation Commission - 3-year term  
1 member from among the high school youth of the city
- (o) Planning Commission - 4-year term  
1 citizen member
- (p) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee - 2-year term

1 member representing the Potomac West area

- (q) Sister Cities Committee - 2-year term  
3 citizen members
- (r) Social Services Advisory Board - 3-year term  
1 citizen member
- (s) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors - 3 year-term  
1 Historic/Preservation Representative  
1 Retail Owner/Manager Representative  
1 Attraction Representative  
1 City Manager or designee

(A copy of the above appointments is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 11 (a-s); 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Consideration of Receipt of City Council Closed Meetings Report for FY2023 to FY 2024.

(A copy of the City Clerk's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 12; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Historic Resources for the Virginia 250 Preservation Fund Grant Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 13; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

14. Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Museum of History and Culture for the Commonwealth History Fund Grant Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 14; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

15. Consideration of a Grant Application to the 2024 Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF).

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 15; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

16. Consideration of a Lease Agreement Between the City and Jeffrey L. Yates, TR for Use of Public Right-of-Way Adjacent to 1050 North Fayette Street.



(A copy of the City Manager’s memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 16; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

17. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to vacate 8,621 square feet of reserved right-of-way located at the southeast corner of lot 500 adjacent to the intersection of Clermont and Eisenhower Avenues (VAC No. 2024-00004) (Implementation Ordinance for Vacation No. 2024-00004 associated with 4601 Eisenhower Avenue approved by City Council on July 2, 2024).

(A copy of the City Manager’s memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 17; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the consent calendar. The approvals were as follows:

10. City Council received the following resignations for boards, commissions, and committees with regret: (a) Tracy Jefferson, Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority; (b) Elodie Guillon and Kyly Larriviere, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (c) Jerry McAndrews, Citizen Corps Council; (d) Hosai Rasuli, Commission for the Arts; (e) Crystal Kramer and Nia Miller, Commission for Women; (f) Rachael Jacobson and Mitchell Kent, Commission on HIV/AIDS; (g) Zacharias Hart, Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (h) L'Allegro Smith, Economic Opportunities Commission; and (i) Sarah Taylor, Visit Alexandria Board of Governors.

11. City Council appointed the following persons to City boards, commissions and committees: (a) reappointed Jim Dillon as the business community representative and appointed Kurt Campos as the at-large youth member to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (b) appointed Kimberly Pena as the citizen member to Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (c) appointed Kayleigh Creswell as the member at-large to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee; (d) appointed Isabel Schultz as the ACPS high school student to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (e) appointed Beth Mahar as the member in good standing of the CERT program to the Citizen Corps Council; (f) appointed Jillian Organek as the ACPS high school student to the Commission for the Arts; (g) reappointed Jennifer Stowe as the Commission for Women representative to the Commission on Aging; (h) reappointed to Rachel Dixon as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (i) appointed Cecelia Hunter as the citizen member to the Community Criminal Justice Board; (j) reappointed Dan Beattie as the field of environmental science member and reappointed Benjamin Cuddy as the field of urban planning member to the Environmental Policy Commission; (k) reappointed Carol Ann Myers as the American Legion representative to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (l) reappointed Donna DeBlasio as the Planning District I representative and appointed Corinne Marasco as the Historic Houses of Worship representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (m) appointed Lisa Edouard as the citizen member to the Industrial Development Authority; (n) appointed Jacques Lecoq as the member from among the high school youth of the city to the Park and Recreation

Commission; (o) reappointed Vivian Ramirez as the citizen member to the Planning Commission; (p) appointed Sonia Herman as the member representing the Potomac West area to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; (q) appointed Alejandro Perez-Reyes, Elisabeth Poppen, and Carter Rice as the three citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee; (r) reappointed Abby Curran Horrell as the citizen member to the Social Services Advisory Board; (s) and appointed Julie Almacny as the historic/preservation representative, appointed Katya Ananieva as the retail owner/manager representative, appointed Tobias Arff as the hotel representative, appointed Chad Barth as the attraction representative and appointed Emily Baker as the City Manager designee to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors.

12. City Council received the report on City Council Closed Meetings.

13. City Council: (1) approved 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.

14. City Council: (1) approved submission of the grant application; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

15. City Council: (1) approved the competitive Rescue Squad Assistance Fund grant application for funding up to \$70,300, due September 16, 2024, to the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS); and authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.

16. City Council received the report and set the lease agreement for public hearing on Saturday, September 14, 2024.

17. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 14, 2024.

The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

## **VI. ACTION MATTERS**

Contested Appointments of Boards, Commissions, and Committees

18. Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority - 4-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Rizwan Chaudry  
Bradley Duncan

Kevin Jackson, Jr.

