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Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 10:59 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #94237: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson

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- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson and Alexandria City Council Members,

I am writing you today because we are at a pivotal point in the development of the new Patrick Henry School and Recreation Center. As a resident of the West End of Alexandria for the past nine years, a parent of two children at Patrick Henry with a third child to start in 2017 and a member of the Community Advisory Board appointed to consult on the project, I am extremely excited and invested in ensuring that this project has the long term impact on our community that we are looking to create.

We are about to make a multi- million dollar much needed investment in the West End, which will not only address current capacity challenges for the area but will also be a resource for the entire City of Alexandria. This cannot be just a stop gap measure to increase capacity for our city. We must look at this, and every project our community is investing in, as an opportunity for a transformational capital investment that will draw people to Alexandria.

One way that we can make this kind of transformational capital investment with the Patrick Henry Project is by including an Auditorium that would be part of the shared space that will be utilized by both the new K-8 school as well as the new recreation center. The current school has an auditorium that will be demolished, and the specs for the new school replace it with a cafeteria with movable stage and a black box theater. The community including parents, teachers, senior citizens as well as the broader community at large have been strongly advocating to include a full Auditorium in this project instead. These advocacy efforts date back to the beginning days of the project and this has been the one thing that Patrick Henry parents and staff have asked be included and it is unclear as to when and why the School Board and City Council decided to move in a different direction. Including a shared space Auditorium could expand Alexandria City's performing arts recreational offerings as well as support the performing arts culture that is being cultivated at Patrick Henry. It also presents a revenue generating opportunity for Alexandria City as the Auditorium can be utilized by local performing groups on the evenings and weekends. Thomas Jefferson Middle School in Arlington has done this with great success. Performance space is expensive and difficult to find in our area, especially at the caliber of a proper auditorium instead of simply a multi-purpose room with a stage. A proper Auditorium with real seating, a sloped floor for comfortable viewing and acoustics designed for the performing arts is a true commodity these days. Currently a number of performing arts groups in Alexandria utilize Thomas Jefferson as well as other places in Fairfax and Arlington for performances. Why not create a space where Alexandria groups can perform in Alexandria?

Building an adequately sized performance space as part of the new Patrick Henry project would increase support both from the Patrick Henry school community as well as local residents who do not have school-age children but would enjoy the types of programs and performances this would bring to our community. This is an opportunity to create something not currently found in our city. The current program specs for the project include a "cafetorium" and blackbox theater - the same as all other schools being built in the district. Frankly a blackbox theatre, which

can only be used for small performances, doesn't really make sense in a K-8 setting and creating a cafeteria that is also utilized for large gatherings and performances will create a major strain on space for the new school.

The current Patrick Henry Auditorium has always been a well utilized and well-loved space at the school. It is used in the mornings as a gathering place for the children after bus drop offs, throughout the day for music and dance classes as well as general assemblies, and in the evenings for meetings and performances. The majority of the time the cafeteria is also in use. If you have the pleasure of attending a performance at Patrick Henry you will see that the current auditorium is always at max capacity with standing room only. And this is while currently only serving a K-5 population. What will happen if there was only a cafetorium moving forward while simultaneously we are expanding to K-8? Not only will this create challenges for space during the day and evening but it will also break down the community we are working so hard to build at Patrick Henry because school-wide events will no longer be possible – there won't be the space to accommodate that.

As a homeowner in my community I've seen countless families move in with the excitement of making Alexandria city their long-term home only to move to Arlington or Fairfax when their children reach school age if they cannot afford private schools because our neighboring school districts afford their children a broader array of opportunities. The Patrick Henry project is an opportunity to change that. Let's create a performing arts school and center for the community that will inspire people to stay. And now is the time to have this incorporated in the design plans before the footprint of the building is finalized.

I am asking on behalf of the community for the Alexandria City Council and the School Board to reconsider the program specs for this new school and recreation center. Including an auditorium and a cafeteria instead of a black box theatre and cafetorium will create a center for performing arts on the West End of Alexandria that will benefit the entire community.

Sincerely,

Alissa Oram
Patrick Henry Project Community Advisory Board Member
Patrick Henry Parent
Alexandria City Resident

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 20

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #94292: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and Council Membe

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- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and Council Members,
The following is a letter that was sent to the School Board regarding the Patrick Henry Project. This project has a very tight timeline and I am concerned that the new Option A.1 is a step backwards.

Dear ACPS School Board Members,

I would like to thank the Board for your recent vote on the Patrick Henry Project that limits all access points on Latham St. to emergency access only.

The current school has large open fields adjacent to Latham St. that provide a significant buffer from the school for the residents along Latham Street. Many neighbors were not in favor of keeping the existing school open during construction as the new building would have to be built much closer to Latham St. but, unfortunately, the decision was made to keep the school open during construction. As you are well aware, this project now presents unique challenges due to this constraint. Because of these constraints, the neighbors have had several major concerns. These concerns have been voiced repeatedly over the course of the past year. However, when the community was presented with the three design options, none of the options incorporated all of the major concerns. We understood that compromise and concessions would be necessary and ultimately supported Option A, as that option was the most appealing for residents and parents alike and it incorporated one of the major concerns-no entrance off Latham except for emergency access. I was pleased to see at the break out sessions that not only did the majority support Option A, but they were also cognizant of the fact that it respected the wishes of the surrounding community.

Thus, we were surprised and extremely disappointed to see Option A.1 that removed the only major concern that had been incorporated into the design of Option A. Moreover, there was a new atmosphere of animosity towards the neighbors during the break out sessions and an implication that since we were not parents, we did not have a right to a voice in the matter. This animosity has now continued since the Board's resolution to restrict access from Latham Street and there are efforts underway to argue against this decision. Unfortunately, some of the arguments are erroneous, in particular the conclusions of the traffic study. Furthermore, the traffic study is still preliminary and it omitted key intersections that would be impacted by an entrance off Latham St. I am curious to know when the final traffic study will be complete and if the relevant intersections have been added to the study.

As a neighbor on Peacock Ave, I want a new Patrick Henry School that the entire community can be proud of. I want a school design that functions well and is safe for the students and for the neighbors. In our support of Option A, the residents have lost all open space along Latham St, have the Recreation Center along Latham and have a parking lot on Latham, thus we have conceded many concerns. In Option A.1, our concerns have been dismissed and we have been told our voice is not important. It is our hope that the Board continues to press for a

better compromise and a better site plan.

Thank you,
Angela DeVico

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #94213: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I am longtime Alexandria resident, writi

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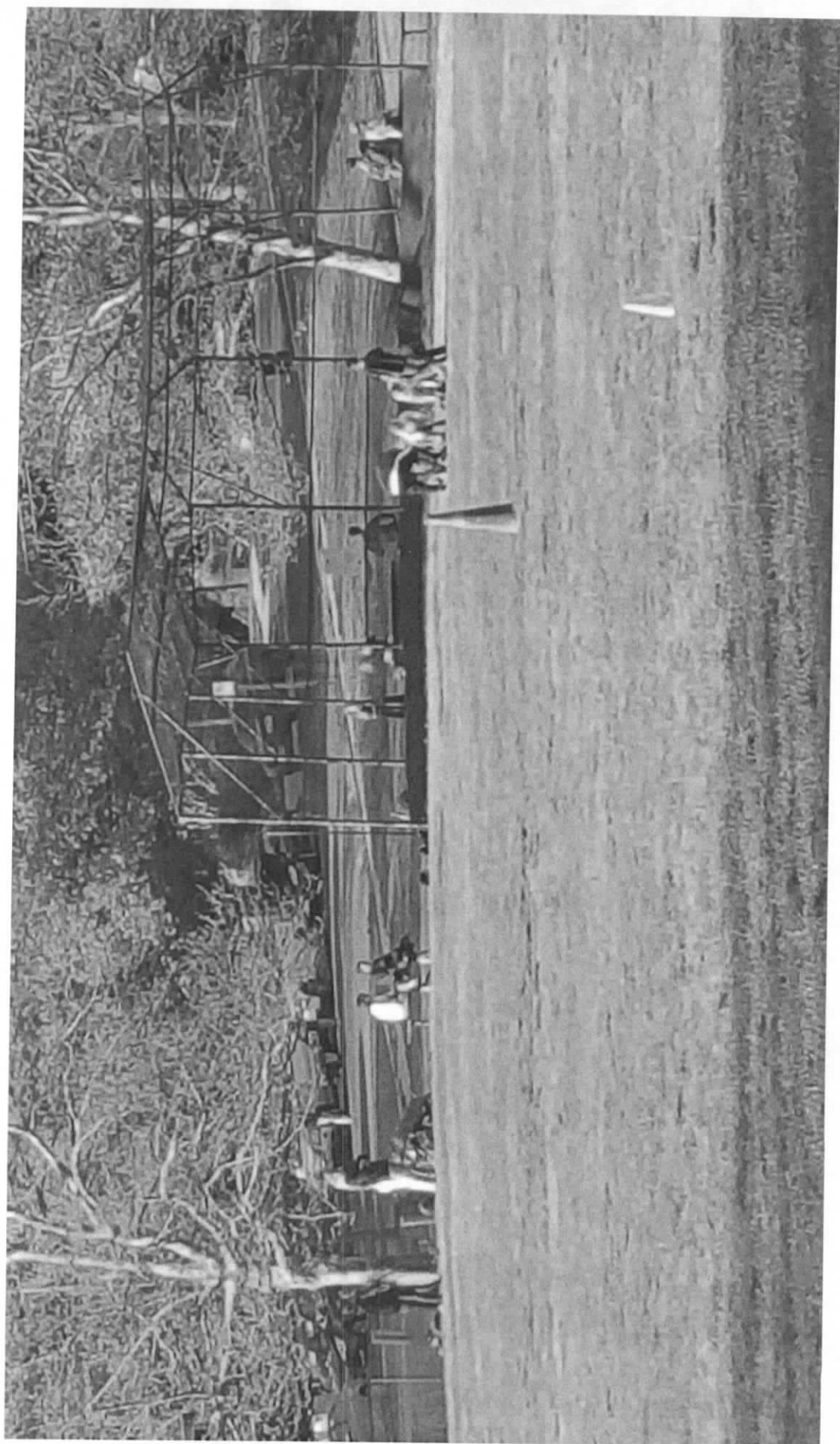
Request Details:

- Name: Nora Donovan
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-435-3777
- Email: ndonovan@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am longtime Alexandria resident, writing to the Council again, about new proposals for the Patrick Henry Project. At a recent community meeting, a new Option (1-A) was presented by the project designers. Whereas the School Board recently approved a resolution for no egress on narrow N. Latham Street, a decision the neighbors appreciated, the new Option A-1 proposes a bus entrance/turnaround on little Latham Street. The street, proposed entrance are "not equipped" to safely handle car traffic, much less school bus traffic. Traffic flies down my own street, Peacock, to Latham...cars stop for these fast-moving cars to avoid mishaps, and the cars turning there from little Polk Street, create near misses....it's nonsensical to for designers, however well-meaning, to propose bus egress onto Latham. The Option A, which incorporates new A-1 plans, moves the (larger) rec center closer to Latham, and illogically, put open spaces on Taney, instead of in "safer" area north of the school..seemingly in between buildings. I think the new school building will be beautiful, and help our students...and this is what the project should be about. But safety concerns are a priority, and then the size, purposes of the rec center, and the location of green space....I road down Taney Ave tonight, turned up Latham, by the Patrick Henry field and watched young men playing soccer, families sitting in lawn chairs watching kids playing baseball, three dads teaching their boys how to play kick ball, moms chasing toodlers, laughing...all escaping apartments, rooms, long work days...on beautiful Spring evening. (Attaching a few pics) Sad that they will lose the green space...for a rec center and that their voices will never be heard. These hardworking young families, young men, probably know nothing about the changes to come. Perhaps if the green space is in planned elsewhere, they will still come. Thanks so much.
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Request Details:

- Name: Chad Sparrow
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: chadfsparrow@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am writing to ask that city council FULLY FUND the proposed ACPS budget as it is presented. This budget is instrumental in minimizing the impact of the impending redistricting that is happening in our city. We all have a vested interest in our education system and we should fully support ACPS.
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 19

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #94170: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Re: Budget:I am emailing to encourage

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Request Details:

- Name: Cindy Hart
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-739-1541
- Email: chriscindyhart@aol.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Re: Budget:
I am emailing to encourage you to fully fund the proposed ACPS budget. This is very necessary to provide the space and the services our students need.
Respectfully,
Cindy Hart
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 19

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Request Details:

- Name: Candi Sparrow
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: candi.l.sparrow@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am writing to request that City Council fully fund the ACPS budget. Our schools are suffering and the moral of parents and students are quickly declining with the impending redistricting. Without full funding our families stand a greater chance of having to uproot students and cut ties with schools and communities they have invested so much into. Please fully fund the ACPS budget so we can build more schools and increase capacity while minimizing the effects of redistricting on the current students.
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 19

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #94168: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Fully Fund the ACPS Budget!

