

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

City Council Legislative Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the September 22, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 and/or Section 4.0-00(g) in HB29 and HB30 to undertake essential business. All members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference call on Zoom. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom by the following link:

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Speaker's Form

<https://survey.alexandriava.gov/s3/VIRTUAL-City-Council-Speakers-Form>
Those wishing to address Council should submit a Speaker's Form. Submission of written statements is encouraged. Please sign up to speak after the docket is created and you are able to verify a meeting date on the City's website. If the docket is not posted, you will have to return at a later date to complete the speaker's form in order to speak at a Council meeting.

Public Comment will be received at this meeting at the beginning. There are no other items for public hearing on this docket.

All persons wishing to speak before City Council must complete a Speaker's Form. If you have prepared statement, you may email it to the City Clerk at

gloria.sitton@alexandriava.gov. Speakers are encouraged to submit their written comments to the City Clerk.

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1. **Calling the Roll.**

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All members of City Council were present, with Councilman Chapman and Councilwoman Pepper joining the meeting during the work session. All members and staff were participating via video conference call.

WORK SESSION

2. [21-0174](#) Work Session on Acceleration of Flood Mitigation and Stormwater Investments.

*****Please note: The public discussion period will begin at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter.*****

3. **Public Discussion Period.**

[The first 15 speakers will be heard under item #3 at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

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

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

***Library Board (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**

***Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) (Councilman Aguirre)**

***Economic Opportunities Commission (EOC)(Councilman Aguirre)**

***Transportation Planning Board (TPB-COG)(Councilman Aguirre)**

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

***Alexandria Transportation Commission (Councilman Aguirre and Councilman Chapman)**

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

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

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks recognized Police Officer Bennie Evans, who was appointed to the Commonwealth of Virginia Criminal Justice Services Board and EMS Captain Lisa Simba who was appointed to the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board. City Manager also congratulated James Hixon, City Dockmaster, who will be retiring from the City of Alexandria and thanked him for his years of service.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (4-6)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

4. [21-0156](#) Consideration of Receipt of Fiscal Year 2020 Fourth Quarter Capital Projects Status Report Related to City Council Approved Capital Projects.
5. [21-0161](#) Consideration of the Appointment of the Chief Animal Control Officer.
6. [20-1052](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending July 31, 2020 and June 30, 2020.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved each item on the consent calendar under separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

4. City Council received as information the FY 2020 Fourth Quarter Capital Projects Status Report. (separate motion)

5. City Council approved the appointment of Mr. Anthony Rankin as Chief Animal Control Officer pursuant to City Code Section 5-7-44, which includes the requirement that Council appoint the City's Chief Animal Control Officer. (separate motion)

6. *City Council received the Monthly Financial Report. (separate motion)*

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

7. [21-0132](#) Race and Social Equity Officer Introduction and Update.
- City Council directed staff to begin a public engagement process to gain community feedback and input on a resolution on race and social equity to be formally adopted at the conclusion of the engagement period.*
8. [21-0147](#) Update Regarding the Housing Contributions Policy Review.
- City Council received the Housing Contributions Policy update and the proposed schedules for further stakeholder engagement, as well as the timeline for final recommendations to be proposed for City Council consideration.*
9. [20-1031](#) Consideration of a Comprehensive Intergovernmental Agreement between Arlington County and the City of Alexandria for Maintenance, Inspection and Rehabilitation or Replacement of the five Four Mile Run Bridges.
- City Council: (1) approved the agreement between the City of Alexandria and Arlington County related to the capital rehabilitation or replacement of the five bridges over Four Mile Run which service both Arlington and Alexandria; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement and any additional necessary documents.*
10. [20-1026](#) Consideration of Mitigation Measures for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Planned Three-Month Platform Reconstruction Closure of Arlington Cemetery Station.
- City Council approved the letter to Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) regarding mitigation for the planned temporary closure of the Arlington Cemetery Station.*

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

11. [20-0764](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Establish an Ad Hoc Energy and Climate Change Task Force. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council: (1) approved the resolution establishing the Ad Hoc Energy and Climate Change Task Force, with the following amendments: under section 1, amend the paragraph to read as follows: That there is hereby established the Energy and Climate Change Task Force (the "Task Force") whose mission is to provide feedback and guidance on the update of the Energy and Climate Change Action Plan, including a plan on specific, measurable, time-bound steps to implement the targets of the Environmental Action Plan (EAP) 2040 on climate change, energy, and transportation.; and under section 2, include healthcare in the list of interests or expertise in relevant fields; and (2) authorized the City Manager to appoint no more than 13 members of the Task Force. (RES. NO. 2958)*
12. [21-0163](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Establish an Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group in Support of RiverRenew. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution to establish an Ad Hoc RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group in support of RiverRenew; and (2) requested the City Manager and General Manager of Alexandria Renew Enterprises to appoint members to the Ad Hoc Stakeholder Advisory Group. (RES. NO. 2959)

13. [21-0241](#) Resolution Consenting to an Extension of the Declaration of Local Emergency through March 31, 2021.[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council: (1) adopted the amendment to Resolution 2928, Declaration of Local Emergency to extend the emergency through March 31, 2021; and (2) authorized the Director of Emergency Management to enter into contracts and incur obligations as enumerated in section 44-146.21 of the Code of Virginia. (RES. NO. 2960)

14. [21-0251](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Request that the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Official Name be "Potomac Yard - VT" Metrorail Station. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council endorsed the resolution formally requesting that WMATA begin the process to consider "Potomac Yard-VT" as the name for the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station. (RES. NO. 2961)

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Councilwoman Jackson recognized the passing of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg and noted that there will be a candlelight vigil and march to the Waterfront on Thursday, September 24 beginning at 7 p.m. on Market Square.*
- 2. Councilman Chapman presented a memorandum to his colleagues requesting that board and commission applications be included as part of the docket for the public in an effort to be more transparent. City Council approved a motion to have his request docketed for consideration at the next legislative meeting.*
- 3. Councilman Aguirre recognized this month as Latino Heritage Month (September 15 through October 15) and noted that he would be requesting a proclamation for presentation at the October council meeting.*
- 4. Councilman Aguirre recognized Retired Naval Captain Debra Magee who served the Alexandria Health Department for managing the call center for the past six months. Councilman Aguirre thank all MRC employees and volunteers for their service.*
- 5. Councilman Aguirre recognized Ms. McIlvaine, Director of the Office on Housing, for receiving an award from Northern Virginia Affordable Housing Alliance for her work in that area.*

OTHER

15. [21-0215](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the updated FY 2021 City Council Schedule which includes: the City Council Retreat on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 9 a.m., location TBD; dates for the upcoming budget worksession from February 2021 through April 2021; Budget Public Hearing on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers; and Budget Adoption on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 7 p.m., in the Council Chambers; and (2) adopted the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for September 2020

through July 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 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.