

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

1. Calling the Roll.

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

[18-7041](#)

Calling the Roll

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:

[16-6752](#)

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2017; and
The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2017.

City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of June 24, 2017 and the regular meeting minutes of June 27, 2017.

PROCLAMATIONS**4. [18-6797](#)**

Proclamation Recognizing National Preparedness Month in the City of Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Library Board (Councilman Bailey)

ARHA/City Redevelopment Committee (Vice Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) (Councilman Smedberg)

Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Councilman Smedberg)

Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Councilman Smedberg)

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) (Councilwoman Pepper)

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC)(Councilwoman Pepper)

City Council gave the reports.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-21)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

5. [18-6799](#) Receipt of Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

- (a) Archaeological Commission
Rebecca Siegal
- (b) Beautification Commission
Seth Bishop
Nicole Hersch
- (c) Commission on Employment
Elizabeth Bennett
Daniel Judge
Gary Matz
- (d) Commission on HIV/AIDS
Scott Schwartz
- (e) Library Board
Gwen Day-Fuller
- (f) Park and Recreation Committee
Jesse O'Connell
- (g) Towing Advisory Board
Amy Slack
- (h) Public Health Advisory Commission
Ruth Chamowitz

6. [18-6800](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

- (a) Emergency Medical Services Council
1 Representative of the Federation of Civic Associations
- (b) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission

1 Representative from the Alexandria Historical Society

1 Member from Planning District I

(c) Industrial Development Authority

2 Citizen Members

(d) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board

1 Landlord Representative

(e) Park and Recreation Commission

2 Representatives from Planning District I

(f) Public Health Advisory Commission

1 Representative from the INOVA Alexandria Hospital, nominated by the Hospital

1 Representative from the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria Steering Committee, nominated by such Committee

(g) Waterfront Commission

1 Representative from the Environmental Policy Commission

1 Representative from the Old Town Business Association

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

7. [16-6737](#) Consideration of an Amendment to the Water Taxi License Agreement Between the City of Alexandria and the Potomac Riverboat Company.
8. [16-6739](#) Consideration of a Renewal of a Three-Year License Agreement with the Alexandria Seaport Foundation for Docking the Maritime Heritage Center at its Present Location at the Alexandria City Marina.
9. [16-6751](#) Consideration of Receipt of City Council Closed Meetings Report for FY 2016 to FY 2017.
10. [16-6753](#) Consideration of Grant Application for FY 2017 Port Security Grant Program (PSPG).
11. [16-6754](#) Receipt of Viewers Report for Vacation of the Public Right-Of-Way at 700 South Pitt Street.
12. [16-6782](#) Consideration of the Alexandria Community Services Board FY 2018 Performance Contract with the State.
13. [16-6783](#) Consideration of Approval for the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) to Accept Funds to Implement the Care Coordination for Elderly Virginians Program (CCEVP).

14. [18-6805](#) Consideration of an Application for the Renewal of the Justice Assistance Grant for the Police Department's Part I Crimes Task Force.
15. [18-6816](#) Master Plan Amendment #2017-0003. North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan Amendment. Acceptance of a Planning Commission Resolution, which Reflects the Planning Commission's June 6, 2017 Recommendation to Amend the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan Chapter of the City of Alexandria Master Plan.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

16. [16-6778](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Vacate a Portion of the Public Right-of-Way Adjacent to the Property at 700 South Pitt Street (VAC No. 2017-0001).
17. [16-6779](#) 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 Heretofore Approved by City Council to Replace the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan with an Updated Small Area Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2017-0003 and No Other Amendments, and to Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent with Such Amendment.
18. [16-6780](#) 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 heretofore Approved by City Council to Replace the Old Town North Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan with an Updated Small Area Plan Including the Old Town North Urban Design Standards and Guidelines as Master Plan Amendment No. 2017-0002 and No Other Amendments, and to Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May be Inconsistent with Such Amendment.
19. [18-6789](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 2-5-11 (FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT REQUIRED) of Article B (FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE) of Chapter 5 (OFFICERS AND EMPLOYERS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.
20. [18-6792](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 2-4-7 (APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES) of Article A (GENERAL PROVISIONS) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL

GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.