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Request Details:

- Name: Elizabeth Shanks
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-557-2322
- Email: elizashanks@aol.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Fully Fund the ACPS Budget!
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 19

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #94109: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As a concerned parent of a third grader

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Request Details:

- Name: Jay Legere
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-350-3654
- Email: jay@jayandej.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: As a concerned parent of a third grader at Charles Barrett Elementary School, I strongly urge City Council to full fund the ACPS budget. In this year of redistricting, it is more important than ever to have a budget that is fully funded.

Thank you.

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 19

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Request Details:

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- Phone Number: 202.365.1062
- Email: jtm.martin@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Alexandria City Council,

Please FULLY FUND THE ACPS budget. Alexandria Public Schools are improving under Superintendent Crawley. With redistricting in full swing we need all the support we can get. Please approve the recommendations for the budget.

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- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Mayor and City Council,
I am writing as lifelong Alexandrian (and alumnus of ACPS from kindergarten through high school) and the parent of two children currently enrolled in ACPS. I realize that making budgeting decisions is difficult and there are many competing interests that request limited funds. I think there is little that is more important to Alexandria than fully funding our schools. ACPS schools are a pride of Alexandria and fully funding Dr. Crawley's budget will ensure that future students in Alexandria will enjoy the same high quality education that current and past students have. I am especially interested in the funding of the pre-K program which will provide all of Alexandria's children a strong foundation with which to start school and which will also have the added benefit of relieving some of the overcrowding in our schools. I have tutored in my son's elementary school for the past few years and every year I see a learning gap among entering kindergarteners. A strong pre-K program is essential to assuring that all of Alexandria's students enter school ready and able to learn.
Thank you for hard work on behalf of Alexandria.
Betsy Gorman
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 18

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- Phone Number: 703-823-1475
- Email: dtouhey2e@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson and Alexandria City Council Members

I'm writing to express concern with an action recently taken by the Alexandria School Board regarding the Patrick Henry Project. As you may be aware there has been a bit of sensitivity regarding traffic or a driveway off of Latham St. While I am a resident of that neighborhood and utilize Latham St. I do not live on the street or in the immediate area of the school (within plain sight). Over the past year and a half to two years I have attended many community and school board meetings.

While recognizing many opinions exist about the project my stance has always been to let the design team, studies and experts take their course and not try to inhibit any one of those groups. A community advisory group was established in the fall and this seemed to be taking shape. While there is still a small but very vocal group opposed to any parking or traffic off Latham St. the process was moving forward and all scenarios seemed to be in discussion.

In March the design team presented 3 different site plans for community review and I believe subsequently presented them to the City Council. Option A which I favored, seemed to have the most support (and no vehicle access off Latham) while some people did favor some design elements of Option C. At the next community meeting on April 6 we heard from the design team that the City Development Special Use Permit (DSUP) reviewers informed them that having three driveways on Taney was not acceptable and would not be permitted. This required them to alter the design and come up with Option A.1 which removed a driveway from Taney and added as bus only entrance and loop on Latham St.

The design team gave a very detailed and lengthy presentation on the reasons for the creation of the new site plan. While Option A.1 did present a concern with vehicle access on Latham it is limited to 8 – 10 buses only which would be in a very controlled manner twice a day. There were also several non-vehicle uses of the bus loop mentioned by the school and rec department, overall it seemed like a good creative compromise under the circumstances.

I left that meeting feeling good about the process and that the design team was heading in the right direction. They were taking input/feedback from the community as well as direction from appropriate city agencies and working those comments into the design.

However the School Board took an action on Thursday to direct the design team and ACPS Staff to not consider any option for the Patrick Henry Project that had anything but emergency vehicle access off of Latham St. As I stated at the beginning I firmly believe whether parking off Latham St. is necessary or not should be determined as part of a process.

I strongly believe this action by the School Board was shortsighted and hurts the process as well as the timeline and budget. How can a School Board take an action that seems to be in direct contradiction of the DSUP, the

very entity that governs that type of item?

I think the design team and ACPS need to remain unhindered by constraints in their design except those that relate to city and building codes. The school board needs to rescind their vote to limit it or the City Council needs address it with their departments.

Thank you for your time and attention

Yours Truly

David Touhey
316 N Langley St
Alexandria VA

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Request Details:

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- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
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- Email: jjakubek@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Madam Mayor, Mr. Vice Mayor, and City Council,

My name is Jake Jakubek and I live in the West End of the City of Alexandria. I serve on the Transportation Commission as a citizen representative for the West End and I am the Vice Chair of Cycling Issues on the Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

I am writing to speak in favor of the city of increasing funding for the Complete Streets program from what is currently being proposed in the city budget. Mr. Jinks has proposed a total expenditure of \$850,000 for the following budget year. Out of that, approximately \$270,000 will be diverted for two salaried positions with the city which will leave about \$580,000 for projects throughout the course of the year.

This meager amount will hobble the city's Complete Streets program by preventing significant projects around the city being built and making our city safer for people walking, cycling, and driving. In turn, with fewer projects being constructed, our excellent city staff working on Complete Streets will be less productive and may choose to leave to other jurisdictions for improved opportunities to pursue their work.

The city's Complete Streets program is vital to us improving our natural environment, our economic success, and having an increasingly livable and vibrant city. I urge you to fully fund the Complete Streets program by allotting it \$1,000,000 for it in the coming budget year.

Thank you for your time.

Jake

- Expected Response Date: Thursday, April 14

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Request Details:

- Name: Pam Michell
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- Phone Number: 703-799-2293 x29
- Email: pmichell@newhopehousing.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: No descriptive text provided
- Attachment: [PPEH--letter to Council on FY17 budget final.docx](#)
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April 6, 2016

Mayor Silberberg and Alexandria City Council
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Subject: FY2017 Proposed Budget

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

The Partnership to Prevent and End Homelessness in the City of Alexandria would like to offer our thoughts and recommendations on the City Manager's proposed FY2017 budget. Our focus, as non-profits and service providers to the most vulnerable in Alexandria, is to support and provide social services and community infrastructure for those families and individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

To that end, we are pleased to see that the proposed budget makes permanent three full time mental health counselors to address an uptick in crisis intervention to serve this population. We also commend the City Manager for including authorization of a bond issue in FY2018 to support additional affordable housing development in the West End. The City is working with several other affordable housing developments that will come forward in the next four years, so we hope that, given the critical need for affordable housing, these investments will continue to support future development.

Last year, the Partnership sent our report to you that detailed progress towards achieving our strategic planning targets for Fiscal Years 2014/15. While we have a number of successes to celebrate, if we are to make progress on ending homelessness in Alexandria, we need City support in a number of areas, as outlined in that letter.

The non-profit community is doing all it can to address the housing and human service needs of these families and individuals but additional City investments are needed to leverage the resources they bring to the table. This must be a true public private partnership. With that in mind, the Partnership recommends the following:

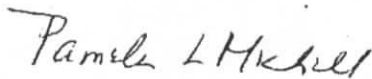
- Funding for a full-time staff person to work with landlords, as well as staff at shelters, transitional housing and homeless prevention providers who are focused on locating affordable housing options to move people out of temporary situations and into permanent housing;
- Directing staff from the Department of Community and Human Services and the Office of Housing to work with the Partnership over the next year to develop a local rent subsidy

program. This subsidy could be used with other housing financing to write down the cost of development in new proposals so that a number of units for households earning less than 40% of the area median income could be served;

- Committing to provide gap funding, through the Housing Trust Fund or other means, for at least one competitive low-income housing tax credit development each year. Local funding is essential for housing proposals from Alexandria to be competitive in the tax credit allocations. These investments in housing also demonstrate a commitment to the goal of creating or preserving 200 units of housing annually.

We appreciate your continued leadership and ongoing attention to the needs of those in our community who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. We stand ready to work with you to create more opportunities for these households in Alexandria.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela L. Michell".

Pamela L. Michell, Chair

Partnership to Prevent and End Homelessness in the City of Alexandria

Jackie Henderson

From: Sally Hunnicutt via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 11:18 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93772: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As an Alexandria resident, a parent of t

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Sally Hunnicutt
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-861-8795
- Email: sallyj26@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: As an Alexandria resident, a parent of two first graders at John Adams Elementary, and the Secretary of the John Adams PTA, I am writing to encourage Alexandria's governing officials to adopt a budget that will address the many problems that we face on a daily basis at John Adams due to overcrowding.

John Adams families see the negative impact of a school that is 119% over capacity--yet still hosts over one third of Alexandria's pre-k students--on a daily basis. Specifically:

-- Our ESL students have been forced to receive instruction in the halls--this led to a multi-hour PTA meeting last year where our international parents expressed sheer disgust at the fact that their kids weren't given the courtesy of being taught in a classroom.

--Due to overcrowding at other much smaller schools, JAES teachers are faced with a steady inflow of new out-of-boundary students throughout the year, including students with little English skills. This makes the job of our teachers, who already teach a huge percentage of ESL students, more difficult and disrupts the classroom learning environment.

--The 50 year old building is buckling under such heavy use. The bathrooms, playground, and parking lot show excessive wear and tear. The drop-off line looks like the beltway at rush hour in the morning, stressing the neighbors, local businesses, and the neighborhood.

--Many of our children eat lunch at 10am because the John Adams cafeteria was never meant to serve over 1,000 children. Most nutrition experts would agree that a 10am lunch is not in the best interest of our children.

--Our size limits many opportunities for parental involvement at the school and makes it very difficult to execute school-wide events. Parents this year were told for the first time that they could not share the same meal as their children for the annual Thanksgiving luncheon because the cafeteria simply could not handle more people.

Given the enrollment projections this problem is only going to get worse. Please approve the School Board's proposed budget that will work toward addressing the overcoming issue. In particular, please lay the groundwork for removing the 126 pre-k children from John Adams so our K-5 students can have the room to learn and grow, and our excellent teachers and administration can be less strained by the exceptionally high enrollment. Please don't allow John Adams to reach its projected enrollment of 136% over capacity by 2020.

Thank you,
Sally Hunnicutt

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 13

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Jackie Henderson

From: Jon Rosenbaum via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 10:05 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93690: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Making a new city pool costing more than

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Request Details:

- Name: Jon Rosenbaum
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-836-7877
- Email: hjrosenbaum@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Making a new city pool costing more than \$22 million a priority in the CIP is an outrage. This in addition to repairing or replacing two neighborhood pools. Frankly given the state of the city's roads and other infrastructure, this pool proposal is a luxury that we cannot afford and that will be used by few.
- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, April 13

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From: Bruce and Linda Dwyer via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2016 9:42 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93568: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council,

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Request Details:

- Name: Bruce and Linda Dwyer
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-549-3263
- Email: ouibike@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council,
As a long time advocates for safe streets for all users in Alexandria, we urge you to restore \$1 million to the Complete Streets budget and \$200,000 to the shared use paths budget. Continuing a robust level of funding for non-motorized transportation will promote Alexandria as a people friendly town for both its residents and its visitors.
Thank you for your consideration of my views.
Bruce and Linda Dwyer
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 12

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Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 4:45 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92272: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As a resident of Del Ray for many years

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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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: As a resident of Del Ray for many years I am a frequent visitor to the Duncan Library. In fact, I no longer purchase books (except for the occasional Amazon indulgence.) I am on a pension and find having a great selection a short walk away to be a real boon. Please keep the library operating at its present level of high quality. Thank you.
- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, March 23

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Jackie Henderson

From: michael cialdella via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 2:17 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93521: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I support the new 50-meter pool at Ching

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Request Details:

- Name: michael cialdella
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7033293300
- Email: mcialdella@hotmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I support the new 50-meter pool at Chinguapin and am counting on your support also...A MUST!
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 1:58 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93516: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I want to express my strong support for

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Request Details:

- Name: Joe Bremner
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-405-6032
- Email: jabremner5@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I want to express my strong support for the new 50-meter pool at Chinquapin and am counting on your support also. I've always been surprised by the limited facilities for swimming within the City and feel it is important that we upgrade now and do so in a manner that it won't be out of date as soon as the facility opens.
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93472: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Please support the Alexandria complete s

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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: Please support the Alexandria complete street program for pedestrian and bicycle safety and transportation by increasing funding to \$1,000,000

Joshua Wimpey
210 Longview Drive
Alexandria VA 22314

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 11:38 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93481: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I would like to see a funding increase a

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Request Details:

- Name: Gina Wimpey
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: gmontefusco@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I would like to see a funding increase and support the complete streets program.
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 9:35 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93432: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Several years ago, the city council and

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Request Details:

- Name: Robin Bectel
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: rmbectel@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Several years ago, the city council and ACPS insisted that although the city's population was expected to grow, it would not grow from families with children and therefore the overcrowding would not continue. At that time, John Adams enrollment was under 950 students and it is now over 1100. Clearly those models were wrong, and frankly, it always seemed that the city wanted to believe those projections in the face of evidence to the contrary - as schools like John Adams were turning storage closets into classrooms. So, here we are, with extreme overcrowding that is now expected to continue and grow.

So, how do we deal with it? It comes down to resources. ACPS has told the city what it will cost, and it is not being fully funded. What do you think the result of this will be? Its obvious, the overcrowding will continue. Class sizes will have to increase, teacher training will suffer, and quality of education will go down. The schools feel stretched to the bones as it is. Teachers are forced to ask the community for basic supplies as you can see from the Multiple Donors Choose funding efforts underway, buildings are crumbling.

