

March 13, 2014

Dear City Council and Mayor Euille,

I write this letter fully aware of the current budget situation but believe that no one on the City Council would allow such an oversight to occur at the expense of the health and safety of our children.

The Armistead Boothe Park Construction project begins next week and I have had the opportunity to attend multiple pre-construction meetings as PTA President of Samuel Tucker ES and as a parent of a third grader. Of major concern is the final plans for the children's play areas, which are located close to the street and do not include a surrounding protective fence.

It is my understanding that the plans previously approved and funded by both the City Council and the School Board had a protective fence, which would encircle the new play areas. Who from the City approved the work order for an item of this magnitude to be eliminated from the project? Who will be responsible and held accountable should a child run into the street since they are positioned right next to the school's parking lot? Why were parents not notified prior to the week before construction that an item that is important for the protection and safety of their children would not be budgeted?

I have been working with the project manager and worry that the proposal for a temporary fence will not materialize when the construction exceeds its budget as almost all projects do. I also was told this fact at our preconstruction meeting last night. In addition, after speaking with the Campagna director at Tucker, she informed me of a city ordinance that restricts Campagna children from utilizing a play area that is not surrounded by a fence when it is a certain yardage from the road. Can you please check this city ordinance because if that is the case our Campagna kids will have no outside playground?

I am asking the city to investigate why a major change was authorized without notification to all parties. I also would like to know if the city can provide the additional \$49,000 that is needed to construct the fence that was in the original park plans. Thank you very much for your assistance with this matter.

Signed,

Daria Dillard, a concerned parent

Jackie Henderson

From: amonroe1234@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 3:47 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48619: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council please keep warwick pool open this year

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Request Details:

- * Name: Andrea Fus
- * Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- * Phone Number: No Phone
- * Email: amonroe1234@gmail.com
- * Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- * Request Description: please keep warwick pool open this year
- * Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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Jackie Henderson

From: cmoran241@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 9:14 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48615: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Council:Please open the Warwick P

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Request Details:

- * Name: Craig Moran
- * Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- * Phone Number: 7038370039
- * Email: cmoran241@yahoo.com
- * Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- * Request Description: Dear Council:
Please open the Warwick Pool this summer. It's an important part of our neighborhood and serves many other neighborhoods. It also provides relief, in this part of the city, to persons without air conditioning in their residence.

Sincerely,
Craig Moran

- * Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 8

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From: beatrice.a.porter-gruel@leidos.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 8:55 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48634: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Warwick Pool needs to stay open for at l

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Bea Porter
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-228-0326
- Email: beatrice.a.porter-gruel@leidos.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Warwick Pool needs to stay open for at least one more summer. This is a follow up to Bill Rivers submittal #48614. Last year with the Chinquapin Pool closed for repairs to the facility it put quite an overload on the Olde Towne Pool. This year due to the Jefferson Houston construction we have already lost a lot of parking near the Olde Towne Pool. There needs to be more long term studies on the Warwick Pool, especially to see how much use it actually gets during the summer. Funds are already set aside for FY14 to support the Warwick Pool. Please vote to keep Warwick open for at least one more summer, then upgrade it for future summers. Alexandria needs its pools, it needs its people to know how to swim. If we get a nice hot summer this year I am sure everyone will appreciate having all our pools open. Thank you.
- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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From: leslie.wilder@wap.org
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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48639: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I am discouraged to learn that Warwick P

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Request Details:

- Name: Leslie Wilder
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-549-1896
- Email: leslie.wilder@wap.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I am discouraged to learn that Warwick Pool may not be opened this summer. The pool is a valuable community resource, enabling people to get acquainted as well as providing healthy exercise.
- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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From: CommunityRelations@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 8:49 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48633: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Mayor and Members of City Council:

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: *Call.Click.Connect.* Customer
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor and Members of City Council:

You might be getting emails about saving Warwick pool, but I am here to ask you to close it. Please do not waste our precious City resources by putting a band aid on warwick pool. Please look at aquatics as a whole and make a decision for the long term. Warwick is not on our property and will be a money pit for many years to come. Instead, please invest wisely in a spraypark and another pool in a different location. Sprayparks are wonderful and most of our neighboring jurisdictions have them. They do not take as much money to operate and can generate revenue. I know that they do not teach kids how to swim, which might get the scholarships in the future, but it introduces kids to water which will help them learn how to swim in the long term.

I also ask you to go to neighboring jurisdiction and take a look at a 50 meter pool. It is huge. I believe that we need another indoor pool but do not think we need a 50 meter. If you take a look at the use of Chinquapin pool, it is busy in the mornings and afternoons but dead during the day, for many hours. We don't want to have a 50 meter pool sitting around empty as well. You should turn the current pool into a warm water pool for classes, seniors and therapeutic programs. Then, build a new 25 (a real 25 meter pool) for swimmers and swim teams.

Aquatics is very important to our city, but again, I ask that you think of long term needs of our City and not a quick fix to make a couple of people happy.

Thank you.

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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From: abby.ahlers@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 8:14 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48624: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I am writing to request that Council keep

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Request Details:

- Name: Abigail Ahlers
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 4043533191
- Email: abby.ahlers@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I am writing to request that Council keep the Warwick Village pool open this summer. As an Alexandria resident who lives in Warwick Village, I am not sure what will happen if it closes. The pool is filled with families every day of the week and so many people count on being able to enjoy the hot summer days by the pool. Alexandria already has such a small number of public pools, it would be a shame to close one of the bigger ones this summer. The Old Town city pool off Cameron St. is an alternative, but the lack parking in the area, the close proximity construction surrounding it, and the crowds that it would have due to other pool closures would make it a very unattractive one. During a time when there are so many positive movements to get kids outdoors and being active, closing one of the major resources allowing for that seems wrong. I would ask that the Council reconsider closing the Warwick Village pool this summer.
- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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From: rivers.15wmtida@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 8:30 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48614: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Mayor and Members of Council: At t

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

A request was just created using *Call.Click.Connect.* The request ID is 48614.

Request Details:

- Name: Bill Rivers
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703.6836526
- Email: rivers.15wmtida@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor and Members of Council: At the Council's Budget Hearing on the proposed FY 2015 Budget, on behalf of the Advocates for Alexandria Aquatics (AAA), I thanked the City Manager and his staff for preserving the proposed \$23 million capital outlay for pools that you approved a year ago and I made a request to keep Warwick pool open for one more summer. We appreciate your stand in support of aquatics last year and encourage you to preserve the \$23 million in the proposed budget.

As we eagerly await the results of the Chinquapin Feasibility Study, we have been reaching out to the community to expand our membership and position ourselves to take action once the Study is done. One aquatics area, however, requires attention independent of the Study. And that is the Warwick pool situation.

As you are aware, the City Manager has proposed closing the Warwick pool this summer to save operating expenses. Tied into that decision is the fact that the pool requires some repair work before it can open this summer. April 10 is the deadline set by City Staff for a decision to be made to open the Warwick Pool by Memorial Day. A decision by then is necessary for the contractor to make the repairs before a Memorial Day opening.

While we understand the rationale advanced by the City Manager for closure, we don't agree that it is a prudent decision at this time. Last year, you made the decision to keep the Warwick pool open, in part because of the temporary closure of Chinquapin for repairs. That worked well as the kids in the Lynhaven, Warwick, Arlandria, and Del Ray communities, as well as others throughout Alexandria, had a place to swim. A similar situation has arisen this year. The construction on the new school at Jefferson-Houston has understandably eliminated any parking at the Old Town pool for the time being. While the parking lot is scheduled to be done in time for the opening of the summer season, weather and other factors could precipitate delays causing the parking lot to remain closed. It would be wise to have Warwick open to provide an outlet for swimmers unable to access the Old Town pool, as well as provide summer recreation for its regular users.

AAA recommends keeping Warwick open for one more year and then seriously re-evaluating its continued usage in the future. By that time, we will have a firm answer from Virginia Theological Seminary regarding their participation in the longer-term future of the pool. The relatively small capital outlay needed this year is already allocated as part of the FY 2014 budget so no additional capital dollars are needed at this time.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and we would be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

Bill Rivers

Chair, Advocates for Alexandria Aquatics

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 8

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From: rebyrd@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 9:35 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48616: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council This is a request to keep Warwick Villag

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Request Details:

- Name: Rosa Byrd
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-549-2931
- Email: rebyrd@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: This is a request to keep Warwick Village pool open this summer. There are lots and lots of children in the Hume Springs and Lynhaven neighborhoods who attend that pool
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 8

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From: CommunityRelations@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 9:36 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48617: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Hello. I live on Aspen Street in Warwick

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: *Call.Click.Connect.* Customer
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Hello. I live on Aspen Street in Warwick Village and am a loyal supporter of the city's compost program, dropping off my pail each Saturday morning at the Del Ray Farmer's Market. I ask that the Council please reauthorize funding for the compost program, which helps create a cleaner and healthier community for all our families. Thank you for your time.
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 8

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Jackie Henderson

From: jenny@friendsofwarwickpool.org
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 4:00 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48620: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council From: Jenny Malseed3204 Landover St

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

A request was just created using *Call.Click.Connect.* The request ID is 48620.

Request Details:

- Name: Jenny Malseed
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 202-669-5727
- Email: jenny@friendsofwarwickpool.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: From:
Jenny Malseed
3204 Landover St
Alexandria, VA 22305

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

I was deeply saddened to learn of the city budget manager's proposal to close the pool this summer. I urge you to reconsider.

Have you ever visited the pool in the summer? My family uses Warwick Pool several times a week, and nearly every time we go, it is crowded with people of all ages, sizes and shapes. Really! It is! Please believe me. It is such a wonderful testament to our active and diverse community.

I have read the studies and I support a new Aquatics strategy for Alexandria. I beg you to keep Warwick open for at least one more year because that will allow the Warwick Village Citizens Association and the Advocates for Alexandria Aquatics to continue meeting with the Virginia Theological Seminary (owners of the pool land) to see if private sector funds can be available to help the City out. It will allow for a planned transition to either an improved pool or a spray ground there.

Please – please keep the pool open this year.