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 18; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Bradley Duncan as the citizen member to the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Duncan
Jackson	-	Duncan
Aguirre	-	Duncan
Bagley	-	Duncan
Chapman	-	Duncan
Gaskins	-	Duncan
McPike	-	Duncan

19. Beautification Commission - 3-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Russell Bailey  
Susan Berry  
Saundra Freedman  
Kelsey Pramik

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 19; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Russell Bailey as the citizen member to the Beautification Commission. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Bailey
Jackson	-	Bailey
Aguirre	-	Bailey
Bagley	-	Bailey
Chapman	-	Bailey
Gaskins	-	Bailey
McPike	-	Bailey

20. Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee - 2-year term

1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Gregory Cox  
John Houston, V  
Brendan Jones  
Anna Saez  
Kristine Slayden

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 20; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Kristine Slayden as the citizen member to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Slayden
Jackson	-	Slayden
Aguirre	-	Saez
Bagley	-	Slayden
Chapman	-	Slayden
Gaskins	-	Slayden
McPike	-	Slayden

21. Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission - 3-year term  
1 young adult

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Daiel Daponte  
Laura Funes Quinones  
Maloreigh Todd

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 21; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Laura Funes Quinones as the young adult member to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission. The vote was as follows:

Wilson - Quinones  
Jackson - Quinones  
Aguirre - Quinones  
Bagley - Quinones  
Chapman - Quinones  
Gaskins - Quinones  
McPike - Quinones

22. Citizen Corps Council - 3-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Rachel Mann  
Shannon McDaniel

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 22; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Rachel Mann as the citizen member to the Citizen Corps Council. The vote was as follows:

Wilson - Mann  
Jackson - McDaniel  
Aguirre - Mann  
Bagley - Mann  
Chapman - Mann  
Gaskins - Mann  
McPike - Mann

23. Commission for Women - 3-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Allison Heiser  
Nichelle Johnson Billips

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 23; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Nichelle Johnson Billips as the citizen member to the Commission for Women. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Billips
Jackson	-	Billips
Aguirre	-	Billips
Bagley	-	Billips
Chapman	-	Billips
Gaskins	-	Billips
McPike	-	Heiser

24. Commission on Employment - 2-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Patrick Edwards  
Andrew McCarthy-Clark

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 24; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council reappointed Patrick Edwards to the citizen member to the Commission on Employment. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Edwards
Jackson	-	Edwards
Aguirre	-	Edwards
Bagley	-	Edwards
Chapman	-	Edwards
Gaskins	-	Edwards
McPike	-	Edwards

25. Commission on Information Technology - 3-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Steve Davidson

Daniel Green  
Nick Resse  
Jules Tamegue

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council reappointed Steve Davidson as the citizen member to the Commission on Information Technology. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Davidson
Jackson	-	Davidson
Aguirre	-	Davidson
Bagley	-	Davidson
Chapman	-	Davidson
Gaskins	-	Davidson
McPike	-	Davidson

26. George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee - 3-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Hunter Huang Dai Ihrman  
Stephen Konya

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 26; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council reappointed Stephan Konya as the citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Konya
Jackson	-	Konya
Aguirre	-	Konya
Bagley	-	Konya
Chapman	-	Konya
Gaskins	-	Konya
McPike	-	Konya

27. Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission - 4-year term  
1 citizen member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME:

Mary Lou Egan  
Norma Rosado-Blake

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 27; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Mary Lou Egan as the citizen member to the Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Egan
Jackson	-	Egan
Aguirre	-	Egan
Bagley	-	Egan
Chapman	-	Egan
Gaskins	-	Egan
McPike	-	Egan

## VII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

28. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Revenue Bonds by the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) for Housing Alexandria's Sanse Project in Arlandria. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 28; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilman Aguirre and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution for bond financings totaling \$10 million to support construction of two phases of Housing Alexandria's (HALX) Sanse Apartments Projection that will provide 328 affordable rental units. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskin, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

### RES. NO. 3243

**WHEREAS**, the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (the "Authority") has considered the applications of (i) GMV 4A, LLC, a Virginia limited liability company and an affiliate of Alexandria Housing Development Corporation, doing business as Housing Alexandria, requesting the issuance of the Authority's revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 (the "4A Bonds") to assist GMV 4A, LLC or another entity affiliated with and



