# City of Alexandria City Council Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 9, 2021 6:00 PM Virtual Meeting Meeting Minutes

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Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, 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. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Dr. Haering, Director, Alexandria Health Department; Ms. Talis, Population Health Manager, Alexandria Health Department; Ms. Kelleher, Director, Human Rights; Ms. Dawson, Director, Libraries; Ms. Davis, Museum Director, Office of Historic Alexandria; Mr. White, Gang Prevention Coordinator, Court Service Unit; Mr. Moritz, Director, Planning and Zoning (P&Z); Ms. S. Taylor, Legislative Director; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Mr. Page, Director, Real Estate Assessments/Finance; Ms. Milnes, Appraiser Supervisor, Finance; Mr. Greenlief, Acting Deputy Director, Finance: Ms. Wedeles, Special Assistant to the City Manager: Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS); Ms. Wixson, Director of Clinical and Emergency Services, DCHS; Ms. Layer, Deputy Director, DCHS; Police Lt. Ballentine; Mr. Duer, Emergency Services Supervisor, DCHS; Police Chief Brown; Ms. Roberts, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. DiBeneditto, Assistant City Attorney; Ms. Snow, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. Browand, Division Chief, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Fire Chief Smedley; Ms. Hudson, Outside Counsel; Ms. Ruggiero, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities; Mr. Johnson, Manager, Torpedo Arts Center Factory; Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services; and Mr. Barre, Information Technology Services.

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

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#### **Alexandria Transit Company Stockholders Annual Meeting**

6:00 p.m. - Alexandria Transit Company Annual Stockholders Meeting

City Council held the annual stockholders meeting with the Alexandria Transit Company.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Seifeldein, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council approved the appointment of the Board of Directors for the Alexandria Transit Company. The vote was as follows: Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and

Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Recusal, Councilman Aguirre (for personal reasons).

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the hiring of an outside auditor to conduct the annual audit for the company. 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.

City Council received a presentation from General Manager Josh Baker of the annual operations and activities for DASH, highlighting work the company has performed during the pandemic and Mr. Baker and Mr. Banna responded to questions from Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried unanimously, the annual stockholders meeting was adjourned at 6:22 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.

#### 1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of were Council were present via Zoom webinar.

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Mayor Wilson stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the February 9, 2021 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 and Section 4.0-00(g) in HB29 and HB30 to undertake essential business. All members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom.

#### 2. Public Discussion Period.

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

- 1. Kenny Clark, Stafford, Virginia, City employee, spoke about the need for employees to have a voice and the need for a fair collective bargaining ordinance.
- 2. Huayra Forester, Alexandria, spoke about the inequitable response to the pandemic and how the effects of the pandemic have impacted minority communities disproportionately.
- 3. Daryl Price, City employee, spoke about the collective bargaining ordinance and the need for a fair collective bargaining ordinance.
  - 4. Melynda Wilcox, Alexandria, representing the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra,

spoke on the Torpedo Factory Action Plan and she spoke in support of the plan to revitalizes the Torpedo Factory Art Center.

- 5. David Carpio, Alexandria, spoke about the collective bargaining ordinance and the need for changes to the proposed ordinance in order for it to be fair to all employees.
- 6. Josh Turner, Alexandria, representing Alexandria Firefighters, spoke about the collective bargaining ordinance and the need for a cooperative ordinance and offered suggestions for changes to the proposed ordinance.

#### Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meetings of City Council:

3. Reading and Acting Upon Minutes of the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2020;

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2020:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2020;

The Special Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of July 7, 2020;

The Regular Meeting Minutes of October 6, 2020;

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2020; and

The Regular Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2020.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of June 9, 2020; the public hearing meeting minutes of June 20, 2020; the regular meeting minutes of June 23, 2020; the special public hearing meeting minutes of July 7, 2020; the regular meeting minutes of October 6, 2020; the public hearing meeting minutes of October 17, 2020; and the regular meeting minutes of October 27, 2020. 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.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

4. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring February as George Washington Birthday Celebration Month.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. 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.

5. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing February as Black History Month.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. 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.

## ORAL REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

#### \*Library Board (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)

Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that the Board held a special meeting on the Burke Art project to preview the concept design which celebrates the diversity in the West End and she that the noted that the project update is available for viewing on the website.

# \*Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Chapman)

Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that the President and CEO of the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority gave the Commission a report on the economic effects of COVID on airport travel, noting that there will likely be a three to five years of recovery for airports. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that there was an internal presentation on the climate resiliency dashboard developed by staff to outline the effects on climate change on the regions and programs managed by NVRC.

# \*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Councilman Aguirre and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)

There was no update at this time.

#### \*Carlyle/Eisenhower East Design Review Board (Councilwoman Pepper)

Councilwoman Pepper reported that the Board discussed the Zell property at Block 32 to review the architecture and the landscaping for the proposed building.

#### \*Climate Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC) (Councilwoman Pepper)

Councilwoman Pepper announced that the Committee appointed a new chair and Montgomery County presented its draft Climate Action Plan from the County to the Committee.

#### \*Alexandria Works! Coalition (Councilwoman Pepper and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)

Councilwoman Pepper about the need for a specialist to help older adults with job searching and skill building and she reported on the cuts to Youth Summer Employment program and how it will impact the youth in the City.

# \*Eisenhower Partnership Board of Directors (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilwoman Jackson)

Councilwoman Pepper reported information on the name change of Swamp Fox Road to Hoffman Street and she noted that the Board appointed Daniel Beason as the new president.

Councilwoman Jackson reported that the Board was working on a change to the bylaws

to allow for electronic voting during their meetings and she noted that Board has the funds to establish the scholarship in honor of Engin Artemel.

#### \*Facilities Naming Committee (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Chapman)

This report was deferred since there was an item later on the docket on the matter.

#### \*COG Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Commission (Councilwoman Jackson)

Councilwoman Jackson reported on the COG Potomac Roundtable reported that the group discussed the use of farmland to dispose of garbage because landfills are expensive and unavailable. Councilwoman Jackson also reported that the group is looking to add a membership position to address healthcare due to COVID and they discussed Sunny Day flooding in the region and the task force developed by Adrienne McClellan to address the issue statewide.

#### ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks reported that the credits from Virginia American Water should be showing up on residents bills and he noted that the credits are from changes to the increased rates.

Dr. Haering, Director, Alexandria Health Department and Ms. Talis, Population Health Manager, Alexandria Health Department, gave an update on vaccination distribution and how they are reaching out to residents in Alexandria to get them registered. Dr. Haering also discussed increases of variants of the COVID-19 virus, particularly the one from the United Kingdom. Dr. Haering and Ms. Talis responded to questions from Council about registration, demographics, and vaccine distribution in Alexandria.

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER CONSENT CALENDAR

#### (Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- 6. Receipt of Resignations from Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
  - (a) Beautification Commission Christine Mazurkevich
  - (b) Commission for Women Brian Morreale
  - (c) Community Services Board Alexander Tu
  - (d) Economic Opportunities Commission Maani Stewart

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 6; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 7. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
  - (a) Beautification Commission 2 Citizen Members
  - (b) Board of Zoning Appeals1 Citizen Member
  - (c) Building Code Board of Appeals
    1 Alternate Member
  - (d) Commission on Aging1 Citizen Member 60 years of age or older
  - (e) Commission on Employment
     1 Representative from such organization as educational agencies, organized labor, rehabilitation agencies community-based organizations, economic development agencies and the area public employment service.
  - (f) Commission on HIV/AIDS1 Representative from the Commission for Women
  - (g) Community Services Board
    - 1 Citizen Member
  - (h) Economic Opportunities Commission
     1 Representative of business industry, labor, religious, welfare or other private groups and interests certified by the Commission
  - (i) Environmental Policy Commission 1 Citizen Member
  - (j) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee1 Veteran Citizen Member
  - (k) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission1 Representative from the Alexandria
  - (I) Library Board 2 Citizen Members
  - (m) NOVA Regional Park Authority

- 1 Citizen Member
- (n) Public Records Advisory 2 Citizen Members
- (o) Urban Design Advisory Committee1 Old Town Business community representative
- (p) Waterfront Commission
  - 1 Representative of the Archaeological Commission
  - 1 Representative for the Chamber of Commerce

(A copy of the above appointments is on file in the office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

#### (Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

8. Consideration of a Recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee to Change the Name of 3550 Commonwealth Avenue Park to Shirley Tyler Unity Park.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

9. Consideration of a Grant Application to the FY 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Funding for Firefighter Wellness and Fitness Training and Safety Training Classes.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

10. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2020.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

11. Consideration of a License Extension, Amendment No. 3, between the City of Alexandria and the Tall Ship Providence Foundation for the Docking of the Tall Ship Providence in the City Marina.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

#### (Ordinances for Introduction)

12. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3-1306 (BULK AND OPEN SPACE REGULATIONS) of Article III (RESIDENTIAL ZONE REGULATIONS) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2020-0010 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2020-0010 associated with RT Zone Setbacks approved by City Council on January 23, 2021).