Sincerely,

Jenny Malseed
Alexandria Citizen and Mom to two active boys
Member of Warwick Village Citizens Association
Member of Advocates for Alexandria Aquatics (AAA): <http://alexandriaaquatics.com/>
Member of Friends of Warwick Pool: <http://www.friendsofwarwickpool.org/>

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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Jackie Henderson

From: paretspeppers@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 7:47 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48621: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Honorable Council members and Mayor

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Bruce Roberts
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 5402721166
- Email: paretspeppers@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear Honorable Council members and Mayor,

I would like to suggest that the Warwick pool remain open for the 2014 season. I can easily walk or ride my bicycle there and plan to use the facility 30 to 40 times this season. The other pools are not nearly as convenient for me to use. Also, there are many families with children within neighborhood that would benefit from a nearby community pool.

Sincerely,

Bruce Roberts, a Del Ray resident.

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 9

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From: jsupple@sssas.org
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 10:34 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48571: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear members of the City Council,I a

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Request Details:

- Name: Jim Supple
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-212-2777
- Email: jsupple@sssas.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear members of the City Council,

I am the Summer Programs Director at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School in Alexandria. For many years now we have enjoyed a very successful relationship with Warwick Pool as hosts for our Summer Camps. For 9 weeks throughout the summer months, we send groups daily to the pool. Warwick pool, and the City of Alexandria, has always been gracious to us and has provided top quality supervision and professionalism. It is our hope that we can continue this relationship with the City of Alexandria, and in particular Warwick Pool.

Being a neighborhood pool, it is one that many of our camp families have grown accustomed to. It is my hope that you will be able to find a way to ensure we can continue this relationship with Warwick Pool. Thank you for any considerations you may make as it is a vital part of our summer programs community.

Respectfully,

Jim Supple

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 8

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Jackie Henderson

From: flowers15@verizon.net
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 9:39 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48557: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Please renew the budget for the composti

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

A request was just created using *Call.Click.Connect.* The request ID is 48557.

Request Details:

- Name: Susan Tate
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703 549 4572
- Email: flowers15@verizon.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Please renew the budget for the composting program in Alexandria. We are an Eco City, and this is a great and easy way for us to be part of that. It's extremely popular in Del Ray. What a great feeling to carry our bucket to the Farmer's Market and see so many neighbors doing the same thing--this is why we love living in a small city where we can make a difference.

Thank you.
Sue Tate

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 8

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From: snyderdavida@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2014 5:08 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48536: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Please continue funding for the composti

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: David Snyder
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 2022563960
- Email: snyderdavida@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Please continue funding for the composting program. It is so much easier to stick with than doing our own composting and has become a weekly habit for our family, and an enviro education opportunity for our daughter. The folks at the Del Ray Farmers Market are always extremely friendly and helpful.

Thanks,
David Snyder
E. Del Ray Ave.

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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From: beatrice.a.porter-gruel@leidos.com
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2014 11:29 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48335: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Hello. Today I am writing to you in hop

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Bea Porter
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-228-0326
- Email: beatrice.a.porter-gruel@leidos.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Hello. Today I am writing to you in hopes you will hear the need for more parking, in particular at the Olde Towne Pool, Durant Center, and the surrounding block. With all the construction going on with the new school and the destruction of the parking lot, which is in process of being rebuilt, I am hoping you will ask ACPS and Parks and Rec to keep the new parking lot open to the public after school hours. Prior to a year ago, the parking lot had been open to the public after school hours, there was a sign at the entrance stating this. As myself and my neighbors have been so inconvenienced by the closing of the parking lot and the construction we have become afraid to move our cars. There are so many people that are seeking parking in the area of the 1700 block of Cameron and Buchanan Streets, if we move we lose. We get ticketed if we park at the meters without feeding the meters, we get ticketed if we squeeze into the Buchanan Street Alley. We are tax paying citizens, we pay property tax on our vehicle, we pay property tax on our homes. We also are charged a parking fee by the City to park near our homes. The City now has so many people that come to the City to work or use the metro, people are now parking on both sides of Buchanan Street. We have a number of vehicles that live in the #5 zone that bring their cars to our streets so they can catch the metro or buses. Some of these cars stay for more than a day at a time and because the ones with the 5 decal on them are parked there, they are not getting ticketed. We need the parking lot to be available to the residents after school hours. If this cannot become available, then the city needs to stop charging its residents parking fees. There are a lot of vehicles that use our City that come and park for free. Why are the residents having to bear the grunt of this? Either open the parking lot or stop charging us. Thank you.
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, April 3

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Jackie Henderson

From: CommunityRelations@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Sunday, March 30, 2014 9:52 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48457: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I understand the compost collection prog

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Patrick Kelly
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I understand the compost collection program that has been underway at the Mt. Vernon Farmers market may not be funded in the future. This service is widely used and supported by the community. Please consider continuing the program in the spirit of our Eco-city charter:

"SOLID WASTE

Recognizing that managing waste is a public health issue as well as a quality of life issue, Alexandria will maintain its well-preserved public image by managing, handling, and disposing of solid waste in an environmentally sustainable manner. Alexandria will manage waste as a hierarchy of uses with the following priorities:

- Priority One: Reduce
- Priority Two: Reuse
- Priority Three: Recycle
- Priority Four: Resource recovery (e.g., convert to energy, composting, etc.)
- Priority Five: Proper disposal"
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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Jackie Henderson

From: jjmarks92@gmail.com
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2014 9:19 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48433: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Over the last several months we have gre

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Request Details:

- Name: Justin Marks
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 303-564-3872
- Email: jjmarks92@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Over the last several months we have greatly enjoyed the pilot composting program. This was a wonderful idea. Please make this program permanent.

When we started composting the Del Ray farmers market was receiving 700 pounds of compostable food products. That was during the polar vortex. Now, the Del Ray farmers market collects 1500 pounds.

This program is still in its infancy. Please support it. These types of programs, along with bike lanes, and great libraries is what makes this community an amazing place to live.

Our Saturday morning trip to the farmers market is now part of our routine and we typically stop and either shop at the market or shop at one of our community stores.

Thank you,

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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Jackie Henderson

From: wendyba493@gmail.com
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2014 7:07 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48431: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council To the City Council:For the past month

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Request Details:

- Name: Wendy Band
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: wendyba493@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: To the City Council:
For the past months we have been involved in a pilot project to help Alexandria enter the 21st century as regards recycling and reusing.
Each week we have happily dropped off pounds of compost to the Farmers Market in hopes that this fledgling program would not only continue but expand. We recently learned that the program will not be funded after July and this is most unhappy news. We came from Denver, CO, where the composting program is incredibly successful (please contact the Denver program for details) and believe this type of program to be cost effective and important for the Alexandria recycling effort. Please keep me posted as to the future of this program. Please, don't shut it down, but rather let it grow (quoting The Lorax here).

Wendy Band

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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Jackie Henderson

From: jecato@gmail.com
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2014 2:07 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48414: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Please continue to fund the composting p

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Request Details:

- Name: Jonathan Cato
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-340-6282
- Email: jecato@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Please continue to fund the composting program that currently operates through the Del Ray farmer's market. Most lots in my neighborhood (Lynhaven) are too small for mulching bins without being unsightly, or, for that matter, smelling up the neighborhood. The composting program provides a valuable service to Del Ray and Lynhaven and reduces waste that would otherwise have to be collected by the city. The rich compost that those who participate get in return is valuable to the many with home or community garden plots. This is a great program with many, many participants and should continue to be funded.
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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Jackie Henderson

From: april.scripps@gmail.com
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2014 11:50 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48406: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Please renew the budget for the composti

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Request Details:

- Name: April Scripps
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 54090724567
- Email: april.scripps@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Please renew the budget for the composting program. It is a great asset to the city!

April Scripps
404 E Custis Ave
Alexandria, VA 22301

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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Jackie Henderson

From: michellekrocker@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 2:41 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48392: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Mayor Euille and members of City Council

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Request Details:

- Name: Michelle Krockner
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-919-0049
- Email: michellekrocker@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Mayor Euille and members of City Council,

Attached is a letter from members of the City's nonprofit community who provide housing and services for our low and moderate income households. The letter contains recommendations for the FY2015 budget which we hope you will consider before final adoption. We thank you for all you do for Alexandria, and appreciate your time and consideration of our requests.

(The attachment did not go through on the earlier message.)

- Attachment: <http://request.alexandriava.gov/GeoReport/UploadedFile.ashx/docx/01df2480-b1e4-44ec-afb6-35d93a740229>
- Expected Response Date: Friday, April 4

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To: Alexandria City Council
From: Alexandria Budget Advocacy Coalition for Housing and Human Services
Date: March 21, 2014
Re: Housing and Human Service Budget Recommendations for FY2015

As you consider the FY 2015 proposed city budget, we urge you to make additional and needed investments in housing, health and human services programs. These recommendations were developed through a collaborative process of nonprofit housing developers, human service providers, and advocacy organizations identifying community needs and then making recommendations for the FY 2015 budget. Our organizations work daily with many vulnerable families who live and work in Alexandria. It will take both the public and private sectors, working together, to secure the resources critical to these working families and at-risk individuals in our community. We believe that strategic public investments in housing and human services can leverage significant amounts of private capital to provide an excellent return on the city's investment to maintain a viable and diverse community. The guiding principles that informed our decisions are as follows:

- No one recommendation takes priority over the others;
- Each recommendation funds a program that is an essential component of a system of housing and services that offer individuals and families in need the optimum chances for success;
- These recommendations support a wide spectrum of households along the housing continuum;
- No funding for new initiatives is requested. Instead, these recommendations fund coordinated efforts between housing and service providers to deliver critical safety net supports with maximum efficiency and adoption of best practices.

Our recommendations are as follows:

Healthy and Thriving Residents

Rental Subsidy Program

We support the City Manager's addition of \$240,000 for Senior/Disabled Rent Relief in the proposed budget. The current budget for rent relief is \$ 272,177, and has not changed since FY2007. This program supports approximately 80 households annually who are income-eligible elderly or disabled renters. The maximum subsidy will be capped at \$500/month, serving households that earn no more than \$25,600 annually. This funding will provide support for approximately 30 additional households.

Homeless Prevention Services

We request an addition of \$100,000 for Homeless Prevention Services in the proposed budget. This program has expended approximately \$293,000 YTD, and prevented 206 people from becoming homeless. While length of time for assistance varies, the average shelter costs for individuals are approximately \$3,800 per person compared to the average subsidy for homeless prevention of \$1,400 per person. Keeping families and individuals in their homes is clearly of greater benefit, and more cost effective. However, this program has run out of funding, and can no longer be strategic for providing prevention services. Therefore we urge additional funding for this program in FY2015.

Disposition of the Aspen and Grayson Properties

Two city-owned or city-financed properties used as transitional housing for eight CSB clients and clients dealing with substance abuse are no longer in use for those purposes, and the disposition of the properties is uncertain. As noted in the Housing Master Plan, "there is an unmet need of 795 affordable housing units for persons with disabilities in Alexandria, and locating residential programs for CSB clients and/or homeless individuals is a community challenge." Currently, however, there is neighborhood acceptance for these two facilities. As a result, we urge the Council to direct the City Manager and appropriate staff to work with nonprofits in the community to continue their use for residential programs focused on these hard-to-serve populations.

Alexandria Fund for Human Services

We respectfully request that the funding for the Alexandria Fund for Human Services (AFHS) for FY2015 be restored to the FY2014 level, increasing the City Manager's proposed budget by \$111,829. A 5.5% decrease, following six consecutive years of level funding by the city, is a significant cut. City funds strengthen the ability of the nonprofit community to leverage private resources, in-kind donations, and volunteer hours from private citizens, the faith community, the business community, and foundations. This loss of funds will have a significant negative impact on programs delivered by our nonprofit organizations and, more importantly, those who are most vulnerable in our community.

JobLink Employment Services

We note the reduction in funding for employment services for adults through JobLink. Employment training and job placement are critical to the success of families and individuals to thrive and achieve greater self-sufficiency. However, this program was not helpful for many of the households we serve. We urge the city to support employment programs that address the challenges of very low income persons with high barriers to employment – language skills, life skills, basic educational deficiencies, criminal histories, etc. Initiatives that engage potential employers and community colleges with nonprofit organizations offer the best opportunities to train residents in the life and professional skills they need and place them in jobs. We would welcome the opportunity to work with city staff to explore new opportunities to address this goal.

Livable, Green and Prospering City

Homeownership

We support the City Manager's addition of \$214,000 for five additional loans to low and moderate income Alexandria residents, noting that this is an increase above the four loans made in the last fiscal year. A key provision of the Housing Master Plan is to "provide and support affordable and workforce home purchase opportunities for Alexandria residents and workers." We hope that a way can be found to support a housing counselor, either by the city or outsourced to a third party. This homeownership education involving all aspects of home purchase and financing is critical to successful homeownership by reducing the incidence of delinquent mortgage payments or foreclosures.

Affordable Housing and the Adopted Goal of 2,000 newly committed units by 2025

Securing decent, affordable housing in Alexandria remains one of the greatest challenges for low and moderate income households, many of whom are employed full-time. Consider the following statistics from the Housing Master Plan:

- Over 6,000 market affordable rental units lost from 2000 – 2010;
- Over 12,000 affordable ownership units lost to increased property values in the same period;
- The analysis of future housing needs shows a net deficit of approximately 15,000 units by 2030 for households earning at or below 60% of the area median income;
- The shortage of units in all bedroom sizes for households earning at or below 30% of area median income is approximately 3,500 units.

We applaud the Council's unanimous approval of the Housing Master Plan, and adoption of the goal to preserve or build 2,000 units by 2025. Securing 800 units of committed affordable housing at Beauregard was a significant accomplishment, but given the tremendous documented need for housing that is affordable, we urge the Council not to include these units - which were committed in 2012 - in the 2000 unit goal beginning in FY2015.

To support new construction or preservation of affordable rental housing, we urge City Council to consider a long-term, annual investment in housing which can leverage private funding to meet housing goals. The proposed FY15 Office of Housing budget provides a total of \$3.4 million available to develop or preserve new affordable rental housing, and increase the city's committed affordable housing stock. This breaks down into the following categories:

- Housing Trust Fund \$2,135,000
- Federal funding 833,980 (HOME funds)
- General fund 490,000 (.06 cents of real estate tax)

The majority of Housing Trust Fund monies is one time carryover funding from FY14, and 25 percent of this \$3.4 million allocation is federal funding which is declining. We appreciate the continued commitment of the .06 cents of the real estate tax, and would urge allocation of additional funding in FY2016 as federal dollars continue to shrink. As affordable housing developers seek opportunities in the city, they will need an annual, reliable source of public funding to leverage their financing and bridge the gap to provide rents to moderate income households. The proposed funding for FY2015 is barely adequate for a 50 unit development, and would not support additional development opportunities.

This coalition appreciates the significant budget challenges for FY2015, and thanks you for your commitment to address our concerns for those in our community who are homeless, elderly or disabled, or simply low and moderate income workers who struggle to keep up with the cost of living in Alexandria. We stand ready to work with you to maintain the critical safety net of services and make the city a safe and prosperous place for all Alexandrians, regardless of income or ability.

