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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the Alexandria Transit Company (ATC) will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 6:45 pm. The meeting is being held in the Council Chambers (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of City Council, the ATC Board and staff are participating either in person or from a remote location through a video conference call on Zoom.

The meeting can be accessed by the public in the City Council chamber, through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom at the link provided for the City Council Meeting of the same date and time as posted on the City of Alexandria website.

# AGENDA

# Call to Order

# Item #1 - Chair's Welcome and Introductions

# **Item #2 – Slate of Directors**

The ATC Board consists of between nine and eleven Board members. There are currently eight members of the ATC Board of Directors; the Board Search Committee has recommended the addition of three new members.

At their February 14, 2024, meeting, the current ATC Board voted to endorse the recommended new members from the search committee. Applications and resumes are included for your review. Some personally identifying information from their applications has been redacted for the privacy of the candidates.

The ATC Board of Directors presents the following slate of eight current members for reappointment and three nominees for consideration of appointment. The term served will be for one year which expires upon the Annual Stockholders' Meeting each year in accordance with the By-Laws of the Corporation.

- David Kaplan
- Stephen Klejst
- Matt Harris
- Ajashu Thomas
- Jesse O'Connell
- Kursten Phelps (New)
- Praveen Kathpal (New)
- Arish Gajjar (New)
- Arthur Wicks (City Manager Designee)
- Kendel Taylor (City Finance Designee)
- Hillary Orr (City T&ES designee)

#### Item #3 – Proposed Amendment to the By-Laws of the Alexandria Transit Company

#### Article I, Section 1

Annual Meeting: The annual meeting of the stockholders of the corporation shall be held in February on a date in the first three months of each calendar year of each year on a day as determined by the Chairperson of the Board of Directors in consultation with the City Manager of the City of Alexandria. (Amended 1/8/85)

# Item #4 – Outside Auditor

#### Consideration of Approval:

By agreement with the City of Alexandria, ATC accounts are maintained by the City's Department of Finance and are audited as a part of the City's annual audit. If the City's outside auditor is also ATC's outside auditor, the ATC audit can be done without duplication of effort or cost. It is therefore recommended that the City's outside auditor be designated ATC's outside auditor.

Item #5 – Other Business

Item #6 – Consideration of Adjournment

David Kaplan Chair, ATC Board of Directors

Attachment: General Manager's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Highlights

DASH has continued to break all-time ridership records. Fiscal YTD DASH has experienced the highest monthly ridership in the history of the system. In October, 2023 DASH had the highest ridership in a single month in 40 years.

# **RIDERSHIP REVIEW**



DASH Monthly Ridership | Pre -Pandemic vs. YTD



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In Fiscal Year 2023 City Council provided supplemental funding for Line 30 weekday peak service improvements and weekend all-day service improvements. These improvements have already shown increases of 32%, 31%, and 41% for weekdays, Saturday's and Sundays respectively. Additionally Council funded Line 33 Sunday service improvements resulting in a 96% increase in average boardings for the first two months since implementation.





In Fiscal Year 2023 the DASH Board of Directors realigned Lines 34 and 36 in coordination with the opening of the new Potomac Yard Metrorail Station. The ridership impacts of these realignments are shown below:





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DASH is proud of the incredible positive impacts on our community, these successes are due to the continued investments by the City and the hard work of the DASH team supported by the Board of Directors. DASH continues to be the most affordable transit service for the City to fund costing 45% less per hour to operate than MetroBus.



The City and DASH have been working hard to continue improving bus stop accessibility throughout our service area. Much progress has been made yet there are still significant hurdles to overcome in order to ensure our riders have accessible, equitable, and safe access to our services.

# **BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS – PROGRESS TO DATE**

- Inventory of all DASH/WMATA bus stops completed- Late 2022
- Stop Improvement Priority Index Drafted
- 9 stops upgraded to ADA standards (Fall 2023)



EB Glebe Rd. & Mount Vernon Ave.



SB Park Center Dr. & Ford Ave.



WB Reed Ave & Commonwealth Ave.



# **BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS – UPCOMING EFFORTS**

- DASH/City Staff to finalize stop improvement priority index in FY24
- King Street Bus Improvement Plan recommendations in FY24 for better stop access and amenities in Old Town
- Improvements at Landmark and 12-15 other stops
  - Funded by FY24 & FY25 DRPT Transit Ridership Incentive Program (TRIP) grants
- Need to secure more consistent funding through CIP (and/or) grants for ongoing maintenance/improvement of bus stop accessibility and amenities



This year DASH celebrates 40 years of service to our community, we are proud of all that we have accomplished and look forward to continued advancements in our technologies and investments in our services to serve our community.

