

RESOLUTION CREATING CITY-ACPS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ACPS SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION REFORM

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3.04(g) of the Alexandria City Charter, the City Council has the authority to establish advisory boards and commissions, and appoint their members;

WHEREAS the City Council desires to create a process for the collaborative and transparent review of election reform related to Alexandria City Public School (ACPS) School Board governance.

WHEREAS, in response to a request from Alexandria City School Board Chair, Michelle Rief, desires to create an ad hoc committee to evaluate election reforms related to the School Board, including but not limited to staggered terms of election, board composition, term lengths and decreasing the size of the School board;

WHEREAS, the ad hoc committee should include two members and one alternate from the City Council appointed by the mayor, and two members of the ACPS School Board, and one alternate appointed by the School Board Chair; and

WHEREAS, the ad hoc committee shall be supported by a city staff team to be appointed by the City Manager which will include staff with expertise in legislation management, budget, legal, finance, and elections; comparable and appropriate staffing from ACPS shall be provided at the discretion of the School Board; and

WHEREAS, the ad hoc committee shall begin meeting in July 2026 and will provide the City Council and the School Board with a report by November 10, 2026, at which time the existence of the ad hoc committee shall terminate;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council is hereby creating and authorizing an ad hoc committee as described above to collaborate with ACPS to review and study election reforms as it pertains to the ACPS School Board.

Adopted: (insert date)

ALYIA GASKINS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk