City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314



Action Docket - Final

Saturday, May 12, 2018 9:30 AM

City Council Public Hearing

OPENING

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 with Councilwoman Pepper arriving at 9:48 a.m.

2. Public Discussion Period

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

- 1. Mila Yochum, 710 Bluemont Avenue, representing the Potomac Yard Civic Association, spoke about the changes to the proposed Potomac Yard Metrorail Station and how the elimination of the southern entrance would affect the surrounding neighborhoods and potential development.
- 2. Alex Howe, 650 Potomac Avenue, representing the Northern Virginia Democratic Socialists of American, spoke about his concerns with the possibility of the Amazon headquarters coming to the region. Mr. Howe noted the housing crisis in Seattle and how Amazon has exacerbated the problem.
- 3. Hristo Cioran, 5819 Merton Court, spoke about the possibility of the Amazon headquarters in the region and how the jobs offered by Amazon will be jobs before the national average. Mr. Cioran requested that there be more openness in the process and conversation with Amazon as the process continues.
- 4. Janice Grenadier, 15 West Spring Street, spoke about the injustices being committed against her by law enforcement and the judicial system.
- 5. Susan Richards, 715 Watson Street, requested that the City Manager submit his resignation in light of the recent development and changes to the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station that would eliminate the southern entrance without seeking public input about the proposed changes.
- 6. Marc Solomon, 1608 Suter Street, representing the Hopkins House Helen Day Parents Council, requested that Hunter Miller Park be made safe for children prior to summer. Mr. Solomon noted that Hopkins House began to working with the City in 2017 to fix the park with repurposed equipment. Mr. Solomon reported that cost ballooned and additional cost had to be raised by parents to fix the park. Mr. Solomon requested that parks be made safe for kids under age five as the City's density increases.
- 7. Stephen Parker, 702 West View Terrace, representing Hopkins House Preschool Academies Programs and Assessment Committee, requested the City help fix Hunter Miller Park be made safe for children under the age of five. Mr. Parker noted that the closure of the park has hindered the physical activity of the children attending the preschool.
- 8. Dino Siervo, 700 Diamond Avenue, spoke about the changes to the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station and how the elimination for southern entrance would make the station

inaccessible to the residents of the Potomac Yard and he asked that Council fight to keep the entrance as part of the project.

8. Scott Yochum, 710 Bluemont Avenue, spoke about the changes to the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station and how the elimination of the southern entrance was a disappointment to the residents of Potomac Yard. Mr. Yochum also noted that Council should be aware of the financial aspects of the projects, as construction costs change, possibly again affecting the project.

[This period is restricted to items not listed on the docket. The first 15 speakers will be heard under item #2 at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission

None.

END OF ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

3. 18-7599 Public Hearing on the Draft City Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.

City Council: (1) received the Draft FY 2019 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development, containing the City's draft application for FY 2019 funding for an estimated \$809,792 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies and \$397,627 in Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) monies; and (2) closed the public hearing.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

Planning Commission (continued)

4. <u>18-7713</u> Text Amendment #2018-0004

Residential Open Porches and Porticos

A) Initiation of a Text Amendment; and B) Public Hearing and Consideration of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend sections 2-145, 2-148.1, 2-183.2, 2-205, 2-205.1, 2-205.2, 7-202, 7-2504, and 11-1302 and to add new section 2-183.3 regarding residential open porches and porticos. Staff: City of Alexandria Department of Planning & Zoning

Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 7-0

City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

5. <u>18-7715</u> *FOR INFORMATION ONLY*

City Charter Section 9.06 Case #2018-0001

Combined Sewer Outfalls

Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for Planning Commission to review whether the proposed change of ownership from the City to Alexandria Renew of the City's four Combined Sewer Outfall structures is consistent with the City of Alexandria Master Plan. The structures are located within the City rights-of-way at (1) the intersection of North Union St/Pendleton St, (2) South Royal St at Interstate 95 overpass, (3) from intersection of King St/West St along South Peyton St to the intersection of Daingerfield St/Duke St, and (4) at the Hooff's Run channel south of Duke St; zoned: (1) WPR, (2) WPR, (3) OCH, and (4) OCM(100).

Staff: City of Alexandria Department of Transportation and Environmental Services Planning Commission Action: Approved 7-0

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

6. 18-7721

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend Section 3-2-242 (AMOUNT AND LEVY OF TAX) of Article N (TAX ON MEALS SOLD BY RESTAURANTS) of Chapter 2 (TAXATION) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend Section 3-2-242 (AMOUNT AND LEVY OF TAX) of Article N (TAX ON MEALS SOLD BY RESTAURANTS) of Chapter 2 (TAXATION) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION, AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5132)

7. 18-7722

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-1-5 of the City Code to Add One Percent of the Five Percent Tax on Restaurant Meals as a Dedication to the Affordable Housing Initiatives Account. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed and ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3-1-5 of the City Code to add one percent of the five percent tax on restaurant meals as a dedication to the Affordable Housing Initiatives. (ORD. NO. 5133)

