

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

Work Session (5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.) - City Council Work Room

- 1 [14-4502](#) 5:30 P.M. - Work Session with the City's General Assembly Delegation on the Proposed City Legislative Package for the 2016 General Assembly Session.
- City Council held a work session with the City's General Assembly Delegation on the Proposed City Legislative Package for the 2016 General Assembly Session.*

NEW BUSINESS ITEM NO. 1: City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:42 p.m., to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding pending litigation and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (a)(6) and (7) of the Code of Virginia. (RES. 2694)

2 **Calling the Roll.**

Mayor Euille called the meeting to order and the City Attorney called the roll. All members of Council were present.

3 **Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.**

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

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

- [14-4585](#) The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2015; and
The Regular Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2015.
- City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of October 17, 2015 and the regular meeting minutes of October 27, 2015.*

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 5 [14-4594](#) Recognition of Ainsley McDermott for Her Fundraising Efforts for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.
- City Council recognized Ainsley McDermott for her fundraising efforts for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.*

PROCLAMATIONS

- 6 [14-4550](#) Presentation of a Proclamation for the 45th Anniversary of the Campagna Center's Scottish Christmas Walk.
- City Council endorsed the proclamation.*
- 7 [14-4340](#) Recognition of the Graduates of the City Academy.

City Council recognized the graduates of the Citizens Academy.

- 8 [14-4472](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring November 26, 2015 as Del Ray Turkey Trot Day.
City Council endorsed the proclamation.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

*** Potomac Yard Metrorail Implementation Group (Mayor Euille and Councilman Wilson)**

City Council deferred their reports until the update on the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station later in the meeting.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (9-20)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- 9 [14-4608](#) Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
Thomas E. Christianson
 - (b) Beautification Commission
Bonnie Branding
Diane Hampel
 - (c) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee
Engin Artemel
 - (d) Citizen Corps Council
John Aucott
 - (e) Commission on Aging
Marjorie Vanderbilt
Sean Dunbar
 - (f) Environmental Policy Commission
Patrick Holman
 - (g) Torpedo Factory Art Center Board

Donna Fowler

10 [14-4609](#)

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee

3 Citizen Members

(b) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force

1 Member From and Representing the Youth of the City of Alexandria

(c) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee

1 Commission on Aging Representative

(d) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee

1 Citizen Member

1 Qualified Professional Member Skilled in Architecture, Planning, Landscape
Architecture and/or Urban Design

(e) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission

2 High School Student Representatives

(f) Citizen Corps Council

1 Medical Reserve Corps Representative

(g) Commission on Persons with Disabilities

1 Commission on Aging Representative

(h) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee

1 Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Representative

1 Federation of Civic Association Representative

1 Citizen Member

(i) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission

1 Lee Fendall House Representative

(j) Human Rights Commission

1 Landlord-Tenant Relations Board Representative

(k) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board

1 Minority Resident of the City Who is Not a Landlord or a Tenant

1 Tenant Member

1 Landlord or Representative of Landlord Representative

(l) Park and Recreation Commission

1 Planning District II Representative

1 Member From Among the High School Youth of the City

(m) Sister Cities Committee
3 Citizen Members

(n) Social Services Advisory Board
1 Citizen Member

(o) Torpedo Factory Art Center Board
1 Torpedo Factory Artists' Association Representative

(p) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors
1 At-Large Member

(q) Waterfront Commission
1 Representative From the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce
1 Representative From the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission
1 Citizen Representative Who Resides East of Washington Street and North of King Street

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

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| 11 | <u>14-4297</u> | Consideration of Reprogramming of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Balance Allocation. |
| 12 | <u>14-4351</u> | Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2015. |
| 13 | <u>14-4528</u> | Consideration for the Release of \$10,000 from Contingent Reserve Funding for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities Programming. |
| 14 | <u>14-4555</u> | Consideration of the Release of Contingency Funds for the Maury Schoolyard Initiative. |
| 15 | <u>14-4559</u> | Consideration of Authorization to Advertise Delinquent Tax Listings Greater Than \$1,000, Write Off Balances Less Than Twenty Dollars, and Destroy Records as Required By State Law. |
| 16 | <u>14-4560</u> | Consideration of the Dedication to the City of a 9,205 Square Foot Property at 312 Beverly Drive for Use as Open Space and Expansion of Monticello Park. |

