

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

[14-2797](#) 5:30 p.m. - Work Session with Torpedo Factory Art Center Board

City Council held the work session.

1 Calling the Roll.

Mayor Euille called the meeting to order 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:

[14-2788](#) The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2014; and
The Special Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2014.

City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of April 22, 2014 and the special meeting minutes of May 1, 2014.

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

4 [14-2479](#) Recognition of the Graduates of the City Academy.

City Council recognized the graduates of the Citizens Academy.

5 [14-2640](#) Proclamation for Commuter Challenge's Spring Campaign For the Use of Transit and to Recognize the Three Top Companies for Reducing Vehicle Miles and Making Alexandria More Livable and Clean.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (6-19)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

6 [14-2795](#) Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
Kara Newbury

(b) Social Services Advisory Board
Latriece Prince-Wheeler

7 [14-2796](#)

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
1 Residential Tenant in the City

(b) Alexandria Transportation Commission
1 Member From the Traffic and Parking Board

(c) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission
1 High School Student

(d) Commission on Employment
1 Business Representative from Among Recognized Area Businesses
Including Minority-owned and Small Businesses

(e) Community Services Board
1 Consumer (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

(f) Community Criminal Justice Board
1 Commonwealth's Attorney

(g) Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia
1 Provider Member

(h) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
1 Representative of Alexandria Archaeological Commission
1 representative of the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors

(i) Human Rights Commission
2 Citizen-at-Large Members

(j) Social Services Advisory Board
1 Citizen Member

(k) USS Alexandria Liaison Committee

1 Citizen-at-Large Member

(l) Waterfront Commission

1 Representative of Historic Alexandria Foundation

1 Representative of the Planning Commission

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

- 8 [14-2239](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending March 31, 2014.
- 9 [14-2776](#) Receipt of the Donation of the Alexandria Police Memorial from the Alexandria Police Foundation and Consideration of Approval of Locating the Memorial in the Plaza at Alexandria Police Department Headquarters at 3600 Wheeler Avenue.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

- 10 [14-2759](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Owners of the Property Located at 941 and 945 North Alfred Street to Construct and Maintain an Encroachment for Two Porches at That Location. (Implementation Ordinance for the Encroachment Approved by City Council on April 12, 2014)
- 11 [14-2678](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage of a Proposed Amendment to Title 10 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 1 (General Provisions) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.
- 12 [14-2687](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Change the Asset Limits for Full and Partial Real Estate Tax Exemptions Under the City's Real Estate Tax Relief Program for Elderly or Permanently and Totally Disabled Persons.
- 13 [14-2723](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-2-373 (Electric Utility Consumer Tax) of Article V (Electric and Natural Gas Consumers Tax) of Chapter 2 (Taxation) of Title 3 (Finance, Taxation and Procurement) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.
- 14 [14-2726](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-2-102 (Levy and Rate) of Article I (Tax on Sale of Cigarettes) of Chapter 2 (Taxation) of Title 3 (Finance, Taxation and Procurement) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.
- 15 [14-2728](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of

an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-2-62 (Tax Rate and Levy) of Article F (Tax on Persons Purchasing Telephone and Water Services) of Chapter 2 (Taxation) of Title 3 (Finance, Taxation and Procurement) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

- 16 [14-2804](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Section 2-1-41 for Start Time of City Council Meetings.
- 17 [14-2698](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Tenant and Owners of the Property Located at 115 and 117 King Street, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia to Construct and Maintain an Encroachment For an Awning on the Front Building Wall at That Location. (Implementation Ordinance for the Encroachment Approved by City Council on April 12, 2014 For the Awning at Landini Brothers Restaurant)
- 18 [14-2805](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Title (Licensing and Regulations) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, as Amended, to Add Chapter 15 (Food Truck Vendors).

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of items 8, 16 and 18, which were considered under separate motion, as follows:

6. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Kara Newbury, Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; and (b) Latrice Prince-Wheeler, Social Services Advisory Board.

