

RESOLUTION NO. 2835

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE CITY COUNCIL/ALEXANDRIA RENEW CSO PROJECT REVIEW WORKGROUP SUBCOMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria, Virginia Sanitation Authority d/b/a Alexandria Renew Enterprises (“Alexandria Renew”) provides wastewater treatment and conveyance to City residents in accordance with the Sewerage Service Agreement between the City of Alexandria, Virginia Sanitation Authority and the City of Alexandria, Virginia dated 1st day of September, 1954 as amended June 25, 1974 and June 26, 2018;

WHEREAS, the City owns and operates both a combined sewer system and a separate sanitary sewer collection system. Combined Sewer Outfalls (CSO) 001, 002, 003 and 004, and associated control structures (“CSO Outfalls”) are currently included in the City Collection System;

WHEREAS, During the 2017 General Assembly a law was enacted accelerating the schedule by which the City was required to construct improvements to its combined sewer system (2017 Va. Acts. Reg. Sess. Ch. 827 (uncodified)) (“2017 CSO Law”). The 2017 CSO Law requires 1) “By July 1, 2023, (the City shall) initiate construction activities necessary to bring the CSO outfalls into compliance; 2) “By July 1, 2025, (the City shall) bring the CSO outfall into compliance with Virginia law, the Federal Clean Water Act, and the Presumption Approach described in the EPA CSO Control Policy, unless a higher level of control is necessary to comply with a TMDL and 3) “The City shall report annually to VDEQ on progress”. In addition, the General Assembly required VDEQ to determine what actions by the City are necessary to attain compliance no later than July 1, 2018 (“CSO Construction Project”);

WHEREAS, the City and Alexandria Renew agree that a solution integrated into the Alexandria Renew facility is more efficient and that Alexandria Renew is better suited to finance, design, permit, construct, operate, own and maintain such a solution;

WHEREAS, the City Council approved a Long Term Control Plan Update on April 14, 2018 setting forth the technical approach for meeting the 2017 CSO Law; and

WHEREAS, the City and Alexandria Renew agree that Alexandria Renew needs to own the CSO Outfalls in order to implement the integrated solution and the City has Approved an ordinance to effectuate such transfer of ownership on June 23, 2017;

WHEREAS, the City and Alexandria Renew agree that the project to implement the CSO solution will be a large undertaking that will take a partnership between the City and Alexandria Renew in order to accomplish; and


WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the partnership throughout the organizations and to provide a liaison for input and feedback from the City, Alexandria Renew and the City Council agree that a City Council/Alexandria Renew CSO Project Review Workgroup would be appropriate.

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

1. The City Council shall establish a subcommittee of the City Council called the CSO Project Review Team Workgroup (“Workgroup”);
2. Two (2) City Council Members to be appointed by the Mayor will serve on the Workgroup;
3. Alexandria Renew is hereby invited to appoint two members of its Board to serve on the Workgroup;

4. The purpose of the Workgroup will be to review and guide the plans, design, implementation, costs and financing of the CSO Construction Project with the intent of minimizing community impacts and maximizing overall community benefits.
5. The City Manager for the City of Alexandria, or his designee and the Chief Executive Officer of Alexandria Renew or her designee shall serve as ex officio members of the subcommittee and the Workgroup shall be supported by designated core staff of each organization.
6. The Workgroup will meet as determined necessary by the members of the Workgroup.

Adopted: June 26, 2018



ALLISON SILBERBERG MAYOR

ATTEST:



Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk