

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Saturday, May 17, 2025

9:30 AM

Council Chamber

City Council Public Hearing

The May 17, 2025, Public Hearing Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through video conference call on Zoom webinar. The meeting can be accessed by government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and via Zoom by the following link:

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Public Comment will be received at this meeting.

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*****TAKE NOTICE: City Council will take a lunch break in the middle of the docket at a reasonable time when the agenda allows for a break.*****

I. OPENING

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Gaskins called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present with Councilman Chapman arriving following roll-call.

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

Not needed.

3. Public Discussion Period

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

- 1. John D. Lawrence, representing the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission, gave an update on their activities and budget.*
- 2. Alison O'Connell, Alexandria, spoke about Dr. Suri and thanked the members who came to protest his arrest and she spoke about divestment from Israel.*
- 3. Erik Lips, Alexandria, spoke about divestment from Israel.*
- 4. Janice Grenadier, Alexandria, spoke about corruption with the courts and with law enforcement.*
- 5. Glen Pine, Alexandria, spoke about divestment from Israel.*
- 6. Nikki Enfield, Alexandria, spoke about divestment from Israel.*
- 7. Poul Hertel, Fairfax County, Virginia, spoke about the need for a study of the*

airplane noise from Reagan National.

[This period is a public comment period on items not listed on the agenda. The first 15 speakers will speak at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

II. ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission (4-8)

4. [25-3187](#) Zoning Text Amendment #2025-00004
(A) Initiation of and (B) Public Hearing and consideration of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend the RMF/Residential multi-unit zone to comply with updated Virginia Housing Development Authority lending policies related to long-term affordability.
Staff: City of Alexandria - Department of Planning and Zoning and Office of Housing
Planning Commission Action: Initiate and Recommend Approval 7-0
5. [25-3188](#) Special Use Permit #2024-00034
4700, 4704, 4708, 4714, 4718, 4722, 4728, 4732, 4736, 4740, 4744, 4750, 4754, 4758, 4800, 4804, 4808, 4814, 4818, 4820, 4824, 4826, 4832, 4836, 4842, 4846, 4850 and 4854 Kenmore Avenue (Parcel Address: 4800 Kenmore Avenue) - The Alante Apartments
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for a Parking Reduction associated with converting accessory space into apartments within existing multi-unit residential buildings, zoned CDD #22/Coordinated Development District #22.
Applicant: KMF XI Seminary Hill, LLC, represented by M. Catharine Puskar, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0
6. [25-3189](#) Special Use Permit #2024-00035
2240, 2242, 2244, 2246, 2248, 2250, 2252, 2254, 2256, 2258 and 2260 N Beauregard Street (Parcel Address: 2240 N Beauregard Street) - The Oliver Apartments
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for a Parking Reduction associated with converting accessory space into apartments within existing multi-unit residential buildings, zoned RA/Multi-unit.
Applicant: KMF XII Alexandria, LLC, represented by M. Catharine Puskar, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0
7. [25-3190](#) Special Use Permit #2024-00063
765, 767, 769, 771, 773, 775, 777, 779, 781, 783, 785, 787, and 789 John

Carlyle Street and 1900 Eisenhower Avenue - Carlyle Block P
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for a three-year extension of the previously approved SUP2020-00065 for Block P to construct a new multi-unit residential building (senior living) and an office building; zoned CDD #1/Coordinated Development District #1.
Applicant: Carlyle Plaza, LLC; 765 John Carlyle MOB LLC; 765 John Carlyle Senior Living LLC
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

8. [25-3191](#)

Special Use Permit #2025-00009
1101 Finley Lane
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for a lot without frontage on a public street; zoned R-20/ Residential.
Applicant: Picketts Ridge 503 LLC represented by Duncan W. Blair, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the action consent calendar, with the exception of items 5, 7, and 8. The approvals were as follows:

- 4. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.*
- 5. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation. (separate motion)*
- 6. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.*
- 7. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation. (separate motion)*
- 8. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation. (separate motion)*

III. Roll-Call Consent Calendar (9-10)

9. [25-3074](#)

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 054.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the properties at 802 and 808 North Washington Street from, CD-X/Commercial downtown (Old Town North) to CRMU-X/Commercial residential mixed use (Old Town North) in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2024-00004 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2024-00004 associated with The Whitley Phase 2 approved by City Council on April 26, 2025). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

10. [25-3076](#)

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance authorizing the owner of the properties located at 802 and 808 North Washington Street to construct and maintain encroachments for a portion of

the front façade of the building at 802 North Washington Street and balconies on the building front façade of the building at 808 North Washington Street into the public right of way at those locations (Implementation Ordinance for Encroachment No. 2024-00008 associated with The Whitley Phase 2 approved by City Council on April 26, 2025). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approvals were as follows:

9. *City Council adopted an ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 054.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by SECTION 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the properties at 802 and 808 North Washington Street from, CD-X/Commercial downtown (Old Town North) to CRMU-X/Commercial residential mixed use (Old Town North) in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2024-00004. (ORD. NO. 5587)*

10. *City Council adopted an ordinance authorizing the owner of the properties located at 802 and 808 North Washington Street to construct and maintain encroachments for a portion of the front facade of the building at 802 North Washington Street and balconies on the building front facade of the building at 808 North Washington into the public right-of-way at those locations. (ORD. NO. 5590)*

IV. Public Hearing Matters

11. [25-3060](#) Public Hearing and Consideration of a Five-Year License Agreement with the Alexandria Seaport Foundation for Docking the Maritime Heritage Center I & II Within the City Marina.

City Council closed the public hearing and approved and authorized the City Manager to execute a five-year License Agreement with the Alexandria Seaport Foundation.

12. [25-3192](#) Rezoning #2025-00001
Development Special Use Permit #2024-10010
126 Longview Drive & 2921 Nob Hill Court - Westridge Towns
Public Hearing and consideration of requests for (A) an amendment to the official Zoning Map to change the zoning designation for a portion of the site from R-8/Residential zone to the RA/Multi-unit zone, and (B) a Development Special Use Permit with a Site Plan and modifications to construct one single-unit dwelling and three multi-unit dwelling buildings, and Special Use Permit requests for additional density pursuant to Section 7-700 of the Zoning Ordinance and a parking reduction to allow compact parking spaces; zoned R-8/Residential. Applicant: Old Creek Homes LLC, represented by Duncan Blair, Attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-1

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

13. [25-3193](#)

Zoning Text Amendment #2025-00003

(A) Initiation of and (B) Public Hearing and consideration of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to: (1) correct technical errors and make clarifications in Articles IV, V, VII, and X; (2) amend Sections 3-606 and 3-706 to clarify open space requirements in the RA/Residential multi-unit and RB/Residential townhouse zones; (3) amend Articles III, IV, V, and VI to add churches as a permitted use in the RD/High density apartment, RS/Townhouse, RT/Townhouse, CD-X/Commercial downtown (Old Town North), CR/Commercial regional, I/Industrial, CRMU-L, M, H, and X (Commercial residential mixed use low, medium, high, and Old Town North), W-1/Waterfront mixed-use, and CDD/Coordinated development district zones; (4) amend Section 6-403 to remove height limitations for lighting permitted with a Special Use Permit approval for congregate recreational facilities and dog parks; (5) amend Section 7-202 to allow electric vehicle charging equipment in any required yard; (6) amend Section 7-203 related to accessory dwelling units to delete permit requirement and use limitations; (7) amend Section 8-200(F) to exempt churches from certain parking requirements; and (8) create provisions for a mural program in Article IX.