I understand the city has to balance resources, but this problem is of the city's own making. The Council and School Board ignored the signs and now its time to do something about it. It can not be a band-aid approach. You sued the state for trying to take control of one of our schools due to its perceived lack of oversight. Do we want to continue the same type of poor management and under funding that allowed that situation to occur in the first place, or do you plan to give our problems the resources we need to run an exemplary education system that would reflect proudly on our city and leadership?

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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From: CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 8:49 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93423: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Please fund the ACPS School Board budget

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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: Please fund the ACPS School Board budget. Alexandria is a beautiful, safe city. It would be a shame for the #1 priority--our children's education--to get short changed. That would undermine all our other efforts to keep this as a desirable city in which to live. Thank you!
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 8:40 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93421: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council For the City Council, I want to voice my

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Request Details:

- Name: Sabrina Corlette
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-838-0288
- Email: scorlette@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: For the City Council, I want to voice my strong support for the project to build a new 50-meter pool at Chinquapin. This city desperately needs to invest in its health and recreational infrastructure and particularly its aquatics infrastructure. This facility not only makes sense in terms of meeting the needs of Alexandria residents and families, but also is very likely to generate a strong return on investment from fees that can be charged over the long term. I urge the City Council to follow through on its commitments and vote for the full amount needed to start the design work.
Thank you,
Sabrina Corlette
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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From: Jim Durham via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 01, 2016 1:31 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93309: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Council memb

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Request Details:

- Name: Jim Durham
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-508-0762
- Email: jimandcarey48@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Council members,
Your Budget Work Session for "Livable, Green & Prospering City" is scheduled for Tuesday, 5 April. As part of that work session, I am hopeful that you will ask probing questions about the impact of underfunded and unfunded Transportation Projects. On behalf of Alexandria's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), I ask that you specifically address three areas for additional FY17 investment that will improve safety and accessibility for people who walk and bike, as explained in the attached letter and summarized here:
 1. An additional \$1M for Complete Streets projects (as also recommended by the Transportation Commission).
 2. \$200,000 for Shared Use Paths to address identified safety issues. (The Shared Use Path is unfunded in FY17 in the proposed budget.)
 3. Funding for top Long Range Transportation Projects that will improve safety and accessibility for people who walk and bike. For example, the #8 project would address the long-standing need for a north-south bikeway in Old Town to reduce conflicts between cyclists and people who walk on or near Union Street.Programs and projects that make our city more walkable and bikeable are proven high-payoff investments that will improve our city's economic, environmental and public health.
 1. This WaPost article describes some of the economic benefits that cities derive from investments in walking and biking infrastructure: <http://bit.ly/EconBenefits> or <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/dr-gridlock/wp/2016/03/29/trail-oriented-communities-are-catering-more-to-cyclists/>
 2. Health benefits are the basis for the Surgeon General's Call to Action to Promote Walking and Walkable Communities: <http://bit.ly/SG-StepitUp> or <http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/library/calls/walking-and-walkable-communities/index.html>Appreciate your consideration of the recommendations in the attached letter as part of this year's budget process.
Thanks so much.
Jim Durham
Chair, Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Attachment: [CC ltr 2016-0401.pdf](#)
- Expected Response Date: Friday, April 8

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April 1, 2016

Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Council members,

I am writing on behalf of Alexandria's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to ask for additional FY17 capital investment to improve safety and accessibility for people who walk and bike in Alexandria, specifically, the Complete Streets program and other high-payoff capital projects as described herein. These are proven high-payoff investments that will improve the city's economic, environmental and public health.

We ask that you provide the Complete Streets program with an increase of \$1M in FY17, to provide an amount available for projects equal to or greater than that available in FY 16, after allocating \$273,000 for staff. The Complete Streets program is the city's flagship program that addresses unsafe walking and biking conditions. Last September's pedestrian fatality and multiple pedestrians injured in car crashes in the past several weeks are reminders of the urgent need for capital investment in this area. At least three City Commissions have strongly endorsed the Complete Street program for additional funds; the Transportation Commission recently identified a \$1M addition to the Complete Streets program as their #1 budget recommendation.

BPAC also recommends providing \$200,000 for the Shared Use Path program in FY17. This program is unfunded in FY17 in the proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) in spite of the City having recently identified numerous Shared Use Path safety issues during the Transportation Master Plan update project. These safety issues should be addressed in FY17 rather than waiting until FY18 as proposed in the City Manager's budget.

BPAC's third funding priority is for projects in the (unfunded) Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The top projects in the LRTP include numerous high payoff- low cost projects for people who walk. For example, the #8 project on the LRTP would address the long-standing need for a north-south bikeway in Old Town to reduce conflicts with people who walk on or near Union Street. An engineering approach would be more effective and more cost-effective than indefinitely allocating scarce enforcement resources to this pedestrian safety issue.

Capital investment in Alexandria's transportation systems is an investment in Alexandria's economic growth and economic growth is the key to providing funds in future years for schools, public safety and other important needs. BPAC recommends capital investment of (1) An additional \$1M for Complete Streets projects, (2) \$200,000 for Shared Use Paths, and (3) Funding for top LRTP projects that will improve safety and accessibility for people who walk and bike. These are proven high-payoff investments that will help maintain the city's economic, environmental and public health.

Sincerely,



Jim Durham

Chair, Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Jackie Henderson

From: Michael Menchel via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Sunday, April 03, 2016 9:11 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93406: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I amasking Alexandria's Mayor and Council

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Michael Menchel
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571/213-4609
- Email: mpmenchel@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I amasking Alexandria's Mayor and Council members to add FY17 funding for safety and accessibility for people who walk and bike. Ask them to add \$1M to the Complete Streets program, provide \$200,000 for the Shared Use Path program, and fund walking and biking projects in the City's Long Range Transportation Plan. Our safety, and the city's economic, environmental and public health depend on it.
- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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Sent: Sunday, April 03, 2016 11:17 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sittou
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93411: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Ms. Mayor and City Council Members:

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Request Details:

- Name: Qassim Alowaid
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-357-8280
- Email: kbasry@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Ms. Mayor and City Council Members:

My name is Qassim Alowaid, I am a father of two daughters, the oldest one is in 3rd grade at John Adams Elementary School. We moved from Michigan to Alexandria over 2 years ago.

One of the problems that my daughter faces at school is the classroom is overcrowding, which affects children's education because the school needs more classrooms. Overcrowding is an essential issue that the school board is working on to resolve it. We need your full help and support by providing enough funds to the school.

We look forward to you supporting the children of Alexandria.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Qassim Alowaid

- Expected Response Date: Monday, April 11

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Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2016 4:22 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93245: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and Members of Co

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Request Details:

- Name: Clarence Burke
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: govsluv@aol.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and Members of Council,

I am writing in opostion to the proposal to build a new swimming pool of 50 meters at Chinquapin Rec Center.

Thanks,

Clarence Burke
711 N Overlook
22305

- Expected Response Date: Thursday, April 7

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From: Sarah Mahoney via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2016 11:24 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #93206: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council March 31, 2016 Mayor and Members of C

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Request Details:

- Name: Sarah Mahoney
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-247-6828
- Email: sarah@oldtownbd.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: March 31, 2016

Mayor and Members of City Council
City of Alexandria
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Mayor and Members of City Council:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and 30+ members of the Old Town Boutique District, we would like to thank you for your service to the City of Alexandria and for your continued support of small businesses such as ours. Through the Marketing Fund and our work with Visit Alexandria, the City has supported our efforts and in turn we have created wildly successful events such as Black Friday in Alexandria, the annual Sidewalk Sale, and our annual Scavenger Hunt, which significantly contribute to the City's overall tax revenues and the overall strength of our small business community.

Small investments have yielded great results. Right now, our schools are over crowded, we have lost key small businesses this year, and the bills for infrastructure and building repairs are mounting. In order to curb this trend and infuse new economic life into Alexandria, it is our belief that critical small investments made by the City will help us continue to grow revenues in the future and do our part for the greater good of our community.

As we approach the FY17 budget, we specifically encourage you to:

- Support the \$5.4 million recommended budget appropriation for economic development which encompasses: Visit Alexandria, AEDP, Small Business Development Center, Holiday Lights, Marketing Fund, and First Night.
- Restore the \$75,000 cut to digital advertising production for Visit Alexandria, which is currently listed in the budget as a recommended option if the second penny in real estate assessment is implemented.
- Support the additional \$200,000 in parking wayfinding signage consistent with the City's existing Wayfinding Plan guidelines. The goal is to direct more people to parking garages and metered parking and off the residential streets.
- Support placemaking as a way of driving local visitors and regional visitors to our city as well as providing a better experience for our own residents and employees by approving the improvements to Fitzgerald Square.

Thank you.
Sincerely,

Elizabeth Todd
President, Old Town Boutique District

Cc: Mark Jinks, City Manager
Patricia Washington, President, Visit Alexandria
Stephanie Landrum, President & CEO, AEDP

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- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I write to ask for your full support and funding for the ACPS budget. The Schools facilities have not been able to keep up with the city's growing population. There are classrooms in hallways, storage closets and libraries. With enrollment projected to increase by 3.7 percent in FY 2017, taking ACPS to a total of 15,270 students. By FY 2026, ACPS is projected to have just under 19,000 students. Our current facilities just cannot handle that many students. Don't our students (your neighbors, constituents and the City's future) deserve better? In addition, the budget focuses on retaining the excellent workforce ACPS currently has. ACPS must keep up with the job market competitiveness.

Please support the schools. Don't you think it is the students' turn for support? I urge you to fully fund it. Every child deserves at top notch education. You have the ability to provide that for them.

Thank you for your consideration,

Pia & Ron San Luis

Alexandria, VA

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- Name: Jim Durham
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- Phone Number: 703-508-0762
- Email: jimandcarey48@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council Members,
The Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) is pleased to endorse the proposed Pedestrian and Bicycle Chapter of the Transportation Master Plan. City staff and members of the Ad Hoc Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Advisory Committee should be commended for their careful and thoughtful approach in developing the plan. That said, your help is requested, as explained in the attached letter and summarized here: We ask for your help in three areas:
(1) Funding Plan Implementation: Increase funding for the Complete Streets program by \$1M in FY17 as a first step toward achieving Master Plan goals and objectives.
(2) Expediently Achieving Vision Zero: Ask staff to return as soon as possible, e.g. within about six months, with Vision Zero program options.
(3) Measuring and Forecasting progress: Include proposed budget-informed forecasts of future progress with the annual "report card" of progress, in coordination with the City Manager's proposed budget.
Thanks so much for helping to make Alexandria safe and more walkable and bikeable.
Jim Durham
Chair, Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Attachment: [BPAC letter - Master Plan Chapter 2016-0329.pdf](#)
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, April 5

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March 29, 2016

Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council Members,

The Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) is pleased to endorse the proposed Pedestrian and Bicycle Chapter of the Transportation Master Plan. The plan articulates goals, objectives and prioritized strategies to provide safe and accessible facilities for people of all ages and abilities to walk and bike, as well as programs and policies that encourage increased walking and biking as safe and active forms of transportation and recreation. Achieving these goals will provide improved safety, as well as economic, environmental and public health benefits.

City staff and members of the Ad Hoc Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Advisory Committee should be commended for their careful and thoughtful approach in developing the plan. They have spent countless hours engaging citizens of Alexandria and expertly synthesizing a myriad of considerations to ensure that the plan is sound and equitable across the needs of all in the community, regardless of age, abilities or geographic location.

We ask for your help in three areas: (1) Funding Plan Implementation and (2) Expeditiously Achieving Vision Zero, (3) Measuring and Forecasting progress.

Funding Plan Implementation

The proposed Master Plan chapter lays out a vision for a network that connects all parts of the City, allowing residents and visitors to safely walk and bike throughout the City. The plan also provides a roadmap, i.e. the associated goals, objectives and strategies to achieve that vision. That said, implementation requires adequate funding to achieve goals and objectives in a timely manner. We ask that your commitment to safe, accessible and comfortable walking and biking include funding to accomplish the goals and objectives in a timely manner. We ask you to provide an increase of \$1M in FY17 for the Complete Streets program as a first step toward achieving Master Plan goals and objectives.

Expeditiously Achieving Vision Zero

The proposed Pedestrian and Bicycle Chapter of the Transportation Master Plan includes developing a Vision Zero program to eliminate pedestrian and bicycle-related deaths and serious injuries in Alexandria as the top Policy and Program strategy. Please ask staff to return as soon as possible, e.g. within about six months, with Vision Zero program options. Your early engagement of Vision Zero program options is essential to expeditiously implementing the plan and achieving the vision.

Measuring and Forecasting Progress

The plan includes a strategy to “develop an annual report card with information on performance measures identified in this Plan” and a status update report every two years on the implementation of Case Study area recommendations and priority sidewalk, trail and on-street bicycle projects. We request these reports include forecasted progress based on the City Manager’s annual budget proposal, i.e. provide these reports in coordination with the City

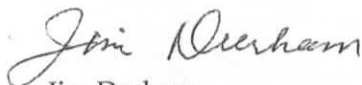
Manager's proposed budget, and include the degree to which the proposed budget will "move the needle". With reports that include both progress made as well as proposed budget-informed forecasts for future progress, Council can make better-informed decisions about what is needed to achieve adopted goals and objectives.

