

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, November 12, 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 members of Council were present, with Councilwoman Jackson and Councilwoman Pepper joining the meeting during the closed Executive Session.

2. Closed Meeting.

[20-0297](#)

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a closed Executive Session to discuss actual or probable litigation and the acquisition of property for public use.

City Council convened in closed Executive Session at 6:05 p.m., to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body and to discuss actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; specifically, the purchase of a historic property on the east end of the City and the purchase of vacant industrial land on the west end of the city for use as expanded city facilities, and discussion about ongoing litigation regarding the opioid crisis, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(3) and (7) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened in open session at 7:09 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 2910)

3. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

City Council observed a moment of silence and recited the Pledge of Allegiance, led by two youth audience members, Marcus and Ian.

4. Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meetings of City Council:

[20-0307](#)

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2019; and
The Regular Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2019.

City Council approved the minutes for the following meetings: the public hearing meeting minutes of September 14, 2019 and the regular meeting minutes of October 2, 2019.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. [20-0294](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation to Stephanie Lasure for Running Every Street in Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. [20-0295](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing the 50th Anniversary of ALIVE!

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

7. [20-0296](#) Recognition of the Graduates of the City Academy.

City Council recognized the graduates of the City Academy.

**ORAL REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ON BOARDS,
COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

***Patrick Henry/Douglas McArthur Community Swing Space Meeting
(Councilwoman Jackson and Councilwoman Pepper)**

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

***Audit Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Seifeldein)**

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

*City Manager Jinks gave an update on the Employee Wellness program and noted that
over 1100 employees are actively engaged in the program since its inception.*

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (8-22)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

8. [20-0300](#) Receipt of the Following Resignations for Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Archaeological Commission/Historic Alexandria Resources
Commission

Elizabeth McCall

(b) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission

Stephen Parker

(c) Park and Recreation Commission

Abby Froemming

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

9. [20-0306](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
2 Citizen Members
 - (b) Beautification Commission
2 Citizen Members
 - (c) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Citizen Member
 - (d) Children, Youth and Families Collaboration Commission
1 High School Student
 - (e) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
1 Citizen Member
 - (f) Community Services Board
1 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 principal caregiver who is not paid) of a consumer
 - (g) Economic Opportunities Commission
1 Representative for Councilwoman Pepper
 - (h) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
1 Citizen Member that is a Veteran
 - (i) Human Rights Commission
1 Landlord- Tenant Relations Board Representative
 - (j) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board
1 Tenant Member
 - (k) Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Representative from the INOVA Alexandria Hospital
 - (l) Sister Cities Committee
1 Citizen Member

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

10. [20-0224](#) Consideration of a Five-Year License Agreement with Teleport Communications America, Inc. (“Teleport”), to Authorize Existing Telecommunications Facilities and to Authorize the Installation of Conduits and Fiber Optic Cables in the City of Alexandria’s Public Rights of Ways but not for Cable Television.
11. [20-0205](#) Consideration of a Five-Year License Agreement with Crown Castle Fiber LLC., to Authorize Existing Telecommunications Facilities and to Authorize the Installation of Conduits and Fiber Optic Cables in the City of Alexandria’s Public Rights of Ways but not for Cable Television.
12. [20-0222](#) Consideration of Approval for the Department of Community and Human Services to Utilize State Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Funding to Support the Delivery of Opioid Treatment.
13. [20-0073](#) Consideration of a Recommendation to extend the waiver from the Special Events Policy to allow for programs and events on consecutive weekends at Waterfront Park in support of the City’s King Street Corridor Initiative.
14. [20-0217](#) Consideration and Approval to Waive Fees for the Docking of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) New Flagship Research Vessel the R/V Virginia in the City Marina.
15. [20-0202](#) Consideration of the FY 2026 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Project Funding Request.
16. [20-0177](#) Consideration of Submitting Public Comments to the State Corporation Commission in Case PUR-2019-00094 (Rider TRG).
17. [19-2327](#) Consideration of Authorization to Advertise Delinquent Tax Listings Greater Than \$1,000, Write off Balance of Less Than Twenty Dollars and Destroy Records as Required by State Law.
18. [20-0050](#) Consideration of Appointment of the Medic/Fire Marshal Representative and Alternate to the City of Alexandria’s Supplemental Retirement Board.
19. [19-2325](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2019
20. [19-2305](#) Consideration of Receipt of Fiscal Year 2020 First Quarter Capital Projects Status Report Related to City Council Approved Capital Projects.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

21. [19-2328](#) 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 2020.

