# **City of Alexandria**

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314



**Docket - Final** 

Tuesday, February 24, 2015 6:00 PM

**Council Chambers** 

**City Council Legislative Meeting** 

- 1 Calling the Roll.
- 2 Closed Meeting.

14-3756 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting

for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the

Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

Attachments: 14-3756 exec session motion.doc

- 3 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4 Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meeting of City Council:

<u>14-3755</u> The Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2015.

Attachments: 14-3755 Feb. 10 Minutes

# ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES.

- \* U.S. Conference of Mayors (Mayor Euille)
- \* Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Mayor Euille)
- \* Virginia Municipal League (Mayor Euille)
- \* Library Board (Vice Mayor Silberberg)
- \* City/Schools Subcommittee (Councilman Wilson and Mayor Euille)
- \* Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)
- \* Alexandria Transportation Commission (Councilmember Lovain)
- \* Council of Governments Human Services and Public Safety Committee (Councilman Chapman)
- \* Eisenhower Partnership (Councilman Chapman)

#### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)

**CONSENT CALENDAR (5-7)** 

### (Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

5	<u>14-3679</u>	Consideration of a Grant to the Arlington and Alexandria Offices of the Virginia Cooperative Extension to Support the Expansion of the Energy Masters Program to Alexandria.  Attachments: 14-3679 Energy Master Funding Request.pdf
6	14-3734	Consideration of a Fiscal Year 2016 Grant Application to the Virginia Commission for the Arts for a Local Government Challenge Grant for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.
7	14-3743	Consideration of a Funding Application by the Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) to the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) for Telepsychiatry Equipment and Service Fees to Improve Access to Psychiatry Services.

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

# REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (60 min.)

8	<u>14-3530</u>	Update on the 2015 General Assembly Session.		
9	<u>14-3708</u>	Oral Report: Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Update Regarding Redevelopment Initiatives.  Attachments: 14-3708 City Council Update 021014(rev).pptx  14-3708 City - ARHA Collaboration Principles		
10	<u>14-3746</u>	Consideration of the Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program.  Attachments: 14-3746 Attachment 1 Draft 2016 Interdepartmental Work Program (chronological 14-3746 Attachment 2 Draft 2016 Interdepartmental Work Program (by program 14-3746 Attachment 3 Jan. 21, 2015 Memo to CC 14-3746 Attachment 4 T&ES Memo to City Council, 10-22-14, on Citywide Park 14-3746 Presentation		
11	14-3728	Oral Report: A Brief Look at Diversity: Alexandria's Racial and Ethnic Groups and Foreign-Born Population.  Attachments: 14-3728 Race Ethnicity Foreign Born Report Memo  14_3728 RaceEthnicityForeignBorn Presentation		

#### ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

#### ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

#### **OTHER**

12 <u>14-3741</u> Consideration of the City Council Schedule.

Attachments: 14-3741 Draft - February 2015 -June 2015 City Council Calendar

#### **Closed Meeting Continued (If Needed)**

**13** 14-3757

Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

Attachments: 14-3757 exec session motion.doc

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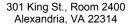
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### Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-3756 Name: closed meeting

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Title: 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal

Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

Sponsors:

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6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

### [RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_]

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has on the date of this resolution recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, § 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.



# City of Alexandria

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## Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-3755 Name: Approval of Minutes

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On agenda: 2/24/2015 Final action:

**Title:** The Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2015.

Sponsors:

Indexes:

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Attachments: 14-3755 Feb. 10 Minutes

Date Ver. Action By Action Result

The Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2015.

### City of Alexandria Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 10, 2015 6:00 P.M. Council Chambers

Present: Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg and Members of Council John Taylor

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

Justin M. Wilson.

Absent: Mayor William D. Euille.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, Acting City Manager; Mr. Banks, City Attorney; Ms. Anderson,

Assistant City Attorney; Police Captain Wemple; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Acting Deputy City Manager; Mr. Bernstein, Acting Director, Office of Project Implementation; Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Mr. Caton, Legislative Director; Ms. Taylor, Acting Director, Office of Finance; Ms. Birch, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Routt, Assistant Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Beaver, Assistant Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Lambert, Acting Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning; Ms. McIlvaine, Acting Director, Office of Housing; Mr. Page, Office of Real Estate Assessments; Mr. Bandy, Supervisory Appraiser, Office of Finance; Ms. Bryan, Information

Technology Services; and Mr. Lloyd.

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

#### 1. Calling the Roll.

Vice Mayor Silberberg called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of City Council were present, with the exception of Mayor Euille, who was absent. Vice Mayor Silberberg noted that Mayor Euille was in Richmond for a dinner meeting on economic development with Governor McAuliffe.

#### 2. Closed Meeting.

6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council convened in closed meeting to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation; specifically, the litigation and/or settlement of certain land use and environmental matters, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(7) of the *Code of Virginia*. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman

Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

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

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2663**

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 10th day of February 2015, 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. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Mayor Silberberg noted the passing of Jean Braden, a long-time City resident. She also noted that Claire Gregory passed away and she served on the Human Rights Commission. Vice Mayor Silberberg also noted the one year anniversary of the tragic loss of Ruthanne Lodato and also to the Ron Kirby family.

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

#### 4. Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2015; and The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2015.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously, City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of January 24, 2015, and the regular meeting minutes of January 27, 2015. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

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

None.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

**5.** Presentation of a Check From the United Way of the National Capital Area For Community Impact Fund Grants Presentation.

City Council received the check from the United Way of the National Capital Area For Community Impact Fund Grants.

**6.** Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the Alexandria Archaeology Commission.

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

**7.** Presentation of a Proclamation Congratulating the Universal Lodge #1 on its 170th Anniversary.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

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

**8.** Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring February as George Washington Birthday Celebration Month.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

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

**9.** Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring March as Irish American Heritage Month and March 7, 2015, as St. Patrick's Parade Day.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain,

Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

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

# \* Potomac Yard Metrorail Implementation Work Group (Councilman Wilson and Mayor Euille)

Councilman Wilson said they are reaching the critical point in this project and they will have, in the next several weeks, the release of the draft environmental impact statement, and that will start an elaborate and federally mandated process of public hearings and outreach to the community and will ultimately lead to Council's adoption of a locally preferred option. There will be public hearings hosted by the City and by WMATA. The implementation group met at City Hall to review the schedule and community outreach plan as well as the financing. The Commonwealth Transportation Board awarded the City a \$50 million low-interest loan, which is helpful to the financing of the project. He said he drew attention to a recent blog posting, which was written by the former publisher of Virginia Business Magazine, which talked about the award of the loan and the financing of the project, and his conclusion was that it has the potential to be a model for how transit projects are funded where the development that benefits from the project is funding the project and not the taxpayers.

#### \* Long Range Educational Facilities Work Group (Councilman Wilson and Mayor Euille)

Councilman Wilson said the Group is reaching a critical point, as they are at a point where for the first time the City and the Schools have reached a collective understanding of how they compute student enrollment and that is a positive. The next step is what to do about it, and the draft Long Range Educational Facilities Plan will be coming out very shortly. It is an extremely comprehensive plan, and the committee looked at the draft a couple of weeks ago. It includes a series of draft mini-plans for every school building in the City, looking at an assessment of the capacity and capabilities of existing buildings, as well as what needs to happen in the future to deal over the next 20 years with the growth they expect. There will be discussions and public hearings, both with Council and the School Board, as well as in the community.

### \* Eisenhower Partnership (Vice Mayor Silberberg)

Vice Mayor Silberberg said she and Councilman Chapman serve on the Eisenhower Partnership, and she mentioned the meeting last evening at the Beatley Library, in which over 60 people came out regarding the Eisenhower Partnership Small Area Plan on Eisenhower West. The main topic is what is going to happen around that Metro stop, and how many buildings will be residential and commercial. The residents have concerns about the amount of open space, and some are concerned about whether it will become a high-rise canyon and they want community. Vice Mayor Silberberg said the Partnership is focused on signage in the Valley, which needs updating and they are taking the lead on that as a business community. The next meeting regarding the Small Area Plan will be in July.

Councilman Chapman said one of the things the Partnership is looking at taking a position on is on the Cameron Run Regional Park discussion and where that is heading and hopefully doing that in reference to where the Partnership sees that piece of land as a priority in shaping what happens within the Eisenhower Valley. Councilman Chapman said the

Partnership will be partnering with the Chamber of Commerce, as they have a new program they are reaching out to a number of the local partnerships and smaller business associations to try to get synergies around what is happening in the City as a whole but in each neighborhood area. The Chamber will be rolling out that program, and the Partnership is excited to work with the Chamber on that endeavor.

# \* Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission (Councilmember Lovain and Councilman Chapman)

Councilmember Lovain said the Commission had a retreat the Saturday before last to look at the next steps on the Children and Youth Master Plan that was approved last year. Soon after the passage of that Plan, the City and ACPS formed a working committee of City staff and ACPS staff, and they are working with others to come up with a draft implementation action plan for first steps to implement the master plan. He said that is what they focused on in the retreat is to look at those items, prioritize them, broke into small groups and worked through it all for many hours. Councilmember Lovain said it was extremely gratifying to see the Master Plan was not put on the shelf but is an action document and there will be great initial steps on it. There is a lot of enthusiasm on those items.

Councilman Chapman said there was definitely a lot of momentum and enthusiasm about the next steps for the Commission, outside of prioritizing and really looking at where the budget will be and how the steps they have laid out in the plan can be realized working with the future budgets. There was also discussion about the clarification of the roles and structure as it moves forward and that conversation will be on-going.

#### \* NRG Monitoring Group (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg)

Councilwoman Pepper said she and Councilman Smedberg represent Council on the NRG Monitoring Group, and since the mandate of service has expired, they are meeting on an unofficial basis as something comes up that it needs the Committee to hear what is happening. She said the Mirant Group no longer owns the site, it was GenOn and now it is NRG. She said that last week, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality held a public meeting at City Hall to receive comments on NRG's most recent plans for remediation. The site closed in October 2012, and it has been de-activating ever since. One of the things that was required as part of the closing of the facility was to make sure that there was remediation done of any pollutants on the site, and of particular concern was two 25,000 heating oil storage tanks that were buried underground. Early in 2013, NRG had submitted a site characterization report, but the VDEQ wanted further information about what they had found, as they were concerned about the possibility that there was leakage from the two tanks and that it covered about 16,000 square feet, and the VDEQ required more information and a corrective action plan. Councilwoman Pepper said the National Park Service read the report and was concerned that since it administers land between the old power plant and the Potomac River that they have 3 ½ acres and it occurred to them that they ought to be stakeholders to have input into it. She said that in December 2014, NRG submitted an extended information and a proposed correctional action plan, and the proposed remedial activities will be completed by 2019 and will be at an estimated cost of \$1 million. Councilwoman Pepper said that at the end of the meeting, she asked NRG what the plan was, assuming it gets approval from the VDEQ that they have completed satisfactory the remediation of pollutants, and she didn't get an answer, but the question is on the table. Councilwoman Pepper said the National Press Club in D.C. had a presentation by a group that had a very interesting plan of all the things they wanted to

do, and it was a vision and there was no way it would actually all take place, and one of the things they talked about was an energy museum. She said she wants the Council to start thinking about Council taking the lead to make some plans. Councilwoman Pepper said she understands that Council is supposed to get a letter updating the information she mentioned.

Councilman Smedberg said they need to consider the possibility of bringing the group back together again, at least for a short period of time, as there are a lot of issues and it would be good to have community monitoring.

#### \* Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilman Smedberg)

Councilman Smedberg said the NVTC had a meeting in Richmond as part of the VACO (Virginia Association of Counties) and met with representatives of VDOT and the DRPT and Director Jennifer Mitchell, who gave an update. Several State Delegates and Senators were in attendance. It received an update on the I-66 study, which they are moving ahead on in a very quick and aggressive timeline. One piece of new information on 395 and 95 HotLanes and specifically I-66 is that they are going to plan to have dedicated lanes for transit on that project. They have not closed the door on going back to 95 and looking at having some buses to be able to move on the HotLanes on 95. Councilman Smedberg said it also discussed Metro funding, and particularly the USDOT review of the Metro incident that recently took place. Transit funding and transportation funding in general has been hotly debated in Richmond and one component of it for transit is they are looking at getting in there on average of about \$40 million a year for transit related projects. Councilman Smedberg the state of good repair is something they will be focusing in on and is part of the new transportation bill. They are looking at how to enhance the rail projects throughout the state, specifically on the corridor up along the East Coast. Councilman Smedberg said it was an interesting meeting and it had a good discussion with Ms. Mitchell and with the State Delegates and Senators, and they think they are in a good place right now with the budget debate.

#### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR (10-17)**

#### (Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- **10.** Receipt of the Following Resignations From Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - (a) Affordable Housing Advisory Commission Elizabeth Lucchesi
  - (b) Board of Zoning Appeals Stephen W. Koenig
  - (c) Commission on Employment Dori Ramsey
  - (d) Sister City Committee Michael Hilburg

(e) Social Services Advisory Board Pat Arnaudo

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10(a-e); 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- **11.** Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - (a) Archaeological Commission1 Citizen Member
  - (b) Beautification Commission 2 Citizen Members
  - (c) Commission on Employment

1 Representative From Such Organizations as Educational Agencies, Organized Labor, Rehabilitation Agencies, Community-Based Organizations, Economic Development Agencies and the Public Employment Service

- (d) Commission on HIV/AIDS1 City of Alexandria Public School Representative
- (e) Community Policy and Management Team1 Director of the Alexandria Juvenile Court Services Unit
- (f) Emergency Medical Services Council 1 Citizen Member
- (g) Environmental Policy Commission1 Member From the Field of Urban Planning
- (h) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee1 Member Nominated by the First Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line
- (i) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
   1 Business Representative Designated by the Chamber of Commerce
   1 Representative from the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Association
- (j) Law Library Board1 Member Appointed by City Council
- (k) Public Health Advisory Commission 1 Citizen Who Shall Be a Health Professional and at the Time of Appointment Derive, or Within the Previous Five Years Derived Their Principal Income from Providing Health Care, Health Services or Health Related Activities
  - (I) Social Services Advisory Board1 Parent Member

(m) Waterfront Commission1 Historic Alexandria Foundation Representative

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11(a-m); 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

#### (Ordinances for Introduction)

**12.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 5-500 (W-1/Waterfront Mixed Use Zone) of Article V (Mixed Use Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance to Add Section 5-502.1 (Administrative Special Use Permits) to Allow Valet Parking as an Administrative Special Use in Such Zone, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council on December 13, 2014 as Text Amendment No. 2014-0007.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 12; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**13.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 5-602 (Coordinated Development Districts Created, Consistency With Master Plan, Required Approvals) and Section 5-612 (Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee) Both of Section 5-600 (CDD/Coordinated Development District) of Article V (Mixed Use Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council as Text Amendment No. 2014-0008 on January 24, 2015 (Goodwin House).

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 13; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

14. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sheet No. 011.03 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 Property at 4800 Fillmore Avenue From RC/High Density Apartment Zone and RA/Multifamily Zone to CDD #23/Coordinate Development District #23 in Accordance With the Said Zoning Map Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council on January 24, 2015 as Rezoning No. 2014-0007. (Goodwin House)

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 14; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**15.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, By Adopting and Incorporating Therein the Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council on January 24, 2015 to the Land Use Map and the Height Map in the Alexandria West Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2014-0008 and No Other Amendments, and To Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent With Such Amendment. (The Fillmore)

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 15; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**16.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sheet No. 010.02 and 011.01 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 Property at 5000 and 5001 Echols Avenue From R-12/Single Family Zone to CRMU-M/Commercial Residential Mixed Use (Medium) in Accordance With the Said Zoning Map Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council on January 24, 2015 as Rezoning No. 2014-0008. (The Fillmore)

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 16; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**17.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sections 8-1-130 through 8-1-140 of Article H, (Registration of Vacant Buildings), of Chapter 1 (Building Code), of Title 8 (Building Code Regulations) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 2/10/15, and is

incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 17; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

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

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of items 15, 16 and 17, which were considered under separate motion, as follows:

- 10. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Elizabeth Lucchesi, Affordable Housing Advisory Commission; (b) Stephen W. Koenig, Board of Zoning Appeals; (c) Dori Ramsey, Commission on Employment; (d) Michael Hilburg, Sister City Committee; and (e) Pat Arnaudo, Social Services Advisory Board.
- City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and 11. committees: (a) reappointed Edward Pulliam as the one citizen-at-large to the Archaeological Commission; (b) appointed Diane Hampel and Cynthia Spoehr as the two citizen members to the Beautification Commission; (c) appointed Brian Scotti as the one representative from such organizations as educational agencies. organized labor. rehabilitation community-based organizations, economic development agencies and the public employment service to the Commission on Employment; (d) appointed Mary Harper as the one City of Alexandria Public Schools representative to the Commission on HIV/AIDS; (e) appointed Michael Mackey as the one Director of the Alexandria Juvenile Court Services Unit to the Community Policy and Management Team; (f) reappointed Ellen McHugh as the one citizen member to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (g) reappointed Jessica Lassetter as the one member from the field of urban planning to the Environmental Policy Commission; (h) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Thomas Smith, III as the one member nominated by the First Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (i) appointed Edward Schirmer as the one business representative designated by the Chamber of Commerce and appointed Richard Webber as the one representative from the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Association to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (i) reappointed Patricia Evans as the one member appointed by City Council to the Law Library Board; (k) reappointed Katya Wanzer as the one citizen who shall be a health professional and at the time of appointment derive, or within the previous five years derived their principal income from providing health care, health services or health related activities to the Public Health Advisory Commission; (I) appointed Karen Dunkley as the one parent member to the Social Services Advisory Board; and (m) appointed Charles Ablard as the one Historic Alexandria Foundation representative to the Waterfront Commission.
- 12. City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, February 21, 2015.
- 13. City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, February 21, 2015.

14. City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, February 21, 2015.

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

**15.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, By Adopting and Incorporating Therein the Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council on January 24, 2015 to the Land Use Map and the Height Map in the Alexandria West Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2014-0008 and No Other Amendments, and To Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent With Such Amendment. (The Fillmore)

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 15; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Councilman Chapman noted that Council has received an email on the on-going negotiations, but he would abstain from voting on this, as everything is still up in the air and he wanted to be consistent.

Vice Mayor Silberberg said she concurs with Councilman Chapman and she would also abstain.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Lovain and carried 4-0-2, City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, February 21, 2015. The voting was as follows: In favor, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none; Abstained, Vice Mayor Silberberg and Councilman Chapman.

**16.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sheet No. 010.02 and 011.01 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 Property at 5000 and 5001 Echols Avenue From R-12/Single Family Zone to CRMU-M/Commercial Residential Mixed Use (Medium) in Accordance With the Said Zoning Map Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council on January 24, 2015 as Rezoning No. 2014-0008. (The Fillmore)

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 16; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 4-0-2, City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, February 21, 2015. The voting was as follows: In favor, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none; Abstained, Vice Mayor Silberberg and Councilman Chapman.

**17.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sections 8-1-130 through 8-1-140 of Article H, (Registration of Vacant Buildings), of Chapter 1 (Building Code), of Title 8 (Building Code Regulations) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 17; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Councilman Wilson noted that they have a vacant building registry in the City, where it asks that property owners that leave property vacant register and pay a fee and provide the City with contact information in the event that anything happens with the property. There were 39 properties registered at last count. He said a bill was filed in the General Assembly in the 2013 session that simply sought to increase the fee for the annual registration and to increase the fine for non-registering. The bill raised the fees further than the sponsor wanted but it also very strictly limited the applicability of the vacant registry to a point where it now only applies to buildings that meet the strict definition of a derelict building under State Code. Unfortunately, the changes to the Code section are required in order to bring the City into conformance with the State Code, and he guessed they would see far less properties that are applicable under this definition and it is unfortunate given the issues some of the properties can raise.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final adoption on Saturday, February 21, 2015. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

#### **ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (18-19)**

**18.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement 112 of the City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of

the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 18; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**19.** Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement 65 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 19; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

#### **END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR**

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the roll-call consent calendar, as follows:

- 18. City Council introduced the ordinance on first and second reading and adopted the ordinance to adopt Supplement 112 of the City Code.
- 19. City Council introduced the ordinance on first and second reading and adopted the ordinance to adopt Supplement 65 to the Zoning Ordinance.

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

The ordinances read as follows:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 4923

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

#### THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the sections and portions thereof set forth in the supplemental and replacement pages for The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, each of which pages is identified in the lower left-hand corner by the notation "Supp. No. 112," are hereby adopted

as and shall constitute "The One Hundred and Twelfth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981."

Section 2. That the sections and portions thereof set forth in "The One Hundred and Twelfth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981" shall be in force and effect on and after the effective date of this ordinance, and all ordinances of a general and permanent nature which were adopted between September 14, 2014 through December 13, 2014, inclusive, and which are not included in such supplement or in The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, are hereby repealed, except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this ordinance.

Section 3. That the repeal provided for in section 2 of this ordinance shall not affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any contract established or accruing prior to the effective date of this ordinance; nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to said date; nor shall it affect any ordinance adopted after December 13, 2014, which amends the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992, as amended; nor shall it affect any ordinance saved from repeal by Ordinance No. 1250; nor shall it affect any ordinance listed in appendices A through J, both inclusive, of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, or any pages supplemental to such appendices; nor shall it affect any provision of any ordinance adopted between September 24, 2014 through December 13, 2014, inclusive, and which is inadvertently omitted from or erroneously incorporated into "The One Hundred and Twelfthh Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981," or any other supplement to the code; nor shall it affect any ordinance adopted after the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 4. That one complete set of pages comprising "The One Hundred and Twelfth Supplement to The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981," shall be stapled or otherwise permanently fastened together, shall be manually signed on the front sheet by the mayor and the city clerk, and shall be filed in the office of the city clerk and made available to any person desiring to inspect the same. In addition, one complete set of the supplemental and replacement pages of such supplement shall be properly inserted into the copy of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, which bears the manual signatures of the mayor and the city clerk, and such code, as amended and supplemented, shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk and be made available to any person desiring to inspect the same.

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 4924

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

#### THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the sections of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992, as amended ("Zoning Ordinance"), and the portions thereof, set forth in the supplemental and replacement pages for the Zoning Ordinance, each of which pages is

identified in the lower left-hand corner by the notation "Supp. No. 65," are hereby adopted as and shall constitute "The Sixty-Fifth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992."

Section 2. That the sections of the Zoning Ordinance, and the portions thereof, set forth in "The Sixty-Fifth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992," shall be in force and effect on and after the effective date of this ordinance, and all ordinances amending the text of the Zoning Ordinance which were adopted between October 18, 2014 and December 12, 2014, and which are not included in such supplement or in the Zoning Ordinance are hereby repealed, except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this ordinance.

Section 3. That the repeal provided for in section 2 of this ordinance shall not affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any contract established or accruing prior to the effective date of this ordinance; nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to said date; nor shall it affect any provision of any ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance which was adopted between October 18, 2014 and December 12, 2014, inclusive, and which is inadvertently omitted from or erroneously incorporated into "The Sixty-Fifth Supplement to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1992"; nor shall it affect any ordinance adopted after December 12, 2014.

