City of Alexandria Meeting Minutes City Council Legislative Meeting Tuesday, March 8, 2016 6:00 PM Council Chambers

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

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Mr. Banks, City Attorney; Ms. Anderson, Deputy City Attorney; Police Captain Andreas; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Sharma, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Bevis-Carter, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Skrabak, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Caton, Legislative Director; Ms. Taylor, Director, Office of Finance; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Browand, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Wedeles, Principal Planner, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Ward, Information Technology Services; and Mr. Lloyd.

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

1. Calling the Roll.

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

Work Session

2. 6:00 P.M. - Work Session with City and ARHA on Ramsey Homes.

City Council held the work session with ARHA to discuss the Ramsey Homes application.

3. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Silberberg noted the passing of Larry Brandt.

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

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

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2016; and

The Regular Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2016.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of February 20, 2016, and the regular meeting minutes of February 23, 2016. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. Presentation of a Check from the United Way of the National Capital Area to Alexandria Non-Profits.

The United Way of the National Capital Area presented a check to Alexandria non-profits.

6. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring March 2016 as March for Meals Month.

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

7. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the Healthy Workplace Awards Program Winners.

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

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

* City Council/School Board Subcommittee (Vice Mayor Wilson and Mayor Silberberg)

Mayor Silberberg said the Schools staff has identified goal group leaders who will meet with members of the community on the youth master plan, the first of which will occur tomorrow, and hope to have the next steps and action plan for implementation of the City's youth master plan.

Vice Mayor Wilson said as a follow-up to the adoption of the joint fund balance policy, when he suggested it a year and a half ago, he thought it would be easy, but is excited to say that the staff on both sides is in agreement and will bring to the draft policy to the City Schools Committee this month and both bodies will receive the policy for consideration and discussion. The idea is to try to provide clarity as far as how the fund balance on the School side is managed and what controls and perimeters are built into that. He said he appreciates the staff work on both sides and looks forward to reviewing the policy.

* Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority WorkGroup (Vice Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)

Mr. Jinks, City Manager, noted that the ARHA Board adopted the resolution immediately following the work session earlier this evening, and it will be made available on the City's website.

* Metro (Councilman Smedberg)

Councilman Smedberg spoke of Metro's General Manager's speech at the National Press Club to discuss his plans to address the issues facing the organization, and coupled with that was a major realignment of staff. He said a lot of significant steps will be rolled out in the next few months.

* COG Region Forward Coalition (Councilmember Lovain)

Councilmember Lovain said the Council of Governments Region Forward Coalition met and he said they issued an economic competitiveness report, and it stressed the importance of affordable housing. Councilmember Lovain said they heard a recent study on millennials, and D.C. has the highest percent of millennials of any City in the country and Arlington has the highest percent of any county. He said they also had a presentation by Dr. Stephen Haering from the City's Health Department and a fellow from Virginia Commonwealth University on health indicators project, and how social determinants of health can affect each of the nine goal areas.

* Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilmember Lovain and Councilman Smedberg)

Councilmember Lovain said that VDOT is progressing with the plan for I-395. The big issue that was raised at NVTC was that as part of the arrangement, there will be \$280 million for transit improvements in the corridor, but the exact amount will be determined through negotiations with VDOT. That final number won't be given until December, but the project is up for final approval at the Transportation Planning Board in November, so the question is can it get a firm number before it goes to final approval.

Councilmember Lovain said the Transportation Planning Board, in approving the constrained long-range every year, look at a whole bundle of projects together and do an air quality conformity analysis of it. It is not practical to break one project out of the list. He said they approved a resolution to try to get a condition to let them know they are watching carefully and want to speed up the determination of what the number is for that transit payment.

Councilman Smedberg said that there were some infrastructure improvements a decade or so ago that took money out that weren't planned for, but it highlighted the difference in the priorities for the outer jurisdictions and the closer in jurisdictions. He said they are hoping the State gets the numbers they need so a proper analysis can be made to come up with a reasonable number for transit. It is important to get some sort of commitment in the next round of negotiations.

* Naming Committee (Councilmember Lovain and Councilwoman Pepper)

Councilmember Lovain said they discussed a proposal to place a plaque to honor Ron Kirby at the lid on South Washington Street over the Beltway, and felt it was an appropriate honor for a great man. They plan to proceed on that in coordination with the family and perhaps doing something else in his neighborhood. He said he thought it might not have captured Ron's work enough, especially with his involvement in the planning of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge, so he spoke with the TPB staff today and they agreed to have some language about the Woodrow Wilson Bridge, so the language may be tweeked.

Councilwoman Pepper said the wording of the plaque will go through the families that are involved. Councilwoman Pepper said Mr. Kirby was the one who laid out the plans that made it a place for bicyclists and pedestrians and the possibility of mass transit in some way by an additional lane. She said he was a transportation expert. She said she was hopeful that something will come of having a plaque on the tennis court he loved so well. She said it will all come back to Council once it's firmed up.