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 12; 02/09/21 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend Section 5-2-62 (CHANGES OF NAMES) of Article C (STREET NAMES), Chapter 2 (STREETS AND SIDEWALKS), Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding thereto a new subsection (17) in accordance with the street name case heretofore approved by city council as Street Name Case No. 2020-00005 (Implementation Ordinance for Street Name Case No. 2020-00005 associated with the street name change from Swamp Fox Road to Hoffman Street approved by City Council on January 23, 2021).

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 13; 02/09/21 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

#### **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**WHEREUPON,** upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket item 12, which was considered under separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

- 6. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Christine Mazurkevich, Beautification Commission; (b) Brian Morreale, Commission for Women; (c) Alexander Tu, Community Services Board; and (d) Maani Stewart, Economic Opportunities Commission.
  - 7. City Council appointed the following persons to boards, commissions and

committees: (a) appointed Caroline Champion and Casey Clark at the two citizen members to the Beautification Commission; (b) appointed Tim Foley as the citizen member to the Board of Zoning Appeals; (c) appointed Austin Burrow as the alternate member to the Building Code Board of Appeals; (d) appointed Lynette Foster as the citizen member 60 years or older to the Commission on Aging; (e) appointed William Stamey as the representative from such organized organization as educational agencies. labor, rehabilitation agencies community-based organizations, economic development agencies and the area public employment service to the Commission on Employment; (f) appointed Nicole Hutchinson as the representative from the Commission for Women to the Commission on HIV/AIDS: (g) appointed Brian Marvin as the citizen member to the Community Services Board; (h) appointed Rizwan Chaudry as the representative of business industry, labor, religious, welfare or other private groups and interests certified by the Commission to the Economic Opportunities Commission: (i) appointed Alexander Clark as the citizen member to the Environmental Policy Commission (j) reappointed Jason Reardon as the Veteran citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (k) reappointed Richard Klingenmaier as the representative from the Alexandria Association to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (I) reappointed Trudi Hahn and Kathleen Schloeder as the two citizen members to the Library Board; (m) reappointed Scott Price as the citizen member to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority; (n) reappointed Lynn Jorden and Monica St. Dennis as the two citizen members to the Public Records Advisory Commission; (o) reappointed Stephen Kulinski as the Old Town Business Community representative to the Urban Design Advisory Committee; and (p) reappointed Mark Ludlow as the representative of the Archaeological Commission and appointed Scott Shaw as the representative from the Chamber of Commerce to the Waterfront Commission.

- 8. City Council: (1) received the report and scheduled the recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee to change the name of 3550 Commonwealth Avenue Park to Shirley Tyler Unity Park for public hearing on February 20, 2021.
- 9. City Council: (1) approved the submission of a grant application to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for \$450,000 in federal funding for which a \$50,000 local match will be required; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.
  - 10. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.
- 11. City Council: (1) scheduled the proposed License Extension, Amendment No. 3, for public hearing on February 20, 2021.
- 13. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, February 20, 2021.

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.

12. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3-1306 (BULK AND OPEN SPACE REGULATIONS) of Article III (RESIDENTIAL ZONE REGULATIONS) of the City of

Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2020-0010 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2020-0010 associated with RT Zone Setbacks approved by City Council on January 23, 2021).

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 12; 02/09/21 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Seifeldein, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, February 20, 2021. 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.

#### **CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS**

Alexandria-Caen Sister Cities Committee
 Citizen Members

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME: ENDORSEMENT:

Kyly Larriviere Daniel Morrison Joanie Stewart Laura Withers

(A copy of the material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots were tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Kyly Larriviere and reappointed Daniel Morrison to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson - Larriviere, Morrison
Bennett-Parker - Larriviere, Morrison
Aguirre - Morrison, Withers
Chapman - Morrison, Withers
Jackson - Larriviere, Morrison
Pepper - Larriviere, Morrison

Seifeldein - Larriviere, Morrison

#### 15. Commission on HIV/AIDS

1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME: ENDORSEMENT:

**David Nipper** 

(A copy of the material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council moved to readvertise the vacancy for Commission on HIV/AIDS. 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.

