

City of Alexandria

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



Action Docket - Final

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

City Council Legislative Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the June 9, 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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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.

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 with Councilman Seifeldin arriving during the closed executive session.

2. [21-1147](#) 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. 2998)

Closed Meeting.

3. [21-1148](#) Consideration of a closed meeting 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 governmental unit would be adversely affected and to discuss a personnel matter. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:06 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 purchase of a building on the west end for the Alexandria City Public Schools, 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 in open session at 7:22 p.m.

4. Public Discussion Period.

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

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

- 1. Kate Ellis, Alexandria, manager of Hotel Indigo, spoke about including increased funding from the American Rescue Plan Program for the hotel and hospitality industry*

when planning the spending.

2. *Scott Barstow, Alexandria, spoke about the City investing in energy efficiencies, retrofits and electrification in low income residences and affordable housing units using the funding from the American Rescue Plan Program.*

3. *William Pfister, Alexandria, spoke in support of Council funding a new pool at the proposed high school project.*

4. *Linda Critchfield, Alexandria, spoke in support of Council funding a new pool at the proposed high school project.*

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

5. [21-1149](#) Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meeting of City Council:

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2021;
The Special Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2021;
The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2021;
The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 6, 2021; and
The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2021.

City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the public hearing meeting minutes of March 17, 2021, the special meeting minutes of March 17, 2021, the regular meeting minutes of March 23, 2021, the regular meeting minutes of April 6, 2021, and the public hearing meeting minutes of April 17, 2021.

PROCLAMATIONS

6. [21-1146](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing June as Pride Month in the City of Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

- 6a. [21-1174](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the 75th Anniversary of the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

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

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

City Council gave the report.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

None.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (7- 18)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

7. [21-1150](#) Receipt of the following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission
Javan Owens
 - (b) Commission for Women
Uzma Quraishi
 - (c) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
Severiano Ortiz
 - (d) Real Estate Assessments Review Board
Ian Bryan
 - (e) Sister Cities Commission
Rita Jupe

Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

8. [21-1151](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board
1 Attorney Representative
 - (b) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member
 - (c) Beautification Commission
1 Member with Expertise in the field of architecture or urban planning, or be a historian with architectural knowledge
1 Citizen Member
 - (d) Board of Architectural Review

- 1 Architect
- (e) Citizen Corps Council
 - 1 Member in good standing of the CERT program
- (f) Emergency Medical Services Council
 - 1 member who is Alexandria's Operational Medical Director
- (g) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
 - 1 Planning District II representative
- (h) Human Rights Commission
 - 1 Representative from the Commission on Aging
- (i) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board
 - 1 Homeowner Representative
- (j) Local Emergency Planning Committee
 - 1 Representative of Broadcast or Print Media
- (k) Park and Recreation Commission
 - 1 Park Planning District II Representative
- (l) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors
 - 1 Hotel Representative
- (m) Waterfront Commission
 - 1 Representative from the Commission for the Arts
 - 1 Representative from the pleasure boat lease holders at Alexandria Marina

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

- 9. [21-0994](#) Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending April 30, 2021.
- 10. [21-1027](#) Consideration of an Amendment to the Lease Between the City and WG Tavern Square Venture, LLC for office space at the Tavern Square Office Building Complex located at 421 King Street.
- 11. [21-1094](#) Consideration of Amendment of Lease Agreement Between the City of Alexandria and Casa Chirilagua for the Use of the City-owned Community Building at 4109 Mount Vernon Avenue.
- 12. [21-1095](#) Consideration of a Four (4) Month License Extension Between the City of

Alexandria and UpCycle Creative Reuse for the Use of Space at the Oswald Durant Center located at 1605 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

13. [21-1097](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Education for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service Program for Children.
14. [21-1105](#) Consideration of the Submission of a Non-Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Litter Prevention and Recycling Program for Funding of the Adopt-A-Park Litter Control Program.