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

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

#### **OTHER**

**20.** Update on the 2015 General Assembly Session.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 9, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 20; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Caton, Legislative Director, gave an update on the General Assembly Session. He asked Council to authorize him, with a letter written by the Mayor, to go to the confreres on the budget, as well as the Delegation, that would say that the City would support the Senate proposal to eliminate local aide to the State, that the City opposes the House transportation positions on WMATA and NVTC, that it supports additional funding for State supported local employees, that it support payments into VRS for K-12 employees and retirees, that it support the proposal to fund housing for individuals with mental illness, and that it support the

Governor and Senate funding level for Project Discovery. Mr. Caton responded to questions from City Council about the "dooring" ban legislation.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council received the update on the 2015 General Assembly Session and included in attachment 1, that the City take "no position" on Senate Bill 882, the dooring ban, and authorized the City's Legislative Director, with a letter written by the Mayor, to go to the confreres on the budget, as well as the Delegation, that would say that the City would support the Senate proposal to eliminate local aide to the State, that the City opposes the House transportation positions on WMATA and NVTC, that it supports additional funding for State supported local employees, that it supports payments into VRS for K-12 employees and retirees, that it supports the proposal to fund housing for individuals with mental illness, that it supports the Governor and Senate funding level for Project Discovery. The voting on the motion was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

#### **CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS**

**21.** Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Mark Harvey Christophe Poyac

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council reappointed Christophe Poyac as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee. The voting was as follows:

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

**22.** Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority 1 Representative of the Alexandria Resident Council

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Chyrell Bucksell Margo Heard

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Because Margo Heard withdrew her name from consideration for this appointment, the appointment is considered uncontested and no ballot vote was required. City Council reappointed Chyrell Bucksell as the one representative from the Alexandria Resident Council to the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

23. Alexandria Transportation Commission1 Citizen Member Who Resides West of Quaker Lane

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Christine Hoeffner Christine Michaelis Rita Pasi Ana Rivas-Beck Michael Saperstein, Jr. John Jay Sergent

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 23; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Christine Michaelis as the one citizen member who resides west of Quaker Lane to the Alexandria Transportation Commission. The voting was as follows:

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

#### 24. Beautification Commission

1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

**ENDORSED BY:** 

Whitney Stohr

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 24; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Whitney Stohr as the one citizen member to the Beautification Commission. The voting was as follows:

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

### **25.** Commission on Persons with Disabilities

1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Sean McAfee Robert Pasternack

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 25; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Robert Pasternack as the one citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities. The voting was as follows:

Euille - absent
Silberberg - McAfee
Chapman - Pasternack
Lovain - Pasternack
Pepper - Pasternack
Smedberg - McAfee
Wilson - Pasternack

## **26.** Environmental Policy Commission

2 Citizen Members

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

NAME:

**ENDORSED BY:** 

Michael Bahleda Samantha Gallagher Damien Hammond Stephen Milone Tyler Orton

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 26; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Stephen Milone and reappointed Tyler Orton as the two citizen members to the Environmental Policy Commission. The voting was as follows:

Euille - absent

Silberberg - Orton, Milone
Chapman - Orton, Milone
Lovain - Orton, Milone
Pepper - Orton, Bahleda
Smedberg - Orton, Milone
Wilson - Orton, Milone

# **27.** Human Rights Commission 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Charles Carron Gaea Honeycutt

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 27; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Charles Carron as the one citizen member to the Human Rights Commission. The voting was as follows:

Euille - absent
Silberberg - Honeycutt
Chapman - Carron
Lovain - Carron
Pepper - Honeycutt
Smedberg - Carron
Wilson - Carron

# **28.** Industrial Development Authority 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Hilary Judge Andrew Palmieri Kevin Rosenbaum

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 28; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Andrew Palmieri as the one citizen member to the Industrial Development Authority. The voting was as follows:

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

**29.** Landlord-Tenant Relations Board 1 Homeowner Representative

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Ashkan Bayatpour Jordan Costen

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 29; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Jordan Costen as the one homeowner representative to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board. The voting was as follows:

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

**30.** Library Board 2 Citizen Members

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Karen Cooper Gwen Day-Fuller Rebekk Laird Kathleen Schloeder Joan Sharp

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 30; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council reappointed Gwen Day-Fuller and Kathleen Schloeder as the two citizen members to the Library Board. The voting was as follows:

Euille - absent

Silberberg - Day-Fuller, Schloeder Chapman - Day-Fuller, Schloeder Lovain - Day-Fuller, Schloeder Pepper - Day-Fuller, Schloeder Smedberg - Day-Fuller, Schloeder Wilson - Day-Fuller, Schloeder

31. Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission

1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Lillian Brooks McKenya Dilworth

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 31; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and reappointed Lillian Brooks as the one citizen member to the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission. The voting

#### was as follows:

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

#### 32. Urban Design Advisory Committee

1 Old Town North Business Community Representative

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Samuel Gerdano Stephen Kulinski

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 32; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Stephen Kulinski as the one Old Town North business community representative to the Urban Design Advisory Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille - absent
Silberberg - Kulinski
Chapman - Kulinski
Lovain - Kulinski
Pepper - Kulinski
Smedberg - Kulinski
Wilson - Gerdano

#### **33.** Waterfront Commission

1 Citizen Representative from Park Planning District III

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Emily Bordales Kathryn Kolbe

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 33; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Kathryn Kolbe as the one citizen representative from Park Planning District III to the Waterfront Commission. The voting was as follows:

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

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

**34.** Consideration of the Calendar Year 2015 Real Property Assessment.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 4, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 34; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Page, Real Estate Assessor, Office of Finance, made a presentation of the staff report and he, along with Ms. Taylor, Acting Director, Office of Finance, responded to questions of City Council.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilwoman Pepper, City Council received the report on the calendar year 2015 real property assessments.

Councilman Wilson said he would like to follow up with his discussion about the report that he missed from last year of all the development that is in the pipeline. It is useful to look at that comparison and see that list.

The motion carried unanimously and was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

**35.** Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2014.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 4, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 35; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Jinks, Acting City Manager, made opening remarks on the report and Ms. Birch, Director, Office of Management and Budget, made a presentation of the staff report and responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council received the monthly financial report. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember

Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

**36.** Consideration of Receipt of FY 2015 Second Quarter Capital Projects Status Report Related to City Council Approved Capital Projects and Approval of a Capital Projects Budget Transfer.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 4, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 36; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Beaver, Assistant Budget Director, Office of Management and Budget, made a presentation of the capital projects, and Mr. Bernstein, Acting Director, Department of Project Implementation, made a presentation of the progress made on projects over the last quarter. Mr. Beaver and Mr. Bernstein responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received as information the FY 2015 second quarter capital projects status report; and 2. approved the transfer of previously appropriated funds from the fleet facility lift project in order to accelerate the fleet air handling unit replacement project in the amount of \$485,000. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed,

#### ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Councilman Chapman noted the passing of Jean Braden, a member of the Sister Cities Committee and who was very connected with the student exchange program. He said Ms. Braden was a staff member at Northern Virginia Community College and was integral in connecting their students with the work of the Sister Cities Committee, making sure that citizens found out about what the Committee does. He said they are looking at how to establish a small scholarship for the student exchange program for students that are interested in going to Dundee, Scotland. He said they have had an offer from the City's Sister City in Dundee that wants to establish a similar scholarship in her name for Dundee students that want to come to Alexandria.
- 2. Councilman Chapman said Mayor Euille wanted him to mention that this month is National Mentoring Month and there will be a national mentoring recruitment event on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Lee Center.

#### ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- 1. Mr. Jinks, Acting City Manager, announced the appointment of Karl Moritz as the new permanent Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning.
- 2. Mr. Jinks announced the appointment of Raymond Robinson as the Transit Division Chief in the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services.
- **37.** Oral Report: Underground Transmission Line & Substation Working Group Alternatives Recommendation.

Mr. Lambert, Acting Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, made a presentation of the report on the underground transmission line and substation working group alternatives and he, along with Mr. Jinks, responded to questions of City Council.

#### **OTHER**

**38.** Consideration of the City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 4, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 38; 2/10/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the revised Council calendar which includes: the George Washington Birthday Celebration Parade which is scheduled for Monday, February 16 at 1:00 p.m.; and the St. Patrick's Day Parade which is scheduled for Saturday, March 7 at 12:30 p.m.; and 2. approved the calendar. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed,

#### **Closed Meeting Continued (If Needed)**

**39.** Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

City Council did not continue the closed meeting.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, the regular meeting of February 10, 2015, was adjourned at 10:19 p.m. The voting was as follows: In favor, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

	APPROVED BY:		
	WILLIAM D. EUILLE	MAYOR	
ATTEST:			
Jacqueline M. Henderson City Clerk and Clerk of Council			



## City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314

### Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-3679 Name: Energy Masters Program Grant

Type: Status: Agenda Ready

File created: 1/27/2015 In control: City Council Legislative Meeting

On agenda: 2/24/2015 Final action:

Title: Consideration of a Grant to the Arlington and Alexandria Offices of the Virginia Cooperative Extension

to Support the Expansion of the Energy Masters Program to Alexandria.

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Attachments: 14-3679 Energy Master Funding Request.pdf

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## City of Alexandria, Virginia

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 18, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** MARK B. JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER /s/

#### **DOCKET TITLE**:

Consideration of a Grant to the Arlington and Alexandria Offices of the Virginia Cooperative Extension to Support the Expansion of the Energy Masters Program to Alexandria.

**ISSUE**: Consideration of a grant to the Arlington and Alexandria offices of the Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) to support the expansion of the Energy Masters Program to Alexandria.

**RECOMMENDATION**: That City Council approve the allocation of \$20,000 from the Office of Housing's federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) earned deliverable fees to the Virginia Cooperative Extension to support the organization's expansion of the Energy Masters Program into the City of Alexandra.

**BACKGROUND**: Energy Masters, modeled after the popular Master Gardeners Program, has been sponsored by VCE and Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment (ACE) since 2011. Through this initiative, VCE and ACE have trained 126 volunteers as Energy Masters and have completed energy and water saving improvements in 474 apartments serving lower income residents in Arlington County. VCE and ACE estimate that the work has

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provided total annual savings of \$93,550 on electricity and water bills in the apartments. These savings are the result of a reduction of 186,806 kilowatt hours of energy use and 5,863,130 gallons of reduced water use. On a per unit basis, savings in electric bills are estimated at \$49 annually and \$183 in savings from water use reductions

The goals of the proposed project are to 1) reduce energy costs for both residents and property owners of assisted rental communities, 2) improve the energy efficiency of these units, 3) improve the comfort of the homes, and 4) improve the quality of life for City residents by decreasing the amount of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere. By working with residents and property owners, this initiative will make rental homes more affordable by reducing energy costs. Other key benefits of the program are the engagement of volunteers in education and improvement activities as well as sharing information with residents of assisted housing, such as how to best use green building features, and fostering long terms changes in resident energy use practices. While Rebuilding Together Alexandria currently assists owner-occupied households with energy efficiency and other home improvements, no City service provider is currently offering the improvements to assisted rental units that are proposed through the Energy Masters program.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: VCE and ACE have requested funding to support the Energy Masters Alexandria program for a two-year cycle which will serve an estimated 125 rental units. While volunteers train and serve at no cost, supplies costs are estimated at \$60 per unit with the balance of funding used for training and coordination costs. Staff recommends that units owned by the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) be targeted first for the improvements. ARHA staff has identified as many as 300 units that could be served through the program. These include many scattered site units as well as smaller communities where redevelopment or significant rehabilitation is not anticipated in the near term. City staff will assist VCE and ACE in volunteer outreach and recruitment, coordination of work sites, and assistance as needed on work days.

In addition to expansion of the Energy Masters Program into Alexandria, ACE proposes to apply for grant funding under the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Environmental Education Model Grants Program to conduct educational outreach in Arlington County and the City of Alexandria. It is expected that this funding, if awarded, will be used to fund a part-time program coordinator position to conduct energy education sessions at public schools in the two jurisdictions. The grant program also includes a mini-grant requirement which would allow ACE to provide funding directly to school groups working on issues of environmental quality and stewardship. VCE staff has existing relationships with the Alexandria City Public Schools and will coordinate administration of the programs directly through those partnerships. This program will operate independently from Energy Masters but is noted because of the value added service that ACE proposes to provide to Alexandria residents. Applications for this grant program are due to the EPA by March 6.

The activities to be conducted through the Energy Masters Program are consistent with Goal 7 of the Housing Master Plan which calls for increasing public awareness of the benefits of healthy, well-designed and energy efficient housing. The program is also consistent with the City's Strategic Plan Goals 2 and 5, the Eco-City Charter, Environmental Action Plan, and the Energy and Climate Change Action Plan. The improvements will also align with Office of Housing goals and strategies in addressing residential energy efficiency through housing rehabilitation.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT</u>: Staff recommends that funding for the Energy Masters Program be provided from unobligated funds generated through the City's Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) grant. This grant, awarded to the City in 2009 by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), has generated a small amount of deliverable fees based on program accomplishments. These funds have typically been used to fund carrying costs or unexpected repairs to units acquired through the program but the proposed use is consistent with allowable expenditures and program goals. The proposed allocation to the

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Energy Masters initiative will not impact the continued operations of the NSP. A two year program is anticipated. The Alexandria program is not expected to continue beyond the initial two year period. However, should additional opportunities for energy savings be identified among the City's stock of assisted housing, VCE, ACE and the City will pursue other funding resources to support the program.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**:

**Energy Masters Proposal** 

#### STAFF:

Helen McIlvaine, Acting Director, Office of Housing Shane Cochran, Implementation Division Chief, Office of Housing Bill Eger, Energy Manager, Department of General Services

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6 February 2015

Shane Cochran
Program Implementation Division Chief
City of Alexandria, Virginia
Office of Housing/Program Implementation Division
421 King St., Suite 200
Alexandria, VA 22314

#### Dear Shane,

I am writing to apply for a grant for \$20,000 from the City's Neighborhood Stabilization Program. This grant will be used to conduct energy- and water-saving improvements in Alexandria's low-income apartments. Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) will manage this project, but it will be a partnership between VCE and Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment. Our two groups have been partnering for the past four years on a similar project in Arlington where we have made energy and water improvements in 474 low income apartment units.

The goals of this project are to 1) save tenants and apartment managers money on utility bills; 2) improve energy efficiency in units; 3) improve the comfort of the units; and 4) to improve the environment by decreasing the amount of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere. We train teams of volunteers called Energy Masters to work in groups of three or four to perform these retrofits in apartments. In each unit the volunteers provide the following services:

- Seal leaks (caulking windows, vents, outlets; insert gaskets on outlets/switch plates)
- Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact florescent lights
- Install faucet aerators and low-flow showerheads
- Check for leaky/running toilets
- Insert toilet tank tummies
- Provide and install power strips
- Clean refrigerator coils
- Educate tenants regarding efficiency measures for lighting, appliances, and heating/cooling

We estimate that this work has resulted in annual savings of \$93,548.70 on electricity and water bills in the apartments where we have made improvements. The improvements are saving an estimated 186,806 kilowatt hours of energy each year and 5,863,130 gallons of

water (the equivalent of 6.8 Olympic size swimming pools). We estimate that each apartment is saving \$48.55 annually on their electric bills and \$183.01 on their water bills.

Given the success of this program in Arlington, we have received requests to expand to neighboring Alexandria. We would like to start work in the city at the beginning of FY 16 (July 1) and estimate that we will be able to complete work in 50 units in the first year of the project. We will rely on the Office of Housing to select the units that are most in need of this work and most interested in the project.

### **Budget**

Supplies for apartment units: \$60/unit x 100 units	\$6,000
Wages for part-time project coordinator (\$20/hour x 660 hours	
per year	\$13,200
Honoraria for two expert trainers conducting technical	
training for volunteers @ \$200 x two annual trainings	\$800

TOTAL \$20,000

Our group of partner organizations is also applying for a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that would provide \$10,000 for two years of wages for a project coordinator (estimated 250 hours per year at \$20 per hour) and funds for supplies to conduct energy improvements in an additional 100 units in Alexandria over two years. We will not learn if we have received this grant until June 2015. We will continue seeking additional grant funding in order to continue the program beyond the beginning two years.

We look forward to the opportunity to work with the City of Alexandria on this project. Please let me know if you need any other details from us. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Abel

Senior Extension Agent



### City of Alexandria

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### Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-3734 Name: Consideration of Fiscal Year 2016 Grant Application

to the Virginia Commission for the Arts for a Local

Government Challenge Grant

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File created: 2/9/2015 In control: City Council Legislative Meeting

On agenda: 2/24/2015 Final action:

Title: Consideration of a Fiscal Year 2016 Grant Application to the Virginia Commission for the Arts for a

Local Government Challenge Grant for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.

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### City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 18, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** MARK B. JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER /s/

### **DOCKET TITLE:**

Consideration of a Fiscal Year 2016 Grant Application to the Virginia Commission for the Arts for a Local Government Challenge Grant for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.

<u>ISSUE</u>: Consideration of a Fiscal Year 2016 grant application to the Virginia Commission for the Arts (VCA) for funding, in the amount of \$5,000, for the Local Government Challenge Grant Program. The grant application deadline is April 1, 2015.

### **RECOMMENDATION**: That City Council authorizes the City Manager to:

- (1) Submit a grant application, in the amount of \$5,000, to the Virginia Commission for the Arts' Local Government Challenge Grant Program; and
- (2) Execute all necessary documents that may be required.

The Alexandria Commission for the Arts (ACA) fully endorses the application submission.

**BACKGROUND**: The City has received the maximum amount of funds awarded through the Virginia Commission for the Arts' Local Government Challenge Grant Program for 35 out of the past 36 years that this program has been in operation. Through the Local Government Challenge Grant Program, the VCA will match funds, up to \$5,000. Independent town, city, and county governments are eligible to apply for funding in this category.

For Fiscal Year 2016, the City is seeking \$5,000, the current maximum permitted in the VCA's Local Government Challenge Grant category. The grant application is due April 1, 2015. These funds, if awarded to the City, are to be allocated to the arts organizations who have submitted requests for funding to the Office of the Arts for Fiscal Year 2016. Included in the application is a description of each artist and organization proposed to receive VCA funding.

The Alexandria Commission for the Arts (ACA) advises the Office of the Arts staff on funding appropriations to grant applicants. The Office of the Arts' grant program is modeled after the Virginia Commission for the Arts grant program.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The Office of the Arts made some adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2016 grant program. The adjustments made were to provide grantees easier access to the online program, to outreach to individual artists and organizations by offering in-person workshops and webinars, and to condense the grant program's cycle for grantees, Grant Task Force and Arts Commission members, and staff. On January 7, the Office of the Arts' provided online written guidelines to all potential applicants. Grant workshops and webinars were held in January and February. Online submissions are due the last Friday in February.

In February, the Office of the Arts staff provides an orientation to the Grants Task Force members. The members are instructed how to use the scoring rubrics for the evaluation. The rubrics tool was designed to reduce subjectivity in the review process for each assessment item.

In April, the Grants Task Force meets to evaluate each grant application. The Task Force also develops a recommendation for funding. This recommendation is forward to the Alexandria Commission for the Arts. The Commissioners review all applications and develop their conditional funding levels at their April meeting. After the adoption of the City budget, confirmation letters with funding levels are sent to successful applicants.

All applicants receiving funding from the Office of the Arts are required to submit a Final Report within thirty days after the project is completed. The Arts Commission's Conflict of Interest Policy is enforced to ensure the highest standards of personal integrity and honesty and to uphold the principles of fairness in the decision-making process regarding potential allocation of public funds.

Funding distribution of the VCA grant award will be to any Alexandria-based nonprofit arts organizations who receive a City of Alexandria Arts Grant. If the full VCA award of \$5,000 is granted to the City, the appropriation to the organizations will be determined by the history of funding and the size of the operating budget. During Fiscal Year 2015, the following organizations received a portion of the VCA Local Government Challenge Grant:

Alexandria Choral Society	\$200
Alexandria Film Festival	\$200
Alexandria Harmonizers	\$200
Alexandria Singers	\$200

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Alexandria Symphony Orchestra		\$200				
Art League					\$200	
Arts on the Horizon				\$200		
Arts Resource Foundation/Del Ray Artisans	\$200					
Choreographers Collaboration Project	\$200					
Eclipse Chamber Orchestra			\$200			
First Night Alexandria			\$200			
Jane Franklin Dance Company		\$200				
Karen Reedy Dance Company		\$200				
Living Legends of Alexandria		\$200				
MetroStage					\$200	
National Rehabilitation and Rediscovery	\$200					
Northern Virginia Fine Arts Association	\$200					
Port City Playhouse				\$200		
Quintango					\$200	
Torpedo Factory Art Center			\$200			
Upcycle Recylce Reuse Center		\$200				
Virginia Bronze Handbells			\$200			
Virginia Opera				\$200		
Washington Balalaika Society		\$200				

Although the distribution results in small awards to the arts groups, the impact can be much greater. With these awards, arts groups can promote the fact that they are a recipient of funds from the Virginia Commission for the Arts and its funder, the National Endowment for the Arts.

\$200

Total

\$5,000

This "seal of approval" can often help arts groups leverage additional dollars.

The grant award is provided in two payments. The first payment is 85% of the award and includes a partial amount from the City appropriation and all of the Virginia Commission for the Arts funds. The final payment of 15% of the grant award is released after the Office of the Arts receives a successful Final Report.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT</u>: The Virginia Commission for the Arts provides up to \$5,000. The City has identified 100% matching funds as the cash match in the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities Fiscal Year 2016 proposed operating budget.

In addition, the City is also responsible for normal administrative costs associated with this grant. These costs include financial and reporting oversight provided by the administering agency (the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities) as well as the Office of Management and Budget and the Finance Department. It should be noted that no monies are available in the City's Budget to continue these activities once the grant funds are expended.

### **ATTACHMENTS**: None.

Washington Philharmonic Orchestra

**STAFF**: James Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities (RPCA)

Diane Ruggiero, Deputy Director, RPCA/Office of the Arts

Cheryl Anne Colton, Regional Program Director, RPCA/Office of the Arts



### City of Alexandria

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### Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-3743 Name:

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File created: 2/11/2015 In control: City Council Legislative Meeting

On agenda: 2/24/2015 Final action:

**Title:** Consideration of a Funding Application by the Alexandria Department of Community and Human

Services (DCHS) to the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) for Telepsychiatry Equipment and Service Fees to Improve Access to Psychiatry Services.

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City of Alexandria, Virginia

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**MEMORANDUM** 

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 18, 2015

**TO:** THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** MARK B. JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER /s/

#### **DOCKET TITLE:**

Consideration of a Funding Application by the Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) to the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) for Telepsychiatry Equipment and Service Fees to Improve Access to Psychiatry Services.

**ISSUE**: Consideration of a two-year funding opportunity from DBHDS to allow DCHS to acquire and operate video-conferencing technology that will enable psychiatric evaluation and treatment of adults and children through telepsychiatry which will improve access to service and will enhance efficient utilization of existing psychiatric resources.

### **RECOMENDATION**: that City Council:

1) Authorize the submission of an application to DBHDS for \$21,240 in FY15 and \$13,440 in FY 16 for the purchase of telepsychiatry equipment and for annual service fees in order to implement

telepsychiatry services and thereby improve timely access to psychiatry services and maximize efficient use of existing DCHS psychiatric resources; and

2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

BACKGROUND: On January 16, 2015, DCHS staff was notified of the re-issuance of a Request for Applications involving a funding opportunity from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for Community Services Boards to purchase equipment and pay for annual service fees in order to implement telepsychiatry services. Because telepsychiatry has traditionally been utilized in rural settings, Northern Virginia jurisdictions initially did not intend to apply for these funds. However, at a regional meeting on January 23, 2015, Alexandria and its four Northern Virginia counterparts re-evaluated the opportunity and each decided to apply. Applications for this funding were due February 4, 2015. Because of the late notification of the funding availability, this item could not be docketed for Council consideration prior to the application submission date. The Department did receive permission from the City Manager's Office to submit the funding application pending formal City Council approval.

Telepsychiatry (or telemedicine) is the practice of using video-conferencing technology in the evaluation and treatment of adults and children referred for clinical evaluations, diagnosis, treatment, triaging and monitoring, including the prescription of medication by a psychiatrist. Telepsychiatry allows the practitioner to connect and interact with a patient even if the parties are not geographically close and can make it easier for psychiatrists to treat patients by eliminating the need for either party to travel. Telepsychiatry has traditionally been utilized in rural areas where there is limited access to psychiatrists due to geographic distance and lack of available providers. Increasingly telepsychiatry is being adopted in urban areas with a number of benefits including: improved ability to respond to clients in crisis; improved access to services; reduced waitlists; and increased flexibility in scheduling, making it more convenient for providers and clients.

This funding proposal requires no matching funds and there is no requirement for an ongoing funding commitment. The funding proposal does not increase the number of budgeted FTEs. The proposal includes the one time purchase of video-conferencing technology equipment in FY 2015 as well as funding for annual service fees in FY 2015 (part year) and FY 2016. Existing DCHS staff will be responsible for implementing the telepsychiatry services. The Virginia General Assembly has appropriated funds for the proposed purpose through FY 2016. DCHS expects that the availability of telepsychiatry will improve recruitment and retention of psychiatrists, improve efficiency of psychiatric service delivery and improve access to services for target populations.

<u>DISCUSSION:</u> Alexandria currently has 4.5 FTEs budgeted psychiatrists to serve all adult, geriatric, child and adolescent clients. DCHS has historically had significant problems in keeping the unit fully staffed. Problems in recruitment and retention of qualified psychiatrists result in lengthy waitlists, limitations on client choice of provider, and constraints in crisis response capacity. There are currently over 53 clients on the waiting list for psychiatric services due to ongoing staff psychiatrist vacancies. While the funding proposal does not add to the total number of budgeted psychiatry hours, the Department believes that telepsychiatry will allow flexibility of scheduling and the elimination of travel time, which will address problems with recruitment and retention by attracting more psychiatrists and expanding the potential pool of providers who might be outside of the immediate geographic area.

In addition to enhancing DCHS's overall ability to attract and retain staff psychiatrists, implementation of telepsychiatry will target unmet client needs in five specific areas: 1) Services to clients who, due to their health and or mental health conditions, have difficulty accessing office-based care; 2) Services to clients in the Coordinated Specialty Care grant program where psychiatric services will be delivered by community-based

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providers; 3) Services to insured children and adolescents who have limited local availability of psychiatric providers; 4) Services to clients in the Alexandria Detention Center; and 5) Services for clients at other program sites through more efficient use of existing psychiatric hours.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**: This funding proposal requests from the state:

- 1) \$21,240 in FY 15 for the purchase of laptop computers, cameras and microphones in addition to a web-based telepsychiatry platform and wireless internet connection fees.
- 2) \$13,440 in FY 16 for ongoing monthly fees for wireless internet connections and access to the web-based telepsychiatry platform.

The funding proposal requires no matching funds and there is no requirement for an ongoing funding commitment. If awarded these funds, DCHS will evaluate the outcomes of implementing telepsychiatry. Once any awarded funds are expended and if funding is not renewed, DCHS will determine if the outcomes warrant continuation of telepsychiatry services and whether or not to reallocate budgeted funds to continue operation of telepsychiatry.

### **ATTACHMENT:** None

#### **STAFF**:

Debra Collins, Deputy City Manager Kate Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services Carol Layer, Director, Center for Adult Services, DCHS



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### Legislation Details (With Text)

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Update on the 2015 General Assembly Session.



### City of Alexandria

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### Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-3708 Name: Oral Report: ARHA Update on Redevelopment

Initiatives

Type: Communication or Report Status: Agenda Ready

File created: 2/2/2015 In control: City Council Legislative Meeting

On agenda: 2/24/2015 Final action:

Title: Oral Report: Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Update Regarding Redevelopment

Initiatives.

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Oral Report: Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Update Regarding Redevelopment Initiatives.

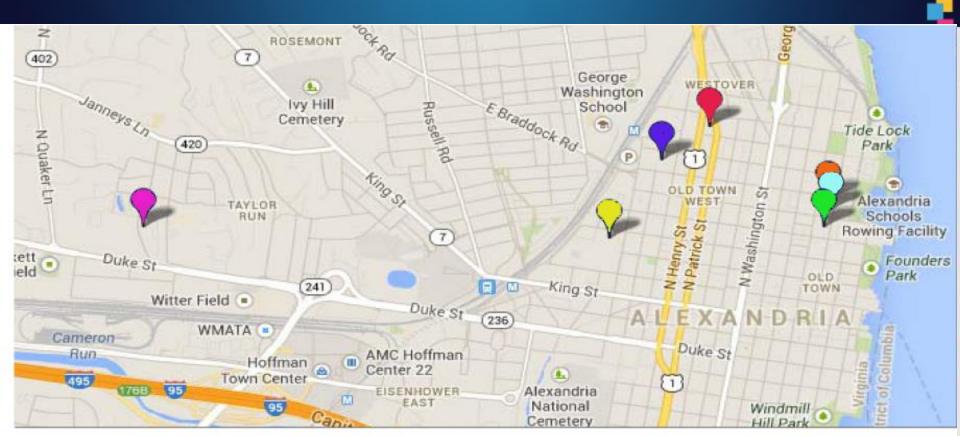


### **ARHA Redevelopment Efforts in Progress**

### RFP Developer Partners Multiple Sites

- ARHA Administration Building
- Hopkins Tancil
- Samuel Madden (Uptown)
- Andrew Adkins
- Cameron Station
- Redevelopment Initiatives using ARHA enterprise entities
  - Ladrey Highrise (Acquisition/Rehabilitation)
  - Princess Square (Repositioning of an Existing Asset)
  - Ramsey Homes (Redevelopment of an underutilized, obsolete development site)

### **ARHA** Redevelopment Efforts in Progress





110-115 & 121-131 & 57-75 Yale Drive and 100-114 & 120-134 Ellsworth Street



750 North Fayette Street

### SAMUEL MADDEN HOMES

899 & 999 North Henry Street

### JEFFERSON VILLAGE

1400 Princess Street

### HOPKINS TANCIL

451 & 551 North Royal Street

### ARHA ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

600 North Fairfax Street



LADREY HIGHRISE

300 Wythe Street

# ARHA Efforts in Progress: RFP Developer Partners Schedule

Part I Selection Timetable				
Release Part 1 Solicitation for	01/06/2014			
Development Partner	01/00/2014			
Revised Submittal Due Date (Weather	03/19/2014			
delay)	03/19/2014			
Notification to successful Respondents	04/29/2014			
Part 2A Selection Timetable				
Release Part 2A Solicitation for	06/12/2014			
Development Partner	00/12/2014			
Submittal Due Date (hard copy	07/11/2014			
deliverables)	07/11/2014			
Respondent Interviews	07/22-07/25/14			
Notification to successful Respondents	January 2015			

# ARHA Efforts in Progress: RFP Developer Partners Schedule

Part 2B Selection Timetable (Eastern Time)		
Release Part 2B Solicitation for Development Partner	February 2015	
Proposal Preparation by Respondents/ Begin Civic Engagement as it relates to the ARHA process	120 Days to June 2015	
Evaluation Committee Review and Short List Interviews	June 2015- September 2015	
Approval by ARHA Board of Commissioners	September 2015	
Notification to successful Respondents	September 2015	
Ongoing coordination with City Planning & Zoning regarding manpower and scheduling*	February 2015 - January 2016	
Negotiation of Developer Agreements	October 2015 – Spring 2016	
Begin City development review process (entitlement process) and continue Civic Engagement process	Spring 2016	

\*Note: ARHA has offered to fund a dedicated planning position within P&Z to assist in the expediting of the entitlement process for the ARHA Development Sites in the order of sequencing determined during the evaluation of the universe of Proposals received.

### **Collaboration Principles**

- ARHA/City staff have agreed on a basic structure for civic engagement in order to inform the community of the RFP process
- ARHA will retain a facilitator to assist in this process. The schedule/format of meetings is being determined at this time.
- ARHA is committed to being as informative as possible given the federal procurement process that governs this selection.

## **ARHA Efforts in Progress: Ladrey Highrise**

- ARHA, through its development affiliate,
   VHDLLC, will execute an acquisition/rehabilitation of this facility with 4% LIHTCs and tax exempt bonds.
- Current model anticipates substantial rehabilitation estimated at \$12M+/- in HCC
- Closing on financing anticipated to occur in fall of 2015
- Work will be completed tenant-in-place with staged (temporary) relocation for systems work

# ARHA Efforts in Progress: Jefferson Village aka Princess Square

- Asset has been repositioned including a refinance, name change, and the addition of an on-site management office
- 20% of the units have undergone substantial renovation by the ARHA construction affiliate, ARHA Construction Enterprises ("ACE")
- Global Property Management, whose sole member is ARHA is the Property Manager
- Repositioning and collaboration with APD has reduced vacancies by 50%

# ARHA Efforts in Progress: Ramsey Homes

- Ramsey Homes is in the early stages of the development review process
- ARHA staff is working cooperatively with City staff towards a March 2016 submission of a Low Income Housing Tax Credit Allocation Application. Zoning approvals are now a threshold item and must be in place to submit an application for funding to VHDA.

### **Method of Delivery**

Real estate development is a unique and heterogeneous commodity so we have engaged multiple strategies in order to complete efforts with innovation and flexibility

- Developer Partner(s) per Development Site
- Prime Specialty Consultant to assist in the oversight of the Developer Partner procurement process and sequencing
- Development Specialty Consultants to augment VHDLLC for projects being developed by VHDLLC

# USE OF ARHA'S UNIQUE COMMODITY

- The proceeds from the sale of the land for market rate units will be the sole source of funds that ARHA has to commit to the costs of developing replacement units.
- Given the City's and ARHA's commitment of 1 for 1 replacement, it is in the interest of both the City and ARHA to maximize proceeds from the sale of the land.

# USE OF ARHA'S UNIQUE COMMODITY

- Maximizing the number of units a
   Developer can build on a given site will
   maximize the purchase price that a
   Developer will pay for that site.
- ARHA has successfully used this model on its other developments, most recently James Bland/Old Town Commons.

### **CITY ASSISTANCE: FLEXIBILITY**

 "As the City and ARHA have worked through this process with the community, it has become apparent that, due to a multitude of variable factors influenced by market conditions and public policy (such as land values, development costs, funding availability), it is not practical within this Plan to be prescriptive about the mix of housing within the new community or the resultant number of public housing units that may need to be replaced elsewhere in the City." (BEMP)

### **CITY ASSISTANCE: FUNDING**

- Off-site improvements are not eligible in tax credit basis so to the extent we are requested to improve the city's infrastructure by undergrounding utilities and providing intersection and stormwater/sewer enhancements, and there is no land value for leverage (e.g., Ramsey), we will need city assistance
- Relief from long term fees such as Traffic Management Plan
- Permit fee and property tax abatement
- Exclusive use of the \$5M Glebe Park loan repayment
- 50% of the pledges to the Affordable Housing Trust funds, generated from the Braddock East area

### City of Alexandria, Virginia

### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 2, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** MARK JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER

FROM: KARL MORITZ, ACTING DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ZONING

**SUBJECT:** CITY OF ALEXANDRIA - ARHA COLLABORATION PRINCIPLES

At the City Council's February 10 Legislative Meeting, the City Council will receive a briefing from Roy Priest, Chief Executive Officer of the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA). Among the topics of discussion will be the process now under way to select development partners for five of ARHA's public housing sites.

In December, City and ARHA staff developed and agreed to "collaboration principles" for the selection process, principally to provide advisory information about each site to the developer partner candidates – information included in adopted policy documents, small area plans, and development regulations, as well as input from members of the public.

Those principles are attached and were presented to the ARHA Redevelopment Work Group on November 18, 2014.

### **City of Alexandria - ARHA Collaboration Principles**

For Process of Selection of Development Partners for ARHA Sites

- It is in the interest of the City of Alexandria and developer candidates to have an understanding of the regulatory and contextual constraints and opportunities for each site prior to the formulation of a conceptual site design.
- The federal procurement process criteria do not restrict the ability of the community or City staff to provide advisory information about proposed site designs during Phase 2B. The criteria only limit the direct influence of selection committee members by non-committee members, including citizens or City staff.
- The Phase 2B process will allow community and City staff input, solicited and organized by the City's Planning & Zoning staff, to be collected and distributed to developer candidates in a timely manner that affords developer candidates adequate time to consider such consolidated input in connection with the preparation of their development proposals.
- The Phase 2B process will consist of a solicitation to the "short list" of potential developer partner candidates in the next few weeks. Then, there will be a 120-day period during which the developer partner candidates will prepare their submissions, including development proposals.
- During the 120-day period, there will be opportunities for developer partner candidates to meet with City staff and there will be opportunities for community input in the following format:
  - ARHA and City staff will coordinate and schedule meetings with the developer partner candidates and their development teams-for each redevelopment site. ARHA and City staff will ensure that all developer partner candidates for each site are invited to each meeting and that identical information is presented to each developer partner candidate in fulfillment of the federal procurement criteria. At each such meeting, City staff will provide a general overview of the current conditions applicable to the redevelopment site (small area plan, zoning, historic district, if applicable, and other parameters that will affect density, height, parking, etc.). Following each such meeting, City staff will write up notes from each meeting and distribute those notes to the developer partner candidates and ARHA in a timely manner that affords the developer partner candidates adequate time to consider such information as they prepare their development proposals for each redevelopment site.
  - ARHA and City staff will jointly conduct three community meetings, one each for the sites in (a) Old Town/Old Town North (b) Braddock/Braddock East and (c) Cameron Valley. The meetings will brief the community on the redevelopment process, provide a general overview of the current conditions applicable to the site (small area plan, zoning, historic district, if applicable, and other parameters that will affect density, height, parking, etc.), and probe the community regarding issues and opportunities for the sites. The notes from these meetings will be made publicly available by City staff in a timely manner following such meetings, including to developer partner candidates for their consideration as they prepare their development proposals for each site.

- After the 120-day period, which is the deadline for submission of proposals by developer partner candidates, City staff will have the opportunity to review and make summary comments on the proposals. The sole purpose of these comments is to provide information to the selection panel prior to their making a selection of the preferred developer partner candidate for each site, and, in no event, shall City staff make any recommendation to the selection panel or to any individual members of the selection panel as to which developer partner candidate should be selected by the selection panel. City staff involved in this collaborative process will sign confidentiality agreements will be required to ensure that all proprietary information is safeguarded-and will otherwise comply with all applicable federal procurement rules and regulations, including, without limitation, those related to conflicts of interest. The review shall be limited to an evaluation of the extent to which proposals meet current conditions applicable to the subject site (consistency with plans and zoning, parking, open space, height, etc.).
- Notwithstanding the collaboration principles set forth hereinabove, the selection committee shall remain solely responsible for the selection of the developer partner for each site in accordance with all applicable federal procurement rules and regulations and ARHA's procurement policies and guidelines.



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### City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 18, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER /s/

**DOCKET TITLE:** 

Consideration of the Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program.

**ISSUE**: What planning work priorities should be established for FY 2016?

**RECOMMENDATION**: Receive and provide comments on the revised draft planning priorities for FY 2016.

**BACKGROUND**: The Planning Commission on January 6, 2015 and the City Council on January 27, 2015 provided preliminary input on the Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (see Attachment 3). Based on this input, staff revised the work program as indicated on a revised draft Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program for the upcoming fiscal year (see Attachments 1

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(arranged chronologically) and 2 (arranged by program areas)).

The input from the Planning Commission and City Council will help inform development of the FY 2016 City Manager's Proposed Operating Budget, scheduled to be released in the first week of March 2015. A final Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program will be docketed for City Council approval in May 2015, after the adoption of the FY 2016 Budget.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Based on input from the Planning Commission and City Council in January, the following revisions have been made to the Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program and are reflected in revised Attachments 1 and 2:

- The Old Town North Small Area Plan has been accelerated to show preparatory staff work and technical analysis beginning in March 2015 and public engagement beginning in September 2015. The plan is anticipated to be completed in January 2017. Staff will have to accelerate work with landowners/developers to identify funds for staff and technical studies. The Old Town North Small Area Plan will include an exploration of pilot environmental initiatives, particularly related to energy.
- Green Building Policy: City staff will work with the Environmental Policy Commission over the next several months to explore an alternative work program for the Green Building Policy with the goal of accelerating work on key issues. The report back to the City Council in May will build on the analysis already completed by the EPC (outlined in the letter to Council dated Dec 18, 2014) and address four topic areas: benchmarking Alexandria's Green Building Policy compared to neighboring jurisdictions, identification of priority issues, the resources (staff, funds, and time) required to address those issues, and exploration of work models whereby the EPC shares in the work load. Staff and the EPC will reach out to stakeholders involved in developing the Green Building Policy for input in developing the work program. The Old Town North Small Area Plan will also be an opportunity for exploring enhanced green building initiatives.
- Updating of the Environmental Action Plan (EAP): Updating the existing EAP and having it adopted by City Council as a revised policy document involves the collaborative efforts of several City departments as well as public outreach program that could take a year or more to complete. This interdepartmental work program is currently under consideration by City Council. In the meantime, and as the first step in a planned incremental approach to updating the EAP, City staff and the Environmental Policy Commission (EPC) will work together through the end of FY2015 on the review of the existing EAP. Specifically, working with the Virginia Tech Alexandria Campus, staff and the EPC will: (a) review the City's existing sustainability efforts through meetings and discussions with key City staff; (b) carry out a sustainability gap analysis to inform future priorities; and (c) prepare an internal draft version of the key priorities, targets and action steps that can be used as the starting point for the work program under consideration. EPC and Staff intend to share this draft with Council before the end of FY2015 as well as a revised work plan recommendation for FY16. As part of this effort, Staff and the EPC plan to leverage other City planning efforts, such as the Bike & Pedestrian Master Plan, the CSO long-term control planning and the stormwater management efforts, to avoid duplication of effort. The North Old Town Small Area Plan under consideration for FY2016 might also represent an opportunity to pilot new Green Building policies, such as the Eco-District concept, which could assist in shaping the updated EAP.

• Two items have been added to the list of Ongoing Implementation Work/Special Projects: (1) support for regional transportation initiatives and (2) support for regional planning and policy initiatives.

### • Regional Transportation Planning

Many important regional transportation and transit planning initiatives are shown in the FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Plan, notably the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station, the West End Transitway, the Eisenhower West Transportation Study, and the update of the Transportation Master Plan, including the Pedestrian and Bicycle chapters of the Transportation Master Plan. There are also important transportation implications for all of the small area plan updates that Transportation and Planning staff will collaborate on. In addition, staff continues to allocate significant time to coordinating with regional agencies such as NVTA, NVTC, TPB, WMATA, and VRE to address issues related to state and federal funding for local and regional transportation projects, improving air quality and reliving congestion throughout the region, and providing an efficient and effective public transportation network which connects the City to the rest of the region. Staff also continues to address ongoing issues such as potential transit options across the Woodrow Wilson Bridge, which could be a joint project with Prince Georges County in the lead.

### Regional Planning and Policy Initiatives

City staff participates in a variety of regional planning and policy initiatives, primarily through the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG). For FY 2016, staff will be participating in several initiatives including the Round 9.0 Forecast based on a new, regional economic model, and the Multi-Sector Working Group tasked with identifying a set of viable greenhouse gas reduction strategies.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Bar Chart: Draft Revised FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (arranged chronologically)
- 2. Bar Chart: Draft Revised FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (arranged by program areas)
- 3. January 21, 2015 Memo to City Council from Mark B. Jinks, Acting City Manager, on Consideration of the Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning work Program
- 4. Transportation and Environmental Services Memo to City Council, dated October 22, 2014, on Citywide Parking Work Plan
- 5. Powerpoint Presentation

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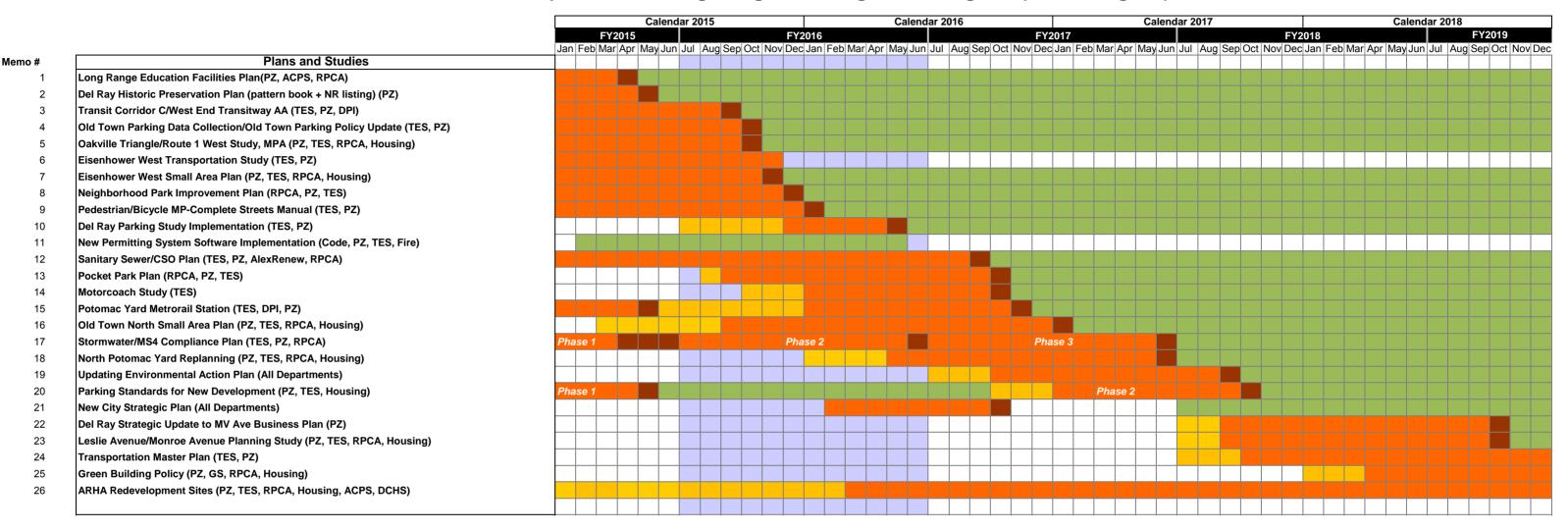
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### ATTACHMENT 1: UPDATED DRAFT FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (Chronological)

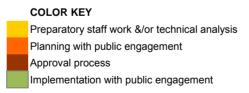


#### Ongoing Implementation Work/Special Projects

Regional Planning and Policy Initiatives (All Departments)

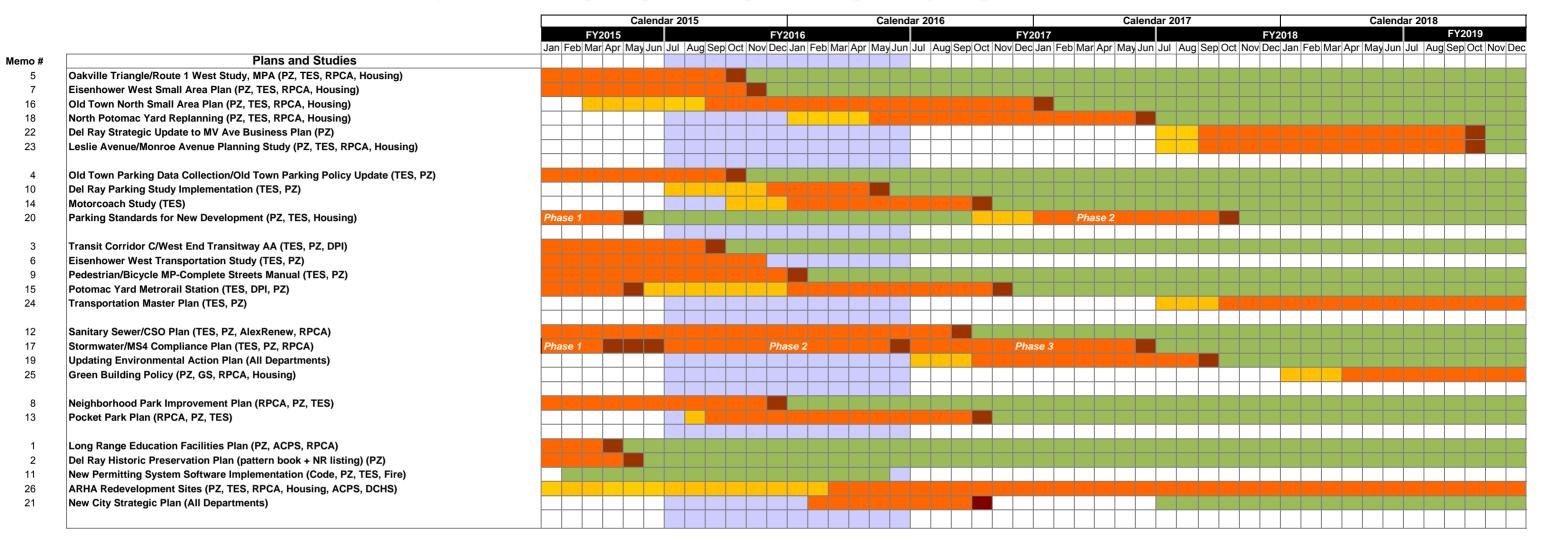
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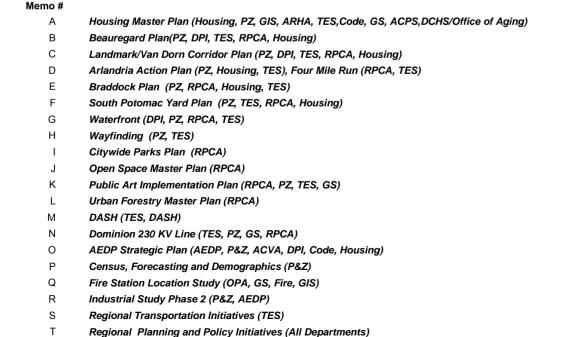


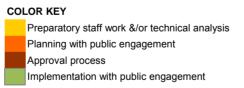
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### ATTACHMENT 2: DRAFT FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (By Program Areas)



#### Ongoing Implementation Work/Special Projects





### City of Alexandria, Virginia

### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: JANUARY 21, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT FY 2016

INTERDEPARTMENTAL LONG RANGE PLANNING WORK

PROGRAM

**ISSUE**: What planning work priorities should be established for FY 2016?

**RECOMMENDATION**: (1) Indicate concurrence with staff listed planning priorities for FY 2016, or (2) Indicate where changes to staff recommended planning priorities should be considered.

**BACKGROUND**: The Planning Commission and City Council are asked to provide preliminary input on a Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program. The input from the Planning Commission and City Council will help inform development of the FY 2016 City Manager's Proposed Operating Budget, scheduled to be released in the first week of March 2015. A final Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program will be docketed for City Council approval in May 2015, after the adoption of the FY 2016 Budget.

