

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket

Tuesday, September 24, 2013

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

[14-1897](#)

5:30 p.m. - Work Session with the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association and the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership
6:45 p.m. - Work Session with the Alexandria Transit Company Annual Stockholders/DASH

City Council held a work session with the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association and the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership at 5:30 p.m.

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1 Calling the Roll.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Euille, and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present.

2 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

3 Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meeting of City Council:

[14-1885](#)

The Regular Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2013.

City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of September 10, 2013.

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

4 [14-1858](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Brendon O'Toole for his Run For Veterans Across America.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

5 [14-1884](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Week of October 6, 2013 as Mental Health Awareness Week.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)

CONSENT CALENDAR (6-10)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- 6 [14-1886](#) Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:
- (a) Commission on Employment
Lindsay Fenlon
 - (b) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
Matthew Snell
 - (c) Human Rights Commission
Charlene Jeanes

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- 7 [14-1889](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:
- (a) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission
1 Young Adult Member
 - (b) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
1 Representative of the Business Community
1 Citizen Member
 - (c) Emergency Medical Services Council
1 Representative of the Federation of Civic Associations
 - (d) Environmental Policy Commission
1 Citizen-at-Large Member
 - (e) Potomac Yard Design Committee
1 Member Representing the Potomac West Area
 - (f) Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Citizen Member Who Shall Not Be a Health Professional

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

- 8 [14-1707](#) Consideration of Installation of a HAWK Pedestrian Beacon for Mid-Block Crossing of Eisenhower Avenue at the U.S. Patent and Trade Office.
- 9 [14-1875](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending July 31, 2013.

- 10 [14-1761](#) Consideration of Authorization of Recommended Capital Project Allocations and Planned Expenditures.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception on docket item #9, which was considered under a separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

6. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Lindsay Fenlon, Commission on Employment; (b) Matthew Snell, Commission on Persons with Disabilities; and (c) Charlene Jeanes, Human Rights Commission.

7. City Council appointed the following persons to boards and commissions: (a) appointed Eric Williams as the young adult member to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (b) appointed Tom Sachs as the representative of the business community and appointed Charanita Witty as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (c) reappointed Converse West as the representative of the Federation of Civic Associations to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (d) appointed Christopher Gamache as the citizen-at-large member to the Environmental Policy Commission; (e) reappointed Quynn Nguyen as the member representing the Potomac West area to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; and (f) appointed Thomas Libert as the citizen member who shall not be a health professional to the Public Health Advisory Committee.

8. City Council authorized installation of a new HAWK (High Intensity Activated Crosswalk) crossing on Eisenhower Avenue at USPTO pursuant to City Code Section 10-2-7. This recommendation is consistent with the Traffic and Parking Board recommendation who, following a public hearing at their June 24, 2013 meeting, voted unanimously to recommend installation of the signal. As presented at the Traffic and Parking Board meeting, this location meets the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Guidelines for HAWK installation.

9. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending July 31, 2013, the first month of FY 2014. (separate motion)

10. City Council authorized \$3,530,675 for capital project allocations and planned expenditures for the capital projects as detailed in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Expenditure Summary.

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

- 11 [14-1887](#) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Julia Sylla as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (60 min.)

- 12 [14-1803](#) Consideration of the FY2015 - FY 2020 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Regional Surface Transportation

Program (RSTP) Funding Requests

City Council: (1) adopted the projects outlined as the City FY2015-FY2020 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) request; and (2) authorized the City Manager to apply for these grants, and to enter into necessary agreements with the Commonwealth of Virginia to accept these grants.

13 [14-1805](#)

Consideration of a Budget Transfer to Allocate up to \$452,000 in Federal Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Monies (Including Local Match) to Rebuilding Together Alexandria.

City Council, as a backup contingency plan to the recently approved loan of \$1.078 million to the Wesley Housing Development Corporation for the renovation of the Lynhaven Apartments: (1) approved the transfer of \$452,000 in Federal HOME and matching funds from the Housing Opportunities Fund to the Alexandria Neighborhood Stabilization Program; and (2) authorized the City Manager, contingent upon the conditions described in this memorandum, to execute an amendment to an existing agreement with Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA) to provide an additional \$452,000 in HOME and matching funds with the net proceeds to be returned to the Housing Opportunities Fund.

13.1 [14-1777](#)

Consideration of a License Agreement with Coxcom LLC., to Install Conduit and Fiber Optic Cable in the Public Rights-Of-Way.

City Council approved the five year license agreement with CoxCom, LLC, and authorized the City Manager to execute the license agreement and to take any other actions that are necessary to implement the agreement.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Mayor Euille congratulated Councilman Chapman on his keynote speech for the Untouchables Anniversary Fundraising Dinner on Sunday and he highlighted the accomplishments of the African-American males who had participated in the organization over the past 20 years.