7. City Council made the following appointments to members of boards, commissions and committees: (a) appointed Edric Kirkman as the one residential tenant in the City to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee; (b) appointed James Lewis as the one member from the Traffic and Parking Board to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (c) appointed Chanece Bigelow as the one high school student to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (d) reappointed Fernando Torrez as the one business representative from among recognized area businesses including minority-owned and small businesses to the Commission on Employment; (e) appointed Emily Bryan as the one consumer (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; (f) appointed Bryan Porter as the one Commonwealth's Attorney to the Community Criminal Justice Board; (g) appointed Kamila Lipowska-torrez as the one provider member to the Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia; (h) appointed Elizabeth McCall as the one representative of the Alexandria Archaeological Commission and appointed Patricia Washington as the one representative of the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (i) reappointed Danielle Beach and appointed David Rigsby as the two citizen-at-large members to the Human Rights Commission; (j) appointed Gina Gargano-Amari as the one citizen

member to the Social Services Advisory Board; (k) appointed Michael Waschull as the one citizen-at-large member to the USS Alexandria Liaison Committee; and (l) reappointed Morgan Delaney as the one representative of Historic Alexandria Foundation and reappointed Stewart Dunn, Jr., as the one representative of the Planning Commission to the Waterfront Commission.

8. City Council received the monthly financial report for the period ending March 31, 2014. (separate motion)

9. City Council: 1. received the donation of the Alexandria Police Memorial from the Alexandria Police Foundation and thanked the Foundation for their fundraising efforts; and 2. approved located the memorial in the plaza at Alexandria Police Department Headquarters at 3600 Wheeler Avenue, subject to obtaining the necessary reviews and approval by City departments.

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18. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and adoption on May 17, 2014, and to accompany this, to have the City Attorney and City Manager to collaborate and prepare revisions to the language as discussed reflecting the severability of the on-street portions so they have that language prepared for them on Saturday to discuss, and to reach out to the Task Force to see how much time is needed to prepare a final report. (separate motion)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

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| 19 | <u>14-2790</u> | <p>Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray District
1 Architect Member</p> <p><i>City Council reappointed Theresa del Ninno as the one architect member to the Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray District.</i></p> |
| 20 | <u>14-2791</u> | <p>Commission for Women</p> |

2 Citizen Members

City Council reappointed Elizabeth Johnson and appointed Alice Tong as the two citizen members to the Commission for Women.

21 [14-2792](#)

Emergency Medical Services Council

1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Steven Schindel as the one citizen member to the Emergency Medical Services Council.

22 [14-2793](#)

Park and Recreation Commission

1 Member From Planning District I

City Council appointed Catherine Poulin as the one member from Planning District I to the Park and Recreation Commission.

23 [14-2794](#)

Waterfront Commission

1 Citizen Representative From Park Planning District II

City Council reappointed Dennis Auld as the one citizen representative from Park Planning District II to the Waterfront Commission.

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

24 [14-2335](#)

Consideration and Receipt of Complete Streets Update and Policy Reenactment.

City Council received the update on the complete streets program and deferred action on the resolution to the May 17 City Council meeting.

25 [14-2584](#)

Consideration of an Alternative Affordable Housing Plan for the Southern Towers Neighborhood of the Beauregard Small Area Plan.

City Council: 1. approved the alternative affordable housing plan for the Southern Towers neighborhood that includes 105 units of dedicated affordable housing for a period of 10 years at no cost to the City; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to implement the proposed plan.

26 [14-2682](#)

Consideration of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Budget Transfer From the Home Rehabilitation Loan Program to Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia (Habitat).

This item was removed from the docket.

27 [14-2703](#)

Consideration of the Draft Fiscal Year 2015 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.

City Council: 1. authorized the City Manager to make adjustments as needed to the FY 2015 Action Plan and grant application based on the approved FY 2015 budget and any changes in grant figures received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Councilman Smedberg said he participated in a transportation roundtable with Senator Kaine that was hosted by the NVTC. He said Senator Kaine wanted to hear from the people in the room about their transportation and transit priorities and concerns and they spoke to funding. He said it was a very lively and good discussion.

