

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Saturday, May 16, 2020

9:30 AM

Virtual Meeting

City Council Public Hearing

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic emergency, the May 16, 2020 Public Hearing Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on April 18, 2020 or Section 4-0.00(g) in HB29 and HB30 to undertake essential business. All the members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom by the following link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5YfrpDCgQVG9rogtCYu62A

Dial in: 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 942-4892-5477

Password: 889448

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 this meeting or address Council, you must register first. Those wishing to address Council should also submit a Speakers Form using the link below.

Speakers Form

<https://survey.alexandriava.gov/s3/VIRTUAL-City-Council-Speakers-Form>

Those wishing to address Council should submit a Speakers Form.

Submission of written statements is encouraged.

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 a prepared statement, you may email it to the City Clerk at gloria.sitton@alexandriava.gov. Speakers are encouraged to submit their written comments to the City Clerk.

OPENING

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present via Zoom video webinar.

Mayor Wilson stated that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency, the May 16, 2020 Public Hearing Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on April 18, 2020 or Section 4-0.00(g) in HB29 and HB30 to undertake essential business. All members of City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom.

2. Public Discussion Period.

[The Public Discussion Period is open to comments on any topic including comments related to the COVID-19 emergency and/or the continuity of government.]

The following persons participated in the public comment period:

- 1. Leopoldo Ochoa, Alexandria, spoke about the impact of the pandemic on the economy of the community and the social hardships being experienced by many and offered suggestions for addressing the impacts on the community and reopening the community.*
- 2. Carolyn Lyle, Alexandria, spoke the upcoming North Potomac Yard project and the Oakville Triangle projects. Ms. Lyle spoke about the City's commitment to goals in the City's Environmental Action Plan and about the City-wide transition to a climate emergency mobilization effort to reverse global warming and how the designs of the projects were not addressing these matters adequately.*
- 3. Geoff Hoppe, Alexandria, spoke about the removal of the Confederate monument and his disapproval of the removal.*
- 4. Janice Grenadier, Alexandria, spoke about the impact of the pandemic on the country and spoke about the injustices in the court system.*
- 5. Christopher Lewis, Alexandria, spoke the need for changes in policing practices and the need to review of system. Mr. Lewis requested that Council considered an ordinance to require accurate reporting in police practices in the City.*

City Council requested an update that data receives regarding police stops in the City from staff.

3. Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.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.