

**City of Alexandria
City Council Legislative Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2020 6:00 PM
Virtual Meeting
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldin.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Mr. Greenlief, Assistant Director, Finance; Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director; Ms. Wedeles, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Police Chief Brown; Ms. Wixson, Division Chief, DCHS; Ms. Layer, Assistant Director, DCHS; Ms. Bulova, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria; Mr. Duer, Emergency Services, DCHS; Mr. Barre, Information Technology Services; Mr. Skrabak, Deputy Director, T&ES; and Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of City Council were present via Zoom webinar.

Mayor Wilson stated that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency, the October 27, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 and Section 4-0.01(g) in HB29 and HB30, enacted by the 2020 Virginia General Assembly (Virginia Acts of Assembly Ch. 1283 and 1289), to undertake essential business. All the members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. This meeting is being held electronically, unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia. The meeting can be access by the

public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom.

2. Closed Meeting.

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a closed meeting to discuss actual or probable litigation and a prospective business interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the City and for the 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 governmental unit would be adversely affected.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m., to consult with Legal Counsel and staff regarding actual or probable litigation where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiation or litigating posture of the public body and discussion 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; specifically, potential settlement of litigation involving improvements at a school on the west end of the City; and the potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City; pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(7) and (A)(6) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried 6-0, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:22 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Chapman.

WHEREUPON, upon, motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Chapman.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2964

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 27 day of October, 2020 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.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council authorized the City Attorney to enter into the settlement agreement to resolve the following four lawsuits to which the City is a party involving the improvements to the Parker Gray Stadium at T.C. Williams High School in the terms discussed in closed session:

*Ky Lewis et. al. v. City of Alexandria et. al, Case No. CL-18-002864

*William and Mimi Goff, et. al. v. The City Council of Alexandria, et. al., Case No. CL-18-003477

*Dario Lugo III, et. al v. The City Council of Alexandria, et.al., Case No. CL-18-003479

*Ethel Cacheris v. The City Council of Alexandria, et. al., Case No. CL-18-003463

The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

****Mayor Wilson recognized the passing of two Alexandrians: Bernard Cohen, former State Delegate and attorney for the historic Loving v. Virginia case and Joe Shumard, City volunteer with many causes including the George Washington Birthday Celebration Parade, the Chamber of Commerce, the Friendship Firehouse and First Night Alexandria.****

3. Public Discussion Period.

There were no speakers for the public discussion period.

Tim Sargent, Vic Atwall, and Rob McIntyre from Dominion Power were present to respond to questions and concerns about the recent power outages and how they plan to address the issues that have arose.

ORAL REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

***Legislative Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

Mayor Wilson reported that the Legislative Subcommittee met to discuss the City's upcoming Legislative Package for 2021 and a review about the special session. Mayor Wilson noted that principles from the previous year were reviewed as well as recommendations from City boards and commissions, including various stormwater related items and the work session with the delegation is scheduled for November.

***ARHA Redevelopment Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**

Mayor Wilson reported former Ramsey Homes will be completed soon with occupants moving in shortly thereafter and the ARHA Board making significant progress in selecting development partners for their other properties and they are awaiting final action on their HUD applications for final restructuring from the Federal government.

***City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**

Mayor Wilson reported that the subcommittee discussed how the City could continue to partner with the schools to support reopening through City policies and other assistance to support a safe return for students.

***COG Board of Directors (Mayor Wilson)**

Mayor Wilson reported that the Board adopted the jurisdictional contributions for the next year, decreasing the rate for the jurisdiction. Mayor Wilson reported that there was presentation on the regional rail run-through study and the feasibility of allowing inter-regional transit commuting with VRE and MARC.

***Library Board (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that the majority of the meeting was discussing the 10% budget reduction that the Library has been requested to submit for City Budget planning, with the potential elimination of Sunday services. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported the usage statistics of the Library during the pandemic including well attended virtual events for Constitution Week and Hispanic Heritage Month.

