City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

6:15 PM

There will be an Executive Session held at 6:15 p.m. The Regular Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m., or shortly thereafter.

Council Chamber

City Council Legislative Meeting

The September 9, 2025 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of the City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through a video conference call on Zoom

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1. Calling the Roll.

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

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

Not needed.

Closed Session.

3. 26-0160

6:15 p.m. - Executive Session - 2.2-3711(A)(6) - Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the City would be adversely affected.

[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:16 p.m.pursuant to Virginia Code section 2.2-3711 (A)(6) to discuss or consider the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the City would be adversely affected.

City Council reconvened in open session at 7:04 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session that was previously circulated to the Council. (RES. NO. 3312)

Opening Matters

4. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

Proclamations and Recognitions

5. <u>26-0109</u> Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Sickle Cell Awareness Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. <u>26-0161</u> Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing September as Suicide Prevention Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

Oral Reports

City Council on Boards, Commissions, and Committees

7. <u>26-0193</u> Oral Reports from Members of City Council on Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

*ARHA Redevelopment Work Group (Mayor Gaskins and Councilman Chapman)

*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Vice Mayor Bagley and Councilman Aguirre)

*Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Vice Mayor Bagley)

*Eco-City Steering Committee (Vice Mayor Bagley and Councilman McPike)

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

City Council gave the reports.

8. City Council Member General Updates

City Council gave the reports and general updates.

9. City Manager Oral Report

<u>26-0208</u> Dominion Energy Update.

City Council received a presentation from Dominion Energy and requested further information on various topics regarding renewable energy, power efficiency, undergrounding of power lines and other items that would inform the community of the services and programs offered by Dominion Energy.

26-0207 State of the Economy.

City Manager Parajon gave an overview of the State of the Economy for the City focusing on vacancy rates in the real estate, including commercial properties and responded to guestions from Council.

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Roll-Call Consent Items (10-26)

10. <u>26-0159</u> Reading and Acting Upon Minutes from the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2025; The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2025; The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2025; and The Special Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of July 1, 2025.

11. 26-0206 Receipt of the following resignations from Member of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

a) Beautification Commission
 Alexandra Garza
 Felicia Hackett
 Sarah Hill
 Kelsey Pramik

- b) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee Amy Friedlander
- c) Citizen Corps Susan Reinertson
- d) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
 Jake Griffin
- e) Economic Opportunities Commission Taylor Phillips
- f) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission Tim Rose
- g) Local Emergency Planning Committee Vernon Miles
- h) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee Nicholas Gueterman
- Sister Cities Committee
 Jose Mandujano
 James Morrison
- **12.** <u>26-0194</u> Uncontested Appointments for Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force - 3-year term 1 member from and representing Alexandria Elementary Schools

- b) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee 3-year term 1 representative of the City's Faith Community
- c) Board of Architectural Review 3-year term 1 citizen member
- d) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission 3-year term 1 high school student (one year term)
- e) Citizen Corps Council 3-year term 1 citizen member
- f) Commission on Employment 2-year term
 1 representative from a recognized area business including minority-owned and small business
- g) Community Services Board 3-year term 2 family members of a consumer
- Economic Opportunities Commission 2-year term
 Category III representative of business industry, labor, religious, welfare or other private groups and interests certified by the Commission
- i) Environmental Policy Commission 2-year term
 1 member from the field of environmental sciences (e.g. environmental/sanitary engineering, ecology, geology, botany, hydrology, chemistry) or who have Alexandria waterfront expertise
- j) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee 2-year term
 1 member nominated by the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association
 1 citizen member
- k) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission 2-year term
 1 Planning District II representative
 1 Planning District III representative
- Human Rights Commission 3-year term
 representative from the Commission on Aging
- m) Park and Recreation Commission 3-year term

1 Planning District II representative

- n) Sister Cities Committee 2-year term2 citizen members
- o) Social Services Board 3-year term1 citizen member
- p) Waterfront Commission 2-year term
 1 representative from the Environmental Policy Commission
 1 representative from Planning District II
- **13.** <u>25-3372</u> Consideration of a Resolution to Extend the Term of the Subcommittee on Boards & Commissions.
- **14.** <u>25-3373</u> Consideration of a Resolution to Extend the Term of the Subcommittee for the Review of Standing Committees.
- **15.** 26-0121 Consideration of Receipt of City Council Closed Meetings Report for FY 2024 to FY 2025.
- **16.** <u>26-0137</u> Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Accept a Bequest from the Marilyn Senn Moll Irrevocable Trust.
- **17.** <u>26-0141</u> Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Accept a Transfer of an Alexandria Archaeological Collection from the Virginia Museum of Natural History.
- **18.** 26-0142 Release of FY26 Contingent Reserves to Fund an Old Town Small Business Marketing Grant.
- **19.** 26-0151 Consideration of a Grant Application to the Fall 2025 Rescue Squad Assistance Fund.
- 20. 26-0147 Consideration of Application for and Award of Grant Funds from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) for Construction of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Units at Seminary Road.
- **21.** 26-0152 Consideration of a Resolution to Support an Application to the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities Program.
- 22. 26-0182 Consideration of a Resolution approving the City's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against Purdue Pharma and Sackler Family and directing the City Attorney and/or the City's outside counsel to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the settlements.

23. 26-0183

Consideration of a Resolution of the Alexandria City Council approving of the City's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims on behalf of Alvogen, Inc., Amneal Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Apotex Corp., Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., Indivior Inc., Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc., Sun Pharmaceutical Industries, Inc., and Zydus Pharmaceuticals (USA) Inc. (collectively "the Manufacturers") and directing the City Attorney and/or the City's outside counsel to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the settlements.

24. **26**-0144

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-2-152 (Short Term Residential Rental Registry) of Article K (Transient Lodging Tax) of Chapter 2 (Taxation) of Title 3 (Finance, Taxation and Procurement) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

25. **26**-0150

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-3-70 (Design-Build and Construction Management Contracts) of Division 2 (Competitive Negotiation) of Article D (Contract Formation and Methods Of Source Selection) of Title 3 (Finance, Taxation and Procurement) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

26. **26**-0177

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading to amend and reordain Article A (GENERAL PROVISIONS) of Chapter 5 (OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

City Council approved the roll-call consent items, with the exception of Item #14, which was considered under separate motions. The approvals were as follows:

- 10. City Council adopted the minutes from the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of June 10, 2025; the public hearing meeting minutes of June 14, 2025, the regular meeting minutes of June 24, 2025; and the special public hearing meeting minutes of July 1, 2025.
- 11. City Council received the following resignations from members of boards, commissions and committees: (a) Alexandra Garza, Felicia Hackett, Sarah Hill and Kelsey Pramik, Beautification Commission; (b) Amy Friedlander, Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee; (c) Susan Reinertson, Citizen Corps Council; (d) Jake Griffin, Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (e) Taylor Phillips, Economic Opportunities Commission; (f) Tim Rose, Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (g) Vernon Miles, Local Emergency Planning Committee; (h) Nicholas Gueterman, Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; and (i) Jose Mandujano and James Morrison.
- 12. City Council appointed the following persons to City boards, commissions, and committees: (a) appointed Rachel Dischner as the member from and representing

Alexandria Elementary schools to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (b) reappointed Betsy Faga as the representative of the City's faith community to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (c) appointed Frances H. Pratt as the citizen member to the Board of Architectural Review; (d) reappointed Isabel Shulz as the high school student to the Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission; (e) appointed Anthony D. Benja-Athon as the citizen member to the Citizen Corps Council; (f) appointed Tricia Allen as the representative from a recognized area business including minority-owned and small businesses to the Commission on Employment; (g) reappointed Mary C. Gibbs and appointed Raquel Rosa as the two family members of a consumer to the Community Services Board; (h) appointed Karen Ritter as the category 3 representative of business industry, labor, religious, welfare or other private groups and interests certified by the Commission to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (i) reappointed Marta Schantz as the member from the field of environmental sciences (e.g. environmental/sanitary engineering, ecology, geology, botany, hydrology, chemistry) or who have Alexandria waterfront expertise to the Environmental Policy Commission; (j) appointed Jeanne G. Jacob as the member nominated by the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association and reappointed Susan E. Johnson as a citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (k) appointed Carol Black as the Planning District II representative and appointed Stephen M. Stuart as the Planning District III representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (I) reappointed William T. Reeder as the representative from the Commission on Aging to the Human Rights Commission; (m) reappointed Dana R. Colarulli as the Planning District II representative to the Park and Recreation Commission; (n) appointed David F. Mitchell and reappointed Diana Price as the two citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee; (o) appointed Jenna Mayer as the citizen member to the Social Services Board; and reappointed Eldon Boes as the representative from the Environmental Policy Commission and reappointed Patricia M. Webb as the representative from Planning District II to the Waterfront Commission.

