

City of Alexandria
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 6:00 PM
City Council Legislative Meeting

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Amy B. Jackson, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, Sarah R. Bagley, John Taylor Chapman, Alyia Gaskins, and R. Kirk McPike.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Parajon, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Kelleher, Acting Deputy City Manager; Mr. Lambert, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Taylor, Legislative Director/Assistant City Manager; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Ms. Castaneda, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Orr, Deputy Director, T&ES; Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Mr. Funderburk, Interim Acting Deputy City Manager; Mr. Gonsalves, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Fleming, Director, Office of Communications and Community Engagement (OCCE), Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget (OMB); Ms. Taylor, Director, Finance/Interim Deputy City Manager; Ms. Suehr, Director, Department of Project Implementation (DPI); Mr. Medina, Program Manager, DPI; Ms. Zechman Brown, Deputy City Attorney; Ms. Schaub, Deputy City Attorney; Ms. Roberts, Deputy City Attorney; Ms. Snow, Senior Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Lanier, Assistant City Attorney; Ms. McElveen, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Lassiter, Assistant City Attorney; Ms. Hamilton, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. McAvoy, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Porter, Assistant City Attorney; Ms. Clemens, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Demeke, ITS; Mr. Adelashin, ITS; and Police Lt. North.

Recorded by: Gloria Sitton, City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

I. OPENING MATTERS

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of City Council were present, with Vice Mayor Jackson arriving during the executive session.

2. Electronic Participation Resolution.

Not needed.

3. Closed Session.

6:00 p.m. -- Consideration of a closed executive session to discuss a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community, the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected; and consultation with legal counsel employed by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council convene in closed executive session at 6:01 p.m., for consultation with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, discussion regarding a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community, and discussion regarding the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, specifically, legal advice regarding government speech as it pertains to parades, and a corporate headquarters, and associated uses, considering relocating to the City, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711 (A)(5), (A)(6) and (A)(8) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none; Absent, Vice Mayor Jackson.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:02 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the Closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike: Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3203

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 12th day of December, 2023 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.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

5. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing December as Human Rights Month.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Bagley, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

6. Presentation of Proclamation Recognizing December 31, 2023 as a Fair Weather Night for First Night Alexandria.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

City Council presented a proclamation to retiring City Attorney Joanna Anderson.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Bagley, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

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

***Visit Alexandria Board of Governors (Vice Mayor Jackson)**

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that Visit Alexandria produced the Alexandria Boat Light Parade and the Scottish Christmas Walk Parade. Vice Mayor Jackson noted that they are working on the George Washington Birthday Celebration Parade in February. Vice Mayor

Jackson reported that Winter Restaurant Week in Alexandria will be January 19 – 28. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that the Carlyle Market was held this past weekend. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that the Green Business Program is currently accepting applications for participation. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that Visit Alexandria will be hosting a What's New Alexandria 2024 on January 22.

***Citizen Corps Council (Vice Mayor Jackson and Councilman McPike)**

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that meeting was recap of the activities for 2024. Vice Mayor Jackson noted that the current executive officers of the Council were reelected. Councilman McPike reported that the Council would like to add a seat for a member from the Alexandria Radio Club, which was included in their Annual Report.

***School Law Enforcement Task Force (SLEP) (Vice Mayor Jackson and Councilmember Bagley)**

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that SLEP met to discuss the SROs, the programming models and best practices for establishing a foundational basis for the next MOU review in 2025 for safety in the schools. Councilmember Bagley noted that the next meeting will be held January 17 here at City Hall.

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

Councilmember Bagley reported that the Commission received a presentation on changes to the SmartScale process and discussed the impact it would have on the current applications. Councilmember Bagley also reported that the Commission received a clean audit. Councilmember Bagley noted that there was an extensive discussion on about the budget shortfall that WMATA was projecting and how it would impact the participating jurisdictions.

Councilman Aguirre reported that the Commission thanked departing director Jennifer DeBruhl upon her retirement and thanked departing Commission members John Faust, John Bell and Nick Clemente. Councilman Aguirre also noted that discussion on WMATA budgeting issues and how it is imperative to work on solution that will not impact the many people who use and depend on WMATA in the region.

***Council of Governments (COG) - Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) (Councilmember Bagley and Councilman McPike)**

Councilmember Bagley reported that there were updates on the impacts of particulates in the air and how it affects air quality. Councilmember Bagley reported that there was a discussion about Purple Air monitors in Loudon County. Councilmember Bagley reported that the subcommittee on Air Quality is beginning there work on environmental justice.

***Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP) (Councilmember Bagley and Councilman Aguirre)**

Councilmember Bagley reported that the Board heard from the Ms. Zimmerman from the Health Department about the City's teen pregnancy rate for Alexandria, noting there is an

increase and some disparity among the Hispanic population. Councilmember Bagley noted that the WRAP Up campaign launched this week and receiving much use of the condom dispensers in the Del Pepper Community Building.

***Naming Committee (Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, and Councilwoman Gaskins)**

Councilman Chapman reported that the Committee recently held a public hearing and considered a number of names to bring before Council on January 9 for consideration.

III. Oral Report from the City Manager

7. City Council Work Session with the Alexandria Delegation to the General Assembly.

City Council held a work session with the City's delegation to the Commonwealth's General Assembly, including Senator Ebbin, Delegate Herring, Delegate Bennett-Parker, and Delegate Lopez to discuss the upcoming session and the City's Legislative package.

8. Consideration and First Reading of the Proposed City Legislative Package for the 2024 General Assembly.

(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. 8; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) received the proposals for the City's 2024 Legislative Package; and (2) scheduled the Draft Legislative Package for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, December 16, 2023. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

9. Torpedo Factory Art Center Update.

City Council received the updated on the governance planning for the Torpedo Factory Arts Center and staff and the consultants responded to questions from Council.

10. Report Regarding Release of Illegal Racially Restrictive Covenants on City-owned Properties.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Gaskins, seconded by Councilmember Bagley and carried unanimously, City Council accepted the update and directed the City Attorney to continue to work to release the illegal restrictive covenants. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed,

none.

IV. ACTION DOCKET

Regular Consent Calendar (11- 25)

11. Receipt of the following resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

- (a) Alexandria Caen Sister Cities Committee
Laura Withers
Michael Skardon
- (b) Alexandria Historical Restoration Preservation Commission
Dan Clifford
Tiffany Pache

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 11; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Uncontested Appointments of Boards, Commissions, and Committees

- (a) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force - 3-year term
1 City Manager representative
- (b) Alexandria Transportation Commission - 3-year term
1 representative of the Environmental Policy Commission
- (c) Archaeological Commission - 4-year term
1 member-at-large
- (d) Beautification Commission - 2-year term
1 member with expertise in the field of landscape architecture or landscape design
1 citizen member
- (e) Board of Zoning Appeals - 4-year term
1 citizen member
- (f) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission - 3-year term
1 community member with expertise in children, youth, and family issues
- (g) Commission on Employment - 2-year term
1 representative from such organization as educational agencies, organized labor, rehabilitation agencies, community-based organizations, economic development agencies and the area public employment service
1 business representative

- (h) Environmental Policy Commission - 2-year term
1 member from the field of environmental science
- (i) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee - 2-year term
1 citizen member
- (j) Park and Recreation Commission - 3-year term
1 Planning District 1 representative
- (k) Public Health Advisory Commission - 2-year term
1 non-healthcare professional citizen member
- (l) Sister Cities Committee - 2-year term
1 citizen member
- (m) Towing Advisory Board - 3-year term
1 member representing licensed towing and recovery operators doing
business in the City of Alexandria
- (n) Waterfront Commission - 2-year term
1 representative from the Old Town Business Partners Association

(A copy of the above appointments is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 12; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 13. Consideration of an Amendment to the Lease Between the City and WG Tavern Square Venture, LLC for office space at the Tavern Square Office Building Complex located at 421 King Street.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 14. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending October 31, 2023.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 15. Consideration of the Release of \$490,575 in FY 2023 Contingent Reserve Funding to Fund the INOVA Hospital Contribution.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 16. Consideration of a Request from the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority for City Council Approval to Establish an Independent Nonprofit Entity, Premier

Housing.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

17. Consideration of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and Fair Employee Practices Agency Federal FY 2024 Contract.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish the Stormwater Utility and Flood Mitigation Advisory Committee.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

19. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Make Supplemental Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for Fiscal Year 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. 19; 12/12/23, 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. 19; 12/12/23, 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. 19; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

20. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-8-77 (Parking Permits; issuance) of Chapter 8 (Parking and Traffic Regulations) of Title 5 (Transportation and Environmental Services) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

(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. 20; 12/12/23, 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. 20; 12/12/23, 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. 20; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

21. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain section 10-3-924 (FAILURE TO YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY TO PEDESTRIANS) of Article B (RECKLESS DRIVING, SPEEDING, ETC.) of Chapter 3 (OPERATION OF VEHICLES) of Title 10 (MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

(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. 21; 12/12/23, 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. 21; 12/12/23, 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. 21; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

22. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-2-10 (ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES) by amending Subsections (p), (t), and (x), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, to amend and reordain Section 12-1-4 (ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS; DATE AND MANNER OF ELECTION), all of Chapter 1 (SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL BOARD), Title 12 (EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELFARE) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, and to amend and reordain "The Official Map of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, Designating Election Districts and Voting Places," adopted by Section 2-2-13 (MAP OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

(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. 22; 12/12/23, 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. 22; 12/12/23, 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. 22; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

23. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 6-300 (FLOODPLAIN DISTRICT) of Article VI (SPECIAL AND OVERLAY ZONES) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2023-00005 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2023-00005 associated with the floodplain provisions approved by City Council on November 18, 2023).

(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. 23; 12/12/23, 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. 23; 12/12/23, 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. 22; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

24. 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 All Chapters of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2023-00005 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. 2023-00005 associated with Zoning for Housing/Housing for All approved by City Council on November 28, 2023).

(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. 24; 12/12/23, 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. 24; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

25. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Articles I (GENERAL REGULATIONS), II (DEFINITIONS), III (RESIDENTIAL ZONE REGULATIONS), IV (COMMERCIAL, OFFICE AND INDUSTRIAL ZONES), V (MIXED USE ZONES), VI (SPECIAL AND OVERLAY ZONES), VII (SUPPLEMENTAL ZONE REGULATIONS), VIII (OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING), IX (SIGNS), XI (DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS AND

PROCEDURES), XII (NONCOMPLIANCE AND NONCONFORMITY), and XIII (ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2023-00007 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2023-00007 associated with Zoning for Housing/Housing for All approved by City Council on November 28, 2023).

(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. 25; 12/12/23, 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. 25; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Gaskins, seconded by Councilmember Bagley and carried unanimously, City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception on items 15, 16, and 18, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's approvals were as follows:

11. City Council received the following resignations with regret from members of boards, commissions and committees: (1) Laura Withers and Michael Skardon, Alexandria-Caen Sister Cities Committee; and (b) Dan Clifford and Tiffany Pache, Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission.

12. City Council made the appointments to the following boards, commissions, and committees: (a) appointed Dana Wedeles as the City Manager representative to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (b) appointed Dan Beattie as the representative of the Environmental Policy Commission to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (c) appointed Jason Roberts as the member-at-large to the Archaeological Commission; (d) reappointed Monica Murphy as the member with expertise in the field of landscape architecture or landscape design and appointed Kelly Yates as the citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (e) appointed Ryan Belmore as the citizen member to the Board of Zoning Appeals; (f) appointed Trinady Maddock as the community member with expertise in children, youth and family issues to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (g) appointed Sonja Allen as the representative from such organization as educational agencies, organized labor, rehabilitation agencies, community-based organizations, economic development agencies and the area public employment service and reappointed Susan Picerno as the business representative to the Commission on Employment; (h) appointed Julia Slayden as the member from the field of environmental science to the Environmental Policy Commission; (i) appointed Jacqueline Martin as the citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (j) appointed Paul Komelasky as the Planning District I representative to the Park and Recreation Commission; (k) appointed David Bowen as the non-healthcare professional citizen member to the Public Health Advisory Commission; (l) appointed Jose Madnujano as the citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee; (m) waived the residency requirement and appointed Brad Fleming as the member representing licensed towing and recovery operators doing business in the City of Alexandria to the Towing Advisory Board; and (n) reappointed Charlotte Hall as the representative from

the Old Town Business Partners Association to the Waterfront Commission.

13. City Council: (1) received the report and the Fifth Amendment to the office space lease for the public hearing and final approval on Saturday, December 16, 2023.

14. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

17. City Council authorized the City Manager to sign the contract with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) for funding in the amount of \$32,550 for the Alexandria Office of Human Rights to continue as a Fair Employment Practices Agency.

19. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 16, 2023.

20. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 16, 2023.

21. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 16, 2023.

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24. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 16, 2023.

25. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 16, 2023.

The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

15. Consideration of the Release of \$490,575 in FY 2023 Contingent Reserve Funding to Fund the INOVA Hospital Contribution.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Gaskins, seconded by Councilmember Bagley and carried 6-0-1, City Council released \$490,575 in FY 2023 Contingent Reserve funding for the INOVA Hospital contribution. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none; Abstain, Councilman Aguirre.