(Ordinances for Introduction)

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| 17 | <u>14-4573</u> | Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, By Adopting and Incorporating Therein the Amendment Approved By City Council on October 17, 2015 to the Land Use Map in the Braddock Road Metro Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan as |
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Master Plan Amendment No. 2015-0002 and No Other Amendments, and to Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent With Such Amendment. (Park Residences)

- 18 [14-4574](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sheet No. 054.03 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," Adopted by Section 1-300 (Official Zoning Map and District Boundaries), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, By Rezoning the Property at 601, 607 and 611 North Henry Street from, CSL/Commercial Service Low to CRMU-L/Commercial Residential Mixed Use Low in Accordance With the Said Zoning Map Amendment Approved By City Council on October 17, as Rezoning No. 2015-0002.
- 19 [14-4572](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, By Adopting and Incorporating Therein the Amendment Approved by City Council on October 17, 2015 to the Potomac West Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2015-0004 to Incorporate the Oakville Triangle/Route 1 Corridor Vision Plan and Urban Design Standards and Guidelines into Such Small Area Plan and No Other Amendments, and to Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent With Such Amendment.
- 20 [14-4536](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of a Tax Revenue Bond in the Maximum Amount of \$58,000,000 to the Virginia Transportation Infrastructure Bank to Finance, in Part, Construction of a New Metrorail Station and the Execution and Delivery of Certain Documents Related Thereto.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket items #12 and #20, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

9. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Thomas E. Christianson, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) Bonnie Branding and Diane Hampel, Beautification Commission; (c) Engin Artemel, Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee; (d) John Aucott, Citizen Corps Council; (e) Marjorie Vanderbilt and Sean Dunbar, Commission on Aging; (f) Patrick Holman, Environmental Policy Commission; and (g) Donna Fowler, Torpedo Factory Art Center Board.

10. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) reappointed Henry Brooks and appointed Adam Cyr and Sasha Rousseau as the three citizen members to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) appointed Gabriela Del Cid as the member from and representing the youth of the City of Alexandria to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (c) reappointed William Harris as the Commission on Aging representative to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (d) reappointed Carolyn

Grigilione as the citizen member and appointed Benjamin Jehle as the qualified professional member skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee; (e) appointed Natnael Adere and reappointed Kendallee Walker as the two high school student representatives to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (f) appointed Patrick Moran as the Medical Reserve Corps representative to the Citizen Corps Council; (g) reappointed Mary Parker as the Commission on Aging representative to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (h) reappointed Joseph Shumard as the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine representative, appointed Ali Ahmad as the Federation of Civic Association representative and appointed Kristen Eastlick as the citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (i) reappointed Laura Lieberman as the Lee-Fendall House representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (j) appointed Meloney Driver as the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board member to the Human Rights Commission; (k) reappointed Monique Banks as the minority resident of the City who is not a landlord or a tenant, appointed Jeannette Shepherd as the tenant member, and appointed Daniel Brant as the landlord or representative of a landlord representative to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (l) reappointed Stephen Beggs as the Planning District II representative and appointed Danielle Baker as the member from among the high school youth of the City to the Park and Recreation Commission; (m) reappointed Bruce Marsh and John Scales and appointed Elizabeth Overmeyer as the three citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee; (n) appointed Christine Jordan as the citizen member to the Social Services Advisory Board; (o) reappointed Lisa Schumaier as the Torpedo Factory Artists Association representative to the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board; (p) appointed Lori Swain as the at-large member to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors; and (q) reappointed Charlotte Hall as the representative from the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce, reappointed Gina Baum as the representative from the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission, and reappointed Stephen Thayer as the citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of King Street to the Waterfront Commission.