* Eisenhower Partnership (Councilman Chapman and Councilman Bailey)

Councilman Chapman said he and Councilman Bailey serve on the Eisenhower Partnership and they have a special event on Thursday morning from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the Stratford University campus on Eisenhower Avenue with the City Manager, who will talk about the recent budget, the west Eisenhower Plan and some of the new development coming to the Eisenhower Valley. Councilman Chapman said one of the things the Partnership discussed the changing of the key intersection at Holland and Eisenhower Avenue, and they spent a good amount of time talking about that.

* Northern Virginia Regional Commission (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Bailey)

Councilwoman Pepper said she and Councilman Bailey represent the Council on the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and they met February 25 and she noted that William Hazel, Jr. M.D., the State Secretary of Health and Human Services, spoke to them about the Zika Virus. Councilwoman Pepper said she was invited to join a conference call that COG gave on the Zika Virus.

Councilman Bailey said Dr. Hazel spoke about the Zika Virus and some of the things he shared was that the virus was transmitted primarily through the bite of an infected mosquito, only one of five people exposed to it get sick, 80 percent have no symptoms, the illness lasts several days to one week, it remains in the blood for one week, and no vaccine or medications are available to treat the infection. The Center for Disease Control are more worried about human to human contact than they are mosquito bites to humans. He said there are four confirmed cases of the Zika Virus in Virginia.

Councilwoman Pepper said that on March 1, there was a presentation at COG with a person from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and it was an informational briefing. It set out the structure for handling of the virus. As of the end of February, there were 107 cases in the United States. It can be prevented by having screens on ones house, wearing long sleeves and pants, staying inside when possible, and having insect repellant. She said the symptoms are like the flu, and it is mainly transferred by persons who have visited the areas who have the Zika Virus.

* Patrick Henry School and Rec Center Advisory Group

Councilwoman Pepper mentioned that on March 2, the Patrick Henry School and Rec Center Advisory Group met and it was an interesting meeting. She said Council should know that there were three options presented as to possible siting of the new school as well as the rec center and access to the site to be considered. She said there will be one more community meeting this month and on August 6 the design team hopes to bring one single plan, so it is moving quickly. This will be docketed for the March 29 Council meeting. She said she asked Mr. Browand in the Recreation and Park Department to send Council all three possible alternatives.

* Library Board (Councilman Bailey)

Councilman Bailey said he serves on the Library Board and noted that in June 2013, President Obama announced the Connect It Initiative, and part of that is to make sure that every child in the U.S. has a library card, and there are 56 public libraries around the country that are participating in the initiative. Former Mayor Euille and School Superintendent Crawley signed on-board with the Library Director so the Library could participate, and the City Manager has instructed staff to be sure all employees get a library card when hired. Councilman Bailey said the Library Director met with the Law Library Board and the Board still intends to become a friends group once they no longer exist and look to transfer some of their money to hire a cataloguer and had a discussion about the use of the conference room and communication with the BAR.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

CONSENT CALENDAR (8-15)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

8. Receipt of the Following Resignations From Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Michelle Millben

(b) Commission on Employment Esteve Mede Anthony J. DeMarino

(c) Commission on HIV/AIDS Tameka Macon William Smith

(d) Community Criminal Justice Board Michael Tilghman

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8(a-d); 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

9. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee1 Homeowner in the City Representative

(b) Alexandria Transportation Commission1 Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors Representative

(c) Beautification Commission1 Citizen Member

(d) Commission on HIV/AIDS 2 Citizen Members

(e) Human Rights Commission1 Commission for Women Representative

(f) Public Health Advisory Commission1 Citizen Member Who Shall Not Be a Health Professional

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9(a-f); 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

10. Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Health for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service Program for Children.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

11. Consideration of a Fiscal Year 2017 Grant Application to the Virginia Commission for the Arts for a Local Government Challenge Grant for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Receipt of the Viewers Report for Vacation of Public Right-of-Way Along Portions of Swann Avenue, Oakville Street and Calvert Avenue.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending January 31, 2016.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

(Introduction of Ordinances)

14. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Tenant of the Property Located at 728 North Patrick Street to Construct and Maintain an Encroachment for Two (2) Enclosed Stairways Along Madison Street to Access the Rooftop Dining at That Location Approved by City Council on November 14, 2015.

15. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Authorize the Owner of the Property Located at 600 Wolfe Street to Construct and Maintain an Encroachment for a Handicapped Accessible Ramp at That Location Approved By the City Council on January 30, 2016.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the consent calendar, as follows:

8. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Michelle Millben, Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority; (b) Esteve Mede and Anthony J. DeMarino, Commission on Employment; (c) Tameka Macon and William Smith, Commission on HIV/AIDS; and (d) Michael Tilghman, Community Criminal Justice Board.

9. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) reappointed Michelle Krocker as the one homeowner in the City representative to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (b) reappointed Stephen Klejst as the one Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors representative to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (c) appointed Nichole Hersch as the one citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (d) reappointed Gayle Terry and appointed Eaton Tyson, Jr., as the two citizen members to the Commission on HIV/AIDS; (e) reappointed Monika Jones as the one Commission for Women representative to the Human Rights Commission; and (f) appointed Elizabeth (Liz) Ghandakly as the one citizen member who shall not be a health professional to the Public Health Advisory Commission.

10. City Council authorized staff to: 1. submit the grant application (due April 22, 2016) to the Virginia Department of Health for United States Department of Agriculture for continued funding and an estimated reimbursement amount of \$138,000 for program expenses; 2. affirmed that there are no funds available in the City budget to continue these activities once the grant funds are expended; and 3. execute all necessary documents that may be required.

11. City Council authorized the City Manager to: 1. submit a grant application in the amount of \$5,000 to the Virginia Commission for the Arts Local Government Challenge Grant Program; and 2. executed all necessary documents that may be required.

12. City Council received the Viewers Report for vacation of public right-of-way along Portions of Swann Avenue, Oakville Street and Calvert Avenue.

13. City Council received the monthly financial report for the period ending January 31, 2016.

14. City Council introduced the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and adoption on March 12, 2016.

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

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (16)

16. Consideration of a Resolution for a Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Transportation for Primary Extension Improvement Program Funding. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council: 1. adopted the resolution to apply for a primary extension improvement program funding allocation of \$1 million from VDOT for the resurfacing of City maintained primary route extensions; and 2. authorized the City Manager to submit the resolution and enter into any agreements with the State that may be required to receive these funds should the requested allocation be approved. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2711

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 an application for an allocation of funds of \$1 million through the VDOT Primary Extension Program; and

WHEREAS, \$1 million of these funds are requested to fund the resurfacing of sections of Patrick Street (SR 1) and Seminary Road (SR 420).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports this application for an allocation of \$1 million through the Virginia Department of Transportation Primary Extension Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby grants authority for the City Manager to execute project administration agreements for any approved Primary Extension Improvement Program revenue sharing projects.

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

17. Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Anitra Androh Thomas Hyde Michael Pellegrino Peter Rickert

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Anitra Androh as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Androh
Wilson	-	Androh
Bailey	-	Androh
Chapman	-	Androh
Lovain	-	Androh
Pepper	-	Androh
Smedberg	-	Rickert

18. Alexandria Renew Enterprises 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Jams Beall Jeffrey Miles Alice Tong Thomas Walker (Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed James Beall as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Renew Enterprises. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Walker
Wilson	-	Beall
Bailey	-	Beall
Chapman	-	Beall
Lovain	-	Tong
Pepper	-	Beall
Smedberg	-	Beall

19. Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Suzanne Castner Barbara Marvin Deborah Osborne

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Deborah Osborne as the one citizen member to the Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Osborne
Wilson	-	Osborne
Bailey	-	Osborne
Chapman	-	Osborne
Lovain	-	Osborne
Pepper	-	Osborne
Smedberg	-	Osborne

20. Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Ellen Dague Francisco Duran Patricia Hennig

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 20; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council appointed Patricia Hennig as the one citizen member to the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Hennig
Wilson	-	Duran
Bailey	-	Hennig
Chapman	-	Hennig
Lovain	-	Dague
Pepper	-	Hennig
Smedberg	-	Hnnig

21. Sister Cities Committee 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Stacie Andersen Scott Campbell

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council reappointed Stacie Andersen as the one citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Andersen
Wilson	-	Andersen
Bailey	-	Andersen
Chapman	-	Andersen
Lovain	-	Andersen
Pepper	-	Andersen
Smedberg	-	Anderson

22. Traffic and Parking Board 2 Citizen Members

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Thomas "Jay" Johnson Casey Kane Jonathan McCann Gary Olejniczak Lawrence Ruggiero Steven Skeldon Ann Tucker

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council reappointed Thomas "Jay" Johnson and appointed Ann Tucker as the two citizen members to the Traffic and Parking Board. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Johnson, Ruggiero
Wilson	-	Johnson, Tucker
Bailey	-	Johnson, Tucker
Chapman	-	Johnson, Tucker
Lovain	-	Kane, Tucker
Pepper	-	Johnson, Tucker
Smedberg	-	Kane, Tucker

23. Waterfront Commission1 Commission for the Arts Representative

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Susan Cohen

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 23; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with following results: City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Susan Cohen as the one Commission for the Arts representative to the Waterfront Commission. The voting was as follows:

Silberberg	-	Cohen
Wilson	-	Cohen
Bailey	-	Cohen
Chapman	-	Cohen

Lovain	-	Cohen
Pepper	-	Cohen
Smedberg	-	Cohen

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

24. Consideration of an Update on the 2016 General Assembly Session.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 7, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 24; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Caton, Legislative Director, made a presentation of the staff report and responded to questions of City Council.