Sincerely,

AHC, Inc, Walter Webdale, President and CEO
 Alexandria's Economic Opportunities Commission, Dipti Pidikiti-Smith, Chair
 Alexandria Housing Development Corporation, Daniel Abramson, Chairman of the Board
 Alexandria NAACP, LaDonna Sanders, President
 Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless, Michael O'Rourke, Executive Director
 Carpenter's Shelter, Lissette Bishins, Executive Director
 Community Lodgings, Lynn Thomas, Executive Director
 Friends of Guest House, Kari Galloway, Executive Director

Governing Board for the Partnership to Prevent and End Homelessness, Pam Michell and Lissette Bishins, co-chairs
Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia, Jon Smoot, Executive Director
K.I. Services, Inc, Yvonne Williams, Executive Director
New Hope Housing, Pam Michell, Executive Director
Northern Virginia Affordable Housing Alliance, Michelle Krockner, Executive Director
Northern Virginia Family Service, Mary Agee, President and CEO
Rebuilding Together Alexandria, Katharine Dixon, President and CEO and Donald Holley, Chairman of the Board
Wesley Housing Development Corporation, Shelley Murphy, President and CEO

Jackie Henderson

From: maryjanekramer@gmail.com
Sent: Sunday, March 30, 2014 9:35 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48455: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council March 30, 2014Dear Honorable Mayor

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Mary Jane Kramer
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7036836294
- Email: maryjanekramer@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: March 30, 2014

Dear Honorable Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Members of the City Council:

We are writing to express the deep concern of many of our members over the budget proposal to remove Fire Engine 204 from Station 204.

Budget documents admit that this action will increase response times on the City's East Side. In fire and other emergency situations, seconds count. Therefore, many residents of the area served by Engine 204 realistically fear a significant loss in protection if this proposal is adopted. They are also dismayed to learn that the removal of Engine 204 is to occur before the city does a comprehensive study of the deployment of equipment and personnel in relation to call volume, call types, and other factors. The City Manager says this study will not be completed until FY 2016, after Engine 204 is moved.

Also surprising to area residents is that this proposal comes at a time when the north and northeast parts of Alexandria are experiencing a substantial increase in residential and commercial development. Combining this increase in the number of new residents and structures needing fire protection with the existing large number of older structures that lack modern fire suppression and are thus more apt to suffer rapid and disastrous destruction due to fire, makes this proposal more puzzling.

Finally, we have recently discovered that the area in which Engine 204 currently resides is plagued by substandard water pressure, significantly lower than on the West End, making the immediate availability of the pumping power of multiple fire engines critical here.

We understand the financial problems facing the city and appreciate the difficulty in balancing the budget. However, public safety is the highest priority of governments at all levels. All sectors of Alexandria deserve fire and EMS protection that meet or exceed national standards, which this budget appears not to do.

We urge you to revise this budget so that all Alexandrians can feel secure that their lives and property are protected. This can occur only when all sectors of the city receive protection equal to the highest standard.

Sincerely,

Mary Jane Kramer. President,

NorthEast Citizens' Association

Tom Soapes, President,
North Old Town Independent Citizens Association

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 7

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Jackie Henderson

From: brettcha@msn.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 8:33 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48261: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I am a resident of 1219 Michigan Court i

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Request Details:

- Name: Brett Chambers
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 202-210-3987
- Email: brettcha@msn.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I am a resident of 1219 Michigan Court in the north part of Old Town.

I'd like to register my opposition to the relocation of Fire Engine 204 from the Powhatan station to the new Eisenhower Valley station. This move will adversely affect our neighborhood and its residents. With the ongoing massive expansion of housing in our part of Old Town, the relocation of the Engine 204 will significantly increase both the response time and the possibility of risk to our neighborhood.

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 1

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Jackie Henderson

From: askita@hotmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 2:40 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48251: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Major and Council Members, Please k

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Request Details:

- Name: Joanna Karwacka Krantz
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 5712434545
- Email: askita@hotmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear Major and Council Members, Please kindly do not close the Warwick pool this summer. We have two small kids (ages 3 and 6) and we've come to depend on this pool each summer to teach our girls swimming. Private pool memberships are too expensive for us. This pool also provides us with the opportunity to connect with our neighbors and friends. Thank you very much.
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 1

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From: stkimbrough@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 11:17 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48231: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council To the Leaders of the City of Alexandria

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Sarah Kimbrough
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: stkimbrough@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: To the Leaders of the City of Alexandria,

As a resident of North Old Town, I wanted to write in support of Engine Company 204 and the importance of keeping it based off Powhatan Street. This engine company is absolutely wonderful and a key part of our community. As a mother, I especially take comfort in knowing that they are prepared and in the appropriate location for quickly responding to emergencies in our area. As more residents move to the area with the new construction, this is not the time to move such an important resource on which we rely to keep our community safe.

I appreciate your strong consideration of our input into your upcoming decisions on Engine Company 204.

Thank you for your service to our community,

Sarah Kimbrough

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 1

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Jackie Henderson

From: kirstenbrinker@hotmail.com
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2014 4:28 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48194: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council As a resident of Nethergate in North Old

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Request Details:

- Name: Kirsten Kulis
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 9177345718
- Email: kirstenbrinker@hotmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: As a resident of Nethergate in North Old Town, I'm very concerned about the budget proposal to close Engine 204. Please keep those fire fighters working at Engine 204!
- Expected Response Date: Monday, March 31

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Jackie Henderson

From: CommunityRelations@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2014 10:43 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48171: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I strongly object to your decision to re

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Request Details:

- Name: Julia Brent
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: brentjuli @ gmail. com **Note:** *This email address appears to be invalid.*
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I strongly object to your decision to remove one of the fire trucks from the Potomac station, which is in my neighborhood. It is extremely ill-advised, in fact dangerous. I hope you will see the implications of such a decision and rescind it. Julia Brent
- Expected Response Date: Monday, March 31

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Jackie Henderson

From: asleight@vogelmanturner.com
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2014 11:17 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48100: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of City Council

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Anders Sleight
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-836-3400
- Email: asleight@vogelmanturner.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of City Council:

I am a young, practicing attorney in the City of Alexandria. As such, I have frequent occasion to visit the city's law library, which is a fantastic resource for the residents of Alexandria. Each time I visit the law library, I see residents and members of the public using the library's vast resources. Furthermore, Christine Hall can frequently be found assisting residents and members of the public with their legal research needs and questions. Ms. Hall superbly manages the law library because she has the education, experience, and expertise required to successfully do so.

In my observation, the law library frequently serves those who need it most - underprivileged residents who lack access to justice and the resources necessary to retain legal counsel. Therefore, I believe it is vital to maintain funding for the law library to preserve it as a helpful resource for Alexandria's residents. I hope you all will heed these words and preserve the law library's funding. Thank you very much for your service and consideration.

- Expected Response Date: Friday, March 28

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Jackie Henderson

From: CommunityRelations@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2014 9:00 PM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48078: City Clerk and Clerk of Council According to a March 7, 2014 budget memo

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: *Call.Click.Connect.* Customer
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: City Clerk and Clerk of Council
- Request Description: According to a March 7, 2014 budget memo, it is proposed to cease paying for City retirees' life insurance for a cost savings of \$264,598. \$264K seems like a small price to pay for former employees who served the City and its citizens well. One of the reasons that Alexandria is a popular place to live is partially because of the dedication and hard work of City employees. Employees plan for retirement carefully and project future costs carefully. For the City to renege on a promise to those who have served it well is a shame, especially for the price tag of \$265,598. Please do not approve this measure for the upcoming budget.
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 27

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Jackie Henderson

From: blonde0909@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2014 3:19 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48064: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear City Council-I commute daily on

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Annie Sharman
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: blonde0909@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear City Council-

I commute daily on King Street, between Janney and the Metro, and as I was headed home yesterday, I realized something that I hadn't seen in the public forums regarding the narrowing of the automobile lanes to make room for bicycle lanes.

Currently, vehicles traveling west on King Street can make left turns onto Upland, Carlisle and West View Terrace any time of day. At rush hour, this is a problem because the East-bound lanes are very congested. A vehicle waiting to turn left at one of those intersections will wait a long time- so will any other vehicle wanting to continue traveling west and the traffic backs up well-past the Metro. Currently, because the lanes are wide enough, vehicles pass on the right around the left-turning vehicle in order to alleviate the traffic congestion. Not ideal, but it is possible. If the lanes are narrowed, this is no longer possible. As a result, there should be restrictions placed on the left turns onto Upland, Carlisle and West View during rush hour- similar to the restrictions on Rosemont and Cedar.

Also, buses will have to stop in the bicycle lanes. There are several Dash and Metro bus stops along westbound King Street between Janney and the Metro. Are any of these stops going to be consolidated so the opportunity to foil bicycle and automobile traffic is reduced?

I wasn't certain if this had been addressed in the current plan. If it has been considered, great! If not, I can't believe that I am the only one to think of this, but it seems that it's a matter worth addressing for the sake of congestion and traffic flow.

I appreciate your time and consideration. I know that the plan has already been approved. I certainly don't want to beat a dead horse over this matter, but would feel better if these items had been at least considered in this plan.

Sincerely,

Annie Sharman

- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 27

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Jackie Henderson

From: CommunityRelations@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2014 12:44 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48055: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council The Alexandria Law Library which is used

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Dale Dover
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703 519-0000
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: The Alexandria Law Library which is used daily by members of the bar and the general public, is an essential component of City of Alexandria court system as it provides equal access to justice to the community. In my law practice, I use the library several times a week and can attest to its utility and the excellent service accorded by Ms. Christine Hall, the Director.
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 27

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Jackie Henderson

From: mmrini@delrayumc.org
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2014 12:43 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48054: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Dear Representatives, Thank you for con

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Request Details:

- Name: Mark Mrini
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: mmrini@delrayumc.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Dear Representatives,
Thank you for considering keeping Warwick pool open. It's such an important resource for our community.
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From: markaudra@verizon.net
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2014 10:31 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48042: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I am writing to advocate for the continu

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Request Details:

- Name: Audra Mrini
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-549-7434
- Email: markaudra@verizon.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I am writing to advocate for the continued support for Warwick Pool in Alexandria to remain open. Our family regularly uses this pool. We have found that Warwick is managed very well as compared to other pools in the area so it is our preferred pool. We are concerned that if it is close other area pools are going to be overcrowded and create safety issues.

Please consider keeping Warwick pool open for city residents to maintain a safe summer option for families and residents.