Thank you for your past help to make Alexandria safe and more walkable and bikeable. Going forward, we ask for your help to

- (1) Increase funding for the Complete Streets program by \$1M in FY17 as a first step toward achieving Master Plan goals and objectives.
- (2) Expeditiously implement a Vision Zero program: ask staff to return as soon as possible, e.g. within about six months, with Vision Zero program options.
- (3) Include proposed budget-informed forecasts of future progress with the annual "report card" of progress, in coordination with the City Manager's proposed budget.

With your help as requested, Alexandria will achieve its goals for people who walk and bike, and the associated safety, economic, environmental and public health benefits, in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Durham".

Jim Durham

Chair, Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Jackie Henderson

From: marc@fsirenovations.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 12:25 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #84222: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg a

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- Phone Number: 5712335130
- Email: marc@fsirenovations.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg and the City Council,

The City is planning on renovating the three diamond fields at Hensley Park in the near future by regarding and installing new grass outfielders with a dirt infield. I think this a mistake and so does every report that the City has issued on the conditions of the fields over the past ten years. To quote from one of the reports state "the conversion of grass fields to synthetic surfaces is the only way the City can keep up with demand since there is no additional space for new fields"

The City should follow the recommendations that were made in the 2006 the Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities commissioned a report title "Comprehensive Athletic Fields Master Plan" (see below) to make the Hensley Park Fields synthetic turf and make the park a tournament quality facility. Putting grass on these fields with ensure they are closed over half the year. Putting in a synthetic surface will allow the fields to be open almost 365 days a year. When the fields are not being used by softball or youth baseball they could be used by Little League, coach pitch baseball, tee ball teams and they could also be used by youth soccer, football and lacrosse teams.

The City should find the additional funding for synthetic surface diamond fields at Hensley Park. The fields should be designed for adult softball and for youth baseball with base paths at 60ft and 70ft. Hensley Park could become the premiere softball and youth baseball tournament site in the Northern Virginia.

The City would benefit from the additional tax revenue that the tournaments would produce, restaurants and hotels in the City would like additional customers, and more importantly the Citizens of Alexandria would have three new diamond fields for their use and enjoyment.

Let's do the right thing and follow the recommendations of the City's 2006 Comprehensive Athletic Fields Master Plan and build a tournament quality facility at Hensley Park.

Thank you,
Marc Leon

Comprehensive Athletic Fields Master Plan
City of Alexandria Final Report

Park Name: Hensley Park/Site of the Proposed All City Sports Complex
Item Description Notes

Number of Fields

A. One (1) Regulation Soccer Field
B. Two (2) Adult Softball Fields
C. One (1) Adult Softball Fields w/ Junior Soccer/Football Overlay
Total Fields=4 with 6 Uses

Types of Field Use

Youth and Adult Softball/Soccer/Football, Lacrosse, Field Hockey, Baseball Practice and festivals, Canine Events, Bishop Ireton uses for Football and Softball
Heaviest fields used in City

Type of User and Number of Games Played

Adult Sports League, Bishop Ireton Varsity and Junior Varsity Softball and Softball Teams, Alexandria Soccer Association, Lacrosse practice, K-9 Olympics and annual police K-9 show and minor festivals 15 Adult Games per week 18 Youth Games per week 5 High School Games per week
Facility also has many special events

Engineered Field?

No

Irrigated Yes/No

Yes, Soccer Field Yes, 1 Softball Field No, 2 Softball Fields Drainage problem needs engineering.

Current Condition

All fields have good lighting, restrooms, drainage problem that needs engineered, need backstops/wing fence, concession available, turf suffers in late summers due to the irrigation system/lack there of and heavy use, overall poor Too much use

Current Maintenance Dollars Spent on the Field

\$180k

Light Yes/No (Age of Lights)

Yes

Standards Met for Region of the City

Yes

Not in terms of quality

Partnership in Place? Who?

No

Controlled Field Yes/No

No

Recommended Improvements

- A. Master Plan entire park as tournament quality facility
- B. Upgrade all fields to synthetic surfaces
- C. Tournament level upgrades

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, November 17

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92964: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council RE: The MGM Readiness Task Force Recomme

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- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: RE: The MGM Readiness Task Force Recommendation
DATE: Tuesday, 6:30pm Legislative Meeting

"We believe these projects represent low risk/high reward expenditures likely to generate tax receipts that will offset their cost."

"Belief" is a questionable way to make a large investment, especially when the one step that could provide the information, legal and financial, needed to make a sound decision, is a low priority item:

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS, IF SUFFICIENT FUNDING EXISTS

Net Impact Economic Analysis

Timing: May-June 2017

Impact: Low

Cost: \$45,000

The \$377,000 cost may escalate, which is likely, not be matched by tax revenues, be affected by access to Alexandria, etc. The fact remains, you just don't know.

No responsibly operating municipality or private sector organization undertakes wholly new ventures without a Net Impact Economic Analysis ... let alone assigns it "Low Impact".

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92976: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To: The Mayor, City Council, City Manager

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- Name: James Blivin
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7175042281
- Email: jimfire120@aol.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To: The Mayor, City Council, City Manager, and Concerned Citizens of Alexandria
From: Jim Blivin
Date: 03/28/2016
Concerning: The Dismanteling of the Alexandria Emergency Medical System.

Last week saw the continuation of several high profile news stories relating to Emergency Medical Services. Three news items in particular highlighted the need for an adequate number of ambulances, and the need for professional medical providers to be present at medical calls.

The first news item related to a child transported to the hospital by well meaning but under-trained and inexperienced firemen. These firemen thought they faced a problem that could only be fixed at a hospital. They also thought, incorrectly, that they did not have an available ambulance. In a panic, they endangered themselves, the patient, and the public for a medical situation which could have been handled easily by an ambulance staffed with knowledgeable medical professionals. They also endangered the EMS certification for themselves and for their entire department. The root cause of this failure can be attributed to a lack of ambulances and the medical inexperience of these long time fireman. There is a secondary root cause for this failure and that is the reliance on the excess number of fire trucks and firemen trying to provide medical care that they have little interest in providing, little experience in providing, and with only the minimum amount of training. You should not expect an administrator who spent the vast majority of his "medical" career on a fire truck to understand the complexities of the delivery of high quality prehospital medical care.

The second news item was the 18 minute wait for an ambulance by a shooting victim in the District of Columbia. The long wait was attributed, yet again, to a lack of medical transport units (ambulances) and the fallacy that fire engines can provide medical care.

The third story concerned the use of private ambulances to transport the sick and injured to hospitals in the District of Columbia. This is a radical idea in this area. In the rest of the developed world, using medical units with professional medical personnel is the normal way of operating. It is only here in the United States, and only in some parts of the U.S., that there is the belief that good medical care can be provided as a secondary function of a job. This new District of Columbia plan will increase the number of medical transport units. It will likely solve or significantly alleviate the long waits for medical transportation and care. It does not increase the number of fire trucks or firemen.

If your concern is saving taxpayer money there are several other places to look. You currently have a boat which cannot get to much of the water for which the city is responsible. In 2015 the boat ran 10 calls. On two of the call the boat was returned within two minutes of dispatch as it was not needed. There were two cases of injuries, one on dry land and another on a docked boat. The boat was also called for two disabled boats, two searches handled

by other boats, one call for a bomb on the bridge, many feet above the water and handled by fire trucks and police. The last call was for a person in no distress swimming in the water who was aided by a bass boat while the fireboat was on scene. The existence, size, and expense of the fire boat are unjustified. You also have a rescue squad that performed the function of a rescue squad less than once per month last year. You have a ladder truck that runs less than one call a day and at least 2 fire trucks that run less than 3 calls per day. At the same time your slowest medic unit is running more than 5 calls per day. Since medical calls are 80% of calls for service you need to reevaluate the fact that less than 18% of your fleet is capable of legal medical transport. In short, just as in the three articles above, you have too many fire related vehicles and not enough ambulances or professional medical staff to man them.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue
James Blivin
APMA Member
30 year Paramedic
EMS Educator

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- Email: retiredgiles@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: The Alexandria Times reports that an extension of bicycle lanes on upper King Street is being considered.

Bicycle lanes are fine - especially if bicyclists use them. I don't see many people bicycling anywhere on King Street. When I see bicyclists headed down the upper King Street hill toward Old Town, they usually use the sidewalk, rather than the current bicycle lane.

More bicycle lanes certainly won't help tourists using Capital Bikeshare - they are all over the road just trying to stay on their bicycle. And, like the VAST MAJORITY of bicyclists, they totally ignore traffic rules and laws.

I think that the extension of bicycle lanes on upper King Street needs a LOT more study.

Thank you.

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92911: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Hello Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council

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- Name: Jennifer Ware
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-465-8588
- Email: warejh@icloud.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Hello Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council Members,

My husband and I have twin daughters at George Mason Elementary School. I write today to ask you all to fully fund the ACPS budget as proposed by Dr. Crawley and the School Board. This budget will allow the school system to address the growing needs of the students, deal with the extensive capacity issues throughout the school system and update and stabilize the crumbling school structures.

By not fully funding the swing space and centralized pre-k, the city manager's budget continues to keep ACPS from moving forward on desperately-needed construction projects in order to ease some of the overcrowding in a way that will be least disruptive to the students. Also, centralized pre-k will allow for some immediate space being opened up for K-5 classroom needs at some of the most crowded schools.

In order to systematically and efficiently deal with crumbling schools and explosive capacity issues, the ten-year capital improvement plan must be fully funded in all of its elements. The time for delaying and postponing this important work is over. It must be fully funded. There is no time left to push this need.

Thank you,
Jenny Ware

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92889: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Good Morning, In January I spoke on b

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Request Details:

- Name: Nancy Jennings
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-820-6930
- Email: nrjennings@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Good Morning,

In January I spoke on behalf of Seminary Hill Association, Inc. (SHA), in support of residents' concerns about the planned expansion of Patrick Henry Elementary School into a pre-K through grade-8 program with a recreation center twice the size of the one now at this school. Those comments are attached for your review. The comments below are my own personal opinion and may help you weigh the issues about this project on Tuesday night and ones in the future.

The budget and planning process for expanding this school is opaque and should have included taxpayers and residents. For example, who decided to put additional grades on site and who decided there was a need for the facilities being added to the rec center. I and others, who did not grow up in Alexandria, have noted that the schools we attended "back home" are not being torn down but are repaired, maintained, and creatively renovated at a lesser cost than tearing down a school and building a new one. Also, ACPS projects are never budgeted for actual cost; for example, T. C. Williams High School, the Hammond soccer field, and the TCW tennis courts cost double the amounts budgeted for them.

For reasons I do not know, the expansion of Patrick Henry Elementary School is on a fast track. The site where the school is now located is the best site for a school, but the people making decisions have chosen an expensive building plan that will move it. Since community outreach began, the community has had limited access to information and limited time for discussions of the plans for the new buildings and fields. SHA's representative and other members of the Board have attended the Advisory Group and Community meetings. The information to be discussed at these meetings is often not available in advance, so they become instructional meetings about what staff is thinking rather than discussions. Making this project a success may be difficult, especially given past experience with staff's plans.

In conclusion, I hope that you can at least protect the interests of our community, which lives near and uses this school. We fear features of a complex like this that would detract from our quality of life, such as re-routing traffic onto residential streets, restricting access to fields and open space, and the installation of lights on playing fields.

Thank you for your efforts to make this project better.

Nan Jennings

2115 Marlboro Drive
Alexandria, VA 22304

- Attachment: [2016-02-20 Open Mike on Patrick Henry.docx](#)
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City Council of Alexandria, Virginia
Public Hearing Meeting
Saturday, February 20, 2016

Open Mike
Concerns about the Plans for Expansion of Patrick Henry School and its Recreation Facility

by
Nancy R. Jennings

Good Morning ☺

My name is Nancy Jennings and I live at 2115 Marlboro Drive. I am President of the Seminary Hill Association, Inc. (SHA), and speak on its behalf today about City plans to expand Patrick Henry School and its recreation facility.

In January, SHA sent a letter to you strongly recommending that five requirements to be included in the DSUP for the proposed new recreation center attached to the expanded Patrick Henry School. A copy of this letter was provided again to you this morning.

The present configuration of green space around Patrick Henry School has been important in the lives of many neighborhoods in the West End including Seminary Hill, Strawberry Hill, and Seminary Valley.

- The Parks and Recreation Department survey of Alexandria residents has demonstrated that accessible green space for informal outdoor recreation is a principal interest of City residents.
- In addition, the joint ACPS and City of Alexandria Long Range Education Facilities Plan states that *"school sites shall avoid any net loss of open space on the property and seek to improve the quality of the open space on existing sites."*

Ironically, this new recreation center has the effect of reducing prime green space for informal outdoor recreation. Every effort must be made to preserve and protect the land that remains.

We look to you to require that the DSUP for this project as brought forth from the Planning Office contains the five provisions that SHA outlined.

