# City of Alexandria Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 14, 2013 7:00 P.M. Council Chambers

Present: Mayor William D. Euille, Members of Council John Taylor Chapman,

Timothy B. Lovain, Redella S. Pepper, Paul C. Smedberg and Justin M.

Wilson.

Absent: Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg.

Also Present: Mr. Young, City Manager; Mr. Banks, City Attorney; Mr. Spera, Deputy

City Attorney; Mr. Jinks, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Gates, Deputy City Manager; Police Captain Wemple; Deputy Police Chief Corle; Fire Chief Thiel; Mr. Browand, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Davis, Director, Office of Housing; Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Baker, City Engineer, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Maslanka, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Bevis-Carter, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Bevis-Carter, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Garbacz, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Smith, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Ms. Anderson, Acting Deputy Director, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Wright, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Williamson, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Boyd, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Mr.

Martinez, Information Technology Services; and Mr. Lloyd.

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

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5:30 p.m. Work Session on the Housing Master Plan

City Council held the work session.

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#### 1. Calling the Roll.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Euille, and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present, with the exception of Vice Mayor Silberberg, who was absent with an excused absence.

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 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2013;

The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2013; and The Special Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2013

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of April 13, 2013, the regular meeting minutes of April 23, 2013, and the special meeting minutes of May 6, 2013. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

#### RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

4. Presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to Iesha Kenney.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council presented a proclamation to Miss Kenney. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

5. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of May as Safe Graduation Month.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

6. Recognition of Citizen Academy Graduates.

City Council recognized the members of the Citizens Academy.

#### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

# **CONSENT CALENDAR (7-18)**

# (Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- 7. Receipt of the Following Resignations from Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee James Lewis
  - (b) Alexandria Gang Task Force Maria Muhtadi-Roach
  - (c) Community Criminal Justice Board Raighne C. Delaney

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7 (a-c); 5/14/13, and is incorporated

as part of this record by reference.)

# **Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:**

- 8. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - (a) Archaeological Commission1 Member from the Alexandria Historical Society
  - (b) Citizen Corps Council 1 Citizen Member
  - (c) Commission on HIV/AIDS

    1 HIV/AIDS Service Organization Which Provides Services in the City to the Minority Community
  - (d) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
     1 Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission Representative
     1 Planning District II Representative
  - (e) Sister Cities Committee 2 Citizen Members

(A copy of the above appointments is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8 (a-e); 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

# (Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

9. Consideration of a Request to Vacate a Position on the Alexandria Waterfront Commission.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

10. Consideration of the One-Year Action Plan for Housing and Community Development for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

11. Consideration of Submission of a Reimbursement Grant Application by the Alexandria Sheriff's Office Through the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Consideration of the Annual Reports from Council-Appointed Boards and Commissions for FY 2012.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending March 31, 2013.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

# (Ordinances for Introduction)

14. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Increase the City's Cigarette Tax.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 5/14/13, 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 Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 14; 5/14/23 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 Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 14; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

15. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 2-2-11 (Establishment of Central Absentee Voter Election District and Voting Place) by Adding Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Central Library as a Permanent Additional Absentee Voting Place for November Elections.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 5/14/23 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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16. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Create a Towing Services Advisory Board.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 5/14/13, 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 Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 16; 5/14/23 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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17. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Sewer Connection Fee.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Three-Year License Agreement to Authorize the Waterfront Market, LLC to Utilize a Portion of the City Marina Plaza Right-of-way and to Implement the Agreement.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

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#### **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of items 12, 17 and 18, which were considered under separate vote, as follows:

- 7. City Council received the following resignations: (a) James Lewis, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) Maria Muhtadi-Roach, Alexandria Gang Task Force; and (c) Raighne C. Delaney, Community Criminal Justice Board.
- 8. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) reappointed Georgia (Katy) Cannady as the one member from the Alexandria Historical Society to the Archaeological Commission; (b) reappointed Michelle McQueeney as the one citizen member to the Citizen Corps Council; (d) appointed Michael Commisso as the one Alexandria Historical Restoration & Preservation Commission representative and reappointed Susan Hellman as the one Planning District II representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; and (e) appointed Michael Hillburg and Monica Johnson as the two citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee.
- 9. City Council declared as vacant the position for a citizen representative from Park Planning District I and authorized the City Clerk to advertise the vacancy.
- 10. City Council: 1. approved the one-year action plan for Housing and Community Development for FY 2014, which includes the City's application for Federal Fiscal Year 2013 funding for \$678,236 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and \$373,796 in Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), as summarized in attachments 1 and 2; 2. authorized the City Manager to make adjustments to the FY 2014 Action Plan and grant application based on the approved FY 2014 budget and final grant numbers when received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and 3. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.
- 11. City Council: 1. authorized the City Manager to continue the City's participation as an applicant jurisdiction for the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program to permit the City's law enforcement agencies to apply for reimbursement for bulletproof vests purchased from April 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Applications for the 2014 funding period are due by May 20, 2013; 2. authorized all City law enforcement agencies eligible under the requirements of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program to participate and apply for reimbursement under the City's comprehensive application in each year that federal funding is available for this program; and 3. authorized the City Manager to execute any necessary documents.
- 13. City Council received the monthly financial report for the period ending March 31, 2013.
- 14. City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing on May 18, 2013.
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The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

12. Consideration of the Annual Reports from Council-Appointed Boards and Commissions for FY 2012.

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Questions were asked by Council regarding those boards who did not submit their report, and what training and reporting was given to the chairs, Ms. Boyd, Special Assistant to the City Manager and Ms. Henderson, City Clerk and Clerk of Council, responded to Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council received the reports and thanked the boards and commissions for their hard work over the past year. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

17. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Sewer Connection Fee.

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Ms. Baker, City Engineer, Transportation and Environmental Services, briefed Council on the proposed changes and she, along with Mr. Baier, Director, responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing on May 18, 2013. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Three-Year License Agreement to Authorize the Waterfront Market, LLC to Utilize a Portion of the City Marina Plaza Right-of-way and to Implement the Agreement.

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Councilman Smedberg asked staff to have comments ready for Saturday as to how the number of seats were determined and in general how the use fits into the implementation of the Waterfront Plan.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing on May 18, 2013. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

# **CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS**

- 19. Alexandria Marketing Committee
  - 1 Member With Experience or Expertise in the Following Areas: Marketing/Communications, Advertising Agency/Public Relations, Media Buyer, Graphic Design/Production and/or Media Relations/Media Outlet

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Theresa Cuddington Patricia Gaston Stephen Reidy

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council reappointed Patricia Gaston as the one member with experience or expertise in the following areas: marketing/communications, advertising agency/public relations, media buyer, graphic design/production and/or media relations/media outlet to the Alexandria Marketing Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille - Gaston Silberberg - absent Chapman - Gaston Lovain - Gaston Pepper - Gaston Smedberg - Gaston Wilson - Gaston

# 20. Commission for Women

4 Citizen Members

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Shauntae Barber Kathleen Barnett Kelly Booz Alicia Daly Lateisha Garrett Brian Morreale Maribel Ramos Susan Ross-O'Brien Erica Rossi

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 20; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council reappointed Brian Morreale and Susan Ross-O'Brien and appointed Erica Rossi as three of the four citizen members to the Commission for Women. There was no majority vote for the fourth citizen member, so a revote had to occur. The voting was as follows:

Euille - Barnett, Morreale, Ross-O'Brien, Rossi

Silberberg - absent

Chapman - Garrett, Morreale, Ross-O'Brien, Rossi
Lovain - Barnett, Morreale, Ross-O'Brien, Rossi
Pepper - Morreale, Ramos, Ross-O'Brien, Rossi
Smedberg - Morreale, Ramos, Ross-O'Brien, Rossi
Wilson - Morreale, Ramos, Ross-O'Brien, Rossi

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were again distributed, tellers were again appointed and ballots were again tallied with following results: City Council appointed Maribel Ramos as the fourth citizen member to the Commission for Women. The voting was as follows:

Euille - Ramos Silberberg - absent Chapman - Garrett Lovain - Barnett Pepper - Ramos Smedberg - Ramos Wilson - Ramos

# 21. Emergency Medical Services Council1 Representative of the Alexandria Red Cross

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Ethel Susan Roe

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Ethel Susan Roe as the one representative of the Alexandria Red Cross to the Emergency Medical Services Council. The voting was as follows:

Euille - Roe
Silberberg - absent
Chapman - Roe
Lovain - Roe
Pepper - Roe
Smedberg - Roe
Wilson - Roe

