

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

The December 9, 2025 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of the City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through a video conference call on Zoom webinar. The meeting can be accessed by government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom by the following link:

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I. OPENING

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Gaskins called the meeting to order and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present.

2. Approval of Electronic Participation Resolution (if needed).

Not needed.

3. Executive Session (if needed)

Not needed.

II. OPENING

4. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

III. Proclamations and Recognitions

5. [26-0449](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing December as Human Rights Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. [26-0450](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing December 31, 2025 as a Fair Weather Night for First Night Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

IV. Oral Reports

City Council Reports on Boards, Commissions, and Committees

7. [26-0496](#) Oral Reports from Members of City Council on Boards, Commissions, and

Committees:

* Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilman Aguirre and Vice Mayor Bagley)

* Council of Governments: Food and Agricultural Regional Member (FARM) (Councilwoman Greene)

City Council gave the reports.

8. City Council General Updates

City Council gave general updates.

City Manager Oral Report

9. [26-0471](#) Semi-Annual Update on Civilian Oversight in Alexandria

City Council received a presentation from Interim Independent Policing Auditor Kamara, highlighting the work of the Auditor, the board and the 2026 goals.

10. [26-0473](#) State of the Economy

City Manager Parajon gave an overview of the State of the Economy for the City.

V. Action Docket

Roll-Call Consent Items (11-16)

11. [26-0497](#) Receipt of the following resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

a) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee
Coss Lumbe

b) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
Michael Bianco

c) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
Gail Rothrock

d) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee
Melissa B. Kuennen

12. [26-0498](#) Uncontested Appointments for Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

- a) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee - 3-year term
1 person who is either an employee of the City or the Alexandria City Public Schools
- b) Archaeological Commission - 4-year term
1 citizen member from Planning District II
1 member from the Historic Alexandria Foundation
- c) Building Code Board of Appeals - 5-year term
2 alternate members
- d) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission - 3-year term
1 high school student (one year term)
- e) Commission on Persons with Disabilities - 2-year term
3 citizen members
- f) Community Criminal Justice Board - 2-year term
1 Judge of the Alexandria Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court
1 representative of local education to be nominated by the Superintendent of Schools
1 Chief of Police (designee)
1 City Council representative
1 Director of the City's Office of Adult Probation and Parole
1 Judge of the Alexandria Circuit Court
- g) Economic Opportunities Commission - 2-year term
1 Category I - elected officials currently holding office, or their representative
- h) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee - 2-year term
1 citizen member
- i) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission - 2-year term
1 citizen member from Planning District I
1 historic house of worship - congregations, or sites which have played a significant role in the diverse cultural, social, and religious history of the city
- j) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee - 2-year term
1 qualified professional skilled in landscape architecture, architecture or urban design
1 member who represents the business community

- k) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors - 3-year term
1 Hotel owner/manager representative

13. [26-0395](#) Consideration of a Grant Submission to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' 2026 Housing Affordability Planning Program for \$45,000 to Create a Pattern Book.
14. [26-0446](#) Consideration of Authorization for the City Manager to take the steps necessary on behalf of the City of Alexandria with respect to the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA)'s Fourth Track Project.
15. [26-0456](#) 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 the Potomac Yard/Potomac Greens chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2025-00003 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. 2025-00003 associated with 601 E Glebe Road, 2601 & 2901 Main Line Boulevard, and 2900 Potomac Avenue - Potomac Yard approved by City Council on November 15, 2025).
16. [26-0458](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-602(A) (COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS CREATED, CONSISTENCY WITH MASTER PLAN, REQUIRED APPROVALS) of Article V (MIXED USE ZONES) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2025-00006 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2025-00006 approved by City Council on November 15, 2025).
- City Council approved the roll-call consent items. The approvals were as follows:*
11. *City Council received the following resignations from members of boards, commissions, and committees: a) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee - Coss Lumbe; b) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee - Michael Bianco; c) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission - Gail Rothrock; and d) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee - Melissa B. Kuennen.*
12. *City Council made the following appointments to City boards, commissions, and committees:*
- a) *Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee, person who is either an employee of the City or the Alexandria City Public Schools - Unique Coleman*
 - b) *Archaeological Commission, citizen member from Planning District II -*

Esther White (incumbent); and a member from the Historic Alexandria Foundation - Anita Winsor