1. The proposed recreation center should be attached to the school, as at present.
2. Park amenities that would be eliminated by the current plan—namely the tennis courts and the basketball court—should be replaced on other parts of the Patrick Henry tract.
3. Neighborhood access to the remaining green space on the tract should be maximized. There should be no fenced or lighted artificial turfed fields that would limit recreational use by neighbors and other West End residents.
4. Automobile entrances and parking lots for the school and recreation center should be off Taney Avenue, as is presently the case; and there should be no curb cuts on Latham Street to ensure safety.
5. A neighborhood advisory group—made up of surrounding homeowners and other residents—should be created when the DSUP is approved and it should be consulted through the period of construction and afterward during the active use of these new facilities.

In conclusion, SHA continues to support City projects that meet the needs of our children, preserve our neighborhoods, and improve the quality of life in the West End.

Thank you.

Jackie Henderson

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Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2016 12:51 PM
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- Request Description: Please see attached.
Thanks,
Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission
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Public Health
Advisory Commission
of Alexandria, VA

March 24, 2016

To The Alexandria City Council,

The Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission requests that the amount of \$57,914 be retained as part of the City of Alexandria 2017 budget. The city's 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. The City of Alexandria allocates \$25,000 towards enabling a full time dentist the ability to provide NVDC patients quality dental treatment. The additional \$32,914 is given by the city to pay for services rendered by the full time dentist and his cohort of volunteers. The value of the 2015 dental services provided by NVDC to the citizens of Alexandria is \$362,004. That's a significant return on investment for the city.

The scope of services provided at the NVDC go beyond what is offered at the newly formed Neighborhood Health dental clinic and include specialized treatment such as root canals, surgical extractions, and fixed prosthodontics (crown, bridges and implants). Neighborhood Health refers to NVDC for these procedures so without funding, these services will not be available for patients.

In 2013 INOVA Alexandria Hospital put forth a 'community health needs assessment'. This assessment ranked the lack of dental care for the low-income, uninsured and undocumented adults as one of the highest needs for our citizens. We are fortunate an organization (NVDC) is currently in place that provides quality care to its citizens since 1994. The effects of poor oral health and untreated oral health conditions are extremely costly to our community therefore the Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission encourages the city to continue their funding of the NVDC.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Katya Wanzer".

Katya Wanzer, MPH
Chair of the PHAC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jessica L Hill DMD".

Jessica L Hill DMD
Dental representative of the APHAC



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Mayor and Members of City Council
City of Alexandria
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

March 15, 2016

Dear Mayor and Members of City Council:

On behalf of the Board of Governors and 300+ Visit Alexandria local businesses, thank you for your ongoing support of the City's economic development initiatives. Your \$5.4 million investment in economic development represents less than 1% of the City's total operating budget, but is critical to preserving the economic health, jobs and tax base that make Alexandria vibrant. Our recent #1 ranking as the best downtown in America is no accident—it is the byproduct of your long-term vision and commitment. Thank you.

As we approach the FY17 budget, we specifically encourage you to:

- Support the \$5.4 million recommended budget appropriation for economic development which encompasses: Visit Alexandria, AEDP, Small Business Development Center, Holiday Lights, Marketing Fund, and First Night
- Restore the \$75,000 cut to digital advertising production for Visit Alexandria, which is currently listed in the budget as a recommended option if the second penny in real estate assessment is implemented. This is money that is used to refresh our creative ads. We already extended advertising creative for one extra year last year. We recently measured a 25% response decline when old ads are reused. So please restore this \$75,000 digital advertising production to ensure that the effectiveness of Alexandria's advertising is maintained.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Victor Parra
THC

Victor Parra
Board Chair, Visit Alexandria

Cc: Mark Jinks, City Manager
Emily Baker, Deputy City Manager
Morgan Routt, Director of Management & Budget
Stephanie Landrum, President & CEO, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership

Jackie Henderson

From: Nadine Boland via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2016 10:29 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
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- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-836-4199
- Email: nadine@thebolands.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am writing you today to request that you support the citywide broadband initiative. It makes good sense for Alexandria to build our own fiber backbone. With the assistance of developers, who will be digging up streets anyways for the massive development plans in the pipeline, we can require that they lay the conduit in and the city can be responsible for putting the fiber through it. I would also like to see approval for more than one fiber vendor to operate in the city to bring the last mile portion to residences and businesses. The current Comcast monopoly is unacceptable and has been a source of lost revenue for my business. A recent, simple, move request came with Comcast taking down my service three times at my existing location weeks before the move and once relocated, it took me three weeks to finally get my service running properly. Callers to my company during these outages indicated that they had reached a non-working number and therefore, they assumed we were out of business. Escalations to upper management was non-existent confirming my belief that they are not customer-focused due to the lack of competitive carriers.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like more information on my experiences. 703-836-4199

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From: Barbara Carter
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2016 4:46 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides
Cc: Mark Jinks; Yon Lambert; Sermaine McLean
Subject: Letter from Transportation Commission re FY17 Budget
Attachments: 2016-03-23 TC Letter to Council re FY 2017-2026 Budget_final.pdf

The attached is from the Transportation Commission.

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Mayor Allison Silberberg and Members of City Council
Alexandria City Hall
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

March 23, 2016

Re: FY 2017-2026 Transportation Budget

Dear Mayor Silberberg and Members of City Council:

At its March 16, 2016 meeting, the Transportation Commission reviewed the City Manager's proposed FY 2017 Operating Budget and FY 2017- FY 2026 Capital Improvement Program. The Transportation Commission appreciates that the Manager's budget has considered and addressed many of the Commission's budget recommendations, which were documented in a letter to the Mayor and City Council dated October 22, 2015 (attached). However, two of the recommendations in our guidance letter have not been fully addressed:

- Maintain funding for highest priorities as determined by the Transportation Commission in the Transportation Improvement Program.
- Recognizing that regional transportation—including WMATA transit service—is a priority that should not fall on the transportation budget, the Council should explore opportunities to fund the regional transit needs beyond the City's transportation resources. The Commission requests the city honor the 2.2 cent reservation of the property tax to fund the city's transportation projects.

During the March 16 meeting, the Commission held a public hearing regarding the proposed budget and endorsed the following position:

- The Transportation Commission would like to express disappointment regarding the proposed level of funding for the City's Complete Streets program. This program is one of the most important budget items outside of public safety that saves lives and reduces injuries to our residents and visitors. The City Manager's proposed funding levels for the Complete Streets program (excluding staff salaries) are approximately \$500,000, significantly less than the approximately \$1.5 million that will be expended on Complete Streets in FY16.
- Contributions to WMATA's capital and operating expenses should be made using monies from other sources, such as the City's general fund rather than the City's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

- If additional resources become available, either through resources from additional tax revenues or by removing WMATA contributions from the City's TIP, the Transportation Commission supports applying the first \$1 million of these resources toward the City's Complete Streets Program. Any remaining resources should be used to fund priority projects listed in the City's Transportation Long Range Plan (LRP).

The Transportation Commission emphasizes that adequate funding for transportation projects not only supports the efficient movement of people and goods, but directly supports the City's economic health. This past year, the City Council has approved the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan and the Oakville Triangle / Route 1 Corridor Plan. Over the next two years, City Council will also take action on a number of forthcoming plans including the City's update to the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan, the Old Town North Small Area Plan, and the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan Amendment. Each of these plans includes priority multi-modal transportation investments needed to support the economic health of the City as well as provide a safe environment for our residents. Adequate funding for transportation is paramount to the successful implementation of these plans.

As evidence of the significant unfunded transportation needs facing the City, we are attaching in its entirety the Transportation Long Range Plan (LRP). Each year, the Transportation Commission is asked to review and prioritize each project on this list. Over the last two years, few projects have moved from the unfunded LRP to the funded CIP, and more projects have been added to the LRP as a result of newly-adopted plans. Identification of additional resources for infrastructure investment, including transportation, will help to fund our significant project backlog.

The Commission commends the Council on its ongoing commitment to funding multi-modal, sustainable transportation options in the City. We appreciate your consideration of the Commission's guidance on the proposed FY 2017 budget.

Sincerely,



J. J King III
Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

Attachments:

- Memorandum from Transportation Commission, October 22, 2015
- 2015 Transportation Long Range Plan (Projects List)

cc: Alexandria Transportation Commission
Alexandria Planning Commission
Mark Jinks, City Manager
Yon Lambert, Director, T&ES



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Phone: 703.746.4025

Honorable Mayor William D. Euille and Members of City Council
City Hall
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

October 22, 2015

Re: FY 2017-2026 Budget Guidance

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of City Council:

At its October 21, 2015 meeting, the Transportation Commission approved the following guidance to staff for preparation of the FY 2017 budget for inclusion in the City Manager's FY 2017 budget:

- Preserve the 2.2 cent transportation reservation in order to comply with maintenance-of-effort requirements, maintain flexibility, and to offset previous loss of state urban funds.
- Commit adequate operating funds to provide the project management, procurement, management and of staff resources necessary to implement new capital projects and programs.
- Continue to capitalize staff positions that are directly related to capital project implementation, as allowable, in order to utilize capital funds and reduce impacts on the operating budget.
- Maintain funding for highest priorities as determined by the Transportation Commission in the Transportation Improvement Program.
- Allocate Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) 70% funds for high priority major capital investments with regional impacts, with an emphasis on leveraging non-city funds and/or accelerating project delivery.
- Utilize funding sources with least restrictions on project eligibility (i.e. CMAQ, RSTP, and NVTA 30% funds) for non-motorized projects, project development, ADA improvements, maintenance and operations.
- Pursue discretionary grant funding for transportation projects, including state capital assistance and federal New Starts, Small Starts, and TIGER grants.
- Ensure adequate funding for the Alexandria Police Department for capital investment and operating costs of enforcement—including parking violations, High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane violations on Route 1 and Washington Street, speeding, and red light

running—to help shape driver behavior and promote safety.

- Ensure that city transportation funding levels are maintained or increased above the maintenance-of-effort requirements of HB2313, to provide new transportation capacity and enhanced transportation services and programs while also maintaining existing assets in a state of good repair.
- Recognizing that regional transportation, including WMATA transit service is a priority that should not fall entirely on the transportation budget but rather a shared cost, the Council should explore opportunities to help fund the regional transit needs beyond the City's transportation resources.

This guidance prioritizes the preservation of the 2.2 cent transportation reservation and identification of additional funding for the City's contribution to WMATA as the highest priorities. The diversion of transportation reservation funds to support WMATA diminishes resources for local transportation priorities, at a time when recently adopted plans call for additional transportation investments throughout the City.

This guidance also reflects the necessary progress towards timely completion of capital projects to enable prompt payment from state and regional funding partners. The Transportation Commission encourages Council to allocate the resources necessary to ensure that these projects can be implemented on schedule and within budget, and to ensure that the City does not risk losing these funds.

We commend the Council on their ongoing commitment to funding multi-modal, sustainable transportation options in the City. We appreciate your consideration of the Commission's guidance on the proposed FY 2017 budget. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Nathan M. Macek
Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

cc: Alexandria Transportation Commission
City Manager Mark Jinks
Yon Lambert, Director, T&ES
Carrie Sanders, Acting Deputy Director, T&ES

