

**City of Alexandria
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 27, 2015
7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers**

Present: Mayor William D. Euille, Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg, and Members of Council John Taylor Chapman, Timothy B. Lovain, Redella S. Pepper, Paul C. Smedberg and Justin M. Wilson.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, Acting City Manager; Mr. Banks, City Attorney; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Police Captain Wemple; Ms. Baker, Acting Deputy City Manager; Mr. Caton, Legislative Director; Ms. Garvey, Director, Community and Human Services; Ms. Gilbert, Community and Human Services; Mr. Lambert, Acting Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Skrabak, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Sharma, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Marks, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Carver, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. McIlvaine, Acting Director, Office of Housing; Mr. Keeler, Office of Housing; Mr. Moritz, Acting Director, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Eddy, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Collins, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Beach, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Gammon, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Project Implementation; Mr. Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Browand, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Martinez, Information Technology; and Mr. Lloyd.

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Euille called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of City Council were present. (Councilmember Lovain arrived at 7:40 p.m.)

2. Closed Meeting.

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

This closed meeting was not held.

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 Meeting of City Council:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2015.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 6-0, City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of January 13, 2015, as amended by the City Clerk to correct the number 76 to 767 on page 20 of the minutes. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none. (Councilmember Lovain was absent.)

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

- * **WMATA (Mayor Euille)**
- * **Council of Governments (Mayor Euille)**

Mayor Euille reported that the budget process with WMATA is underway and it will be a challenging budget process. He said everything is on the table to address the shortfall. He said they are dealing with safety and service delivery as well. As a result of the incident a couple of weeks ago, as chair of the COG Board of Directors, he has coordinated with the COG staff that most of the meeting will be a joint meeting between COG and WMATA to talk about safety and protocol.

Mayor Euille noted that the Virginia Municipal League has its VML Day on Wednesday in Richmond, and many members of City Council will be there.

- * **Quality of Life Committee (Councilman Wilson and Mayor Euille)**

Councilman Wilson said they met last Friday and one of the things of note was there was an opinion that was issued by Attorney General Mark Hearing regarding the request that the ICE makes of local sheriffs to detain undocumented individuals, and the Attorney General's opinion was that those were requests and that the sheriffs did not need to hold inmates past their date based on the ICE request. Councilman Wilson said the City's undersheriff provided an update on the Alexandria Sheriff's Department process on handling this. Ultimately came to a determination that in order to comply with the Attorney General's guidance that ICE would be providing a warrant for arrest in the case of individuals when they want the City to detain them.

Mayor Euille noted that part I crime continues to be at a healthy level.

- * **City/School Subcommittee (Councilman Wilson and Mayor Euille)**

Councilman Wilson said the Subcommittee met last evening and had a lot of follow-up from the joint work session held in December, and they have a good list of actions that came out of that. He said they have an MOU that will be signed with the Alexandria community trust, which is to lead the early care and education work group for the implementation of part of the youth master plan, and they had a discussion of how to measure data for early childhood efforts and how to integrate that data. He said they had a discussion around how to incorporate early childhood needs in the City in the long range planning efforts from a facilities effort. Councilman Wilson said they discussed the after school discussion, and it looks like the plan is that after the budget process, in June they would have a joint work session on the after and out of school efforts. Councilman Wilson said the staff continues to work on the fund balance policy they talked about and the appropriate levels of fund balance and how those

funds should be handled. There was a desire from Council to have a clear policy for everyone to understand on how fund balance would be used and carried over and at what levels between the two bodies. Councilman Wilson said they issued a joint RFP for health care for combined City schools and DASH.

Mayor Euille noted that Council would also hold the joint work session with the School Board on the budget on March 17.

Mayor Euille noted that for the first time in a long time the graduation for T.C. Williams will not conflict with a City Council public hearing meeting and the graduation will be held on Monday, June 15 at the George Mason University campus.

Councilman Smedberg said for the fund balance roll-over policy, he hoped they would have a much broader discussion beyond just the subcommittee, as there is much to be discussed.

*** Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)**

(Councilmember Lovain gave this report later in the evening.)

Councilmember Lovain said he mentioned previously that the Transportation Planning Board was going to approve the projects under the federal enhancement for seniors and individuals with disabilities program, and the other thing they approved was an update on the bicycle and pedestrian plan for the national capital region, so it fits in well with the City's consideration. The plan shows that since 2005, the region has added almost 200 miles of new bike lanes, for a total of 700 miles of bike lanes in the region.

*** Transportation Commission (Councilmember Lovain)**

Councilmember Lovain said the Commission received a briefing on the Route 7 study that NVTC has been conducting, and hopefully they will chose to go down transit corridor C to Van Dorn Metro instead of using King Street to the King Street Metro.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-6)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

5. Consideration of Acceptance of Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Funds for the Alexandria Fire Department (AFD) Special Operations Teams.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 5; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

6. Consideration of the Adoption of the Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in the City of Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the

Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 6; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of item #6, which was considered under separate vote, as follows:

5. City Council: 1. approved the acceptance of federal funding in the amount of \$40,000 for training and \$138,000 worth of equipment and personal protective equipment; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.

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

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Ms. Garvey, Director, Office of Community and Human Services, made a presentation of the staff report and she, along with Ms. Michell, Executive Director, New Hope Housing, Ms. Gilbert, Office of Community and Human Services, Mr. Lomax, member of the governing board of the Partnership to End Homelessness in Alexandria, and Mr. Keeler, Office of Housing, responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Silberberg and seconded by Councilwoman Pepper, City Council received and adopted the Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in the City of Alexandria. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none. (Councilmember Lovain was absent.)

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (7)

7. Consideration of a Resolution Designating the Acting City Manager During Temporary Absence of the City Manager. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the roll-call consent calendar, as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman,

Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none. (Councilmember Lovain was absent.)

7. City Council repealed Resolution 2524 and adopted the resolution designating the Acting City Manager during the temporary absence of the City Manager. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none. (Councilmember Lovain was absent.)

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2662

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

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

1. That, in the scheduled absence of Acting City Manager Mark B. Jinks, the Acting City Manager may designate one of the following individuals to be appointed and authorized to perform the duties of the City Manager: Deputy City Manager Debra Collins, Deputy City Manager Laura B. Triggs, or Acting Deputy City Manager Emily Baker;
2. In the event the Acting City Manager is unable to perform his duties due to illness, emergency or other unforeseen situation, and is unable to designate a person according to Section 1 above, the following is the order in which these persons shall assume the position of Acting City Manager:
 - (a) Deputy City Manager Debra Collins, until Mr. Jinks returns to duty;
 - (b) In the absence of Debra Collins, Deputy City Manager Laura Triggs, until either Mr. Jinks or Ms. Collins returns to duty; and
 - (c) In the absence of Mr. Jinks, Ms. Collins, and Ms. Triggs, Acting Deputy City Manager Emily Baker, until Mr. Jinks, Ms. Collins, or Ms. Triggs returns to duty.
3. That this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption, and shall replace Resolution No. 2524, which shall be, and hereby is, rescinded.

The following item was heard out of order:

9. Update On The 2015 General Assembly Session.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 26, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 1/27/15, and

is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Caton, Legislative Director, made a presentation of the staff report and went over the bills before the General Assembly and he responded to questions of City Council.

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(Councilmember Lovain arrived at this time – 7:40 p.m.)

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WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the legislative positions included in attachment 1 (recommended positions on bills of importance to the City) as recommended by City Council's Legislative Subcommittee. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

WORK SESSION

8. Work Session: Discussion of Parking Standards for New Development Projects.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Moritz, Acting Director, Planning and Zoning, Ms. Beach, Planning and Zoning, Ms. Collins, Planning and Zoning, Ms. Marks, Transportation and Environmental Services, and Mr. Keeler, Office of Housing, made a presentation of the staff report on the parking standards and they responded to questions of City Council about the parking standards.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

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

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Moritz, Acting Director, Planning and Zoning, made a presentation of the staff report and he, along with Mr. Lambert, Acting Director, Transportation and Environmental Services and Ms. Eddy, Planning and Zoning, responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Vice Mayor Silberberg and carried unanimously, City Council deferred action of this item to the February 10 Legislative Meeting. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

11. City Council Consideration of Waterfront Implementation Phasing and Funding Plan

Recommendations

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Ms. Baker, Acting Deputy City Manager, along with Mr. Gammon, Acting Deputy Director of Project Implementation, made a presentation of the staff report and responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received and adopted the proposed phasing plan for implementation of the Waterfront public improvements generally consistent with the following initial order of implementation: a. completion of core area utility, roadway and other infrastructure construction required to support subsequent improvements; b. competition of flood mitigation elements; c. completion of Fitzgerald Square improvements; and d. completion of remaining park improvements inside the core area; and 2. provided general guidance to the City Manager to program funding for waterfront implementation consistent with the recommended phasing plan and to the extent financially feasible into the forthcoming FY 2016 to FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program with recognition of the priority of this project as an asset to City residents, businesses and visitors; and its support of overall economic and environmental sustainability. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

None.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

12. Oral Report: Combined Sewer System Long Term Control Plan Update.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Lambert, Acting Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, along with Mr. Skrabak, Transportation and Environmental Services, made a presentation of the combined sewer system plan update and responded to questions of City Council.

OTHER

13. Consideration of the City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated January 21, 2015, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 1/27/15, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman

Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the revised Council calendar which includes: the movement of the Tuesday, June 9 City Council meeting to Wednesday, June 10 due to the Primary Election; and 2. approved the calendar.

Mayor Euille asked to add March 7 for the annual St. Patrick's Day parade to the calendar for the next time.

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

Closed Meeting Continued (If Needed)

14. Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property. (This Closed Meeting Will Not Be Held.)

City Council did not hold the closed meeting.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, the regular meeting of January 27, 2015, was adjourned at 10:40 p.m. The voting was as follows: In favor, Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson
City Clerk and Clerk of Council