City of Alexandria City Council Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 25, 2022 6:00 PM Council Chamber Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Amy B. Jackson, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, Sarah R. Bagley, John Taylor Chapman, Alyia Gaskins, and R. Kirk McPike.

Absent: None.

Also Present:Mr. Parajon, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning (P&Z); Fire Chief Smedley; Ms. Taylor, Assistant City Manager/Legislative Director; Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing; Ms. Orr, Deputy Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Mclean, Executive Assistant to the City Manager; Ms. Beach, Division Chief, P&Z; Mr. Maines, Division Chief, T&ES; Mr. Browand, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities; Police Captain Ballentine; Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Demeke, ITS, and Mr. Moss, ITS.

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

1. Calling the Roll

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

2. 6:00 p.m. -- Closed Meeting.

Closed Executive Session - Consideration of a closed session to discuss the disposition of publicly held real property where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council convene in closed executive session at 6:01 p.m., to discuss a personnel matter, and to discuss the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, specifically, the salary and performance of a specific public officer, and the potential sale of a portion of city property in the Eisenhower West neighborhood of the City; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(1) and (A)(3) of the Code of

Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

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

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3047

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 25th day of January, 2022 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.

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

4. Oral Report from and Discussion with U.S. Congressman Don Beyer.

U.S. Congressman Don Beyer gave an update on initiatives and policies being considered on Capitol Hill and how they will impact Alexandria and responded to questions from City Council.

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

*Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission (Councilwoman Gaskins and Councilmember Bagley)

Councilmember Bagley reported that the Commission introduced several new members and gave them an orientation, including goals. Councilmember Bagley noted that one of highlights we the beginning of monthly themed programming for the group and the information will be on the website. Councilwoman Gaskins thanked the Commission's advocacy and the Department of Community and Human Services staff for helping the child care providers get testing kits.

*Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force(Councilwoman Gaskins and Councilman Aguirre)

Councilwoman Gaskins reported that the Task Force will begin to let members service as Chair and Vice Chair instead of the Council representation serving as chairs. Councilwoman Gaskins also reported that the Task Force will be working on developing a strategic plan with specific goals and target with the help of Ms. Eckert from Department of Community and Human Services.

*Waterfront Commission (Councilmember Bagley)

Councilmember Bagley reported that Commission received a \$3.24 million Preparedness Grant to help fund some of the work along the Waterfront and there is \$50 million grant with FEMA pending that might supplement \$100 million committed to Waterfront projects. Councilmember Bagley reported that Seaport Foundation is working on second building to expand their operations and programs. Councilmember Bagley noted that there was discussion on lower King Street issues and noise issues.

*Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Councilmember Bagley)

Councilmember Bagley reported that Margaret Franklin was installed as the new chair of the Board and she noted that the Board took action on investment of audio/visual displays throughout the systems. Councilmember Bagley noted that the Board is evaluating ridership as it is still a challenge because of COVID impacts.

*Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP)(Councilmember Bagley and Councilman Aguirre)

Councilmember Bagley reported that ACAP has continuously provided services during the pandemic through the teen wellness center. Councilmember Bagley noted that the Center has been able to provide students with health care, advice and other counseling services throughout the pandemic. Councilmember Bagley reported that there has been significant progress in hiring the youth engagement specialist and the employee is expected to begin soon. The Board is monitoring legislation in the General Assembly that potentially targets LGBQT youth.

Councilman Aguirre reported that the Board also reviewed the bylaws and working on a collaboration with the Commission on HIV/AIDS for a presentation in the near future. Councilman Aguirre reported that there will be a designated space for the teen wellness center on the new Minnie Howard campus.

*Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) (Mayor Wilson)

Mayor Wilson reported that the Authority formalized the election of the new officers, with Phyllis Randall from Loudoun County continuing as chair. Mayor Wilson reported that group discussed legislation in the General Assembly and their impacts on NVTA and the region. Mayor Wilson reported that he would continue as chair of the Programming and Planning subcommittee.

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

Mayor Wilson reported that the subcommittee welcomed Jacinta Greene and Mr. Parajon to the subcommittee. Mayor Wilson reported that the subcommittee discussed school projects and the facility assessments and how that work is proceeding and there was a discussion of the budget process and timing. Mayor Wilson requested that Council members send topics so they may be added to the list. Mayor Wilson reported that there was a discussion about school crossing guards and the effort to hire and possibly look at the hiring for those positions.