PROJECTS

Rank	Name	Description	Source	Category	Mode	Cost	Estimated Start	Status	Relationship to Other Initiatives	Notes
1	Potomac Yard Intermodal transit center	In conjunction with other public agencies, a new intermodal transit center shall be constructed proximate to the new Metrorail station	Potomac Yard SAP	Project	Transit	\$1-5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	This project will construct an intermodal terminal which will be in close proximity to the Potomac Yard Metrorail station, and will be connected to it. This station will serve as the location where CCOPY Transitway buses or potentially streetcars, and other DASH and WMATA buses can interface with the Metrorail station, and serve Potomac Yard.
2	DASH Bus expansion	This project provides for the purchase of additional buses for the DASH fleet. In 2014, DASH Comprehensive Operations Analysis was completed which serves as the basis for the planned expansion of the DASH fleet. The findings of that analysis will determine the specific uses for the expansion vehicles, which have a 12-year life span.	DASH COA							This project was previously in the City's FY 2015 CIP. During the FY 2016-2025 budget process, the project was recommended for removal from the CIP. Therefore, the project is being moved back to the LRP.
3	Van Dom Street bridge widening	Widening of Van Dom Street over Duke Street to accommodate pedestrians.	Landmark/Van Dom SAP	Project	Transit	More than \$5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	No	At time of long term (Phase 2) development of Landmark Mall or Van Dom Street reconstruction
4	Pedestrian / Bicycle connection from Potomac Yard to Four Mile Run Trail	Provide a future pedestrian/bicycle connection from Landbay K to the Four Mile Run Trail		Project	Pedestrian	More than \$5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	
5	Mt. Vernon Avenue at Russell Road	Safety improvements identified in the Alexandria Small Area Plan. The existing intersection geometry and parking configuration adjacent to the intersection creates unsafe conditions for vehicle movement as well as pedestrian and bicycle activity. The intersection accommodates a large number of bicyclists and pedestrians and has a history of pedestrian and vehicle crashes	Potomac Yard SAP	Project	Bicycle	\$1-5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	This project was previously in the City's FY 2015 CIP. During the FY 2016-2025 budget process, the project was recommended for removal from the CIP. Therefore, the project is being moved back to the LRP.
6	Mt. Vernon at Four Mile Road	Construct pedestrian, bicycle improvements as well as vehicular circulation improvements within the vicinity of the intersection of Mount Vernon Avenue and Four Mile Road.	Alexandria Plan	Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	No	During the 2014 LRP Update, this project was initially recommended to be moved from the prior year (2013) Programs list to the 2014 Projects list. The Commission requested that staff review additional information on the need for the project. The project was initially intended to provide better access to the park from Mt. Vernon Avenue, but the park design has been revised to allow for additional pedestrian access off of Mt. Vernon Avenue. At its Sep. 17, 2014 meeting, the Commission recommended removal of the project for 2014, but requested additional clarification on whether the Mt. Vernon Avenue at Four Mile Road project should move back to the project list in 2015. The Commission asked staff to revise the language of the project to reflect exactly what it will entail and add it to the 2015 project list.
7	Mt. Vernon Avenue at East/West Glebe Road intersection improvements	It is recommended that traffic improvements be implemented at this intersection, including signalization, channelization for turning movements, and accommodations for pedestrians.	1992 TMP	Project	Pedestrian	Less than \$1 million	1-5 years	Not Started	No	The 2013 LRP identified this as a Program. It was identified in the Alexandria Plan. This project cannot be constructed prior to redevelopment due to issues such as location of curb cuts
8	Royal Street Bikeway	Construct bicycle improvements along Royal Street between Jones Point and Basilford Street, that may include signage, traffic calming and other measures to improve north-south bicycle travel within Old Town.	2008 TMP	Project	Bicycle	Less than \$1 million	1-5 years	Not Started	No	Project was recommended in the Transportation Master Plan and the Waterfront Small Area Plan.
9	Commonwealth Avenue nonmotorized bridge	Construct new pedestrian/bicycle bridge over Four Mile Run to link Commonwealth Avenue to S. Eads Street.	Four Mile Run Plan	Project	Bicycle	More than \$5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	This project is identified as a demonstration project in the Four Mile Run Plan. It is currently being designed but has no construction funding identified.
11	Sanger Avenue Bridge	Limit vehicular access to the unit block of King Street and the Strand, between Prince and King Streets, and potentially to the 100 block of King Street to emergency vehicles, deliveries (limited hours), motorcoaches and the King Street trolley. The Strand would also be open to vehicles accessing the parking garages and lots that have entrances on this block. In addition, enlarge the pedestrian hub at King Street and Union Street. Consider eliminating on-street parking along the unit block of King and at the immediate intersection of King and Union Street.	Waterfront SAP	Project	Pedestrian	Less than \$1 million	5-10 years	Not Started	No	The Transportation Master Plan identified three transitway corridors, including Corridor C (West End Transitway).
12*	Bradlee Transit Center	Widen the underpass of Sanger Avenue at I-395 to allow for a future transitway and non-motorized facilities.	2008 TMP	Project	Streets	More than \$5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	Enhanced bus shelters are being constructed in conjunction with the redevelopment of the Safeway site adjacent to the station. Enhanced pedestrian access may be needed. It is anticipated that a major facility will not be built.
12*	Van Dom Circulator Transit Service	Construction of the Bradlee Transit Center. The project will provide bus facilities for a number of bus routes serving the area. The improvements will include bus shelters and enclosed facilities for information, bus circulation, bicycle parking and transit amenities.	TDM Plan	Project	Transit	Less than \$1 million	1-5 years	Not Started	Yes	Costs are capital cost only
12*	Eisenhower East Circulator Transit Service	Provide Circulator transit service in the Van Dom area to provide a connection between the Van Dom Metrorail station and the Landmark Mall. The DASH route A17 would terminate at the Van Dom Metrorail station.	DASH COA	Project	Transit	\$1-5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	Yes	Costs are capital cost only
12*	Eisenhower East Circulator Transit Service	Provide Circulator transit service in the Eisenhower East area to provide a connection between the King Street Metrorail station and the Eisenhower Metrorail station.	DASH COA	Project	Transit	\$1-5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	Yes	Costs are capital cost only
15	Holmes Run Trail at Morgan Street	Construct a pedestrian and bicycle bridge where the Holmes Run Trail crosses Holmes Run at Morgan Street.	2008 TMP	Project	Pedestrian	\$1-5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	Yes	Recommended in 2008 Transportation Master Plan. Part of comprehensive process to upgrade the Holmes Run Trail, as shown by the completion of the Chambliss pedestrian and bicycle crossing on Holmes Run and the Holmes Run Trail at Ripley Street pedestrian and bicycle crossing under design.

PROJECTS

2015 Rank	No.	Name	Description	Source	Category	Mode	Cost	Estimated Start	Status	Relationship to Other Initiatives	Notes
	16	Corridor A Circulator Transit Service	Provides scale appropriate Circulator transit service in Corridor A south of Braddock Road Metrorail station that focuses on east-west connectivity between the existing Metrorail stations and Old Town.		Project	Transit	\$1-5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	No	
	17	Bicycle Parking at Waterfront	Provides additional bicycle parking on the waterfront in Onchobay Park and near the foot of King Street with more racks and/or covered bicycle shelters.	Waterfront SAP	Project	Bicycle	Less than \$1 million	1-5 years	Not Started	No	
	18	Library Lane Extension	Extend Library Lane north of Seminary Road to connect to Van Dorn Street. This project would tie to the improvement of Library Lane on the south side of Seminary Road, as part of the Home Properties redevelopment.	Beauregard SAP	Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	Project may be dependent on redevelopment within the block / area.
	19	Edsall Road Connector to Farrington Avenue and South Pickett Street	Construction of new roadway along the Fairfax County line to connect Edsall Road, South Pickett Street, and Farrington Avenue to relieve traffic congestion on sections of South Van Dorn Street and to provide direct access to the Eisenhower Avenue corridor and the Van Dorn Street Metrorail Station.	1992 TMP Landmark/Van Dorn SAP	Project	Streets	More than \$5 million	10+ years	Not Started	Yes	As development takes place in Alexandria or Fairfax County between Edsall Road and Pickett Street or along Farrington Avenue. To be further evaluated in Eisenhower West Plan.
	20	I-395 access to West End Town Center	Direct access from I-395 ramps to West End Town Center	1992 TMP	Project	Streets	More than \$5 million	10+ years	Not Started	Yes	
	21	South Van Dorn Street Improvements at the City Limits	Construction of an additional lane to the southbound roadway from the Metrorail access ramp to the I-95 interchange. An additional lane should be added to the northbound roadway from the I-95 interchange to the Metro access ramp.	1992 TMP	Project	Streets	More than \$5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	No	This action will provide improved access to and from the Van Dorn Metrorail Station and the Eisenhower Valley.
	22	Construct Elizabeth Lane extension	Extend Elizabeth Lane (to be called Eisenhower Park Drive) from Eisenhower Avenue south and east to Limerick Street.	Eisenhower East SAP	Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	10+ years	Not Started	Yes	Project to be completed as part of Hoffman warehouse parcel redevelopment.
	23	West End Transit Sheep Commuter Hub	Construct a new transit commuter hub or kiosk on the west end of Alexandria at the future West End Transit Center to support transit, alternative transportation and non-Single Occupancy Vehicle (SOV) travel.	TDM Plan	Project	Transit	Less than \$1 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	
	24	Van Dorn at Braddock Road Intersection Improvement	Replace the shared thru/left turn lanes along NB and SB Van Dorn Street with separate left turn lanes - One left, one thru and one shared thru/right lane for both NB and SB directions. Add protected permissive left turn phasing along NB and SB Van Dorn St.	Beauregard SAP	Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	
	25	Beauregard Street at W. Braddock Road Intersection Improvement	Change dual left to single left on westbound Braddock Road and replace the left turn lane with a thru lane.	Beauregard SAP	Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	5-10 years	Not Started	Yes	
	26	New Road to Four Mile Run Park	Construct a new road from Route 1 to Four Mile Run Park.	Four Mile Run Plan	Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	10+ years	Not Started	Yes	
	27	Clermont Interchange with I-95 and connection to Eisenhower Avenue	Study or consider this interchange and the connecting roadways that will improve access to the Cameron Valley and the Eisenhower Corridor	Eisenhower East SAP	Project	Streets	More than \$5 million	10+ years	Not Started	No	The City Council recognized the critical need for improved access to the Eisenhower Valley and requested that the State investigate a connection between I-95 (the Capital Beltway) and Eisenhower Avenue. The project will need to undergo an update of environmental analysis to determine the project viability. The Eisenhower West Transportation Study includes an update of the 1993 Environmental Assessment to determine if the connector between Eisenhower Ave. and Duke Street is still needed.
	28	Quaker Lane at Seminary Road/Jameys Lane Intersection Improvement	Provide dual northbound Quaker Lane left turn lanes onto Seminary Road, and provide a dedicated right turn lane for eastbound Seminary Road.		Project	Streets	\$1-5 million	1-5 years	Not Started	Yes	This intersection capacity improvement project is needed to accommodate current and future BRAC related traffic. The EB Seminary Road approach to this intersection has been creating an issue because both right turning and through traffic share a single lane. The high volume of right turning vehicles overloads this lane creating operational problems and queues. This problem is expected to worsen as BRAC becomes fully occupied and the west end further develops. In the 1990's a project was funded as part of the "Tell It To City Hall" program to address the eastbound Seminary Road problem. Due to budget cuts and other priorities this project never materialized. The northbound Quaker Lane left turn movement is very heavy and the queue of left turning traffic many times extends into the through lanes. The performance of this movement is expected to further degrade as BRAC becomes fully occupied and further development occurs in the west end of Alexandria. In March 2013, the Seminary Hill Association discussed the project and sent a letter to the Council opposing the project, and requested additional study over a wider area, an origin-destination study, and additional options, including a center lane on Quaker between King Street and Seminary Road. The project will remain on the list until after the I-395 HOV ramp is completed and operational, and a review of traffic and safety impacts has been completed. As part of the 2016 LRP Update, the City will review the project to determine the operational needs and safety improvements.

* Project priorities for these projects resulted in a tied score

Jackie Henderson

From: Linda Hauenstein via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2016 3:53 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92634: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Good afternoon. Thank you all for y

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

- Name: Linda Hauenstein
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703 823 8302
- Email: lsauenstein@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Good afternoon.

Thank you all for your service to the City of Alexandria.
I have lived in the city since 1977.

I am writing today about the Options for Patrick Henry School.

I hope you all can support option A.

It will have the least impact on Latham and Peacock Ave.

I have lived on Peacock for 30 years and love it. Peacock between Lathan and North Jordan can't handle more traffic.

At best it is 1 1/2 lanes with cars (including city vehicles to support group home) parked on both sides. The crest of the hill adds more difficulty.

I hope you can support Option A to allow for only emergency vehicles access to Latham.

Thank you

Linda Hauenstein

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 29

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From: Bill Rogers via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2016 8:25 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92501: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To the Major and all city council member

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Request Details:

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- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-882-2455
- Email: bill@billandjeff.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To the Major and all city council members,

We need to replace our gas hot water heater. The last time I did this, it was 50 dollars (10 years ago). The inspector came out, probably spent less than 3 minutes looking at it, and said it was okay.

This time, the permit fee is \$138.00 to replace the same hot water heater. So, in 10 years, the cost of the permit increased by 176 percent.

This is crazy. I know it will be too late for me and will need to just pay it since we need to replace our hot water heater.

However, please change this fee back to \$50 to make Alexandria more affordable. Things are getting out of hand with our taxes here in Alexandria. I am okay to pay for reasonable services, but this is not fair.

Thank you for listening, Bill Rogers

- Expected Response Date: Monday, March 28

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
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Request Details:

- Name: Michael Bowers
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 202-625-1135
- Email: mwbowers@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I write today to share my full support for the proposed budget from ACPS for FY 2016-2017.

It is vital that we fully fund the ACPS budget as proposed by Dr. Alvin Crawley and the school board. This budget will allow the school system to address the growing needs of the students, deal with the extensive capacity issues throughout the school system and update and stabilize the crumbling school structures.

By not funding the swing space and centralized pre-k, the city manager's continues to keep ACOS from moving forward on the desperately needed construction projects in order to ease some of the overcrowding in a way that will be least disruptive to the students. Also, centralized pre-k will allow for some immediate space being opened up for k-5 classroom needs at some of the most crowded schools.

In order to systematically and efficiently deal with crumbling schools and explosive capacity issues, the ten year capital improvement plan must be fully funded in all of its elements. The time for delaying and postponing this important work is over. It must be fully funded. There is no time left to push this need.

Please consider full funding to ACPS. I thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Michael Bowers
5000 Regency PI
Alexandria, VA 22304

- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 24

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Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92340: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council It is imperative that the budget is full

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- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7038231848
- Email: ricksrose55@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: It is imperative that the budget is fully funded this year. The PTA and the children are busy with saleing products so it can be hard for some children to keep up with their class work. ACPS need to view some of neighboring county technology. We can't review our children grades through Technology or email their teachers. We are behind with the use of Technology. Please complete the budget this year and every year.
Thanks Concerned Parent
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 24

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92364: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Hello, I write today to share my full

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Request Details:

- Name: Jennifer Mason
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 202-531-5743
- Email: cleopatra_sudan2002@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Hello,
I write today to share my full support for the proposed budget from ACPS for FY 2016-2017.