As in previous years, the City departments and agencies that are engaged in long range planning and plan implementation have jointly prepared a draft Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program for the upcoming fiscal year (see Attachments 1 (arranged chronologically) & 2 (arranged by program areas)). The draft long range planning work program includes new plans scheduled to begin in FY 2016, the completion of plans and studies now under way, and implementation of previously approved plans. In order to provide a more complete view of the interdepartmental planning work to be undertaken in FY 2016, this memo also includes a summary of major development cases (pages 16 to 18) anticipated in FY 2016.

The Planning Commission considered this item on January 6, 2015 and was in general agreement with the draft work program. The Planning Commission noted that the community and the Planning Commission could only engage in so much planning work at one time. As the draft work program is very full, they asked staff to consider if a project scheduled for FY 2016 could be delayed. Commissioners agreed that the Small

Area Plans for Old Town North and North Potomac Yard need to move forward promptly. They also discussed whether there are downsides to having private interests contribute funds toward long range planning initiatives.

### **DISCUSSION:**

### Preparing the FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program

In May 2015, the Long Range Planning Work Program will be docketed for City Council approval. The Council's action will be for the FY 2016 work program only; however, the accompanying bar charts/timelines (Attachments 1 and 2) cover the period from mid-FY 2015 to mid-FY 2019 to give a broader picture of the proposed schedule of major planning projects, and the potential projects that will be considered in future years. In addition, the chart shows work associated with plan implementation, which continues to occur after each plan is adopted.

The work program coordinates the planning work programs of the Department of Planning and Zoning; the Department of Project Implementation; the Office of Housing; the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services; the Office of Historic Alexandria; and the Department of General Services, as well as the ongoing redevelopment activities of the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA). Work program elements were evaluated by the above departments with the City Manager's Office, the Department of Code Administration, Alexandria City Public Schools, the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership and the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association.

The proposed work program reflects the City's Strategic Plan, the interdepartmental nature of the planning program, and the resources needed to complete each project at the recommended level of effort on each project. As is usually the case, there is greater demand for work to be undertaken and completed than there are staff and technical resources to devote to it. The work program endeavors to balance demand for interdepartmental planning and development review with staff, community and City Council decision making capacity to do so, while also taking advantage of market opportunity and enabling future real estate tax base growth and developer contributions toward public benefits.

With the completion of the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan in the next fiscal year, much of Alexandria's West End will have up-to-date small area plans. The proposed Work Program allocates resources to implementing these plans through the development review process and through implementation plans such as the Corridor C Transitway planning initiative.

### **Evaluating Potential Planning Projects for FY 2016**

The basic approach to developing the proposed work program involves some constants from year to year: projects that have been started should be completed, adopted small

area plans are generally followed by plan implementation, and there will be projects led by one department that will require contributions by other departments.

Alignment with the City's Strategic Plan

Important guidance in terms of prioritizing interdepartmental planning is provided by the City's Strategic Plan seven goals, which are supported by Long Term Outcomes. The Long Term Outcomes most relevant to the Long Range Planning Work Program include:

- Achieve results that the community values
- Ensure City government is accountable to the community
- Ensure the fiscal strength of the City Government
- Improve the quality of residents' leisure time
- Promote neighborhoods that are amenity-rich
- Promote neighborhoods that are inclusive and diverse
- Promote an attractive urban environment that reflects our history and provides well-functioning infrastructure
- Improve the City's air quality
- Improve the health of City waterways
- Sustain the natural quality of land within the City
- Increase the value of the City's real estate tax base
- Increase the economic benefits of tourism to the City
- Ensure Alexandria supports, retains, and attracts businesses
- Increase transportation system mobility, connectivity, and accessibility that supports the City's economy

Establishment of priorities is an important element of the budget process and the process for selecting the components of the Long Range Planning Work Program. In consultation with the community through a variety of civic engagement platforms, for FY 2016 the budget process has prioritized long term outcomes that support:

- Diversification and Expansion of the City's Tax Base
- Sustained Citizen Health and Social Equity
- Educational Achievement
- Public Safety Response
- Recruitment and Retention of Employees

Alexandria's Strategic Plan for 2004-2015 was adopted by City Council in 2004, amended in 2006, and replaced with an updated Strategic Plan that was approved in June 2010. It focuses on seven strategic planning goals:

- Goal 1: Alexandria has quality development and redevelopment, support for local businesses and a strong, diverse and growing local economy.
- Goal 2: Alexandria respects, protects and enhances the health of its citizens and the quality of its natural environment.
- Goal 3: A multimodal transportation network that supports sustainable land use and provides internal mobility and regional connectivity for Alexandrians.

- Goal 4: Alexandria is a community that supports and enhances the well-being, success and achievement of children, youth and families.
- Goal 5: Alexandria is financially sustainable, efficient, community oriented and values its employees.
- Goal 6: The City protects the safety and security of its residents, businesses, employees and visitors.
- Goal 7: Alexandria is a caring and inclusive community that values its rich diversity, history and culture, and promotes affordability.

The City's performance management system keys off of the City's Strategic Plan, which is one of many reasons why keeping the City's Strategic Plan up-to-date is important. The Strategic Plan is also an opportunity for Council members to articulate their priorities for action. With Council elections in 2015 and a new Council in early 2016, the upcoming fiscal year is an opportune time to update the Strategic Plan. As to the process, staff will provide the Council with a range of Strategic Plan process options and resources necessary for Council to consider prior to adoption of the final Long Range Planning Work Program in May. That adoption would be the sign off on a Strategic Planning process so that staff can be ready for an early 2016 kick off.

### Capacity for Long Range Planning

Long range planning capacity (and the ability to engage in multiple large planning efforts at a time) is constrained by a variety of factors, chief among them staff capacity across multiple departments and budget resources for technical analysis. However, bandwidth for planning projects is also limited by decision-making capacity (senior City staff, Commissions, and City Council), as well as the community's capacity to engage in multiple planning processes.

For FY 2016 and beyond, staff evaluates the priority of potential projects based on community interests and objectives, timing opportunities and constraints, potential dollar value to the City, whether the project can wait or if it cannot, and the extent to which the project supports the City's strategic goals and objectives. Ultimately, developing the FY 2016 work plan requires some of the following tradeoffs for addressing the imbalance between demand for planning and capacity to do so, including:

- Prioritizing certain types of projects over others;
- Delaying some projects until others can be completed;
- Reducing the scope of work of a project;
- Achieving significant developer contributions for both staff and outside technical assistance for their projects; and/or
- Authorizing additional staff resources.

Two current planning initiatives – the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan and the Oakville Triangle planning initiative – are supported with significant developer funding for staff and technical studies. Given the realities of constrained City funded resources, the availability of outside funding will likely be a major factor in deciding if there are sufficient resources to take on major planning efforts in FY 2016.

#### **Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Work Program Items**

The draft work program for FY 2016 represents a continuation and completion of projects begun in FY 2015 plus the addition of new projects. Attachments 1 and 2, the interdepartmental work program bar charts, show eight major work program items finishing in FY 2016, eight major work program items either continuing into FY 2016 or starting in FY 2016, and eighteen ongoing implementation efforts of previously approved plans and special projects. The projects are described below. Attachment 3 is the Transportation and Environmental Services memo of October 22, 2014 to City Council on parking and describes all of the parking studies.

The new projects that staff is recommending to begin in FY 2016 include two Small Area Plans – a new Old Town North plan and the replanning of North Potomac Yard. While it will be challenging for many departments to participate in both of these efforts in a similar timeframe, both are seen as critical to leveraging both market demand in and the significant public investment in these areas, especially the proposed Potomac Yard Metrorail station.

Typically the Long Range Planning Work Program does not highlight anticipated development cases, but the planned redevelopment of seven ARHA public housing sites is sufficient in magnitude to warrant inclusion. ARHA's current schedule anticipates selection of development partners by the end of the current fiscal year.

All three of these projects will require substantial resources for staff and technical studies.

#### Long Range Planning Project Descriptions

Attachment 1 is the "bar chart" showing the draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program in chronological order. The following project descriptions are in the same order as those shown on Attachment 1.

#### 1. Long Range Educational Facilities Plan

This is a joint City/Schools planning project with a work group appointed by the City Manager and Superintendent. With both City and ACPS staff support, the work group looked at school enrollment trends and forecasts, conditions of existing school facilities, education specifications, and options for meeting future school capacity needs. This project is on track for a spring 2015 approval.

#### 2. Del Ray Historic Preservation Plan

The first element of this two-part study is the creation of a residential pattern book to offer non-binding technical assistance for owners, architects and builders who are making alterations and additions to historic Del Ray buildings. The second part of the study is a survey of the Art Deco and Streamline Moderne buildings in the neighborhood. The Del Ray neighborhood is partially located within the boundaries of the Town of Potomac, a

National Register Historic District. This effort is funded with \$75,000 in carryover FY 2013 funds for outside technical assistance. This project is anticipated to be completed in May 2015.

#### 3. Transit Corridor C/West End Transitway AA

The West End Transitway will be a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system to provide high-capacity transit service using a combination of dedicated and shared lanes and high quality stations with rider amenities. It will connect major transit facilities – Van Dorn Metro Station, Mark Center Transit Center, Shirlington Transit Center, and the Pentagon Transit Center – with the Landmark/Van Dorn and Beauregard neighborhoods along the corridor. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as lead agency and the City of Alexandria as project sponsor are preparing an Alternatives Analysis and Environmental Assessment (AA/EA). The AA/EA effort will provide a detailed analysis of three Alternatives – No Build, Transportation Systems Management, and Build – and an environmental analysis of each proposed Alternative as required for the project to be eligible to receive federal funding. In March 2014, City Council established the Van Dorn/Beauregard Transitway Policy Advisory Group to provide input on key deliverables and make project recommendations related to the AA/EA. Public meetings began in the spring of 2014 and will be completed in the summer of 2015. It is anticipated that the City will select a Locally Preferred Alternative in September 2015.

<u>4. Old Town Parking Data Collection/Old Town Parking Policy Updates</u> (this project is described in Attachment 3)

#### 5. Oakville Triangle/Route 1 West

In 2013 the owner of Oakville Triangle, property owned by The Blackstone Group, approached staff about redeveloping their 13-acre property. The owner agreed to fund the cost of staffing and the technical studies needed for the planning effort, which includes engaging the community to establish a vision, goals, and parameters for redevelopment as well as reviewing the associated development applications. City Council established an advisory group in March 2014 to facilitate the community process and provide a recommendation to staff. The project represents an opportunity to reap benefits from public investments in the Route 1 Transitway and the planned Potomac Yard Metrorail station. However, because it is located on the western edge of residential areas of Del Ray and Lynhaven, the planning effort has entailed significant engagement on the part of the community to help determine the appropriate height, density, use, open space, and framework for multi-modal connectivity, including the important Mount Jefferson Trail.

The scope of the planning effort includes Oakville Triangle and adjacent properties as well as the western side of Route 1 north and south of the site. The community has been assisting in developing Plan principles for the site regarding potential land uses, open space, sustainability, transportation and connectivity, and potential community benefits, among other topics. The Route 1 study has reviewed features such as streetscaping, undergrounding of utilities, and potential redevelopment sites along the western portion

of Route 1 to help establish a unified streetscape for Route 1 and an integrated approach to potential redevelopment along Route 1.

Completion of the draft plan is anticipated for public review in the summer of 2015, with public hearing and adoption in the fall of 2015.

#### 6 and 7. Eisenhower West Small Area Plan and Transportation Study

The FY 2015 Interdepartmental Work Program identified the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan (SAP) as the major planning effort for FY 2015. The planning process began in early 2014 with City Council establishment of the Eisenhower West Steering Committee. Steering Committee meetings, community meetings and online engagement has and will take place throughout 2014 and 2015. At Council's direction, staff developed a work program to complete the plan as expeditiously as possible. Completion of a draft plan for public review is scheduled for the summer of 2015, with public hearing and adoption scheduled for November of 2015.

The associated Eisenhower West Transportation Study is anticipated to be complete in the fall of 2015. As the transportation element/analysis of the SAP, the study is intended to help resolve broad transportation issues that impact the Eisenhower Valley, the Duke Street Corridor, and the Landmark/Van Dorn areas. It includes analysis of various land use scenarios for the SAP, and additional analysis of the multi-modal bridge concept recommended in the Landmark/Van Dorn Corridor Plan to identify a more specific alignment.

Funding for the general planning technical studies and a portion of the transportation study was provided by a local landowner group in the amount of \$440,000.

#### 8. Neighborhood Park Improvement Plan

In 2012, the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities began planning for parks by typology, beginning with Citywide Parks. This second phase of the effort is focused on planning for the City's Neighborhood Parks, which often have multiple uses and are typically one-half to 10 acres with a service area of up to one-half mile. Internal preparatory work began in spring 2014 and community engagement began in fall 2014, with a draft plan anticipated in December 2015.

#### 9. Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Update and Complete Streets Design Guidelines

This effort kicked off in June of 2014 and is anticipated to be completed in January 2016. Updates to the plan include, but are not limited to: on-street bicycle network and associated facilities, Capital Bikeshare, bicycle parking, wayfinding, and Complete Streets. The plan approved in 2008 has a strong focus on recreational cycling; the update will be an opportunity to focus on Capital Bikeshare and bicycle commuting. The FY 2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) included \$500,000 to conduct this study and complete streets design guideline development.

#### 10. Del Ray Parking Study Implementation (This project is described in Attachment 3)

#### 11. New Permitting System Software Implementation

The City's land development process is supported by multiple City departments and agencies, workflow processes and computerized systems. These processes and systems support the administration of development review, zoning permits, right of way permits, building and trade permits, and enforcement. The City's primary computerized permitting system (Permit Plan) is approximately 20 years old, and while it has served the City well the system has reached the end of its useful life. The City plans to replace this legacy software with more modern, up-to-date technology that will help address the City's current challenges to provide online permit processing, online payments, and online plan review. Electronic Plans Submission is also part of this project. The new permitting system will be an enterprise system that will be used primarily by the Departments of Code Administration, Planning and Zoning, and Transportation and Environmental Services. In addition, other departments within the City will have access to the system as needed including Fire, Police, Health, Housing, Recreation, Real Estate, and DASH. A technical consulting firm was hired to assist City staff in articulating system requirements to be included in an RFP for new permitting system software and services. An RFP was issued in January 2015. The implementation could take anywhere from 12 to 15 months to finalize depending on the modules implemented and the services provided.

#### 12. Sanitary Sewer/Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Plan

The City received a 5-year renewal of its permit to operate a Combined Sewer System (CSS) from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) in September 2013. Under this permit, and as part of the City's Eco-City Alexandria initiative, the City will be updating its Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) in order to meet new regulatory requirements and mandated CSO reductions for Hunting Creek. The update to the LTCP will identify the strategy, projects, and schedule needed to improve water quality in Hunting Creek. In addition, a public participation program is being developed so that interested citizens and stakeholders can learn about the impacts of CSOs and provide ongoing input with respect to future CSO planning. The LTCP update is targeted to be submitted to VDEQ by August 2016. Future infrastructure improvements must be implemented no later than December 31, 2035. The estimated cost of CSO remediation is \$150 million to \$300 million over a 20 year period.

#### 13. Pocket Park Plan

In 2012, the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities began planning for parks by typology, beginning with Citywide Parks. This third phase of the effort will focus on planning for the City's Pocket Parks, which are parks that are typically less than a half of an acre. Internal preparatory work will begin in August 2015 and community engagement will begin in fall 2015, with a draft plan anticipated for October 2016.

#### 14. Motorcoach Study (This project is described in Attachment 3)

#### 15. Potomac Yard Metrorail Station

The Potomac Yard Metrorail Station will be a new infill Metrorail station on the Yellow and Blue lines between the National Airport and Braddock Road stations. The station is a key element of the redevelopment of Potomac Yard into a high-density, mixed-use, transit-oriented destination. Since 2011, the project team has been analyzing multiple alternatives through an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process as established as part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The Draft EIS is expected to be released in the first quarter of 2015, with a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) decision by City Council in the second quarter of 2015.

Following selection of the LPA, work will begin on the Final EIS, with completion expected in the fourth quarter of 2015. Final approval (the "Record of Decision") from the Federal Transit Administration and the National Park Service is expected in early 2016. Additional permits and approvals will be required during the early phases of the design-build process, which is expected to begin in the first quarter of 2016, with construction beginning in late 2016. The City was recently awarded a \$50 million loan from the Virginia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (VTIB) to be used for construction of the Metrorail station.

A re-planning effort is proposed to begin for the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan (see North Potomac Yard Replanning below). The level of revision required will depend on the Metrorail station site alternative selected.

#### 16. Old Town North Small Area Plan

The Old Town North Plan is proposed to begin with staff technical work in July 2015, and with civic engagement to begin in December 2015 following completion of the Eisenhower West Plan. Plan adoption would be anticipated for March 2017. The current Old Town North Small Area Plan was approved in 1992 as part of a comprehensive replanning of the City and identifies a number of candidate sites that have not yet redeveloped. However, in the past few years, redevelopment pressure has increased considerably, with construction completed or nearly complete on multiple projects, and other redevelopment projects in the approval process or planning stages. It is possible that a number of these sites (WMATA Bus Barn, ARHA sites, Giant/ABC site) will proceed with DSUP planning ahead of this Old Town North Small Area Plan.

The largest of the potential redevelopment sites is the Potomac River Generating Station (PRGS), which ceased operations in October 2012. The PRGS site represents a significant potential benefit for the City, both in terms of the undesirable use that has terminated as well as the prospect of creating new public amenities and economic opportunities. Among the amenities long identified as desirable: an increase in waterfront open space that significantly improves the connection between Daingerfield Island and Old Town North's waterfront. From a development point of view, the site has many positive attributes, including a waterfront location, monumental vistas, and access to the GW Memorial Parkway and to National Airport. NRG, which now controls the former

GenOn/Mirant site, has indicated that it is looking forward to the upcoming Old Town North planning process and will actively participate in this planning process.

The availability of outside developer provided funding for this planning effort will likely be a major factor in making the decision to take on this planning effort in FY 2016. Preliminary indications are that NRG will pay these costs.

There is considerable interest by the Old Town North community in beginning the update to the Old Town North Small Area Plan. The North Old Town Independent Citizens Civic Association (NOTICe) land use subcommittee has developed principles in advance of the small area plan process.

#### 17. Stormwater/MS4 Compliance Plan Phase II and III

Phase I of the Stormwater Plan (required under the permit issued by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality) will be completed by June 2015. Per the City Council's recent guidance, a Stormwater Utility Study (Phase II) will be done in FY 2016. This study will update the needs analysis from Phase I, define the services covered by the utility and study their level and costs, both current and in the future. In addition, billing unit calculations will be developed, and credit policies will be developed/proposed. There will be extensive public engagement as this phase is being undertaken. A future City Council decision on whether to proceed with a storm water utility fee system would follow.

If directed by Council, Phase III (Utility Implementation) would commence in FY 2017. In this phase, billing method and frequency would be determined, a customer database would be prepared and billing systems would be implemented/updated. A Stormwater Utility Ordinance would also be developed and adopted.

#### 18. North Potomac Yard Replanning

This replanning effort would begin after selection of the preferred Metrorail Station site. The level of effort required will depend on the site selected. Selection of Option A (located generally within the existing Metrorail Reservation site at the north end of Potomac Greens) will require significant replanning, whereas selection of Option B (located north of Potomac Greens between the George Washington Memorial Parkway and the CSXT railroad tracks), as generally anticipated in the 2010 North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan, will require somewhat less replanning. It is anticipated that work on the plan will begin in January 2016, later than the Old Town North Plan. The developer is in agreement with this start date. Civic engagement will begin in May 2016 and the plan is anticipated to be completed in June 2017. The availability of outside developer funding will be the factor in deciding if there are sufficient resources to take on this planning effort in FY 2016. Preliminary indications are that the North Potomac Yard developer will pay these costs.

#### 19. Updating the Environmental Action Plan

Per the City Council's Eco-City Alexandria initiative, the Environmental Action Plan 2030 (EAP) was adopted by City Council in 2009 following significant efforts from several City departments and an extensive public outreach campaign. The EAP calls for the Environmental Policy Commission (EPC) to update the EAP at least every five years and the Eco-City Charter every ten years. These updates are aimed at maintaining the EAP's relevance as well as enhancing its effectiveness in leading the City further toward environmental sustainability and achieving the City's long term goal of becoming a true Eco-City. The Alexandria campus of Virginia Tech (VT) provided consultation services for the original EAP and will be asked to participate again in this update. VT has estimated its fees for this project to be \$75,000. Limited staff resources and funding constraints in FY 2016 have resulted in this project being scheduled for no earlier than FY 2017.

20. Parking Standards for New Development (This project is described in Attachment 3)

#### 21. New City Strategic Plan

(This project is described on pages 3-4 of this memorandum.)

#### 22. Del Ray Strategic Update to the Mount Vernon Avenue Business Plan

The Del Ray Business Association and Del Ray Civic Association have expressed an interest in the City conducting a strategic update to the 2005 Mount Vernon Avenue Business Plan. The purpose of a "strategic update" would be to identify performance goals for the business district and then a set of specific initiatives required to achieve those goals while maintaining the unique character of the neighborhood. Because of funding and capacity constraints, staff is recommending that this update not be scheduled until at least FY 2018, following completion of the Old Town North SAP and the North Potomac Yard Replanning.

#### 23. Leslie Avenue/Monroe Avenue Planning Study

This area, which includes the Leslie Avenue Art Deco warehouses and the Giant and CVS site, lies between Oakville Triangle, Braddock Road Metro Station, and Mount Vernon Avenue. Because of the proximity of the adjoining Braddock Road Metrorail station and the redevelopment of the Potomac Yard, these sites may experience significant redevelopment pressures in the future. A planning effort similar to that conducted for Oakville Triangle would evaluate the potential for change and provide guidance for redevelopment and public facilities in harmony with the surrounding existing and planned land uses. Because of higher-priority projects and resource constraints, staff is recommending that this project not begin until at least FY 2018.

The availability of outside developer funding will likely be a major factor in deciding if there are sufficient resources to take on this planning effort.

#### 24. Transportation Master Plan

The Transportation Master Plan was approved by City Council in 2008. Staff is currently updating the bicycle and pedestrian sections of the plan and this project would update the remaining chapters (transit, auto, and parking). The Transportation Commission has recommended that the City conduct an update to this plan every 5 to 8 years to stay current with the changes occurring in the City including new development, implementation of high capacity transit corridors, and Capital Bikeshare, and to ensure that the City's policies and recommendations are current with best practices and industry standards. It is contemplated, subject to available funding, that this work would begin in FY 2018.

#### 25. Green Building Policy

The Green Building Policy adopted by Council in April 2009 requires LEED Certified or equivalent for residential developments and LEED Silver or equivalent for non-residential developments. Since the adoption of the Policy, 68 projects subject to the requirements of the Policy have been reviewed. Of these, 51 projects, or 75%, committed to complying with the Policy and obtaining a third party green building certification. However, in terms of square footage, this equates to approximately 92% of the floor area that has been approved through the development review process complying with the Policy. The Green Building Policy does not apply to the 35-50 new single family detached housing units approved each year, a small fraction of the 4 to 7 million square feet approved annually by the City.

The Environmental Policy Commission is advocating for an update to the Policy, specifically to determine if the policy should address single family detached houses, should prioritize energy efficiency, and if incentives are needed. Staff suggests potentially dedicating resources beginning in FY 2018 to reexamine the policy and determine what is working well and whether the policy is achieving the plan's goals. Potential outcomes of the assessment are staff recommendations that may range from minor administrative changes to major recommendations that require Council approval.

#### 26. ARHA Redevelopment

In January of 2014, ARHA released an RFQ for redevelopment partners for seven of its publicly assisted housing sites throughout the City. ARHA has begun to winnow down the redevelopment partner submissions, and has indicated that this process should result in the selection of redevelopment partner(s) in 2015. In addition to these sites, ARHA is also seeking land use approvals to redevelop the Ramsey Homes project, located at Route 1 and Pendleton Street, in 2015. Each ARHA site will have its own set of issues that will be very important to the surrounding neighborhood, as well as the issues that are common for every publicly assisted housing redevelopment project. Redevelopment initiatives will involve coordination and participation of City staff from multiple departments, including Housing, Planning and Zoning, T&ES and others. It is anticipated that these redevelopment initiatives will be staggered over the course of multiple years. The ARHA

efforts are expected to be primarily funded with competitive Federal low income housing tax credits and land economics. The timing of the tax credit funding in the past has required an expedited development process. As a result, these initiatives will require significant staff resources over multiple fiscal years, and staff will be exploring opportunities for outside (ARHA or developer partner) funding of City staff resources in order to assist with the expediting of these reviews.

#### Plan Implementation Work/Special Projects

Plan implementation has become a large and growing element of the planning work program. As more plans are adopted, as will be the case in FY 2016 with Eisenhower West, Oakville Triangle, the Neighborhood Park Improvement Plan and others, more staff resources will be need to be devoted to this body of work.

#### A. Housing Master Plan Implementation

The following are tools and strategies identified in the Housing Master Plan which are scheduled to be studied and/or implemented in FY 2016, in collaboration with P&Z and other departments:

- Updating of GIS maps to include layers for citywide residential development, including affordable rental and ownership units, set aside rental and ownership units, and ARHA-owned affordable units (P&Z, Housing, ITS/GIS, ARHA);
- Potential Development Fee Relief for Affordable Housing (to be undertaken as part of the planned FY2016 comprehensive fee review among P&Z, Housing, T&ES and Code);
- Additional Bonus Density for Affordable Housing: staff is conducting a study to assess opportunities to amplify affordable housing production by increasing the bonus density standard from 20 to 30%; there is potential that additional study will be required in FY2016 (Housing, P&Z);
- Maximizing Public Land for Affordable Housing: this study will develop broad policy framework options and study their potential yield in conjunction with a community engagement process to inform potential recommendations to City Council (P&Z, Housing, General Services, REA, GIS, ACPS, ARHA, others);
- Mixed Income Assisted Living Development to study successful financial and
  operational models and general best practices from other jurisdictions that might
  be replicated in Alexandria, including potential development sites (P&Z, Housing,
  DCHS/Office on Aging, ARHA). Representatives from the Commission on
  Aging have requested that a new Affordable Assisted Living Task Force,
  comprised of experts and stakeholders, be established to guide these efforts.

B. Beauregard Plan: In FY 2016, plan implementation will continue with an emphasis on the review of development applications by staff and the Beauregard Design Advisory Committee (BDAC). Coordination will also continue with long-term planning for Corridor C, the Seminary-Beauregard Ellipse and the potential Eisenhower West Multi-Modal Bridge.

C. Landmark/Van Dorn Corridor Plan: In FY 2016, plan implementation will continue with an emphasis on the review of development applications. Coordination will also continue with long-term planning for Corridor C and the potential Eisenhower West Multi-Modal Bridge.

D. Arlandria Action Plan: In FY 2016, plan implementation will continue with executive committee and advisory group meetings as needed, continued emphasis on prioritizing and executing CIP projects, additional staff/advisory group research and analysis of key group interest areas, programs supporting vibrant retail and encouraging desired redevelopment. An interdepartmental work team coordinates key areas of responsibility for plan implementation and includes P&Z, T&ES, Housing, AEDP and RP&CA.

E. Braddock Plan: Implementation work will continue to focus on working with the community to implement streetscape improvements on Fayette Street and design the ultimate vision for a one-acre park on the U.S. Post Office block. Staff will continue to pursue U.S. Post Office concurrence.

F. South Potomac Yard: Following the selection of the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) (if a Build Alternative is selected), staff will look at potential refinements and/or amendments to the South Potomac Yard Plan. This review and/or amendments would also be coordinated with the ongoing planning for the west side of Route 1.

#### G. Waterfront Plan

Waterfront Plan implementation activity will proceed with Phase II Design work.

The Waterfront Plan was approved in January 2012 and was followed by the hiring of The OLIN Studio and URS Corporation in 2013 for development of a world-class Phase I Landscape and Flood Mitigation Preliminary Design (Phase I Design). The Phase I Design was approved by the City Council on June 14, 2014. The Phase I Design incorporates the important elements of the Plan's original vision and goals for a fully accessible, connected Waterfront with enhanced and expanded public space programmed for varying levels of activity. Based on the approved Phase I Design, in summer and fall 2014, staff developed a cost estimate of \$120 million for full implementation of the design and solicited input from the community on phasing and funding options for implementation of the design to help inform development of the draft Fiscal Year 2016 to 2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to be proposed to City Council in March 2015. After a funding plan has been approved, Phase II of the Design process will proceed to further implementation of the Waterfront Plan in FY 2016.

With approval of the Phase I Design in June 2014, City Council requested a number of feasibility studies related to Waterfront Plan implementation covering: Governance, including operations, maintenance and revenue generation; Marina Operations; and Civic Building programming and operations. The Governance feasibility study began in FY 2015 and will provide options for governance models that can be examined and

further explored. Staff will also in FY 2016 pursue engagement of the community regarding Waterfront governance. The Marina Operations feasibility study will begin in fall 2015 to identify recreational boating and slip options for maintaining recreational boating opportunities as part of Waterfront Plan implementation. Study of the Civic Building operations will be pursued as part of future components of the Governance feasibility study work.

In November 2014, the City Manager appointed an Ad Hoc Monitoring Group on Waterfront Construction after requesting nominations from the Waterfront Commission, Old Town Civic Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Waterford Homeowners Association; and the Friends of the Alexandria Waterfront. A sixth nomination is anticipated from a development organization. The Monitoring Group's work will continue into FY 2016 and its purpose is to serve as a liaison to the community and, in coordination with the City, proactively address impacts such as noise, hauling, dust and other potential impacts once development along the Waterfront begins.

*H. Wayfinding:* Implementation of Phase 2 and 3 will take place in FY 2016, with completion of pedestrian signs in Old Town and vehicular signage on major corridors throughout the City.

I. Citywide Parks Plan: Implementation of this plan will continue.

*J. Open Space Master Plan:* Staff reviewed progress made toward the goals set forth in the 2003 Open Space Master Plan, including the goal of gaining 100 acres of additional public open space by 2013 (7.3 acres/1000 residents). In conjunction with providing a status update, staff will propose additional recommendations to support continued implementation of the Open Space Master Plan.

*K. Public Art Implementation Plan:* This plan was approved in December 2014 and has moved into the Implementation Phase.

L. Urban Forestry Master Plan: Implementation of this plan will continue.

M. DASH: Ongoing coordination and implementation of the DASH Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) will continue.

N. Dominion 230KV Line: Dominion Virginia Power is proposing to construct a new 230-kilovolt underground transmission line between Alexandria and Arlington in the vicinity of Jefferson Davis Highway and Potomac Yard. The project would add and upgrade equipment at the existing switching station on E. Abingdon Drive in Alexandria, and connect it to the Glebe Substation on S. Glebe Road in Arlington. The City Council established an Ad Hoc Underground Transmission Line and Substation Working Group in 2014 to examine quality of life, economic, electric reliability, environmental and transportation impacts associated with the proposed project, and to make recommendations to staff, the City Manager and Council on matters pertaining to the project. Work is expected to continue in FY 2016.

O. AEDP Strategic Plan: The AEDP Strategic Plan outlines tactics focused on promoting the City of Alexandria as a premier location for businesses by capitalizing on its assets including multiple Metrorail stations, historical character and riverfront location, in order to enhance the City's tax revenue and increase employment opportunities. The plan was crafted to align with the City's Goal 1: "Alexandria has quality development and redevelopment, support for local businesses and a strong, diverse and growing local economy."

P. Census and Demographics: This program includes analysis of Census 2010 and annual American Community Survey data releases. It also includes preparation of the City's official long range forecasts of population, jobs and households, which are updated regularly to reflect approved plans and development projects as well as regional economic trends.

Q. Fire Station Location Study: The Office of Performance and Accountability (OPA) is leading the Fire Station Location Study. The study will address where the City should locate emergency response facilities and resources to achieve the City's Fire and Emergency Medical Service (EMS) performance goals. This project will consider current and future demand for emergency services, current and future approaches to and features of the emergency response, and current and future Fire and EMS performance goals, among other factors. The project commenced in July 2014 and is anticipated to end in December 2015, with a final report and presentation to the City Manager in January 2016.

R. Industrial Use Study: Recent work on Eisenhower West and Oakville Triangle has highlighted questions about the City's policy on industrial land use. Staff is currently completing a Phase 1 Industrial Study which examined existing industrial uses and areas, explored issues regarding market and construction trends in industrial land in the City, and highlighted issues to be explored further. This study is expected to be completed in the January 2015. If it is determined that there are additional, more in-depth issues that need to be investigated, a "Phase 2" study would require resources for outside technical assistance.

#### Interdepartmental Development Review

On the development side, the number of known major redevelopment projects that will require significant staff resources from multiple departments in FY2016 is anticipated to be very high. A number of projects will require a level of effort that is well beyond the average development case, including considerable additional public engagement. These include:

Robinson Terminals North and South: The two terminal properties will continue to require significant staff resources in FY 2016 because Waterfront redevelopment is extremely important. The experience with the Carr Hotel strongly suggests that the redevelopment proposals for the two Robinson Terminal sites, both much larger and

more complex that the Carr Hotel, will consume considerable staff resources in FY 2016. Supporting the Ad Hoc Monitoring Group on Waterfront Construction and coordinating final site plan, permits and site inspections will be a priority in FY 2016.

WMATA Royal Street Bus Garage/Other Old Town North Projects: A developer for WMATA's Royal Street Bus Garage will be solicited and selected by WMATA and will begin the development process in late FY 2015 or FY 2016. Engagement with neighborhood groups in this location and managing the ongoing development process will require significant staff involvement in the redevelopment of this city block in FY 2016. The Giant/ABC site and other Old Town North properties may also submit development applications in FY 2015 to be considered concurrent with the update to the Old Town North Small Area Plan. Ongoing development approval activities and substantial community outreach will continue in FY 2016.

WMATA Braddock Metro Station RFP: A developer for WMATA's Braddock Metrorail Station site will likely be selected by WMATA and will begin the development process in FY 2016 or FY 2017. The ongoing development application resulting from the RFP and community engagement activities will be a major planning effort in FY 2016 or FY 2017 for this part of the City.

Beauregard Town Center Development: This project, a major focus of the Beauregard Small Area Plan, will be under review and likely complete hearings in FY 2015. Processing the final site plans and managing construction in FY 2016 will require significant staff resources to review final site plans, permits and site inspections.

AHC/Church of the Resurrection: This combined market rate and affordable housing project in the Beauregard corridor has required significant coordination with City staff regarding the housing program and development review. It is anticipated to continue into FY 2016.

Eisenhower Avenue Projects: A number of potential new projects on Blocks 1, 2, 11, 12 and 28 may be in the development process in FY 2016, including up to two hotels to primarily serve the National Science Foundation and several residential, high-rise buildings. These projects have major access and infrastructure elements that will require significant staff review and coordination.

Landmark Mall: Although progress for redevelopment of the Mall has been slower than expected, there are indications that the project may actively move forward and have ongoing construction starting in FY 2016. Development review to promote the success of this effort continues to be a priority.

*Oakville Triangle:* It is anticipated that this project will receive consideration for preliminary approval in FY 2016. In addition, processing the final site plans, permits and site inspections will require significant staff resources in FY 2016.

Alfred Street Baptist Church: A major church expansion, including existing affordable housing within the redevelopment site, will likely be in the development review process in FY 2015. Processing the final site plans and managing construction in FY 2016 will require significant staff resources to review final site plans, permits and site inspections.

*Potomac Yard:* Replanning of North Potomac Yard will begin after selection of a preferred Metrorail Station site. It is also expected that a number of major projects in Landbays G and H will be submitted resulting from the location decision of the Metro station. The IDA and National Industries for the Blind projects will also be ongoing in their development approvals in FY 2016.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The proposed work program has implications for the FY 2016 General Fund Operating Budget and FY 2016 to FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program. This proposed work program can only be accomplished with adequate resources provided by the City funding for FY 2016, approximately equal to FY 2015 funding and staffing levels, as well as by private contributions where noted.

Additional outside funding is being sought from landowners associated with two FY 2016 planning processes, the Old Town North Small Area Plan and the North Potomac Yard Replanning. In addition, discussions have been held with ARHA about funding staff resources in order to assist with the expediting of the ARHA reviews. If these three projects are to proceed, developer contributions to assist in funding them is imperative. Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) for each of these proposed agreements will need to clearly establish a firewall so that the funding provided has no bearing on the outcomes of the planning processes.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Bar Chart: Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (arranged chronologically)
- 2. Bar Chart: Draft FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (arranged by program areas)
- 3. Transportation and Environmental Services Memo to City Council, dated October 22, 2014, on Citywide Parking Work Plan

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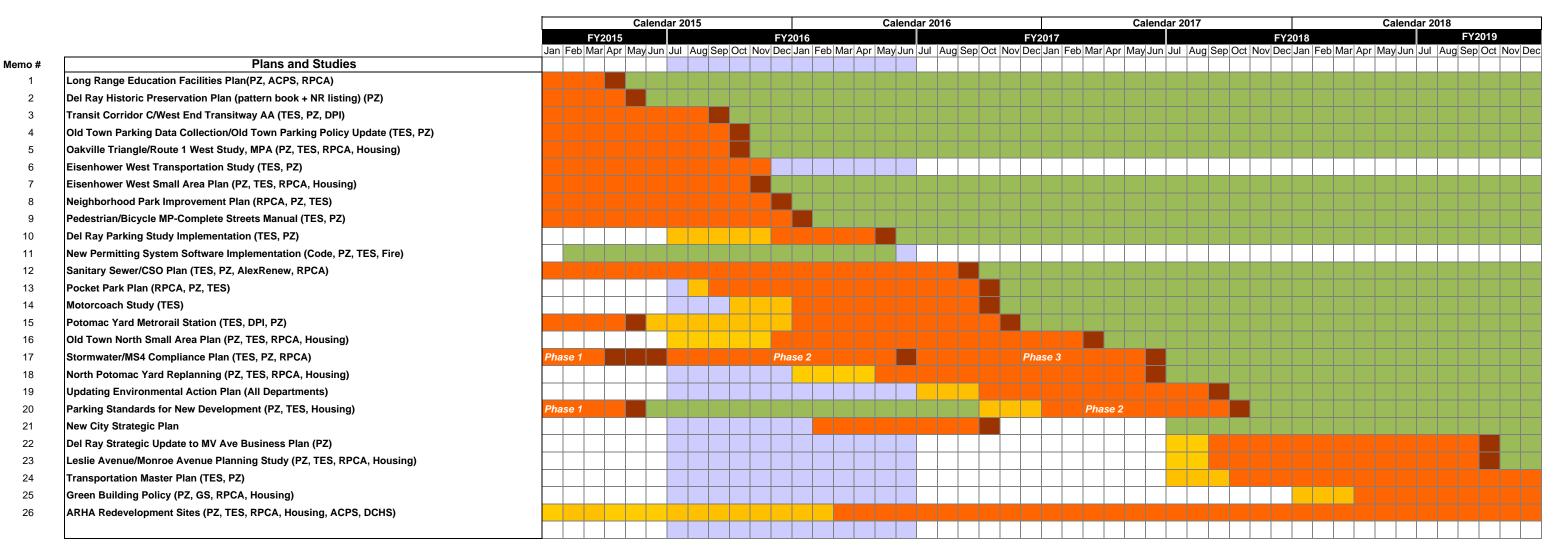
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### ATTACHMENT 1: DRAFT FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (Chronological)



Preparatory staff work &/or technical analysis

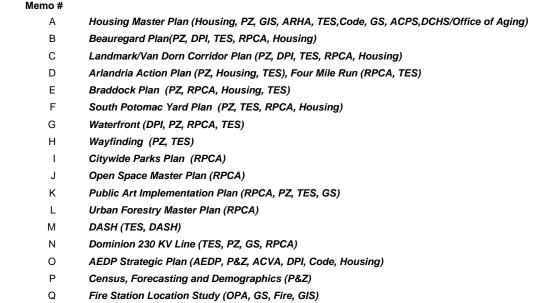
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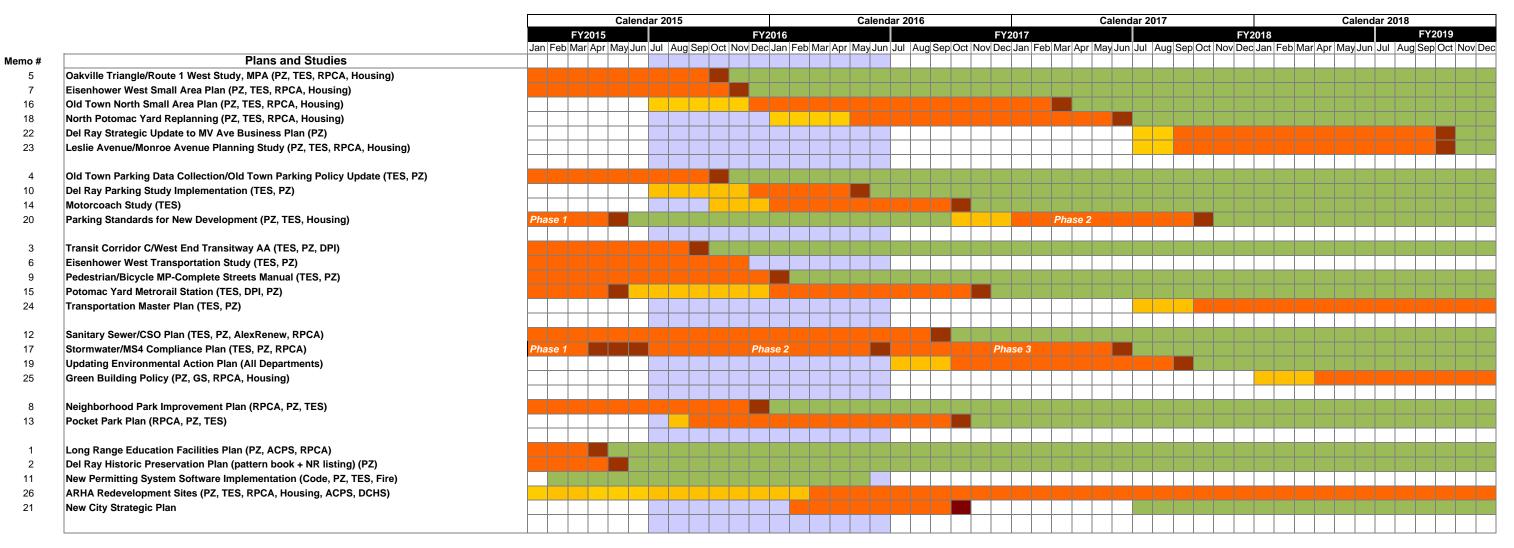
#### Ongoing Implementation Work/Special Projects

Industrial Study Phase 2 (P&Z, AEDP)

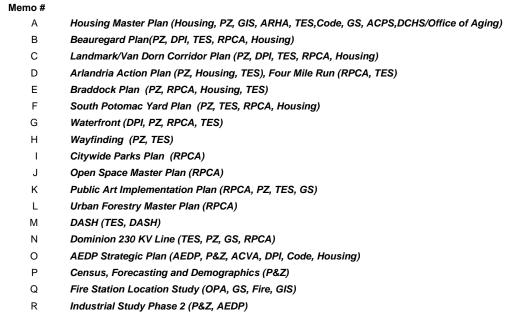


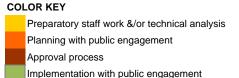
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## ATTACHMENT 2: DRAFT FY 2016 Interdepartmental Long Range Planning Work Program (By Program Areas)



#### Ongoing Implementation Work/Special Projects





# City of Alexandria, Virginia

#### MEMORANDUM

DATE:

OCTOBER 22, 2014

TO:

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: RASHAD M. YOUNG, CITY MANAGER

FROM:

YON LAMBERT, AICP, ACTING DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION AND

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT:

CITYWIDE PARKING WORK PLAN

The purpose of this memo is to update City Council on current and upcoming citywide parking initiatives which have been organized into a proposed work plan. Parking planning and operations is a complex endeavor. In order to successfully manage this valuable public resource, which is often underpriced, it is critical that a comprehensive approach be taken. As a result, staff is working on five parking initiatives over the next few years to comprehensively address parking management. These initiatives build upon successes of the parking program over the last few years, which include the launch of a mobile parking app (Pango) in Alexandria with over 9,800 registered users, the installation of over 149 multispace parking meters, raising onstreet parking rates to market levels, and the extension of parking hours to 9 PM to better match parking demand.

To build upon these accomplishments, and to be responsive to recently adopted plans, planning studies and development proposals, staff is recommending initiating a number of studies and workgroups to review and recommend parking policies practices. These studies and workgroups will pick up on the work of previous workgroups, such as the Old Town Area Parking Study (OTAPS) workgroup. The proposed work program is shown in Figure 1 on the next page. It is important to note that each of these projects will include an extensive amount of public outreach, data collection and that timelines align with staff resources. The workgroups will rely on the data collected to make comprehensive and thoughtful recommendations. Detailed project descriptions are included in Attachment 1.

City Council directed the City Manager to establish the OTAPS Study workgroup in 2010 and reconvened the group in 2012. The workgroup was made up of a diverse collection of stakeholders including residents, business representatives and civic groups (Attachment 2). The group worked to make substantive and difficult recommendations on implementation of comprehensive parking strategies in the Old Town Area. These included discussions of an extension of meter hours to encourage parking turnover as well as difficult discussions on balancing the parking needs of residents versus visitors and businesses. There was a tremendous amount of data that was analyzed and considered by the group before making any recommendations.

Since this group has been key in gaining a large degree of consensus on many difficult issues, staff is planning to reconvene OTAPS to address a number of issues that have come up, including the potential extension of meter maximums from two to three hours on King Street, and looking at whether or not to establish additional residential permit parking programs close in to King Street and along the Waterfront where there may be the greatest strain on parking demand. This review is intended to specifically look at parking issues that had been raised during the Waterfront Small Area Plan and related discussions. The civic and business organizations that were represented on OTAPS will be asked to nominate persons to represent their organizations, and the prior independent OTAPS members will be asked if they wish to serve on OTAPS again. City staff will not serve on the new OTAPS group. These discussions can only start after T&ES has updated parking occupancy data which is being collected this fall. The data will serve as the basis for a reconvened OTAPS in early 2015. If results from the current parking data collection effort support minor parking policy changes that can be addressed in the short-term, staff may be able to move forward with those recommendations as early as late 2014.

It should be noted that at current staffing levels, and the need for data collection, public outreach and coordination with boards and commissions, staff can only undertake these parking initiatives sequentially.

**Figure 1** Parking Work Program

No.	Project	Estimated Start	Estimated Completion	Deliverable
	Parking Standards for new			Recommendation to Boards and
	Development (Phase I-			Commissions and City Council
1	Residential)	Underway	Winter 2014	for Text Amendment
	Old Town Parking Data			Report on Old Town parking
	Collection and Old Town		3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	utilization. Reconvene OTAPS
2	Parking Policy updates	Underway	2015	Workgroup in late 2014
	Del Ray Parking Study	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	Report on Del Ray parking
3	Implementation	2015	2016	study to City Council.
				Recommendations on loading
		1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	and parking spaces for
4	Motorcoach Study	2016	2016	Motorcoaches
	Parking Standards for New			Recommendation to Boards and
	Development (Phase II-	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter		Commissions and City Council
5	Commercial and Office)	2016	2017	for Text Amendment

Staff is also aware that members of Council have been contacted on a number of parking issues. Addressing these parking issues will be tied into the City's larger parking work plan, and

Attachment 3 contains information on some of these issues.

Attachment 1: Detailed Project Descriptions Attachment 2: OTAPS Workgroup Membership Attachment 3: Recent Community Parking Concerns

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#### **Detailed Project Descriptions**

The following is a description of each initiative shown in Figure 1, including expected issues to be addressed and expected work products. To comprehensively manage parking, each project will be looked at in the context of the adopted relevant existing city policies and practices, small area plan recommendations and citywide goals.

1. Parking Standards for New Developments - Phase I and II

This study will recommend updated parking standards for new developments. The purpose of the first phase of this study, to be completed in the winter of 2015, is to right size parking and update existing parking requirements for new residential multi-family development projects, including affordable housing, while minimizing spillover effect into nearby on-street spaces. Staff has been meeting regularly with a Council appointed task force (Attachment 2) that provides feedback to staff on proposed recommendations. The second phase of the study, which is not scheduled for completion until 2017, will examine parking standards for commercial and office development and study shared parking.

2. Old Town Parking Data Collection

Currently staff is updating the parking occupancy data in the 2009 Old Town Parking Study which was used as part of the Waterfront planning process. The Old Town Area Parking Study (OTAPS) Workgroup recommended that the City monitor on- and off-street parking occupancy every two years to determine when both on- and off-street parking facilities reach their 85 percent occupancy threshold. The updated parking occupancy data provided as a result of this study will also help staff assess existing on-street conditions in Old Town and evaluate the feasibility of implementing other parking policies. Staff will develop a memorandum summarizing the findings for OTAPS and City Council and may recommend minor policy changes to the Traffic and Parking Board as early as the final quarter of 2014.