- 13. City Council adopted the resolution extending the term of the Subcommittee on Boards & Commissions to December 31, 2025. (RES. NO. 3313)
- 14. City Council adopt the resolution extending the term of the Subcommittee for the Review of Standing Committees to April 30, 2026. (RES. NO. 3314) (separate motion)
- 15. City Council receive the report of the Fiscal Year 2024 to Fiscal Year 2025 Report on City Council Closed Executive Sessions.
- 16. City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a bequest from the Marilyn Senn Moll Irrevocable Trust to the Office of Historic Alexandria. (RES. NO. 3315)
- 17. City Council: (1) accepts the collection from the Virginia Museum of Natural History by resolution; (2) authorized the City Manager, in coordination with the Virginia Museum of Natural History, to establish clear legal title to the collection; and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all documents that may be required to finalize acceptance of the collection to the City. (RES. NO. 3316)
- 18. City Council allocated \$25,000 from FY25 Contingent Reserves to fund an Old Town Small Business Marketing Grant through the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (AEDP).
- 19. City Council: (1) approved the competitive RSAF grant application for funding up to

\$26,200, due September 15, 2025, to the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS); and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.

- 20. City Council: (1) authorized application for and receipt of state grant funds in the amount of \$3,790,000 to fund construction of permanent supportive housing (PSH) to be owned by Sheltered Homes of Alexandria (SHA) at Seminary Road; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.
- 21. City Council: (1) adopted the resolution to approve an application to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities Section 5310 Program funding for up to \$250,000; and (2) authorized the City Manager to submit the proposal to MWCOG and enter into any necessary agreements with MWCOG to accept the funds. (RES. NO. 3317)
- 22. City Council adopted the resolution approving the settlement with Purdue Pharma and Sackler Family and authorizing the City Attorney and/or the City's outside counsel to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in this settlement. (RES. NO. 3318)
- 23. City Council adopted the resolution approving the settlement with the Manufacturers and authorizing the City Attorney and/or the City's outside counsel to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in this settlement. (RES. NO. 3319)
- 24. City Council adopted the ordinance on introduction and first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 13, 2025.
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- 26. City Council adopted the ordinance on introduction and first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 13, 2025.

Individual Action Items [Roll-Call Vote]

27. 26-0153 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Permanent Closure of the 200 Block of King Street to Vehicular Traffic.

City Council adopted the ordinance on introduction and first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 13, 2025.

28. 26-0149 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds by the Industrial Development Authority for Goodwin House Incorporated.

City Council adopted the resolution as recommended by the Alexandria Industrial Development Authority (AIDA). (RES. NO. 3320)

Contested Appointments

| 29. | <u>26-0195</u> | Archaeological Commission - 4-year term 1 at-large member |
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| | | City Council reappointed Ann Greer as the at-large member to the Archaeological Commission. |
| 30. | <u>26-0201</u> | Beautification Commission - 2-year term |
| | | 5 citizen members |
| | | City Council reappointed Daniya Tamendarova and appointed Tiffany F. Finegan, Shelu Patel, Christine A. Pryately, and Camden Weber as the five citizen members to the Beautification Commission. |
| 31. | <u>26-0197</u> | Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee - 2-year term |
| | | 1 citizen member |
| | | City Council reappointed Mark Tonsetic as the citizen member to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee. |
| 32. | <u>26-0196</u> | Commission for the Arts - 3-year term |
| | | 1 member who represents the public at large, as arts consumers or participants |
| | | City Council appointed Tia Norris-Towler as the member who represents the public at-large, as arts consumers or participants to the Commission for the Arts. |
| 33. | <u>26-0198</u> | Commission for Women - 3-year term |
| | | 1 citizen member |
| | | City Council appointed Annette Maldonado as the citizen member to the Commission for Women. |
| 34. | <u>26-0199</u> | Commission on Information Technology - 3-year term |
| | | 2 citizen members |
| | | City Council appointed Kathlene Houghtalen and Benjamin McGinnis as the two members to the Commission on Information Technology. |
| 35. | <u>26-0200</u> | Community Services Board - 3-year term |
| | | 1 citizen member |
| | | City Council reappointed Mary S. Lyman as the citizen member to the Community Services Board. |
| 36. | 26-0202 | Industrial Development Authority - 4-year term |
| | | 1 citizen member |
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| | | City Council reappointed Dak Hardwick as the citizen member to the Industrial Development Authority. |