21. [18-6798](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Repeal Section 13-1-25 (MINORS PROHIBITED IN PUBLIC POOLROOMS) of Chapter 1 (GENERAL OFFENSES) of Title 13 (MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with docket items #7,#9, #12, #19, #20 and #21 considered under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

5. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Rebecca Siegal, Archaeological Commission; (b) Seth Bishop and Nicole Hersch, Beautification Commission; (c) Elizabeth Bennett, Daniel Judge and Gary Matz, Commission on Employment; (d) Scott Schwartz, Commission on HIV/AIDS; (e) Gwen Day-Fuller, Library Board; (f) Jesse O'Connell, Park and Recreation Committee; (g) Amy Slack, Towing Advisory Board; and (h) Ruth Chamowitz, Public Health Advisory Commission.

6. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) appointed Rebecca Hierholzer as the representative of the Federation of Civic Associations to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (b) appointed Krystyn Moon as the representative from the Alexandria Historical Society and reappointed Margaret Wood as the member from Planning District I to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (c) appointed Derek (Dak) Hardwick and reappointed Andrew Palmieri as the two citizen members to the Industrial Development Authority; (d) appointed Michelle Frazier as the landlord representative to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (e) appointed Liz Birnbaum and Barbara Marvin as the two representatives from Planning District I to the Park and Recreation Commission; (f) reappointed Ann Harbour as the representative from the INOVA Alexandria Hospital, nominated by the hospital and reappointed Allen Lomax as the representative from the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria Steering Committee, nominated by such committee to the Public Health Advisory Commission; and (g) appointed Eldon Boes as the representative from the Environmental Policy Commission and appointed Trae Lamond as the representative from the Old Town Business Association to the Waterfront Commission.

7. City Council: (1) received the report recommending an amendment to the Water Taxi License Agreement between the City of Alexandria and the Potomac Riverboat Company; and (2) scheduled a public hearing for Saturday, September 16, 2017. (separate motion)

8. City Council: (1) received the report recommending renewal of a three-year license agreement with the Alexandria Seaport Foundation for docking the Maritime Heritage Center at its present location at the Alexandria City Marina; and (2) scheduled the proposed three-year license agreement for public hearing on Saturday, September 16, 2017.

9. City Council received the report. (separate motion)

10. City Council: (1) ratified the grant application to the 2017 Port Security Grant Program, U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the amount of \$392,693; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents.
11. City Council received the viewers report for the vacation of the public right-of-way at 700 South Pitt Street.
12. City Council approved the Board's Performance Contract with the State. (separate motion)
13. City Council: (1) approved DCHS's receipt of \$57,823 in annual ongoing funding from DARS to develop a Care Coordination for Elderly Virginians Program; (2) authorized an increase of 0.5 FTE; and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.
14. City Council: (1) approved the grant application (due September 2017) to the Department of Justice in the amount of \$36,603; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.
15. City Council approved Resolution for MPA #2017-0003.
16. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on September 16, 2017.
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19. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on September 16, 2017. Council also requested that the ordinance be updated with the additional changes prior to final passage. (separate motion)
20. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on September 16, 2017. (separate motion)
21. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on September 16, 2017. (separate motion)

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

22. [16-6726](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement Number 122 of the Alexandria City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
23. [16-6727](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement Number 121 of the Alexandria City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