Thank you.

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From: trodgers@novahealthfdn.org
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2014 10:00 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #48040: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Attached is a joint letter from the Nort

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Request Details:

- Name: Tricia Rodgers
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-486-5693
- Email: trodgers@novahealthfdn.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: Attached is a joint letter from the Northern Virginia Health Foundation and Virginia Oral Health Coalition regarding the proposed reduction in funding to the Northern Virginia Dental Clinic.
- Attachment: <http://request.alexandriava.gov/GeoReport/UploadedFile.ashx/pdf/0c96d5d1-32cd-4d2e-b9e6-d92a8d9abc0d>
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March 20, 2014

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of Council:

We are writing on behalf of the Northern Virginia Health Foundation, which is focused on improving the health and healthcare of low-income residents of Alexandria and neighboring Northern Virginia jurisdictions, and the Virginia Oral Health Coalition, a statewide alliance of individuals and organizations who are committed to bringing excellent oral health to all Virginians.

We are very concerned about the City's decision to reduce its support of the Northern Virginia Dental Clinic by \$25,000. The clinic has been serving Alexandria adults in need of oral health services since 1994 through an inter-jurisdictional agreement. The City's \$25,000 pays a portion of a full-time dentist; Arlington County contributes \$25,000 to the position and Fairfax County contributes \$50,000. Though the clinic relies on volunteer dental professionals to render a significant portion of the care provided (over 5,000 hours by dentists and hygienists in 2013, representing close to \$600,000 in in-kind contributions) that full-time staff position provides consistency in treatment planning and helps assure continuity of care.

While we applaud the City for moving quickly to make its operatories available when it closed the Health Department Clinic last year, we do not believe that any new practice there will be able to absorb the number of adult patients served and visits provided by NVDC and meet the demand among both adults and children for services in the city. Currently, the only Medicaid benefit available to adults is emergency extraction, and the Affordable Care Act does not include a mandatory adult benefit. There isn't much of a safety net for low-income adults in need of oral health care. The record number of Northern Virginians who participated in the recent MOMS dental care project at Northern Virginia Community College is testament to that. Moreover, several national studies have shown a significant increase in utilization of emergency departments for dental related conditions. A 2009 national study showed that 62 percent of those visiting the emergency department for dental related conditions were between the ages of 18 and 44; that same study reported that caries, or cavities, is the most common diagnosis for those seeking treatment there. Typically, patients are treated for their pain and infection and then released, still in need of oral health care. Not only can cavities lead to deadly infection, poor oral health is associated with diabetes, premature birth and a myriad of other chronic conditions including heart disease.

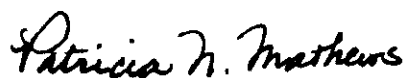
A survey conducted by the Northern Virginia Health Foundation in 2010 reveals the extent of the problems experienced by Alexandrians:

- 23% of Alexandria adults said that in the past year, they or someone in their family had put off dental treatment because they didn't have the money they thought they would need to pay for it;
- 26% stated they felt they were in need of immediate dental treatment;
- 42% had not seen a dentist in the last two years;

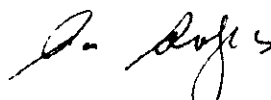
- 17% said they couldn't work, couldn't sleep, or couldn't engage in regular activities because of dental pain.

On behalf of the Northern Virginia Health Foundation and the Virginia Oral Health Coalition, we urge you to restore funding to the Northern Virginia Dental Clinic. Poor oral health is associated with heart disease, diabetes, and low-birth weights. The City's contribution to the full-time dentist's salary at the clinic will have a positive impact on the oral health and overall health of the Alexandria residents who will receive care there.

Sincerely,



Patricia N. Mathews
President and CEO
Northern Virginia Health Foundation



Patricia A. E. Rodgers
Member, Board of Directors
Virginia Oral Health Coalition

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To Members of the Alexandria City Council,

I'm requesting, on behalf of the Alexandria Dental Society, that the amount of \$25,000 be retained as part of the City of Alexandria 2015 budget. The city's \$25,000 contribution supports the NoVa dental clinic (NVDC) which provides a critical service to the low-income citizens of Alexandria.

The NVDC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit dental clinic funded by four local jurisdictions. A total of \$100,000 is allocated by three Northern Virginia jurisdictions enabling a full time dentist, and local volunteers, the ability to provide NVDC patients quality dental treatment. The value of the 2013 dental care provided by NVDC to citizens of Alexandria is estimated at \$397,162.

An alternative to restart a dental clinic within the city's health department represents significant budget and implementation risk. An organization (NVDC) is currently in place that provides quality care to its citizens since 1994. Replacing the current organization before a complete risk analysis can be performed is not a prudent decision.

The effects of poor oral health and untreated oral health conditions are extremely costly to our community therefore the Alexandria Dental Society encourages the city to continue their funding of the NVDC.

Respectfully,

Jessica Hill, DMD



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Dear Mayor Euille and Members of the Alexandria City Council:

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The NVDC was founded by this Society in 1994 as the members wanted to contribute a critically-needed service to the community while preserving the dignity of the underserved. A unique public/private partnership between dental professionals, local governments and social services agencies was formed.

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