

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

City Council will hold a work session on the preliminary add/delete list discussion of the budget from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers.

City Council held a work session from 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. to discuss the preliminary add/delete list.

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Silberberg called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present.

2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

[18-7630](#)

The Special Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2018; and
The Special Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2018.

City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the special meeting minutes of March 12, 2018 and the special meeting minutes of March 14, 2018.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

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

***City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Silberberg and Vice Mayor Wilson)**

***Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)**

***Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Councilman Smedberg)**

***Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) (Councilman Smedberg)**

***Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Councilman Smedberg)**

***Sister Cities Committee (Councilman Chapman)**

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks reported that Dr. Eleanor Breen has been hired as the City's Archaeologist and is the third archaeologist for the City. Mr. Jinks reported that the City of Alexandria has been ranked #4 as a City with successful women, tied with San Francisco. Mr. Jinks reported that Governor Northam nominated four areas in the City as Opportunity Zones under the new Federal Tax laws. Mr. Jinks noted that the four areas are Arlandria, Landmark Mall and two areas in the Beauregard neighborhood and he pointed out that these new opportunity zones would allow investors to avoid capital gains taxes or to defer the taxes by investing in these areas.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)**CONSENT CALENDAR****(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)**

4. [18-7582](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Alcohol and Beverage Control Authority for Underage Drinking Prevention Initiatives Carried Out by the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Alexandria.
5. [18-7583](#) Consideration of an Application to the Virginia Department of Social Services' Domestic Violence Services for Underserved Populations Grant.
6. [18-7614](#) Consideration of the Appointment of a Management Representative Alternate to the City of Alexandria Supplemental Retirement Board and Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Board.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

4. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of an application to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control (VA ABC) Control Authority for funding in the amount of \$10,000 to be used to support underage drinking prevention initiatives for Alexandria youth; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

5. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of a grant application to Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) for one-time funding in the amount of \$59,824 to be used to provide core services and volunteer support for victims of domestic violence; (2) approved an increase of one grant funded, part-time Outreach Education Specialist (0.75 FTE); and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary document that may be required.

6. *City Council replaced Management Representative Alternate James Davis on the City of Alexandria Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Board and on the Supplemental Retirement Board with Sharon Vaughn Roach, Director, Center of Operations, at DCHS.*

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (60 min.)

7. [18-7607](#) Presentation of the 2017 Annual Report from First Night Alexandria
- City Council received the presentation of the 2017 Annual Report from First Night Alexandria.*
8. [18-7463](#) Adoption of the Combined Sewer System Long Term Control Plan Update.
- City Council took the following action related to the Long Term Control Plan Update (LTCPU) for the Combined Sewer System:*
(1) Approved the LTCPU with the Unified Tunnel Option (also referred to as Option B+) following the 30-day public comment period which ended on April 23, 2018; (2) recognized the Ad Hoc Combined Sewer Plan Stakeholder Group and thanked them for their efforts in providing valuable input during the development of the plan update and their outreach to the civic groups they represented; and (3) authorized the City Manager to make any appropriate technical or non-substantive changes and submit the Final LTCPU document to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.
9. [18-7519](#) Consideration of an Agreement with Alexandria Renew Enterprises to Transfer Ownership of the City's Four Combined Sewer Outfalls to Alexandria Renew Enterprises.
- City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an Outfall Transfer Agreement outlining the process and terms by which the City will transfer the ownership of the Combined Sewer Outfalls (CSOs) to Alexandria Renew Enterprises consistent with the terms outlined in the agreement.*
10. [18-7632](#) Discussion and Potential Initiation of a Text Amendment for the Consolidation of the Old and Historic Alexandria District (OHAD) and Parker-Gray District (P-G) Boards of Architectural Review.
- City Council initiated a Text Amendment to the Alexandria Zoning Ordinance as it relates to joining the Boards of Architectural Review.*
11. [18-7518](#) Consideration of the 2018 Alexandria Resident Survey Results.
- City Council received the results of the 2018 Alexandria Resident Survey.*

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. *Mayor Silberberg spoke about the need to protect internet access and she noted that action was taken by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) last year that would limit internet access. Mayor Silberberg reported that cities across the country have been supporting net neutrality and she requested that Alexandria join*

those cities by passing a resolution that she drafted in support of net neutrality. Mayor Silberberg pointed out that net neutrality allowed all data on the internet to be treated equally and internet providers should not slow down or block certain websites or charge additional fees to access different content, noting the 2015 Open Order categorizing the internet as a public utility and the FCC tools for enforcement. Mayor Silberberg also noted that she signed a letter urging the FCC to uphold net neutrality prior to the FCC ruling to remove the protection. Mayor Silberberg requested that the resolution be docketed from consideration at the next legislative meeting.

Vice Mayor Wilson suggested that the Commission on Information Technology review the resolution prior to Council consideration and provide Council with a recommendation.

2. Mayor Silberberg reported that SpringtoACTion will be held tomorrow and she thanked everyone who would be participating in the event.

3. Mayor Silberberg reported that the practice for the Congressional Baseball team would be held tomorrow at Simpson Field, but would be postponed until Thursday morning if there was rain.

OTHER

12. [18-7618](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the updated City Council Schedule which includes: the 2018 Excellence in Aging Awards Ceremony scheduled for Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., in the Vola Lawson Lobby; the installation ceremony of a plaque for Mrs. Patsy Ticer on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at 9 a.m., in the Market Square Lobby; and the Warwick Pool Dedication and Opening Celebration, which is scheduled for Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., at 3301 Landover Street; and (2) approved the City Council schedule with the the change to the Joint Work Session with the School Board, removing the May 5th Session.

CLOSED MEETING

13. [18-7643](#) Consideration of a Closed Executive Session for consultation with legal counsel regarding actual or probable litigation.

This meeting was not needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 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 and of Council decisions made at the meeting.