***Visit Alexandria Board of Governors (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that the Board received a presentation on researching trends and slow recovery for travel during the pandemic, noting that people are feeling better about travel but remaining closer to home and fewer stops than in the past. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker noted that travel was not expected to return to normal

**City of Alexandria
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 24, 2020 6:00 PM
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Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Acting Sheriff Captain Casey; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director, Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Orr, Deputy Director, T&ES; Police Chief Brown; Police Captain Wemple; Ms. North, Division Chief, T&ES; Ms. Caudullo, Urban Planner, T&ES; and Mr. Duval, Deputy Director, T&ES.

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present via Zoom webinar.

Mayor Wilson noted that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency, the November 24, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council was being held electronically pursuant to the Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 and Section 4.0-01(g) in HB29 and HB30, enacted by the 2020 Virginia General Assembly (Virginia Acts of Assembly Ch. 1283 and 1289, to undertake essential business. All members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through video conference on Zoom. This meeting is being held, electronically, unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website and via Zoom.

2. Closed Meeting.

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a closed meeting for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial

interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice and discussion of a personnel matter.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m. to discuss 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, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring provision of legal advice and to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City, a decision by the City Manager regarding a personnel matter and the legal implications regarding the rights of public employees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6), (A)(8) and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:20 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

3. Public Comment Period.

There were no public speakers for the public comment period.

ORAL REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

***Waterfront Commission (Councilman Seifeldein)**

Councilman Seifeldein reported that the Commission discussed the Torpedo Factory and the changes proposed for the building and he informed that the Council did not request an additional study. Councilman Seifeldein noted that the group discussed both artist involvement and the use of private management for the facility.

***COG Climate Energy and Environmental Policy Committee (CEEPC) (Councilwoman Pepper)**

Councilwoman Pepper that the committee reviewed the regional Metropolitan Washington 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan and discussed ways to control climate change in the region.

***Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that the Board received the audit and approved the legislative agenda. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that the Board authorized a passenger rail operations and access agreement, to fund the Long Bridge Project in Virginia.

1. Hereby supports this application for an allocation of \$1,500,000 through the Virginia Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2022-2023 State of Good Repair (Primary Extension) Program.
2. Hereby grants authority for the City Manager to execute project administration agreements for any approved revenue sharing projects.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- a. Expanding Opportunities for Public Comment (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)

Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker requested information for City staff about different methods of receiving public comment beyond the current methods that are used by the City. The City Manager and City Clerk will provide information for Council to review and consider at a future meeting.

OTHER

13. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 10, 2020, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 11/24/20, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council received and adopted the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for November 2020 through July 2021, with the remainder of the Council meetings for the calendar year to held in the virtual format. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldin; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in closed executive session at 11:13 p.m., to discuss 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, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring provision of legal advice and to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City, a decision by the City Manager regarding a personnel matter and the legal implications regarding the rights of public employees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6), (A)(8) and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldin; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 12:36 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre,

Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2969

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 24th day of November, 2020 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.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of November 24, 2020 at 12:37 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Snow, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Sharma, Acting Deputy Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Mr. Duval, Deputy Director, T&ES; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing Mr. Browand, Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Activities; Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director; Ms. Jovovic, Office of Housing; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Keeler, Deputy Director, Office of Housing; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services; Ms. Horowitz, Principal Planner, Planning and Zoning Mr. Barre, Information Technology Services (ITS); and Mr. Smith, ITS.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of City Council were present via Zoom webinar.

Mayor Wilson stated that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency, the December 8, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 and Section 4.0-01(g) in HB29 and HB30, enacted by the 2020 Virginia General Assembly (Virginia Acts of Assembly Ch. 1283 and 1289), to undertake essential business. All the members of City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference on Zoom. This meeting is being held electronically, unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom.

