City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2300 Alexandria, VA 22314



Action Docket

Tuesday, February 11, 2014 7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

14-2412

6:00 P.M. Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter and for Discussion or Consideration of the Acquisition of Real Property for a Public Purpose.

At 6:02 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to consult with legal counsel regarding a pending legal matter, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(7) of the Code of Virginia.

At 7:10 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

City Council adopted a resolution pertaining to the Executive Session. (RES. NO. 2601)

1 Calling the Roll.

Mayor Euille called the meeting to order and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present, except Vice Mayor Silberberg, who had an excused absence.

2 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2014; and

The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2014.

City Council approved the public hearing meeting of minutes of January 25, 2014 and the regular meeting minutes of January 28, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS ITEM #1

Police Chief Cook gave Council an update on the recent murder that occurred on Ridge Road Drive and responded to questions and comments from Council.

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

4 14-2387 Recognition of School to Skanska Reflections From Students at T.C. Williams High School.

City Council recognized the School to Skanska Reflections from students at T.C. Williams High School and the students presented their projects on redevelopment of the Gen-On site.

5 <u>14-2388</u> Recognition of Adey Fentaw and the X Stem Club from T.C. Williams High School.

City Council recognized Adey Fentaw and the X STEM Club from T.C. Williams High School.

PROCLAMATIONS

Please note: This item was considered prior to item #4.

6 14-2353 Presentation by CVS in the Amount of \$25,000 For Funding of the

Therapeutic Equipment and Playground Equipment at the Lee Center.

CVS presented the City with \$25,000 for funding of the therapeutic equipment and

playground equipment at the Lee Center.

7 14-2365 Presentation of a Check for the Community Impact Funds for the United Way

of the National Capital Area. THIS ITEM HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM

THE DOCKET.

This item has been postponed.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (8-13)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- **8** <u>14-2389</u> Receipt of the Following Resignations From Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:
 - (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee

Kathleen Barnett

Lora Jerakis

- (b) Commission on Aging
- L. Virginia Fernbach
- (c) Environmental Policy Commission

Ryan Sloan

(d) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee

Amber Johnson

(e) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee

Shawn Glerum

- **9** <u>14-2394</u> Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:
 - (a) Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee1 Citizen Member

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- (b) Alexandria Transportation Commission1 Member From the Planning Commission, Nominated by the Commission
- (c) Commission on Information Technology1 Member From and Representing the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce
- (d) Community Services Board 1 Consumer Representative (Current or Former Direct Recipient of Public or Private Mental Health, Intellectual Disability, or Substance Abuse Treatment Rehabilitation Services) or Family Members (Immediate Family Member or the Principal Caregiver Who is Not Paid) of Consumer
- (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) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee1 Member Nominated by the Masonic Fraternity1 Citizen Member
- (g) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission1 Business Representative
- (h) Human Rights Commission1 Commission on Persons with Disabilities Representative
- (i) Law Library Board1 Member Appointed by the City Council

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

- 10 14-2236 Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2013.
- Receipt of Recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee on the Proposal to Name the Relocated City Playground at Buchanan Park the Leatrice Byrd Playground at Buchanan Park and Setting the Proposal for Public Hearing and Consideration on Saturday, February 22, 2014.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

12 14-2385

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 7-700 (Allowance For Increases in

Floor Area Ratio, Density and Height and Reductions in Required Off-street Parking as Incentive For Provision of Low- and Moderate-Income Housing) of Article VII (Supplemental Zone Regulations) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council as Text Amendment No. 2013-0013(A). (Implementation Ordinance For the Text Amendment Approved By the City Council on January 25, 2014)

13 14-2233

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of a Proposed Amendment to Title 5 (Transportation And Environmental Services), Chapter 8 (Parking And Traffic Regulation), and Title 10 (Motor Vehicles And Traffic), Chapter 4 (Stopping, Standing And Parking) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of item #13, which was considered under separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

- 8. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Kathleen Barnett and Lora Jerakis, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) L. Virginia Fernbach, Commission on Aging; (c) Ryan Sloan, Environmental Policy Committee; (d) Amber Johnson, George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; and (e) Shawn Glerum, Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee.
- 9. City Council made the following appointments to boards and commissions: (a) appointed Eric O'Leary as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee; (b) appointed Nathan Macek as the member from the Planning Commission, nominated by the Commission to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (c) appointed David Kaszowicz as the member from and representing the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce to the Commission on Information Technology; (d) appointed Samantha Pitts-Kiefer as the consumer representative (current or former direct recipient of public or private mental health, intellectual disability, or substance abuse treatment rehabilitation services) or family members (immediate family member or the principal caregiver who is not paid) of consumer to the Community Services Board; (e) reappointed Geoffrey Goode as the 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) appointed Shawn Eyer as the member nominated by the Masonic Fraternity and reappointed Ellen Tabb as the citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee: (g) appointed Danny Smith as the business representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (h) appointed Tom Sachs as the Commission on Persons with Disabilities representative to the Human Rights Commission; and (i) appointed Sarah Becker as the member appointed by the City Council to the Law Library Board.
- 10. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending December 21, 2013.
- 11. City Council: (1) received the recommendation of the City Council Naming Committee to name the City playground at Buchanan Park: The Leatrice Byrd Playground at Buchanan Park; and (2) set the proposal for public hearing and consideration on Saturday, February 22, 2014.

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- 12. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on February 22, 2014.
- 13. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set if for public hearing, second reading and final passage on February 22, 2014. (separate motion)

OTHER

14 14-1958 Update on the 2014 General Assembly Session. (No. 3)

City Council received the report.

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

15	<u>14-2395</u>	Alexandria Transportation Commission 1 Member Who Shall be a Resident of the City Possessing Qualifications in Land Use, Transportation and/or Municipal Finance, Who Shall Reside East of Quaker Lane City Council appointed Jerry King as the member who shall be a resident of the City possessing qualifications in land use, transportation and/or municipal finance, who shall reside east of Quaker Lane to the Alexandria Transportation Commission.
16	<u>14-2397</u>	Commission for the Arts 1 Member Who Shall Have Expertise in the Arts, Either as Practitioners of Various Art Disciplines or as Professional Administrators Working in the Field City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Michelle Kozlak as the member who shall have expertise in the arts, either as practitioners of various art disciplines or as professional administrators working in the field to the Commission for the Arts.
17	<u>14-2398</u>	George Washington Birthday Celebrations Committee 1 Member Nominated by the American Legion 1 Member Nominated by Any Other Veterans Organizations (Other than the American Legion or the Veterans of Foreign Wars) City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Henry Dorton as the member nominated by the American Legion and waived the residency requirement and appointed John Sims as the member nominated by any other Veterans organizations (other than American Legion or the Veterans of Foreign Wars) to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee.
18	<u>14-2399</u>	Planning Commission 1 Citizen Member City Council appointed David Brown as the citizen member to the Planning Commission.
19	<u>14-2400</u>	Public Records Advisory Commission 1 Citizen Member

City Council reappointed Laura Vetter as the citizen member to the Public Records Advisory Commission.

20 14-2401 Waterfront Commission

1 Citizen Representative Who Resides East of Washington Street and North of Pendleton Street

City Council reappointed Christa Watters as the citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of Pendleton Street to the Waterfront Commission.

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

21 14-2283 Recommendation to Receive and Accept the Calendar Year 2014 Real

Property Assessment.

City Council received the report.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Councilwoman Pepper requested an update on the plans for the sidewalks and walking paths around the proposed ReNew Enterprises building in the Carlyle area. Councilwoman Pepper noted that the Commission on Aging had concerns that the rendition depicted a curvy path and brick sidewalks and not the approved hybrid sidewalks for the development.

In response to Councilwoman Pepper, Director of Planning and Zoning Hamer stated that there will be an updated rendition coming that will show the hybrid sidewalks.

- (b) Councilman Chapman reported that on February 5, he attended the Strong Men and Women in Virginia History program, sponsored by Dominion Virginia Power and the Library of Virginia, in Richmond and he congratulated Mayor Euille on being one of the honorees for this year. A video clip of the evening was played.
- (c) Councilman Chapman encouraged citizens to load an app called "Ready Virginia" to their mobile devices to help them prepare for the upcoming snowstorms and any emergency situation.
- (d) Councilmember Lovain reported that the Transportation and Planning Board of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments recently approved a Green Streets Plan to encourage the development and redevelopment of streets in the region using green techniques and materials creating more environmentally sustainable streets. Councilmember Lovain stated that he hoped the City of Alexandria would examine the policy and seek to develop a green streets policy of its own.

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ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

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Deputy City Manager Gates reminded Council that there would be a Budget work session tomorrow at 6:00 p.m., at 2900 Business Center Drive and he noted that staff would monitor the weather and notify Council and the public should the meeting need to be postponed.

Council recognized Fire Chief Thiel for his service to the City of Alexandria as he prepares to leave to accept the position of Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security with the administration of Governor Terry McAuliffe.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

22 <u>14-2333</u> Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Zoning Supplement Number 61.

[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the ordinance to adopt Zoning Supplement Number 61. (ORD. NO. 4857)

23 14-2375 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution to:(1) authorize the issuance and sale of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds; (2) approve the form and other details of such bonds; (3) authorize the City Manager and the Director of Finance to take all actions as shall be required in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds; and (4) provide the details with respect to the issuance of such bonds. (RES. NO. 2602)

OTHER

24 <u>14-2384</u> Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the revised Council calendar which includes: two preliminary budget work sessions scheduled for Wednesday, February 12 at 6 p.m. and Thursday, February 20 at 6 p.m. Both meetings will be held at 2900 Business Center Drive; a work session with the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board, which is scheduled for Tuesday, March 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council workroom; an annual stockholders meeting for the Alexandria Transit Company and a DASH work session, which is scheduled for Tuesday, March 25 at 6 p.m. in the Council workroom; and the 34th Annual Salute to Women Awards, which is scheduled for Monday, March 31 at 6 p.m. The event will be held at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and (2) approved the calendar.

Mayor Euille noted that the annual George Washington Birthday Celebration parade will be held on Monday, February 17, 2014 at 12 Noon here in Old Town. Mayor Euille also noted that the City Manager would be presenting his budget proposal to Council at the legislative meeting on February 25 and the first public hearing would be held on Monday, March 10 at 4:00 p.m., in Council Chambers.

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

At 9:02 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to consult with legal counsel regarding a pending legal matter pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(7) of the

25 <u>14-2403</u>

Code of Virginia.

At 10:22 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

City Council adopted a resolution pertaining to the Executive Session (RES. NO. 2603)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 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.