# 22. Local Emergency Planning Committee

1 Owner and Operators of Facilities Subject to the Federal Emergency Planning Requirements of Super Fund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Kevin McGunnigle

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Kevin McGunnigle as the one owner and operators of facilities subject to the federal emergency planning requirements of Super Fund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) to the Local Emergency Planning Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille - McGunnigle Silberberg - absent Chapman - McGunnigle Lovain - McGunnigle Pepper - McGunnigle Smedberg - McGunnigle Wilson - McGunnigle

# 22.1 Commission on HIV/AIDS

1 HIV/AIDS service organization which provides services in the City to the minority community

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Viacheslav Lunkin

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22.1; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Viacheslav Lunkin as the one HIV/AIDS service organization which provides services in the City to the minority community to the Commission on HIV/AIDS. The voting was as follows:

Euille - Lunkin
Silberberg - absent
Chapman - Lunkin
Lovain - Lunkin
Pepper - Lunkin
Smedberg - Lunkin
Wilson - Lunkin

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

None.

#### ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

# ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Mayor Euille extended congratulations to Councilman Chapman on being recognized on May 7 by the Virginia Leadership Institute as one of its top 10 under 40 awardees to honor ten of the region's rising African-American leaders in the business community and politics.
- 2. Mayor Euille said his next TV show will center around the topic of the Boston bombings and he reminded citizens that if they see something, they should say something.
  - 3. Mayor Euille noted the recognition of lesha Kenney, an eighth grader, for her boxing

prowess, and also two students who have been recognized as finalist for the National Merit Scholars Award - Charlotte Clinger and Alexandra Eichner, who were among 2,500 students chosen from 15,000 finalist to receive a \$2500 National Merit Scholarship.

4. Mayor Euille asked for an update on the HOTLanes issue.

Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, updated Council on the meeting held on the proposed new ramp under construction at Edsall Road and I-395 and the environmental impacts it will cause.

5. Councilman Chapman spoke on the closing of the Giant Food on Beauregard and in Bradlee Shopping Center and the renovation of Safeway. He said he is working with staff on those timelines and to see in terms of gaps in service whether the City can work with outside vendors to provide farmers markets that aren't there so people can get fresh produce and meats. He said they are looking into seeing what they can do to provide those folks with necessary services.

## ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Young called attention to the memo sent today regarding the Four Mile Run bridge and also the email received from Judy Noritake, the chair of the co-jurisdictional task force that looked at the issue. If Council has any feedback, he asked that they give that to him quickly, as he intended to move forward with the administrative approvals necessary to do the demolition of Bridge B.

#### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

23. Consideration of a Resolution to Endorse WMATA's Strategic Plan, Momentum: The Next Generation of Metro. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 23; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, along with Gregory Potts, with WMATA, were available to answer questions.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution endorsing WMATA's strategic plan, Momentum: The Next Generation of Metro. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2557** 

Resolution Endorsing the Metro Momentum Strategic Plan

WHEREAS, The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) is charting a new course to ensure the transit system meets the needs of the region through a strategic planning effort, the first for the Authority in more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, Planning for the future and investing in WMATA is critical because Metro is the backbone of the region, with two million jobs located within a half mile of Metrorail or Metrobus routes; and

WHEREAS, WMATA and its riders relieve the jurisdictions' need to construct at least 1,000 lane miles of roads and tens of thousands of parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, While WMATA continues rebuilding virtually the entire system to improve safety, reliability and customer service, the Authority must be able to serve the expected millions of more future riders, and support the region's economic growth; and

WHEREAS, Demand is already outstripping capacity and more growth is expected, and thus, additional investments are needed to prepare WMATA's core, and ultimately, to ensure the continued prosperity of the region; and

WHEREAS, The plan, *Momentum: The Next Generation of Metro*, benefits from more than a year of unprecedented outreach to nearly 12,000 customers and stakeholders, provides a road map to achieve the goals, and guides WMATA's annual business plan; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing that the region's mobility depends on the continued operation of WMATA's core network, *Momentum* includes the following key priorities for completion by 2025: Operation of all eight-car trains during rush hour; completion of the Metrobus Priority Corridor Network; a one-stop shop for all regional transit trip planning and payment; and a better, more efficient MetroAccess service; and

WHEREAS, *Momentum* would provide a regional return by carrying 35,000 more passengers on trains per hour during rush hour; moving bus customers 50% faster using 12% less fuel while also removing *an additional* 100,000 trips from roadways each day; providing customers with one convenient hub to plan, pay for, and take a transit trip seamlessly and effortlessly; serving more customers with brighter, safer, and easier to navigate stations; offering customers information, everywhere, all the time, to keep them informed during trips; and increasing Blue Line service so that trains arrive every six minutes during rush hour; and

WHEREAS, *Momentum* will require a partnership of funding partners from the federal, State and local governments and from the private sector to implement; and

WHEREAS, *Momentum* has been vetted by business leaders, advocacy groups, legislative decision makers, jurisdictional partners, and riders;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

The City Council endorses *Momentum: The Next Generation of Metro*, contingent upon WMATA determining a funding source for the plan.

24. Consideration of a Resolution to Establish a Taxicab Task Force. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 24; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, made a presentation of the report and responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 5-1 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution establishing a nine member Taxicab Task Force, with the following amendments: the task force report is due by October 30, 2013, and to add a sentence to read: "the issue of the operation of cab companies which operate below the Code required thresholds", and authorized the Mayor to appoint the members of the Task Force and authorized the City Clerk to advertise the vacancies and request representatives from the following groups to participate in the work of the Task Force: Commission on Aging, 1 representative; Alexandria Police Department/Hack Office, 1 representative; Traffic and Parking Board, 1 representative; Taxicab Company Owner, 1 representative; Taxicab Driver, 1 representative; City Council, 1 representative; Community Services Board, 1 representative; Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities, 1 representative; and Department of Transportation and Environmental Services, 1 staff representative. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, Councilman Wilson.

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2558**

WHEREAS, Virginia Code Sections 46.2-2062 through -2067 grants the governing body of any county, city or town the authority to regulate taxicab service; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria, to better serve the public and implement and promote the City's ongoing commitment to provide outstanding taxicab service, has adopted comprehensive rules regulating such service within the City, as is set forth more fully in Alexandria City Code Sections 9-12-1 through -144 and certain administrative regulations as authorized therein; and

WHEREAS, Tenants and Workers United has provided a proposal to liberalize the taxicab driver transfer process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alexandria City Council establishes a nine-member Taxicab Task Force, and hereby authorizes the Mayor to appoint members as follows:

- 1) Commission on Aging, 1 representative
- 2) Alexandria Police Department/Hack Office, 1 representative
- 3) Traffic and Parking Board, 1 representative
- 4) Taxicab Company Owner, 1 representative
- 5) Taxicab Driver, 1 representative
- 6) City Council, 1 representative
- 7) Community Services Board, 1 representative

- 8) Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities, 1 representative
- 9) Department of Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES), 1 staff representative

to review and make recommendations to City Council on: 1) the Tenants and Workers United proposal to liberalize the taxicab driver transfer process; 2) the Traffic and Parking Board's proposal to allow grandfathered certificates to become permanently affiliated with the company with whom the driver is affiliated when the grandfathered certificate holder retires; and 3) the issue of the operation of cab companies which operate below the Code required thresholds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Taxicab Task Force will be disbanded upon the receipt of its report to City Council, due by October 30, 2013.

25. Consideration of a Resolution Opposing the Issuance of a Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) Air Permit for the Norfolk Southern Ethanol Transloading Facility. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 25; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Young, City Manager, made a presentation of the issue and he, along with Mr. Skrabak, Transportation and Environmental Services, and Fire Chief Thiel responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council: 1. adopted the resolution strongly opposing the issuance of the proposed VDEQ Air Permit for the Norfolk Southern Ethanol Transloading Facility, with the following amendments: in the 'now therefore be it resolved" section to add the words "noise pollution and quality of life impacts" after "air emissions"; in the next to the last "be it further resolved" add "discuss" after "means to" and after the word "expansion" add "including arranging for a meeting with the Norfolk Southern President/or his designee as soon as possible."; 2. directed the City Manager to develop comments in opposition to the permit, submit those to VDEQ as part of the public comment period, and work with VDEQ staff to facilitate as much time as possible and increased opportunity for the public to comment; 3. direct the City Manager and the City Attorney to explore if there are any other means to prevent this facility expansion; and 4. transmit the resolution to the City's federal and state legislative delegations and request their assistance in this matter. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2559**

WHEREAS, Norfolk Southern Corporation has established an ethanol transloading operation at its intermodal facility in Alexandria's West End; and