37. Planning Commission - 4-year term

1 citizen member

City Council reappointed Jody Manor as the citizen member to the Planning Commission.

38. 26-0204 Towing Advisory Board - 3-year term

1 member representing licensed towing and recovery operations doing business in the City of Alexandria

City Council appointed David Butcher as the member representing licensed towing and recovery operations doing business in the City of Alexandria to the Towing Advisory Board.

39. Visit Alexandria Board of Governors - 3-year term

1 Attraction Representative

2 members to come from any of the 4 categories (Hotel, Restaurant, Association or Retail)

1 National or International Trade or Professional Association Executive

1 Retail owner/Manager representative

City Council reappointed Chad Barth as the attraction representative, appointed Abdessamad Ammani and reappointed Jahmond Quander as the two members to come from any of the four categories (hotel, restaurant, association, or retail), appointed Denise M. Palmieri as the national or international trade or professional association executive, and appointed Amy Rutherford as the retail owner/manager representative to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors.

Other Business

40. 26-0178 Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) approved the City Council Look Ahead schedule to include the following:

Citizenship Day, Friday, September 12, 2025, 1:00 p.m., Market Square Plaza, City Hall;

Constitution Day, Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 1:00 p.m., City Council Chamber; Virginia Municipal League Annual Conference, October 11 – October 14, 2025, Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center, Roanoke, Virginia (three or more members may be in attendance);

National League of Cities City Summit, November 20 – November 22, 2025, Salt Lake Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, Utah (two or more members may be in attendance);

Annual Holiday Tree Lighting, Saturday, November 22, 2025, 6:00 p.m., Market Square Plaza, City Hall;

and (2) received the City Council Calendar from September 2025 – December 2025, including the following meetings (including budget development dates):

*DASH (ATC Board)/Council Stakeholders Meeting, Wednesday, September 10, 2025 5:30 p.m., City Hall, Sister Cities Conference Room

*ACPS Board/DASH/City Council Work Session, Monday, September 29, 2025, 6:00 p.m., City Hall, Sister Cities Conference Room

*City Council Town Hall Meeting, Saturday, October 4, 2025, 1:00 p.m., TBD

*CIP and Economic Development Strategy Update, Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 5:30 p.m., City Hall

*City Council Budget Retreat, Saturday, November 1, 2025, 9:00 a.m., Del Pepper Community Resource

*City Council Town Hall Meeting, Wednesday, November 5, 2025, 6:00 p.m., TBD; and

to include Additional Budget Development Dates:

*City Manager's Proposed Budget Presentation, Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Resource Center

*Budget Work Session #1 – CIP, Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Resource Center

*Proposed Public Budget Presentation, Thursday, February 26, 2026, 7:00 p.m., TBD *Budget Work Session #2 – ACPS, Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Resource Center

*Budget Public Hearing, Monday, March 9, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Budget Work Session #3, Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Additional Budget Public Hearing, Saturday, March 14, 2026, 9:30 a.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Budget Work Session #4, Wednesday, March 18, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Budget Work Session #5, Wednesday, March 25, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Tax Rate Public Hearing (during regular Saturday public hearing meeting), Saturday, April 18, 2026, 9:30 a.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Add/Delete Public Hearing (during regular Saturday public hearing meeting), Saturday, April 18, 2026, 9:30 a.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Budget Work Session #6 – Preliminary Add/Delete Work Session, Tuesday, April 21, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*Budget Work Session #7 – Final Add/Delete Work Session (if needed), Monday, April 27, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center

*FY 2027 Special Budget Adoption Meeting, Wednesday, April 29, 2026, 6:00 p.m., Del Pepper Community Resource Center.

41. Closed Session (cont.)(if needed)

42. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 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 of Council decisions made at the meeting.