

**City of Alexandria  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 10, 2023 - 7:00 PM  
City Council Legislative Meeting**

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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; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Gonsalves, Assistant City Manager; Ms. Wedeles, City Manager's Office; Ms. Fleming, Director, Communications and Public Information; Ms. Manual, Chief Human Resources Officer; Ms. Kelleher, Director, Office of Human Rights; Ms. Teate, Strategic Communications Manager, Communications and Public Information; Ms. Babecki, Language Access Coordinator, Communications and Public Information; Ms. Lanham, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership; Ms. Seuhr, Director, Project Implementation; Mr. Ferguson, Performance Analyst, Office of Performance Analytics; Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Demeke, ITS; and Police Captain Ballantine; and Mr. Lloyd.

Recorded by: Keia Waters, Deputy City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

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**I. OPENING**

**1. Calling the Roll.**

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

**2. Approval of Electronic Participation Resolution by Members of City Council.**

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the resolution City Council adopted the resolutions regarding Electronic Participation by Members of City 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.

(A copy of the resolution is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 2; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**3. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance**

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:**

Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes for the Following Meetings:

The Public Hearing Minutes of November 12, 2022;  
The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2022;  
The Special Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022;  
The Regular Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022; and  
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2022.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council approved the minutes for the following meetings of City Council: the Public Hearing Minutes of November 12, 2022; the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2022; the Special Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2022; the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022; and the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of December 17, 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.

**II. PROCLAMATIONS**

- 5.** Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing the 90th Anniversary of The Twig Junior Auxiliary of Inova Alexandria Hospital.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. 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.** Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing January as Alexandria Mentoring Month.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Gaskins, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. 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.

- 6a.** Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing Human Trafficking Awareness Day.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. 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.

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

**\*Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Councilmember Bagley)**

Councilmember Bagley reported that the board discussed and debated FY 2024 budget and its plan to return to a full jurisdiction subsidy. Councilmember Bagley noted the budget, just shy of the full \$18 million subsidy, was presented to NVTC and approved. Councilmember Bagley highlighted that ridership doubled in 2022 and the board is looking to identify new customers to utilize the trains.

**\*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Councilmember Bagley and Councilman Aguirre)**

Councilmember Bagley reported that the board appointed a new Chairman, Dalia Palchik, and expressed appreciation to Councilman Aguirre for his leadership as the Immediate Past Chairman.

Councilman Aguirre highlighted some of the accomplishment including the increase on the number of website hits with the addition of the bilingual surveys. Councilman Aguirre acknowledge the new executive members, Chairman, Dalia Palchik, Vice-Chair Matt De Ferranti and Secretary-Treasurer, David Snyder.

**\*Health and Safety Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilwoman Gaskins)**

Councilman Gaskins reported that the boards topic for this month centered around youth and families, and the board received an update on the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Center. Councilwoman Gaskins highlighted key components of the report such as detention centers, health safety, re-entry programs, old buildings that are under-utilized. Councilwoman Gaskins noted the board received a preview of the Youth Safety and Resilience Concept, a direct response to a memo drafted and approved by Council, to identify the needs of the youth in the community.

Mayor Wilson acknowledge the staff working to gather the input from the city's youth, and noted the information detailed some challenges but overall excited to see the progress. Mayor Wilson noted the need to broaden the future solutions for the site, as it is aging and under-utilized.

**IV. ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

None.

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR (7-15)**

**7. Receipt of the following resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:**

- (a) Environmental Policy Commission  
Nicole Heckman
- (b) Public Health Advisory Commission  
Jacob Weinberg

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item 7 (a-b); 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**8. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:**

- (a) Beautification Commission - 2-year term  
2 Citizen Members
- (b) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee - 2-year term  
1 School Board Representative
- (c) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission - 3-year term  
1 community member with expertise in children, youth and family issues, public safety, medical/health related profession or non-profit experience
- (d) Commission on HIV/AIDS - 3-year term  
1 Citizen Member
- (e) Commission on Persons with Disabilities - 2-year term  
1 Citizen Member
- (f) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee - 2-year term  
1 Citizen Member
- (g) Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia- 3-year term  
1 Provider Member
- (h) Park and Recreation Commission - 3-year term  
1 Planning District III representative
- (i) Public Records Advisory Commission - 2-year term  
1 Citizen Member
- (j) Social Services Advisory Board - 3-year term  
1 Citizen Member

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

**9. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending November 30, 2022.**

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 9; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**10. Consideration of (1) Appointment of a Police Officer Representative and Alternate and Firefighter Representative and Alternate to the City of Alexandria Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Board and (2) Appointment of a General Schedule Representative and two General Schedule Alternates and a Deputy Sheriff Representative and Alternate to the City of Alexandria Supplemental Retirement Board.**

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 10; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**11. Receipt of the Viewers' Report for Vacation #2022-00002 - Vacation of public right-of Way adjacent to the property at 4600 Eisenhower Avenue.**

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 11; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**12. Consideration of the Release of Language Contingency Funds for Employee Language Pay Program.**

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 12; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**(Ordinances for First Reading)**

**13. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Permanently Move the Polling Place in the Chinquapin Park Recreation Center Precinct to Alexandria City High School and Rename the Precinct accordingly.**

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 13; 1/10/23; 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 Item No. 13; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**14. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to vacate a portion of the public right-of-way at the corner of eastbound Eisenhower Avenue and the southbound Eisenhower Avenue/Clermont Connector, adjacent to the property at 4600 Eisenhower Avenue (VAC No. 2022-00002) (Implementation Ordinance for Vacation No. 2022-00002 associated with Restaurant Depot approved by City Council on November 12, 2022).**

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 14; 1/10/23; 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 Item No. 14; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**15. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance authorizing the owners of the property located at 3451 Exchange Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301, to construct and maintain an encroachment for the extension of a curtain wall overhang into the future East Reed Avenue right-of-way at that location (Implementation Ordinance for Encroachment No. 2020-00004 associated with 3601 Potomac Avenue - North Potomac Yard project approved by City Council on October 17, 2020).**

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 15; 1/10/23; 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 Item No. 15; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

## **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilwoman Gaskins and carried unanimously, City Council approved the consent calendar items 7-11 and 13-15, item 12, was acted upon on a separate vote. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

7. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Environmental Policy Commission, Nicole Heckman, and (b) Public Health Advisory Commission, Jacob Weinberg

8. City Council appointed the following uncontested applicants to City boards, commissions and committees: (a) Beautification Commission, two citizen members, Maralyn O'Brien and Eleanor Quigley; (b) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee, School Board Representative, Kathy Stenzel; (c) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission, community member with expertise in children, youth and family issues, public safety, medical/health related profession or nonprofit experience, Sara Waskowicz; (d) Commission on HIV/AIDS, Citizen Member, Margaret Nabors; (e) Commission on Persons with Disabilities, Citizen Member, Thomas Valluzzi; (f) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee, Citizen Member, Susan Johnson; (g) Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia, Provider Member, Michael Carrasco; (h) Park and Recreation Commission, Planning District III representative, Katy Matthews; (i) Public Records Advisory Commission, Citizen Member, Cameron Cook; (j) Social Services Advisory Board, Citizen Member, Paul Almeida.

9. City Council received information on the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending November 30, 2022.

10. City Council received information on (1) Appointment of a Police Officer Representative and Alternate and Firefighter Representative and Alternate to the City of Alexandria Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Board and (2) Appointment of a General Schedule Representative and two General Schedule Alternates and a Deputy Sheriff Representative and Alternate to the City of Alexandria Supplemental Retirement Board.

11. City Council received information on the Viewers' Report for Vacation #2022-00002 - Vacation of public right-of Way adjacent to the property at 4600 Eisenhower Avenue.

13. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, January 21, 2023.

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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 Councilmember Bagley and carried unanimously, City Council approved the consent calendar item 12. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

12. City Council received information for the Release of Language Contingency Funds for Employee Language Pay Program.

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.

## **VI. ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (16-19)**

16. Consideration of a Resolution Designating Certain Flags to Be Flown on Certain City Properties in Accordance with the City's Flag Policy. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 16; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

17. Consideration of a Resolution to Apply for a Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for the FY 2024 State of Good Repair Program. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 17; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

18. Consideration of a Resolution to Extend the Term of the River Renew Stakeholder Advisory Group. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 18; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

19. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City to Accept a Donation from ALX Dog Walk Alexandria to the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 19; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

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

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the roll-call consent items 16-18,

item 19, was acted upon on a separate vote following the presentation of the proclamation. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

16. City Council adopted a Resolution Designating Certain Flags to Be Flown on Certain City Properties in Accordance with the City's Flag Policy.

The resolution reads as follows:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 3124**

### **RESOLUTION REGARDING GOVERNMENTAL SPEECH ON CERTAIN CITY PROPERTIES**

**WHEREAS**, on October 25, 2022, the City Council enacted Resolution No. 3105, declaring that the City's flagpoles and flag flying locations are reserved for the City's speech and are not a public forum,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council resolved in Resolution No. 3105 to allow flags to be displayed in conjunction with or pursuant to official proclamations or resolutions ("Commemorative Flags") by the City Council of the City of Alexandria,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to enumerate which Commemorative Flags may be displayed on the City's flagpoles and other flag flying locations,

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

1. The following Commemorative Flags may be flown on City-owned or operated flagpoles or flag-flying locations:

- a. The flag of any of the Armed Forces of the United States;
- b. The Pan-African flag during Black History Month, in February of a given year;
- c. The Women's Day flag during Women's History Month, in March of a given year;
- d. The flag of the Republic of Ireland during Irish American Heritage Month, in March of a given year;
- e. The flag of the Red Cross during Red Cross Month, in March of a given year;
- f. A Remembrance Banner for the lynching of Joseph McCoy in April of a given year;
- g. The Flags of the United States and France in remembrance of D-Day in June of a given year;
- h. The Pride flag during Pride Month, in June of a given year;
- i. A Banner commemorating Juneteenth in June of a given year;
- j. A Remembrance Banner for the lynching of Benjamin Thomas in August of a given year;
- k. The flag of Scotland on the day of the Scottish Christmas Walk parade occurring in December of a given year.

2. The City Manager is empowered to enact policies consistent with this resolution.

3. This resolution shall be in force immediately upon its passage and shall expire upon the installation of the next City Council in 2025.

17. City Council adopted a Resolution to Apply for a Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for the FY 2024 State of Good Repair Program.



(Res. No.3125)

The resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 3125**

**RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (VDOT)  
PRIMARY EXTENSION GRANT FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit a competitive grant application of funds of up to \$400,000 through the VDOT State of Good Repair (SGR), program; and

**WHEREAS**, up to \$400,000 of these funds are requested to fund the resurfacing of roadway network segment: King Street from South Peyton Street to Washington Street; and

**WHEREAS**, up to \$50,000 of agency funds are requested for any expenditure increases exceeding the original project estimates or awarded grant amounts to fund the resurfacing of roadway network segment: King Street from South Peyton Street to Washington Street.

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

1. Hereby supports this application for an allocation up to \$400,000 through the Virginia Department of Transportation State of Good Repair Program;
2. Hereby commits to include agency funds up to \$50,000, if awarded, in its FY 2024 Capital Improvement Program budget; and
3. Hereby grants authority for the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required under this program.

18. City Council adopted a Resolution to Extend the Term of the RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group.

The resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 3126**

**WHEREAS**, City Council has established the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group to monitor the City's project to remediate its combined sewer system;

**WHEREAS**, the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group held its first meeting on February 18, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group was extended in December 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the project is still ongoing and City Council wishes to ensure a continued forum for community input and monitoring of the implementation of this program.

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

## **VIRGINIA THAT:**

1. The term of the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group will hereby be extended by 365 days.
2. The Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group will include the following representatives:
  - a. One (1) member that is nominated by the North Old Town Independent Citizens' Association.
  - b. One (1) member that is a resident or representative of a business near Tobacco Quay, Oronoco Waterfront Residences, or Rivergate.
  - c. One (1) member that is nominated by the Old Town Civic Association.
  - d. One (1) member that is a resident, representative of a business, or representative of a non-profit near South Royal/Green Streets.
  - e. One (1) member that is nominated by the Eisenhower Partnership.
  - f. One (1) member that is a resident or representative of a business of the Carlyle community or Duke Street corridor.
  - g. One (1) at-large member that is a resident of the City with and interest in the RiverRenew project.
  - h. One (1) member that is a resident with engineering, environmental, financial, or related experience that is not a member of any firm involved with or in pursuit of work associated with RiverRenew.
  - i. One (1) member with interest or expertise in diversity, race and social equity, and inclusivity issues.
3. That the City Manager, or designee, and Alexandria Renew Enterprises General Manager, or designee, shall appoint the members for the RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group, naming one as Chairperson;
4. That the functions of the RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group shall be to:
  - a. Review and monitor the progress of RiverRenew through the final design and construction phases;
  - b. Communicate the progress of RiverRenew to the community by leveraging existing networks and serve as spokespeople for RiverRenew;
  - c. Serve as a central body for receipt and dissemination of information for RiverRenew; and
  - d. Review and provide recommendations to minimize community impacts.
5. That the organizations listed will nominate an individual for appointment as their designated representative.
6. That all other members will be appointed by the City Manager, or designee, and the Alexandria Renew Enterprises General Manager, or designee, following a call for nominations that is publicized through public meetings, print media, online, and community and business association meetings.
7. That Alexandria Renew Enterprises, with support from the City, will staff the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group.
8. That pursuant to City Code Section 2-4-8, the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group member appointments shall be revisited on an annual basis.