2. Closed Meeting.

Consideration of a closed meeting for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice and discussion of a personnel matter.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper, and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m. to discuss 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, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring provision of legal advice and to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City, a decision by the City Manager regarding a personnel matter and the legal implications regarding the rights of public employees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6), (A)(8), and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:07 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

3. Public Comment Period.

The following persons participated in the public comment period:

1. Ingris Moran, Alexandria, representing Tenants and Workers United, spoke about the need for rental assistance to prevent evictions, need for a comprehensive affordable housing plan for the City, the elimination of SROs in the school to free up funding for other critical needs, and need for legislation to properly identify individuals in police reporting.

2. Sulema Acosta, Alexandria, representing Tenants and Workers United, spoke about how her family has been impacted by the pandemic emergency and the need for rental assistance to avoid eviction this winter.

3. Jonathan Krall, Alexandria, representing Grassroots Alexandria, spoke about the housing crisis in the City and region and requested that Council extend assistance to those in need in the City.

PROCLAMATIONS

4. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing December 31, 2020 as a Fair Weather Night for First Night Alexandria.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as

- 100% Score for Municipal Equality Index from the Human Rights Campaign Foundation and Equality Federation Institute;
- Named top five friendliest city by Conde Nast Traveler;
- Named number two Best Small City by Conde Nast Traveler;
- Named number in the top seven Black History Museum in the United States by Conde Nast Traveler;
- Named as one of the top five safest communities by U.S. News and World Report;
- Ranked 5th by the Digital Cities Survey as a Digital City for its size;
- Ranked in the Top 15 Best City in the South by Southern Living Magazine;
- Ranked in the Top 17 as a Best Destination by Travel Destinations Magazine;
- Ranked as a top 8 best getaway from New York City by Forbes Magazine;
- Ranked as a Best Christmas Town by Women's Day Magazine; and
- Maintained its AAA Bond Rating.

OTHER

32. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 2, 2020, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 32; 12/08/20, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried unanimously, City Council received and adopted the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for November 2020 through July 2021, with meetings for January 2021 being held virtually. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

Closed Meeting (continued if needed)

33. Consideration of a closed meeting for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice and discussion of a personnel matter.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in closed executive session at 10:42 p.m., to discuss 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, to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring provision of legal advice and to discuss a personnel matter, specifically, potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City, a decision by the City Manager regarding a personnel matter and the legal implications regarding the rights of public employees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6), (A)(8), and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 12:17 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2971

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 8th day of December, 2020 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.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried unanimously, the regular meeting of December 8, 2020 was adjourned at 12:19 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Whatley, Emergency Manager, Fire Department; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director/Assistant City Manager; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Fire Chief Smedley; Mr. Burns, Purchasing Agent, Finance; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services; Dr. Haering, Director, Alexandria Health Department; Ms. Talis, Alexandria, Health Department; Ms. Wedeles, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Fields, Director, Code Administration; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Ziemann, Division Chief, T&ES; Ms. Eckert, Department of Community and Human Services; Ms. Mayeur, Principal Planner, T&ES; Ms. Hardy-Chandler, Department of Community and Human Services; Ms. Mclean, Executive Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Garbacz, Division Chief, T&ES; Mr. Smith, Information, Technology Services (ITS); Mr. Barre, ITS; and Mr. Moss.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present, with Councilman Chapman arriving during the executive session. All members were present via Zoom webinar.

Mayor Wilson stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the March 23 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 and Section 4.0-00(g) in HB29 an HB30 to undertake essential business. All members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote

locations through a video conference call on Zoom. This meeting is being held electronically, unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom.

2. 5:00 p.m. - Closed Meeting

Closed Meeting - Consideration of a closed meeting for the discussion of a personnel matter.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 5:03 p.m., to discuss a personnel matter concerning candidates for appointment by the City Council pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711 (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously. City Council reconvened in open session at 7:03 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the Closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2980

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 23rd day of March, 2021 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.

