# City of Alexandria Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 6:30 PM – City Hall City Council Legislative Meeting

PRESENT: Mayor Alyia Gaskins, Vice Mayor Sarah R. Bagley, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Abdel Elnoubi, Jacinta E. Greene, and R. Kirk McPike,

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ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Parajon, City Manager; Ms. Ivery, City Attorney; Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Ms. Castenada, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Police Chief McGuire; Ms. Predeoux, Deputy City Manager; Ms. McLean, Chief of Staff, City Manager's Office; Ms. Quinn, City Manager's Office; 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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Gaskins called the meeting to order, and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present.

2. Approval of Electronic Participation Resolution (if needed).

Not needed.

3. Closed Session.

Consideration of closed executive session to discuss of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity or specific cybersecurity threats or vulnerabilities and 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. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:32 p.m. 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 an 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 Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilman Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Greene and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilman Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

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

The resolution reads as follows:

# **RESOLUTION NO. 3267**

**WHEREAS**, the Alexandria City Council has this 14th day of January, 2025, 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 of the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Special Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2024 (Budget Retreat); The Joint Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2024 (Joint Meeting with School Board);

The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2024;

The Regular Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2024; and

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2024.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the minutes for the following meetings of City Council: the special meeting minutes of November 23, 2024 (Budget Retreat); the joint meeting minutes of November 25, 2024 (Joint Meeting with School Board); the regular meeting minutes of November 26, 2024; the regular meeting minutes of December 10, 2024; and the public hearing meeting minutes of December 14, 2024.

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

# \*Commission on Aging (Councilman Aguirre)

Councilman Aguirre reported that Commission on Aging received an award from AARP for their Age Friendly Plan and they would be receiving feedback on the Age Friendly Plan at the Lee Center in a forum.

# \*Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) (Mayor Gaskins)

Mayor Gaskins reported that NVTA elected new officers, with Phyllis Randall from Loudoun County serving as Chair. Mayor Gaskins reported that they received a preview of the Annual Report and copies were placed in members mailbox. Mayor Gaskins also reported that the City received CMAQ funding for multimodal project, the Mount Vernon North Multimodal and Safety Improvement Project, at Mount Vernon and Glebe Road.

# \*Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission (CYFCC) (Vice Mayor Bagley and Mayor Gaskins)

Vice Mayor Bagley reported that the Commission has received presentations from some community organizations working with youth to look at out of school time. Vice Mayor Bagley noted that Alex Beyond gave a presentation on how they supported out of school time and described their network used to support the effort.

#### \*Waterfront Commission (Vice Mayor Bagley)

Vice Mayor Bagley reported that the Waterfront Commission held a discussion on the proposed pump house and distributed a letter to Council highlighting its position and preferences for the proposed project.

#### \*Northern Virginia Regional Commission (Councilman Chapman)

Councilman Chapman reported the NVRC will hold a regional webinar on January 29 during winter salt week to discuss the use of salt and its effects on regional waterways. Councilman Chapman reported that there will be a rain garden workshop help on February 22 at a community center in Arlington. Councilman Chapman reported that the NVRC demographers have completed a study of regional migration patterns have affected affordable housing in the area. Councilman Chapman also reported that there is summary of the study tour of Stuttgart, Germany partnership available online.

#### \*Legislative Subcommittee (Councilman McPike and Mayor Gaskins)

Councilman McPike reported that the Subcommittee meet to discuss and consider the

various bills that have been filed in Richmond for this General Assembly session. Councilman McPike noted that that he and Mayor Gaskins are available to discuss the City's position on the various bills and there would be an update later in the meeting. Mayor Gaskins noted that the Legislative Package for the City is available on the website.

# \*Health and Safety Coordinating Committee (Mayor Gaskins and Councilwoman Greene)

Councilwoman Greene reported that Committee there was discussion on restructuring the committee and discussed the complexities at the jail and recruitment and retention of employees with Sheriff Casey. Mayor Gaskins noted that the jail population was the lowest it has been in a while and the mental health and medical needs of the inmates.

#### III. Oral Report from the City Manager.

City Manager Parajon gave Council a briefing on the City's snow response and preparation and cleanup efforts following the recent snowstorm. Mr. Parajon thanked City staff for all the hard work during the event.

Deputy City Manager Predeoux gave Council an update on General Assembly and an overview of the bills that the City supports, opposes and is watching. Ms. Predeoux responded to questions from City Council.

# IV. ACTION DOCKET

# **Regular Consent Calendar (6-18)**

- 6. Receipt of the following resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
  - a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee Ashlee Harper-Johnson Donna Kenley
  - b) Commission for Women Rachel Brill-Meckler
  - c) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission Michael Mackey
  - d) Community Services Board Abdulahi Abdalla Marybeth Plaskus
  - e) Economic Opportunities Commission Reynard Anderson

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 6 (a-e); 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 7. Uncontested Appointments for Boards and Commissions
  - a) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee 3-year term
    1 builder or developer of residential property
    1 person designated by, but who need not be a member of the Commission on Aging
    1 real estate professional with knowledge and experience in residential real estate
  - b) Alexandria Transportation Commission 3-year term
    1 member from the Planning Commission, nominated by the Commission
  - Alexandria-Cean Sister Cities 2-year term
    1 citizen member
  - Archaeological Commission 4-year term
    1 At-large member
  - e) Beautification Commission -2-year term 1 citizen member
  - f) Commission on Aging 3-year term 1 citizen member
  - g) Commission on Information Technology -3-year term
    1 member representing the Alexandria City Library Board
  - h) Commission on Persons with Disabilities -2-year term
    1 citizen member
  - i) Community Services Board 3-year term
    1 Sheriff or Sheriff's designee
  - j) Economic Opportunities Commission 2-year term
    1 Category 1 elected state official currently holding office, or their representative
  - k) Independent Community Policing Review Board 3-year term
    2 members who represent an organization, office, or agency that seeks racial or social justice or that otherwise advocates on behalf of historically, racially, or socially marginalized communities, particularly communities that may have experienced disparate policing
    1 ex-officio member who shall have past experiences in law enforcement but shall not be a current employee of or an immediate family member of a current employee of a law enforcement agency
  - I) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board 2-year term
    1 landlord of a residential property in the city representative

- m) Library Board 2-year term 1 citizen member
- n) Social Services Advisory Board 3-year term
  1 citizen member

(A copy of the above appointment material is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 7(a-n); 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 8. Missing Oaths from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees
  - a) Commission for Women Emily Eckert

(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. 8; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

9. Appointments of Members of City Council to Regional Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

(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. 9; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

10. Consideration of a Retroactive Grant Application to the Supreme Court of Virginia Office of the Executive Secretary Statewide Universal Drug Testing Grant.

(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. 10; 01/14/25; and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

11. Request to accept funding from the Fiscal Year 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Regional Preparedness System (RPS) grant.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Iten No. 11; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Consideration of Grant Application to Bloomberg Philanthropies - Asphalt Art Grant Program for the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities' Office of the Arts.

(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. 12; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Acceptance of a grant award from the Camber Collective to the Center for Economic Support in the Department of Community and Human Services.

(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; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

14. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending November 30, 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. 14; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

15. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 052.02 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the property at 2811 King Street from, RB/Townhouse with proffer to RB/Townhouse with proffer in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2024-00003 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2024-00003 associated with Silverado Alexandria Memory Care approved by City Council on December 14, 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. 15; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 15; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 15; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

16. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment heretofore approved by city council to the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2023-00004 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment (Implementation Ordinance for Master Plan Amendment No. 2023-00004 associated with 5001 and 4991 Eisenhower Avenue approved by City Council on December 14, 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. 16; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 16; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part

of this record by reference.

