City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

City Council Legislative Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the June 22, 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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https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_92JrHg2ASY6b_4sJFlg91w

Webinar ID: 970 6461 6431 Webinar Passcode: 400463 Dial-in number: 301-715-8592

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Links:

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

If you wish to use Zoom to watch this meeting or to address Council, you must register first. Those wishing to address Council should also submit a Speaker's Form using the link below.

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.

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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.

1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present via Zoom webinar, with Councilman Chapman and Councilman Seifeldein arriving following roll-call.

2. 21-1219 Resolution Finding the Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution finding the need to conduct City Council meetings electronically. (RES. NO. 3006)

Closed Meeting.

3. <u>21-1220</u>

Consideration of a closed executive session to discuss a personnel matter and for the discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the government unit would be adversely affected. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council convene in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m., to discuss the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the City would be adversely affected, and to discuss a personnel matter; specifically, potential investment of public funds for development on the west end of the City and the performance of the three City Council appointees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(6) and (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

4. Public Discussion Period.

[This period is a public comment period. The first 15 speakers will speak at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

There were no public speakers.

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

5. <u>21-1222</u> Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes for the Following Meetings of City Council:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2021;

The Special Meeting Minutes of May 5, 2021 (Budget Adoption);

The Regular Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2021; and

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2021.

City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the regular meeting minutes April 27, 2021, the special meeting minutes of May 5, 2021; the regular meeting minutes of May 11, 2021, and the public hearing meeting minutes of May 15, 2021.

PROCLAMATIONS

6. <u>21-1221</u> Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Police Chief Michael L. Brown upon his Retirement from the Alexandria Police Department.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

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

*Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)(Mayor Wilson)

*ARHA Redevelopment Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)

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

*Library Board (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)

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

*COG- FARM (Food and Agriculture Regional Member)Ad Hoc Advisory Committee (Councilwoman Jackson)

*MacArthur Elementary School Advisory Committee (Councilwoman Jackson)

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

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

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks announced his planned retirement at the end of 2021.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (7-15)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

7.	21-1126	Consideration of a Grant Renewal to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Food Program for At-Risk After School Snack Program for the FY 2022 School Year Snack Program Sponsored by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.
8.	21-1137	Consideration of an application for the Virginia Brownfields Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Assistance Fund Site Assessment and Planning Grant regarding the former GenOn Power Plant Site Redevelopment.

- 9. 21-1213 City of Alexandria Contract with the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for the City's Office of Human Rights to Continue as a Fair Employment Practices Agency.
- **10.** 21-1218 Consideration of Acceptance of Conveyance of Two Properties from the Alexandria City Public Schools for Douglas MacArthur Elementary School.
- **11.** 21-1224 Allocation of Contingent Reserves to Implement Proposed Pretrial and Probation Program Improvements.

(Ordinances for Introduction and First Reading)

- 12. 21-0982 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance authorizing the owners of the property located at 2424 Mill Road to construct and maintain an encroachment for two projecting signs that extend vertically more than 4-feet over Stovall Street, at that location (Implementation Ordinance for Encroachment No. 2019-00003 associated with Carlyle Crossing approved by City Council on April 17, 2021).
- 13. 21-1016

 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment heretofore approved by city council to the Seminary Hill/Strawberry Hill Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2021-00002 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be

inconsistent with such amendment (Implementation Ordinance for Master Plan Amendment No. 2021-00002 associated with Inova Hospital approved by City Council on June 19, 2021).

14. <u>21-1018</u>

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet Nos. 031.03 and 039.02 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the properties at 4250 Seminary Road from R-20/Single-family zone with proffer to RB/Townhouse zone with proffer and 4320 Seminary Road from R-8/Single-family zone with proffer to RB/Townhouse zone with proffer in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2021-00001 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2021-00001 associated with Inova Hospital approved by City Council on June 19, 2021).

15. <u>21-1133</u>

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-7-42 (FEMALE DOGS IN SEASON; ALLOWING DOG TO URINATE, ETC.; NOISY DOGS; OFFENSIVE ODORS FROM DOGS; DOGS PROHIBITED ON POSTED PLAYGROUND AREAS AND ON SCHOOL GROUNDS) of Article C (DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS) of Chapter 7 (ANIMALS AND FOWL) of Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of items #8, #10, and #11, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager approvals were as follows:

- 7. City Council: (1) authorized the City Manager to submit an At-Risk After School grant renewal application to the United States Department of Agriculture for Fiscal Year 202 (due date September 1, 2021); and (2) to execute all documents that may be required.
- 8. City Council: (1) adopted the resolution for the Virginia Brownfields Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Assistance Fund (VBAF) grant application in the amount of \$50,000 and 100% matching commitment; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required. (RES. NO. 3007) (separate motion)
- 9. City Council authorized the City Manager to sign a contract with the EEOC for funding in the amount of \$35,400 for the Alexandria Office of Human Rights to continue as a Fair Employment Practices Agency (FEPA).
- 10. City Council: (1) authorized the City Manager to execute deeds and other documents necessary to complete the conveyance of properties to the City, the consolidation of properties, and the subdivision of the public right-of-way; and (2)

received the report from the Planning Commission in regard to the purchase being consistent with the City's Master Plan per Section 9.06 of the City Code. (separate motion)

- 11. City Council allocated the approved \$160,000 in the FY 2022 operating budget from contingent reserves set aside for this purpose for the uses described in this report including the addition of an additional probation officer and a part-time investigator/intake officer. (separate motion)
- 12. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and set the public hearing, second reading, and final passage for Tuesday, July 6, 2021.
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ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (16-18)

- 16. 21-0998 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Revenue Bonds by the Industrial Development Authority of Alexandria for the Protestant Episcopal High School in Virginia. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- **17.** 21-1139 Consideration of a Resolution to Establish the 2021 Personal Property Tax Relief Rates. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- **18.** 21-1198 Consideration and approval of an application for the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program (FY 2023 to FY 2024). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approvals were as follows:

- 16. City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds by the Alexandria Industrial Development Authority (AIDA) in an amount not to exceed \$60,000,000 to benefit the Protestant Episcopal High School (EHS) in financing the costs of improvements, additions, and refunding to its campus in the City of Alexandria. (RES. NO. 3008)
- 17. City Council adopted a resolution to establish the 2021 Personal Property Tax Relief rates. (RES. NO. 3009)
- 18. City Council adopted a resolution for the support of the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set Aside program (FY 2023-to FY 2024) (RES. NO. 3010)

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

19. 21-1167 Consideration of the Release of \$789,909 from FY 2022 Contingent Reserves for Mental Health Resources, Teen Wellness, and Behavior Health Support for School

Age Children.

City Council deferred the consideration until the July 6th public hearing meeting and scheduled the item for public hearing at that meeting.

20. 21-1223 Receipt of an Update on Torpedo Factory Art Center Vibrancy Implementation and Engagement.

City Council received the updated on the next steps for implementation of the Torpedo Factory Vibrancy Plan and stakeholder engagement.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

21. 21-1195 Resolution Adopting an Updated Electronic Meeting Policy for the City Council. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution for an update to the City Council's Electronic Meeting Participation Policy. (RES. NO. 3011)

22. 21-1193 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing and Empowering the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of General Obligation Bonds to Finance City and Schools Capital Projects and the Landmark Mall Redevelopment and to Refund Certain Outstanding Bonds of the City.

City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Tuesday, July 6, 2021.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

OTHER

- 1. Councilman Chapman gave an updated Alexandria Transportation Commission meeting reporting that the Commission will be hosting an upcoming conversation on scooters, with the task force reconvening in June and July and staff gave presentation. Councilman Chapman also reported that there was a conversation about the Duke Street in Motion project and the upcoming community engagement for that project.
- 2. Councilman Aguirre reported that the feedback/survey form is available for the Duke Street in Motion project until July 31 on the City's website and there will be popup events held in the community to receive feedback.
- 3. Councilman Aguirre requested an update on the inclusion of a pool/aquatics facility with the ACPS high school project. In response to Councilman Aguirre, City Manager Jinks updated Council reporting that City and ACPS staff has started to work on the design features and discussion on operations for the pool. City Manager Jinks also noted that will discussion about engaging the community in the initial conversations about the project. Councilman Chapman noted that he would suggest that the City/Schools Subcommittee received regular updates on the project as well.
- 4. Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker suggested that City Clerk staff review the possibility of having boards and commissions appointments on a quarterly basis instead every

month.

23. 21-1192

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received and approved the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for July 2021 with the noted time change for the USA/Alexandria Birthday Celebration; and (2) received and adopted the updated Proposed FY 2022 City Council Schedule which includes: Fall CIP Worksession #1 - Wednesday, September 29 at 7 p.m., location TBD; Fall CIP Worksession #2 - Wednesday, October 13 at 7 p.m., location TBD; Fall CIP Worksession #3 - Wednesday, October 27 at 7 p.m., location to TBD; and City Council Retreat, Saturday, November 6 at 9:00 a.m., location to TBD.

City Council reconvened in closed executive session at 11:06 p.m.

City Council reconvened in open session at 12:48 a.m.

City Council adopted the resolution regarding the Closed Executive Session previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 3012)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:49 a.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.