

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

6:00 PM

**There will be an Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. The Council meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter.
Council Chamber**

City Council Legislative Meeting

The October 24, 2023 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of the City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through a video conference call on Zoom webinar. The meeting can be accessed by government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom by the following link:

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i. OPENING MATTERS

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All the members of City Council were present, with Vice Mayor Jackson arriving at 6:11 p.m. during Closed Session, and Councilwomen Gaskins attending via Zoom webinar.

**2. Approval of Electronic Participation Resolution by members by City Council.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]**

[24-1513](#)

Approval of Electronic Participation Resolution by members of City Council.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

*City Council adopted the resolution for approval of electronic participation resolution.
(RES.NO 3191)*

3. Closed Session

[24-1493](#)

Executive Session - Consideration of a Closed Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community, and the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:02 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter, a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community, and the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, specifically, consideration of candidates for the City Attorney position, and a corporate headquarters, and associated uses, considering relocating to the City, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(1), (A)(5), and (A)(6) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened in open session at 7:02 p.m.

4. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

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

5. [24-1516](#) Reading and Acting Upon the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2023;
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2023; and
The Regular Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2023.

City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of September 12, 2023, the public hearing meeting minutes of September 23, 2023, and the regular meeting minutes of September 26, 2023.

Proclamations and Recognitions

6. [24-1479](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Red Ribbon Week in the City of Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

7. [24-1480](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

8. [24-1514](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing World Polio Day.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

9. [24-1515](#) Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing Urban Agriculture and Environmental Sustainability Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

II. ORAL REPORTS

City Council on Boards, Commissions and Committees

***Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors (Mayor Wilson)**

***Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) (Mayor Wilson)**

***Library Board (Councilman Aguirre)**

***COG Transportation Planning Board (TPB) (Councilman Aguirre)**

***Alexandria Gang Prevention Task Force (Councilman Aguirre and Councilwoman Gaskins)**

***Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission (CYFCC) (Councilmember Bagley and Councilwoman Gaskins)**

***Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP) (Councilmember Bagley and Councilman Aguirre)**

***Waterfront Commission (Councilmember Bagley)**

***Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Councilmember Bagley)**

City Council gave reports.

Oral Report from the City Manager

10. [24-1368](#) City Council Work Session regarding City Capital Projects under Consideration in the upcoming FY 2025 to FY 2034 Capital Improvement Program.
- City Council received as information the presentation regarding City Capital Projects under consideration in the upcoming FY 2025 to FY 2034 Capital Improvement Program.*

III. ACTION DOCKET

Regular Consent Calendar (11-16)

11. [24-1486](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the National Association of County and City Health Officials to Support Community Engagement in the Formulation of Local Public Health Responses to Increased Early Syphilis in the City.
12. [24-1426](#) Release of Out of School Time FY 2023 Contingent Reserves to Support the Youth Support Network.
13. [24-1430](#) Consideration of a City Application through the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments for a U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development “Pathways to Removing Obstacles to Housing” Grant.
14. [24-1470](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice Services Youth Violence & Substance Use Prevention Mentoring Program.
15. [24-1435](#) Receipt of Annual and Attendance Report for Council Appointed Boards,

Commissions, and Committees from July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023.

16. [24-1508](#)

Consideration of Authorization to the City Manager to Enter into a Support Agreement in Connection with a Bond to be obtained by the Industrial Development Authority for Certain Economic Development Activities.

City Council approved the regular consent calendar, with the exception of item #12,-13, and 15, which were considered under separate motions. The approvals go as follows:

11. City Council reapproved the submission of a grant application to National Association of County and Health Officials for \$150,000: and (2) Authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents may be required.

12. City Council allocated FY23 Contingent Reserves in the amount of \$340, 000 to be transferred to ACT for Alexandria which will manage the development of a program locator and youth Program Quality Pilot, in partnership with the Weikart Center for Program Quality.

13. City Council approved submission of the proposed City grant application; (2) Authorize the City Manager to review the grant agreement and execute such documents as required to enable the City to accept the funding for the purpose proposed in the application to Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

14. City Council approved an application for up to \$160,000 in grant funding, with no City match, from Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services: and authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

15. City Council received the reports from Council appointed boards, commissions, and committees from July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023. The request also includes consideration of removal of members who have not met the 75% meeting attendance requirement.

16. City Council: (1) Authorized the City Manager to execute a Support Agreement , in substantial conformance with attachment to this memorandum (Attachment 1, in connection with a bond to be obtained by IDA for the purpose of financing a portion of the build out cost to relocate and retain the Art League headquarters within the City of Alexandria; (2) Directed the City Manager to include for City Council consideration the FY 2024 amortization backstop amount in the Fall Supplement Appropriation, which will be presented to City Council in December 2023 for approval: and (3) Directed City Manager to included for City Council consideration an appropriation equal to amortization schedule as a part of annual budget and appropriation process during the loan repayment period.

Roll-Call Consent Calendar (17-19)

17. [24-1453](#)

Consideration of a Resolution Approving \$28.5 million Grant Applications for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities and Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs for the Commonwealth Ashby Glebe Flood Mitigation Project. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

18. [24-1455](#)

Consideration of a Resolution to Support a Grant Application to the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund Program to develop a Flood Resilience Plan.

[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

19. [24-1485](#) Consideration of a Resolution for a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the Mid-Year FY 2024 Application Cycle for the Transportation Ridership Incentive Program. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approval as follows:

17. City Council (1) adopted the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit competitive 75/25 matching grant applications to FEMA for up to \$28.5 million for both the FEMA BRIC and FMA programs for the first phase of the Commonwealth Ashby Glebe (CAG) Flood Mitigation Project; (2) Authorized the City Manager to enter into any agreements that may be required to receive these funds, should the requested allocation be approved, and to provide certification of Council's commitment to fund the City's local share; and (3) Committed to fund its local share of engineering and construction costs.

18. City Council: (1) Approved the attached resolution to support a Round 4 Virginia Community Flood Preparedness (CFPF) grant application; and (2) Authorized the City Manager to submit the grant application and enter into any agreements that may be required to receive these funds should the requested allocation approved.

19. City Council approved a Resolution (Attachment 1) supporting the TRIP application or up to \$544, 000 for passenger amenities through the Transit Ridership Incentive Program, and commit any local funds required; and (2) Authorized the City Manager to apply for the TRIP grant and enter into any agreements with DRPT to accept and implement the grants.

iv. ACTION MATTERS

Action Recommendations from the City Manager

20. [23-0675](#) Consideration of updates to the Flood Mitigation Pilot Grant Program.
- City Council approved the Action Recommendations from the City Manager to (1) Remove the requirements to provide documentation of past flooding back to July 8, 2019 and allow all properties at risk of flooding to be eligible to apply for the grants regardless of whether the property flooded in the past; and (2) Approved the framework that increase the maximum allowable grant match for eligible flood mitigation measures on common areas from \$5,000 to \$25,000.*
21. [24-1428](#) 2023 City Council Priorities Initiatives Updates.
- City Council received updates on the COVID -19, Housing, Youth and Families, and Community Engagement, Economic Development , and Compensation Philosophy Business Plan.*

Resolutions

None.

Ordinances

None.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

22. Oral Reports and Presentations by Members of Council

[24-1537](#) After item

- 23. [24-1388](#)** Consideration of City Council Calendar.
City Council received and approved the City Council Schedule.

24. Closed Session (if needed)

VI. ADJOURN.

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 p.m.