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17. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-602(A) (COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS CREATED, CONSISTENCY WITH MASTER PLAN, REQUIRED APPROVALS) of Article V (MIXED USE ZONES) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2024-00001 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2024-00001 associated with 5001 and 4991 Eisenhower Avenue approved by City Council on December 14, 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; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 068.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the properties at 4991 and 5001 Eisenhower Avenue from, OCM (100)/Office commercial medium (100) to CDD #31/Coordinated Development District 31 in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2023-00007 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2023-00007 associated with 5001 and 4991 Eisenhower Avenue approved by City Council on December 14, 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. 18; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Bagley and carried unanimously, City Council approved the regular consent calendar, with the exception of docket item #15, which was considered under separate motion. The approval was as follows:

6. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Ashlee Harper-Johnson and Donna Kenley, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) Rachel Brill-Meckler, Commission for Women; (c) Michael Mackey, Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission; (d) Abdulahi Abdalla and Marybeth Plaskus; and (e) Reynard Anderson, Economic Opportunities Commission.

City Council made appointment to the following boards, commissions, and 7. committees: (a) appointed Joseph Dammann as the builder or developer of residential property, reappointed Janet A. Macidull as the person designated by, but who need not be a member of the Commission on Aging; and appointed Jon Fredrick as the real estate professional with knowledge and experience in residential real estate to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (b) reappointed Jody Manor as the member from the Planning Commission, nominated by the Commission to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (c) appointed Reed Van Beveren as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister Cities Committee; (d) appointed Gilda M. Anroman as the at-large member to Archaeological Commission; (e) appointed Kelsey Pramik as the citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (f) appointed Michele D. McLaughlin as the citizen member to the Commission on Aging; (g) reappointed Brandon Mosoriak as the member representing the Alexandria City Library Board to the Commission on Information Technology; (h) reappointed Thomas Valluzzi as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (i) appointed Capt. Lemuel Houston, Jr. as the sheriff's designee to Community Services Board; (i) appointed Meg Czaikoski as the representative for Delegate Bennett-Parker to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (k) reappointed Darrlynn S. Franklin, and Ingris Moran as the two members who represent an organization, office, or agency that seeks racial or social justice or that otherwise advocates on behalf of historically, racially, or socially marginalized communities particularly communities that may have experienced disparate policing and reappointed Jeanne O'Toole as the ex-officio member who shall have past experiences in law enforcement but shall not be a current employee of an immediate family member of a current employee of a law enforcement agency to the Independent Community Policing Review Board; (I) appointed Douglas Lazo as the representative of landlord of a residential property in the city to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (m) reappointed Albert Moseley as the citizen member to the Library Board; and (n) appointed Richard J. Beauchamp as the citizen member to the Social Services Advisory Board.

8. City Council removed the following person from boards, commissions and committees for failure to submit an oath of office within the 60-day period: Emily Eckert, Commission for Women.

9. City Council made the following revisions to the appointments of members of City Council to regional boards, commissions, and committees: appointed Councilman Canek Aguirre to Northern Virginia Transportation Authority: Planning Coordination Advisory Committee; appointed Vice Mayor Sarah Bagley to Gang Prevention Community Task Force. 10. City Council: (a) retroactively approved the submission of the grant application (applied on October 15, 2024) for up to \$60,000; and (b) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

11. City Council authorized the City Manager to retroactively accept \$356,345 from the Fiscal Year 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Regional Preparedness System (RPS) grant in support of the City's emergency preparedness activities.

12. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of an application in the amount of \$100,000 to the Bloomberg Philanthropies - Asphalt Art Grant Program. The grant application deadline is January 31, 2025; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

13. City Council: (1) authorized the retroactive acceptance of the grant award for funding to the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) in the amount of \$30,000 for the Camber Collective Narrative Change grant, duration of four months with no match required, to design and launch a digital pilot initiative for narrative change; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

14. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

16. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, January 25, 2025.

17. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, January 25, 2025.

18. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, January 25, 2025.

The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilman Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike.

15. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 052.02 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the property at 2811 King Street from, RB/Townhouse with proffer to RB/Townhouse with proffer in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2024-00003 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2024-00003 associated with Silverado Alexandria Memory Care approved by City Council on December 14, 2024).

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the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 15; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Bagley, seconded by Councilman McPike and carried 6-1, City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, January 25, 2025. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, Councilman Chapman.

# V. ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (19)

19. Consideration of a Resolution to Support a Grant Application to the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund Program to implement the Phase 2 Four Mile Run and Hooffs Run Inlet Replacement project. [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. 19; 01/14/25; and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman McPike City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approval was as follows:

19. City Council: (2) approved the resolution to support the Round 5 Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) grant application; and (2) authorized the City Manager to submit this resolution and enter into any agreements that may be required to receive these funds should the requested allocation be approved.

The resolution was as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 3268**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to apply for an allocation of funds from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) of up to \$1,173,000 for the Round 5 Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) grant, or 50% of the estimated \$2,346,000 for the Phase 2 Four Mile Run and Hooffs Run Inlet Replacement project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Alexandria hereby supports this application for an allocation of \$1,173,000 through the DCR CFPF grant program.

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

- 1. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby endorses this application for an allocation up to \$1,173,000 through the Round 5 Virginia Community Preparedness Fund (CFPF) grant.
- 2. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby grants authority for the City Manager to execute project administration agreements for any approved revenue sharing projects.
- 3. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby commits to fund its local share of the development of the Flood Resilience Plan in accordance with the cost estimate.

#### VI. ACTION MATTERS Contested Appointments

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

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

NAME:

William Bruner Rizwan Chaudry Kelly Jean Collins Michael O. Snyder

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 20; 01/14/25, 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 Rizwan Chaudry as the citizen member to Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The vote was as follows:

Gaskins	-	Chaudry
Bagley	-	Chaudry
Aguirre	-	Chaudry
Chapman	-	Bruner
Elnoubi	-	Chaudry
Greene	-	Chaudry
McPike	-	Chaudry

21. Alexandria Renew Enterprises - 4-year term 1 citizen member

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

NAME:

James R. Beall

#### Kaline Gabriel

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 21; 01/14/25, 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 James R. Beall as the citizen member to Alexandria Renew Enterprises. The vote was as follows:

Gaskins	-	Beall
Bagley	-	Beall
Aguirre	-	Beall
Chapman	-	Beall
Elnoubi	-	Beall
Greene	-	Beall
McPike	-	Beall

22. Commission for the Arts - 3-year term

1 public at-large arts consumer or participant

1 member with expertise in the arts, including, but not limited to, arts educators, professional practitioners of various art disciplines and professional administrators working in the arts

1 professional in the field related to the visual appearance of the city landscape, such as architecture, environmental design, landscape architecture or urban design

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

NAME:

Paul R. Painter Jolia Ramirez

Dawn Rogala Megan E. Thrift Tiffany Williams

Anila Angjeli

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 22; 01/14/25, 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 Paul R. Painter as the public arts consumer or participant; reappointed Dawn Rogala as the member with expertise in the arts, including, but not limited to, arts educators, professional practitioners of various art disciplines and professional administrators working in the arts, and waived the residency requirement and appointed Anila Angjeli as the professional in the field related to the visual appearance of the city landscape, such as architecture, environmental design, landscape architecture or urban design to the Commission for the Arts. The vote was follows:

Gaskins	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli
Bagley	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli
Aguirre	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli
Chapman	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli
Elnoubi	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli
Greene	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli
McPike	-	Painter, Rogala, Angjeli

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

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

NAME:

Tricia Allen Cecelia Hunter Katia Hunt Nilender Denise Tennant

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 23; 01/14/25, 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 Cecelia Hunter as the citizen member to the Commission for Women. The vote was follows:

