

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

City Council Legislative Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency, the November 10, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the Alexandria City Council is being held electronically pursuant to the 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 4.0-01(g) in HB29 and HB30, enacted by the 2020 Virginia General Assembly (Virginia Acts of Assembly Ch. 1283 and 1289), to undertake essential business. All the members of the City Council and staff are participating from remote locations through a video conference 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 access 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 following the link below:

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Meeting Agenda and Live Webcast

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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 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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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 webinar.

2. Public Discussion Period

The following persons participated in the public comment period:

1. Cathryn Evans, Alexandria, spoke in support of the ordinance amendment for the Community Criminal Justice Board.

2. Allison Ricketts, Alexandria, spoke about property damage to her home due to the construction of the Sunrise Living facility being constructed on Washington Street.

3. Kathie Hoekstra, Alexandria, chair of the Environmental Policy Commission, spoke in support of the items related to the environment and climate change in the City's Legislative Package and she requested that the items be moved in report to signify they are a priority for the City.

[This period is a public comment period. The first 15 speakers will be heard under item #2 at the beginning of the meeting. Any remaining speakers will be heard at the conclusion of the docketed items.]

Councilwoman Pepper announced that she would not be running for another term to serve on City Council at the end of this term. Councilwoman Pepper stated that she would complete her current term focusing on the needs of the community.

Mayor Wilson thanked Councilwoman Pepper for her long service to the City of Alexandria and over the next year the City will recognize Councilwoman Pepper's historic service to the City.

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

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

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

***COG Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQ) (Councilwoman Pepper)**

***Health and Safety Coordinating Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilwoman Jackson)**

***Audit Committee (Mayor Wilson and Councilman Seifeldein)**

City Council gave the reports.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks recognized the Court Services Unit staff for their willingness to volunteer to fill in where needed during the pandemic emergency while performing their normal duties. City Manager Jinks noted that the Bloom, Carpenters' Shelter new building, has residents starting to move-in since the end of October and ARHA's project on North Patrick Street with 52 units will be having residents move in at the beginning of December and the Spire is on track to open in the Spring of 2021. City Manager Jinks stated the groundbreaking for the Wesley Housing project near Fairlington will be the second week in December.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (3-12)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

3. [21-0392](#) Receipt of the following resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

(a) Building Code Board of Appeals

Douglas M. Salik

- (b) Commission for Women
Maribel Ramos
- (c) Commission on HIV/AIDS
Julie Harbour
- (d) Waterfront Commission
Kleber S. Masterson

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

4. [21-0393](#)

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Beaugard Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Professional member skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design
- (b) Beautification Commission
1 Citizen member
- (c) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee
1 Representative of the Chamber of Commerce
- (d) Commission on Aging
1 Representative of Older Persons
- (e) Commission on Employment
1 Business Representative from recognized area businesses including minority-owned and small businesses
- (f) Environmental Policy Commission
1 Member with experience with Federal and State environmental statutes, regulation, and procedures
- (g) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
1 Member to be nominated by the City of Alexandria Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution
- (h) Human Rights Commission
1 Representative from the Economic Opportunities Commission

- (i) Industrial Development Authority
1 Citizen Member
- (j) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board
1 Tenant Member
- (k) Public Records Advisory Commission
1 Citizen Member
- (l) Sister Cities Commission
3 Citizen Members
- (m) Transportation Commission
1 Representative of the Environmental Policy Commission
- (n) Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Old Town North business community representative
- (o) Waterfront Commission
1 Representative from the Alexandria Seaport Foundation

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

- 5. [20-1054](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2020.
- 6. [20-1058](#) Consideration of Authorization to Publish Delinquent Tax Listings Greater Than \$1,000 Online, Write Off Balances Less Than Twenty Dollars, and Destroy Records as Required By State Law.
- 7. [21-0365](#) Receipt of Annual and Attendance Reports for Council-Appointed Boards, Commissions, and Committees for July 1, 2019 - June 3, 2020.

(Ordinances for Introduction)

- 8. [21-0237](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration of an Ordinance to vacate a portion of the public right-of-way on Commonwealth Avenue, adjacent to the property at 2 East Mason Avenue (VAC No. 2019-00002) (Implementation Ordinance for Vacation No. 2019-00002 associated with 2 East Mason Avenue approved by City Council on September 12, 2020).
- 9. [21-0279](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-100 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article L (ALEXANDRIA

COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

10. [21-0300](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 2-4-180 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) of Article W (ALEXANDRIA GANG PREVENTION COMMUNITY TASK FORCE) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.
11. [21-0345](#) 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 North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2020-00005 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. 2020-00005 associated with North Potomac Yard (3601 Potomac Avenue) approved by City Council on October 17, 2020).
12. [21-0367](#) 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 Braddock Road Metro Station Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2020-00002 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. 2020-00002 associated with 701 North Henry Street approved by City Council on July 7, 2020 (correction)).

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of items 6 and 7, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

3. City Council received with regret the resignations from the following members of City boards, commissions, and committees: (a) Douglas M. Salik, Building Code Board of Appeals; (b) Maribel Ramos, Commission for Women; (c) Julie Harbour, Commission on HIV/AIDS; and (d) Kleber S. Masterson, Waterfront Commission.

4. City Council appointed the following persons to City boards, commissions, and committees: (a) appointed Christine Hoeffner as the professional member skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee; (b) appointed Karim Eskaf as the citizen member

to the Beautification Commission; (c) reappointed Howard "Skip" Maginniss as the representative of the Chamber of Commerce to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee; (d) appointed Barbara Huelat as the representative of older persons to the Commission on Aging; (e) appointed Mara Benner as the business representative from recognized area businesses including minority-owned and small businesses to the Commission on Employment; (f) appointed Brendan Owens as the member with experience with Federal and State environmental statutes, regulations, and procedures to the Environmental Policy Commission; (g) reappointed Claire Bennett as the member to be nominated by the City of Alexandria Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (h) appointed Janeka Cogdell as the representative from the Economic Opportunities Commission to the Human Rights Commission; (i) appointed Ken Notis as the citizen member to the Industrial Development Authority; (j) appointed Jeanette Shepherd as the tenant member to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (k) reappointed Cameron Cook as the citizen member to the Public Records Advisory Commission; (l) reappointed Paul Anderson and Hannah Ledesma and appointed Steven Cohen to the Sister Cities Committee; (m) appointed Bill Pugh as the representative of the Environmental Policy Commission to the Transportation Commission; (n) appointed Theresa Del Ninno as the Old Town North Business community representative to the Urban Design Advisory Committee; and reappointed Kathleen Seifert as the representative from the Alexandria Seaport Foundation to the Waterfront Commission.

5. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

6. City Council: (1) received the listings of delinquent local property taxes; (2) authorized the Director of Finance to write-off uncollected tax balances for tax year 2019 less than twenty dollars each, totaling \$21,463 as of June 30, 2020, for which the Director of Finance has determined that the cost of collecting such balances would exceed the recoverable amount, provided that the Director of Finance will not include any balance for which she has reason to believe the taxpayer has intentionally paid less than the amount due and owed; and (3) authorized the Director of Finance to dispose of records associated with taxes paid in calendar year 2014 and prior years in accordance with the Code of Virginia Section 58.1-3129(A). (separate motion)

7. City Council received the reports from Council appointed boards, commissions, and committees from July 1, 2019 - June 3, 2020. (separate motion)

8. City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, November 14, 2020.

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ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (13-14)

13. [21-0305](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 86 of the Zoning Ordinance. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
14. [21-0310](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 136 of the City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the roll-call consent calendar. The approval was as follows:

13. City Council passed an ordinance to adopt Supplement 86 of the Zoning Ordinance. (ORD. NO. 5305)

14. City Council passed an ordinance to adopt Supplement 136 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 5306)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

15. [21-0414](#) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission
1 ACPS Employee, identified by the Superintendent
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Ingrid Bynum as the ACPS employee, identified by the Superintendent to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission.
16. [21-0415](#) Citizen Corps Council
1 Representative of the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Sandy Habib as the representative of the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross to the Citizen Corps Council.
17. [21-0416](#) Commission on Aging
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed William Campbell as the citizen member to the Commission on Aging.
18. [21-0396](#) Community Criminal Justice Board
2 Citizen Members
City Council reappointed Abdel-Rahmen Elnoubi and appointed Pegah Vakili as the two citizen members to the Community Criminal Justice Board.
19. [21-0395](#) Environmental Policy Commission
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Jennifer Debias Mabry as the citizen member to the Environmental Policy Commission.

20. [21-0413](#) Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Citizen Member, who shall be a health professional and at the time of appointment derive, or within the previous five years derived, their principal income from providing health care, health services or health-related activities
City Council reappointed Andrew Romero as the citizen member, who shall be a health professional and at the time of appointment derive, or within the previous five years derived, their principal income from providing health care, health services or health related activities to the Public Health Advisory Commission.
21. [21-0408](#) Alexandria Transportation Commission
1 Citizen Member who shall be a resident of the City possessing qualifications in land use, transportation, and/or municipal finance, of whom shall reside east of Quaker Lane
City Council reappointed Oscar Gonzalez as the citizen member who shall be a resident of the City possessing qualifications in land-use, transportation, and/or municipal finance, whom one shall reside east of Quaker Lane to the Transportation Commission.
22. [21-0412](#) Waterfront Commission
1 Citizen Representative who resides east of Washington Street and south of King Street
City Council appointed Barbara Saperstone as the citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and south of King Street to the Waterfront Commission.

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

23. [21-0256](#) Introduction of the Proposed Alexandria Legislative Package for the 2021 General Assembly.
City Council: (1) received the proposal fro the City's 2021 Legislative Package, as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee and Included in Attachment 1; (2) scheduled the Draft Legislative Package for public hearing on Saturday, November 14, 2020; (3) scheduled a work session with Alexandria's General Assembly delegation immediately preceding the Saturday, November 14, 2020 public hearing; and (4) scheduled final adoption of the Legislative Package for Tuesday, December 8, 2020.
24. [20-1057](#) Receipt of the Fiscal Year 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).
City Council received the Fiscal Year 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).
25. [21-0377](#) Receipt of Proposed Coordinated Community Post-COVID-19 Recovery Plan.
City Council received the report and directed the City Government Community Recovery Plan Team to provide the Proposed Coordinated Community Post -COVID-19 Recovery Plan to related City boards and commissions and community partners for feedback, and refinement, and then proceed to utilize the recommendations in this report in developing FY 2022 Proposed Operating Budget recommendations.

26. [21-0332](#) Receipt of Franchise Proposals from telecommunications providers to grant one or more nonexclusive Telecommunications Facility Franchise(s) to telecommunications providers to install specified small cell facilities and related infrastructure in the City's public rights-of-ways and Referral of Such Proposals to City Staff for Review.
- City Council: (1) received a summary of proposals submitted to the City; (2) received any additional proposals from bidders at the City Council meeting; (3) referred all proposals to the City Manager for evaluation, review and consideration in the manner prescribed by law, including the negotiation of a franchise agreement with preferred bidders/proposers; and (4) directed the City Manager to recommend to City Council at its December 8, 2020 meeting or as soon thereafter as is feasible, recommended telecommunication provider(s) to install small cell facilities and related infrastructure in the City's public rights-of-ways.*
27. [21-0384](#) Oral Report: Workforce Development Center Update
- City Council received the update from the Workforce Development Center.*

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

28. [21-0133](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Establish FY 2022 Budget Guidance.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted the FY 2022 Budget Guidance Resolution, which will provide guidance to the City Manager to be used in his preparation of the Proposed FY 2022 Operating Budget and Proposed FY 2022 to FY 2031 Capital Improvement Program to be presented on February 16, 2021 for City Council consideration. The resolution states: (1) the City Manager is directed to propose an operating budget and 10-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) that seeks to balance the need to continue priority services and the need for an affordable tax and fee responsibility which may include tax and/or fee increases and increases in operating and capital project expenditures to fund priority services, but may also include service reductions to provide for higher priority services and minimize any tax rate increases; and (2) due to the amount of uncertainty about FY 2022 revenues due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and economic recession, the City Manager is also directed to present two alternative budget scenarios: (a) one that identifies further service reductions that would be recommended to balance the budget if the real estate tax rate or other tax rates are not increased; and (b) budget scenarios that identifies the amount of revenue and real estate tax rate increase that would required to fund a budget with few service reductions. (RES. NO. 2965)*
29. [21-0134](#) Consideration of a Budget Resolution Establishing the Process to be Used to Adopt the FY 2022 Operating Budget and the FY 2022 to FY 2031 Capital Improvement Program. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted the proposed resolution establishing the process to be used to adopt the FY 2022 Operating Budget and the FY 2022 to FY 2031 Capital Improvement Program, with an amendment to section 9 to read as follows, "at least one digital or public meeting outside of City Hall..". (RES. NO. 2966)*

30. [20-0853](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to enact Chapter 7 (COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (C-PACE)) of Title 7 (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.
- City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and passage on final reading.*

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Councilman Aguirre reported that Casa Chirilagua hosted an event that gave desks to students in the community for use at home. Councilman Aguirre noted that the event was a collaborative event with Casa Chirilagua, Virginia Tech, Building Momentum and the Carpenters' Union and he pointed out that the event was also attended by Councilman Chapman.

OTHER

31. [21-0391](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.
- City Council received and adopted the FY 2021 City Council schedule for November 2020 through July 2021, noting that the remaining meetings for November 2020 will be held virtually.*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 p.m.

NOTE: The action docket is a summary of the 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.