16. Consideration of a Request from the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority for City Council Approval to Establish an Independent Nonprofit Entity, Premier Housing.

(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; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council moved to defer this item at the request of Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish the Stormwater Utility and Flood Mitigation Advisory Committee.

(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; 12/12/23, 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. 18; 12/12/23, 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. 18; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman McPike and carried unanimously, City Council approved the ordinance on first reading with amendments and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 16, 2023. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

Roll-Call Consent Calendar (26)

26. Consideration of a Resolution to Support a Funding Request for FY 2030 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality and Regional Surface Transportation Program Funds. [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. 26; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the FY2030

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality and Regional Surface Transportation Program funding request resolution to allow the City Manager to apply for funding and to execute any necessary agreements and other documents. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3204

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR FY 2030 CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) AND REGIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (RSTP) FUNDS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit an application to Northern Virginia Transportation Authority for up to \$5,000,000 in CMAQ and RSTP funds for FY 2030; and

WHEREAS, \$1,000,000 of these funds are requested to fund new technology for DASH, \$1,000,000 of these funds are requested to fund safety improvements recommended in the Mount Vernon North project, \$500,000 of these funds are requested to fund a multimodal access study, \$1,500,000 of these funds are requested to fund Safe Routes to School improvements, and \$1,000,000 of these funds are requested to fund charging equipment for DASH;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Alexandria hereby supports this application for an allocation of up to \$5,000,000 in FY 2030 through the CMAQ and RSTP funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Alexandria City Council hereby grants authority for the City Manager to apply for funds and execute project administration agreements, as well as other documents necessary for approved projects.

ACTION MATTERS

Contested Appointments of Boards, Commissions, and Committees

- 27. Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee - 2-year term
2 citizen members

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

NAME:

- John Cosimano
- Karen Fassi Wilbur
- Candace Harman
- Sydney Johnson

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk

and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 27; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots were tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Karen Fassi Wilbur and Sydney Johnson as the two citizen members to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Wilbur, Johnson
Jackson	-	Harman, Johnson
Aguirre	-	Wilbur, Johnson
Bagley	-	Wilbur, Johnson
Chapman	-	Wilbur, Johnson
Gaskins	-	Wilbur, Johnson
McPike	-	Wilbur, Johnson

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

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

NAME:

Kendra Green
Crystal Kramer

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 28; 12/12/23, 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 Crystal Kramer as the citizen member to the Commission for Women. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Kramer
Jackson	-	Kramer
Aguirre	-	Kramer
Bagley	-	Kramer
Chapman	-	Kramer
Gaskins	-	Kramer
McPike	-	Kramer

29. Commission on Employment - 2-year term
1 citizen member

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 29; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman

Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council deferred consideration of this appointment. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

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

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

NAME:

Marjorie Leong Greenberg
Andrew Stankevich

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 30; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, ballots were tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Marjorie Leong Greenberg as the citizen member to the Community Services Board. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Greenberg
Jackson	-	Greenberg
Aguirre	-	Greenberg
Chapman	-	Greenberg
Gaskins	-	Greenberg
McPike	-	Greenberg

- 31. Emergency Medical Services Council - 2-year term
1 citizen member

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

NAME:

Douglass Schneider
Alexander Von Guggenberg

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 31; 12/12/23, 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 Douglas Schneider as the citizen member to the Emergency Medical Services Council. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Schneider
Jackson	-	Von Guggenberg
Aguirre	-	Schneider
Bagley	-	Schneider
Chapman	-	Schneider
Gaskins	-	Schneider
McPike	-	Schneider

- 32. Historical Restoration & Preservation Commission - 4-year term
1 citizen member

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 32; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Councilmember Bagley and carried unanimously, City Council deferred the appointment for this Commission and requested that it be readvertised. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

Recommendations from the City Manager

Resolutions

None.

Ordinances

None.

- 33. Oral Reports and Oral Presentations from Members of City Council

Councilman Aguirre moved, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, for the City Manager to proposal for Council consideration for adjustment to Council's annual salaries. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- 34. Consideration of City Council Calendar.

(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. 34; 12/12/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Bagley, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council received and approved the FY 2024 City

Council Calendar. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

Closed Session (If needed)

Not needed.

VI. ADJOURN

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilmember Bagley, seconded by Councilman Gaskins and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of December 12, 2023 at 10:42 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

Adopted: January 9, 2023