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

25. Consideration of the Receipt of the Neighborhood Parks Improvement Plan.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 25; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, along with Ms. Wedeles, Principal Planner, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, made a presentation of the staff report and responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilman Bailey and carried unanimously, City Council received the proposed Neighborhood Parks Improvement Plan. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

26. Oral Update on the Combined Sewer System Long Term Control Plan.

(A copy of the PowerPoint presentation dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 26; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, along with Mr. Sharma, Transportation and Environmental Services, Mr. Skrabak, Transportation and Environmental Services, and Ms. Bevis-Carter, Transportation and Environmental Services, made a presentation of the staff report on the combined sewer system long term control plan, and they, along with Mr. Jinks, City Manager, responded to questions of City Council on the plan.

City Council received the oral update on the combined sewer system long term control

plan.

27. Oral Update on the I-395 Hot Lanes.

(A copy of the PowerPoint presentation dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 27; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, introduced Ms. Susan Shaw, Project Manager, Regional Transportation Program Director, Virginia Department of Transportation, and Mr. Todd Horsley, Director, Northern Virginia Transit Programs, Department of Rail and Public Transportation, who gave an update on the I-395 HOT Lanes and they responded to questions of City Council.

City Council received the oral update on the I-395 HOT Lanes.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Councilman Chapman noted that the Sister Cities Committee will hold its annual Scotch Whiskey tasting fundraiser on Friday, March 11, from 6:30 to 9:30 at the Lloyd House.

2. Councilman Chapman noted that his annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 19, from 10:30 to 12:30 at Angel Park.

3. Councilman Chapman said long-time public housing advocate Dorothy Peaches Turner passed away recently, and her wake will be this Thursday at 7:00 at Greene Funeral Home, and the funeral will be held on Friday at 11:00 at St. Josephs.

4. Councilman Bailey noted that Ms. Turner was named an Alexandria Living Legend, and he read from the selection material from that publication. He said when he decided to run for City Council, Ms. Turner was the first person he spoke with, as she has great institutional knowledge.

5. Councilmember Lovain asked Council to think about the date the report from the Code of Conduct Review Committee is due back to Council, as the Committee will hold its first meeting this Thursday and the report is due one month later.

After discussion from City Council, it was decided that once the Committee meets, if they have a consensus on needing more time, they could request it at that time.

6. Mayor Silberberg noted that she has received three pieces of loaned artwork from the Torpedo Factory to be on display in the Mayoral Office, and the artwork will be on loan until January. The artwork is from Tory Cowles, Matthew Johnston and Andra Patterson.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Jinks said the City has been selected as the number one best downtown in the United States from livabilities.com.

OTHER

28. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated March 2, 2016, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 28; 3/8/16, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the updated schedule which includes: a joint meeting with the ARHA Board that is scheduled for March 8 at 6:00 p.m., in the City Council Workroom; and the annual Alexandria Transit Company Stockholders meeting, which is rescheduled for Tuesday, March 29, 2016, at 6:45 p.m., in the City Council Workroom; and 2. approved the City Council schedule. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

Closed Meeting

29. Consideration of a Closed Meeting for Discussion of the Use of Public Resources Where Bargaining is Involved, Discussion or Consideration of the Acquisition or Disposition of Real Property for a Public Purpose, and Discussion or Consideration of the Investment of Public Funds Where Competition or Bargaining is Involved.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council convened into closed executive session to discuss the use or investment of public resources where bargaining is involved where, if made public, the financial interest of the City would be adversely affected; to discuss or consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose; and to discuss or consider the investment of public funds where bargaining is involved, where, if made public, the financial interests of the City would be adversely affected; specifically, negotiation or a lease for City owned recreational space; the acquisition of real estate from the federal government in support of a public transportation project and in furtherance of an agreement with the federal government; and the possible investment of public funds through incentive packages to retain existing businesses in the City pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(a)(3) and (6) of the *Code of Virginia*. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened into open session at 12:29 a.m. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

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

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2712

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 8th day of March 2016, recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the city council that such executive session was conducted in accordance with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the city council does hereby certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters that were identified in the motion by which the executive session was convened, and that are lawfully exempted by the Freedom of Information Act from the Act's open meeting requirements, were heard, discussed or considered by council during the executive session.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, the March 8, 2016 legislative meeting was adjourned at 12:30 a.m. The voting was as follows: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Smedberg; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

ALLISON SILBERBERG MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson City Clerk and Clerk of Council