

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

1. Calling the Roll.

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

2. Executive Session[19-1947](#)

6:00 p.m - Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved and discussion with legal counsel and staff pertaining to actual or probable litigation.

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:02 p.m., to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the City Council would be adversely affected, and to consult with legal counsel regarding actual or probable litigation where such consultation in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiation or litigating posture of the City Council, specifically, an economic development incentive to recruit a new business and the processing of a certain transportation infrastructure project, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6) and (7) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened in open session at 7:13 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 2871)

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:[19-1935](#)

The Budget Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2019;
The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2019;
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2019; and
The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2019.

City Council approved the minutes for the following meetings of City Council: the budget public hearing meeting minutes of March 11, 2019; the regular meeting minutes of March 12, 2019; the public hearing meeting minutes of March 16, 2019; and the regular meeting minutes of March 26, 2019.

PROCLAMATIONS**5. [19-1932](#)**

Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing Take Our Daughters/Sons to Work Day.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. [19-1933](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring April 27, 2019 as Alexandria Earth Day and Arbor Day.
City Council endorsed the proclamation.
7. [19-1934](#) Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing April as National Poetry Month.
City Council endorse the proclamation.
8. [19-1648](#) Discussion with Alexandria's Delegation to the General Assembly.
City Council held a discussion with Alexandria's delegation to the General Assembly on the most recent session.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

***Northern Virginia Regional Commission (Councilman Chapman)**

***Patrick Henry Advisory Board Update (Councilwoman Pepper)**

***Census 2020 Complete Count Committee (Councilman Aguirre)**

***Local Emergency Planning Committee (Councilman Aguirre and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

***Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilman Aguirre and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

***Quality of Life Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilwoman Jackson)**

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks reported that the Spring2Action day would be tomorrow on April 10 and they would be working for 24 hours to raise funds for nonprofits in the City of Alexandria.

City Manager Jinks congratulated the Alexandria chapter of the National Forum of Black Public Administrators were named 2018 Small Chapter of the Year at the recent annual forum in Orlando.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (9-23)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

9. [19-1936](#) Receipt of the following resignations from Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
Sarah Greiner
 - (b) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
Mary Parker
 - (c) Community Criminal Justice Board
Mark Cattell

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

10. [19-1937](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria Transportation Commission
1 Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors Member, nominated by the Board
 - (b) Commission on Employment
1 Business representative from among recognized area businesses including minority-owned and small businesses
 - (c) Commission on HIV/AIDS
1 Commission for Women representative
 - (d) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
1 Citizen Member
 - (e) Community Criminal Justice Board
1 Citizen Member
 - (f) Community Services Board
2 Citizen Members
 - (g) Economic Opportunities Commission
1 representative of business industry, labor, religious, welfare or other private groups and interests certified by the Commission
 - (h) Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission

1 Citizen Member

(i) Sister Cities Commission

1 Citizen Member

(j) Urban Design Advisory Committee

1 Representative of Old Town North Business Community

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

11. [19-1547](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending February 28, 2019
12. [19-1761](#) Consideration of a Short-Term License Agreement between the City of Alexandria and the Tall Ship Providence Foundation to Dock and Conduct Business Operations Temporarily in the Alexandria City Marina.
13. [19-1836](#) Consideration of the Creation of a Restricted Overnight Parking District on Certain Blocks in the Seminary West Neighborhood.
14. [19-1889](#) Introduction of the Draft City Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development and Request for Public Hearing.
15. [19-1908](#) Consideration of the Submission of a Non-Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Litter Prevention and Recycling Program for Funding of the Adopt-A-Park Litter Control Program.
16. [19-1918](#) Consideration of approval for the Office of Historic Alexandria to apply for a Virginia Humanities grant in the amount of \$10,000.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

17. [19-1927](#) Introduction and First Reading. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to repeal Article R (LICENSE TAXES ON MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS AND SEMITRAILERS), Sections 3-2-321 through 3-2-350, of Chapter 2 (TAXATION) of Title 3 (FINANCE, TAXATION AND PROCUREMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.
18. [19-1891](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance authorizing the Owner and Tenant of the property located at 600 Montgomery Street to construct and maintain an encroachment for outdoor seating at a restaurant at that location (Implementation Ordinance for Encroachment No. 2018-0012 associated with 600 Montgomery Street approved by City Council on March 16, 2019).

19. [19-1893](#) 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 the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2018-0006 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment. (Implementation Ordinance for Master Plan Amendment No. 2018-0006 associated with Public Storage/BoatsUS approved by City Council on March 16, 2019).
20. [19-1897](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-602 (COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS CREATED, CONSISTENCY WITH MASTER PLAN, REQUIRED APPROVALS) of Article V (MIXED USE ZONES) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2018-0012 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2018-0012 associated with Public Storage/Boats US approved by City Council on March 16, 2019).
21. [19-1899](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 12-101 (TERMS DEFINED) of Article XII (NONCOMPLIANCE AND NONCONFORMITY) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2019-0001 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2019-0001 entitled Commercial to Residential Reversions approved by City Council on March 16, 2019).
22. [19-1895](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 067.03 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 properties at 880 and 890 South Pickett Street and 620 Burnside Place from, I/Industrial zone to CDD No. 26 in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2018-0005 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2018-0005 associated with Public Storage/BoatsUS approved by City Council on March 16, 2019).
23. [19-1909](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Article F (Permit Parking Districts) of Chapter 8 (Parking and Traffic Regulations) of Title 5 (Transportation and Environmental Services) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by amending Section 5-8-82 (Restricted Overnight Parking Districts) and Section 5-8-83 (Restricted Daytime Parking District)

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket item #13, which was considered under separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

9. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Sarah Greiner, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) Mary Parker, Commission Persons with Disabilities; and (c) Mark Cattell, Community Criminal Justice Board.

10. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions, and committees: (a) reappointed Stephen Klejst as the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors member, nominated by the Board to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (b) appointed LaJuanna Russell as the business representative from among recognized area businesses including minority-owned and small businesses to the Commission on Employment; (c) appointed Julie Harbour as the Commission for Women representative to the Commission on HIV/AIDS; (d) appointed Ignace Badou as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (e) appointed Patricia Green as the citizen member to the Community Criminal Justice Board; (f) appointe Elizabeth Brandi Adair Rosebrock and reappointed Judith Hefner as the two citizen members to the Community Services Board; (g) reappointed Hope Nelson as the representative of business industry, labor, religious, welfare or other private groups and interests certified by the Commission to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (h) appointed Lauren Waldron as the citizen member to the Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission; (i) reappointed Leslie Tourigny as the citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee; and (j) reappointed Engin Artemel as the representative of the Old Town North business community to the Urban Design Advisory Committee.

11. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

12. City Council: (1) received the report recommending a one-year license agreement with the Tall Ship Providence Foundation for docking the Tall Ship Providence and conducting business operations from the G/H Pier in the Alexandria City Marina; and (2) scheduled the proposed one-year license agreement for pubic hearing on Saturday, April 13, 2019.

13. City Council approved a restricted overnight parking district in the Seminary West neighborhood on the blocks discussed below, which would be in effect from midnight to 6 a.m., seven days a week. (separate motion)

14. City Council: (1) received the Draft FY2020 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development, containing the City's draft application for FY 2020 funding for an estimated \$941,853 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies and \$536,873 in Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) monies; and (2) scheduled the Plan for public hearing and consideration on Saturday, April 13, 2019.

15. City Council: (1) approved a non-competitive grant application, due June 30, 2019, to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Litter Prevention and Recycling Program, for funding in the approximate amount of \$23,040 for the Adopt-a-Park Litter Control Program (the exact amount to be determined by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality by September 30, 2019; (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required; and (3) thanked all the organizations participating in this program for their support and efforts to improve the

appearance of the City parks and, thereby, experience of the residents visiting these parks.

16. City Council: (1) approved the submission of a grant application for \$10,000 to Virginia Humanities, which is due on April 15, 2019; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

17. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing and second reading on Saturday, April 13, 2019. Final passage will occur on May 1, 2019 with the adoption of the FY 2020 budget.

18. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, April 13, 2019.

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ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (24-25)

24. [19-1928](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 81 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

25. [19-1929](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 130 of the City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approvals were as follows:

24. *City Council approved an ordinance to adopt Supplement 81 of the Zoning Ordinance. (ORD. NO. 5216)*

25. *City Council approved an ordinance to adopt Supplement 130 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 5217)*

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

26. [19-1954](#) Commission for the Arts
1 Member for a member who has specific expertise in visual arts either as

professional practitioner of visual art, curator of visual art, or as a professional art administrator currently working in the field

City Council reappointed Allison Nance as the member with expertise in visual arts either as a profession practitioner of visual art, curator of visual art, or as a professional arts administrator currently working in the field to the Commission for the Arts.

27. [19-1952](#)

Human Rights Commission
1 Citizen at-large member

City Council reappointed Francisco Duran as the citizen at-large member to the Human Rights Commission.

28. [19-1950](#)

Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee
1 Member with urban design or architectural experience representing the National Park Service

City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Peter May as the member with urban design or architectural experience representing the National Park Service to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee.

29. [19-1951](#)

Redevelopment and Housing Authority
1 representative who is a resident of public housing administered by the Alexandria Housing and Redevelopment Authority without regard to selection by the Resident Council

City Council appointed Kevin Harris as the representative who is a resident of public housing administered by the Alexandria Housing and Redevelopment Authority without regard to selection by the Resident Council to Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

30. [19-1953](#)

Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Representative of the Old Town North residential community

City Council appointed Katherin Bingler as the resident representing the Old Town North residential community to the Urban Design Advisory Committee.

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

31. [19-1799](#)

Virginia American Water Company Rate Case (PUE-2018-00175).

City Council: (1) indicated to the State Corporation Commission (SCC) the City's opposition to Virginia American Water Company's (VAWC) proposed 15.84% overall increase in revenue requirement over a 3-year period and resulting rate increases, including the proposed 10.8% Rate of Return on Common Equity; (2) advocated for a more gradual introduction of consolidated revenue requirements and application of single tariff across all districts to lessen the sharp increase in rates proposed to be borne by customers in the Alexandria District; (3) asked staff to continue to investigate the benefits and trade-off of selling the City's fire hydrants to VAWC; and (4) opposed VAWC's proposal to establish the Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Service Charge (WWISC) as a permanent program until the authorized pilot is complete and undergoes thorough and thoughtful cost and benefit evaluation by the

SCC.

32. [19-1290](#) Consideration of a Proposed Joint City and Alexandria Redevelopment Housing Authority Resolution to Modernize and Replace Resolution 830 (Public Hearing).
- City Council received the joint City and Alexandria Redevelopment Housing Authority (ARHA) resolution to modernize and replace Resolution 830 and schedule the resolution for public hearing on Saturday, April 13, 2019.*
33. [19-1931](#) Work Session with Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.
- City Council held the work session with the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.*

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

34. [19-1791](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Temporarily Modify Hours and High Occupancy Vehicle Restrictions for Commuter Lanes along Washington Street, East Abingdon Road and West Abingdon Road. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted a resolution to temporarily change restrictions and hours, which will revert to normal operations after the Metrorail Platform Improvement Project. The following changes will be in place from May 20 to no later than September 20, 2019:*
- 1. Change Washington Street HOV lanes from HOV 2 to HOV 3.*
 - 2. Extend northbound Washington Street HOV lane hours to 6 am to 10 am from the current 7 am to 9 am.*
 - 3. Extend southbound Washington Street HOV lane hours to 3 pm to 7 pm from the current 4 pm to 6 pm.*
 - 4. Change East and West Abingdon Drive high occupancy vehicle lanes from HOV 2 to HOV 3.*
 - 5. Extend northbound East Abingdon Drive HOV lane hours to 6 am to 10 am from the current 7 am to 9 am.*
 - 6. Extend southbound West Abingdon Drive HOV lane hours to 3 pm to 7 pm from the current 4 pm to 6 pm. (RES. NO. 2872)*

ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Councilwoman Jackson reported that she and Councilman Aguirre attended the Offender and Restoration (OAR) Breakfast this morning.*
- 2. Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the Centers for Alexandria's Children event held last Thursday here in the City.*
- 3. Councilwoman Jackson noted that Spring2Action would be held tomorrow and encouraged everyone to contribute to their favorite charities in the City.*
- 4. Councilman Aguirre reported that he and many of the members of City Council attended the Chamber of Commerce Legislative Breakfast last week.*

5. Councilman Aguirre reported that the State Complete Count Committee held a roundtable discussion at the Northern Virginia Community College on April 1, with conversations about the upcoming U.S. Census with representatives from the Governor's Office and other state representatives.

6. Councilman Aguirre reported that the Brookings Institute had a census kickoff meeting on April 1 with policy experts and he would be distributing information to members of Council from the meeting.

7. Councilman Aguirre reported that Kaiser had a grand opening at the National Institute for the Blind (NIB) building in Potomac Yard on April 1. Councilman Aguirre noted that Mayor Wilson and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker were present for the opening as well.

8. Councilman Aguirre stated that the Schools held a meeting at Patrick Henry Elementary School to discuss the use of the old school as swing space for Douglas MacArthur.

9. Councilman Aguirre reported that there are two more opportunities to receive free tax services at 2525 Mount Vernon Avenue on Wednesday, 6pm -8 pm and Saturday, 9am -12 Noon.

10. Councilman Chapman reported that he attended St. Stephens and St. Agnes' First Annual Social Entrepreneurship Summit last Friday and he noted that more than 80 business owners worked with students from around the area and help students work with their entrepreneurial ideas and see how they could positively effect the community.

11. Councilman Seifeldein reported that he would be introducing a resolution at the next meeting regarding the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposal to revise the definition of waters of the United States and was seeking support from his colleagues for the resolution.

12. Councilman Seifeldein stated that many of the City's residents from Sudan are concerned about the revolution in the country and he noted that the peaceful protests are being met with violent opposition and many are dying. Councilman Seifeldein stated that he supports the people in Sudan and their human rights during this time.

35. [19-1911](#)

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the updated City Council schedule which included: the Commission on Aging - Excellence in Aging Awards Ceremony which is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2019 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., in the Vola Lawson Lobby; a Joint City Council/ACPS Work Session which is scheduled for Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7 p.m.. The location will be determined at a later date; the Alexandria Commissions on Persons with Disabilities Awards Ceremony on Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers; and (2) approved the City Council schedule for April 2019 to June 2019.

OTHER

Closed Meeting (if needed)

36. [19-1955](#)

Consideration of a closed executive session for consultation with legal counsel regarding actual or probable litigation and to discuss the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved.

This meeting was not needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 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.