Councilman Chapman noted that the subcommittee would begin discussing specific topics at the monthly meeting and safety issues has been added to the list for discussion.

*ARHA Redevelopment Work Group (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)

Mayor Wilson reported that Group continues to plan for the joint work session with the ARHA Board and the Planning Commission. Mayor Wilson reported that they are still waiting on an announcement on the Ladrey and Headquarter site.

*Commission on Aging (Councilman Aguirre)

Councilman Aguirre reported that there a presentation on qualifying for benefits in the City and there was election of new chairs and vice chairs for some of the Commission on Aging's subcommittees.

*COG - Transportation Planning Board (TPB) (Councilman Aguirre)

Councilman Aguirre reported that the Board welcomed the new chair and reviewed the connection of automated vehicles in the region.

*Potomac Yard Metrorail Implementation Group (PYMIG) (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Aguirre)

Councilman Aguirre reported that the Potomac Yard Metro station will be opening in Fall 2022. Mayor Wilson noted that the major milestone for the construction of the project is the cutover of the trains through the station, possibly in September 2022.

*Commission on Information Technology (Mayor Wilson and Vice Mayor Jackson)

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that the Commission discussion the franchise agreements and how they would like to be able to provide Council with more information on technology.

*Potomac Watershed Roundtable (Vice Mayor Jackson)

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that the Roundtable received a presentation from the Virginia Solar Initiative that reviewed rooftop solar/power purchase agreements.

*COG- Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee (Vice Mayor Jackson)

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that the Committee chaired the meeting and she noted that the CBPC paper competition will kickoff soon. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that there will be a winter salts update in March on the website. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that there was speakers from DC Water and WSSC discussing utilities infrastructure priorities.

*Citizen Corps Council (Vice Mayor Jackson and Councilman McPike)

Councilman McPike reported that this was his first meeting and he was excited to learn about the programs and contributions of the Council.

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that Mr. Whatley discussed Volunteer Alexandria needed funding for an emergency coordinator as of June to sustain the position.

*Visit Alexandria Board of Governors (Vice Mayor Jackson)

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that the Board received a presentation from Stephanie Landrum from Alexandria Economic Development Partnership on the 699 Prince Street project. Vice Mayor Jackson noted that their was an increase in hotel occupancy during the Christmas Boat Parade in December. Vice Mayor Jackson reported that many in the hospitality industry are reporting issues with staffing for their businesses.

*City Council/Alexandria Renew Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Vice Mayor Jackson)

Vice Mayor Jackson reported that Alexandria Renew has maintained the timeline for the completion of the CSO project for the City. Mayor Wilson noted that there is work occurring on all four of the project sites.

*Legislative Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman McPike)

There will be an update on this item later in the docket.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Parajon thanked City Council, City staff and the community for the warm reception he has received during his first week of work with the City.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

5. Update on the 2022 Virginial General Assembly Session.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 23, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 5; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the legislative positions included in Recommended Positions on Bills of Impact to the City, as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee at their January 14 and January 21, 2022 meetings. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

6. FY 2022 Draft Proposed Long-Range Planning Interdepartmental Work Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 18, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 6; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) received the report and provided guidance to staff on the Draft FY 2023 Long-Range Planning Interdepartmental Work Program; and (2) scheduled the Work Program for final consideration and adoption on May 10, 2022. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

7. Consideration of a Grant Application to the 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 18, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 7; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) approved the submission of a grant application for \$6 million over a three-year period to partially fund the addition of 20 additional firefighters for relief staffing for the Alexandria Fire Department (AFD) over a three-year period; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

8. Consideration of a Resolution to Endorse the Completion of the Capital Trails Coalition Network. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 18, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 8; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of this record.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman McPike and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council approved the resolution to endorse the completion of the Capital Trails Coalition Network. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The vote was as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3048

RESOLUTION TO COMPLETE THE CAPITAL TRAILS NETWORK

WHEREAS, the Capital Trails Network is a connected system of multi-use trails (largely off-road) located in the jurisdictions that comprise the Metropolitan Washington region, including the City of Alexandria, the District of Columbia, the City of Falls Church, Fairfax City, and Prince George's, Montgomery, Fairfax, and Arlington Counties; and,

WHEREAS, the Capital Trails Coalition seeks to create a world-class network of 881 miles of multi-use trails that are equitably distributed throughout the Washington, D.C., metropolitan region (of which 479 miles are already complete); and,

WHEREAS, the regional trails network will transform public life by providing healthy, low-stress access to open space and active transportation for people of all ages and abilities to their daily destinations around the region; and,

WHEREAS, when the trails network is complete, nearly 4 million people will live within a 2-mile walk or ride of the network, giving them access to jobs, businesses, transit, and recreational opportunities, while also reducing the region's greenhouse gas emissions by bolstering its sustainable transportation network. Completing the 40 priority trail projects (91 miles of trail) will bring access to an additional 231,000 residents in underserved areas that have historically lacked safe access to trails and open space (61% of which are Black and 14% of which are Hispanic); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria and other local governments in the region have already made significant progress towards planning, designing and constructing the forty (40) priority projects with 21 miles of trail currently in construction and \$100M already allocated to planned projects. This regional commitment will help ensure the adequate resources to complete the remaining miles; and,

WHEREAS, the Capital Trail Coalition projects are also City priorities that have been and will be a focus when requesting federal and state funding streams; and,

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board, our region's Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

(MWCOG) have both recently adopted the National Capital Trail Network, which includes the 40 priority trail projects identified by the Capital Trails Coalition, as a regional priority. The network is already being used to prioritize funding from federal, state and local grant programs including the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and the Transportation-Land Use Connections (TLC) Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Capital Trails Coalition Network forms the crossroads of multiple regional and national long-distance trails, including the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail, the Grand History Trail, the September 11th National Memorial Trail, the American Discovery Trail, the C&O Canal Towpath, the Great American Rail-Trail, and the East Coast Greenway, which collectively span 33 states and tens of thousands of miles; and,

WHEREAS, the results of a recent "Voices of the Region" survey conducted by MWCOG, which asked over 2,400 Washington Region residents about their travel before, during and after the COVID-19 pandemic, show that residents' travel patterns have changed as a result of the pandemic and that they would like to continue to walk (53%) and bike (26%) more and drive less post-pandemic. Additionally, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy has found that 65% of over 800 participants surveyed in the Washington Region consider trails and open space to be important to them; and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has highlighted the importance of investing in greenspace. According to the 2020 <u>Menino Survey of Mayors</u>, three out of four mayors expect residents to spend more time visiting parks and greenspace than they did before the pandemic, and roughly two-thirds expect residents will spend more time biking or walking. In the same survey, 38% of Mayors expect parks/recreation to see dramatic financial cuts in their community; and,

WHEREAS, completing the trail network would make the Washington Metropolitan Area a model for other regions across the nation. As working remotely becomes the new normal for more people following the COVID-19 pandemic, our area will be competing with other regions to attract top talent. A robust regional trail network will make our region more competitive for attracting and retaining new residents and businesses, and the network will generate \$1.02B in economic impact each year; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia hereby endorses the completion of the Capital Trails Coalition Network.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the Virginia Department of Transportation.

9. Consideration of Grant Applications to the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) for the FY 2023 State Aid Grant Programs for Capital and Operating Assistance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 18, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 9; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman McPike and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council approved the resolution to support application and submission of the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) by February 1, 2022 for the following grants: (1) submit up to \$25,000,000 in eligible transit operating expenses for state aid transit operating assistance grant consideration; (2) submit up to \$6,300,000 in eligible transit capital expenses for state aid capital assistance; (3) apply for \$331,300 in grant funding for the City's commuter assistance program; and (4) authorize the City Manager to apply for State Aid Grants through the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) and enter into any necessary agreements with the Commonwealth of Virginia and/or NVTC to accept and implement the grant programs. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads:

RESOLUTION NO. 3049

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION STATE AID GRANT PROGRAM FOR FY 2023

WHEREAS, in 2018, the General Assembly passed HB 1539, which required the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to update the State Aid Grant Programs for operating and capital assistance based on performance metrics beginning in FY 2020; and

