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Chapman, Silberberg, Bailey

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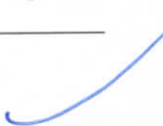
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Jackie Henderson

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**From:** John Irizarry via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 17, 2016 11:17 PM  
**To:** City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton  
**Subject:** Call.Click.Connect. #97036: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg and City Council,

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

A request was just created using *Call.Click.Connect.* The request ID is 97036.

**Request Details:**

- Name: John Irizarry
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 240-595-1487
- Email: [mrlajas@gmail.com](mailto:mrlajas@gmail.com)
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor Silberberg and City Council,

I recently submitted my application to become a member of the City of Alexandria's Environmental Policy Commission. The reason why I'm interested in becoming part of this commission is that in the past six years that I've lived in Alexandria, I've learned to love and call this place my home. I feel that Alexandria has unique cultural and natural resources that need to be developed and maintained in an environmentally friendly manner. I bring a set of skills developed over fifteen years working on the field of environmental sciences and natural resources.

A good part of my career has been in the Federal Government performing a wide range of jobs including Active Duty Military Service (US NAVY), Soils and Natural Resources Technician (USDA), Environmental Protection Specialist (EPA). On the private sector, I've worked in the Pharmaceutical Industry as part of the production team and as an Environmental Control and Utilities Operator in the operation of hazardous wastes incinerators, wastewater treatment plant, storage and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous, liquid and solid wastes. This also included NPDES discharges to a river and the day-to-day operations in a Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility. While I was in graduate school I did research in water microbiology and performed sanitary surveys of small drinking water systems belonging to small rural communities in PR. For the past ten years, I've been working at EPA mostly in the field of emergency response with EPA's Office of Emergency Management and over the past year in the Office of Groundwater and Drinking Water.

I'm particularly interested in using the knowledge acquired through VT's Executive Masters in Natural Resources to help the city continue growing in a sustainable manner and making it more resilient to the effects of climate change. Initiatives like the Eco-City Charter and its Environmental Action Plan 2030 are great examples of how this city is already thinking about the future making Alexandria an example to follow. This type of forward thinking is something that I want to be a part of and contribute to its implementation.

I hope you take my application under consideration and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

John Irizarry  
[mrlajas@gmail.com](mailto:mrlajas@gmail.com)

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, May 24

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