### 16. George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME: ENDORSEMENT:

Sally Graham Lovie Patish

(A copy of material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots were tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Lovie Patish as the citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee. The vote was as follows:

Wilson - Patish
Bennett-Parker - Graham
Aguirre - Graham
Chapman - Patish
Jackson - Patish
Pepper - Graham
Seifeldein - Patish

#### 17. Planning Commission

2 Citizen Members

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME: ENDORSEMENT:

Robert Duffy
Christopher Ferrara
Geoffrey Goode
Lyn Gubser
Melinda Lyle
Nathan Macek
Kyle Martin
Joshua Price
Chris Pyke
Charles Sumpter

(A copy of the material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots were distributed with the following results: City Council reappointed Melinda Lyle and Nathan Macek as the two citizen member to the Planning Commission. The vote was as follows:

Wilson - Lyle, Macek
Bennett-Parker - Lyle, Macek
Aguirre - Lyle, Macek
Chapman - Lyle, Macek
Jackson - Lyle, Ferrara
Pepper - Lyle, Macek
Seifeldein - Lyle, Sumpter

18. Redevelopment and Housing Authority

1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission)

NAME: ENDORSEMENT:

Anitra Androh Ana Maria Kleymeyer Marie Muscella Breylon Smith Rabin Zahnan

(A copy of the material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 02/09/21; and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed, and ballots were tallied with the following results: City Council reappointed Anitra Androh as the citizen member to the Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The vote was as follows:

Wilson - Androh
Bennett-Parker - Androh
Aguirre - Androh
Chapman - Androh
Jackson - Androh
Pepper - Androh
Seifeldein - Androh

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

19. Update on the 2021 Virginia General Assembly Session.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 8, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Seifeldein, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council received staff's update on the 2021 General Assembly session. 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.

20. Consideration of the Calendar Year 2021 Real Property Assessments.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 20; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council received the report on calendar year 2021 Real Property Assessments. 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.

21. Proposed Alexandria Crisis Intervention and Co-Responding Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A motion was made by Councilman Seifeldein, seconded by Councilman Aguirre for City Council: (1) received and endorsed the proposed Alexandria Crisis Intervention Co-Responding Pilot Program proposal; and (2) directed the City Manager to proceed with implementation with the inclusion of additional therapist and include the cost in the proposed

budget to City Council.

A substitute motion was made by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried 6-1, City Council: (1) received and endorsed the proposed Alexandria Crisis Intervention Co-Responding Pilot Program proposal; and (2) directed the City Manager to proceed with implementation as outlined in this memorandum. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilwoman Pepper; Opposed, Councilman Seifeldein. The substitute motion becomes the main motion.

The vote on the main motion was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

22. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend Title 2 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, General Government, Chapter 5, Officers and Employees, by adding Article E, Collective Bargaining.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 22; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 22; 02/09/21 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried 6-0, City Council received the draft ordinance and requested that it be brought back for introduction and first reading and consideration on March 13, 2021, with feedback on several areas including scope of bargaining, number of bargaining units, labor relations administration process, and the level of positions included in the bargaining groups. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilwoman Pepper.

23. Consideration of an Action Plan for Vibrancy and Sustainability at Torpedo Factory Art Center.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 23; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman

Jackson and carried 6-0, City Council deferred presentation and scheduled the public hearing and consideration for the Action Plan for Vibrancy and Sustainability at the Torpedo Factory Art Center for February 20, 2021. The vote was as following: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilwoman Pepper.

#### ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Councilman Aguirre reported that the Alexandria Health Department sponsored the National Black HIV Awareness Symposium.
- 2. Councilman Aguirre reported that the Departmental Progressive Club is beginning its 94<sup>th</sup> year and held officer installation and the installation of the DPC Ladies Auxiliary.
- 3. Councilman Chapman reported that Port City Brewing Company celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary recently.

#### **OTHER**

24. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 3, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 24; 02/09/21, and is incorporated as part of the record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Chapman and carried 6-0, City Council received and adopted the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for February 2021 through July 2021 and scheduled a discussion of options for Offsite Council meetings at the next legislative meeting. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilwoman Pepper.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried 6-0, City Council adjourned the regular meeting of February 9, 2021 at 1:13 a.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilwoman Pepper.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

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