

City of Alexandria
Wednesday, May 5, 2021 7:00 PM
Virtual Meeting
City Council Special Meeting-Budget Adoption
Meeting Minutes

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. Seifeldin.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Jinks, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Ms. Triggs, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Baker, Deputy City Manager; Ms. Collins, Deputy City Manager; Fire Chief Smedley; Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Manager and Budget (OMB); Ms. Poly, Analyst, OMB; Dr. Gaddy, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department; Ms. Howard, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources; Ms. Dawson, Director, Library; Mr. McPike, Director, General Services; Mr. Hetland, Analyst, OMB; Mr. Kurbanov, Analyst, OMB, Ms. McGrane, Analyst, OMB; Ms. Taylor, Analyst, OMB; Ms. Turner, Registrar, Voter Registration; Ms. Lawson, Analyst, OMB; Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Kelley, Analyst, OMB; Ms. McIlvaine, Director, Office of Housing; Ms. K. Taylor, Director, Finance; Ms. Suehr, Director, Department of Project of Implementation; Mr. Fields, Director, Code Administrator; Mr. Wicks, Manager, OMB; Ms. McLean, Executive Assistant to the City Manager; Ms. Schaub, Deputy City Attorney; Ms. Landrum, CEO, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership; Police Chief Brown, Mr. Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Bulova, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria; Ms. S. Taylor, Assistant City Manager/Legislative Director; Ms. Kelleher, Director, Office of Human Rights; Ms. Gordon, Director, Office of Emergency Communications; Ms. Gilfillen, Acting Director, Office of Communications and Public Information; Ms. Demeke, Information Technology Services, Mr. Barre, Information Technology Services; and Mr. Smith, Information Technology Services.

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

Please take notice that the Alexandria City Council will hold a Special City Council meeting on May 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., by Zoom to adopt the City's FY2022 Proposed Annual Operating Budget (including Schools) and FY2022 to FY203 Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (including Schools CIP).

1. Calling the Roll

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

2. Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, seconded by Councilman Seifeldein and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted resolution finding the need to conduct City Council meetings electronically. 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.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3001

Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meeting Electronically

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Executive Order Fifty-One declaring a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia arising from the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Fifty-One acknowledged the existence of a public health emergency which constitutes a disaster as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 arising from the public health threat presented by a communicable disease anticipated to spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020, in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, effective at 5:00 p.m. and extending through June 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., or as may be amended by the City Council, the City Manager, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Management, issued a Declaration of Local Emergency applicable throughout the entire City of Alexandria, Virginia (the "City"), pursuant to authority granted pursuant to City Code Section 4-3-5, Virginia Code Sections 44-146.21 and 15.2-1413, which City Declaration was unanimously consented to the by the City Council on March 14, 2020, pursuant to City Resolution No. 2928, as required by applicable law; on June 9, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2020 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on June 9, 2020; on September 22, 2020, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through March 31, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on September 22, 2020; on March 23, 2021, the City Manager extended such Declaration of Local Emergency through September 30, 2021 which extension was unanimously consented to by the City Council on March 23, 2021; (the "City Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that COVID-19 constitutes a real and substantial threat to public health and safety and constitutes a "disaster" as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 being a "communicable disease of public health threat;" and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the Virginia General Assembly adopted, and the Governor signed, budget bill amendments to HB29 and HB30 (Virginia Acts of Assembly Chapters 1283 and 1289), Section 4-0.01(g), that expressly authorize “any public body, including any state, local, [or] regional body” to “meet by electronic means without a quorum of the public body . . . physically assembled at one location when the Governor has declared a state of emergency . . . , provided that (i) the nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe for the public body . . . to assemble in a single location; (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body . . . and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities” among other provisions; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby finds that the nature of the declared emergency makes it both impracticable and unsafe for the Council to assemble in a single location for its meeting on this date to discuss and transact the business of the City listed on the docket; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby finds that the items on the docket for this date are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

3. Public Discussion Period.

There were no speakers for public comment.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

4. Consideration of the Proposed Annual Operating Budget for FY 2022 (Including Schools) and the Proposed Capital Improvement Program FY 2022 to FY 2031 (Including Schools CIP) and Adoption of a Resolution. [ROLL-CALL-VOTE]

(A copy of the proposed resolution is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 4; 05/05/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the budget resolution which includes an annual General Fund operating budget for FY 2022 of \$770,708,947; and the FY 2022 to FY 2031 Capital Improvement Program of \$2,661,511,337 in total; including \$293,102,842 in total for FY 2022. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Jackson, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldin; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3002

WHEREAS, the City Manager submitted the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget to the City Council on February 16, 2021 for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, published in accordance with the law, said proposed budget was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation on February 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held March 8, 2021, and interested taxpayers were given the opportunity to file or register any objections to said proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, City Council amended the budget in the Final Add/Delete Work Session on May 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the budget as amended by City Council remains balanced with projected revenues and expenditures for Fiscal Year 2022 of \$770,708,947; and

WHEREAS, the budget as amended by City Council includes revenues generated by a Residential Refuse Fee change to be considered for final adoption with the adoption of the budget on May 5, 2021 and Ambulance Service Charge changes to be considered for final adoption on May 15, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia that:

1. The General Fund operating budget is \$770,708,947 as submitted, amended, and summarized below. It is hereby approved and adopted as the budget of the City of Alexandria for Fiscal Year 2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022).
 - a. Accountable, Effective and Well-Managed Government: \$66,780,620
 - b. Healthy and Thriving Residents: \$96,460,336
 - c. Livable, Green and Prospering City: \$100,113,635
 - d. Safe, Secure and Just Community: \$166,314,552
 - e. Alexandria City Public Schools: \$239,437,296
 - f. Debt Service / Cash Capital: \$101,602,508
2. That the 10-year Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2022 to 2031 is \$2,661,511,337.
3. That this resolution shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council.

5. Final Passage of an Ordinance on the Proposed Real and Personal Property Tax Rates and Proposed Effective Tax Rate Increase for Calendar Year 2021 (Fiscal Year 2022). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 5, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk, marked Item No. 5; 05/05/21, 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 Item No. 5; 05/05/21, 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 Item No. 05; 05/05/21 and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Jackson, seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted an ordinance to set the City's calendar year 2021 blended real property tax rate at \$1.11 on each \$100 of assessed value, which is reduced by two cents from the calendar year 2020 rate. The calendar year 2021 real property tax rate contains the following:

- The sum of \$0.022 on each \$100 of assessed value of the one dollar and eleven cents real property tax rate will be collected and reserved for the Transportation Improvement Fund.
- The sum of \$0.006 on each \$100 of assessed value of the one dollar and eleven cents real property tax rate will be dedicated for affordable housing purposed to continue to pay budgeted debt service on affordable housing bonds, beginning on July 1, 2021.
- The total blended real property tax rate for the City in calendar year 2021 will be \$1.11.

The calendar year 2021 personal property tax rates contain the following:

-The sum of \$5.33 on each one-hundred dollars of assessed value of vehicle personal property. This rate remains unchanged from calendar year 2020.

-The sum of \$4.75 on each \$100 of assessed value of tangible business personal property. This rate remains unchanged from calendar year 2020.

-The sum of \$4.50 on each \$100 of assessed value of machinery and tools personal property. This rate remains unchanged from calendar year 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.

The ordinance reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 5348

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 3-2-181 (LEVIED; AMOUNT), Section 3-2-188 (CLASSIFICATION AND TAXATION OF CERTAIN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL REAL PROPERTY), and Section 3-2-189 (TIER I POTOMAC YARD METRORAIL STATION SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT TAX) of Division 1, (REAL ESTATE), and Section 3-2-221 (LEVIED ON TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY OTHER THAN MOBILE HOMES, AUTOMOBILES, TRUCKS, ANTIQUE MOTOR VEHICLES, TAXICABS, MOTOR VEHICLES WITH SPECIALLY DESIGNED EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE HANDICAPPED, MOTORCYCLES, CAMPERS AND OTHER RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, BOATS AND TRAILERS; AMOUNT), Section 3-2-222 (LEVIED ON MACHINERY AND TOOLS USED IN MINING OR MANUFACTURING BUSINESS; AMOUNT), Section 3-2-223 (LEVIED ON MOBILE HOMES; AMOUNT), Section 3-2-224 (LEVIED ON AUTOMOBILES, TRUCKS, TRAILERS, SEMI-TRAILERS, ANTIQUE MOTOR VEHICLES, TAXICABS, MOTORCYCLES, CAMPERS AND OTHER RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, BOATS AND TRAILERS; AMOUNT) of Division 3 (TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND MACHINERY AND TOOLS), all of Article M (LEVY AND COLLECTION OF PROPERTY

TAXES), Chapter 2 (TAXATION), Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 3-2-181 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-181 Levied; amount.

There shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all real estate located within the territorial boundaries of the city and subject to taxation for city purposes under the constitution and laws of this state and city, a tax of \$1.11 on each \$100 of the assessed value of all taxable real property, to include residential property and commercial property value, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

Section 2. That Sec. 3-2-188 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, 1981 as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-188 Classification and taxation of certain commercial and industrial real property.

(a) Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 58.1-3221.3 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, all commercial and industrial real property in the City of Alexandria classified by the General Assembly as a separate class of real property for local taxation shall be designated, assessed and taxed as a separate class of real property. Such separate class of real property shall not include any residential uses excluded by Section 58.1-3221.3 of the Code of Virginia.

(b) In addition to all other taxes and fees permitted by law, the class of real property designated in this section may, and if imposed by ordinance shall, be subject to a real property tax, in addition to that imposed by City Code Section 3-2-181 and any other applicable law, at the rate established by the City Council of the City of Alexandria not to exceed the rate authorized by the Code of Virginia.

(c) All revenues generated from the real property tax imposed by this Section 3-2-188 shall be used exclusively for transportation-related projects and services that benefit the City of Alexandria.

(d) The real property tax imposed by this Section 3-2-188 shall be levied, administered, enforced and collected in the same manner as set forth in Subtitle III of Title 58.1 of the Code of Virginia and Chapter 2 of this Title for the levy, administration, enforcement and collection of local taxes.

(e) The director of the division of real estate assessments shall separately assess and set forth upon the City of Alexandria's land book the fair market value of that property that is designated as a separate class of real property in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(f) There shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all real estate located within the territorial boundaries of the city and subject to taxation pursuant to this section, a tax of \$0 on each \$100 of the assessed value thereof, for the purposes set forth in subsection (c) above.

Section 3. That Section 3-2-189 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-189 Tier I Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Services District Tax.

(a) Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 15.2-2400, et seq. of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, all real property located in the Tier I Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Services District, established pursuant to Ordinance Number 4693, classified by the city council as a separate class of real property for local taxation shall be designated, assessed and taxed as a separate class of real property.

(b) In addition to all other taxes and fees permitted by law, the class of real property designated in this section may, and if imposed by ordinance shall, be subject to a real property tax, in addition to that imposed by city code section 3-2-181 and any other applicable law, at the rate established by the city council of the City of Alexandria.

(c) As detailed in Ordinance Number 4693, all revenues generated from the real property tax imposed by this Section 3-2-189 shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing facilities and services related to the construction of the Potomac Yard Metro Station in the City of Alexandria and the construction of a pedestrian bridge from Potomac Greens to Potomac Yard.

(d) The real property tax imposed by this section 3-2-189 shall be levied, administered, enforced and collected in the same manner as set forth in Subtitle III of Title 58.1 of the Code of Virginia and chapter 2 of this title for the levy, administration, enforcement and collection of local taxes.

(e) The director of the division of real estate assessments shall separately assess and set forth upon the City of Alexandria's land book the fair market value of that property that is designated as a separate class of real property in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(f) There shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all real estate located within the territorial boundaries of the city and subject to taxation pursuant to this section, a tax of \$0.20 on each \$100 of the assessed value thereof, for the purposes set forth in subsection (c) above.

Section 4. That Section 3-2-221 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-221 Levied on tangible personal property other than mobile homes, automobiles, trucks, antique motor vehicles, taxicabs, motor vehicles with specially designed

equipment for use by the handicapped, motorcycles, campers and other recreational vehicles, boats and boat trailers; amount.

There shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all tangible personal property, other than mobile homes, automobiles, trucks, antique motor vehicles, taxicabs, motor vehicles with specially designed equipment for use by the handicapped, motorcycles, campers and other recreational vehicles, boats and trailers, owned or held by residents or citizens of the city or located within the territorial boundaries of the city or otherwise having a situs within the city and subject to taxation for city purposes under the constitution and laws of this state and city, a tax of \$4.75 on every \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

Section 5. That Section 3-2-222 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-222 Levied on machinery and tools used in mining or manufacturing business; amount.

There shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all machinery and tools used in a mining or manufacturing business taxable on capital and subject to taxation for city purposes under the constitution and laws of this state and city, a tax of \$4.50 on each \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

Section 6. That Section 3-2-223 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-223 Levied on mobile homes; amount.

There shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all vehicles without motor power, used or designed to be used as mobile homes as defined in section 46.2-100 of the Code of Virginia, owned or held by residents or citizens of the city or located within the territorial boundaries of the city or otherwise having a situs within the city and subject to taxation for city purposes under the constitution and laws of this state and city, a tax of \$1.11 on each \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

Section 7. That Section 3-2-224 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 3-2-224 Levied on automobiles, trucks, trailers, semi-trailers, antique motor vehicles, taxicabs, motorcycles, campers and other recreational vehicles, boats and trailers; amount.

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b), (c) and (d), there shall be levied and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all automobiles, trucks, trailers, semi-trailers, antique motor vehicles (as defined in Section 46.2-100 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, which

may be used for general transportation purposes as provided in subsection C of Section 46.2-730 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended), taxicabs, motorcycles, campers and other recreational vehicles, boats and boat trailers owned or held by residents or citizens of the city or located within the territorial boundaries of the city or otherwise having a situs for taxation in the city, a tax of \$5.33 on every \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

(b) There shall be levied on and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all automobiles, trucks, trailers and semi-trailers with a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more which are used to transport property for hire by a motor carrier engaged in interstate commerce, and are owned or held by residents or citizens of the city, are located within the territorial boundaries of the city or otherwise have a situs for taxation in the city, a tax of \$ 4.50 on every \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

(c) There shall be levied on and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all automobiles and trucks which are equipped with specially designed equipment for use by the handicapped and are owned or held by residents or citizens of the city, are located within the territorial boundaries of the city or otherwise have a situs for taxation in the city, a tax of \$3.55 on every \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

(d) There shall be levied on and collected for the calendar year 2021 on all privately owned pleasure boats and watercraft, which are used for recreational purposes only, and are owned or held by residents or citizens of the city, or are located within the territorial boundaries of the city or otherwise have a situs for taxation in the city, a tax of \$.01 on every \$100 of assessed value thereof, for the support of the city government, for the payment of principal and interest of the city debt and for other municipal expenses and purposes.

(e) The city adopts Personal Property Tax Relief as authorized by the current state budget, which allows for provision of a specific dollar amount to be offset against the total taxes that would otherwise be due but for the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998, Section 58.1-3523 et seq. of the Code of Virginia, as amended, and the reporting of such specific dollar relief on the tax bill.

(i) The city shall, following adoption of the annual budget adopted pursuant to Chapter 25 of Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia and Sections 6.01 through 6.15 of the City Charter, set the rates of tax relief under this subsection at such a level that it is anticipated fully to exhaust relief funds under the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998, Section 58.1-3523 et seq. of the Code of Virginia, as amended, provided to the city by the Commonwealth.

(ii) Personal property tax bills shall set forth on their face the specific dollar amount of relief under this subsection credited with respect to each qualifying vehicle, together with an explanation of the general manner in which such relief is allocated.

(iii) Allocation of relief under this subsection shall be provided in accordance with the general provisions of this section, as implemented by resolution relating to relief under this subsection.

(iv) Relief under this subsection shall be allocated in such a manner as to eliminate personal property taxation of each qualifying vehicle with an assessed value of \$1,000 or less.

(v) Relief under this subsection with respect to qualifying vehicles with assessed values of more than \$1,000 shall be provided at the following rates, annually fixed by resolution, that achieve to the extent feasible the following general relationships between the rates applicable to classes of vehicle value established herein and that is estimated fully to use all relief funds under the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998, Sections 58.1-3523 et seq. of the Code of Virginia, as amended, provided to the city by the Commonwealth:

(A) Relief with respect to vehicle value up to and including \$20,000 shall be provided at a rate that is approximately 15 percent higher than that applied to vehicle value described in subsection (B) of this section;

(B) Relief with respect to vehicle value in excess of \$20,000, but not more than \$25,000, and applied to the first \$20,000 in value, shall be provided at a rate that is approximately 15 percent higher than that applied to vehicle value described in subsection (C) of this section; and

(C) Relief with respect to vehicles in excess of \$25,000, and applied to the first \$20,000 in value.

Section 8. That this ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2021, nunc pro tunc.

6. Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Residential Refuse Fee Increase for FY 2022. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated April 29, 2021, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 6; 05/05/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution setting the annual charge for the collection and disposal of solid waste, ashes, recyclable materials and yard debris from required residential user property at \$484.22 per household. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, Councilman Aguirre, Councilwoman Pepper, and Councilman Seifeldein; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3003

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT FEE INCREASES
ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

FOR FY 2022

WHEREAS, under Section 2.07 of the City Charter, City Council has the authority to establish fees to be charged for services provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, under City Code Section 5-1-34(a), City Council is required, from time to time, to set by resolution the annual fee that is to be paid by the owners of 'required user property,' as defined in Section 5-1-2(12b) of the City Code, for the City's collection and disposal of solid waste, ashes, recyclable materials, and yard debris from their properties on a fiscal year basis, and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 2941, adopted April 29, 2020 City Council set the annual fee for such collection and disposal services at \$460 per household and \$411 for commercial properties; and

WHEREAS, under Section 2.07 of the City Charter, City Council has the authority to establish fees to be charged for services provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, under City Code Section 3-1-8(a), except as otherwise expressly provided in this code or in the zoning ordinance, all fees and charges for applications submitted to; for permits and approvals issued by, and for activities, programs and services provided by, the City of Alexandria shall be established by resolution of the City Council.

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

1. That, beginning in fiscal year 2022, the annual charge for the collection and disposal of solid waste, ashes, recyclable materials, and yard debris from required user properties shall be ~~\$460~~ \$484.22 per household, with each single-family, two-family and row dwelling in the City, and each separate dwelling unit in a building or structure in the city that contains four or fewer dwelling units, constituting a "household."
2. That the annual fee established in Section 1 above shall apply, unless and until revised by City Council, to such services provided during subsequent fiscal years.
3. That the fee for the collection and disposal of solid waste for commercial properties shall be \$411.00 per unit of services per year.
4. That the fees established in Section 3 above shall apply, unless and until revised by City Council, to such services provided during subsequent fiscal years.
5. To the extent that these rates differ from those in Resolutions 2279, 2555, 2723, 2768, 2880 and 2941 those provisions in Resolutions 2279, 2555, 2723, 2768, 2880 and 2941 are hereby repealed.
6. That this resolution shall be effective July 1, 2021.

7. Consideration of a Resolution Making the Planned 1% Pay Bonus Applicable to Certain Commonwealth of Virginia Employees Based in Alexandria. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the proposed resolution is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Item No. 7; 05/05/21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted a resolution for approval of the planned 1% pay bonus and making it applicable to certain Commonwealth of Virginia employees based in Alexandria. 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.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3004

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to make the planned 1% pay bonus applicable to certain Commonwealth of Virginia Employees based in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to adopt and incorporate certain details to the planned 1% bonus as set forth below and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA THAT

1. All active regular full-time and part-time employees will be eligible to receive a one-time 1% bonus.
2. The 1% one-time bonus will not get built into ongoing pay, and will be paid as a lump sum
3. Seasonal and temporary employees will be eligible for this bonus.
4. Election day poll workers will not be eligible for this bonus; other Registrar’s employees are eligible.
5. Per the City’s MOU with the Virginia Department of Health, all Alexandria Health Department (AHD) employees will be eligible for the 1% bonus/\$500 minimum/prorated amounts (see below).
 - a. AHD is determining whether the Virginia Department of Health will allow temporary AHD workers to receive this bonus.
 - b. FEMA paid workers who have just started to work the vaccination PODs will not be eligible.
6. All courts employees and the Public Defender’s Office will be eligible, except for judges.
7. Minimum bonus amount paid will be \$500 and pro-rated for part time workers (\$125, \$250, \$375), if applicable.
8. The bonus is a percentage of regular full-time employees’ annualized base salary (“regular pay”) as of first day of FY 2022 first pay period (or June 26, 2021).

9. The bonus for regular part-time employees' will be pro-rated and calculated based on employees' base pay rate and their standard schedule as follows:
- a. 0.25 FTE (25% of bonus)
 - b. 0.50 FTE (50% of bonus)
 - c. 0.75 FTE (75% of bonus)
 - d. 1.00 FTE (100% of bonus)
10. Bonuses will be paid the second pay period of July 2021.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Chapman, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the Special Meeting of May 5, 2021 at 7:37 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