3. Public Discussion Period.

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Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Assistant Police Chief Hayes; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Taylor, Assistant City Manager/Legislative Director; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing; Mr. Keeler, Deputy Director, Office of Housing; Ms. Gordon, Director, Emergency Communications; Dr. Gaddy, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning (P&Z); Mr. Kerns, Division Chief, P&Z; Ms. Beach, Division Chief, P&Z; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Ms. Landrum, CEO, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership; Ms. Talis, Alexandria Health Department; Ms. Slesinger, Principal Planner, T&ES; Ms. Roberts, Deputy City Attorney; Mr. Ziemann, Division Chief, T&ES; Ms. Cadena, Housing Analyst, Office of Housing; Ms. Lassetter, Civil Engineer, T&ES; Ms. Gilbert, Director of Center for Economic Support, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Mr. Browand, Division Chief, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Ms. Suehr, Director, Department of Project Implementation (DPI); Ms. Kott, Division Chief, DPI; Ms. Dudoff, Organizational Development Specialist, Office of Organizational Excellence; Mr. Barre, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Demeke, ITS; and Ms. Smith, ITS.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present via Zoom webinar.

2. Resolution Finding the Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted a resolution finding the need to conduct City Council meeting electronically. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2994

Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meeting Electronically

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Executive Order Fifty-One declaring a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia arising from the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Fifty-One acknowledged the existence of a public health emergency which constitutes a disaster as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 arising from the public health threat presented by a communicable disease anticipated to spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020, in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, effective at 5:00 p.m. and extending through June 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., or as may be amended by the City Council, the City Manager, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Management, issued a Declaration of Local Emergency applicable throughout the entire City of Alexandria, Virginia (the "City"), pursuant to authority granted pursuant to City Code Section 4-3-5, Virginia Code Sections 44-146.21 and 15.2-1413, which City Declaration was unanimously consented to the by the City Council on March 14, 2020, pursuant to City Resolution No. 2928, as required by applicable law; on June 9, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2020 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on June 9, 2020; on September 22, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through March 31, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on September 22, 2020; on March 23, 2021, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on March 23, 2021; (the "City Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that COVID-19 constitutes a real and substantial threat to public health and safety and constitutes a "disaster" as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 being a "communicable disease of public health threat;" and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the Virginia General Assembly adopted, and the Governor signed, budget bill amendments to HB29 and HB30 (Virginia Acts of Assembly Chapters 1283 and 1289), Section 4-0.01(g), that expressly authorize "any public body, including any state, local, [or] regional body" to "meet by electronic means without a quorum of the public body . . . physically assembled at one location when the Governor has declared a state of emergency . . . , provided that (i) the nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe for the public body . . . to assemble in a single location; (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body . . . and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities" among other provisions; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby finds that the nature of the declared emergency makes it both impracticable and unsafe for the Council to assemble in a single location for its meeting on this date to discuss and transact the business of the City listed on the docket; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby finds that the items on the docket for this date are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

Closed Session

3. 6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a closed meeting for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected and to consult with legal counsel regarding actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m. to discuss 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, to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding actual or probable litigation where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; specifically, potential investment of public funds for broadband services for the community, and potential settlement of litigation involving a claim made by an employee in the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(6) and (A)(7) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:01 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2995

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 25th day of May, 2021 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.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried City Council authorized the City Attorney to enter into the settlement agreement to resolve the claims made by the employee in the case captioned Courtney Price v. City of Alexandria, on the terms discussed in closed session. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

Mayor Wilson offered condolences to the family of Delegate Richard Hobson, who passed away last week.

4. Public Discussion Period.

The following person participated in the public discussion period:

1. Patrick Moran, Alexandria, spoke about the remove of school resource officers from City schools and requested that Council take corrective actions to restore those positions to the City.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the 77th Anniversary of D-Day Commemoration Month.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

6. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

Oral Reports from Members of City Council on Boards, Commissions, and Committees

**City of Alexandria
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2021 6:00 PM
Virtual Meeting
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager, Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Ms. Orlando, Division Chief, RPCA; Ms. Washington, CEO/President, Visit Alexandria, Ms. Murphy, Manager, RPCA; Dr. Gaddy, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department; Mr. Lanier, Assistant City Attorney; Ms. Horowitz, Principal Planner, Planning and Zoning (P&Z); Ms. McLean, Executive Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Browand, Division Chief, RPCA; Ms. Durham, Division Chief, RPCA; Mr. Moritz, Director, P&Z; Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing; Ms. Wedeles, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Coleman, Deputy Director, General Services; Ms. Gonsalves, Assistant City Manager; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Ms. Landrum, CEO/President, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (AEDP); Mr. Keeler, Deputy Director, Office of Housing; Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director/Assistant City Manager; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Touhill, AEDP; Mr. Maines, Division Chief, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Hanly, Executive Director, Animal Welfare League of Alexandria (AWLA); Ms. Hardter, AWLA; Mr. Moss, Information Technology Services (ITS); Mr. Smith, ITS; Ms. Demeke, ITS; and Mr. Sherman, ITS.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present via Zoom webinar with Councilman Seifeldein arriving during the closed executive session.

2. Resolution Finding the Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council adopted a resolution finding the need to conduct City

Council Meetings electronically. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Seifeldein.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2998

Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meeting Electronically

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Executive Order Fifty-One declaring a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia arising from the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Fifty-One acknowledged the existence of a public health emergency which constitutes a disaster as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 arising from the public health threat presented by a communicable disease anticipated to spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020, in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, effective at 5:00 p.m. and extending through June 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., or as may be amended by the City Council, the City Manager, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Management, issued a Declaration of Local Emergency applicable throughout the entire City of Alexandria, Virginia (the "City"), pursuant to authority granted pursuant to City Code Section 4-3-5, Virginia Code Sections 44-146.21 and 15.2-1413, which City Declaration was unanimously consented to the by the City Council on March 14, 2020, pursuant to City Resolution No. 2928, as required by applicable law; on June 9, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2020 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on June 9, 2020; on September 22, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through March 31, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on September 22, 2020; on March 23, 2021, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on March 23, 2021; (the "City Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that COVID-19 constitutes a real and substantial threat to public health and safety and constitutes a "disaster" as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 being a "communicable disease of public health threat;" and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the Virginia General Assembly adopted, and the Governor signed, budget bill amendments to HB29 and HB30 (Virginia Acts of Assembly Chapters 1283 and 1289), Section 4-0.01(g), that expressly authorize "any public body, including any state, local, [or] regional body" to "meet by electronic means without a quorum of the public body . . . physically assembled at one location when the Governor has declared a state of emergency . . . , provided that (i) the nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe for the public body . . . to assemble in a single location; (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to

discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body . . . and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities” among other provisions; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby finds that the nature of the declared emergency makes it both impracticable and unsafe for the Council to assemble in a single location for its meeting on this date to discuss and transact the business of the City listed on the docket; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby finds that the items on the docket for this date are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

Closed Meeting.

3. Consideration of a closed meeting for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected and to discuss a personnel matter. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:06 p.m., to discuss 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, and to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, potential purchase of a building on the west end for the Alexandria City Public Schools, and the performance of the three City Council Appointees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6) and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:22 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

4. Public Discussion Period.

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

1. Kate Ellis, Alexandria, manager of Hotel Indigo, spoke about including increased funding from the American Rescue Plan Program for the hotel and hospitality industry when planning the spending.
2. Scott Barstow, Alexandria, spoke about the City investing in energy efficiencies, retrofits and electrification in low income residences and affordable housing units using the funding from the American Rescue Plan Program.
3. William Pfister, Alexandria, spoke in support of Council funding a new pool at the proposed high school project.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, June 19, 2021. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Councilwoman Jackson congratulated Police Chief Brown on his upcoming retirement at the end of the month.

2. Councilman Chapman requested that staff return at a future meeting with information about the new parking challenges in Old Town near the bottom of King Street.

OTHER

36. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated June 2, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 36; 06/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

City Council received an update from Deputy City Manager Triggs on returning to in-person meetings, noting that staff is recommending the July 6 meeting be held in-person in City Hall, limiting staff to allow for access for the public in Council Chambers.