WHEREAS, Norfolk Southern Corporation made a unilateral and ill-advised decision to locate such a facility near the homes of thousands of City residents, a public elementary school, the Capital beltway which is a main north-south interstate highway serving the East Coast, and the WMATA Metro Rail Blue Line; and

WHEREAS, a facility for the transport, storage and handling of multiple railcars, each with a capacity of 30,000 gallons of highly flammable liquid, presents an unacceptable threat to public safety, vital infrastructure, and private property; and

WHEREAS, Norfolk Southern has proposed plans to enable them to further expand the throughput at their Alexandria facility; and

WHEREAS, Norfolk Southern appears to have been planning this increase in offloading for some time, having applied for an air pollution control permit to VDEQ at the beginning of 2013, yet failed to inform the City and its residents about their planned expansion; and

WHEREAS, the proposed increase in throughput necessitates an air pollution control permit from Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ); and

WHEREAS, potential impacts of such increase in throughput include further threats to public safety, vital infrastructure, private property and air quality; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City opposes issuance of the air permit that would enable the expansion of throughput at the facility and would result in increased air emissions, noise pollutions and quality of life impacts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is directed to develop comments in opposition to the Permit and submit those to VDEQ as part of the public comment period and otherwise work with VDEQ staff to allow as much time as possible for public outreach and comment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager and the City Attorney are directed to explore if there are any other means to discuss and prevent this facility expansion, including arranging for a meeting with the Norfolk Southern President/or his designee as soon as possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be transmitted to the City's federal and state legislative delegations and their assistance where feasible be sought to prevent this facility expansion.

26. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement 105 of the City Code of the City of Alexandria. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 26; 5/14/23 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 Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 26; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council passed on first and second reading an ordinance to adopt supplement 105 to the City Code. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

The ordinance reads as follows:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 4803

AN ORDINANCE adopting supplemental pages for The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, and providing for the repeal of ordinances not included therein, except those saved from repeal by this ordinance, and for other purposes.

## THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the sections and portions thereof set forth in the supplemental and replacement pages for The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, each of which pages is identified in the lower left-hand corner by the notation "Supp. No. 105," are hereby adopted as and shall constitute "The One Hundred and Fifth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981."

Section 2. That the sections and portions thereof set forth in "The One Hundred and Fifth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981" shall be in force and effect on and after the effective date of this ordinance, and all ordinances of a general and permanent nature which were adopted between December 14, 2012 through March 12, 2013, inclusive, and which are not included in such supplement or in The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, are hereby repealed, except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this ordinance.

Section 3. That the repeal provided for in section 2 of this ordinance shall not affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any contract established or accruing prior to the effective date of this ordinance; nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to said date; nor shall it affect any ordinance adopted after March 12, 2013, which amends the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992, as amended; nor shall it affect any ordinance listed in appendices A through J, both inclusive, of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, or any pages supplemental to such appendices; nor shall it affect any provision of any ordinance adopted between December 14, 2012 through March 12, 2013, inclusive, and which is inadvertently omitted from or erroneously incorporated into "The One Hundred and Fifth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981," or any other supplement to the code; nor shall it affect any ordinance adopted after the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 4. That one complete set of pages comprising "The One Hundred and Fifth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981," shall be stapled or otherwise permanently fastened together, shall be manually signed on the front sheet by the

mayor and the city clerk, and shall be filed in the office of the city clerk and made available to any person desiring to inspect the same. In addition, one complete set of the supplemental and replacement pages of such supplement shall be properly inserted into the copy of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, which bears the manual signatures of the mayor and the city clerk, and such code, as amended and supplemented, shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk and be made available to any person desiring to inspect the same.

Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

27. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 58 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 27; 5/14/23 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 Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 27; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council passed on first and second reading an ordinance to adopt supplement 58 of the Zoning Ordinance. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

The ordinance reads as follows:

# ORDINANCE NO. 4804

AN ORDINANCE adopting supplemental pages for the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992, as amended, and providing for the repeal of ordinances not included therein, except those saved from repeal by this ordinance, and for other purposes.

# THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the sections of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992, as amended ("Zoning Ordinance"), and the portions thereof, set forth in the supplemental and replacement pages for the Zoning Ordinance, each of which pages is identified in the lower left-hand corner by the notation "Supp. No. 58," are hereby adopted as and shall constitute "The Fifty-Eighth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992."

