

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

[14-2352](#)

5:30 P.M. - Work Session with Alexandria Renew Enterprises.

*City Council held the work session with Alexandria Renew Enterprises.***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, with the exception of Vice Mayor Silberberg, who was absent.***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 Meeting of City Council:**[14-2354](#)

The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2014.

*City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of January 14, 2014.***RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL****PROCLAMATIONS****4** [14-2269](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring 2014 as the Year of Celebrating the Arts and a Year of Extraordinary Arts Anniversaries in the City of Alexandria.

*City Council endorsed the proclamation.***5** [14-2351](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of February to be George Washington Birthday Celebration Month in the City of Alexandria.

*City Council endorsed the proclamation.***REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)****CONSENT CALENDAR (6-10)****(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)****6** [14-2359](#)

Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Transportation Commission
Jennifer Mitchell

John Komoroske

(b) Commission for the Arts

Sarah Pearson

Beth Tuttle

Karen Conkey

(c) Commission on Aging

Pat McBride

Margaret Gaynor

(d) Commission on HIV/AIDS

Amy Treackle

(e) Planning Commission

John Komoroske

7 [14-2360](#)

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force

1 Representative of Elementary Schools

(b) Archaeological Commission

1 Member From Planning District II

(c) Beauregard Design Advisory Committee

1 Member Representing the Business Community

(d) Building Code Board of Appeals

1 Citizen Member

(e) Commission on HIV/AIDS

1 Citizen Member

(f) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission

1 Member-at-Large From Planning District III

(g) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee

1 Representative of the Potomac Yard Area

(h) Public Health Advisory Commission

1 Citizen Member Who Shall Be a Health Professional

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

8 [14-2341](#)

Consideration of a Request from the Children, Youth and Family

Collaborative Commission for Permission to Submit Comments on Proposed Changes in State Child Care Policy.

- 9 [14-2213](#) Consideration of Release of Funds from FY 2014 Contingent Reserves to Support the Sheriff's Office Child Safety Seat Installation Program.
- 10 [14-2338](#) Consideration of Authorization for City Manager to Sign a Memorandum of Agreement with NVTC to Support the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's New Electronic Payments Program.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, as follows:

6. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Jennifer Mitchell and John Komoroske, Alexandria Transportation Commission; (b) Sarah Pearson, Beth Tuttle and Karen Conkey, Commission for the Arts; (c) Pat McBride and Margaret Gaynor, Commission on Aging; (d) Amy Treakle, Commission on HIV/AIDS; and (e) John Komoroske, Planning Commission.

7. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) reappointed Susan Stickles as the one representative of an elementary school to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (b) appointed Rebecca Siegal as the one member from Planning District II to the Archaeological Commission; (c) appointed Shawn Glerum as the one member representing the business community to the Beauregard Design Advisory Committee; (d) appointed Mary Shea as the one citizen member to the Building Code Board of Appeals; (e) appointed Elizabeth Mount as the one citizen member to the Commission on HIV/AIDS; (f) appointed Elliot Bell-Krasner as the one member-at-large from Planning District III to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (g) reappointed Christopher Bellanca as the one representative of the Potomac Yard area to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; and (h) appointed Katie Dziak as the one citizen member who shall be a health professional to the Public Health Advisory Commission.

8. City Council approved the submission of comments by the Children, Youth and Family Collaborative Commission regarding the impact of proposed changes in Virginia Department of Social Services child care policy.

9. City Council approved the release of \$10,000 from FY 2014 contingent reserves to fund operations of the Sheriff's Office Child Safety Seat Installation Program.

10. City Council authorized the City Manager to sign the memorandum of agreement with the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission for coordination of technical analysis, testing, funding and administration for WMATA's new electronic payments program system.

OTHER

- 11 [14-1957](#) Update on the 2014 General Assembly Session (No. 2).

City Council approved the legislative positions included in attachment 1 of the staff report (recommended positions on bills of importance to the City) as recommended by City Council's Legislative Subcommittee (Mayor Euille and Councilman

Smedberg.)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

- 12 [14-2364](#) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Alexander Martin as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee.
- 13 [14-2358](#) Commission for the Arts
1 Member Who Represents the Public at Large, as an Arts Consumer and Participant

City Council appointed Michael Detomo as the one member who represents the public at large, as an arts consumer and participant, to the Commission for the Arts.
- 14 [14-2357](#) Local Emergency Planning Committee
1 Representative of a Community Group

City Council reappointed Karen Helbrecht as the one representative of a community group to the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

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

- 15 [14-2337](#) Consideration of Authorization for City Manager to Approve a Memorandum of Agreement Between The Northern Virginia Transportation Authority and The City of Alexandria For Distribution of the Thirty Percent Transportation Funding.

