

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, June 11, 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, with Councilman Aguirre, Councilman Chapman, and Councilman Seifeldein arriving during the closed executive session.

2. Closed Meeting.

[19-2164](#)

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a closed meeting to discuss a personnel matter and for consultation with legal counsel regarding actual or probable litigation about a specific legal matter.

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:08 p.m. to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding actual or probable litigation where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body and personnel matters; specifically, lawsuits filed against the City involving employment matters and the performance of the three public appointees of the City Council; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(1) and (7) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened in open session at 7:28 p.m.

City Council adopted a resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 2888)

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:

[19-2163](#)

The Regular Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2019; and
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes May 18, 2019.

City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of May 14, 2019 and the public hearing meeting minutes of May 18, 2019.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. [19-2166](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. [19-2167](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing June as LGBTQ Pride Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

7. **Report on Federal Issues by U.S. Senator Mark Warner. (postponed until date TBD)**

[19-2118](#)

Report on Federal Issues by U.S. Senator Mark Warner.

The report was postponed until a date and time to be determined.

**ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS,
COMMISSION AND COMMITTEES**

***COG Board of Directors (Mayor Wilson)**

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

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

***Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP) (Councilman Aguirre and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

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

***Boards and Commissions Review Committee (Councilman Aguirre and Councilman Chapman)**

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

***Update on Patrick Henry/MacArthur Site (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilwoman Jackson)**

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (8-20)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

8. [19-2169](#)

Receipt of the following resignations from Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee

Dan Brendel

- (b) Commission for Women
Monika Jones Chapman
Renee DiPilato
- (c) Commission on HIV/AIDS
Dana Hines
- (d) Community Policy and Management Team
Kendel Taylor
- (e) Environmental Policy Commission
Elisabeth Bradley
- (f) Human Rights Commission
Monika Jones Chapman
- (g) Industrial Development Authority
Lynn Hampton
- (h) Public Health Advisory Commission
Ann Harbour

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

9. [19-2195](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force
1 Member from and representing a community organization with specific outreach to the Latino community
 - (b) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Commission
1 Financial Professional with knowledge and experience in the field of finance
1 Representative of an organization that promotes and maintains affordable housing
1 Residential tenant representative
 - (c) Alexandria Transportation Commission
1 Planning Commission representative
 - (d) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Citizen member

- (e) Beautification Commission
1 Citizen Member
- (f) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission
1 Community Member with experience as a parent, guardian, teacher, and/or expertise in early childhood, youth, or general education policy
- (g) Community Policy Management Team
1 City Manager's Designee
- (h) Emergency Medical Services Council
Alexandria's Operational Medical Director
- (i) Environmental Policy Commission
1 Member from the Alexandria business community
- (j) Local Emergency Planning Committee
1 Representative of broadcast or print media
- (k) Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Physician practicing in the City, nominated by the Medical Society of Northern Virginia
- (l) Public Records Advisory Commission
1 Citizen member
- (m) Social Services Advisory Board
1 Citizen member
- (n) Towing Advisory Board
1 Member representing licensed towing and recovery operators doing business in the City of Alexandria
- (o) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors
1 Restaurant Owner/Manager
1 Member at-Large
1 Hotel owner/manager
2 Representatives from one of the following sectors: hotel, retail, restaurant, or association
1 National/International Association representative

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)**10.** [19-1552](#)

Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending April 30,

2019.

11. [19-2045](#) Consideration of a Loan of \$450,000 to Sheltered Homes of Alexandria as Part of a Funding Package to Refinance, Renovate and Preserve Bellefonte Apartments as Affordable Housing
12. [19-2046](#) Consideration of a Loan of \$145,000 to Friends of Guest Housing to Partially Fund Renovation of 120 S. Payne Street for Expanded Residential Program
13. [19-2097](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the 2019 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) for Emergency Response Equipment.
14. [19-2117](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Housing Development Authority to Fund Consultant, Study and Outreach Costs Related to Development of Housing Affordability and Business Revitalization Strategies Pursuant to the FY 2020 Mount Vernon Avenue Plan Update
15. [19-2128](#) Consideration of Acceptance and Allocation of \$30,000 from the Governor's Agriculture and Forestry Development Fund.
16. [19-2168](#) Receipt of the Viewers' Report for Vacation of the public right-of-way at 100 East Luray Avenue.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

17. [19-1551](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Make Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for Fiscal Year 2020.
18. [19-1553](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of a Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance for the Support of the City Government for FY 2019.
19. [19-1985](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to vacate a portion of the public right-of-way west of the property at 100 East Luray Avenue, adjacent to the property at 100 East Luray Avenue (VAC No. 2019-0001) (Implementation Ordinance for Vacation No. 2019-0001 associated with 100 East Luray Avenue approved by City Council on April 13, 2019).
20. [19-2014](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Restructuring the Quality of Life Committee and Changing the Name to the Health and Safety Coordinating Committee.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket items 17 and 20, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's approval was as follows:

8. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Dan Brendel, Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (b) Monika Jones Chapman and Renee DiPilato, Commission for Women; (c) Dana Hines, Commission on HIV/AIDS; (d) Kendel Taylor, Community Policy and Management Team; (e) Elisabeth Bradley, Environmental Policy Commission; (f) Monika Jones Chapman, Human Rights Commission; (g) Lynn Hampton, Industrial Development Authority; and (h) Ann Harbour, Public Health Advisory Commission.

9. City Council appointed the following persons to boards, commissions, and committees: (a) reappointed Eugene Diefenbach as the member from and representing a community organization with specific outreach to the Latino community to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (b) reappointed Michael Butler as the financial professional with knowledge and experience in the field of finance, waived the residency requirement and reappointed Katharine Dixon as the representative of an organization that promotes and maintains affordable housing, and reappointed Paul Zurawski as the residential tenant representative to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee; (c) appointed John Goebel as the Planning Commission representative to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (d) reappointed Donna Fossum as the citizen member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee; (e) reappointed Denise Tennant as the citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (f) appointed Christina Sherlock as the community member with experience as a parent, guardian, teacher, and/or expertise in early childhood, youth, or general education policy to the Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission; (g) appointed Meghan McGrane as the City Manager's designee to the Community Policy and Management Team; (h) appointed Jennifer Gillyard as the representative for Councilman Chapman to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (i) reappointed Joseph Marfori as Alexandria's operational medical director to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (j) appointed Humza Arshad as the member from the Alexandria business community to Environmental Policy Commission; (k) reappointed Michael Pope as the representative of broadcast or print media to the Local Emergency Planning Committee; (l) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Michael Trahos as the physician practicing in the City, nominated by the Medical Society of Northern Virginia to the Public Health Advisory Commission; (m) reappointed Richard Brune as the citizen member to the Public Record Advisory Commission; (n) appointed James Crawford as the citizen member to the Social Services Advisory Board; (o) reappointed Dwight Gouchenour as the member representing licensed towing and recovery operators doing business in the City of Alexandria to the Towing Advisory Board; and reappointed Annee Gillett as the restaurant owner/manager member, reappointed Karen Kotowski as the member-at-large, appointed Nicole McGrew as the representative from one of the following sectors: hotel, retail, restaurant, or association, appointed Michael Nelson as the hotel/owner manager, and reappointed Larry Ponzi as the representative from one of the following sectors: hotel, retail, restaurant, or association to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors.

10. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

11. City Council: (1) approved a loan of \$450,000 from the Housing Opportunities Fund, including Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies, to Sheltered Homes of Alexandria (SHA) for renovation of Bellefonte Apartments as part of its long-term preservation as affordable housing; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute related documents.
12. City Council: (1) approved a loan of \$145,000 from the Housing Trust Fund to help Friends of Guest House complete its renovation of 120 S. Payne Street for an expanded residential program; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute related documents.
13. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of a grant application for \$80,000; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.
14. City Council: (1) approved submission of a \$175,000 grant application to the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) for certain costs related to the upcoming Mount Vernon Avenue Plan Update; and (2) authorized the City Manager to sign a letter in support of the application and execute all documents necessary to apply for and receive the grant.
15. City Council authorized the City Manager to: (1) Sign a Performance Agreement between the City of Alexandria, the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (AEDP), and Virginia Ciderwords Company, LLC dba Lost Boy Cider (LBC) that outlines the disbursement and management terms and conditions of the Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development (AFID) grant and the Alexandria Investment Fund (AIF) grant, on behalf of the Alexandria City Council; (2) accept a \$30,000 grant from the AFID Fund that will be transferred to AEDP and then to Lost Boy Cider, subject to the terms and conditions of the Performance Agreement among the City of Alexandria, the AEDP, and LBC; (3) approve a \$30,000 Alexandria Investment Fund Match to the State AFID \$30,000 grant; and (4) allocate the \$30,000 received from the AFID Fund for inducing the company to locate and initiate operations in Alexandria, invest \$668,800, and create 5 new jobs and 2 full-time equivalents (FTEs), subject to the terms and conditions of the Performance Agreement among the City of Alexandria, the AEDP, and the Lost Boy Cider.
16. City Council received the viewers' report for the vacation of the public right-of-way at 100 East Luray Avenue.
17. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on Saturday, June 22, 2019. (separate motion)
18. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on Saturday, June 22, 2019.
19. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on Saturday, June 22, 2019.
20. City Council tabled the ordinance and passed a resolution restructuring the Quality of Life Committee and changing the name to the Health and Safety Coordinating Committee. (RES. NO. 2891) (separate motion)