Gaskins	-	Hunter
Bagley	-	Nilender
Aguirre	-	Hunter
Chapman	-	Hunter
Elnoubi	-	Hunter
Greene	-	Hunter
McPike	-	Tennant

24. Community Criminal Justice Board - 2-year term 1 citizen member

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

NAME:

Jillian Marconi Matthew D. Taylor

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 24; 01/14/25, 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 Matthew D. Taylor as the citizen member to the Community Criminal Justice Board. The vote was as follows:

Gaskins	-	Taylor
Bagley	-	Taylor
Aguirre	-	Taylor
Chapman	-	Taylor
Elnoubi	-	Taylor
Greene	-	Taylor
McPike	-	Taylor;

25. Community Services Board - 3-year term 1 citizen member

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

NAME:

Mouaad Jaani Maxwell Lamont Myers

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 25; 01/14/25, 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 Mouaad Jaani as the citizen member to the Community Services Board. The vote was as follows:

Gaskins	-	Jaani
Bagley	-	Jaani
Aguirre	-	Jaani
Chapman	-	Myers
Elnoubi	-	Jaani
Greene	-	Myers
McPike	-	Myers

#### OTHER

26. Oral Reports and Oral Presentations by Members of City Council.

1. Councilman Aguirre reported that he attended the first community conversation held by Police Chief McGuire at St. Rita's Catholic Church.

2. Councilman Aguirre congratulated the First Night Alexandria organizers on host a success New Year's Eve event.

3. Councilman Aguirre congratulated his colleagues on their installation January 2 at NOVA Community College and thanked City staff for organizing a great event.

4. Councilman Aguirre attended a WEBA event.

5. Councilman Aguirre reported that the School Board held a virtual installation for the incoming body and noted he was looking forward to working with them this year.

6. Councilman Aguirre reported that the Departmental Progressive Club held their incoming officer installation last week.

7. Councilman Aguirre sent well wishes and sympathies to those affected by the fires in Los Angeles and asked the community to support causes that will help those affected rebuild.

8. Councilman McPike reported that he had circulated a memo about formalizing the City Council Town Hall schedule and requested that staff update the resolution to codify the arrangement. Mayor Gaskins requested a show of hands of all who supported the request. The confirmation was unanimous.

9. Councilman Elnoubi reported that he had circulated a memo from himself and Vice Mayor Bagley for staff to explore the utilization of DASH transportation for high school students thereby eliminating the need for school bus at the high school level. Mayor Gaskins requested a show of hands of all who supported the request. The confirmation was unanimous.

10. Vice Mayor Bagley noted for the community the deadline for applying to participate in the Summer Youth Employment program was January 31 and she encouraged all who were interested to apply.

11. Councilwoman Greene that staff for the wonderful installation ceremony and she also thanked City staff all the on-boarding she and Councilman Elnoubi have received since the election.

12. Councilman Chapman noted the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus was scheduled to open next week in the Potomac Yard area.

27. 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. 27; 01/14/25, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Bagley, seconded by Councilwoman Greene, City Council: (1) approved the City Council Look Ahead Schedule that Virginia Municipal League (VML) Local Government Day scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2025, all day in Richmond Virginia; City Council Retreat Day 1 is scheduled for Friday, January 31, 2025 from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM, at the American Physical Therapy Association (3030 Potomac Avenue), and City Council Retreat Day 2 is scheduled for 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, at the American Physical Therapy Association (3030 Potomac Avenue), and (2) received the City Council Calendar from January 2025- December 2025. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilman

Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike.

28. Closed Session (if needed).

Not needed.

# VII. ADJOURN.

THERE BEING NO FUTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of January 14, 2025 at 7:59 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilman Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

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**APPROVED BY:** 

ALYIA GASKINS MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

Adopted: February 11, 2025