City Council authorized the City Manager to sign the proposed memorandum of agreement with the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, which will allow NVTa to distribute the 30 percent transportation funding to the City.
- 16 [14-2347](#) Approval of the City's Proposed FY 2015 and FY 2016 Transportation Project List Request for Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTa) 70 Percent Funds. (Deferred from January 14, 2014 City Council Meeting.)

City Council: 1. approved the FY 2015 and FY 2016 proposed transportation project request as listed in table 2, and authorized the City Manager to submit the projects to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority for consideration; and 2. endorsed in concept the proposed transportation project funding plan for FY 2017 through FY 2024 NVTa funds as listed in attachment 1 of the staff report.
- 17 [14-2340](#) Consideration of the Staff Response to the Report Recommendations of the Alexandria Fund For Human Services Review Committee.

City Council received the staff response to the Alexandria Fund for Human Services Review Committee report recommendations and directed the City Manager to begin implementation of the recommendations as outlined, with an amendment to item #9 to reduce it from \$25,000 to \$10,000.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. *Councilman Chapman said on the issue of ban the box brought up by Delegate Krupicka, the Economic Opportunities Commission have put together a report to talk about how to do it and what the benefits and hurdles are.*
2. *Councilman Wilson said he and Mayor Euille participate on the City Schools Subcommittee. He noted that the City's Budget Director has done a whole lot of analysis of the State budget funding proposals and the monies the schools get and what might come out of Richmond. It is looking at about \$2 million in additional funding from money from the State. Councilman Wilson said the Council did approve, on the land use side, a learning cottage/trailer at Maury Elementary School, and because of the numbers and enrollment coming in differently than was initially anticipated, the need is now at MacArthur, and the schools have a plan to move that learning cottage to MacArthur. Councilman Wilson said they had a good conversation at the schools meeting regarding snow closures, and the vulnerable populations during those closures. There have been a number of closures and some were when the whole region was not shut down. There is a real concern that the parents are being put in positions of leaving their children in minimally supervised or unsupervised conditions or losing their jobs. He said there is a role for the City and the schools working together to try to provide both for the food and secure families as well as the limited supervision solutions to work.*
3. *Mayor Euille noted that the groundbreaking was done yesterday morning for the National Science Foundation's move to Alexandria on Eisenhower Avenue. Officials from both the General Services Administration as well as the National Science Foundation were present and participated in the program. The City looks forward to the Hoffman Company and the contractors commencing with the work and getting it finished so it can open in a year and a half or so. The City welcomes 2,100 professionals and 1,800 additional folks to relocate to the area.*

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Council received a report by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority on the MOMENTUM plan, the 2013-2025 strategic plan.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

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| 18 | <u>14-2342</u> | Consideration of a Resolution in Support of the Virginia Railway Express Slaters Lane Crossover and Signals Project. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

<i>City Council adopted the resolution in support of the Slaters Lane crossover and signals project. (RES. NO. 2597)</i> |
| 19 | <u>14-2339</u> | Consideration of a Resolution to Opt Into the Hazard Duty Positions Alternate Option in the Virginia Retirement System. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

<i>City Council adopted the resolution to opt into the hazard duty positions alternate</i> |

option in the Virginia Retirement System, which eliminates the option of membership in the VRS Hybrid Plan for any future Deputy Sheriffs, Medics and Fire Marshals and provides Plan 2 benefits while using Plan 1 retirement eligibility to existing, impacted employees. (RES. NO. 2598)

OTHER

20 [14-2344](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: 1. received the revised Council calendar, which includes: the Virginia Municipal League Day is scheduled for Thursday, February 6 in Richmond, Virginia at the Richmond Marriott located at 500 E. Broad Street; and the AHC, Inc. groundbreaking for the East Reed Development is scheduled for Saturday, February 22 at 8:30 a.m. at 120 East Reed Avenue; and 2. City Council approved the calendar.

21 [14-2355](#) Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter.

At 8:55 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation, specifically the litigation and/or settlement of certain tax assessment matters, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a) (7) of the Code of Virginia.

At 9:02 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

City Council adopted a resolution pertaining the Executive Session (RES. NO. 2599)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 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 and of Council decisions made at the meeting.