

**City of Alexandria
Summary Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 6:00 PM
Joint Session with ACPS Board
School District Central Office – Braddock Place**

Present: Mayor Alyia Gaskins, Vice Mayor Sarah R. Bagley, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Abdel Elnoubi, Jacinta E. Greene, and R. Kirk McPike.

Absent: None.

Key Staff Present: Mr. Parajon, City Manager; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; and Mr. Wicks, Office of Management and Budget.

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

Mayor Gaskins called the meeting to order.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Councilwoman Greene and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, to approve the electronic participation resolution. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Gaskins, Vice Mayor Bagley, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilman Elnoubi, Councilwoman Greene, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3277

Resolution Regarding Electronic Participation by a Member of City Council

WHEREAS, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.3 provides that an individual member of a public body may fully participate in meetings electronically if any such member meets the criteria of the code and the public body has adopted an Electronic Meeting Policy; and

WHEREAS, City Council adopted an Electronic Participation Policy on June 22, 2021 as Resolution No. 3011; and

WHEREAS, City Council Member Sarah R. Bagley has notified the Mayor and the Clerk that she is unavailable to be physically present for the March 5, 2025 City Council Meeting due to a personal matter, specifically travel for work; and

WHEREAS, the Council Member has not participated in more than two or 25% of City Council Meetings by electronic means during this calendar year; and

WHEREAS the City Council Member Sarah R. Bagley will participate in the City Council Meeting by video conference call from Fargo, North Dakota and arrangements have been made to ensure the member shall be heard by all participants at the City Council Meeting; and

WHEREAS a quorum of the City Council is physically assembled in person.

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

That pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3708.3 and the City Council's Electronic Meeting Policy Resolution 3011, City Council Member Sarah R. Bagley will participate remotely in this meeting by video conference call.

City Council and School Board gave presentations of their respective proposed budgets and funding for each of their priorities.

There was discussion from the members of each of the bodies addressing the needs of each organization, including shared services, use of DASH for student transportation, need for additional funding for school facilities, and employee compensation and working on more collaboration between the bodies.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

ALYIA GASKINS MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

Adopted: April 8, 2025