9. That pursuant to City Code Section 2-4-8, the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group shall meet on an ad hoc basis and shall be extended for a period of 365 days.

10. That the Ad Hoc RiverRenew Advisory Group shall cease to exist upon (i) the completion of its enumerated functions, (ii) the date it submits its final oral or written report to City Council, (iii) the expiration of the term specified in this Resolution or of any extensions, or (iv) three years from the date of its initial meeting, whichever occurs first.

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 Vice Mayor Jackson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the roll-call consent item 19. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

19. City Council adopted a Resolution Authorizing the City to Accept a Donation from ALX Dog Walk Alexandria to the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 3127**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM ALXDOG WALK ALEXANDRIA TO THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.02 (e) of the Charter of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, (1950), as amended, City Council has the authority to accept gifts and donations; and

WHEREAS, ALX Dog Walk Alexandria wants to donate to the City of Alexandria \$25,250. This donation is made possible by the funds raised through ALX Dog Walk's first annual dog walk which was held on April 2, 2022; and

#### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA VIRGINIA HEREBY:**

Accepts the donation from ALX Dog Walk Alexandria for:

1. Planting of twenty-one (21) trees at South Reynolds Street and Edsall Road, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, during the City's planting season in the Spring 2023; and
2. The restoration of the original water garden and corresponding educational signage at King Street Gardens Park.

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.

#### **VII. CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS**

20. Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee - 2-year term

1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

Scott Campbell (Residency Waiver Required)  
Kathleen Griffin  
Krystal Johnson  
Walter Nicklin  
Sara Rhoades  
Kathryn Taplett  
Tracy Taylor

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 20; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Walter Nicklin as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Nicklin
Jackson	-	Nicklin
Aguirre	-	Griffin
Bagley	-	Nicklin
Chapman	-	Nicklin
Gaskins	-	Nicklin
McPike	-	Taylor

**21. Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee - 3-year term**  
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

Endorsement:

Aschalew Asabie  
Fabiana Becker  
Catherine Chase  
Breanna McCoy

Betsy Faga, Chair, AHAAC

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 21; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Aschalew Asabie as the citizen member to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Asabie
Jackson	-	Asabie

Aguirre	-	Asabie
Bagley	-	Asabie
Chapman	-	Asabie
Gaskins	-	Asabie
McPike	-	Asabie

**22. Alexandria Renew Enterprises - 4-year term**  
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

Jeffrey Bennett  
S. Elizabeth Birnbaum  
Rebecca Hammer  
Ann Harbour  
John Hill\*  
LaJuanna Russell  
Charles Weber

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 22; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed John Hill as the citizen member to the Alexandria Renew Enterprises. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Bennett
Jackson	-	Hill
Aguirre	-	Hill
Bagley	-	Hill
Chapman	-	Hill
Gaskins	-	Hill
McPike	-	Hammer

**23. Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee - 2-year term**  
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

John Goebel  
Christine Hoeffner\*

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

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Christine Hoeffner as the citizen member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Hoeffner
Jackson	-	Hoeffner
Aguirre	-	Goebel
Bagley	-	Hoeffner
Chapman	-	Hoeffner
Gaskins	-	Goebel
McPike	-	Goebel

**24. Commission on Information Technology - 3-year term  
1 Citizen Member**

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

NAME:

Jay Chauhan  
Matthew Dantin  
Ashley Hess  
Sundaramoorthy Kanagarajan\*  
Tyler Sams

**City Council appointed Jay Chauhan.**

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 24; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Jay Chauhan as the citizen member to the Commission on Information Technology. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Chauhan
Jackson	-	Chauhan
Aguirre	-	Chauhan
Bagley	-	Chauhan
Chapman	-	Kanagarajan
Gaskins	-	Chauhan
McPike	-	Chauhan

**25. Community Criminal Justice Board - 2-year term  
1 Citizen Member**

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

NAME:

Corina Freitas  
Larry Knisley



Matthew Taylor  
Travis Williams (Residency Waiver Required)  
Max Wolson

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 25; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Matthew Taylor as the citizen member to the Community Criminal Justice Board. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Wolson
Jackson	-	Freitas
Aguirre	-	Taylor
Bagley	-	Taylor
Chapman	-	Wolson
Gaskins	-	Taylor
McPike	-	Wolson

Due to lack of a majority a second vote was made. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Wolson
Jackson	-	Taylor
Aguirre	-	Taylor
Bagley	-	Taylor
Chapman	-	Wolson
Gaskins	-	Taylor
McPike	-	Wolson

**26. Library Board - 2-year term  
1 Citizen Member**

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

NAME:

Jeffrey Cohn  
Alan Levy  
Albert Moseley

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 26; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Albert Moseley as the citizen member to the Library Board. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Moseley
Jackson	-	Levy
Aguirre	-	Moseley

Bagley	-	Moseley
Chapman	-	Moseley
Gaskins	-	Moseley
McPike	-	Moseley

**27. Planning Commission - 4-year term**  
2 Citizen Members

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

NAME:

David Brown\*  
Stephen Koenig\*  
Mary Lyman

**City Council appointed David Brown and Stephen Koenig.**

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 27; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed David Brown and Stephen Koenig as the citizen members to the Planning Commission. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Brown, Koenig
Jackson	-	Brown, Koenig
Aguirre	-	Brown, Koenig
Bagley	-	Brown, Koenig
Chapman	-	Brown, Koenig
Gaskins	-	Brown, Koenig
McPike	-	Brown, Koenig

**28. Redevelopment and Housing Authority - 4-year term**  
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

Mark Abramson  
Peter Kleeblatt\*

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 28; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Peter Kleeblatt as the citizen member to the Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The vote was as follows:

Wilson	-	Kleeblatt
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Jackson	-	Kleeblatt
Aguirre	-	Kleeblatt
Bagley	-	Kleeblatt
Chapman	-	Kleeblatt
Gaskins	-	Kleeblatt
McPike	-	Kleeblatt

## **VIII. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION**

### **29. 2023 City Council Priorities, Compensation Philosophy and Economic Development Business Plans and Priority Initiatives Updates.**

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 29; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

## **IX. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None.

## **X. ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

1. Councilman Aguirre congratulated the graduating class at the fire department.
2. Councilman Aguirre acknowledged the International Academy hosting the first Yalda Night Celebration in recognition of the winter solstice.
3. Councilman Aguirre expressed the need to clarify and document authority and relationships with various State departments, Constitutional offices and various groups and agencies.
4. Councilwoman Gaskins noted the BIPOC Small Business Grant program will be open from January 26, 2023 to February 10, 2023 and thanked everyone that has participated in the discussion.
5. Councilmember Bagley acknowledged the young women at the Yalda Night Celebration and highlighted the visual poem presentation and encouraged others to keep eye out for this event.
6. Councilmember Bagley noted the final Torpedo Factory stakeholders meeting on governance will be held on January 18, 2023 and encouraged the community to participate.
7. Councilman Chapman noted Alexandria is ranked third in the nation of the Loneliest City and encouraged people to connect with one another and get involved.
8. Councilman Chapman noted today marked his 10<sup>th</sup> year on City Council and thanked the community.
9. Mayor Wilson noted for street naming process has been adopted, it is a petition process to rename streets within the city that were a direct protest to the Civil Rights Movement. A memo was circulated to Council that highlights the process and the involvement of HARC and the Naming Committee. The goal is to rename three streets a year but looks to staff for guidance.

## **XI. OTHER**

### **30. Consideration of City Council Schedule.**

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 10, 2023, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 30; 1/10/23, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilmember Bagley and carried unanimously, City Council to approve City Council Schedule with updates. 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.

## **XII. ADJOURN.**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilmember Bagley and carried 7-0, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of January 10, 2023 at 10:10 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:

  
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JUSTIN M. WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Keia Waters, CMC, Deputy City Clerk