

# City of Alexandria

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



## **Action Docket - Final**

**Saturday, September 23, 2023**

**9:30 AM**

**City Council Public Hearing**

The September 23, 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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Webinar Passcode: 004678

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**Links:**

**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**

If you wish to use Zoom to watch the meeting or to address Council, you must register first. Those wishing to address Council should also submit a Speaker's Form using the link below.

**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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**Las personas que requieran servicios de traducción deben comunicarse con el Secretario de la Ciudad y el Secretario del Consejo en gloria.sitton@alexandriava.gov o al 703.746.4550. Le solicitamos que proporcione un aviso de 48 horas para que se puedan hacer los arreglos necesarios. Por favor, especifique el idioma de traducción cuando realice la solicitud.**

**\*\*\*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 City Council were present with Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre and Councilman Chapman arriving after roll-call.*

**2. Electronic Participation Resolution (if needed)**

*Not needed.*

**3. PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**[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.]**

*The following persons participated in the public discussion period:*

- 1. Janice Grenadier, Alexandria, spoke about corruption with the court system.*

2. Boyd Walker, Alexandria, invited Council to a gallery opening honor former Delegate Marian Van Landingham at the Torpedo Factory Art Center and marker dedication honoring former Councilwoman Lois Walker at the King Street/Amtrak station. Mr. Walker also spoke at the ongoing discussion regarding the possible Old Town Business Improvement District.

**II. Public Hearing Period for Zoning For Housing -- Housing for All.  
(Please sign up using item #3 and under "Nature of your interest", please indicate Zoning for Housing)**

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

1. Dane Lauritzen, Alexandria, spoke in support of the proposed zoning changes.
2. Marsha Rhea, Alexandria, representing VOICE, spoke in support of the proposed zoning changes.
3. Alex Goyette, Alexandria, spoke in support of the proposed zoning changes.
4. Peter Sutherland, Alexandria, representing YIMBYS of Northern Virginia, spoke in support of the proposed zoning changes.

**III. ACTION ITEMS**

**Planning Commission**

**Consent Calendar (4)**

4. [24-1406](#) Special Use Permit #2023-00052  
800 and 820 Slaters Lane (Parcel address: 800 Slaters Lane) - The Art League  
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Special Use Permit for a private commercial school; zoned: RC/Residential Commercial. Applicant: Suzanne Bethel  
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 7-0

*City Council approved the consent calendar. The approval was as follows:*

4. *City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.*

**IV. Roll Call Consent Calendar (5-7)**

5. [24-1403](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance amending the Landmark Community Development Authority. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
6. [24-1404](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-21 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article B (ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES Commission) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia,

1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

7. [24-1405](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-31 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article C (HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA RESOURCES COMMISSION) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of 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. The approvals were as follows:*

*5. City Council adopted the Landmark CDA Amending ordinance and authorized the City Manager to execute an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") on behalf of the City, between the City, Landmark CDA, Industrial Development Authority of the City of Alexandria ("IDA"), Landmark Land Holdings, LLC, consistent with the Development and Financing Agreement ("Development Agreement"), laying out the updated improvement financing plan. (ORD. NO. 5504)*

*6. City Council adopted an ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 2-4-21 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article B (ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION) of Chapter 4 COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5505)*

*7. City Council adopted an ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 2-4-31 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article C (HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA RESOURCES COMMISSION) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5506)*

## V. OTHER BUSINESS

### Reports and Recommendations from the City Manager

8. [24-1402](#) Public Hearing, Consideration and Approval of Updates to the Special Events Policies and Procedures.

*City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the Special Events Policies and Procedures.*

### Public Hearing Matters

9. [24-1411](#) CASE BAR#2023-00235 OHAD  
Public Hearing and consideration of an appeal of the Board of Architectural Review's July 6, 2023, decision to deny a Certificate of Appropriateness at 720 King Street Old and Historic Alexandria District.

Applicant: Glynn Jones Salon

Appellant: Glynn Jones Salon

*City Council closed the public hearing and reversed the decision on the Board of*

*Architectural Review.*

10. [24-1407](#) Development Special Use Permit #2023-10004  
West End (Landmark) Open Spaces - 5801 Duke Street  
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Development Special Use Permit to construct the Central Plaza (Blocks F and N), Paseo (Block R), and Terrace Park (Block P), including two retail/restaurant pavilions with outdoor dining, a playground, seasonal ice-skating rink, sports courts, and areas for passive recreation; zoned CDD #29/Coordinated Development District #29. Applicant: Landmark Land Holdings, LLC, represented by Kenneth Wire, Attorney  
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 6-0  
*City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.*
11. [24-1408](#) Special Use Permit #2023-00011  
West End (Landmark) Comprehensive Sign Plan - 5801 Duke Street  
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Coordinated Sign Special Use Permit for a Comprehensive Sign Plan for Blocks D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, P, R, S, and public and private streets within the West End neighborhood; zoned CDD #29/Coordinated Development District #29.  
Applicant: Landmark Land Holdings, LLC, represented by Kenneth Wire, Attorney  
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 6-0  
*City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation, with an amendment to condition #3 stating:*  
  
*Applicants may request administrative approval of additional signage subject to the satisfaction of the Director of P&Z that the proposed signage design:*  
*a. Consistent with the Comprehensive Sign Plan, including the quality of materials, overall design, and scale.*  
  
*b. In response to the final building, open space, streetscape, or storefront design, or City Policy/Regulations not anticipated at the time of the original Comprehensive Sign Plan approval.*
12. [24-1409](#) Development Special Use Permit #2023-10008  
West End (Landmark) Blocks E & G Major Amendment- 5801 Duke Street  
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Development Special Use Permit to amend the Block E & G approval for three mixed-use buildings with 390 apartments, ground floor retail, and medical office space to have the option to infill the Block E ground floor courtyard by extending the adjacent commercial space, adding new rooftop open space, and other associated changes to the ground floor layout; (amending DSUP #2022-10017); zoned CDD #29/Coordinated Development District #29.  
Applicant: Landmark Land Holdings, LLC, represented by Kenneth Wire, Attorney  
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 6-0  
*City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.*

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

**None.**

**VI. CLOSED SESSION (if needed)**

*Not needed.*

**VII. ADJOURN.**

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*The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.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 of Council decisions made at the meeting.*