2. Mayor Euille said that earlier this evening, Council witnessed the presentations of the annual awards by the Commission on Aging, and Councilwoman Pepper received the Annie B. Rose Lifetime Achievement Award for excellence in aging. Anastasia Graham received the Lois Van Valkenberg Excellence in Aging award for an individual, the Excellence in Aging award for an organization went to Alexandria Yellow Cab, and the Excellence in Aging award for public service went to the director of the Division of Aging and Adult Services Mary Ann Griffith.

3. Mayor Euille noted that congratulations go to the first two women in the Alexandria Police Department who were recently promoted to Deputy Chief - Tammy Hooper and Diane Gittins.

4. Mayor Euille said that Metro has finally put the finishing touches on the FY2015 operating and CIP budgets, the operating is \$1.7 billion and the CIP is \$1.2 billion. The budget includes a new fare structure that will increase the average cost of a subway ride by \$.10 to \$3.00, the \$1.2 billion in CIP improvements for 2015 is a first down payment on a 10-year CIP that is part of the strategic plan process. Riders will see 64 new rail cars out of 740 new rail cars that are on order. It will also buy 101 new low-floor buses for Metro Access shuttle service.

5. Mayor Euille showed a photo of Union Station in Bristow, Virginia noting that it is lit up with lights and upgraded, and he said how he hoped the City would better utilize the train station the City owns to include using it for weddings, meetings and receptions.

6. Councilmember Lovain said he gave the City's testimony before the Commonwealth Transportation Board on April 24, and it was a pleasant meeting because the money is flowing from the State. He said he spoke about the Transportation Planning Board and its effort with COG to improve the accessibility of bus stops in the region and also the work of the TPB to update the human services transportation plan and begin another round of grant funding. That effort is underway with both the committees he chairs for the TPB, and they are meeting again tomorrow.

7. Councilman Wilson said that in approving the budget, Council modified the City Manager's recommendations as it relates to movement of fire engine 204 to station 210 and there was varying opinions on Council about what the next steps would be. He said his preference was to look again at applying for a SAFER grant and possibly staffing that engine at 210 in the FY2016 budget. There will be decisions that have to be made by Council in advance of the 2016 budget process. He spoke to budget memo #37, which noted that Council would need to add additional positions in future fiscal years to staff an engine at 210. He said his question to the City Manager is that

he bring back a menu of options for Council to discuss this fall about what they would like to do with fire station 210 in the future.

8. Councilman Chapman said that this last week he attended the Human Services Public Safety Committee meeting for COG and their discussion centered on homelessness, specifically Veteran homelessness. One of the things he took away from the meeting was the City's plan on homelessness, as it has a 10-year plan to end homelessness, and their 10 years runs out in 2014. He said he has been speaking with staff about how Council sunsets what it has done and hopefully take a look back over the 10 years as well as start to craft what it wants to do in the future to be able to have that plan ready and put it into action in 2015.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- 28 [14-2741](#) Consideration of the Receipt of the Chinquapin Aquatics Center Feasibility Study, Task 1A Report.

City Council: 1. received and discussed the Task 1A report provided by Hughes Group Architects; and 2. directed staff to proceed with additional tasks within the feasibility study scope of work.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 29 [14-2767](#) 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 adopted an Ordinance to adopt Zoning Supplement Number 61 to the City Code. (ORD. NO. 4874)

OTHER

- 30 [14-2738](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: 1. received the revised Council calendar which includes: the City Council and ACPS meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 28 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the T&ES Operations Building (2900 Business Center Drive); and 2. approved the calendar.

- 31 [14-2775](#) Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter.

At 10:00 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 land use matters and the litigation and/or settlement of certain alleged persona injury and civil rights matters, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a) (7) of the Code of Virginia.

At 11:28 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

City Council adopted a resolution pertaining the Executive Session (RES. NO. 2619)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 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.