- c) Building Code Board of Appeals, an alternate member - Alvaro A. Colato*
- d) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission, high school student (one year term) - Leslie Eyeson*
- e) Commission on Persons with Disabilities, three citizen members - Brendan Conn, Christine M. Mullen, and Chasen Thoennes*
- f) Community Criminal Justice Board, Judge of the Alexandria Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court - Tom Cullen; representative of local education to be nominated by the Superintendent of Schools - Marcia Jackson; Chief of Police (designee) - Tina Laguna; City Council representative - Yon Lambert; Director of the City's Office of Adult Probation and Parole - Shannon McDowney; Judge of the Alexandria Circuit Court - Katie Uston*
- g) Economic Opportunities Commission, Category I – elected officials currently holding office, or their representative - Babak Pirouz*
- h) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee, citizen member - William Hannifan*
- i) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission, citizen member from Planning District I - Christina Bembenek; and historic house of worship – congregations, or sites which have played a significant role in the diverse cultural, social, and religious history of the city representative - Margaret C. Whitesides*
- j) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee, qualified professional skilled in landscape architecture, architecture or urban design - Regina Davis; and member who represents the business community - Timothy S. Gick*
- k) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors, Hotel owner/manager representative - Cassandra Lynette Womack*

13. City Council approved a Grant Submission to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' 2026 Housing Affordability Planning Program for \$45,000 to Create a Pattern Book.

14. City Council authorized the City Manager to take the steps necessary on behalf of the City of Alexandria with respect to the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA)'s Fourth Track Project.

15. City Council adopted the ordinance on the first reading and scheduled it public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 13, 2025.

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VI. Individual Action Items (Roll-Call Vote)

17. [26-0500](#) Consideration of the Appointment of an Independent Policing Auditor
- City Council approved and appointed Ameratu Kamara as the Independent Policing Auditor.*

VII. Contested Appointments (Roll-Call Vote)

18. [26-0501](#) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee - 3-year term
- 1 person who represents housing consumers under 30 years of age

City Council appointed Cesar J. Madison.

19. [26-0502](#) Alexandria-Caen Sister Cities Committee - 2-year term
3 citizen members
City Council appointed Kari Anderson, Diana E. Garcia, and Hannah Mazkour.
20. [26-0503](#) Commission on Aging - 3-year term
1 citizen member
City Council appointed Virginia B. Kalish .
21. [26-0504](#) Environmental Policy Commission - 2-year term
1 member from the field of environmental science (e.g. environmental/sanitary engineering, ecology, geology, botany, hydrology, chemistry) or who has Alexandria Waterfront expertise
City Council appointed Julia Slayden.
22. [26-0505](#) Public Health Advisory Commission - 2-year term
1 citizen member who is not a health professional
City Council appointed David C. Bowen.
23. [26-0506](#) Public Records Advisory Commission - 2-year term
2 citizen members
City Council appointed Samuel Giovannucci and Kelsey Hamilton.
24. [26-0507](#) Real Estate Assessment Review Board - 3-year term
2 citizen members
City Council appointed Jacob Hamilton and Stephen Kindrick.
25. [26-0508](#) Sister Cities Committee - 2-year term
1 citizen member
City Council appointed Katelyn Bellus.
26. [26-0512](#) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors - 3-year term
1 member to come from any of the 4 categories - Hotel, Restaurant, Association, or Retail
City Council appointed Lynn Umemoto.
27. [26-0509](#) Waterfront Commission - 2-year term

1 citizen representative who resides East of Washington Street and North of King Street

City Council appointed Melissa B. Kuennen.

VIII. Other Business

28. [26-0348](#) Introduction of the Proposed Alexandria Legislative Package for the 2026 General Assembly Session

City Council received the Legislative Package and presentation.

29. [26-0499](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council approved the City Council schedules.

30. [26-0472](#) City Council Impasse Resolution Hearing: City of Alexandria and Alexandria Chapter of the Southern States Police Benevolent Association.

City Council held the impasse hearing on the three remain articles of the collective bargaining agreement.

31. Closed Session (cont.)(if needed)

City Council convened in closed executive session at 10:59 p.m. pursuant to Virginia Code section 2.2-3711 (A)(6) – to discuss or consider of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved.

City Council reconvened in open session at 11:26.

City Council adopted the resolution certifying the closed executive session.

City Council voted on the final three articles of the Collective Bargaining Agreement:

Article of Wages - By a unanimous roll call vote, City Council adopted the position of the SSPBA, with guidance to the city manager that as they consider the budgetary implications of this increased cost, that they evaluate potential savings from a reduction in the APD's authorized force.

Article of Longevity - By a unanimous roll call vote, City Council adopted the recommended position of the City.

Article of Pay Parity and Rejoinder - By a unanimous roll call vote, City Council adopted the recommended position of the City.

32. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 p.m.

