

**City of Alexandria**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 28, 2015**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**Council Chambers**

Present: Mayor William D. Euille, Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg, Members of Council John Taylor Chapman, Timothy B. Lovain, Redella S. Pepper, Paul C. Smedberg and Justin M. Wilson.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Mr. Banks, City Attorney; Police Captain Wemple; Deputy Police Chief Reyes; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Eddy, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Browand, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Garvey, Director, Community and Human Services; Ms. Wixson, Community and Human Services; Ms. Warren, Community and Human Services; Mr. Routt, Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Beaver, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Ms. Taylor, Acting Director, Office of Finance; Mr. Stewart, Office of Finance; Mr. Costigan, Office of Finance; Ms. Bulova, Office of Historic Alexandria; Mr. Edwards, Director, Information Technology; Mr. Andrews, Information Technology; Mr. Farid, Information Technology; Ms. Bryan, Information Technology Services; and Mr. Lloyd.

Recorded by: Jacqueline M. Henderson, City Clerk and Clerk of Council

**1. Calling the Roll.**

Mayor Euille called the meeting together and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of City 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 Meetings of City Council:**

The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015;  
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2015; and  
The Special Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2015.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of April 14, 2015, with the noted correction sent by the City Clerk, and the special public hearing meeting minutes of April 21, 2015. The April 18, 2015 minutes were deferred at the request of the City Clerk. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg,

Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

## **ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES.**

### **\* Eisenhower Partnership (Councilman Chapman)**

Councilman Chapman said the policy piece from the Eisenhower Partnership that he was going to mention will be postponed until their next meeting. He said they will have a candidates forum on Friday at 8:00 a.m. at the Society for Human Resources Management Office at 1800 Duke Street,

### **\* MWCOG - Human Service and Public Safety Committee (Councilman Chapman)**

Councilman Chapman said the Human Service and Public Safety Committee of the Council of Governments had its bi-monthly meeting and it focused on the issue of affordable housing and the member jurisdictions were able to talk about what they have been doing or what's been done in their jurisdictions. He said he focused on the affordable housing in Potomac Yard as one of the crown jewels of opportunity that jurisdictions can take to co-locate City services as well as provide affordable housing. He said there were folks from Silver Spring that spoke about what they are doing for affordable housing, folks from D.C. talked about what they are doing. One of the take-aways from the D.C. presentation is that they lauded the City for passing the changes to the parking requirements as a good way to bring more affordable housing opportunity, as well as noted that they would be undergoing such discussion as well. He said that hopefully the City can be a leader in the region when it comes to making that change.

### **\* City-Schools Subcommittee (Councilman Wilson)**

Councilman Wilson said he and Mayor Euille serve on the City-Schools Subcommittee, which met yesterday. He said they had further discussion on the joint work session it had on early childhood and the beginnings of planning for next month for the June joint meeting with the School Board regarding after-school and out of school programs. Councilman Wilson said they had a lengthy discussion on Patrick Henry and the appropriate governance from a joint perspective of that project. This is a unique project in that they haven't done a project like this since Ramsey, so it may make sense to think about how they organize the governance of that project and while Council will adopt a budget on May 9, they will also have to allocate the capital money shortly thereafter to the School Board and will need to have a better understanding of how that project will be governed, organized and conceived prior to that vote. Councilman Wilson said they left it with direction to the City Manager and the Superintendent to think about how they will organize that going forward and will hopefully get some good suggestions on that front. Councilman Wilson said they also had conversation about some of the public/private partnership or community partnership for the projects they will be talking about during the preliminary add/delete discussion on this evening's docket, for projects where the City and the Schools and private sector are working together to make things happen. He said they have a couple newer models that involve both the City and the Schools, and one of the things they discussed is trying to build a process for how they can formalize the consideration of those. It would behoove all to come up with a better process and formula for considering those so it is not always ad-hoc. Councilman Wilson said they also discussed the

continued follow-up on the fund balance policy they have been discussing for awhile. The staff is bringing a framework of that policy to both the City Manager and Superintendent shortly and that will come to them in the Fall with an eye to having that policy in place for FY2017.

Mayor Euille said that as they approach the add/delete discussion, the uniqueness about having a City Council and School Board subcommittee that meets monthly to bring to the table items for discussion is unique and there is no other jurisdiction that he knows where there is a collaborative partnership between the Schools and the local government. He said the process has been underway since 1994 and was an idea of his when he first got elected to the City Council after having served on the School Board for ten years. He said this process pays a lot of good dividends.

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER**

### **CONSENT CALENDAR (4-5)**

#### **(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)**

4. Consideration of a Grant Application To The Virginia Department Of Behavioral Health And Developmental Services To Develop A Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Site.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated April 22, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 4; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

5. Consideration of a Grant Application For Teen Pregnancy Prevention Funding To The Administration For Children, Youth And Families For The Alexandria Campaign On Adolescent Pregnancy.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated April 22, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 5; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

### **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

City Council removed items 4 and 5 from the consent calendar and approved them under separate motion.

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Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services, made a presentation of the staff report and noted that the funder will not cover the full cost of the position and recommend that they add cash match in addition to the in-kind, so staff would like to be able to identify funds in the DCHS budget to cover those funds in the amount of \$20,000.

Ms. Garvey, along with Deputy Police Chief Reyes, responded to questions of City Council.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. authorized the submission of an application to VDBHDS for funding in the amount of \$238,480 to establish a CIT Assessment Site, a therapeutic, non-criminal justice location where law enforcement officers can bring an individual in a behavioral health crisis, as an alternative to incarceration (due May 5, 2015); 2. approved an increase of 1.0 FTE for a CIT Coordinator to assume management responsibility of the current CIT program, and the new grant-funded CIT Assessment site; and 3. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

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Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services, responded to questions of City Council.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Vice Mayor Silberberg and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. authorized the submission of the three-year grant application to ACF for funding in the amount of \$442,094 per year (due May 5, 2015); 2. approved a 2.0 FTE increase within the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) Center for Children to be fully supported by grant revenues for a Management Analyst II to manage the PREP grant and a Health and Community Education Specialist and Families to provide outreach services and conduct youth engagement activities; and 3. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION**

6. Consideration of the FY 2016 Preliminary Budget Add-Delete List.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated April 22, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 6; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Routt, Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, went over the details of the add-delete and he, along with Mr. Bever, Office of Management and Budget, responded to questions of City Council.

Mayor Euille noted that the following have consensus in the add-delete: \$1 million for schools; \$1.3 million for fire station 210; \$60,000 for the law library; \$600,000 for TIP operation/restoration; \$850,000 for TIP capital restoration; further conversation about funding on the capital side for ALIVE, \$55,000; still on the table for discussion will be Ramsey Rec Center Sunday hours at \$15,000; rent relief at \$180,000; and Maury School Yard at \$250,000.

**7. Municipal Broadband: Process to Review Alternatives.**

(A copy of the powerpoint presentation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Andrews, Deputy Director, Information Technology, made a presentation of the staff report on the municipal broadband and he, along with Mr. Edwards, Director, Information Technology, Mr. Farid, Information Technology, Mr. Jinks, City Manager, Mr. Stewart, Office of Finance, and Ms. Conner, a member of the Commission on Information Technology, responded to questions of City Council.

**8. Discussion of the Draft Long Range Educational Facilities Plan.**

(A copy of the powerpoint presentation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Ms. Eddy, Deputy Director, Planning and Zoning, made a presentation of the staff report on the long range educational facilities plan and she, along with Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning, and Ms. Hamach, facilities planner for the Alexandria City Public Schools, responded to questions of City Council.

**ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

1. Mayor Euille noted that he failed earlier to ask for prayers and sympathy for those in Nepal and Southeast Asia with the earthquake.

2. Mayor Euille spoke of the Moroccan Artisans festival that is going on in Market Square this week.

3. Mayor Euille said the Potomac Yard open house/community meeting will take place this Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m., followed by a public hearing at Cora Kelly Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Euille said this is a WMATA public hearing process and he would be chairing the public hearing meeting, as a member of the Board of WMATA. Mayor Euille said this is the first of many that will be taking place before adoption on May 20.

4. Mayor Euille said he was at the White House this morning to greet the Prime Minister of Japan, and he passed out souvenirs from the event to City Council.

**ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

**9. Update on the French Tall Ship L'Hermione Events and Visit to Alexandria.**

(A copy of the powerpoint presentation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Ms. Bulova, Office of Historic Alexandria, made a presentation and update on the French Tall Ship L’Hermoine and she, along with Mr. Browand, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, and Mr. Kaiden, Chief Operating Officer, Visit Alexandria, responded to questions of City Council.

**OTHER**

**10. Consideration of the City Council Schedule.**

(A copy of the City Manager’s memorandum dated April 22, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 4/2815, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the revised Council calendar, which includes the Alexandria Commission on Aging Excellence in Aging Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Vola Lawson Lobby; and 2. approved the calendar. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

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**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Vice Mayor Silberberg and carried unanimously, the regular meeting of April 28, 2015, was adjourned at 10:38 p.m. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

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WILLIAM D. EUILLE                      MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Jacqueline M. Henderson  
City Clerk and Clerk of Council