It is vital that we fully fund the ACPS budget as proposed by Dr. Alvin Crawley and the school board. This budget will allow the school system to address the growing needs of the students, deal with the extensive capacity issues throughout the school system and update and stabilize the crumbling school structures.

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Mason and Faissal Haiki
708 North Pegram Street, Alexandria, VA 22304

- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 24

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92366: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I write to ask for your full support and

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Request Details:

- Name: Katy Sokolove
 - Approximate Address: No Address Specified
 - Phone Number: No Phone
 - Email: katy_hildreth@hotmail.com
 - Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
 - Request Description: I write to ask for your full support and funding for the ACPS budget. The Schools facilities have not been able to keep up with the city's growing population. There are classrooms in hallways, storage closets and libraries. With enrollment projected to increase by 3.7 percent in FY 2017, taking ACPS to a total of 15,270 students. By FY 2026, ACPS is projected to have just under 19,000 students. Our current facilities just cannot handle that many students. Don't our students (your neighbors, constituents and the City's future) deserve better? In addition, the budget focuses on retaining the excellent workforce ACPS currently has. ACPS must keep up with the job market competitiveness.
- I think Dr. Crawley has helped put Acps on track to be one of alexandria's assets, not liabilities, as it has been in the past. Schools drive real estate. As a homeowner, and a parent, keep the system moving forward. Fairfax is falling behind, and that is our opportunity to pull ahead. Invest in all of our futures.
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 24

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92369: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I write today to share my full support f

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Request Details:

- Name: Leslie Kruse
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: Leslie.kruse@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I write today to share my full support for the proposed budget from ACPS for FY 2016-2017.

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Please consider full funding to ACPS. I thank you for your time.
Sincerely,

Leslie Kruse

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Sent: Friday, March 18, 2016 7:41 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92371: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg and Council member

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Request Details:

- Name: Seth Heald
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-582-3870
- Email: seth.heald@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor Silberberg and Council members:

Please see the attached letter from the Sierra Club's Virginia Chapter and Mt. Vernon Group concerning the City's proposed 2017 budget.

- Expected Response Date: Friday, March 25

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Sent: Friday, March 18, 2016 8:30 AM
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Cc: Jackie Henderson
Subject: Fwd: Call.Click.Connect. #92371: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg and Council member
Attachments: MVG 2016 Ltr to Council Re Budget.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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To: Justin Wilson <justin.wilson@alexandriava.gov>
Cc: Nancy Lacey <nancy.lacey@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: Re: Call.Click.Connect. #92371: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg and Council member

That's odd, since the website showed I had successfully attached a file.

I am attaching it now, and thank you for passing a copy on to the mayor and other council members.

Seth

Seth Heald
Chair, Sierra Club Virginia Chapter
221 Wolfe St.
Alexandria, VA 22314

March 18, 2016

Mayor Allison Silberberg
Members of City Council
City Hall, Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Dear Mayor Silberberg and Council Members,

I'm writing on behalf of the Sierra Club Virginia Chapter and Mount Vernon Group to comment on the proposed budget that Council is now considering. I am a 34-year resident of Alexandria and serve as the chair of the Sierra Club's Virginia chapter. The Club's Mount Vernon Group has more than 3,000 members in Alexandria, Arlington, and a portion of Fairfax County. Dean Amel, the Mount Vernon Group's chair, joins me in submitting these comments.

I attended Council's budget public hearing last Monday and had hoped to speak, but due to a prior commitment I had to leave after waiting for two hours. I regret I was not able to address you in person, but ask you to consider these comments in lieu of my personal appearance.

We are deeply concerned that the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2017 makes no provision for hiring a sustainability coordinator to ensure that Alexandria makes stronger progress on the goals set out in the City's Environmental Action Plan. The City set a target of reducing community-wide greenhouse gas emissions by 80% below 2005 levels by 2050. Alexandria is to be commended for adopting this goal, but the City's greenhouse-gas emissions have not decreased enough to be on track to meet this target. Moreover, in the seven years since that goal was adopted, scientific research on climate has shown that even more stringent reduction targets are needed.

To its credit, Alexandria has conducted a greenhouse-gas emissions inventory, and has developed an Energy and Climate Action Plan. The greenhouse-gas emissions inventory for the year 2005 found that city government operations account for only about 3% of the community's total greenhouse gas emissions. For Alexandria to do its share to meet the greenhouse-gas emissions reduction targets needed to avoid catastrophic climate change will require community engagement and leadership.

While the city's community-wide greenhouse gas emissions appear to have declined over the past few years, this is due primarily to changes in the electric-power sector, particularly the shift from coal- to natural-gas-fired power plants in our region. However, the climate impacts of methane emissions resulting from the production and use of natural gas have been found to be

larger than previously thought. Achieving the needed deep GHG reductions necessary over the next 20-30 years will require Alexandria to take action on top of these changes.

To meet the climate-change goals agreed to by the world in Paris recently, and to ensure that Alexandria continues to thrive as America transitions to a net-zero-carbon economy, significant changes are needed in the way the city operates.

The City's current strategic plan calls for an initiative, under Goal 2 ("Maintain and improve the quality and sustainability of Alexandria's environment") to "[i]ncrease community education and outreach efforts for Eco-City related activities focused on sustainability, such as energy and water conservation, green buildings, Eco-City audit, behavioral changes etc. and improve coordination across the City."

The City's Environmental Action Plan-2030, adopted in 2009, has a section focused on implementation. The first goal is working with the community and schools to help achieve environmental goals and objectives. The first short-term action (to occur between 2009 and 2011) listed under this item is to "Hire an additional staff person to work on environmental education and outreach on Eco-City objectives."

The City's Energy and Climate Action Plan, adopted in 2011, discusses the importance of improving coordination of climate change and energy-related initiatives across city departments and plans, and states: "The City may want to consider creating a full- or part-time Sustainability Coordinator's [sic] position to help coordinate with all City departments in the implementation of the Climate Action Plan." (p. 64)

In 2015, Alexandria retained Virginia Tech's Urban Affairs and Planning Department to examine the City's progress in living up to its Eco-City aspirations. Virginia Tech's report made clear the importance of having a sustainability coordinator to ensure the City is progressing towards its goals:

"Perhaps the single most important opportunity for moving Eco-City and EAP [the Environmental Action Plan] forward would be the hiring [of] a Sustainability Coordinator. [emphasis in original] More so now than ever before the EPC [Environmental Policy Commission] and the OEQ [Office of Environmental Quality] have a consensus that a Sustainability Coordinator is critical to taking the Eco City Initiative to the next level but more importantly to help revise and manage the entire EAP effort along with providing the vehicle for facilitating stronger cross departmental collaboration—all essential ingredients to making Alexandria a more livable and healthy sustainable community." [p. 25]

In each of its budget recommendation letters submitted over the past several years, the City's Environmental Policy Commission (EPC) has regularly called for the city to hire a Sustainability Coordinator.

In light of the growing urgency of the climate crisis it is time for Alexandria to hire a sustainability coordinator to ensure that we live up to our emission-reduction goals and our billing as an Eco City. Many other cities have done this, including Arlington (County), Richmond, Charlottesville, and Roanoke here in Virginia. Other cities have found that the position can often pay for itself through energy savings.

From observing Monday's public hearing I know that you are faced with competing demands for budget resources, and that you have many difficult choices to make. But it is essential for our city's future that we not ignore the need to take strong, coordinated action to address climate change at the local level.

Thank you for your consideration.

Seth Heald
Chair, Sierra Club Virginia Chapter
221 Wolfe St.
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-582-3870

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Chair, Sierra Club Mt. Vernon Group

Jackie Henderson

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Sent: Friday, March 18, 2016 9:10 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
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- Name: James Richardson
 - Approximate Address: No Address Specified
 - Phone Number: 703-243-2370
 - Email: jsmileyrichardson@yahoo.com
 - Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
 - Request Description: I write to ask for your full support and funding for the ACPS budget. The Schools facilities have not been able to keep up with the city's growing population. There are classrooms in hallways, storage closets and libraries. With enrollment projected to increase by 3.7 percent in FY 2017, taking ACPS to a total of 15,270 students. By FY 2026, ACPS is projected to have just under 19,000 students. Our current facilities just cannot handle that many students. Don't our students (your neighbors, constituents and the City's future) deserve better? In addition, the budget focuses on retaining the excellent workforce ACPS currently has. ACPS must keep up with the job market competitiveness.
Please support the schools. Don't you think it is the students' turn for support? I urge you to fully fund it. Every child deserves at top notch education. You have the ability to provide that for them.
Thank you for your consideration,
- James Richardson
5340 Thayer Ave
Alexadnria VA 22304
- Expected Response Date: Friday, March 25

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Sent: Friday, March 18, 2016 1:16 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92402: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor and Council Members.I am wr

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Request Details:

- Name: James S (Jim) Roberts
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703.548.7938
- Email: jbroberts@erols.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor and Council Members.

I am writing in support of full funding for the ACPS proposed budget. We recognize the difficulties in making budget allocations, the impact on our community of its tax burden, and the competing and worthy uses of public dollars. Within that framework, dollars for the schools must be weighed against other community needs. But we want to make our case for funding the operating budget of the schools.

As many of you know, the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium is heavily dependent on ACPS funding. Absent that, we will not be able to conduct our effective reading programs for kindergarten and first grade students in the schools. We have provided supplemental, but vital, assistance to the schools for almost the last 20 years, serving over 2500 students. In the past year, we had 184 volunteers working with 240 students, most of whom were able to meet reading benchmarks by the end of the year. This year, because of cuts in the ACPS budget, we are only able to serve 137 students. We are steadfast in our mission that every child in Alexandria read on grade level by third grade. We would like to meet the needs of a larger number of students, but that will depend on the allocation from the schools.

Relative to the total city and school budgets, our funding is small. But the impact we have is large. We should point out that we use the allotted resources well. We calculate that for every dollar spent on our programs, the schools receive \$2.82 in value. And the future benefits to the students, the schools, and our community are vastly multiplied.

We hope that we can count on full funding, so that we can continue to provide a valuable service to our community. Thank you for your consideration.

James S. Roberts
Chair, Board of Directors
Alexandria Tutoring Consortium

- Expected Response Date: Friday, March 25

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92463: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Alexandria City Council, Please

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Request Details:

- Name: Chris Lee
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-370-1072
- Email: leechris@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Alexandria City Council,

Please support full funding of the Alexandria City Public Schools budget request for FY 2017. Under funding the schools is a dangerous game for any city to play. Under performing students or eroding infrastructure at our schools erodes property values, undercutting the tax base, making even further cuts necessary, which only further chokes off our schools and our students.

Making sound investments in the education of our children should be the first priority of any community and for this city, it is an investment that will pay real dividends. Property values, and thus property tax revenues, are directly tied to the performance of our schools. Look at any real estate website and it is easy to see that we are slowly losing the fight to nearby school districts and both the school ratings and the property values clearly show the failure of Alexandria to adequately keep up our neighbors and their forward looking investments in the education of their students.

Our schools have failed to keep up with the projected growth of the student population and we have failed to adequately invest in training teachers, providing leading edge materials and technology, and failed to raise starting salaries to attract the best and brightest young teachers to our school district.

We must not only maintain our crumbling schools but make smart investments in making our schools some of the best in the state. While our student mix may not reflect that same income mix as some of our higher income neighbors, with strategic investments, the diversity of our student population can be a vital asset that drives our students performance racing past those of our neighbors.

I hope that you will make the critical investments our city needs to move boldly into the future, for our students and everyone who calls Alexandria home.

- Expected Response Date: Monday, March 28

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Sent: Sunday, March 20, 2016 9:23 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92471: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Good morning,I have been a resident

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Request Details:

- Name: Steven Bezman
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-836-6024
- Email: steven6423@verizon.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Good morning,

I have been a resident and home owner in the City of Alexandria since 1975. I am currently retired, and living on a fixed income with a fairly tight budget. I am sure many other City residents - single/dual income families, single-parent families, and retirees - are also on tight budgets.

I understand the City is considering up to a \$.03/\$100 increase in real estate assessments to fund infrastructure maintenance and improvements. Infrastructure neglect always and inevitably results in crisis. A graphic and tragic example is Metro Rail.

Therefore, I am in favor of increasing real estate assessments if the additional funds are used specifically for infrastructure. For me, the increased assessment on my property will likely mean I will defer or cancel some "nice to have, but not necessary" purchases.

I believe a critical analysis should be conducted of all city budget items to separate them into two categories: "need to have" and "nice to have, but not necessary".

"Need to have", and these are all of equal importance: Public Safety, Education, Infrastructure, and Public Health.

"Nice to have, but not necessary": everything else.