22. [20-0259](#)

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-113.1 (ARBOR), Section 2-113.2 (ARCHITECTURAL FEATURE), Section 2-113.3 (ATTIC), Section 2-183 (PERGOLA), Section 2-183.1 (PERSONAL SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT), Section 2-183.2 (PLAT), Section 2-183.3 (PORCH), and Section 2-183.4 (PORTICO) of Article II (DEFINITIONS); Section 7-202 (PERMITTED OBSTRUCTIONS), Section 7-801 (VISION CLEARANCE REQUIRED), Section 7-902 (SETBACK REQUIREMENTS), and Section 7-1702 (FENCES IN SECONDARY FRONT YARDS) of Article VII (SUPPLEMENTAL ZONE REGULATIONS) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2019-0006 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2019-0006 associated with Fences on Corner lots, Fences with Zone Transition, Height of Accessory Structures in Required Yards, and Sheds and Other Small Accessory Buildings in the Historic District approved by City Council on October 19, 2019).

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

8. *City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Elizabeth McCall, Alexandria Archaeological Commission and Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (b) Stephen Parker, Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission; and (c) Abby Froemming, Park and Recreation Commission.*

9. *City Council appointed the following persons to boards, commissions, and committees: (a) reappointed Henry Brooks and appointed Brian Stephens as the citizen members to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) reappointed Kathryn Chiasson and appointed Christopher Petersen as the two citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (c) reappointed Carolyn Griglione as the citizen member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee; (d) appointed Maile Organeck as the high school student to the Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission; (e) appointed Alex Sprague as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (f) reappointed Brad Bertinot 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 a consumer to the Community Services Board; (g) reappointed Geoffrey Caldwell as the representative for Councilwoman Pepper to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (h) reappointed Sean Marvin as the citizen member that is a veteran to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (i) appointed Paul Howe as the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board representative to the Human Rights Commission; (j) reappointed Jeanette Shepherd as the tenant member to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (k) appointed Elaine McSorley-Gerard as the representative from the Alexandria City School Board and appointed Melissa Riddy as the representative from the INOVA Alexandria Hospital to the Public Health Advisory Commission; and (l) reappointed Eric*

Compton as the citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee.

10. *City Council scheduled a public hearing on Saturday, November 16, 2019.*

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12. *City Council: (1) approved the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) Community Services Board's (CSB) receipt of \$100,000 in new State funds to increase staffing to manage the City's Opioid Treatment Program; (2) approved the addition of a position (1.0 FTE) fully supported by grant revenues; and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.*

13. *City Council: (1) received the recommendation to extend to December 31, 2020 the waiver from the Special Events Policy to allow for programs and events on consecutive weekends at Waterfront Park in support of the City's King Street Corridor Initiative; and (2) scheduled a public hearing for Saturday, November 16, 2019.*

14. *City Council approved a fee waiver to Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) for the docking of its new flagship research vessel the R/V Virginia from Sunday, December 8 through Wednesday, December 11 in the City Marina.*

15. *City Council: (1) approved the FY 2026 transportation project request; and (2) authorized the City Manager to apply for these grants and enter into any necessary agreements with the Commonwealth of Virginia to accept any of these grants.*

16. *City Council supported submission of public comments as detailed in this memorandum to the State Corporation Commission (SCC) in Case PUR-2019-00094 (Rider TRG) recommending the SCC deny Dominion Energy's application for Rider TRG.*

17. *City Council: (1) received the listings of delinquent local property taxes; (2) authorized that those parts of the delinquent real estate and personal property tax listings deemed advisable by the Director of Finance be published on the City of Alexandria website; (3) authorized the Director of Finance to write-off uncollected tax balances less than twenty dollars each, totaling \$17,640 as of June 30, 2019, for which the Director of Finance has determined that the cost of collecting such balances would exceed the recoverable amount, provided that the Director of Finance will not include any balance for which she has reason to believe the taxpayer has intentionally paid less than the amount due and owed; and (4) authorized the Director of Finance to destroy records associated with taxes paid in calendar year 2013 and prior years in accordance with Code of Virginia Section 58.1-3129(A).*

18. *City Council appointed the following individuals to the City of Alexandria's Supplemental Retirement Plan Board; James Mikell for Medics and Fire Marshals representative and Kelsea Bonkoski for Medics and Fire Marshals; assuming City Council appointment, the effective dates of these terms will be December 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020.*

19. *City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.*

20. *City Council received as information the FY 2020 First Quarter Capital Projects Status Report.*

21. *City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public*

hearing, second reading, and final passage on Saturday, November 16, 2019.

22. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading, and final passage on Saturday, November 16, 2019.

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (23-27)

23. [20-0284](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the City Attorney to participate on the Council of Counsels for the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
24. [20-0241](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Opt into VRS Enhanced Hazardous Duty - No Supplement for Deputy Sheriffs. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
25. [20-0240](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Amend the City of Alexandria's Supplemental Retirement Plan. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
26. [20-0254](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 83 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
27. [20-0231](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 132 of the City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approval was as follows:

23. *City Council adopted a resolution to authorize the City Attorney to participate on the Council of Counsels for the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority. (RES. NO. 2911)*

24. *City Council adopted a resolution to opt into VRS Enhances Hazardous Duty-No Supplement for Deputy Sheriffs. (RES. NO. 2912)*

25. *City Council adopted a resolution to amend the City of Alexandria's Supplemental Retirement Plan. (RES. NO. 2913)*

26. *City Council approved an ordinance on first and second reading to adopt Supplement 83 of the Zoning Ordinance (ORD. NO. 5250)*

27. *City Council approved an ordinance on first and second reading to adopt Supplement 132 and Revision 132 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 5251)*

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

28. [20-0308](#) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force
1 Member from and representing the parents of youth of the City of Alexandria
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Shanelle Gayden as the member from and representing the parents of youth of the City of Alexandria to the

Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force.

29. [20-0310](#) Emergency Medical Services Council
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Christopher Wanka as the citizen member to the Emergency Medical Services Council.
30. [20-0311](#) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee
1 Potomac East area representative
City Council appointed Kristen Nunnally as the Potomac East area representative to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee.
31. [20-0312](#) Waterfront Commission
1 Citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of King Street
City Council reappointed Stephen Thayer, III as the citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of King Street to the Waterfront Commission.

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

32. [19-2326](#) Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).
City Council received the Fiscal Year 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
33. [20-0225](#) Public Performance Dashboard Presentation.
City Council received the Public Performance Dashboard.
34. [20-0186](#) Consideration of Modifications to the City's Debt-Related Financial Policies.
City Council adopted the proposed amendments to the City's Debt-Related Financial Policies in order to: (1) establish a target of 15 percent for the Spendable Fund Balance as a percent of the General Fund Revenues; (2) delete Unassigned/Uncommitted Fund Balance as a percentage of General Fund Revenue as a measure; and (3) establish a replenishment policy to prioritize repayment of fund balance following draw down.
35. [20-0215](#) Joint Worksession with the Planning Commission to discuss (1) North Potomac Yard /Virginia Tech Innovation Campus submissions, and (2) City Council Expectations for Planning Commission Actions, Roles and Advisory Activities.
City Council and the Planning Commission: (1) received and discussed a summary of the proposal for the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus and North Potomac Yard Phase I Redevelopment, including next steps and schedule for public engagement; and (2) discuss City Council expectations for Planning Commission actions, roles, and advisory activities.

36. [20-0117](#) Consideration of Proposed City Legislative Package for the 2020 Virginia General Assembly Session.
- City Council: (1) received the proposals for the City's 2020 Legislative Package, as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee and included in attachment 1; (2) scheduled the Legislative Package proposals for public hearing on Saturday, November 16, 2019; (3) scheduled a work session with Alexandria's General Assembly delegation for final review of the Legislative Package immediately proceeding the Tuesday, November 26, 2019 Legislative Meeting; and (4) scheduled final adoption of the Legislative Package for Tuesday, December 10, 2019.*

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

37. [19-2300](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Establish FY 2021 Budget Guidance.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted the FY 2021 Budget Guidance Resolution, including an amendment stating the following (b) Two-Year Presentation of Operating Revenue/Expenditures: The City Manager's proposed Operating Budget shall include estimates of all operating revenues and expenditures for the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 and the subsequent Fiscal Year 2022. This resolution will provide guidance to the City Manager to be used in his preparation of the Proposed FY 2021 Operating Budget and FY 2021 to FY 2030 Capital Improvement Program to be presented for City Council consideration on February 18, 2020. (RES. NO. 2914)*
38. [19-2301](#) Consideration of a Budget Resolution Establishing the Process to be Used to Adopt the FY 2021 Operating Budget and the FY 2021 to FY 2030 Capital Improvement Program. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted the proposed resolution establishing the process to be used to adopt the FY 2021 Operating Budget and the FY 2021 to FY 2030 Capital Improvement Program. (RES. NO. 2915)*

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATION BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) ResilientALX Proposal (Councilman Seifeldein and Councilwoman Jackson)

- [20-0313](#) Resilient ALX Proposal.

City Council moved to direct the Alexandria Citizen Corps Council to create the City's ResilientALX Charter for the promotion of the well-being and safety of the people of the City.

Council Orals

(b) Other orals

(a) Councilwoman Pepper reported the Alexandria has been recognized by Oprah Magazine among the best Christmas towns in the world.

(b) Councilwoman Pepper reported that there will be a new winter village opening this week at Cameron Run Regional Park with many activities for families, including ice skating.

(c) Councilman Aguirre reported that last week there were two of the three Community Health Improvement Plan meetings and he commended the Health Department for their coordination with ACPS and with Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission.

OTHER

39. [20-0264](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council received and approved the City Council Schedule for November 2019 through June 2020, including the Amazon HQ2 celebration on Market Square with installation of Virginia Tech banners honoring the partnership.

Closed Meeting (if needed).

This meeting was not needed.

40. [20-0299](#) Consideration of a closed Executive Session to discuss actual or probable litigation and the acquisition of property for public use.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 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 of Council decisions made at the meeting.