(b) Councilwoman Pepper reported that Mayor Euille is featured in the latest edition of "Who's Who in Black Washington, D.C." Councilman Pepper also noted that the edition honored Glenn Hopkins, CEO of the Hopkins House and City Manager Young in the list of individuals.

(c) Councilwoman Pepper reported that some of the City schools, T. C. Williams High School in particular, have been performing well and will be removed from priority status by the Commonwealth's Department of Education.

(d) Councilman Chapman congratulated the Departmental Progressive Club, who is celebrating it's 82nd anniversary, and he noted that the club will be holding an open house on Friday, September 27 to celebrate the occasion.

(e) Councilman Chapman congratulated Diane Dunning, the Director of Admissions

at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes, on receiving the Bretnall Award for her contributions to the field of admissions. Councilman Chapman also congratulated Marsha Way, field hockey coach at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes, on reaching her 500th win in field hockey.

(f) Councilman Chapman reported that the Council of Governments (COG) Human Services and Public Safety Committee is drafting a regional mental health directory containing a comprehensive list of places that offer mental health services for the Metropolitan area.

(g) Councilman Chapman reported that the Sister Cities Committee will be hosting a Scottish whiskey tasting fundraiser on October 25.

(h) Councilman Chapman distributed the resolution adopted by Alexandria City School Board supporting the lawsuit brought forth by the Virginia School Boards Association and Norfolk City School Board to declare the Opportunity Educational Institution (OEI) legislation unconstitutional and to enjoin the OEI board from taking action to implement the legislation, and he requested that Council endorse the resolution.

City Council endorsed the resolution adopted by the Alexandria City School Board at their September 12, 2013 meeting.

(i) Vice Mayor Silberberg reported that City Manager Young will be speaking at the Eisenhower Partnership Meeting at the Holiday Inn on Eisenhower Avenue in the morning.

(j) Vice Mayor Silberberg reported that there will be a flu shot clinic held during the ALIVE! food distribution on Saturday, September 28 at 10 a.m. Vice Mayor Silberberg noted that she will be there to receive a flu shot to demonstrate the importance of the vaccine during this time of year.

(k) Councilmember Lovain reported that the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission is still working on updating the Children and Youth Master Plan. Councilmember Lovain noted that some plan amendments are still under consideration and should be coming forth to Council for consideration soon.

(l) Councilmember Lovain reported that the Transportation Planning Board for the National Capital Region is working on a Regional Transportation Priorities Plan and the board has asked that the draft be examined more closely to reflect some of the transportation initiatives that regional communities are using.

(m) Councilman Wilson reported that the U.S. Census Bureau sent a letter to the Complete Count Census Committee noting an error in the population count for the City of Alexandria from the 2010 census. Councilman Wilson noted that the new total population is 139,993.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

[14-1926](#)

City Manager Oral Report

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[14-1891](#)

Update on City Aquatics

City Council received the update on City Aquatics.

- 14.1 [14-1904](#) Long Range Facilities Planning Efforts

City Council received the report on long range facilities planning efforts.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 15 [14-1724](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Extend the Term of the Ad Hoc Fort Ward Park and Museum Area Stakeholder Advisory Group. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the resolution to approve an extension of the two-year term of the Ad Hoc Fort Ward Park and Museum Area Stakeholder Advisory Group adopted in Resolution No. 2460 for one additional year through the completion of the Fort Ward Management Plan. (RES. NO. 2575)
- 16 [14-1789](#) Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds by the Industrial Development Authority for Virginia Tech. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds by the Industrial Development Authority for Virginia Tech. (RES. NO. 2576)
- 17 [14-1900](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Resource Allocation and Fee Assistance Policy for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the resolution for the two recommended policies: (1) the Resources Allocation and Cost Recovery Policy, and (2) the Financial Assistance Policy for the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities effective July 1, 2013. (RES. NO. 2577)

OTHER

- 18 [14-1878](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.
City Council received the revised Council Calendar which includes the following work sessions, which are scheduled to start at 5:30 p.m.: October 8 - Housing Master Plan; October 22 - AlexRenew Enterprises ASA; November 12 - State Legislative Agenda; November 26 - Transportation Funding (TIP); and December 10 - Potomac Yard Metro Rail Station Planning, and approved the calendar.
- 19 [14-1890](#) Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter.
At 10:12 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to consult with legal counsel regarding a pending legal matter pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(7) of the Code of Virginia.
At 11:33 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.
City Council adopted a resolution pertaining the Executive Session (RES. NO. 2578)

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The meeting adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

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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.