11. City Council allocated the currently unallotted Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) balance of \$930,000 for the following projects: (1) \$200,000 for Sidewalk Capital Maintenance; (2) \$500,000 for the Holmes Run Greenway; and (3) \$230,000 for DASH Technologies.

12. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report. (separate motion)

13. City Council released the contingent funding for Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities (RPCA) programming in FY 2016.

14. City Council released \$250,000 from FY 2016 contingent reserves for the Maury Schoolyard Initiative to the Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) consistent with the approved FY2016 Capital Improvement Program as identified in FY 2016 Budget Memorandum #38-A Summary of Decisions from Final Add/Delete Work Session.

15. City Council: (1) received the listings of delinquent local property taxes; (2) authorized that those parts of the delinquent real estate and personal property tax listings deemed advisable by the Director of Finance be published in the newspaper and on the City of Alexandria website; (3) authorized the Director of Finance to write-off uncollected tax balances less than twenty dollars each, totaling \$10,174 as of June 30, 2015, for which the recoverable amount, provided that the Director of Finance will not include any balance for which he or she has reason to believe the taxpayer has intentionally paid less than the amount due and owed; and (4) authorized the Director of Finance to destroy records associated with real estate

taxes paid in calendar year 2009 and prior years in accordance with Code of Virginia Section 58.1-3129 (A).

16. City Council approved and accepted the 9205 square foot property dedication to expand Monticello Park.

17. City Council approved the ordinance for first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on November 14, 2015.

18. City Council approved the ordinance for first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on November 14, 2015.

19. City Council approved the ordinance for first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on November 14, 2015.

20. City Council approved the ordinance for first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on November 14, 2015. (separate motion)

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (21-23)

- 21 [14-4342](#) Consideration of a Resolution for a Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Transportation for FY 2017 Revenue Sharing Program Funding. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- 22 [14-4512](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement Number 68 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- 23 [14-4513](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement Number 115 of the City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approval was as follows:

21. City Council adopted a resolution for a competitive grant application to the Virginia Department of Transportation for FY 2017 Revenue Sharing Program Funding. (RES. NO. 2695)

22. City Council approved the ordinance to adopt Supplement Number 68 of the Zoning Ordinance. (ORD. NO. 4971)

23. City Council approved the ordinance to adopt Supplement Number 115 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 4972)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

- 24 [14-4610](#) Commission on Information Technology
4 Citizen Members
- City Council reappointed Nina Baliga, Rachid Chaker, and Marjorie Conner and appointed Forrest Wilhoit as the four citizen members to the Commission on*

Information Technology.

- 25 [14-4611](#) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
1 Citizen Member
City Council reappointed Douglas Goist as the one citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities.
- 26 [14-4612](#) Torpedo Factory Art Center Board
2 Community-at-Large Representatives, as Recommended by the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board
City Council reappointed Lisa Karlisch and Fay Slotnick as the two community-at-large representatives, as recommended by the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board to the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board.