WHEREAS, HB 1539 establishes separate prioritization processes for the Board's Six Year-Improvement Program, state of good repair projects, and major expansion projects and makes numerous changes to the administration of revenues for mass transit in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MERIT Statewide Transit Grant Program is to fund transportation projects through a prioritization process that evaluates each project's merits using key benefits related to congestion mitigation, economic development, accessibility, safety, environmental quality and land use; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit an application for Operating Assistance State Aid for the City of Alexandria to include up to \$25,000,000 in eligible expenses; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit application for Capital Assistance State Aid of up to \$6,300,000 to acquire eight buses to replace older buses at the end of their useful lives; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit application to the Commuter Assistance Program for \$331,300 to increase the percentage of commuters using alternative transportation options; and,

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

1. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports the application for State Aid up to 31,631,300 through the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation and the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission for the State Aid Grant Program; and

- 2. The City Council hereby commits to include funds for its local match of agency funds for the CAP grants, if awarded, in its Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget; and
- 3. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby grants authority for the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required under this program.
- 9a. Consideration of a Resolution Designating the Acting City Manager During Temporary Absence of the City Manager. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 9a; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman McPike and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council repealed Resolution No. 2927 and adopted the resolution to designate person(s) to act as City Manager in the temporary absence of the City Manager. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3050

WHEREAS, Section 4.05 of the City Charter provides that, in the event of the temporary absence, disability or resignation of the City Manager, the City Council may by resolution appoint a person to perform the duties of City Manager until the Manager returns to duty, or a successor to the City Manager is duly appointed.

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

- That, in the scheduled absence of City Manager James F. Parajon, the City Manager may designate one of the following individuals to be appointed and authorized to perform the duties of the City Manager: Deputy City Manager Debra Collins, Deputy City Manager Laura B. Triggs, Deputy City Manager Emily Baker, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services Yon Lambert and Director of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities James Spengler.
- In the event the City Manager is unable to perform his duties due to illness, emergency or other unforeseen situation, and is unable to designate a person according to Section 1 above, the following is the order in which these persons shall act in the position of City Manager:
 - (a) Deputy City Manager Debra Collins, until Mr. Parajon returns to duty.
 - (b) In the absence of Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager Laura Triggs, until either Mr. Parajon or Ms. Collins returns to duty.

- (c) In the absence of Mr. Parajon, Ms. Collins, and Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager Emily Baker, until Mr. Parajon, Ms. Collins, or Ms. Triggs returns to duty.
- (d) In the absence of Mr. Parajon, Ms. Collins, Ms. Triggs, and Ms. Baker, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services Yon Lambert, until Mr. Parajon, Ms. Collins, Ms. Triggs, or Ms. Baker returns to duty; and
- (e) In the absence of Mr. Parajon, Ms. Collins, Ms. Triggs, Ms. Baker, and Mr. Lambert, Director of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities James Spengler, until Mr. Parajon, Ms. Collins, Ms. Triggs, Ms. Baker or Mr. Lambert returns to duty.
- 3. That this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption, and shall replace Resolution No. 2927, which shall be, and hereby is, rescinded.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Councilman Aguirre requested a quarterly report on SROs from the ACPS at the first February legislative meeting.

2. Councilman Aguirre inquired about the number of SROs present at the high school and received an update from Police Captain Ballantine who noted that there are three SROs at the high school on a rotating basis.

3. Councilman Aguirre reported that the First Night Alexandria Awards were held and former City Manager Jinks and former Councilwoman Pepper were recognized.

4. Councilman Aguirre reported that the City employees held their 26th Annual MLK Celebration recently.

5. Councilman Aguirre recognized the Departmental Progressive Club who held their installation of officers and the ceremony was also attended by Mayor Wilson, Councilman Chapman and City Manager Parajon were in attendance as well.

6. Councilman Aguirre reminded everyone to complete the Fair Housing Survey by the end of month on the MWCOG website.

7. Councilman Chapman requested an update on Flood Action Alexandria at an upcoming meeting.

8. Councilmember Bagley noted that she donated blood today and encourage the community to make a blood donation to help with the shortage.

9. Vice Mayor Jackson noted that Landmark Mall is being re-branded to the West End.

OTHER

10. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 18, 2022, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 10; 1/25/22, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council received and approved the Council Schedule which based on Council's January 11 action now includes, the 2022 Virginia Municipal League - Local Government Day on Thursday, February 3, 2022 from Noon to 7 p.m., at Omni Richmond Hotel, 100 South 12th Street, Richmond, Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman McPike, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned by January 25, 2022 regular meeting at 9:18 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

Approved: March 8, 2022