The data will serve as the basis for the reconvened OTAPS' consideration of parking issues such as residential parking permit polices in Old Town and changes to on-street parking hours. It is important that this be coordinated with waterfront development.

#### 3. Del Ray Parking Study Implementation

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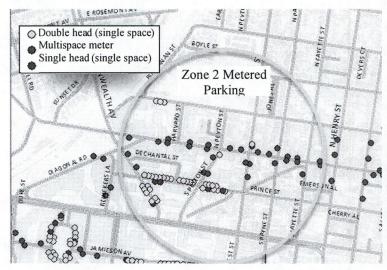
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# City of Alexandria, Virginia

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DATE:

OCTOBER 22, 2014

TO:

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: RASHAD M. YOUNG, CITY MANAGER

FROM:

YON LAMBERT, AICP, ACTING DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION AND

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT:

CITYWIDE PARKING WORK PLAN

The purpose of this memo is to update City Council on current and upcoming citywide parking initiatives which have been organized into a proposed work plan. Parking planning and operations is a complex endeavor. In order to successfully manage this valuable public resource, which is often underpriced, it is critical that a comprehensive approach be taken. As a result, staff is working on five parking initiatives over the next few years to comprehensively address parking management. These initiatives build upon successes of the parking program over the last few years, which include the launch of a mobile parking app (Pango) in Alexandria with over 9,800 registered users, the installation of over 149 multispace parking meters, raising onstreet parking rates to market levels, and the extension of parking hours to 9 PM to better match parking demand.

To build upon these accomplishments, and to be responsive to recently adopted plans, planning studies and development proposals, staff is recommending initiating a number of studies and workgroups to review and recommend parking policies practices. These studies and workgroups will pick up on the work of previous workgroups, such as the Old Town Area Parking Study (OTAPS) workgroup. The proposed work program is shown in Figure 1 on the next page. It is important to note that each of these projects will include an extensive amount of public outreach, data collection and that timelines align with staff resources. The workgroups will rely on the data collected to make comprehensive and thoughtful recommendations. Detailed project descriptions are included in Attachment 1.

City Council directed the City Manager to establish the OTAPS Study workgroup in 2010 and reconvened the group in 2012. The workgroup was made up of a diverse collection of stakeholders including residents, business representatives and civic groups (Attachment 2). The group worked to make substantive and difficult recommendations on implementation of comprehensive parking strategies in the Old Town Area. These included discussions of an extension of meter hours to encourage parking turnover as well as difficult discussions on balancing the parking needs of residents versus visitors and businesses. There was a tremendous amount of data that was analyzed and considered by the group before making any recommendations.

Since this group has been key in gaining a large degree of consensus on many difficult issues, staff is planning to reconvene OTAPS to address a number of issues that have come up, including the potential extension of meter maximums from two to three hours on King Street, and looking at whether or not to establish additional residential permit parking programs close in to King Street and along the Waterfront where there may be the greatest strain on parking demand. This review is intended to specifically look at parking issues that had been raised during the Waterfront Small Area Plan and related discussions. The civic and business organizations that were represented on OTAPS will be asked to nominate persons to represent their organizations, and the prior independent OTAPS members will be asked if they wish to serve on OTAPS again. City staff will not serve on the new OTAPS group. These discussions can only start after T&ES has updated parking occupancy data which is being collected this fall. The data will serve as the basis for a reconvened OTAPS in early 2015. If results from the current parking data collection effort support minor parking policy changes that can be addressed in the short-term, staff may be able to move forward with those recommendations as early as late 2014.

It should be noted that at current staffing levels, and the need for data collection, public outreach and coordination with boards and commissions, staff can only undertake these parking initiatives sequentially.

**Figure 1** Parking Work Program

No.	Project	Estimated Start	Estimated Completion	Deliverable
	Parking Standards for new			Recommendation to Boards and
	Development (Phase I-			Commissions and City Council
1	Residential)	Underway	Winter 2014	for Text Amendment
	Old Town Parking Data			Report on Old Town parking
	Collection and Old Town		3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	utilization. Reconvene OTAPS
2	Parking Policy updates	Underway	2015	Workgroup in late 2014
	Del Ray Parking Study	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	Report on Del Ray parking
3	Implementation	2015	2016	study to City Council.
				Recommendations on loading
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Staff is also aware that members of Council have been contacted on a number of parking issues. Addressing these parking issues will be tied into the City's larger parking work plan, and

Attachment 3 contains information on some of these issues.

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#### **Detailed Project Descriptions**

The following is a description of each initiative shown in Figure 1, including expected issues to be addressed and expected work products. To comprehensively manage parking, each project will be looked at in the context of the adopted relevant existing city policies and practices, small area plan recommendations and citywide goals.

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This study will recommend updated parking standards for new developments. The purpose of the first phase of this study, to be completed in the winter of 2015, is to right size parking and update existing parking requirements for new residential multi-family development projects, including affordable housing, while minimizing spillover effect into nearby on-street spaces. Staff has been meeting regularly with a Council appointed task force (Attachment 2) that provides feedback to staff on proposed recommendations. The second phase of the study, which is not scheduled for completion until 2017, will examine parking standards for commercial and office development and study shared parking.

2. Old Town Parking Data Collection

Currently staff is updating the parking occupancy data in the 2009 Old Town Parking Study which was used as part of the Waterfront planning process. The Old Town Area Parking Study (OTAPS) Workgroup recommended that the City monitor on- and off-street parking occupancy every two years to determine when both on- and off-street parking facilities reach their 85 percent occupancy threshold. The updated parking occupancy data provided as a result of this study will also help staff assess existing on-street conditions in Old Town and evaluate the feasibility of implementing other parking policies. Staff will develop a memorandum summarizing the findings for OTAPS and City Council and may recommend minor policy changes to the Traffic and Parking Board as early as the final quarter of 2014.

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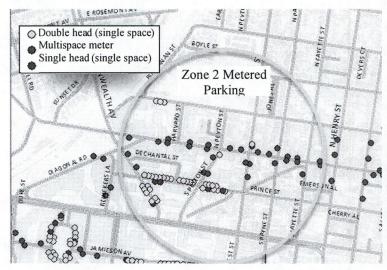
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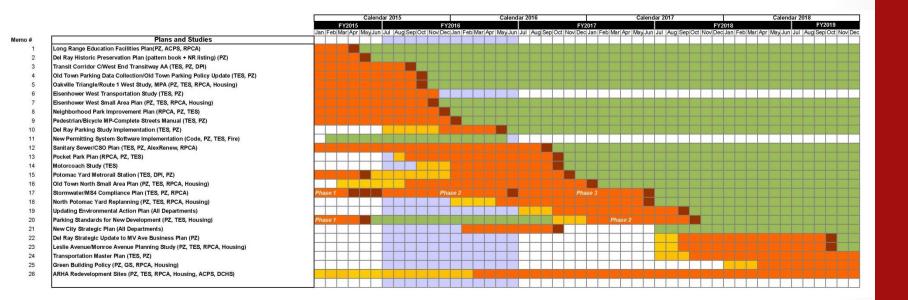


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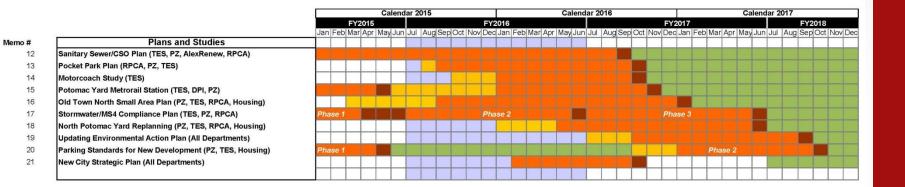






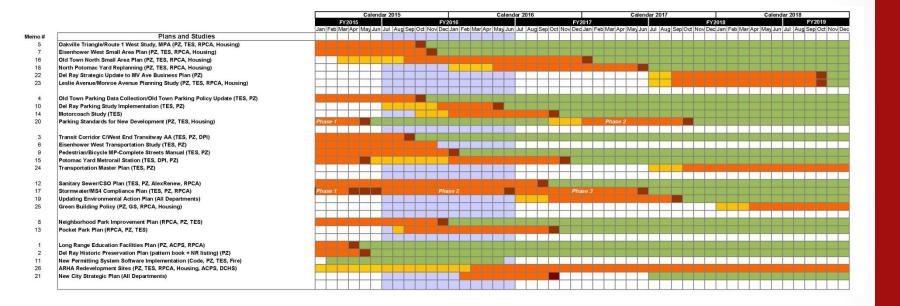






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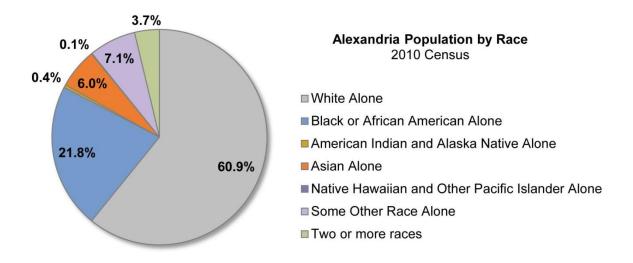
### **Introduction and Summary**

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### **Summary of Findings**

The review of basic household, economic and social characteristics of these groups showed substantial differences among them in types of households they live in, in household income, and in educational attainment. In some cases these differences are similar to differences among these populations in the nation as a whole. However, each group has some unique characteristics in Alexandria that are different from those characteristics in the nation as a whole, particularly in the case of each group's share of foreign-born population and places of origin in the world.

### **Racial and Ethnic Groups**



The pie chart on the previous page shows one view of the responses of Alexandria residents to the 2010 Census question on race. This graph puts everyone in the city in a unique category adding to 100%, by putting anyone identified as being of a single race in a racial category (including "some other race") and the remainder in a group labeled "two or more races."

Alexandria's Black and African American population of 30,491 in the 2010 Census was 21.8% of the total population of Alexandra. This share has been relatively constant since 1980. However, the Black and African American population is now more than one third foreign born according to the 2009-2013 American Community Survey estimates, compared to 8.7% nationwide. Of the foreign-born Black and African American population in Alexandria, an estimated 40% are naturalized U.S. citizens.

The city's Asian population of 8,432 in 2010 made up about 6% of the city's total population. The Asian population is not heavily concentrated in people from any one part of Asia, but includes 21% who identify as Asian Indian, the largest group; and 16% Filipino, 15% Chinese, and 13% of Korean heritage. Based on the 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-year average data, 77% of the city's Asian population is foreign born, and 48% of these are naturalized citizens. Nationwide, 66.5% of the population identifying as Asian is foreign born, and 58% of those are naturalized citizens.

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The city's Hispanic or Latino population of 22,524 in 2010 was 16.1% of the citywide population, and included people of a number of racial categories. The largest racial category is white, with 46% of the Hispanic population. Other predominate racial categories identified include some other race with 42%, 7.6% two or more races, and 3.2% Black or African American.

Of the population identifying themselves as Hispanic or Latino in Alexandria, 18.3% identify themselves as of Mexican origin, compared to 64.5% of Hispanics nationwide. 6.4% were Puerto Rican, 1.8% Cuban and 0.9% Dominican. 49.3% identify their origin as Central American, compared to 8.8% of Hispanics in the U.S. as a whole. 60% of Alexandria's Central Americans are of Salvadoran heritage, with most of the others from Guatemala and Honduras. 18.9% of Alexandria's Hispanics identify as South American, and 4.4% as of other Hispanic origin.

54.5% of the city's Hispanic population is foreign born, compared to 36.2% nationwide, according to the 2009-2013 American Community Survey estimates. Naturalized U.S. citizens make up 20% of the foreign-born Hispanic population.

Alexandria's foreign-born population makes up a substantial share of the total population of the city, and that share may be increasing. The 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-year average data showed the foreign-born population as 24% of the city's total population, compared to 25.4% in the 2000 Census and a national share of about 12%. The 2013 American Community Survey 1-year estimate of 29.6% foreign-born in Alexandria indicates that the share may be increasing again.

### **Distribution Within Alexandria**

The maps on the following pages show the distribution of the Black and African American and Hispanic populations within the city, and how the Hispanic and Black or African American distribution has changed over time.

The Black or African American population has been part of Alexandria from the first Decennial Census in 1790, when it made up about 22% of the population, approximately the same share as today. The share grew to nearly 40% just after the Civil War, then fell gradually to a low of about 11% in 1960. Data on the Hispanic population is spotty over the historical record, and is available generally only since 1970.

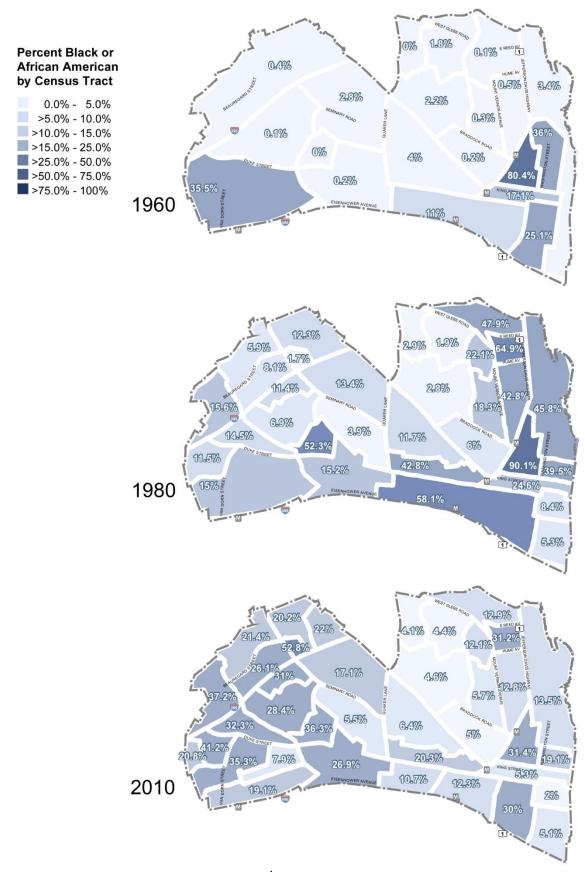
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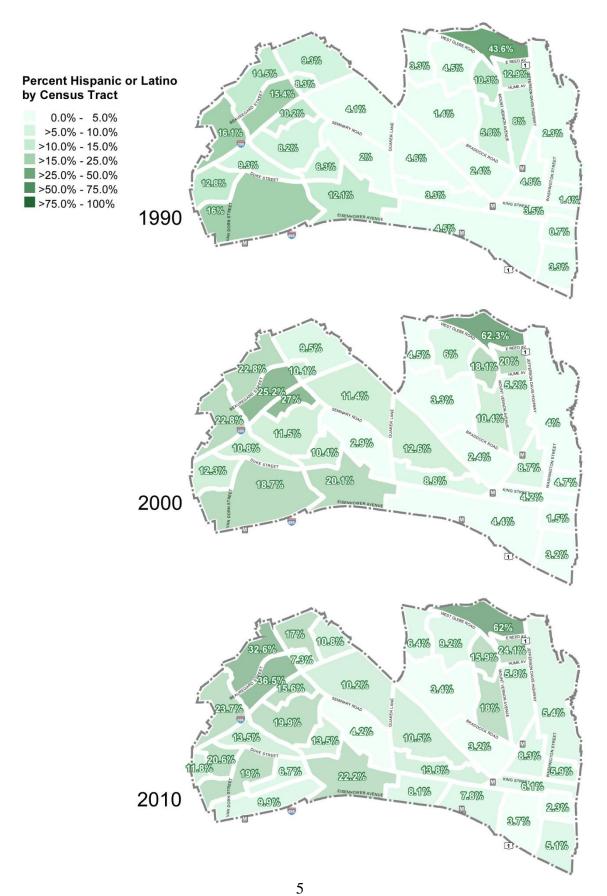
In 1960, the Black and African American population constituted 11.4% of Alexandria's total population. About 43% of the Black population lived in Tract 16 near the current location of the Braddock Road Metrorail station, which was 80.4% Black. Most of the remainder of the Black population lived tracts 18 and 20, between Fairfax Street and Washington Street, and many of the remaining tracts had fewer than 25 Black residents.

By 1980, Tract 16 had become over 90% Black and African American, and the Black or African American population had grown to 22.3% of the total population of the City. While many tracts still had a negligible Black population, there was a much wider distribution of this population through the rest of Alexandria.

In 2010, the Black or African American population of Tract 16 had declined to 31.4% of the tract total, and a number of tracts had 25% or more Black population, as a combination of dispersal of the previous Black residents throughout the region and an influx of African immigrants as well as new young Black families helped maintain the Black population as about the same share of population as in 1980.

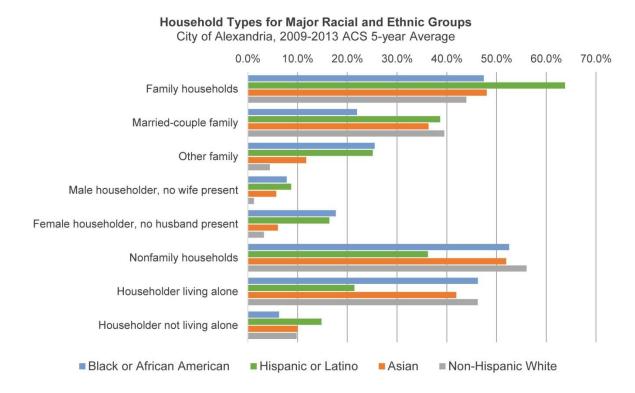
The figure on page 5 shows a similar set of maps for the Hispanic population, for 1990, when the Hispanic population was about 9.7% of the city's population, 2000 and 2010, when the Hispanic population had grown to 16.1% of the total. The Hispanic population was historically more dispersed in Alexandria than the Black population, but even today maintains a strong concentration in the Arlandria area and nearby, as well as throughout the city's West End.





City of Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning

### Households and Families by Race and Ethnicity



The graph above shows household type as a percentage of all households for households with the householder in one of the four largest racial and ethnic groups in Alexandria. (For brevity in the rest of this memo, we will refer to households by the race or ethnicity of the householder, even though the other members of the household may be of any race or ethnicity.) In the category at the top of the graph, family households, the Hispanic group stands out as having a significantly higher percentage of family households than the other groups. Nearly 64% of Hispanic households are family households, in which one or more other members of the household is related by birth, marriage or adoption to the householder. Of all Alexandria households, 47.2% were estimated to be family households in the 2013 American Community Survey 5-year average.

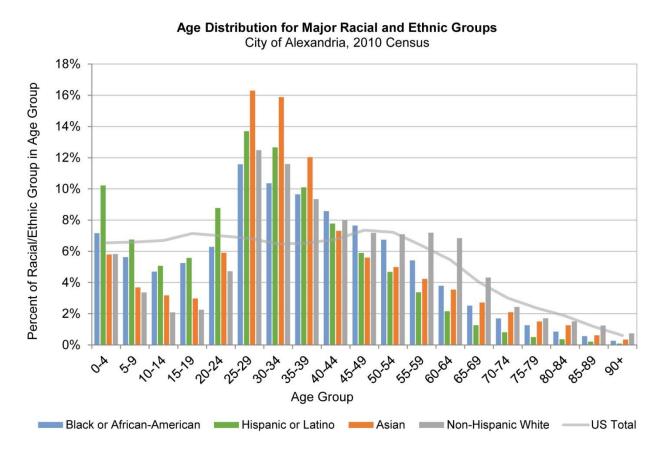
The three other groups, with Black or African American, Asian or Non-Hispanic White householders, all have family groups living in less than half of these households.

With respect to married-couple families, Hispanic, Non-Hispanic White and Asian households have similar rates, with a little under 40% of households for these groups. Black or African-American households are the outliers in this category, with only 22% married-couple households.

Most family households that are not married-couple households are single-parent households in which the father or mother lives with one or more children. For both Hispanic and Black or African American households, more than 25% of households consist of a householder with no spouse present living with other family members. Such households make up about 12% of Asian households and only 4.4% of Non-Hispanic White households.

Alexandria has had an unusually high percentage of single-person households since 1980 when compared to the national average, and showed 43.0% single-person households in the 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-year average. While the Black or African American, Asian and Non-Hispanic White populations all show a share of single-person households between 42% and 47%, Hispanic households include only 21.4% single-person households.

### Age by Race and Ethnicity



The graph above shows the age distribution of the four largest racial and ethnic groups in Alexandria. The slightly wavy gray line across the graph shows the percentage of the total U.S. population in each of these same 5-year age categories.

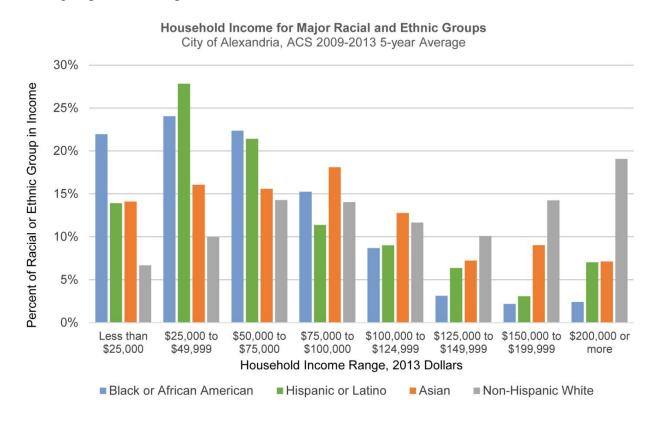
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Many of these young families move out of Alexandria for housing with more bedrooms and more land when their families get larger and begin to enter school. Alexandria City Public Schools kindergarten enrollment is typically only about 60% or less of the number of births five years before to mothers living in the city, indicating that the families of many children born in Alexandria move elsewhere before these children enter school. A more complete discussion of the characteristics of Alexandria's housing stock that contribute to this low share of children in Alexandria can be found on line in the <u>Alexandria 2010 Census Data Profile</u> report. A detailed examination of student generation by housing type and the limits of the city's housing stock in providing family housing was documented as part of the background work for the <u>Long Range Educational Facilities Plan</u>.

A particularly interesting characteristic of the distribution by race and ethnicity is the very high proportion of the Asian population that is in their late 20s and early 30s. This is in part a consequence of the high share of recent immigrants in this population group, discussed later in this report.

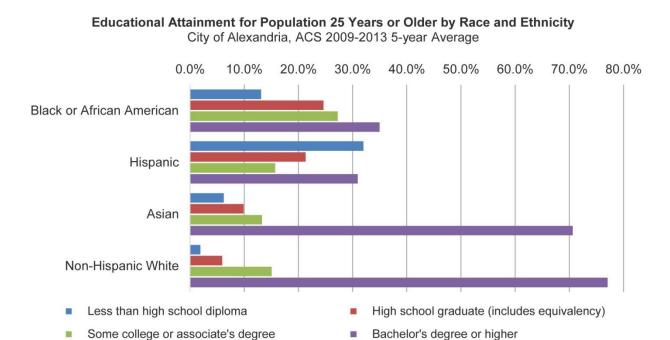
### Household Income by Race and Ethnicity.

These statistics on family households help to explain some of the difference among the racial and ethnic groups in the comparison of household income.



The above graph shows the percentage of each of the four major racial and ethnic groups in a number of ranges of household income. Black and African-American households stand out in this graph, having the highest share with incomes below \$25,000 at about 22%. The median household income for the 2009-2013 5-year average was \$53,885 for Black or African American

households, \$60,119 for Hispanic or Latino households, \$80,774 for Asian households and \$109,040 for non-Hispanic White households. The Non-Hispanic White population tends to be older on average than the other racial and ethnic groups in Alexandria, with a substantial share of population in their 40s, 50s and 60s when earnings tend to be higher than for younger workers.



### **Educational Attainment by Race and Ethnicity**

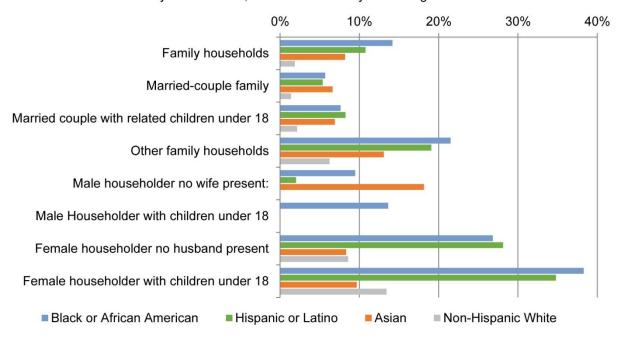
The graph above shows dramatic differences in educational attainment between the four racial and ethnic groups in Alexandria. 32% of Hispanics over 25 in Alexandria have not completed high school, more than twice the share of any other group evaluated here. Only 31% of Hispanics and 35% of Blacks and African Americans 25 years or older in the city have a four-year college degree or higher. While these are substantially higher shares of higher education for these groups than in the rest of the U.S., they fall far below the attainment of the other two groups in Alexandria. More than 70% of Asians and Non-Hispanic Whites have at least a four-year college degree. These differences create substantial obstacles to finding better-paying jobs for Black and African American and Hispanic workers in the highly competitive labor market in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region.

Educational attainment is an important factor contributing to the substantial differences in income and poverty between these racial and ethnic groups.

### Poverty by Race and Ethnicity

### Percent of Families by Type With Income Below Poverty Level By Race and Ethnicity

City of Alexandria, ACS 2009-2013 5-year Average



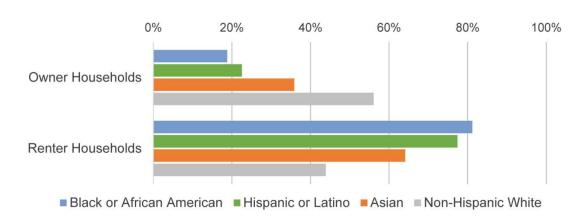
The graph above shows the current proportion of families in poverty by household type and race and ethnicity. There are individuals in non-family households who are also in poverty not shown by this graph. The principal concern illustrated here is for children growing up in families in poverty. More than one third of Black or African American and Hispanic families with female householders with children were living in poverty in Alexandria over the five-year period of the average.

Poverty is a very simple measure of economic hardship and does not capture all families struggling for economic survival in Alexandria. The poverty level is a nationwide dollar amount that varies with household type and household size, but does not vary by housing or other living costs among regions or between cities and rural areas. The 2013 poverty threshold for a three-person household with two children under 18 was \$18,769. A single householder with two children falls in this category. For a single householder with one child, the poverty level was \$16,057.

Children in married-couple households are far less likely to fall below the poverty threshold regardless of race or ethnicity. Less than 8% of married-couple families with children in any racial or ethnic category shown had incomes below the poverty level over the 5-year period of the estimate.

### **Housing Tenure**





Alexandria has a substantially higher share of rental housing than the national average, with an estimated 43.3% of households living in owner-occupied housing and 56.5% living in rental housing. However, this higher rental share is common in inner suburbs throughout the U.S. The national average is 64.9% of households living in owner-occupied units and 35.1% living in rental housing.

Only the non-Hispanic White group showed a higher percentage living in owner-occupied units than rental units. Of the other groups, the Hispanic and Black and African American populations were substantially lower than the citywide average for home ownership. This reflects in part the younger age and lower incomes of these populations. Renter households in general show lower household incomes than owner households.

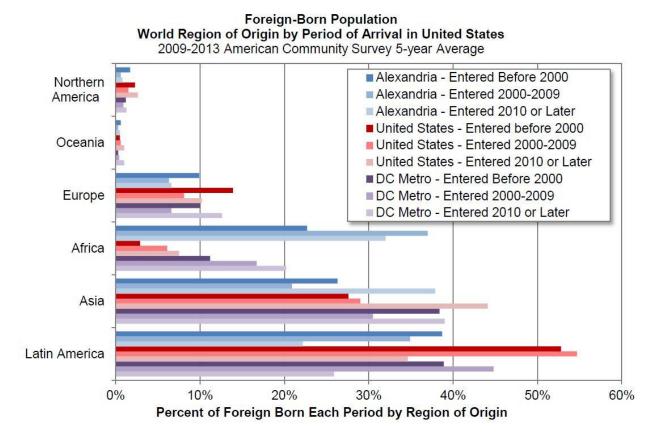
### **Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations**

The foreign-born population of the city has a substantially higher share of Hispanics and Asians than the native-born population. Children of U.S. citizens born abroad are not included in the foreign-born population – they are considered native born.

The graph on the following page shows the world region of origin of the foreign-born populations of Alexandria, the U.S. and the region by time of arrival in the U.S. Of the foreign-born arrivals now living in Alexandria who arrived in 2010 or later, Asia was the region of origin of approximately 38%, the largest share of any of the world regions of origin tabulated. For those current residents who arrived between 2000 and 2009, Africa is the region of origin of the largest share at 37%, and of those arriving prior to 2000, Latin America has the largest share at about 39%. Latin America is the region of origin of the largest share of all of today's foreign-born residents of the city at 35.4%.

54% of the foreign-born population is in the 25-44 year age group, substantially more than the 38% of the native-born population who fall in this age group. The city's native- and foreign-born

populations also have substantial differences in occupations, annual earnings and educational attainment, which are outlined in the discussion below.



One of the interesting findings from the 2013 American Community Survey annual data is that the share of the city's population that is foreign born for 2013 was estimated at 29.6%. Census figures showed a decline in the foreign-born population from 25.4% in 2000 to the 24.0% share in the American Community Survey 2006-2010 average. The recent increase to 29.6% foreign born in the 2013 estimates indicates a substantial change in direction of this trend if it accurately represents the foreign-born share of the city's population.

Because of the small sample size in the annual American Community Survey data, the unusually high 2013 figure can best be considered an indicator that the share of foreign-born population in the city may be increasing after the apparent decline from 2000 to 2010. Even at 24%, the foreign-born population is a substantial share of the city's population. This memo uses the most recent American Community Survey data to help describe who the foreign-born residents of Alexandria are, how they are similar to or different from the foreign-born population of the nation as a whole, and how they are similar to or different from the native-born population in the city. Unless otherwise indicated, all the numbers and percentages in the discussion below are based on the 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-year average data.

The foreign-born population includes both naturalized U.S. citizens and those who are not citizens. Of the estimated 40.3 million foreign-born residents of the U.S. as a whole, 45.1% are estimated to be naturalized citizens, and 54.9% are not citizens. In the decennial census and in the

American Community Survey, in order to encourage participation by all residents, the Census Bureau makes no attempt to determine the legal status of non-citizens, who often live in households including native-born citizens as well as foreign-born naturalized citizens. Non-citizens are counted as residents as long as they are considered current residents of the residential unit being surveyed and not merely temporary visitors or guests who have a different permanent residence.

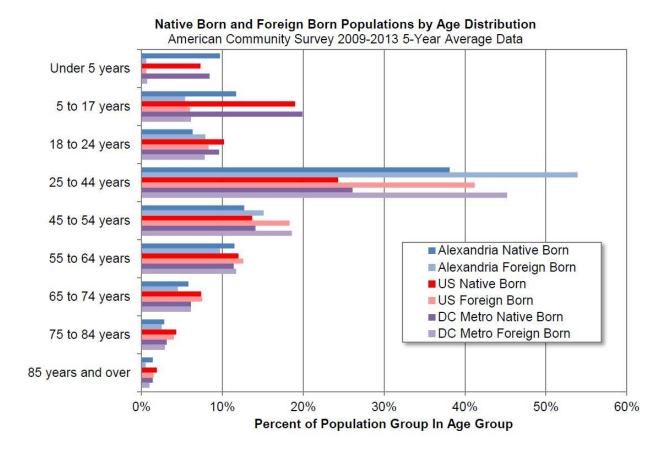
Of Alexandria's estimated 37,855 foreign-born residents, 37.8% were estimated to be naturalized citizens and 62.2% to be non-citizens. In the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area, of an estimated approximately 1,246,000 foreign-born residents, 46.8% were estimated to be naturalized U.S. citizens, and 53.2% non-citizens.

Alexandria, the United States and the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area share at least one characteristic of their foreign-born populations: Latin America is the most common region of origin of all current foreign-born residents of all three.

In spite of this similarity, the graph above does show some striking differences between Alexandria, the DC Metro Area and the U.S., and shows some changes in the mix of origins over time. The most recent arrivals, those arriving in 2010 or later, are in the palest colors on the graph.

Alexandria shows a much higher proportion of its current foreign-born population coming from Africa than the either the U.S. or the region. However, the share of Alexandria's current foreign-born residents who came from Africa is lower for those arriving after 2010 than it is for those arriving between 2000 and 2009. Of Alexandria's current foreign-born residents, the share of those arriving between 2000 and 2009 is greatest from Africa at 37.0%. For residents who arrived before 2000, the share is greatest from Latin America (38.7%), and for residents who arrived 2010 or later, the share is greatest from Asia (37.9%).

For the U.S. as a whole, the largest share of current foreign-born residents is from Latin America (52.5%), but of those arriving since 2010, the greatest share is from Asia (44.1%).

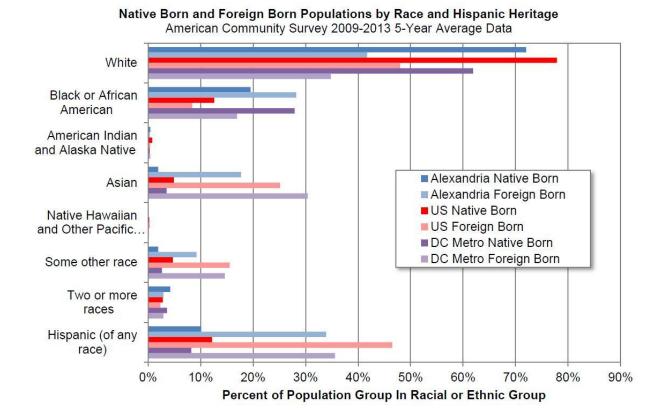


### **Age Distribution of Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations**

For all three geographic areas compared, the share of foreign-born population is very low for pre-school and school-age children. This indicates that only a small percentage of foreign-born arrivals enter the country with children. The share of total native-born population in the 18-24 year age group is similar to that of the foreign-born population at 10% or a bit less for all three geographic areas.

In the 25-44 year age group, Alexandria has a much higher share of both total native-born and total foreign-born population than either the U.S. or the Washington, D.C. region. More than half of Alexandria's foreign-born population is in this age group. For all three geographic areas, the share of foreign-born population in this age group is much higher than the share of the native-born population in the same age group. This higher share of the foreign-born population carries over into the 45-54 year age group as well for all three areas. This indicates that a substantially larger share of the foreign-born population is in the prime working years of life than the share of the native-born population in these age groups.

For the older age groups, the share of the total foreign-born population in each age group is similar to the share of native-born population in that age group, though the share of total foreign-born population in each age group declines more rapidly with age than that of the native-born population.

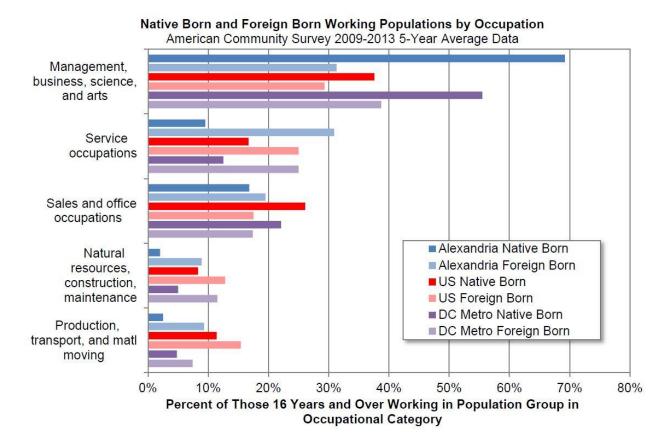


### Race and Ethnicity of Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations

In all three geographic areas compared here, the share of the native-born population that is White is much larger than the share of the foreign-born population that is White. In the United States as a whole, 78% of the native-born population is White, and 48% of the foreign-born population is White. In Alexandria, 72% of the native-born population is White, while 42% of the foreign-born population is White.

For Black and African American resident populations, Alexandria's share of Black or African American among foreign-born residents is 28.2%, compared to 19.5% among native-born residents, reflecting the high percentage of Alexandria's foreign-born population who came from Africa. For both the United States and the Washington, D.C. region, the share of native-born residents who are Black or African American is higher than that of foreign-born residents.

For Asian residents, residents of some other single race, and Hispanic residents of any race, the share of these populations among foreign-born residents is much higher than the share among native-born residents for all three geographic areas compared. For Alexandria, the share of foreign-born residents who are Asian is estimated at 17.7%, while the share of native-born residents who are Asian is estimated at just 1.9%. The share of foreign-born residents of Alexandria who are Hispanic of any race is estimated at about 34%, while the share of native-born residents of Alexandria who are Hispanic is estimated at about 10%.

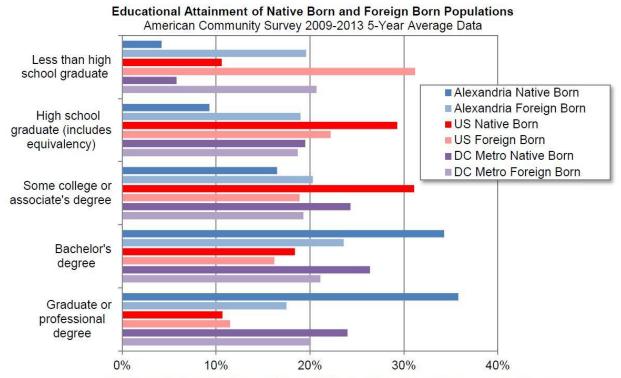


### Occupations of Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations

More than 69% of Alexandria's native-born population who are employed work in management, business, science and arts occupations. Only 31.3% of the city's employed foreign-born residents are in these occupations.

Nationwide, about 38% of employed native-born residents work in management, business, science and art occupations, while 29% of employed foreign-born residents work in these occupations.

Foreign-born residents of Alexandria are much more likely than native-born residents to work in service occupations; natural resources, construction and maintenance occupations; and in production, transportation and material moving occupations. The degree of difference between native-born and foreign-born residents in these occupational groups is much less among residents of the U.S. as a whole than it is among residents of Alexandria.



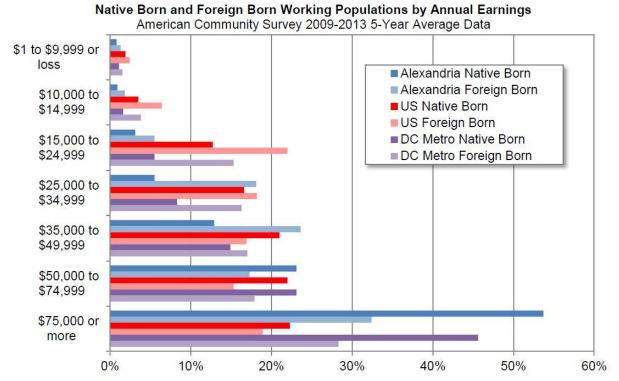
Percent of Those 25 Years Old and Older in Educational Attainment Category

### **Educational Attainment of Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations**

Foreign-born residents of all three geographic areas compared are much more likely to lack a high-school education than native-born residents. In Alexandria, almost 20% of foreign-born residents 25 years old or older lack a high school education, while only 4.2% of native-born residents 25 or older have not graduated from high school. For the U.S. as a whole, about 31% of foreign-born residents lack a high school education, while 10.6% of native-born residents have not graduated from high school.

For the United States as a whole, foreign-born residents are more likely to have an advanced degree than native-born residents, but are somewhat less likely to have only a four-year college degree.

For Alexandria and the Washington, D.C. region as a whole, native-born residents 25 years old or older are much more likely to have a four-year college degree or an advanced degree than for-eign-born residents 25 or older. However, foreign-born residents of Alexandria and the Washington, D.C. region are more likely to have a four-year degree or an advanced degree than native-born residents of the U.S. as a whole, reflecting the very high degree of educational attainment common to the Washington, D.C. region compared to that of the nation as a whole.



Percent of Those 16 Years and Over With Earnings in Population Group in Earnings Category

### **Annual Earnings of Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations**

Native-born residents tend to have higher earnings than foreign-born residents in the three geographic areas compared here. Because of the generally high wages and educational levels in the Washington, D.C. area, foreign-born residents of Alexandria and the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area are more likely to earn \$75,000 per year or more than either native-born or foreign-born residents of the U.S. as a whole.

### Other Characteristics of Native-Born and Foreign-Born Populations

**Poverty**. Foreign-born residents of all three geographic areas are more likely to live in a household with income below the poverty level than native-born residents.

In Alexandria, an estimated 7.6% of native-born residents live in a household that is below the poverty level, compared to 10.7% of foreign-born residents. Of the foreign-born residents who are naturalized citizens, 7.2% were estimated to live in a household with income below the poverty level, while 12.8% of those who are non-citizens are estimated to live in households below the poverty level.

For the United States as a whole, 15.4% of the total population is estimated to live in a household with income below the poverty level, while an estimated 14.9% of native-born residents and 18.7% of foreign-born residents do so.

**Owner-Occupied vs. Renter-Occupied Housing**. In Alexandria, 49.5% of native-born residents are estimated to live in owner-occupied housing units, while only 24.4% of foreign-born residents live in owner-occupied housing. 34.9% of foreign-born who are naturalized citizens are estimated to live in owner-occupied housing, while only 13.7% of non-citizens do so. Nationwide, an estimated 67% of native-born and 52.1% of foreign-born residents live in owner-occupied housing units, with 34.7% of non-citizen foreign-born living in owner-occupied housing.

**Rent Burden**. Gross rent of 30% of household income or more is a guideline used to determine whether a household is significantly burdened by housing costs compared to other costs of living. In Alexandria, 36.8% of native-born residents living in rental housing were estimated to live in households in which rent was 30% or more of household income. An estimated 56.0% of foreign-born residents living in rental housing had rents more than 30% of household income, and 59.4% of foreign-born non-citizens were estimated to live in households paying more than 30% of household income for rent.

In the U.S. as a whole, an even larger share of native-born residents in rental housing (47.3%) was estimated to live in a household paying more than 30% of income for rent, while a smaller share of foreign-born residents than in Alexandria (52.3%) was living in households paying more than 30% of income for rent. An estimated 53.4% of non-citizens in rental housing were living in households paying less than 30% of income for rent nationwide.

#### **About the Data**

The American Community Survey is a survey conducted continually by the U.S. Census Bureau since 2005. The survey is completed by only about 1% of households each year, but provides information on a wide variety of community characteristics. The 2013 annual data for the city as a whole was summarized in the report American Community Survey 2013 Narrative Summary. That report also compares the 2013 estimates with estimates from prior years and to the 2010 and 2000 Decennial Census data for a number of characteristics.

The 2009-2013 5-year average data, which has a smaller sampling error in its estimates than the annual survey data because it is based on a larger sample of the population, was released by the Census Bureau on December 4, 2014. The 5-year average carries some uncertainty about current characteristics because changes can occur over the 5-year period of the average. The 2006-2010 5-year average data was used extensively in the report <u>Alexandria 2010 Census Data Profile</u>, to report on many characteristics of the city's population and housing such as household income, employment, commuting, and educational attainment that are no longer covered in the decennial census. The most recent 2009-2013 data overlaps that period for the years 2009 and 2010.

In order to best identify changes over time using 5-year average data, the Census Bureau recommends that non-overlapping 5-year averages be used. The 2010-2014 5-year average data expected to be released at the end of 2015 will be the first 5-year average data set that provides an opportunity to compare American Community Survey 5-year average data sets that do not overlap.

### **Additional Information**

Additional information including detailed thematic tables showing these characteristics may be found on the Census Bureau's web site, <a href="www.census.gov">www.census.gov</a>. The data referenced in this memo on the foreign-born population is found in tables S0501 and S0502 of the 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-year average. Additional tables and graphs from the 2013 survey, and information on additional characteristics and trends from the initial nine years of the American Community Survey, will be posted from time to time on the city's statistics and demographics web page at <a href="www.alexandriava.gov\Demographics">www.alexandriava.gov\Demographics</a>.

### **Contact Information**

For questions or additional information about the data provided in this memorandum, or for assistance obtaining other census data, please contact Pat Mann, Urban Planner, at 703.746.3857.

## Measuring Diversity

# Alexandria's Largest Racial and Ethnic Groups and Foreign-Born Population

City Council February 24, 2015

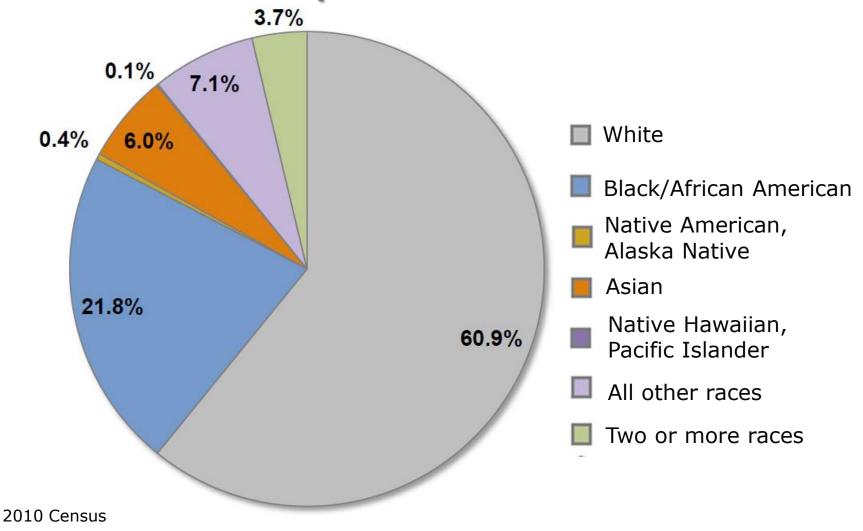


# Diversity

- Who and where are we?
- Why examine race, ethnicity and nativeborn vs foreign-born populations?
- What are some of the similarities and differences among these populations in Alexandria?
- Strategic Plan Goal 7: Alexandria is a caring and inclusive community that values its rich diversity, history and culture, and promotes affordability

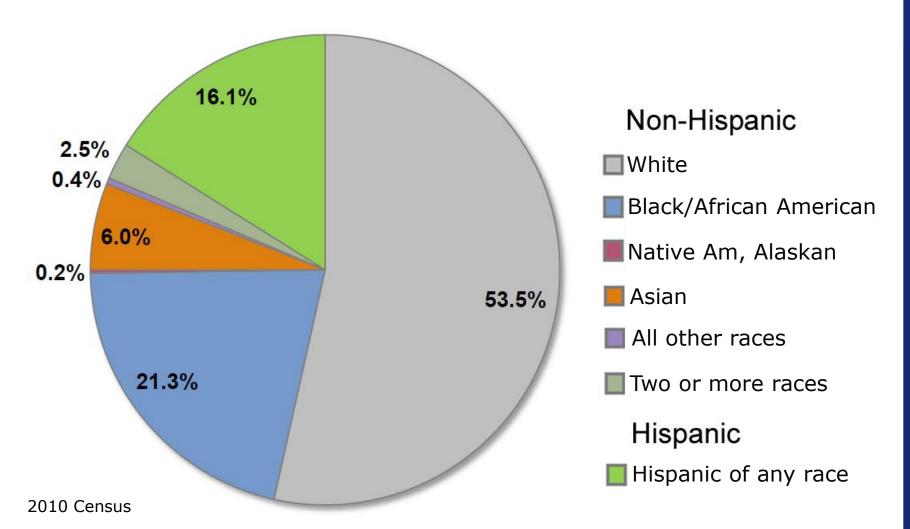


## Racial Groups





## Race and Ethnicity

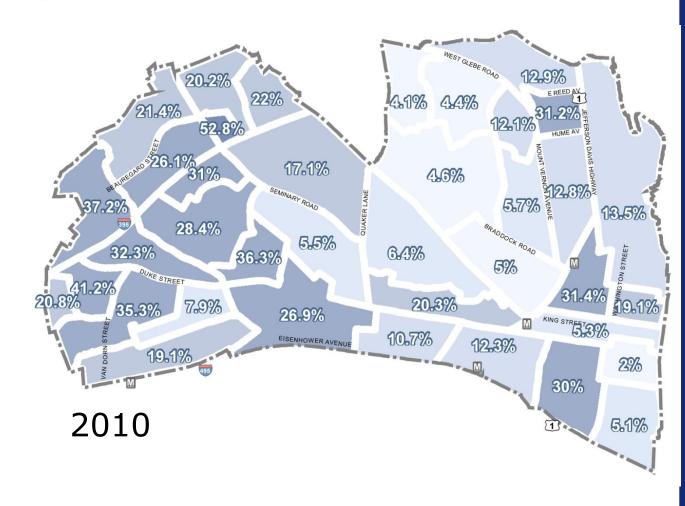




## Changing Distribution

### Percent Black or African American by Census Tract

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- >5.0% 10.0%
- >10.0% 15.0%
- >15.0% 25.0%
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- >25.0% 50.0%
- >50.0% 75.0%
- >75.0% 100%