The "nice to have, but not necessary" items should be eliminated or curtailed. Such action will likely engender considerable criticism, especially from the 'immediate gratification' segment. As leaders, I trust you to make reasonable and responsible decisions, particularly when positive results from your actions may not be immediately apparent. Metro Rail ignored its infrastructure which directly resulted in deaths and injuries.

Playing infrastructure "catch up" is always more expensive than progressive infrastructure maintenance. Had Metro prudently increased its fare structure periodically to maintain its infrastructure, there would have been immediate outcries, but the long term results would have been a safer and more reliable system. I have studied Metro Rail accident and incident reports, and I doubt that Metro Rail will achieve an adequate level of safety and reliability any time soon. Furthermore, primary safety-related infrastructure repairs will now be extremely expensive.

I believe the current elected City officials and much of the City staff are dedicated and committed to the best for the City and its residents. I encourage you all to take the actions needed to fulfill that, even if it means some immediate "heat". Recall that someone once said, "if you can't stand the heat, stay out of the kitchen".

Thank you for considering my views.

Respectfully,
Steven Bezman

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92495: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Council has established a ceiling

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Request Details:

- Name: Mark Williams
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 202.531.5125
- Email: markcwilliams@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description:

Council has established a ceiling rate for the annual real property levy. I write to ask that Council strongly consider using the ceiling rate, in full, and thereby impose a small but overdue property tax increase.

Alexandria does not over-spend. Operating budgets typically provide for modest salaries, and younger white-collar employees often face real challenges covering their student loan obligations on what the City pays; only City public-safety personnel typically earn as much as, or more than, comparable Federal employees. Owing to changes in VRS, Alexandria's more-recently hired public employees will receive substantially less-generous benefits -- a critical issue, since historically low pay levels had been offset by more substantial retirement and insurance benefits. Alexandria's public services are generally good, and in many respects excellent. The operating budget contains no material waste.

Alexandria likewise has far from over-committed itself to capital investment. TC Williams is bursting at the seams (after Council and the School Board were criticized by flat-earth lobbyists for finally developing the high school that our students deserve), leading to preposterous, damaging (and even more costly) proposals to split the school; City water and sewerage infrastructure is decaying, and much of it is not the responsibility of the franchised water utility; DASH service will face spiraling demand as Alexandria residents seek commuter-corridor alternatives to no-longer viable Metro rail service; the City must commit capital to address collapsing affordable-housing supply.

Alexandria assesses property conservatively. A casual review of higher-value properties in particular will reveal numerous examples of properties recently sold at ten to fifteen percent higher than declared valuation rates -- most of the complaints that Council receives concerning tax rates come from map-portions that are most conspicuously under-assessed. And assessments are based on prior-year valuations. Three cents on the dollar, as levied against quite bare assessment values, and made payable on a lag-year basis, will not amount to an unfair burden.

Every year that Alexandria struggles to maintain low taxes makes for a future year during which a levy-spike might be expected. In just twenty months, the City will be facing another election cycle, and an appropriate levy rate increase will be impossible to enact. Please proceed with budget planning based on the full allocable levy increase, please adopt the ceiling rate, and please instruct the City Manager accordingly.

The well-being of the City would be threatened by a failure to impose a meaningful tax increase. The people who will complain the loudest are under-taxed already.

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- Name: Rose Ricks
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7038231848
- Email: ricksrose55@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: It is imperative that the budget is fully funded this year. The PTA and the children are busy with saleing products so it can be hard for some children to keep up with their class work. ACPS need to view some of neighboring county technology. We can't review our children grades through Technology or email their teachers. We are behind with the use of Technology. Please complete the budget this year and every year.
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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92334: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I write today to share my full support f

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Request Details:

- Name: Michael Bowers
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 202-625-1135
- Email: mwbowers@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I write today to share my full support for the proposed budget from ACPS for FY 2016-2017.

It is vital that we fully fund the ACPS budget as proposed by Dr. Alvin Crawley and the school board. This budget will allow the school system to address the growing needs of the students, deal with the extensive capacity issues throughout the school system and update and stabilize the crumbling school structures.

By not funding the swing space and centralized pre-k, the city manager's continues to keep ACOS from moving forward on the desperately needed construction projects in order to ease some of the overcrowding in a way that will be least disruptive to the students. Also, centralized pre-k will allow for some immediate space being opened up for k-5 classroom needs at some of the most crowded schools.

In order to systematically and efficiently deal with crumbling schools and explosive capacity issues, the ten year capital improvement plan must be fully funded in all of its elements. The time for delaying and postponing this important work is over. It must be fully funded. There is no time left to push this need.

Please consider full funding to ACPS. I thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Michael Bowers
5000 Regency PI
Alexandria, VA 22304

- Expected Response Date: Thursday, March 24

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Jackie Henderson

From: John Hendrixson via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2016 2:45 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92333: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I write to ask for your full support and

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Request Details:

- Name: John Hendrixson
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: john.hendrixson@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I write to ask for your full support and funding for the ACPS budget. The Schools facilities have not been able to keep up with the city's growing population. There are classrooms in hallways, storage closets and libraries. With enrollment projected to increase by 3.7 percent in FY 2017, taking ACPS to a total of 15,270 students. By FY 2026, ACPS is projected to have just under 19,000 students. Our current facilities just cannot handle that many students. Don't our students (your neighbors, constituents and the City's future) deserve better? In addition, the budget focuses on retaining the excellent workforce ACPS currently has. ACPS must keep up with the job market competitiveness.

Please support the schools. Don't you think it is the students' turn for support? I urge you to fully fund it. Every child deserves at top notch education. You have the ability to provide that for them.

Thank you for your consideration,

John Hendrixson
483 North Pickett Street
Alexandria, VA

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From: Nick Schaper via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2016 2:39 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92332: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To whom it may concern:
Like many ot

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Request Details:

- Name: Nick Schaper
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 2027145511
- Email: nickschaper@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To whom it may concern:

Like many others (I hope), I copied much of the below text that was provided by our PTA (of which I'm a board member at James K. Polk elementary). I wanted to personalize it a bit though, as I've seen many of these in my career as well.

Alexandria schools need your help. Our children are being asked to learn in crumbling buildings and over-crowded classrooms. I do not envy your job as the arbiters of funding for the many worthy priorities of the City, but I'm sure you understand what a worthy investment it is that we're discussing. Properly funding the ACPS budget and taking care of Alexandria's kids will pay exponential dividends in Alexandria both culturally and economically for years to come. Please consider this as your budget process continues.

[ok, now the canned part]

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Thank you for your consideration,

Nick Schaper
N. Van Dorn St.
Alexandria

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From: Suz Caldwell via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 10:01 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92285: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I urge City Council to provide adequate

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Request Details:

- Name: Suz Caldwell
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571.221.0614
- Email: suzanne.caldwell@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I urge City Council to provide adequate funding for the growing requirements of our City Schools. The school administration and Board have developed innovative solutions to include re-purposing existing structures. That recommendation and additional funding for another facility are critical to ensuring our children have the appropriate space in which to grow and develop into contributing members of our community.

Suz Caldwell

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Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 4:45 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92272: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As a resident of Del Ray for many years

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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: As a resident of Del Ray for many years I am a frequent visitor to the Duncan Library. In fact, I no longer purchase books (except for the occasional Amazon indulgence.) I am on a pension and find having a great selection a short walk away to be a real boon. Please keep the library operating at its present level of high quality. Thank you.
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Jackie Henderson

From: Teresa Schofield <teresa.schofield@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 2:40 PM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: ACPS Budget Comments

Hi, Ms. Henderson. Can you kindly share this email with the Mayor and City Council Members?

As a long time Alexandria city resident and a parent who loves sending her kids to ACPS schools, I want to express my strong support for the City Council to FULLY fund the budget to build a new school on the West End and create the Pre-K Center.

It's hard to deny there is a capacity issue in the City that will only get worse. Fully funding these two projects will be a smart and much needed step in the right direction to make sure our City continues to be one that people not only want to move to but want to stay in.

Thank you very much.

Teresa Schofield
21 Easy Myrtle St
Alexandria, VA 22301

Jackie Henderson

From: Christina Brennan via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 2:32 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92250: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I write today to share my full support f

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Request Details:

- Name: Christina Brennan
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-824-0819
- Email: cbrennan1@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I write today to share my full support for the proposed budget from ACPS for FY 2016-2017 and ask that you do the same.

This budget will allow the school system to address the growing needs of the students; deal with the extensive capacity issues throughout the school system; and update and stabilize the aging school structures. ACPS facilities have not been able to keep up with the city's growing population. There are classrooms in hallways, storage closets, and libraries; and with enrollment projected to increase by 3.7 percent in FY 2017 (taking ACPS to a total of 15,270 students) this will only worsen without your support. By FY 2026, ACPS is projected to have just under 19,000 students. Our current facilities just cannot handle that many students. Don't our students (your neighbors, constituents, and the City's future) deserve better? It is vital that we fully fund the ACPS budget as proposed by Dr. Crawley and the school board to increase the school system's ability to serve our students through improved facilities, continued programming, and retaining the excellent workforce ACPS has.

Please support our schools and the future of our city. I urge you to fully fund the proposed budget. Every child deserves at top-notch education. You have the ability to provide that for them.

Thank you for your consideration!

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From: Sue Setliff via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 2:33 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92252: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Hello, The ACPS system needs 100% fundin

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Request Details:

- Name: Sue Setliff
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: setliff.sue@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Hello, The ACPS system needs 100% funding support from city council.

Along with planning for higher density, increased public transportation and improved business environment..the bedrock of our community needs to be the school system. Strong public schools will draw top notch businesses to Alexandria. The employees can walk their kids to school and know its a great option. PRE-K thru 12.

I hope you can feel that the political support is finally on the side of ACPS. Dr. Crawley has assembled a team that can be trusted to lead this system to greatness. Funding is needed to move that direction and increase capacity, not everyone can choose another school. Funding the schools supports the diverse Alexandria population, and keeps us a united and strong community.

Step away from the endless debates regarding the Old Town streets and waterfront. SCHOOLS SERVE THE ENTIRE CITY. Those without children can use the facilities. enjoy the open space, and the higher real estate values that accompany excellent schools.

So many reasons, so much to look forward to. Thank you for your service to our City.

See you soon!
Sue Setliff

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From: Nicole Radshaw via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 11:30 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92223: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson

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Request Details:

- Name: Nicole Radshaw
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703.243.2370
- Email: nicole.radshaw@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, and members of City Council,

I write to ask for your full support and funding for the ACPS budget. The Schools' facilities have not been able to keep up with the city's growing population. There are classrooms in hallways, storage closets and libraries. General facilities like cafeterias and bathrooms are becoming overpopulated. With enrollment projected to increase by 3.7 percent in FY 2017, ACPS is continuing to grow to a total of 15,270 students. By FY 2026, ACPS is projected to have just under 19,000 students. Our current facilities just cannot handle that many students. Don't our students (your neighbors, constituents and the City's future) deserve better? In addition, the budget focuses on retaining the excellent workforce ACPS currently has. ACPS must keep up with the job market competitiveness.

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Thank you for your consideration,

Nicole Radshaw
5340 Thayer Avenue
Alexandria, VA

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From: Anna Jaeger via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 12:25 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #92194: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I am a parent of 3 students at Charles B

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Request Details:

- Name: Anna Jaeger
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-568-1203
- Email: ajaeger@axcedesolutions.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am a parent of 3 students at Charles Barrett (next year, when my youngest starts kindergarten, it will be 4). My children are currently thriving in ACPS. I've been very involved with the school and currently am the president of the PTA. Budget issues are a huge concern to me and other parents.

Our school is over-crowded. I know we are not as over-populated as other schools in the division, but the growth has started to affect us. Classes are bigger, specialists are scarce. Redistricting is looming and it's sure to disrupt hundreds of families and students throughout the city. This is a critical time for our schools.

We need another school on the west end. If I feel that Charles Barrett is full, I can't imagine what conditions they face on the west end! This needs to be fully funded this year.

A central Pre-K is necessary to consolidate resources and free up valuable classroom space in the elementary schools. This needs to be fully funded.

Swing space is vital to the overall health and growth of ACPS. We are literally bursting at the seams. This needs to be fully funded immediately.

The wave of parent sentiment against redistricting without grandfathering is just starting to grow at Charles Barrett. It will rise up and become very ugly soon. The issues in ACPS cannot be solved by changing borders alone. Without FULL FUNDING of the CIP, the Redistricting effort goes from being a scalpel to something more like a sledgehammer.

When I see our city schools – the fantastic City of Alexandria public schools – over crowded, getting by with deteriorating playgrounds (dangerous really – please refer to the injuries to our students at the Charles Barrett Rec playground), and staring down a disastrous redistricting plan on the horizon, it enrages me to see tax dollars pulled away from the schools and put other places. For example, the stretch of Commonwealth Avenue (roughly between Monroe and Mt. Vernon School) that had the median curbs redone last year. How many thousands of dollars was that? What was wrong with the curb in the first place? I'm sure that bill could have supported the salary of a few desperately needed math and reading specialists at Charles Barrett.

We need to keep our priorities straight. The children are definitely our future and we as adults, as a City, as elected officials need to support them. ACPS needs to be fully funded to meet the needs of our growing population.

Thank you.

Anna Jaeger