24. [18-6796](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement Number 75 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
25. [18-6841](#) Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution for Affordable and Attainable Health Care in the City of Alexandria. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar, with the removal of item #25, which was considered under separate motion. The approval was as follows:*
22. *City Council approved an ordinance by roll-call vote to adopt Supplement Number 122 of the Alexandria City Code. (ORD. NO. 5075)*
23. *City Council approved an ordinance by roll-call vote to adopt Supplement Number 121 of the Alexandria City Code. (ORD. NO. 5076)*
24. *City Council approved an ordinance by roll-call vote to adopt Supplement Number 75 of the Zoning Ordinance. (ORD. NO. 5077)*
25. *City Council adopted by roll-call vote a resolution for Affordable and Attainable Health Care in the City of Alexandria. City Council added the following clause between the second and third WHEREAS clauses: "WHEREAS, Medicaid revenue support services for our students within the Alexandria City Public Schools, providing \$2.5 million in 2016 and nearly \$2 million in 2017, as well as services to residents through the Department of Community and Human Services, providing \$2.4 million in 2016 and \$3.2 million in 2017." (RES. NO. 2789)*

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

26. [18-6829](#) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee
1 Representative of the City's Faith Community
- City Council appointed Dan Brendel as the representative of the City's faith community to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee.*
27. [18-6830](#) Archaeological Commission
1 Member-at-Large
- City Council reappointed Jacob Hoogland as the member-at-large to the Archaeological Commission.*
28. [18-6831](#) Beauregard Design Advisory Committee
1 Citizen Member
- City Council reappointed Peter Benavage as the citizen member to the Beauregard Design Advisory Committee.*
29. [18-6832](#) Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray District
1 Citizen Member
- City Council reappointed Matthew Slowik as the citizen member to the Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray District.*

30. [18-6833](#) Citizen Corps Council
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Darla Marburger as the citizen member to the Citizen Corps Council.
31. [18-6834](#) Commission on Employment
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Benjamin Verdi as the citizen member to the Commission on Employment.
32. [18-6835](#) Community Services Board
2 Citizen Members
City Council appointed Julia Ciccarone and reappointed Eugene Stammeyer as the two citizen members to the Community Services Board.
33. [18-6836](#) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Bud Jackson as the citizen member to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee.
34. [18-6837](#) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board
1 Resident Member who is Neither a Landlord or a Tenant
City Council reappointed Elliott Waters as the resident member who is neither a landlord or a tenant to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board.
35. [18-6838](#) Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Citizen Member, Who Shall be 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
1 Citizen Member, Who Shall Not be a Health Professional
City Council reappointed Daniel Hawkins as the 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 and reappointed Richard Merritt as the citizen member, who shall not be a health provider to the Public Health Advisory Commission.
36. [18-6839](#) Sister Cities Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Edward Ward as the citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee.
37. [18-6840](#) Social Services Advisory Board
1 Parent Member
City Council reappointed Mary Taylor as the parent member to the Social Services Advisory Board.

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

38. [16-6733](#) Consideration to Name the Four Mile Run Park Edison Street Entrance in Honor of Betty King.
- City Council: (1) considered the naming of the Four Mile Run Park Edison Street Entrance in honor of Betty King; and (2) scheduled a public hearing for Saturday, September 16, 2017.*
39. [16-6735](#) Consideration of Renaming the Cora Kelly Recreation Center the Leonard “Chick” Armstrong Recreation Center.
- City Council: (1) considered the renaming of the Cora Kelly Recreation Center to the Leonard “Chick” Armstrong Recreation Center; and (2) scheduled a public hearing for Saturday, September 16, 2017.*
40. [16-6784](#) Oral Report on Washington Gas Infrastructure Investment and Utility Coordination.
- City Council received the oral report on Washington Gas infrastructure investment and utility coordination.*
41. [16-6785](#) Allocation of Funds for the Replacement of Alexandria’s Voting Machines
- City Council authorized the use of \$595,000 of FY 2017 year-end surplus funds to fund the purchase of new voting machines for use beginning this fall.*

