

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Saturday, November 16, 2024

9:30 AM

Council Chamber

City Council Public Hearing

The November 16, 2024 Public Hearing Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held in the Council Chamber (301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314) and electronically. Members of City Council and staff are participating either in-person or from a remote location through video conference call on Zoom webinar. The meeting can be accessed by government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and via Zoom by the following link:

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*****TAKE NOTICE: City Council will take a lunch break in the middle of the docket at a reasonable time when the agenda allows for a break.*****

I. OPENING

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, with Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, and Councilman McPike participating via Zoom.

2. Approval of the Electronic Participation Resolution [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

[25-2624](#)

Electronic Participation Resolution [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the electronic participation resolution. (RES. NO. 3261)

3. Public Discussion Period

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

- 1. Damon Minnix, representing SSPBA, spoke about the amendments to the ordinance related to the Independent Policing Review Board.*
- 2. Alison O'Connell, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*
- 3. Rose Esber, Alexandria, spoke about flooding in her neighborhood and in protest to the war in Gaza.*
- 4. Glen Pine, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*
- 5. Nicholas Gentry, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the*

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6. *Melissa Elbirt, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*

7. *Mariam Creedon, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*

8. *Nour Barudi, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*

9. *Janice Grenadier, Alexandria, spoke about corruption with the courts.*

10. *Sara Husein Bazar, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*

11. *Dino Drudi, Alexandria, spoke about increased density in the City.*

12. *Amanda Eisenhour, Alexandria, spoke in protest to the war in Gaza and requested the City divest from Israel.*

13. *Marie Smith, Alexandria, spoke about the recent election and the need from diverse parties on City Council.*

[This period is a public comment period on items not listed on the agenda. The first 15 speakers will speak at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

II. ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR (4)

Planning Commission

4. [25-2611](#) Special Use Permit #2024-00057
1313 Cleveland Street
Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Use Permit to construct a new single-unit dwelling on a developed substandard lot, zoned; R8/Residential
Applicant: Richard Thomas Price Jr
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0
City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

III. ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (5-7)

5. [25-2551](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance authorizing the owner of the property located at 461 Swann Avenue to construct and maintain an encroachment for outdoor dining at that location (Implementation Ordinance for Encroachment No. 2024-00002 associated with 461 Swann Avenue/Founding Farmers approved by City Council on September 14, 2024). [ROLL-CALL

VOTE]

6. [25-2597](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Grant a Non-exclusive Franchise to Crown Castle Fiber LLC for use of the public rights-of-way by companies to design, install, provide, operate, maintain, repair, control, upgrade, construct, and remove a fiber network for the purpose of providing Telecommunications Services within the City. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
7. [25-2600](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Make Supplemental Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for Fiscal Year 2025. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

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

5. City Council adopted an ordinance authorizing the owner of the property located at 461 Swann Avenue to construct and maintain an encroachment for outdoor dining at that location. (ORD. NO. 5559)

6. City Council adopted an ordinance to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Crown Castle Fiber LLC, for use of the public rights-of-way by companies to design, install, provide, operate, maintain, repair, control, upgrade, construct, and remove a fiber network for the purpose of providing telecommunications services within the City. (ORD. NO. 5560)

7. City Council adopted an ordinance to make supplemental appropriations for the support of the government for fiscal year 2025. (ORD. NO. 5561)

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Reports and Recommendations from City Manager

8. [25-2596](#) Public Hearing and Consideration of a First Amendment to a Five-Year License Agreement dated July 1, 2024, between the City of Alexandria and Zayo Group, LLC to Permit Zayo to Install Approximately 1,017 feet of fiber in existing Verizon Conduits in the vicinity of 1900 Duke Street in the City of Alexandria's Public Rights-of-Ways.
- City Council closed the public hearing and approved the first amendment to a five-year license agreement dated July 1, 2024, between the City of Alexandria and Zayo Group, LLC, to permit Zayo to install approximately 1,017 feet of fiber in existing Verizon conduits in the vicinity of 1900 Duke Street in the City of Alexandria's Public rights-of-way.*
9. [25-2601](#) Public Hearing and Consideration of an Appeal of the Traffic and Parking Board's July 22, 2024, Decision to Recommend Roadway Design Changes on South Pickett Street between Duke Street and Edsall Road.
- City Council closed public hearing and affirmed the decision on the Traffic and Parking Board and denied the appeal.*

V. Public Hearing Matters

Planning Commission (continued)

10. [25-2622](#) Master Plan Amendment #2024-00003
AlexWest Small Area Plan
(A) Initiation of a Master Plan Amendment; and (B) Public Hearing and consideration of an amendment to the Master Plan to create the AlexWest Small Area Plan replacing the Alexandria West Small Area Plan and the Beauregard Small Area Plan.
Applicant: City of Alexandria Department of Planning & Zoning
Planning Commission Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation with the following amendments:
-To include staff's recommendation from Tier A regarding the heights on the UDR property;
-to include staff's recommendation from Tier A regarding the heights on the Southern Towers property;
-to include staff's recommendation for the removal of the expanded alternative options for the Phase II Upland Park open space;
-for the plan to return to Council in 3 years instead of 5 years; and
-include language in Chapter 9 regarding the task on the Anti-Displacement Strategy to include the community in the development of the specific criteria.
11. [25-2614](#) Special Use Permit #2024-00041
404-A E Alexandria Avenue
Public Hearing and consideration of Special Use Permits to construct a single-unit dwelling on a vacant substandard lot and for a lot without frontage on a public street; zoned: R-2-5/Residential.
Applicant: Eric Teran and Daniela Gross
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council denied the special use permit for this project.
12. [25-2615](#) Zoning Text Amendment #2024-00008
(A) Initiation of a Text Amendment and (B) Public Hearing and consideration of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend the use limitations in Articles III-VI to include the limitation that retail uses principally selling tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, alternative nicotine products, or hemp products cannot be located within 1,000 linear feet of a day care center, a public school, and a private academic school and Section 2-191 retail shopping establishment, to amend the definition to include uses principally selling tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, alternative nicotine products, or hemp products.
Applicant: City of Alexandria

Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

13. [25-2616](#) Development Special Use Permit #2024-10008
5216 Seminary Road Townhomes - 5216 Seminary Road
Public Hearing and consideration of a Development Special Use Permit with modifications and a Subdivision, including Special Use Permits for a Cluster Development per § 11-601 of the Zoning Ordinance and Bonus Density for the provision of affordable housing per § 7-700 to construct seven townhouse units, , zoned: RB/Townhouse.
Applicant: Verity Builders, LLC, represented by M. Catharine Puskar, attorney.
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0
City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

VI. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

14. [25-2612](#) **Zoning Ordinance Subdivision cases are heard by the Planning Commission, placed on the City Council docket for information, and heard by City Council only upon appeal.**
Subdivision #2024-00009
1007 Oronoco Street
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for a Subdivision with variations to re-subdivide an existing lot into two lots; zoned RB/Townhouse Zone.
Applicant: Genuario Properties, Inc.
Planning Commission Action: Approved 7-0
15. [25-2613](#) **The following item will be heard by the Planning Commission only and referred to City Council for information only:**
City Charter Section 9.06 Case #2024-00004
200 Block of King Street (between Lee Street and Fairfax Street)
Public Hearing and consideration of a request for the Planning Commission to review whether the closure of the 200 block of King Street to vehicular traffic by the City of Alexandria is consistent with the City of Alexandria Master Plan pursuant to Section 9.06 of the City Charter.
Applicant: City of Alexandria
Planning Commission Action: Approved 7-0

VII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

16. [25-2598](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Temporary Closure of the 200 Block of King Street to Vehicular Traffic. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted an ordinance approving and authorizing the temporary closure of the 200 block of King Street to vehicular traffic. (ORD. NO. 5562)

- 17. [25-2595](#) Public Hearing, Second Hearing and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3 (Towing and Storage Fees and Regulations) of Chapter 13 (Towing and Storage of Motor Vehicles) of Title 9 (Licensing and Regulation) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3 (Towing and Storage Fees and Regulations) of Chapter 13 (Towing and Storage of Motor Vehicles) of Title 9 (Licensing and Regulation) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5563)

- 18. [25-2599](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of proposed changes to the Ordinances for the Independent Policing Auditor as well as the Independent Community Policing Review Board. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

Deferred

Please note item #18 has been deferred until the January 25 2025 public hearing meeting.

- 19. **Closed Session (if needed).**

Not needed.

VIII. ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

NOTE: The action docket is a summary of Council's meeting deliberations prepared largely for staff follow up. Formal minutes of the meeting, when approved by Council become the official record of the meeting of Council decisions made at the meeting.