

# City of Alexandria

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



## **Action Docket - Final**

**Tuesday, January 28, 2020**

**7:00 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.*

**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:**

[20-0529](#)

The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2020.

*City Council approved the minutes of the following meeting of City Council: the regular meeting minutes of January 14, 2020.*

**4. Introduction of the New Fire Chief Corey Smedley.**

*Newly inducted Fire Chief Corey Smedley gave brief remarks to Council following his swearing-in ceremony early in the evening.*

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

**\*Waterfront Commission (Councilman Seifeldein)**

**\*Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force (Councilman Seifeldein and Councilwoman Jackson)**

**\*MacArthur Design Advisory Committee (Councilwoman Jackson)**

**\*Citizen Corps Council (Councilwoman Jackson and Councilman Seifeldein)**

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

**\*Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

**\*Alexandria Works! Coalition (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilwoman Pepper)**

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

**\*Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Chapman)**

**\*CSO Workgroup (Mayor Wilson and Councilwoman Jackson)**

**\*City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**

**\*ARHA Redevelopment Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**

**\*COG Transportation Planning Board (Councilman Aguirre)**

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

**\*Potomac Yard Metro Implementation Workgroup (PYMIG) (Councilman Aguirre and Mayor Wilson)**

**\*Climate Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC) Update (Councilwoman Pepper)**

*City Council gave the reports.*

**ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

*Dr. Gaddy, Deputy Director, Alexandria Health Department, gave Council an update on the Coronavirus and what the City is doing to prepare for the anyone who may be affected by the virus. City Manager Jinks also noted that City staff would be conducting an Table Top Emergency exercise on Thursday to prepare for dealing with a biological outbreak.*

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

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)**

- 5. [20-0467](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) to Support the City’s Trauma Informed Community Network Initiative.  
  
*City Council: (1) approved the submission of grant application to Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS)/Family and Children’s Trust Fund (FACT) requesting funding in the amount of \$50,000 to mitigate the impact of trauma and adversity in our City through building a more trauma-informed and resilient Alexandria; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.*

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

6. [20-0424](#) Update on the 2020 Virginia General Assembly Session.
- City Council approved the legislative positions included in the Recommended Positions on Bills of Impact of the City as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker) at the Subcommittee's January 17 and January 24 meetings.*
7. [20-0510](#) Report and Recommendations from the Boards and Commissions Audit/Review Committee.
- City Council received the report from the Committee and approved the recommendations on changes to the processes and procedures for City boards, commissions and committees and directed staff to return with the necessary legislation to implement any changes, included updates to the City Code and creation of a fundraising policy for boards and commissions. City Council also directed the Committee to generate a list of boards and commissions (1) that have composition change requests; (2) boards which have been dormant for a period; and (3) boards that have potential for consolidation for efficiency purposes.*

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

1. *Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker reported that there will be new Eco-City Academy beginning in the Spring related to the Environmental Act Plan 2040 and she noted that applications are due Friday, February 12. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker also noted that application deadline are upcoming for the Fire Academy, the City Academy and Police Academy.*
2. *Councilman Aguirre reported that he and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker participated in a photo-op for the AT1+ improvements, which were funded by the I-395 Commuter Choice. Councilman Aguirre noted that the buses are fully wrapped and have "Welcome to the West End" on them in three different languages, English, Spanish and Amharic. Councilman Aguirre also noted that ridership was up since last November.*
3. *Councilman Aguirre reported that he attended International Night at Mount Vernon Community School last Friday and he recognized Rosa Landeros, the Parent Liaison for Mount Vernon Community School, for being named a Living Legend for 2020, the first Latina recipient.*
4. *Councilman Aguirre recognized Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Alexandria for holding a ribbon cutting for the permanent drug dropbox at the Police Station on Saturday.*
5. *Councilman Aguirre reported that he went to Richmond to the General Assembly for Transportation Lobby Day to speak to about the importance of transportation bills being considered this session.*
6. *Councilman Aguirre announced that the City will be offering free tax preparation on February 1 for residents on Wednesdays and Fridays.*

**OTHER**

8. [20-0508](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

*City Council: (1) received the updated City Council Schedule which includes: the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Glass -Only Recycle Bin on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. MoM's Organic Market (3831 Mt. Vernon Avenue); VML Day which is scheduled for Thursday, February 6, 2020 at the Omni Hotel Richmond (100 S. 12th Street, Richmond, VA) and (2) approved the City Council Schedule for January 2020 through June 2020.*

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*The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.*

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*Note: The action docket is a summary of Council's meeting deliberation prepared largely for staff followup. Formal minutes of the meeting when approved by Council become the official record of the meeting of Council's decision made at the meeting.*