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

- 27 [14-4601](#) Oral Report on Upcoming Free Health Fair on November 14, 2105.
City Council received the oral report on the upcoming free Health Fair on November 14, 2015.
- 28 [14-4526](#) Consideration of a Request for City Loan of Up to \$5.5 Million to the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation (AHDC) for Development of Affordable Housing Within the Gateway at King and Beauregard and a Resolution Designating the Building Site as a Revitalization Area.
City Council docketed for consideration on November 14, 2015: (a) approval of a permanent loan to Alexandria Housing Development Corporation (AHDC) of up to \$5,500,000 (including \$350,000 of previously approved predevelopment funds) to facilitate a proposed 74-unit affordable building within the Gateway project; (b) approval of the attached resolution designating the project site as a Revitalization Area pursuant to Section 36-55.30:2.A of the Virginia Code; and (c) authorization for the City Manager to execute all appropriate documents.
- 29 [14-4552](#) Consideration of the Report of the City Council Naming Committee on the Proposed Naming of the Gazebo at the Alexandria Waterfront in Honor of Engin Artemel.
City Council received the Naming Committee's recommendation and scheduled the proposal for public hearing, consideration and adoption on Saturday, November 14, 2015.
- 30 [14-4309](#) Oral Report on Update on the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station.
City Council received the update on the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station and gave an update on the Potomac Yard Metrorail Implementation Group.
- 31 [14-4298](#) Oral Report on Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Update.
City Council received the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan update.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. *Mayor Euille reported that Alexandria was named one of the best cities in America to live by 24/7 Wall Street, LLC and he noted that the City was ranked in the top 25.*
2. *Mayor Euille reported tha Alexandria received the top Digital City Award from the National League of Cities (NLC).*
3. *Mayor Euille noted that the City would be participating with the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) to collect blankets and coats for Syrian and Iraqi refugees who have fled to Turkey. The drive will take place from November 7 until December 5. Mayor Euille pointed out that there are two drop-off sites for the drive: City Hall and Beatley Central Library.*
4. *Councilman Chapman stated that the City received the Digital City Award from NLC at the Congress of Cities conference held in Nashville, TN. Councilman Chapman noted that this was the second year that the City received the first place award.*
5. *Councilman Chapman reported that he participated in a panel at the NLC conference with the mayor of Caen, France and the vice mayor of Nashville, TN, entitled, "Global Economy/Local Growth," highlighting how the Sister Cities experience can enhance the local communities and small businesses here and abroad.*
6. *Councilman Chapman reported that the Eisenhower Partnership will be holding its annual meeting on November 18, at 5:30 p.m., at the Society for Human Resources Management located at 1800 Duke Street.*
7. *Councilman Chapman reported that the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee will host Cider Week from November 12 - November 22, with many events featuring Virginia cider. Councilman Chapman noted that there will be an event and tasting held at the Lyceum on November 17, to discuss proper cider and its Celtic origins.*
8. *Councilwoman Pepper mentioned the Digital Cities survey that was conducted for 2015 and the criteria for being selected for the Digital City Award.*
9. *Councilman Smedberg reported that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) released information about Envision Route 7 and he noted that there will be upcoming meetings to discuss NVTC and the State's vision for Route 7.*
10. *Councilman Smedberg reported that the NVTC has approved and renewed the contract for the CEO of the Virginia Railway Express (VRE).*
11. *Councilman Smedberg also noted that the NVTC has approved its federal and state policy agenda items for consideration this session.*
12. *Vice Mayor Silberberg noted that there will be an annual Veterans' Day Ceremony at the Mount Vernon Recreation Center's Rocky Versace Plaza and Vietnam Veterans' Memorial on November 11 at 11 a.m.*

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks gave the following oral updates: (1) City Manager Jinks

introduced Renee Gordon, Director, Emergency Communications and showed a video highlighting the excellent work that the 911 Call Center and First Responders performed to save an FCC chief counsel following a recent severe injury. City Manager Jinks thanked Dave DeNardo, Pat Evans, Jodi Renner and Ashley Whisenant for their teamwork during the incident; (2) City Manager Jinks reported that a ceremony was held in Council Chambers to celebrate all employee Veterans and was well attended by City staff in appreciation of their service; (3) City Manager Jinks thanked Bud Hart, Mary Catherine Hart and Connie Pierce for helping the neighbors in the Woods Avenue area with the legal process to change the neighborhood name to Seminary; and (4) City Manager Jinks stated that staff is accelerating the roadway project on Duke and Van Dorn Streets to repair that area that is badly deteriorated. City Manager Jinks noted that there will be ongoing roadwork in that area throughout the weekend to complete the job.

OTHER

- 32 [14-4571](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council received the updated Council schedule which includes: the City Council installation on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 7 p.m., at T.C. Williams High School Auditorium, 3330 King Street, and approved the City Council schedule.

Closed Meeting

- 33 [14-4604](#) Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice on Specific Legal Issues.

The closed meeting was not needed.

The meeting was adjourned 9:25 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.