8. 18-7712

Public Hearing, Second Reading, and Final Passage of a Resolution supporting the Underground Transmission Line Working Group (UTLWG) Recommendation on Dominion Energy's 230kV line proposals and Memorandums of Agreement related to Dominion's proposed purchase of certain real property rights related to the transmission line. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed a resolution supporting the Underground Transmission Line Working Group (UTLWG) recommendation on Dominion Energy's 230kV line proposals and memorandums of agreement related to Dominion's proposed purchase of certain real property rights related to the transmission line. (RES. NO. 2826)

9. <u>18-7717</u>

Public Hearing. Second Reading and Final Passage of an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3-2-190 (Tier II Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Tax District) in Division 1 (Real Estate) of Article M (Levy and Collection of Property Taxes) of Chapter 2 (Taxation) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION, AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3-2-190 (Tier II Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Tax District) in Division 1 (Real Estate) of Article M (Levy and Collection of Property Taxes) of Chapter 2 (Taxation) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION, AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5134)

10. <u>18-7578</u>

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-117 (FUNCTIONS) of Article P (ALEXANDRIA COMMISSION ON HIV/AIDS) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-117 (FUNCTIONS) of Article P (ALEXANDRIA COMMISSION ON HIV/AIDS) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5135)

11. 18-7627

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage 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 the Old Town North chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2017-0007 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment (Implementation Ordinance for the Master Plan Amendment associated with Crowne Plaza Redevelopment approved by City Council on April 14, 2018). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed 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 the Old Town North chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2017-0007 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment. (ORD. NO. 5136)

12. 18-7629

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 055.01 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 properties at 901 and 901 A North Fairfax Street from OCM(50) to CRMU-X in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city

council as Rezoning No. 2017-0004 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning associated with Crowne Plaza Redevelopment approved by City Council on April 14, 2018).[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 055.01 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 properties at 901 and 901A North Fairfax Street from OCM(50) to CRMU-X in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2017-0004. (ORD. NO. 5137)

13. 18-7658

Public Hearing, Second Reading, and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," Adopted by Section 1-300 (Official Zoning Map And District Boundaries), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, to Establish the Old Town North Arts and Cultural District Overlay, and to Amend and Reordain Article VI (Special and Overlay Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance to Add a New Section 6-900 (Old Town North Arts And Cultural District Overlay), in Accordance with the said Zoning Map and Text Amendments heretofore Approved by City Council as Rezoning No. 2018-0001 and Text Amendment No. 2018-0002. (Implementation Ordinance for the Rezoning and Text Amendment Creating the Old Town North Arts and Cultural District Approved by City Council on April 14, 2018) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend and reordain the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (Official Zoning Map and District Boundaries), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, to establish the Old Town North Arts and Cultural District Overlay, and to amend and reordain Article VI (Special and Overlay Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance to add a new Section 6-900 (Old Town North Arts and Cultural District Overlay), in accordance with the said Zoning Mad and Text Amendments heretofore approved by City Council as Rezoning No. 2018-0001 and Text Amendment No. 2018-0002. (ORD. NO. 5138)

14. 18-7718

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance Authorizing and Empowering the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of General Obligation Bonds to Finance Various Capital Projects. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance authorizing and empowering the issuance, sale, and delivery of General Obligation Bonds to finance various capital projects. (ORD. NO. 5139)

15. 18-7723

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend Article F (PERMIT PARKING DISTRICTS), Chapter 8 (PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend Article F (PERMIT PARKING DISTRICTS), Chapter 8 (PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5140)

16. 18-7724

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 3-2-142 (LEVY AND RATE) of Article K (TRANSIENT LODGING TAX) of Chapter 2 (TAXATION) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 3-2-142 (LEVY AND RATE) of Article K (TRANSIENT LODGING TAX) of Chapter 2 (TAXATION) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION, AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5141)

17. <u>18-7719</u>

Public Hearing of AN ORDINANCE to enact Section 3-2-55 (ELECTRONIC SUMMONS SYSTEM FEE FOR PERSONS CONVICTED IN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT OR CIRCUIT COURT) of Article E (ASSESSMENT OF COURT COSTS AND FEES) of Chapter 2 (TAXATION) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION, AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

City Council closed the public hearing and scheduled the ordinance for second reading and final passage on May 22, 2018.

18. 18-7587

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-190 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article X (ALEXANDRIA BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-190 (CREATION, COMPOSITION, AND ORGANIZATION) of Artile X (ALEXANDIA BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 5142)

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

DEFERRAL/WITHDRAWAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission (continued)

None.

City Council convened in closed executive session at 2:03 p.m. to discuss the use or investment of public resources where bargaining is involved where, if made public, the financial interests of the City would be adversely affected, specifically, the negotiation

and acquisition of components of a specific transportation infrastructure project; pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(6)of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened in open session at 3:27 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to executive session. (RES. NO. 2827)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:29 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.