

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

City Council Legislative Meeting

The May 12, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3) and/or the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on April 18, 2020. All of the members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. The video conference call will be broadcasted live on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website and can be accessed via Zoom by following the link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_t2gsiAG3R6qzPmA88UVtOA

Dial in: 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 933 0991 9479

Password: 334068

This Council Legislative meeting does not have a public comment component so public comments will not be taken.

1. Calling the Roll.

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

Mayor Wilson stated that the May 12, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2 (A)(3) and/or the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on April 18, 2020. All of the members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. The video conference call will be broadcasted live on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website and can be accessed via Zoom.

ORAL REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES (COVID-19 Related Topics)

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

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Jinks, City Manager, reported that the Department of Emergency and Customer Communications was receiving national press coverage for the practices and procedures that the operators and call takers have been using during the pandemic, including providing space for employees to quarantine staff in shifts and using technology for employees to answer calls from home and provide coverage for peak

hours.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (2)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

2. [20-0819](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending March 31, 2020.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, item #2. The City Manager's recommendation was as follows:

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

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

3. [20-0856](#) COVID-19 Oral Update
- City Council received an updated on the City's COVID-19 response and data from Dr. Haering, Director, Alexandria Health Department, Dr. Kham, representing Neighborhood Health Clinic, Ms. Talis, Alexandria Health Department and Ms. Garvey, Director, Department of Community and Human Services*
4. [20-0865](#) Consideration of the Proposed Plans for use of Federal CARES Act Funding for Residential Rental Assistance, Food Security and Small Business Assistance and COVID-19 Related Expenses of the City Government.
- City Council: (1) affirmed that prime priorities of the City for the use of CARES Act funding are for funding the City's direct response expenses to the COVID-19 crisis, the funding of the expansion of the Alexandria Health Department's epidemiological staffing, the funding of expanded residential rental assistance, food assistance to needy individuals and families, and the provision of assistance to small businesses; (2) approved the proposed Residential Rent Assistance Program, Food Security Plan and Small Business Grant Program; (3) directed the City Manager to implement receipt of the above initiatives contingent upon the receipt of a Federal CARES allocation from the Commonwealth of Virginia; and (4) approved the allocation of the Federal CARES funds.*
- 4a. [20-0872](#) Consideration of REVISED Proposed plans for use of Federal CARES Act funding for Residential Rental Assistance, Food Security and Small Business Assistance and COVID-19 Related Expenses of the City Government.
- City Council: (1) affirmed that the prime priorities of the City for the use of CARES Act funding are for funding the City's direct response expenses to the COVID-19 crisis, the funding of the expansion of the Alexandria Health Department's epidemiological staffing, the funding of expanded residential rental assistance, food assistance to*

needy individuals and families, and the provision of assistance to small businesses; (2) approved the proposed Residential Rent Assistance Program, Food Security Plan and Small Business Grant Program as detailed in Attachments 2, 3, and 4; (3) directed the City Manager to implement receipt of the above initiatives contingent upon the receipt of a Federal CARES allocation from the Commonwealth of Virginia; and (4) approved the allocation of \$13.9 million in Federal CARES funds as displayed in the last column of the REVISED Attachment 1.

COVID-19 RELATED ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

OTHER

5. [20-0842](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received and adopted the City Council Schedule for May 2020 through July 2020; and (2) received and adopted the Proposed City Council Schedule for August 2020 through July 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 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.