controlled by or under common control therewith (the “4A Borrower”) in (a) financing and refinancing certain of the costs of the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of an approximately 130-unit multifamily residential rental housing tower and 78 parking spaces located in the City of Alexandria, Virginia on approximately 2.5 acres of land at 221 W. Glebe Road (the “4A Project”) and (b) financing costs of issuance, the funding of any required reserves and other financeable expenditures, and (ii) GMV 4B, LLC, a Virginia limited liability company and an affiliate of Alexandria Housing Development Corporation, doing business as Housing Alexandria, requesting the issuance of the Authority’s revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 (the “4B Bonds,” and, together with the 4A Bonds, the “Bonds”) to assist GMV 4B, LLC or another entity affiliated with and controlled by or under common control therewith (the “4B Borrower,” and, together with the 4A Borrower, the “Borrowers”), in (a) financing and refinancing certain of the costs of the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of an approximately 210-unit multifamily residential rental housing tower and 126 parking spaces located in the City of Alexandria, Virginia on approximately 2.5 acres of land at 221 W. Glebe Road (the “4B Project,” and, together with the 4A Project, the “Projects”) and (b) financing costs of issuance, the funding of any required reserves and other financeable expenditures, and the Authority has held public hearings on the Bonds and the Projects on July 22, 2024 (the “Public Hearings”);

**WHEREAS**, Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), provides that the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the issuer of private activity bonds and over the area in which any facility financed with the proceeds of private activity bonds is located must approve the issuance of the bonds;

**WHEREAS**, the Authority issues its bonds on behalf of the City of Alexandria, Virginia (the “City”), the Projects are located in the City and the City Council (the “Council”) constitutes the highest elected governmental unit of the City;

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has recommended that the Council approve the issuances of the Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of the Authority’s resolutions approving the issuances of the Bonds, subject to the terms to be agreed upon, and a certificate of the Public Hearings have been filed with the Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

1. On its regularly scheduled legislative meeting on September 10, 2024, pursuant to a roll call vote, City Council approves the issuances of the Bonds by the Authority for the benefit of the Borrowers, as required by Section 147(f) of the Code and Section 15.2-4906 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended (the "Virginia Code"), as applicable to the Virginia housing authorities, to permit the Authority to assist in the financing of the Projects.

2. Approvals of the issuances of the Bonds do not constitute endorsements to any prospective purchaser of the Bonds of the creditworthiness of the Projects or the Borrowers. The issuances of revenue bonds as requested by the Borrowers will not constitute debts or pledges of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Virginia or the City and neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the Commonwealth of Virginia or any political subdivision thereof, including the City, will be pledged to the payments of such Bonds. Neither the City nor the Authority shall be obligated to pay the Bonds or the interest thereon or other costs incident thereto except for the revenues and money pledged therefor.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

**29. Oral Reports and Oral Presentations from Members City Council**

1. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that she and other members attended the Fairfax Resolves 250 Anniversary Event held at Carlyle House.

2. Vice Mayor Jackson reminded everyone to schedule their COVID booster shots, Flu shots and Shingles vaccines.

3. Councilman Aguirre thanked the Alexandria Police Department and everyone involved in the recent National Night Out events across the City.

4. Councilman Aguirre reported that he recently attended a conference in New York City that explored different immigration policies being implemented around the country.

5. Councilman Aguirre reported that he attended the Youth Leadership Program held in the City and noted that the program highlighted youth opportunities in the City.

6. Councilman Aguirre congratulated the Place One Condominiums on celebrating their 50th anniversary.

7. Councilman Aguirre reported that he and Councilmember Bagley judged a tomato growing competition at the Chinquapin Community Gardens.

8. Councilman Aguirre thanked the Chesapeake Bay Foundation for the programming and clean-up efforts along the Potomac.

9. Councilman Aguirre reported that there is an exhibit at the Alexandria Black History

Museum highlighting the life and work of Moss Kendrix.

10. Councilman Aguirre reported that the Council celebrated the City's centenarians this evening here at City Hall.

11. Councilman McPike reported that he and other members attended a dedication ceremony for the new scoreboard at the Kelly Cares Miracle Field.

12. Councilman McPike congratulated Cafe Aurora in the City's West End on celebrating their 20th Anniversary.

13. Mayor Wilson reported that he, members of staff and the City's bond counsel went to New York City to present to the rating agencies in advance of this year's bond issuance.

14. Mayor Wilson reported that he and Councilman Chapman issued a memo requesting that staff explore the possibility of expanding the street closure on King Street to the 200 block.

30. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 30; 09/10/24, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilman Aguirre and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) received the updated City Council schedule which includes: the City Council Budget Retreat scheduled for Saturday, November 23 at 9:00 a.m., location to be determined, the City Council Installation scheduled for Thursday, January 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, and the proposed FY 2026 Budget Schedule; and (2) approved the City Council Calendar from September 2024 through July 2025. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

31. Closed Session (if needed)

Not needed.

## **IX. ADJOURN**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Councilwoman Gaskins and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the regular legislative meeting of September 10, 2024 at 8:36 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

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**APPROVED BY:**

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**JUSTIN M. WILSON      MAYOR**

ATTEST:

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Gloria A. Sitton, CMC    City Clerk

Adopted: October 8, 2024