

City of Alexandria
Monday, July 22, 2019 6:00 PM
City Council Special Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker (via conference call), Members of Council Canek Aguirre, John Taylor Chapman, Amy B. Jackson, Redella S. Pepper, and Mohamed E. Seifeldein.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Schaub, Deputy City Attorney; Acting Fire Chief Smedley; Mr. Whatley, Assistant Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, Fire; Mr. Duval, Deputy Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Mr. Colevas, Information Technology Services (ITS); Mr. Barre, ITS; Mr. Maine, Division Chief; T&ES; and Police Captain Fard; and Mr. Lloyd.

Recorded by: Gloria Sitton, City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present with Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker participating via conference call from Jackson, Wyoming. Councilman Chapman arrived after the roll-call.

2. Confirmation that Planned Member Electronic Participation meets Council's Adopted Policy on Electronic Meeting Participation.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried 5-0, City Council confirmed that the participation in Council's July 22, 2019 meeting by Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker via electronic participation is consistent with Council's adopted policy on electronic participation. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker was participating by telephone from Jackson, Wyoming. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Absent, Councilman Chapman; Abstain, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker; Opposed, none.

**Councilman Chapman arrived at the meeting at 6:05 p.m. **

3. Confirmation of Declaration of Local Emergency.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated July 17, 2019, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 3; 07/22/19, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mr. Jinks gave an explanation of the declaration of local emergency due to the July 8, 2019 storm that caused water damage and flooding throughout the City. Mr. Jinks, along with Acting Fire Chief Smedley and Mr. Whatley, Fire Department, and Mr. Duval, Deputy Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, responded to questions from Council about flooding throughout the City and any damages that occurred during the event.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council confirmed the Declaration of Local Emergency; and confirmed the authorization for the Director of Emergency Management to enter into contracts and incur obligations as enumerated in Section 4-3-5(c) of the City Code. The vote was follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

4. Other.

None.

5. Adjourn.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the special meeting of July 22, 2019 at 6:21 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk