

# City of Alexandria

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



## **Action Docket - Final**

**Tuesday, February 14, 2017**

**7:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council Legislative Meeting**

**1. Calling the Roll.**

*Mayor Silberberg called the meeting to order and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present, with Vice Mayor Wilson arriving at 7:04 p.m.*

**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:**

[16-6174](#)

The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2017; and  
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2017.

*City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of January 24, 2017 and the public hearing meeting minutes of January 28, 2017.*

**4. Introduction of the New DASH General Manager Josh Baker.**

*City Council introduced and welcomed the new DASH General Manager Josh Baker.*

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**5.** [16-6090](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring March 11, 2017 as Cherry Blossom Ball Day.

*City Council endorsed the proclamation.*

**6.** [16-6108](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of February as George Washington Birthday Celebration Month.

*City Council endorsed the proclamation.*

**7.** [16-6116](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of March as Irish American Heritage Month and March 4, 2017 as St. Patrick's Day Parade Day.

*City Council endorsed the proclamation.*

**7a.** [16-5879](#)

Consideration of an Update on the 2017 General Assembly Session.

*City Council: (1) approved the legislative positions included in Attachment 2 (Recommended Positions on Bills on Importance to the City), as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee; and (2) supported Senate budget amendments that would: (a) increase State funding for Project Discovery (and oppose a House amendment that would reduce such funding), and (b) increase State payments for teacher salaries by 2 percent in FY18.*

**ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

- \*Quality of Life Committee (Mayor Silberberg and Vice Mayor Wilson)**
- \*Alexandria Long Range Educational Facilities (Vice Mayor Wilson)**
- \*Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority/City Redevelopment Work Group (Vice Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**
- \*Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority(Councilman Smedberg)**
- \*Virginia Railway Express (Councilman Smedberg)**
- \*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilman Smedberg)**
- \*Council of Governments Region Forward Committee (Councilmember Lovain)**
- \*Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)**
- \*Northern Virginia Regional Commission (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Bailey)**
- \*Commission on Aging (Councilwoman Pepper)**
- \*COG - Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (Councilwoman Pepper)**
- \*INOVA Alexandria Hospital (Councilman Bailey and Councilman Smedberg)**

*City Council gave the reports.*

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)****CONSENT CALENDAR (8-15)****(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)**

8. [16-6153](#) Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Beautification Commission  
Cynthia Spoehr
  - (b) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee  
Michael Carrasco
  - (c) Citizen Corps Council  
Anthony Barone
  - (d) Commission for the Arts  
Betsy Henningan
  - (e) Commission on Employment  
Iris Henley
  - (f) Commission on HIV/AIDS  
Farima Camara  
Kannessia Jordan
  - (g) Commission on Persons with Disabilities  
Robert Pasternack
  - (h) Community Services Board  
Susan Thompson
  - (i) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission  
Dennis Hensley  
Tom Soule
  - (j) Public Health Advisory Commission  
Meredith Taylor
9. [16-6169](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria-Can Sister City Committee  
2 Citizen Members
  - (b) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee  
1 Representative of the City's Small Business Community, Including the  
Retail, Restaurant or Hospitality Sectors
  - (c) Beautification Commission  
1 Citizen Member
  - (d) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission  
1 Member Who Shall Be an ACPS Member, Identified by the Superintendent

## (e) Citizen Corps Council

1 Representative of the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross

## (f) 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

## (g) Emergency Medical Services Council

1 Citizen Member

## (h) Environmental Policy Commission

1 Member from the Field of Urban Planning

## (i) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission

1 Representative from the George Washington Masonic Memorial

## (j) Human Rights Commission

1 Representative from the Commission on Persons with Disabilities

## (k) Public Health Advisory Commission

1 Representative from the Neighborhood Health, Inc. Board of Directors,  
Nominated by the Board

## (l) Public Records Advisory Commission

4 Citizen Members

## (m) Social Services Advisory Board

1 Client Member

## (n) Virginia Railway Express

1 Alternate City Council Representative

## (o) Waterfront Commission

1 Park Planning District III Representative

## (p) Commission on Persons with Disabilities

1 Citizen Member

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

10. [16-5993](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2016.

11. [16-6059](#) Consideration of a Renewal Grant to the Virginia Department of Motor

Vehicles for an Aggressive Driving/DUI Interdiction Program in FY 2018.

12. [16-6096](#) Consideration of a Memorandum of Agreement between INOVA Alexandria Hospital and the City of Alexandria for FY 2017 and FY 2018.
13. [16-6172](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Stormwater Local Assistance Fund for Up to \$670,000 for Lucky Run Stream Restoration.

### **(Ordinances for Introduction)**

14. [16-5992](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Make Supplemental Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for Fiscal Year 2017.
15. [16-6138](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Owners of the Property Located at 119 King Street to Construct and Maintain an Encroachment into the Public Sidewalk Right-of-way at That Location for a Retractable Awning.

### **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

*City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket items #12 and #13, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:*

*8. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Cynthia Spoehr, Beautification Commission; (b) Michael Carrasco, Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee; (c) Anthony Barone, Citizen Corps Council; (d) Betsy Henningan, Commission for the Arts; (e) Iris Henley, Commission on Employment; (f) Farima Camara and Kannessia Jordan, Commission on HIV/AIDS; (g) Robert Pasternack, Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (h) Susan Thompson, Community Services Board; (i) Dennis Hensley and Tom Soule, Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; and (j) Meridith Taylor, Public Health Advisory Commission.*

*9. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) appointed Patrick Egan and Christan Johnson as the two citizen members to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) appointed Matthew McCarthy as the one representative of the City's small business community, including the retail, restaurant or hospitality sectors to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (c) appointed Dana Holmstrand as the one citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (d) appointed Julie Crawford as the one member who shall be an ACPS member, identified by the Superintendent, to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (e) appointed Stephen Hornbeck as the representative of the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross to the Citizen Corps Council; (f) appointed Amy Syeda as the 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; (g) reappointed Ellen McHugh as the citizen member to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (h) reappointed Jessica Lassetter as the member from the field of urban planning to the Environmental Policy Commission; (i) appointed Shawn Eyer as the representative from the George Washington Masonic Memorial to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (j) reappointed Tom Sachs as the representative*

from the Commission on Persons with Disabilities to the Human Rights Commission; (k) appointed Keith Hearle as the representative from the Neighborhood Health, Inc., Board of Directors, nominated by the Board, to the Public Health Advisory Committee; (l) appointed Monica St. Dennis, Emily Earl, John Hocker, and Jennifer Walsh as the four citizen members to the Public Records Advisory Commission; (m) appointed Mary Johnson as the client member to the Social Services Advisory Board; (n) appointed Councilmember Timothy Lovain as the alternate City Council representative to the Virginia Railway Express (term coincides with term on Council); (o) appointed Frank Cole as the Park Planning District III representative to the Waterfront Commission; and (p) appointed Katie Filous as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities.

10. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

11. City Council: (1) approved the grant application to the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) in the amount of \$30,375, which will provide funds to the Police Department to operate a DUI/aggressive driving interdiction program in the City; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

12. City Council: (1) approved the Memorandum of Agreement between INOVA Alexandria Hospital and the City of Alexandria; and (2) authorized the City Manager to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). (separate motion)

13. City Council: (1) approved the submission of the \$670,000 grant application to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality due February 17, 2017 to restore Lucky Run and generate pollution reduction credits towards meeting the City's Chesapeake Bay water quality compliance mandates; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required. (separate motion)

14. City Council passed the proposed ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading, and final passage on February 25, 2017.

15. City Council passed the proposed ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading, and final passage on February 25, 2017.

## CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

16. [16-6154](#) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force  
1 Citizen Member  
*City Council waived the residency requirement and reappointed Steven Janson as the citizen member to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Communitiy Task Force.*
17. [16-6155](#) Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority  
1 Citizen Member  
*City Council reappointed Anitra Androh as the citizen member to the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority.*
18. [16-6156](#) Alexandria Transportation Commission  
1 Citizen Member That Resides East of Quaker Lane and Shall Be a Resident of the City Possessing Qualification in Land Use, Transportation and/or Municipal Finance

*City Council reappointed Jerry King as the citizen member that resides east of Quaker Lane and shall be a resident of the City possessing qualifications in land use, transportation and/or municipal finance to the Alexandria Transportation Commission.*

19. [16-6157](#) Board of Zoning Appeals  
2 Citizen Members  
*City Council reappointed Jonathan Buono and appointed Daniel Poretz as the two citizen members to the Board of Zoning Appeals.*
20. [16-6158](#) Commission for the Arts  
1 Member Who Shall Have Expertise in the Arts, Including, But Not Limited To, Arts Educators, Professional Practitioners of Various Art Disciplines and Professional Administrators Working the Arts  
*City Council appointed Sara Lavan as the one member who shall have expertise in the arts, including, but not limited to, arts educators, professional practitioners of various art disciplines and professional administrators working the arts to the Commission for the Arts.*
21. [16-6159](#) Commission on Aging  
1 Citizen Member (60+ Years of Age or Older)  
*City Council reappointed Patrick Killeen as the citizen member (60+ years of age or older) to the Commission on Aging.*
22. [16-6160](#) Commission on HIV/AIDS  
1 Member From and Representing an HIV/AIDS Service Organization Which Provides Services in the City to the Minority Community  
*City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Andrew Torre as the member from and representing an HIV/AIDS service organization which provides services in the City to the minority community to the Commission on HIV/AIDS.*
23. [16-6162](#) Environmental Policy Commission  
1 Citizen Member  
*City Council appointed Reid Sherman as the citizen member to the Environmental Policy Commission.*
24. [16-6163](#) Library Board  
2 Citizen Members  
*City Council appointed Trudi Hahn and reappointed Kathleen Schloeder as the two citizen members to the Library Board.*
25. [16-6164](#) Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority  
1 Citizen Member  
*City Council reappointed Scott Price as the citizen member to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.*
26. [16-6165](#) Planning Commission  
3 Citizen Members  
*City Council reappointed Melinda Lyle, Nathan Macek, and Maria Wasowski as the*



*three citizen members to the Planning Commission.*

27. [16-6167](#) Public Health Advisory Commission  
1 Citizen Member Who Shall Be a Health Professional and at the Time of Appointment Derive, or Within the Previous Five Years Derived, Their Principal Income from Providing Health Care, Health Services or Health Related Activities  
*City Council reappointed Katya Wanzer as the citizen member who shall be a health professional and at the time of appointment, or within the previous five years derived, their principal income from providing health care, health services or health related activities to the Public Health Advisory Commission.*
28. [16-6168](#) Urban Design Advisory Committee  
1 Representative of the Old Town North Business Community  
*City Council waived the residency requirement and reappointed Stephen Kulinski as the representative of the Old Town North business community to the Urban Design Advisory Committee.*

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

29. [16-6186](#) Presentation by the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) of \$6.0 Million to the City for Repayment of the City's Prior Glebe Park Loan to ARHA.  
*Mr. Priest, CEO of ARHA, presented City Council with a check for the loan repayment for the Glebe Park loan from the City.*
30. [16-5991](#) Consideration of the Calendar Year 2017 Real Property Assessments.  
*City Council received the report.*
31. [16-6131](#) Oral Report of FY 2018 Revenue Overview.  
*City Council received the report.*
32. [16-6110](#) Consideration of a Request from the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) to Increase the Amount of the City Loan for the Redevelopment of Ramsey Homes to \$2 Million.  
*City Council approved a permanent loan to Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) of up to \$2.0 million for the redevelopment of Ramsey Homes which is to be funded from proceeds of ARHA's planned repayment of the City's \$5.0 million 2008 Glebe Park loan.*
33. [16-6109](#) Consideration of the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation's Plan to Refinance and Renovate Lacy Court Apartments and to Support its Application for Competitive Tax Credits and Approval of a Resolution Designating Lacy Court Apartments sites a Revitalization Area.  
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

*City Council: (1) approved the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation's (AHDC) plan to refinance and renovate Lacy Court Apartments utilizing competitive tax credits; (2) approved a partial release of \$4.9 million in debt and accrued interest secured by an existing City loan in exchange for the City receiving an equity position through a future right of first option; (3) approved repayment of \$500,000 by AHDC when the renovation is complete; (4) approved provision of a grant of \$150,000 from the City to AHDC to fund a pilot rental subsidy program to create deep affordability for five units; (5) approved a resolution designating the Lacy Court Apartments sites a Revitalization Area pursuant to Section 36-55.30:2A of the Virginia Code (RES. NO. 2759); and (6) authorized the City Manager to execute documents related to the tax credit application and the refinancing plan.*

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

*(1) Mayor Silberberg reported that the Sheriff's Department recently hosted an event that brought together many different City entities and organizations including the Department of Community and Human Services, Northern Virginia Community College, Neighborhood Health, Legal Services of Northern Virginia and other nonprofits and companies, to help the inmates find opportunities as they transition back into society.*

*(2) Mayor Silberberg reported that Jim Curry, a resident of the Alexandria portion of Fairfax County, donated an historic newspaper from 1812 to the Office of Historic Alexandria (OHA) and Mr. Mallamo, Director, of OHA, will be placing the copy of the Alexandria Herald in the City's special collections.*

*(3) Mayor Silberberg thanked the staff of the Library Services, particularly Patricia Walker, who helped the North Ridge Citizens' Association preserve their records dating back to the 1940s and she noted that the records are now part of the Alexandria Library system. Mayor Silberberg noted that the North Ridge Citizens' Association also thanked the Department of Planning and Zoning and the Fire Department for their help with the fire station.*

*(4) Mayor Silberberg noted that the libraries are accepting books to either be added to the collection for circulation or to be sold at the annual book sale to raise money for support of the libraries throughout the City.*

## **ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

*None.*

## **OTHER**

- 34.** [16-6124](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

*City Council: (1) received the updated Council Schedule which includes: the 37th Annual Salute to Women Awards which is scheduled for Monday, March 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (600 Dulany Street), and (2) approved the Council Schedule.*

- 35.** [16-6185](#) Consideration of a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel and Staff Regarding a Personnel Matter.

*City Council convened in closed executive session at 10:07 p.m., to discuss the*

*recruitment and appointment of a Council appointee; specifically, the process by which the replacement for an appointee of Council (who has announced the intent to retire) will be recruited and appointed; pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia.*

*City Council reconvened the meeting at 10:27 p.m.*

*City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to the closed executive session. (RES. NO. 2760)*

\*\*\*\*\*

*The meeting adjourned at 10:28 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.*