City Attorney Anderson gave an update on moving toward in-person meetings for City boards and commissions, beginning July 1, 2021 and she noted that the virtual meeting authority would expire for everyone on September 30, 2021.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) received and approved the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for June through July 2021 with the addition of the Juneteenth City holiday observed on Friday, June 18; and (2) received and adopted the Proposed FY 2022 City Council Schedule, with the addition of the Citizenship Day Ceremony scheduled for Tuesday, September 14 at 1:30 p.m., and the City Council 2022 Installation scheduled for Monday, January 3, 2022. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

Closed Meeting (cont.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in closed Executive Session at 11:12 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 12:25 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution previously circulated to City Council regarding the Executive Session. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3000

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 9th day of June, 2021 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.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of June 9, 2021 at 12:26 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY :

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

**City of Alexandria
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 6:00 PM
Virtual Meeting
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Mr. Lassiter, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Coleman, Deputy Director, General Services; Assistant Police Chief Hayes; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Ms. Orlando, Division Chief, RPCA; Ms. McLean, Executive Assistant to the City Manager; Police Chief Brown; Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director/Assistant City Manager; Mr. Mackey, Director, Court Services Unit; Ms. Kelleher, Director, Office of Human Rights; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Ms. Carroll, Urban Planner, T&ES; Dr. Gaddy, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department; Ms. Wedeles, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Ms. Winstead, ACJS Coordinator; Ms. Landrum, CEO/President, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership; Mr. Rankin, Animal Welfare League of Alexandria; Mr. Moss, Information Technology Services (ITS); Mr. Barre, ITS; Ms. Smith, ITS; Ms. Demeke, ITS; and Mr. Bradford.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present via Zoom webinar, with Councilman Chapman and Councilman Seifeldein arriving following roll-call.

2. Resolution Finding the Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 6-0, City Council adopted a resolution finding the need to conduct City Council meetings electronically. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and

Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Seifeldin.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3006

Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meeting Electronically

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Executive Order Fifty-One declaring a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia arising from the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Fifty-One acknowledged the existence of a public health emergency which constitutes a disaster as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 arising from the public health threat presented by a communicable disease anticipated to spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020, in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, effective at 5:00 p.m. and extending through June 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., or as may be amended by the City Council, the City Manager, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Management, issued a Declaration of Local Emergency applicable throughout the entire City of Alexandria, Virginia (the "City"), pursuant to authority granted pursuant to City Code Section 4-3-5, Virginia Code Sections 44-146.21 and 15.2-1413, which City Declaration was unanimously consented to the by the City Council on March 14, 2020, pursuant to City Resolution No. 2928, as required by applicable law; on June 9, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2020 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on June 9, 2020; on September 22, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through March 31, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on September 22, 2020; on March 23, 2021, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on March 23, 2021; (the "City Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that COVID-19 constitutes a real and substantial threat to public health and safety and constitutes a "disaster" as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 being a "communicable disease of public health threat;" and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the Virginia General Assembly adopted, and the Governor signed, budget bill amendments to HB29 and HB30 (Virginia Acts of Assembly Chapters 1283 and 1289), Section 4-0.01(g), that expressly authorize "any public body, including any state, local, [or] regional body" to "meet by electronic means without a quorum of the public body . . . physically assembled at one location when the Governor has declared a state of emergency . . . , provided that (i) the nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe for the public body . . . to assemble in a single location; (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the

public body . . . and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities” among other provisions; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby finds that the nature of the declared emergency makes it both impracticable and unsafe for the Council to assemble in a single location for its meeting on this date to discuss and transact the business of the City listed on the docket; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby finds that the items on the docket for this date are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

Closed Meeting.

3. Consideration of a closed executive session to discuss a personnel matter and for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the government unit would be adversely affected. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried 6-0, City Council convene in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m., to discuss 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, and to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City and the performance of the three City Council appointees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6) and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Seifeldein.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

4. Public Discussion Period.

There were no public speakers.

5. Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes for the Following Meetings of City Council:
The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2021;
The Special Meeting Minutes of May 5, 2021 (Budget Adoption);
The Regular Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2021; and
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2021.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes April 27, 2021, the special meeting minutes of May 5, 2021; the regular meeting minutes of May 11, 2021, and the public hearing

reporting that the Commission will be hosting an upcoming conversation on scooters, with the task force reconvening in June and July and staff gave presentation. Councilman Chapman also reported that there was a conversation about the Duke Street in Motion project and the upcoming community engagement for that project.

2. Councilman Aguirre reported that the feedback/survey form is available for the Duke Street in Motion project until July 31 on the City's website and there will be popup events held in the community to receive feedback.

3. Councilman Aguirre requested an update on the inclusion of a pool/aquatics facility with the ACPS high school project. In response to Councilman Aguirre, City Manager Jinks updated Council reporting that City and ACPS staff has started to work on the design features and discussion on operations for the pool. City Manager Jinks also noted that will discussion about engaging the community in the initial conversations about the project. Councilman Chapman noted that he would suggest that the City/Schools Subcommittee received regular updates on the project as well.

4. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker suggested that City Clerk staff review the possibility of having boards and commissions appointments on a quarterly basis instead every month.

OTHER

23. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated June 16, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 23; 06/22/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) received and approved the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for July 2021 with the noted time change for the USA/Alexandria Birthday Celebration; and (2) received and adopted the updated Proposed FY 2022 City Council Schedule which includes: Fall CIP Worksession #1 - Wednesday, September 29 at 7 p.m., location TBD; Fall CIP Worksession #2 - Wednesday, October 13 at 7 p.m, location TBD; Fall CIP Worksession #3 - Wednesday, October 27 at 7 p.m., location to TBD; and City Council Retreat, Saturday, November 6 at 9:00 a.m., location to TBD. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in closed executive session at 11:06 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman

Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 12:48 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the Closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3012

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 22 day of June, 2021, 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.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of June 22, 2021 at 12:49 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

City of Alexandria
City Council Special Public Hearing Meeting
Tuesday, July 6, 2021 5:00 PM
Virtual Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. S. Taylor, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Fire Chief Smedley; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning (P&Z); Mr. Farner, Deputy Director, P&Z; Ms. Horowitz, Principal Planner, P&Z; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Acting Police Chief Hayes; Ms. Wedeles, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Ms. Bulova, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria; Dr. Gaddy, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department; Mr. Coleman, Deputy Director, General Services; Mr. Gonsalves, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Pledger, Director/CIO, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RPCA); Mr. Browand, Division Chief, RPCA; Mr. Canfield, City Architect, P&Z; Ms. Brown, Deputy City Attorney; Ms. Santure, Office of Housing; Mr. Kerns, Division Chief, P&Z; Ms. Franco, Urban Planner, P&Z; Ms. Contreras, Urban Planner, P&Z; Ms. Labadie, Urban Planner, P&Z; Mr. LaColla, Division Chief, P&Z; Mr. Alves, Urban Planner, P&Z; Ms. Landrum, CEO/President, AEDP; Ms. McLean, Executive Assistant to the City Manager; Ms. Washington, CEO, Visit Alexandria; Mr. Greenlief, Assistant Director, Finance; Ms. Oleynik, Urban Planner, T&ES; Mr. Imm, Principal Planner, P&Z; Ms. Ford, Urban Planner, P&Z; Mr. Ziemann, Division Chief, T&ES; Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services (ITS), Mr. Moss, ITS, and Ms. Demeke, ITS.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present either in person, with Councilwoman Jackson and Councilwoman Pepper attending via Zoom webinar.

2. Closed meeting.

Consideration of a closed executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried 6-0, City Council convene in closed executive session at 5:03 p.m., to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, the recruitment for the appointment of a new City Manager by the City Council pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711 (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Chapman.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried 6-0, City Council reconvened in open session at 5:47 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Aguirre.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopt the resolution regarding the Closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Aguirre.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3013

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 6th day of July, 2021 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.

3. Public Discussion Period.