(Ordinances for Introduction and First Reading)

15. [21-0995](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Make Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for Fiscal Year 2022.
16. [21-0997](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of a Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance for the Support of the City Government for FY 2021.
17. [21-1014](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-602 (COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS CREATED, CONSISTENCY WITH MASTER PLAN, REQUIRED APPROVALS) of Article V (MIXED USE ZONES) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2021-00001 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2021-00001 associated with Permitted and Administrative Uses in CDD/Coordinated Development District Zones approved by City Council on May 15, 2021).
18. [21-1098](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 2-1-3 (TERM OF MEMBERS) of Article A (GENERAL PROVISIONS) of Chapter 1 (THE CITY COUNCIL) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) and Section 12-1-4 (ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS; DATE AND MANNER OF ELECTION) of Chapter 1 (SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL BOARD) of Title 12 (EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES, AND WELFARE) 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 docket item #14, which was considered under separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were follows:

7. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Javan Owens, Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (b) Uzma Quraishi, Commission for Women; (c) Severiano Ortiz, Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (d) Ian Bryan; Real Estate Assessments Review Board; and (d) Rita Jupe, Sister Cities Commission.

8. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions, and committees: (a) appointed Michael Vozzo as the attorney representative to the Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board; (b) appointed Mimi Joy as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (c) appointed Emily Freeland as the member with expertise in the field of architecture or urban planning, or be a historian with architectural knowledge and reappointed Denise Tennant as the citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (d) reappointed James Spencer as the architect to the Board of Architectural Review; (e) reappointed Marjorie Windelberg as the member in good standing of the CERT program to the Citizen Corps Council; (f) reappointed Joseph Marfori as the member who is Alexandria's Operational Medical Director to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (g) appointed Thomas Soule as the Planning District II representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (h) appointed Lynette Foster as the representative from the Commission on Aging to the Human Rights Commission; (i) appointed Elijah St. Dennis as the homeowner representative Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (j) reappointed Michael Pope as the representative of broadcast or print media to the Local Emergency Planning Committee; (k) appointed Geoff Goode as the Park Planning District II representative to the Park and Recreation Commission; (l) reappointed Tristan Harris as the hotel representative to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors; and (m) appointed Judy Heiser as the representative from the Commission for the Arts and reappointed Douglas Gosnell as the representative from the pleasure boat lease holders at Alexandria Marina to the Waterfront Commission.

9. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report.

10. City Council received the report and set the Fourth Amendment to the office space lease for the public hearing on June 19, 2021.

11. City Council: (1) received the report recommending a second amendment to the lease for an additional five years between Casa Chirilagua and the City of Alexandria; and (2) scheduled it for public hearing on Saturday, June 19, 2021.

12. City Council scheduled the proposed license extension amendment no. 1 for public hearing on June 19, 2021.

13. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of the grant application (due June 15) to the Virginia Department of Education for United States Department of Agriculture for continued funding and an estimated reimbursement amount of \$100,000 for program expenses; (2) affirmed that there are no funds available in the City budget to continue these activities once the grant funds are expended; and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

14. City Council: (1) received the report and schedule it for public hearing on Saturday, June 19, 2021, for the non-competitive grant application, due June 30, 2021 to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Litter Prevention and Recycling Program, for funding in the approximate amount of \$5,865.60 for the Adopt-A-Park Litter Control Program (the exact amount to be determined by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality by September 30, 2021); and (2) authorized the City Manager

to execute all necessary documents that may be required. (separate motion)

15. *City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, June 19, 2021.*

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ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (19)

19. [21-1153](#) Consideration of Resolution Approving ATHENA Rapid Response Innovation Lab to Provide Training, Community Outreach and Workforce Development for the United States Department of the Navy and the City of Alexandria. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

END OF THE ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

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

19. *City Council adopted the resolution that endorses the City of Alexandria government's endeavor to continue to partner with ATHENA Rapid Response Innovation Lab, LLC. (RES. NO. 2999)*

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

20. [21-1156](#) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee
1 Commissioner from the ARHA Board
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Salena Zellers as the commissioner from the ARHA Board to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee.
21. [21-1157](#) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council reappointed Donna Fossum as the citizen member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee.
22. [21-1159](#) Board of Architectural Review
1 Citizen Member
City Council reappointed John Sprinkle as the citizen member to the Board of Architectural Review.
23. [21-1164](#) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Tom Gates as the citizen member to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee.

24. [21-1163](#) Commission for the Arts
1 Professional in the field related to the visual appearance of the cityscape, such as architecture, environmental design, landscape architecture or urban design
City Council appointed Sumrien Ali as the professional in the field related to the visual appearance of the cityscape, such as architecture, environmental design, landscape architecture or urban design to the Commission for the Arts.
25. [21-1158](#) Commission for Women
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Sarah Holley as the citizen member to the Commission for Women.
26. [21-1165](#) Environmental Policy Commission
1 Citizen Member
City Council reappointed Eldon Boes as the citizen member to the Environmental Policy Commission.
27. [21-1162](#) Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Pamela Rana Stewart as the citizen member to the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Commission.
28. [21-1161](#) Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Physician practicing in the City, nominated by the Medical Society of Northern Virginia
City Council waived the residency requirement and reappointed Dr. Michael Trahos as the physician practicing in the City, nominated by the Medical Society of Northern Virginia to the Public Health Advisory Commission.
29. [21-1160](#) Sister Cities Committee
2 Citizen Members
City Council appointed Rashmi Pappu and Diana Price as the two citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee.
30. [21-1166](#) Visit Alexandria Board of Governors
1 National or International Trade or Professional Association Executive
1 Representative from any of the four categories (hotel, restaurant, association, or retail)
1 At-Large Citizen Member
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Denise Jackson as the national or international trade or professional association executive, waived the residency requirement and appointed Mark Matthews as the representative from any of the four categories (hotel, restaurant, association, or retail), and waived the residency

requirement and appointed Emma Quinn as the at-large citizen member to the Visit Alexandria Board of Governors.

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

31. [21-1154](#) Consideration of an ACPS Funding Request of up to \$12.5 million to add an Aquatics Facility to the High School Project.
- City Council approved the request from ACPS for up to \$12.5 million to add an aquatics facility to the high school project with the understanding that the approved amount is the ceiling on the project.*
32. [21-1155](#) Update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding Plan Development and the Process Timetable for Allocation of ARPA Funding.
- City Council moved to received the report and to schedule a public hearing on the ARPA Funding Plan on Saturday, June 19, 2021.*
33. [21-0943](#) Consideration of Additional City Loan Funds to the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation (AHDC) for Costs Related to Renovation of Lacy Court and Development of The Bloom.
- City Council approve \$1,910,000 in additional HOF loans to fund project overruns for the renovation of Lacy Court (\$810,000) and development of The Bloom at Braddock (\$1.1 M) and authorize the City Manager to execute amendments to existing loan agreements accordingly.*

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

34. [21-1109](#) 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. 2020-00008 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. 2020-00008 associated with Braddock West approved by City Council on May 15, 2021).
- City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, June 19, 2021.*
35. [21-1111](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 054.03 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 1352 through 1362 Madison Street; 711 through 727 North West Street; and 1319 through 1329 Wythe Street from, RB/Townhouse zone to OCH/Office commercial high zone in accordance with the said zoning map

amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2020-00004 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2020-00004 associated with Braddock West approved by City Council on May 15, 2021).

City Council approved the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, June 19, 2021.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. *Councilwoman Jackson congratulated Police Chief Brown on his upcoming retirement at the end of the month.*
2. *Councilman Chapman requested that staff return at a future meeting with information about the new parking challenges in Old Town near the bottom of King Street.*

OTHER

36. [21-1132](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council received an update from Deputy City Manager Triggs on returning to in-person meetings, noting that staff is recommending the July 6 meeting be held in-person in City Hall, limiting staff to allow for access for the public in Council Chambers.

City Attorney Anderson gave an update on moving toward in-person meetings for City boards and commissions, beginning July 1, 2021 and she noted that the virtual meeting authority would expire for everyone on September 30, 2021.

City Council: (1) received and approved the FY 2021 City Council Schedule for June through July 2021 with the addition of the Juneteenth City holiday observed on Friday, June 18; and (2) received and adopted the Proposed FY 2022 City Council Schedule, with the addition of the Citizenship Day Ceremony scheduled for Tuesday, September 14 at 1:30 p.m., and the City Council 2022 Installation scheduled for Monday, January 3, 2022.

City Council reconvened in closed Executive Session at 11:12 p.m.

City Council reconvened in open session at 12:25 a.m.

City Council adopted the resolution previously circulated to City Council regarding the Executive Session. (RES. NO. 3000)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:26 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.