Staff: City of Alexandria, Department of Planning & Zoning

Planning Commission Actions: Initiate and Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation as follows:

(1) City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation; (2) removed this item from consideration; (3) approved the Planning Commission recommendation; (4) approved the Planning Commission recommendation; (5) approved the Planning Commission recommendation; (6) approved the Planning Commission recommendation with a 12 month review; (7) approved the Planning Commission recommendation; and (8) removed this item from consideration.

14. [25-3194](#)

Special Use Permit #2025-00021

1200 N Quaker Lane and 4200 West Braddock Road - Episcopal High School Athletic Fields

Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit to add accessory lighting above 35 feet tall on athletic fields at a private school; zoned R-20/Residential.

Applicant: The Protestant Episcopal High School, represented by Duncan W. Blair, attorney

Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation with amendments as follows:

**Approval is for 5 years and must be consistent with the approved lighting plan and light fixtures;*

**Continue to work with staff on the lighting plan for the tennis courts, softball and baseball fields, which abut off-campus residential areas;*

** Use of temporary lighting may continue until permanent lighting is installed pursuant to this SUP;*

**Approval of the lights that are 80' or less is effective upon approval of this SUP. Approval of the lights that exceed 80' is effective upon adoption of the implementation ordinance ZTA 2025-00003.*

**Light usage will be in line with school operations and end at 10 p.m. daily.*

**There will be single point of contact and a one year contact requirement with adjacent community.*

15. [25-3195](#)

Special Use Permit #2025-00008

2525 Mount Vernon Avenue

Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit for a reduction of required parking for retail/restaurant and multi-unit dwelling uses and modifications to the front and side yard setback requirements, open space requirements, and to permit a 6 ft fence within the secondary front yard to facilitate conversion of an existing non-residential building to a mixed-use, multi-unit residential building; zoned CL/Commercial Low.

Applicant: Ganges Property Group LLC; represented by M. Catharine Puskar, attorney

Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation with amendments.

16. [25-3196](#)

Special Use Permit #2025-00010

3111 Circle Hill Road

Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit to construct a new single-unit dwelling on a developed substandard lot; zoned R-8/ Residential.

Applicant: Character Holdings 7 LLC represented by Duncan W. Blair, attorney

Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission.

17. [25-3197](#)

Development Special Use Permit #2025-10001

2601 Cameron Mills Road - George Mason Elementary School

Reconstruction

Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Development Special Use Permit with a Site Plan to partially demolish and reconstruct a public school building, including Special Use Permits for an indoor and outdoor recreation facility use and to exceed the maximum number of parking spaces permitted by the Zoning Ordinance; zoned: R-8/Residential.

Applicant: Alexandria City Public Schools

Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-1

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation with amendments to revert to staff recommendation for condition #3, amend condition #13 regarding placement of the fence (to border the playground and the field), and add a condition #95 establishing an onsite point of contact of community concerns.

18. [25-3198](#) **Zoning Ordinance Subdivision cases are heard by the Planning Commission, placed on the City Council docket for information, and heard by City Council only upon appeal.**
Subdivision #2025-00001
4018 Seminary Road
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Subdivision with variations to re-subdivide an existing lot into two lots; zoned R20/Residential.
Applicant: Windmill Hill LLC; represented by M. Catharine Puskar, attorney
City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission..

V. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

19. [25-3199](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend Title 11 Chapter 5: Noise Ordinance, to ban the use of Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the ordinance to amend Title 11, Chapter 5: Noise Ordinance, to ban the use of Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers, with an 18 month phase-in period. (ORD. NO. 5588)
20. [25-3141](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Older Americans Month.

Please note: City Council considered item #20 at the beginning of the meeting.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.
21. [25-3222](#) Closed Session - Consideration of a closed executive session for discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the City would be adversely affected. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council convened in closed executive session at 5:47 p.m., pursuant to Virginia Code sections 2.2-3711(A)(6) for discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interests of the City would be adversely affected.

City Council reconvened in open session at 6:39 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session that was previously circulated to the Council. (RES. NO. 3291)

VI. ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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 of Council decisions made at the meeting.