

**City of Alexandria
Meeting Minutes
City Council Legislative Meeting
Tuesday, September 25, 2018
Council Chambers**

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

Absent: Paul C. Smedberg.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, Acting City Attorney; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Ms. Gilbert Director, DCHS, Center for Economic Support; Mr. Maines, Division Chief, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Calmbacher, Civil Engineer, T&ES; Yon Lambert, Director, Department of Transportation & Environmental Services; Mr. Buck, Principal Planner, T&ES; Mr. Bernstein, Director, Department of Project Implementation; Mr. Ziemann, Division Chief, T&ES; Mr. Barre, Information Technology Services; and Mr. Lloyd.

Recorded by: Alexis Lacy, Deputy City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

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1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Silberberg called the meeting to order and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present, except Councilwoman Pepper and Councilmember Lovain who arrived during executive session. Councilman Smedberg had an excused absence from meeting.

2. Closed Meeting.

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a closed meeting to consult with Legal Counsel and Staff regarding the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson and seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 4-0, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss with legal counsel and staff regarding the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved; specifically, economic development incentives to recruit new businesses and leasing of space for a city department; pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(6) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman. Opposed, none. Absent: Councilmember Lovain, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Smedberg.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council reconvened in open session at 7:05 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilman Smedberg.

3. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Alexandria Transportation Commission (Councilmember Lovain)

Councilmember Lovain stated that Alexandria Transportation Commission reviewed a number of matters during the meeting.

Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee (Councilmember Lovain)

Councilmember Lovain reported that the committee participated in a regional forum with EPA staff, Virginia Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources, and the Maryland Department of Environmental to talk about progress on the Chesapeake Bay. Councilmember Lovain stated that during the review it showed that Alexandria was doing well with sediments.

Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)

Councilmember Lovain reported that the board reviewed the draft of the Visualize 2045 regional long-term plan for transportation before passage next month.

City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Silberberg and Vice Mayor Wilson)

Mayor Silberberg reported that there was discussion about the parking facilities at T.C. Williams High School and the need to have more coordination with DASH for transportation for students. Mayor Silberberg stated that there was conversation about the increase in demand for after school activities for students. Mayor Silberberg stated that at the next meeting there should be an update about academic achievement from the Superintendent.

Vice Mayor Wilson reported that there have been some accomplishments through the school system regarding accreditation status. Vice Mayor Wilson stated that there was discussion about the 2014 Memorandum of Understanding for grounds maintenance for city schools and coordination for the legislative agenda for the School Board and City Council for the upcoming year. Vice Mayor Wilson reported that there was conversation about the Patrick Henry reopening schedule and how to move back in the school, and the new high school planning process.

Quality of Life Subcommittee (Mayor Silberberg and Vice Mayor Wilson)

Mayor Silberberg reported that Part I Crime during the years 2013-2017 has decreased by 18.9% and the Court Services Unit are now deploying diversion tactics. Mayor Silberberg mentioned the Community Health Survey that the various jurisdiction in Northern Virginia are taking part in. Vice Mayor Wilson reported that there was a positive report from T&ES regarding street light outages.

Potomac Yard Metrorail Implementation Work Group (PYMIG) (Vice Mayor Wilson and

Councilman Smedberg)

Vice Mayor Wilson deferred discussing the matter until the item #7 on the docket.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Jinks reported that the police department have made improvements to the data entry process for moving violations by reducing the time frame for issuing summons from eight months to one month. Mr. Jinks reported that the police department will be testing 3 other automatic versions to send out summons automatically at the time of the violation.

Mr. Jinks reported that there was discussion with Visit Alexandria about Alexandria being competitive with much larger surrounding jurisdictions in the area. Mr. Jinks also reported that Visit Alexandria highlighted Stephanie Landrum, CEO/President of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership, who was recognized in the Washington Business Journal article, "Women Who Mean Business." Mr. Jinks stated that Visit Alexandria honored 18-year Transportation and Environmental Services employee, Louis Simms, for being helpful in the city.

Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services, and Ms. Gilbert, Director, Center for Economic Support, provided an update on Medicaid expansion efforts in the City. Ms. Garvey reported that the City could enroll up to 6,000 new applicants to Medicaid under the new eligibility requirements. Ms. Garvey stated that the DCHS will be bringing on four new staff members and rearranging current staff to accommodate the needs of the new applicants. Ms. Garvey noted that she has been involved in the system testing and that she was aware that there are some delays with the State's system, and DCHS will be working with community partners to get eligible applicants enrolled during open enrollment.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER CONSENT CALENDAR

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

None.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

4. Consideration of grant applications to the Virginia Stormwater Local Assistance Fund for up to \$800,000 for Strawberry Run Stream Restoration and \$2,255,000 for Taylor Run Stream Restoration.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 20, 2018, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 4; 9/25/18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

City Council received a presentation from Mr. Maines, Division Chief, Transportation and Environmental Services, Ms. Calmbacher, Civil Engineer, Transportation and Environmental Services, and Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES) and

they responded to questions from Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 6-0, City Council (1) approved the submission of a \$800,000 matching grant application to restore a portion of Strawberry Run and a \$2,255,000 matching grant application to restore a portion of Taylor Run; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required for these two grants. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilman Smedberg.

5. Consideration of an Economic Development Incentive to Retain Kearney & Company in Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 19, 2018, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 5; 9/25/18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council allocated \$125,000 from the City's share of the Alexandria Investment Fund to the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership ("AEDP") as part of a \$250,000 total economic development retention incentive for Kearney & Company, P.C. to retain its headquarters in Alexandria with its 500 employees, as well as to grow by at least 50 additional jobs, subject to a planned Performance Agreement between Kearney & Company, P.C. and AEDP. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilman Smedberg.

6. Oral Presentation by Dominion Energy Virginia Regarding their Proposed 230KV Line Project in Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 19, 2018, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 6; 9/25/18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

City received a presentation from Mr. DePippo and Mr. Keck, representatives from Dominion Energy, and Mr. Lambert, regarding Dominion Energy Virginia's proposed 230 KV Line Project in Alexandria and they responded to questions from Council.

7. Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Project Oral Update

(A copy of the presentation dated September 25, 2018, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7; 9/25/18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

City Council received an update on the Potomac Yard Metrorail station from Mr. Bernstein, Director, Department of Project Implementation, and Mr. Lambert, Director, T&ES, and they responded to questions from Council about the project.

8. Oral Presentation on a Proposed Framework to Responsibly Manage Private, Dockless

Shared Mobility Devices and Mitigate Unintended Impacts.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 19, 2018, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 9/25/18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

City Council received a presentation from Mr. Buck, Principal Planner, T&ES, Mr. Lambert, Director, T&ES, and Mr. Ziemann, Division Chief, T&ES on a proposed framework to responsibly manage dockless share mobility devices and mitigate unintended impacts.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Mayor Silberberg reported that the Walk to Bust Breast Cancer Walk with the National Breast Center Foundation based in Alexandria will be held on October 14, 2018 at Fort Hunt Park.
2. Councilwoman Pepper reported that the Alfred Street Baptist Church will be celebrating their Pastor's 10-Year Anniversary at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center on Saturday, September 29, 2018.
3. Vice Mayor Wilson reported that he toured the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Home, and met with the Director and they discussed that the facility has 70 beds but currently have 14 kids since ending their agreement with the Department of Health and Human Service. Vice Mayor Wilson reported that the facility has a new arrangement with the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice to utilize some of their capacity, and the City is working jointly with Arlington and Falls Church to study the future of the facility.

OTHER

9. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 19, 2018, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 9/25/18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 6-0, City Council received and approved the City Council schedule. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilman Smedberg.

Closed Meeting. (if needed)

10. Consideration of a Closed Meeting to consult with Legal Counsel and Staff regarding the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council reconvened in closed executive session at 9:39 p.m. to discuss with legal counsel and staff regarding the investment of public funds where competition or

bargaining is involved; specifically, economic development incentives to recruit new businesses and leasing of space for city department; pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(6) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, Councilmember Lovain, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilman Smedberg.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 5-0, City Council reconvened in open session at 10:27 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilmember Lovain and Councilman Smedberg.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 5-0 by roll call vote, City Council adopted the resolution pertaining the closed executive session previously circulated to members of Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilmember Lovain and Councilman Smedberg.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2844

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 25th day of September, 2018 recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

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

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO CONSIDER, upon motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 5-0, City Council adjourned the legislative meeting September 25, 2018 at 10:28 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilman Bailey, Councilman Chapman, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, none. Absent: Councilmember Lovain and Councilman Smedberg.

APPROVED BY:

ALLISON SILBERBERG MAYOR

ATTEST:

Alexis Lacy Deputy City Clerk