

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Budget Adoption

City Council Special Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the May 5, 2021 Special Meeting for Budget Adoption 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:

Registration link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_BISHDiq4TNCjDPb8k5AC4Q

Webinar ID: 999 8684 2004

Webinar Passcode: 292773

Dial-in number: 301-715-8592 (Washington DC)

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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.

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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Please take notice that the Alexandria City Council will hold a Special City Council meeting on May 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., by Zoom to adopt the City's FY2022 Proposed Annual Operating Budget (including Schools) and FY2022 to FY203 Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (including Schools CIP).

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.

2. [21-1037](#) Resolution Finding Need to Conduct City Council Meetings Electronically.

[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted resolution finding the need to conduct City Council meetings electronically. (RES. NO. 3001)

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.]

There were no speakers for public comment.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

4. [21-0372](#) Consideration of the Proposed Annual Operating Budget for FY 2022 (Including Schools) and the Proposed Capital Improvement Program FY 2022 to FY 2031 (Including Schools CIP) and Adoption of a Resolution. [ROLL-CALL-VOTE]

City Council adopted the budget resolution which includes an annual General Fund operating budget for FY 2022 of \$770,708,947; and the FY 2022 to FY 2031 Capital Improvement Program of \$2,661,511,337 in total; including \$293,102,842 in total for FY 2022. (RES. NO. 3002)

5. [21-0977](#) Final Passage of an Ordinance on the Proposed Real and Personal Property Tax Rates and Proposed Effective Tax Rate Increase for Calendar Year 2021 (Fiscal Year 2022). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted an ordinance to set the City's calendar year 2021 blended real property tax rate at \$1.11 on each \$100 of assessed value, which is reduced by two cents from the calendar year 2020 rate. The calendar year 2021 real property tax rate contains the following:

-The sum of \$0.022 on each \$100 of assessed value of the one dollar and eleven cents real property tax rate will be collected and reserved for the Transportation Improvement Fund.

-The sum of \$0.006 on each \$100 of assessed value of the one dollar and eleven cents real property tax rate will be dedicated for affordable housing purposed to continue to pay budgeted debt service on affordable housing bonds, beginning on July 1, 2021.

-The total blended real property tax rate for the City in calendar year 2021 will be \$1.11.

The calendar year 2021 personal property tax rates contain the following:

-The sum of \$5.33 on each one-hundred dollars of assessed value of vehicle personal property. This rate remains unchanged from calendar year 2020.

-The sum of \$4.75 on each \$100 of assessed value of tangible business personal property. This rate remains unchanged from calendar year 2020.

-The sum of \$4.50 on each \$100 of assessed value of machinery and tools personal property. This rate remains unchanged from calendar year 2020. (ORD. NO. 5348)

6. [21-0978](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Residential Refuse Fee Increase for FY 2022. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution setting the annual charge for the collection and disposal of solid waste, ashes, recyclable materials and yard debris from required residential user property at \$484.22 per household. (RES. NO. 3003)

7. [21-1042](#)

Consideration of a Resolution Making the Planned 1% Pay Bonus Applicable to Certain Commonwealth of Virginia Employees Based in Alexandria. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution for approval of the planned 1% pay bonus and making it applicable to certain Commonwealth of Virginia employees based in Alexandria. (RES. NO. 3004)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.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.