Section 2. That the sections of the Zoning Ordinance, and the portions thereof, set forth in "The Fifty-Eighth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992," shall be in force and effect on and after the effective date of this ordinance, and all ordinances amending the text of the Zoning Ordinance which were adopted between

October 9, 2012 and March 12, 2013 inclusive, and which are not included in such supplement or in the Zoning Ordinance are hereby repealed, except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this ordinance.

Section 3. That the repeal provided for in section 2 of this ordinance shall not affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any contract established or accruing prior to the effective date of this ordinance; nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to said date; nor shall it affect any provision of any ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance which was adopted between October 9, 2012 and March 12, 2013, inclusive, and which is inadvertently omitted from or erroneously incorporated into "The Fifty-Eighth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992"; nor shall it affect any ordinance adopted after March 12, 2013.

Section 4. That one complete set of pages comprising "The Fifty-Eighth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992," shall be stapled or otherwise permanently fastened together, shall be manually signed on the front sheet by the mayor and the city clerk, and shall be filed in the office of the city clerk and made available to any person desiring to inspect the same. In addition, one complete set of the pages comprising such supplement shall be properly inserted into the copy of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992, which bears the manual signatures of the mayor and the city clerk, and such code, as amended and supplemented, shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk and be made available to any person desiring to inspect the same.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

28. Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Establish a Requirement that Taxicabs Accept Credit Card Payments. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 28; 5/14/13, 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 Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 28; 5/14/23 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 Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 28; 5/14/13, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council deferred passage of the ordinance to establish that taxicabs accept credit card payments to the May 28 City Council meeting so that staff can put the suggested corrections noted in the staff memorandum into the ordinance for

adoption, as follows:

- 1) If a taxicab company mandates that drivers use a specific credit card processor that company will:
  - a. Charge drivers no more than 5% of the transaction for processing;
  - b. Provide a direct deposit option for drivers;
- 2) Taxicab companies are responsible for uniformity of service and can determine the type of credit card device that is allowable in their fleet;
- 3) Taxicab companies operating in the City provide an annual report to be reviewed by staff in analyzing the effects of the mandatory credit card acceptance policy.
  - a. The report will contain information regarding the number of transactions per driver, the percentage of trips paid for using a credit card, and the transaction fees paid by the driver to the taxicab company to process the credit card payments.
  - b. Companies that do not provide this data to the City will be considered to be out of compliance with the taxicab ordinance;
- 4) The certificate holder will ensure that drivers will issue a paper receipt showing date of transaction, cab number, driver name, and the amount of the transaction for all credit card transactions. The receipt can be hand written;
- 5) All credit card processing equipment shall be PCI DSS compliant;
- 6) Taxicabs will be taken out of service if their credit card processing equipment is inoperable; and
- 7) Establish September 1, 2013 as a compliance date.

The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

#### **OTHER**

29. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 8, 2013, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 29; 5/14/13, 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 updated City Council Schedule which includes: bike to work day 2013 on Friday, May 17 at 8:00 a.m. on Market Square, the Project Discovery Reception is scheduled for Wednesday, May 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Vola Lawson Lobby; the annual Waterfront Walk with staff is scheduled for Saturday, June 8 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Oronoco Bay Park (Madison Street); the annual Alexandria/USA Birthday Celebration on Saturday, July 13 at Oronoco Bay Park (100 Madison Street) from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.; and 2. approved the Council Schedule.

Mayor Euille noted that Council received an invitation today to participate in the North Old Town Walk on Monday from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Councilman Wilson added the groundbreaking for Jefferson Houston on May 21 at 3:00 p.m.

Mayor Euille said he would be attending a Mayor's Forum in Philadelphia May 22-24, so

he would be out of the City.

The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

30. Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, at 9:28 p.m., City Council convened in executive session to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation; specifically, the settlement of a pending legal matter and probable litigation related to environmental infrastructure improvements, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(7) of the Code of Virginia. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, at 10:02 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted a resolution pertaining to the Executive Session. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2560**

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 14th day of May 2013, 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.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, the regular meeting of May 14, 2013, was adjourned at 10:03 p.m. The voting was as follows: In favor,

	APPROVED BY:	
	WILLIAM D. EUILLE	MAYOR
ATTEST:		
Jacqueline M. Henderson		

City Clerk and Clerk of Council

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