

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the April 27, 2021 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 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. This meeting is being held electronically, unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia. 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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Meeting Agenda and Live Webcast

The meeting will be webcast live and video and audio recordings will be available a few days after the meeting.

Zoom Registration Form

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Speaker's Form

<https://survey.alexandriava.gov/s3/2020-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 after the docket is created and you are able to verify the 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.

All persons wishing to speak before City Council must complete a Speaker's form (see link above). If you have a prepared statement or written comments for the record, 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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City Council will hold a Work Session on the Preliminary Add/Delete Proposals of the Budget for FY2022. The Work Session will begin at 6:00 p.m. It is planned that the Regular Council meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

[21-1004](#)

Budget Work Session - Preliminary Add/Delete

*City Council held the preliminary add/delete budget work session. City Council reviewed the proposals that were submitted by City Council prior to the meeting. The proposal included the following:
-elimination of fares for DASH Bus to coincide with launch of the new DASH route*

network in September 2021;
-addition of experienced worker position assisting older adults seeking employment;
-utilizing revenue re-estimates and technical adjustments, including a one-time City employee bonus equal to 1% of an employee's annual compensation;
-Hensley Park Phase 2 Renovation acceleration;
-Enhancing OHA's oral history program; and
-reappropriation of School Resource Officers Fund for other services for students.

City Council held a discussion about the proposal and asked questions of City staff about the proposals.

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 via Zoom webinar. Councilman Aguirre and Councilman Chapman arrived at the meeting following roll-call.

2. [21-1000](#)

Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council passed the resolution finding the need to conduct City Council meetings electronically. (RES. NO. 2987)

3. **Public Discussion Period.**

[This period is a public comment 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.]

4. [21-0854](#)

Wrap-up of the 2021 Virginia General Assembly Session.

City Council received a report of the wrap-up of the General Assembly activity from the local State Delegation. Del. Charniele Herring, Del. Mark Levine, Senator Adam Ebbin, Senator George Barker, and Senator Richard Saslaw gave a report to Council and responded to questions.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. [21-1001](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Mental Health Awareness Month.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. [21-1002](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the SRG- Social Responsibility Group.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

Oral Reports from Members of City Council on Boards, Commissions, and Committees

- *ARHA Redevelopment Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**
- *City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)**
- *City Council/Alexandria Renew CSO Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilwoman Jackson)**
- *COG Board of Directors (Mayor Wilson)**
- *Library Board (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**
- *Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**
- *NVTC-PRTC Joint Commission Working Group (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**
- *Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Chapman)**
- *MacArthur Advisory Committee (Councilwoman Jackson)**
- *Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee (Councilwoman Jackson)**
- *Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission (CYFCC) (Councilman Aguirre and Councilwoman Jackson)**
- *COG Transportation Planning Board (TPB) (Councilman Aguirre)**
- *Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP) (Councilman Aguirre and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**
- *Alexandria Transportation Commission (ATC) (Councilman Aguirre and Councilman Chapman)**
- *Minnie Howard High School Project (Councilman Aguirre)**

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

(a) Report by Dr. Anne Gaddy, MD, MPH, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department, on COVID-19 Mitigation and Vaccination Progress.

Dr. Gaddy, Acting Director, Alexandria Health Department, gave an update on the

COVID-19 status for the City and an update on vaccination distribution in the community and she responded to questions from Council about vaccine distribution and community engagement.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (7-10)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

7. [21-0853](#) Consideration of a License Amendment between the City of Alexandria and Hornblower Cruises & Events (Potomac Riverboat Co.) for a License Fee Repayment Plan in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
8. [21-0920](#) Consideration of a Grant application for the 2021 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) for Swift Water and Flood Rescue Teams.
9. [21-0921](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the 2021 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) for Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Equipment.
10. [21-0922](#) Consideration of Grant Application for FY 2021 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP).

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the items on the consent calendar under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

7. City Council: (1) received the report and scheduled the proposed license amendment two for public hearing on May 15, 2021. (separate motion)

8. City Council: (1) authorized the acceptance of a grant for \$33,500; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required. (separate motion)

9. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of a grant application for \$66,500; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required. (separate motion)

10. City Council: (1) approved the grant application to the 2021 Port Security Grant Program, U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the amount of \$350,624; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary document that may be required. (separate motion)

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

11. [21-0865](#) Stream Restoration Program Update (Lucky Run, Strawberry Run, and Taylor Run)
12. [21-0129](#) Receipt and Endorsement of the City of Alexandria Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Readiness Strategy.
City Council received and endorsed the City of Alexandria Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Readiness Strategy.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

13. [21-0984](#) Consideration of a Resolution Approving the City's Community Funding Priorities Submission to Congressman Beyer for Federal Funding Consideration.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted a resolution approving the City's Community Funding Priorities and Surface Transportation Act Funding Submission to Congressman Beyer for funding consideration. (RES. NO. 2988)
14. [21-0979](#) Deferral of Upper King Street Multimodal Improvements SMART SCALE Grant Application. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council passed a resolution that: (1) deferred the \$36.8 million Upper King Street Multimodal Reconstruction grant application to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) SMART SCALE Round 4 (FY26 to FY27) program; and (2) tentatively plan to resubmit an Upper King Street project for SMART SCALE (FY28 to FY29) funding consideration after the necessary civic engagement has been undertaken and a preferred alternative approved by City Council. (RES. NO. 2989)
15. [21-0973](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Support District of Columbia Statehood.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the resolution to support District of Columbia Statehood. (RES. NO. 2990)
16. [21-0952](#) Consideration of Revised Resolution for the Order of Business of Council Meetings.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
City Council adopted the revised resolution which: (1) adds "Reports and Recommendations from the City Manager" at the first legislative meeting; (2) adds "Ordinances and Resolutions" (not on consent or roll-call consent) at the first legislative meeting; and (3) adds "Roll-Call Consent Calendar" to the regular public hearing meeting. (RES. NO. 2991)

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

17. [21-0939](#) Update on Recommendations from the Boards and Commissions Audit/Review Committee.

City Council received the update from the Boards and Commissions Audit/Review Committee.

18. [21-0959](#) Consideration of a motion to rescind the vote denying the request for Master Plan Amendment #2020-0008, Rezoning #2020-0004, Development Special Use Permit #2020-10027, Transportation Management Plan Special Use Permit #2020-00076 and Vacation #2020-00004 for the Braddock West Development at 1352, 1356, 1360, and 1362 Madison Street, 1319, 1321, 1323, 1325, 1327, and 1329 Wythe Street.

City Council moved to rescind the vote from March 13 and scheduled it for public hearing and consideration on May 15, 2021.

OTHER

19. [21-0951](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council received and adopted the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for April through July 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 a.m.

NOTE: The action docket is a summary of the Council's meeting deliberation 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.