ROLL CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (21)

21. [19-2027](#) Consideration of a Resolution Agreeing to Change the Name of the City/INOVA Alexandria Hospital Task Force to Alexandria Health System Partners.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted a resolution agreeing to change the name of the City/INOVA Alexandria Hospital Task Force to Alexandria Health System Partners. (RES. NO. 2889)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

22. [19-2187](#) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Gabrielle Friedman as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee.
23. [19-2191](#) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council reappointed Jesse O'Connell as the citizen member to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee.
24. [19-2189](#) Carlyle/Eisenhower East Design Review Board
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Alan Lynch as the citizen member to Carlyle/Eisenhower East Design Review Board.
25. [19-2190](#) Commission for Women
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Jodie Rubenstein as the citizen member to the Commission for Women.
26. [19-2193](#) Environmental Policy Commission
1 Citizen Member-at-Large
City Council reappointed Eldon Boes as the citizen member-at-large to the Environmental Policy Commission.
27. [19-2188](#) Real Estate Assessments Review Board
2 Citizen Members appointed by Council
City Council reappointed Janet Coldsmith and Stephen Kindrick as the two citizen members appointed by Council to the Real Estate Assessments Review Board.
28. [19-2194](#) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors
1 At-Large Representative
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Denise Jackson as the at-large representative to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors.

29. [19-2192](#) Waterfront Commission
1 Representative from the pleasure boat lease holders at Alexandria Marina
City Council appointed Douglas Gosnell as the representative from the pleasure boat lease holders at Alexandria Marina to the Waterfront Commission.

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

30. [19-2110](#) Consideration of the Environmental Action Plan (EAP) 2040.
City Council: (1) received the proposed Environmental Action Plan (EAP) 2040, docketed it for public hearing on Saturday, June 22, 2019, and final adoption on July 9, 2019; and (2) authorized the City Manager to administratively revise the Council adopted EAP document to incorporate any future City Council actions on open space and green building policies.
31. [19-2012](#) Alexandria Commission for Women Work Session
City Council held the worksession with the Commission for Women and thanked them for their volunteer service.
32. [19-2044](#) Consideration of a Loan of \$1.8 Million to AHDC to Acquire and Preserve the Ellsworth Apartments as Affordable Housing.
City Council: (1) approved a loan of \$1.8 million from FY 2020 CIP funds for Alexandria Housing Development Corporation to acquire, renovate, and preserve the Ellsworth Apartments as committed affordable housing; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute documents related to the financing.
33. [19-2112](#) Discussion on Council Meetings on the Road/Special Hearings with Associated Topics
City Council requested the staff return with a suggested list of meetings and facilities for Council to hold away from City Hall.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Councilman Seifeldein pointed out that in 2015 City Council supported the definition of the Clean Water Rules of the United States and he noted that the current administration is proposing to curb the definition of clean water to a narrower definition. Councilman Seifeldein introduction a resolution to concur that the 2015 City Council acceptance of the definition and to urge agencies to preserve the broader definition. City Council adopted the resolution as proposed by Councilman Seifeldein to preserve the Clean Water Rules. (RES. NO. 2890)*
- 2. Councilman Chapman reported that he would give a more detailed report at the next legislative meeting about his recent trip to Germany with NVRC and provide more information to his colleagues about opportunities in innovation and environmental sustainability.*
- 3. Councilman Chapman reported that he would like to expand the offerings of the City Academy to give participants the opportunity to explore the regional partnerships and*

he requested that the City Manager work with his staff to identify the potential partnerships to participate in this expansion and to note what the constraints on City staff and budget will be.

4. Councilman Aguirre reported that there was a ceremony on June 1 to honor D-Day and the veterans from that battle.

5. Councilman Aguirre reported that on June 1 the Touch a Truck event was held at William Ramsey Elementary School and many participated in the event.

6. Councilman Aguirre reported that on June 1, Alexandria Pride was held at the Beatley Library for the second year.

7. Councilman Aguirre thanked ARHA and the Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities Department for holding 10th Annual Youth Arts Festival at the Mount Vernon Community Center.

8. Councilman Aguirre thanked everyone who participated in the Primary Election that was held today.

[19-2219](#)

Oral Report Resolution

OTHER

34. [19-2152](#)

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council changed the start time for the July 9, 2019 Public Hearing meeting to 5:30 p.m. and received and approved both the June 2019 City Council schedule and the July 2019 through June 2020 City Council schedule.

Closed Meeting (If needed)

35. [19-2165](#)

Consideration of a closed meeting to discuss a personnel matter and for consultation with legal counsel regarding actual or probable litigation about a specific legal matter.

This meeting was not needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 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.