## Changing Distribution

### **Percent Hispanic** by Census Tract

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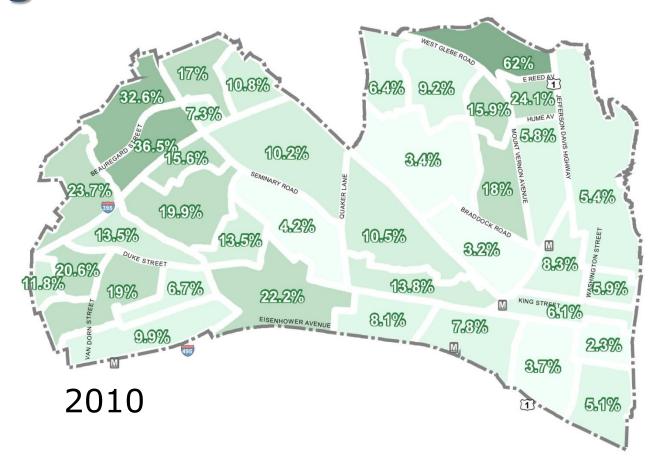
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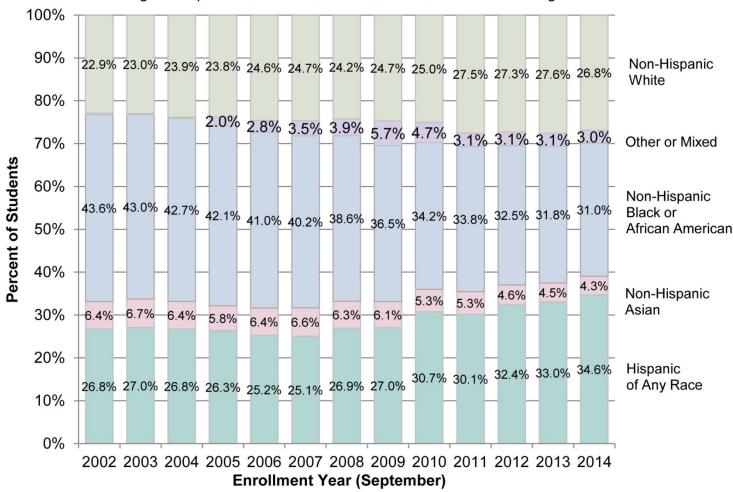




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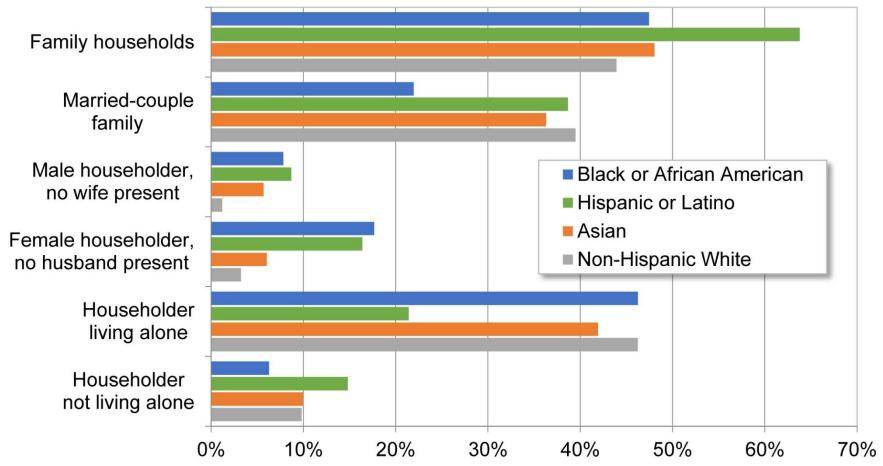
### **ACPS Enrollment Shares by Race and Ethnicity**

Virginia Department of Education Data for Grades Pre-K through 12





# Household Type

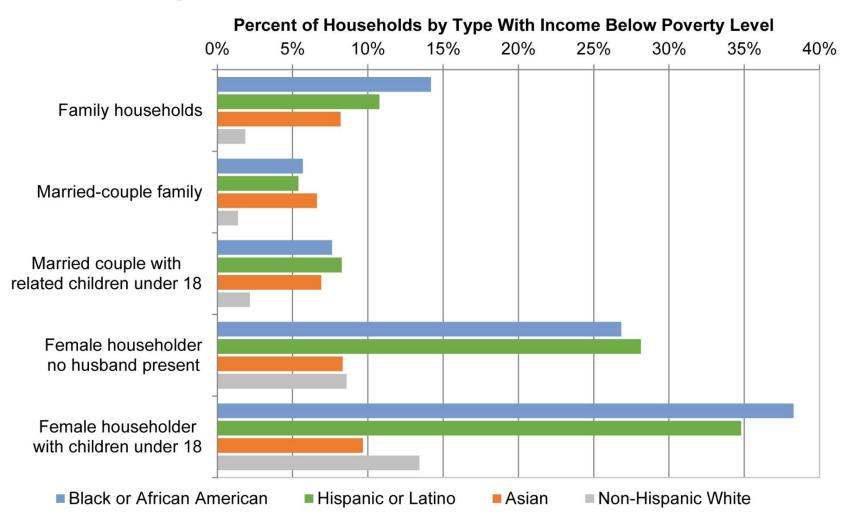


Percent of Households in Racial or Ethnic Group in Household Category

2013 American Community Survey 5-year average data



# Poverty



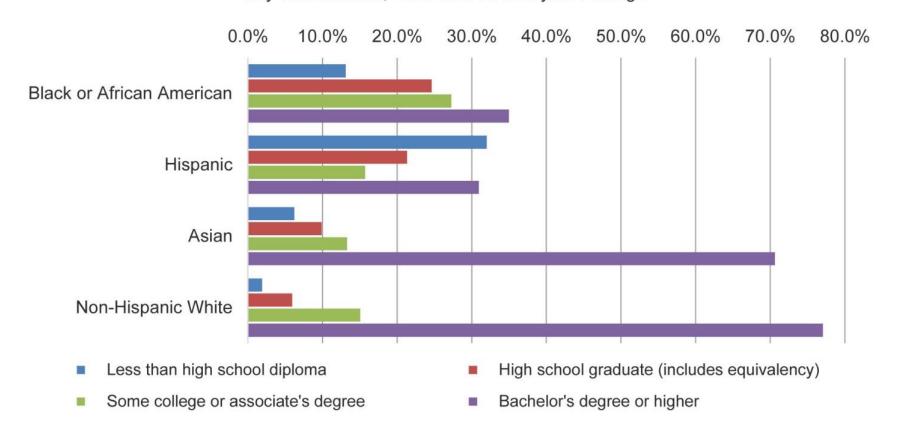




## **Educational Attainment**

Educational Attainment for Population 25 Years or Older by Race and Ethnicity

City of Alexandria, ACS 2009-2013 5-year Average

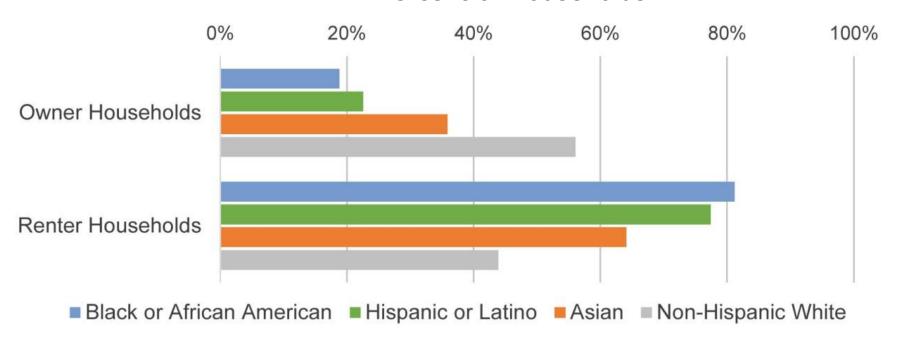


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# Housing Tenure

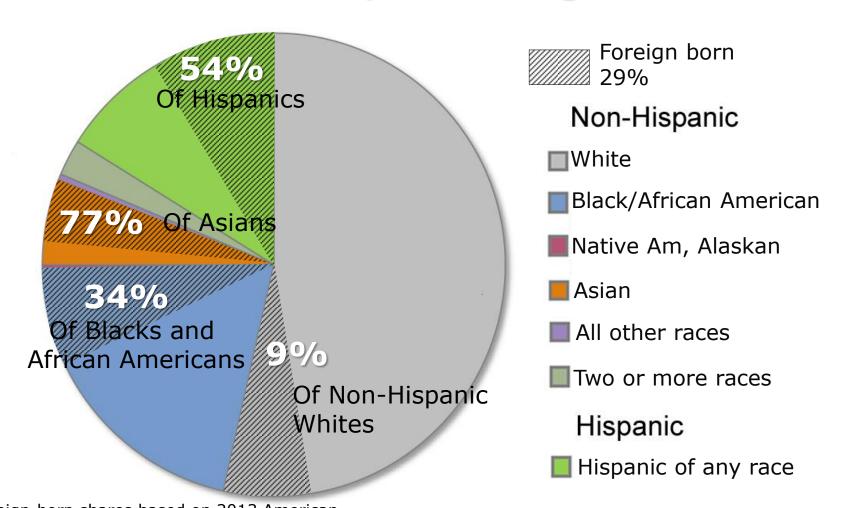
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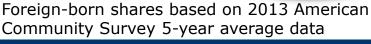


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# Race, Ethnicity, Foreign Born

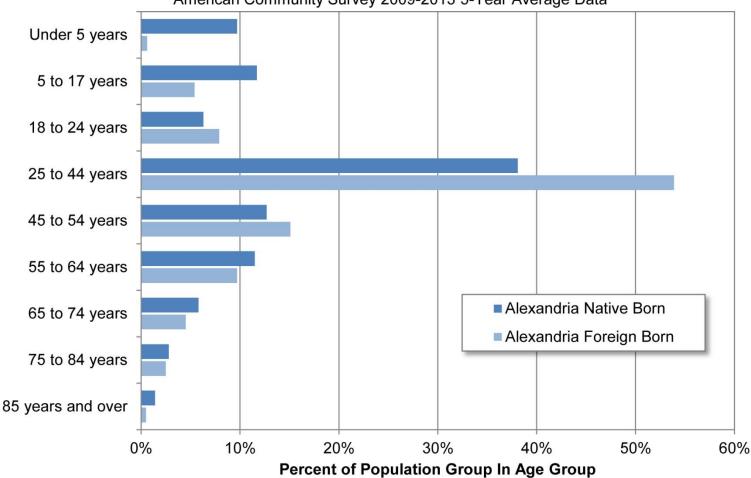






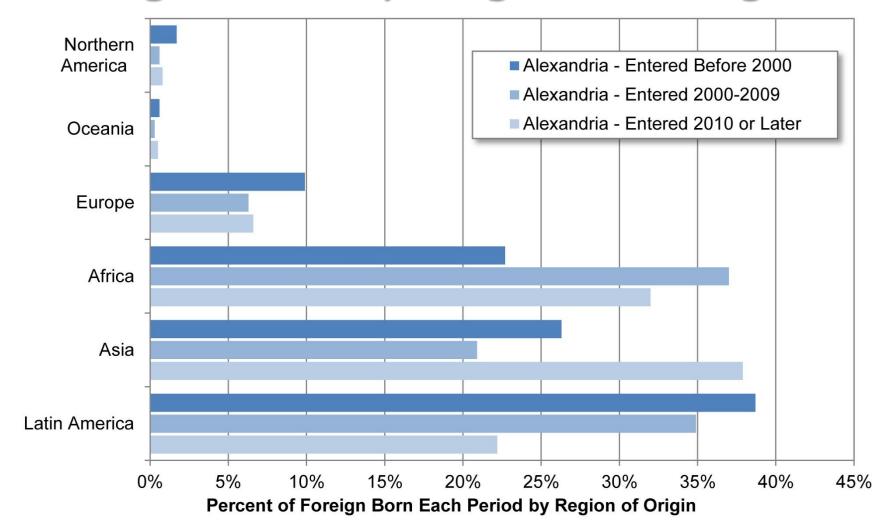
# Foreign Born by Age





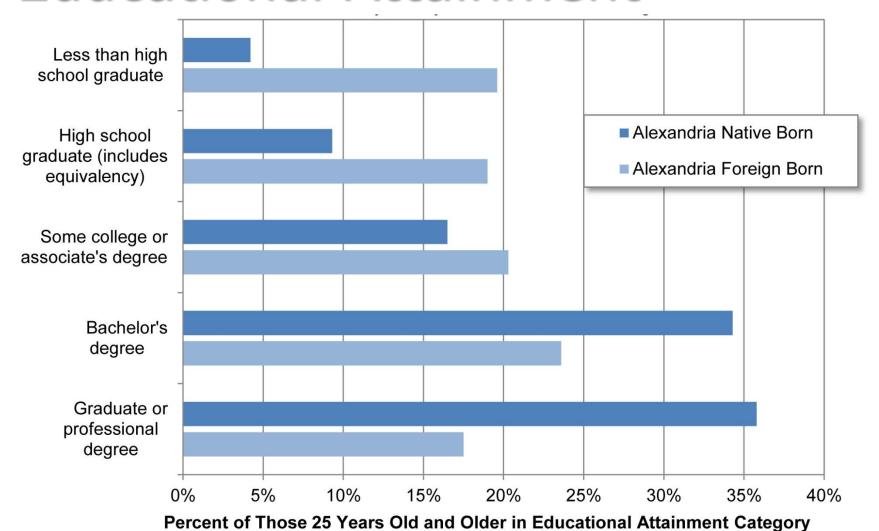


## Foreign Born by Region of Origin



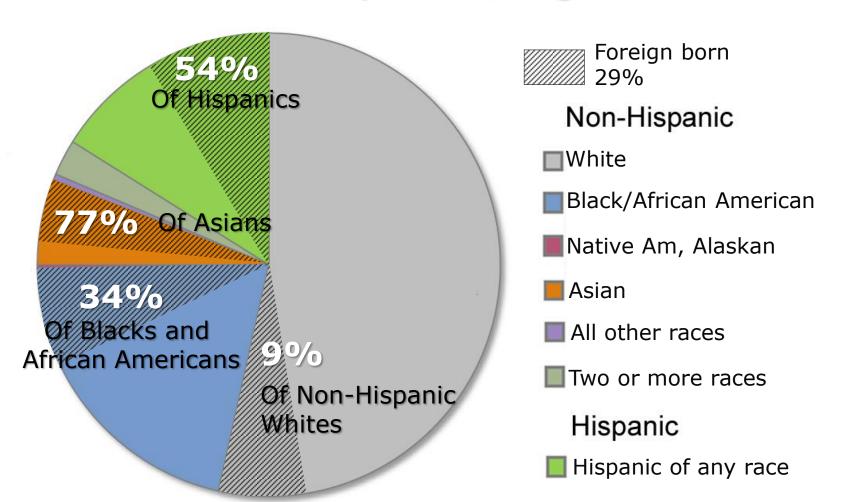


## **Educational Attainment**





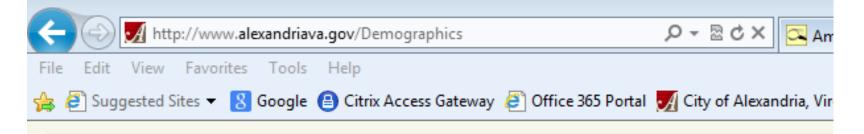
# Race, Ethnicity, Foreign Born



Foreign-born shares based on 2013 American Community Survey 5-year average data



## Data on the Web



# Planning & Zoning

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### www.alexandriava.gov/Demographics

#### What's New?

- October 10, 2014. Alexandria City of Millennials? This memo prepared by city staff reports on a study re
  Arlington as the U.S. jurisdictions with the greatest percentage growth in Millennials from 2007 to 2013. V
  old in the city, Alexandria definitely deserves its share of the Millennial championship. And beginning in 2
  instead, (though the city's baby-boomer demographer isn't likely to be here to take credit for his predictior
- October 2, 2014. American Community Survey 2013 Narrative Summary. This brief newsletter prepared I data, released by the Census Bureau on September 18, 2014. The data shows an increase in the share children, and a continuing trend to increasing ethnic and racial diversity. The senior share of the population to reverse soon as more and more baby boomers pass the 65-year mark.
- March 9. 2013. County-to-county commuter flows. These graphs show the percent of commuters into and

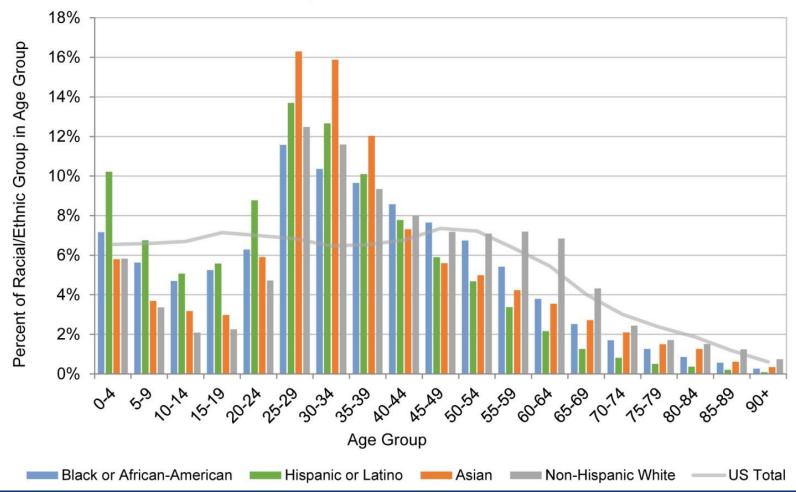




# Age Distribution

Age Distribution for Major Racial and Ethnic Groups

City of Alexandria, 2010 Census

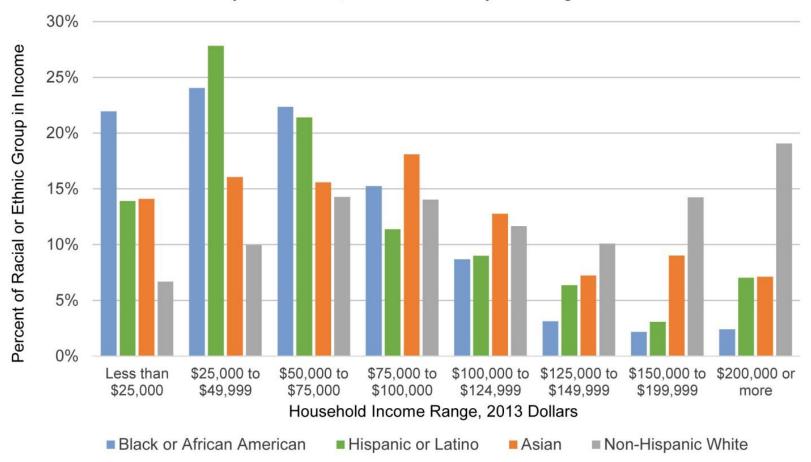




## Household Income

#### Household Income for Major Racial and Ethnic Groups

City of Alexandria, ACS 2009-2013 5-year Average





# Foreign Born by Occupation

#### Native Born and Foreign Born Working Populations by Occupation

American Community Survey 2009-2013 5-Year Average Data Management, business, science, and arts Service occupations Sales and office occupations Natural resources. construction, maintenance Alexandria Native Born Production. Alexandria Foreign Born transport, and matl moving 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80%

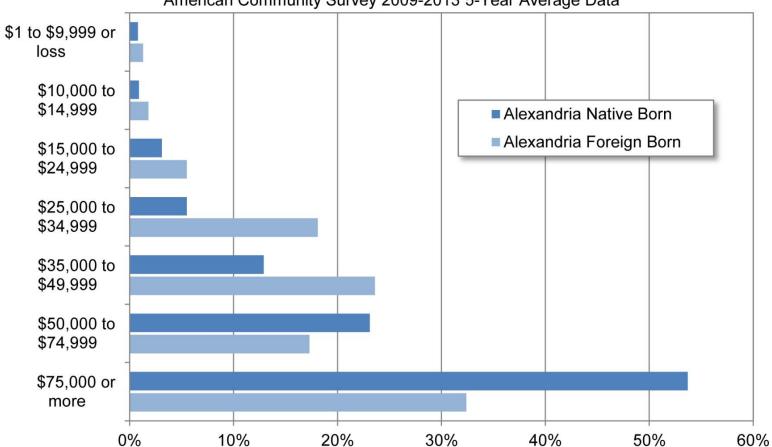
Percent of Those 16 Years and Over Working in Population Group in Occupational Category



# Earnings of Foreign Born

Native Born and Foreign Born Working Populations by Annual Earnings





Percent of Those 16 Years and Over With Earnings in Population Group in Earnings Category





#### City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314

#### Legislation Details (With Text)

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#### City of Alexandria, Virginia

**MEMORANDUM** 

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 18, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, ACTING CITY MANAGER /s/

**DOCKET TITLE:** 

Consideration of the City Council Schedule.

**ISSUE**: City Council Schedule.

**RECOMMENDATION**: That City Council:

- 1. Receive the revised Council Calendar (Attachment 1) which includes:
  - The City Council budget worksessions from March 2015 to May 2015;
  - The Alexandria Police Fallen Officers Memorial Dedication which is scheduled for Saturday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. at 3600 Wheeler Avenue. Refreshments will be served from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and
- 2. Approve the calendar.

File #: 14-3741, Version: 1

**DISCUSSION**: None.

**ATTACHMENT**: City Council Calendar for February 2015 - June 2015

**STAFF**:

Kilo L. Grayson, Acting Assistant to the Acting City Manager

<b>■</b> Jan 2015							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8	9	10 7 P.M. – City Council First Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	11	12	13	14	
15	16 HOLIDAY  Presidents' Day  1 P.M. –  G.W. Birthday Parade	17	18	19	20	<b>21 9:30 A.M.</b> – City Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers	
22	23	<b>24 7 P.M</b> . – City Council Second Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	25	26	27	28	

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	5 P.M. – Budget Proposal (Council Chambers)	4	5 6:30 P.M. – Public Budget Presentation (Tucker Elementary Cafeteria)	6	7 12:30 P.M – St. Patrick's Day Parade
8	9	<b>10 7 P.M</b> . – City Council First Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	11	6:30 P.M. – Worksession: Comp/Revenue/5 Year Model)	13	14 9:30 A.M. – City Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers
15	16 4 P.M. – Budget Public Hearing (Council Chambers)	6:30 P.M. Worksession: ACPS (Operating & Capital Budget) & Establish Tax Rate Ord./Set Max (LocationTBD)	18	19 6:30 P.M - Worksession: Safe Focus Area (Sister Cities 1101)	20	21
22	6:30 P.M. – Worksession: Livable Focus Area (Sister Cities 1101)	<b>7 P.M</b> . – City Council Second Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	25	<b>26</b> 6 P.M. – 35 <sup>th</sup> Annual Salute to Women Awards, U.S. Patent and Trade Office	27	28
29	30	31	Notes:			

## City Council Schedule as of 2/18/15

Attachment 1

~ April 2015 ~ May 2015 ►							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2	3 Good Friday	4	
<b>5</b> Easter	6	<b>7</b> 6:30 P.M. – Worksession: Healthy Focus Area (Sister Cities 1101)	8	9 6:30 P.M. – Worksession: CIP (Sister Cities 1101)	10	11	
12	13	<b>14 7 P.M</b> . – City Council First Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	15	16 6:30 P.M. – Hold: Worksession TBD (If needed)	17	18 9:30 A.M. – City Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers	
19	20	5:30 P.M. Worksession: Accountable Focus Area (Sister Cities 1101) 6:30 P.M. – Worksession: BFAAC (Sister Cities 1101) 7:30 P.M. – Tax Rate Public Hearing (Council Chambers)	22	23	24	25	
26	27	7 P.M. – City Council Second Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers  7 P.M. Preliminary Add/Delete Discussion (Council Chambers)	29	30	Notes:		

## City Council Schedule as of 2/18/15

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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3	4 6:30 P.M. – Final Add/Delete List Discussion (Council Chambers)	5	6	<b>7</b> 6:30 P.M. – Budget Adoption (Council Chambers)	8	9	
10	11	<b>7 P.M</b> . – City Council First Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	13	14	15	16 9:30 A.M. – City Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24	25 HOLIDAY  Memorial Day	26 7 P.M. – City Council Second Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	27	28	29	30	
31	Notes:						

<b>■</b> May 2015	~ June 2015 ~							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
	1	2	3	4	5	6		
7	8	9 Primary Election	10 7 P.M. – City Council First Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers	11	12	13 9:30 A.M. – City Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers		
14	15	16	<b>17</b>	18	19	20		
21	22	23 5:30 – ACPD Reception, Vola	24	25	26	27		
		Lawson Lobby <b>7 P.M</b> . – City Council Second Legislative, Meeting, Council Chambers						
28	29	30	Notes:					



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and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

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Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

#### [RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_]

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has on the date of this resolution recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, § 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.