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

1. Mayor Silberberg reported that she, Mr. Jinks, and senior staff visited Capitol Hill several times over the summer to seek support and funding for the CSO projects. Mayor Silberberg noted that they met with senior staffs of Senator Mark Warner, Senator Tim Kaine and Congressman Don Beyer to discuss the CSO project in the City and need for additional Federal support for the project. Mayor Silberberg reported that she and senior staff also visited Richmond in an effort to seek funding similar to what other cities received for their CSO projects. Mayor Silberberg also noted that Alex Renew visited Richmond to study their CSO projects.
2. Mayor Silberberg reported that she, Mr. Jinks and senior financial staff went to New York City for the City's bond rating and she noted that the City has received a AAA/Aaa bond rating. Mayor Silberberg thanked everyone for all their hard work making the bond rating a success.
3. Mayor Silberberg reported that the U.S. Conference of Mayors has issued several joint letters over the summer and she has endorsed the letters on behalf of the City. Mayor Silberberg noted that she endorsed letters from the U.S. Conference of Mayors supporting the Affordable Care Act, a letter to become a climate mayor, a letter supporting the 100% Renewable Energy and goals of the Paris Climate Agreement, a letter in support of DACA, and she signed a letter condemning the violence and rejecting hate that occurred in Charlottesville. Mayor Silberberg stated that she also issued a proclamation similar to the U.S. Conference of Mayors' letter rejecting hate and bigotry and noting the fact that we seek support for building bridges of

understanding and diversity is core value of the City.

4. Mayor Silberberg reported that a program for Constitution Week was held in this morning in the Council Chambers and many school children participated in the celebration. Mayor Silberberg stated that the program was sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

5. Mayor Silberberg reported that Governor McAuliffe and the First Lady Dorothy McAuliffe toured the historic home at 519 Prince Street.

6. Councilman Chapman reported that he attended a Young Elected Officials Network Conference in San Francisco over the summer and he highlighted the discussion on community policing that occurred. Councilman Chapman stated that at the end of last session, City Council received suggestions for a proposed ordinance to address community policing in the City and he noted that a document would be forthcoming from the City Manager to address the issues raised in the proposed ordinance and how the City is currently addressing some of the community concerns for clarity. Councilman Chapman also stated that he would reach out to his colleagues to have more discussion on the issue in the near future.

7. Councilmember Lovain reported that he serves on the Transportation Policy Committee for the Virginia Municipal League (VML) as the vice chair and he would push for support of a policy that would get Virginia to allow legislation that would allow Northern Virginia jurisdictions to tax themselves in support of WMATA. Councilmember Lovain stated that it is working its way through the process and hopefully at the VML Conference in October there will be something ready to approve.

8. Vice Mayor Wilson requested that the rule changes for the Old Town Farmers Market issued by the City Manager be docketed for Council to review and discuss at an upcoming legislative meeting.

9. Mayor Silberberg congratulated the three Alexandria Police Officers who received the Medal of Valor Award at the White House over the summer. The officers honored were Officer Nicole Battaglia, Officer Alexander Jensen, and Officer Kevin Jobe.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks reported that: (1) the City has completed refinancing of \$113 million of outstanding City general obligation bonds to lower the interest rates. The refinancing will save the City approximately \$10.6 million over the life of the bonds; (2) beginning September 25, high school students will be able to ride DASH buses for free at any time with their student ID; (3) starting in October, Metro Access and DOT certified passengers will be able to ride DASH buses for free; and (4) the exploratory committee for the Old Town Business Improvement District (BID) has recommended that the BID ordinance and proposal no longer be considered by City Council. The committee concluded that they could not contribute the additional time needed to garner support for the proposal. The memorandum about the decision will be made available for public review.

[18-6872](#)

City Manager Oral Report

OTHER

42. [16-6697](#)

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the City Council schedule for September 2017 to June 2018 which includes: the corrected dates for Rosh Hashannah and Yom Kippur and the new date for the City Council Retreat, which is November 4, 2017; and (2) approved the City Council schedule. Council requested that the City Manager review the proposed public hearing date for April 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 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.