

# **City of Alexandria**

*301 King St., Room 2300  
Alexandria, VA 22314*



## **Action Docket - Final**

**Tuesday, November 26, 2013**

**7:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council Legislative Meeting**

[14-2033](#) 5:30 p.m. - Work Session on Transportation Funding (TIP)

*City Council held the work session.*

[14-2191](#) Roll Call Card

**1 Calling the Roll.**

*The meeting was called to order by Mayor Euille, and the City Clerk called the roll.  
All members of Council were present.*

**2 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance**

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

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

[14-2158](#) The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2013; and  
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2013.

*City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of November 12, 2013 and the  
public hearing meeting minutes of November 16, 2013.*

**RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**4** [14-1977](#) Presentation of a Proclamation for the 43rd Anniversary of the Campagna  
Center's Scottish Christmas Walk.

*City Council endorsed the proclamation.*

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)**

**CONSENT CALENDAR (5-10)**

**(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)**

**5** [14-2149](#) Receipt of the Following Resignation from Members of Boards, Commission  
and Committees:

(a) Commission on Aging  
Laura Macone

**6** [14-2156](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee  
1 Citizen Member
- (b) Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee  
1 Citizen Member
- (c) Commission for the Arts  
1 Student Member Who Resides in the City and Attends a High School  
Located in the City of Alexandria
- (d) Commission on Persons with Disabilities  
1 Citizen Member (Identified a Disability)  
1 Commission on Aging Representative
- (e) Environmental Policy Commission  
1 Member From the Field of Environmental Sciences (e.g.,  
Environmental/Sanitary Engineering, Ecology, Geology, Botany, Hydrology,  
Chemistry) or Who Have Alexandria Waterfront Expertise
- (f) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission  
1 George Washington Masonic Memorial Representative
- (g) Sister Cities Committee  
1 Citizen Member
- (h) Torpedo Factory Art Center Board  
1 Representative of the Art League  
1 Representative of the Torpedo Factory Artists' Association
- (i) Waterfront Commission  
1 Alexandria Chamber of Commerce Representative  
1 Citizen Representative Who Resides East of Washington Street and North of  
King Street  
1 Park and Recreation Commission Representative

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

- 7      [14-2162](#)      Receipt of the Viewers Report for Vacation of Public Right-of-Way at 3001 N. Beauregard Street and 3003 E. Campus Drive.
- 8      [14-2163](#)      Receipt of the Viewers Report for Vacation of Public Right-of-Way at 1607 and 1609 Russell Road.
- 9      [13-1674](#)      Receipt of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

- 10      [14-1919](#)      Consideration of a Grant Application to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) for the Purchase of a Driving Simulator for Personnel Training.

## END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

*City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of item #9, which was considered under separate motion, as follows:*

*5. City Council received the following resignation with regret: Laura Maccone, Commission on Aging.*

*6. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) reappointed Henry Brooks as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) reappointed Peter Melkonian as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee; (c) appointed Lucy Medley as the one student member who resides in the City and attends a high school located in the City of Alexandria to the Commission for the Arts; (d) reappointed Douglas Goist as the one citizen member and reappointed Mary Parker as the one Commission on Aging representative to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (e) appointed Kathryn Mika as the one member from the field of environmental sciences (e.g., environmental/sanitary engineering, ecology, geology, botany, hydrology, chemistry) or who have Alexandria waterfront expertise to the Environmental Policy Commission; (f) reappointed Radka Mavrova as the one George Washington Masonic Memorial representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (g) reappointed Bruce Marsh as the one citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee; (h) reappointed Betsy Anderson as the one representative of the Art League and reappointed Penelope Barringer as the one representative of the Torpedo Factory Artists' Association to the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board; (i) and reappointed Charlotte Hall as the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce representative, appointed Stephen Thayer, III as the one citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of King Street, and reappointed Gina Baum as the Park and Recreation Commission representative to the Waterfront Commission.*

*7. City Council received the Viewers Report for the vacation of public right-of-way at 3001 N. Beauregard Street and 3003 E. Campus Drive.*

*8. City Council received the Viewers Report for the vacation of the public right-of-way at 1607 and 1609 Russell Road.*

*9. City Council received the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the period ended June 30, 2013. (separate motion)*

*10. City Council: 1. approved the submission of a grant application due on December 6, 2013 for federal funding in the amount of \$560,000 to purchase a driving simulator; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.*

## CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

- 11      [14-2150](#)      Alexandria Marketing Committee  
1 Member with Experience or Expertise in the Following Areas:  
Marketing/Communications, Advertising Agency/Public Relations, Media

Buyer, Graphic Design/Production, Media Relations/Media Outlet

*City Council reappointed Laura Machanic to the Alexandria Marketing Committee.*

12      [14-2151](#)

Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission

1 Community Member with Experiences as Parents, Guardians, Teachers  
and/or Expertise in Early Childhood, Youth or General Education Policy

1 Member Who Shall Be a High School Student

*City Council appointed Gisselle Brown as the one community member with experiences as parents, guardians, teachers and/or expertise in early childhood, youth or general education policy, and appointed Hyun Choi as the one member who shall be a high school student, to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission.*

13      [14-2152](#)

Commission for the Arts

1 Member Who Has Expertise in the Arts, Either as a Practitioner of Various  
Art Disciplines or as Professional Administrators Working in the Field

*City Council reappointed Sydney Chanele Dawkins to the Commission for the Arts.*

14      [14-2153](#)

Community Services Board

1 Citizen Member

*City Council reappointed Erin Croyle as the one citizen member to the Community Services Board.*

15      [14-2154](#)

Human Rights Commission

1 Citizen-At-Large Member

*City Council appointed Scott Schwartz as the one citizen-at-large member to the Human Rights Commission.*

16      [14-2155](#)

Torpedo Factory Art Center Board

2 Citizen Members

*City Council appointed Donna Fowler and Fay Slotnick as the two citizen members to the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board.*

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (60 min.)**

17      [14-1850](#)

Consideration of the Adoption of the City Legislative Package for the 2014  
General Assembly Session.

*City Council adopted items A.1 through A.4, B.1 through B.9, C.1 through C.19, and D.1 through D.3, all described in attachment 1 of the staff report, as positions in the City's legislative package for the 2014 General Assembly session.*

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

## **ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

**ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

- 1. Mayor Euille said that on Friday night at 6:00 p.m. will be the official Christmas Tree lighting at Market Square and he encouraged everyone to come out for the lighting. He encouraged everyone to enjoy the Old Town King Street corridor restaurants and retail shops.*
- 2. Mayor Euille said that preceding the Friday night Christmas Tree lighting is Black Friday, November 29, and all the City public parking garages will be free and open to the public.*
- 3. Mayor Euille said that Saturday, November 30 has been set aside by the President of the United States as National Small Business Saturday, which is a day for people to shop at small businesses across America.*
- 4. Mayor Euille said the Metro Office on Bus Planning is inviting citizens and riders to participate in a focus group meeting designated to gather input on the development of Metro's bus service design guidelines. The first meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 4, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library in Washington, D.C.*
- 5. Councilmember Lovain said the Transportation Commission held a retreat on November 15, and one of the upshots of it was a decision for the Commission to undertake a five-year review of the Transportation Master Plan.*
- 6. Councilmember Lovain said he continues to miss Ron Kirby and it was a very moving funeral and he will be sorely missed. He said that COG appointed a couple of long time staffers, Gerald Miller and Robert Griffiths to serve as acting co-directors of Transportation Planning, and the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan has been postponed because of Mr. Kirby's death. Councilmember Lovain said that the last thing Mr. Kirby did was his final edits on that revised plan. It will now come before the Transportation Planning Board in December for review and in January for final approval.*
- 7. Councilmember Lovain said that anyone interested in the Children Youth Master Plan or in the School search for a new Superintendent and the criteria they should be looking for are both looking for public comments.*
- 8. Vice Mayor Silberberg noted her good wishes to everyone for a wonderful and Happy Thanksgiving. Vice Mayor Silberberg said there are a number of events coming up in the City over the next few weeks and she hoped everyone could participate.*
- 9. Vice Mayor Silberberg said they are experiencing rain in the City and she asked Deputy City Manager Evans to speak to the issues at Beatley Central Library, which has had leakages and problems.*
- 10. Councilman Chapman said American Express and a couple other small businesses are partnering with small businesses this year to promote the focus on shopping local and shopping small businesses. With Old Town being one of the big hubs, it will be evident on Saturday when a number of businesses will have banners and balloons and it will be a huge effort to focus on the benefit that local citizens can have to their neighborhood businesses by shopping local.*
- 11. Councilman Chapman said he had the opportunity with Vice Mayor Silberberg*

and Councilwoman Pepper to attend the volunteer party for the Archaeological Friends of Archaeology. He said it was a large group of folks who volunteer every year for the City at different digs, and it is a testament to the citizens that care enough about the City's history to get involved.

12. Councilman Chapman said they had a Design Review Board meeting for Carlyle this past week. One of the things they looked at was a reprogramming of one of the buildings that will be built. As they start to have more infill in the Carlyle area, especially with the National Science Foundation coming on board, they will see the different aspects of different buildings, whether it is commercial or residential, and what that make-up is shift based on the market.

## ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Jinks, Deputy City Manager, noted that the free trolley will start at 6:00 a.m. on Black Friday, and street parking is also free, in addition to the free garage parking.

- 18      [14-1994](#)      WMATA Strategic Plan.
- This was deferred.*
- 19      [14-2092](#)      Parking Meter Pay By Mobile Phone
- City staff made a presentation of the report.*

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 20      [14-2119](#)      Consideration of a Resolution to Establish the FY 2015 Budget Guidance.  
            [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council 1: adopted the resolution updating the process to be used to adopt operating budgets and capital improvement programs during the remainder of the term of this City Council; and 2. adopted the FY2015 budget guidance resolution. (RES. NO. 2586 and 2587)*
- 21      [14-2106](#)      Consideration of a Resolution for Supporting Swift Implementation by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of President Obama's Climate Action Plan. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted the resolution for supporting the swift implementation by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of President Obama's Climate Action Plan. (RES. NO. 2588)*

## OTHER

- 22      [14-2141](#)      Consideration of City Council Schedule
- City Council: 1. received the revised Council Calendar, which includes: the 43rd annual Scottish Christmas Walk Parade on Saturday, December 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; the Women's Art Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 8 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Charles Houston Recreation Center; and the 38th Annual Chanukah Celebration on Wednesday, December 4 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Inova Alexandria Hospital Atrium, 4320 Seminary Road; and 2. Approved the*

*calendar.*

**23**      [14-2159](#)

Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter.

*There was no closed meeting.*

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*The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.*

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*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 and of Council decisions made at the meeting.*