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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 21, 2015

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, CITY MANAGER /s/

DOCKET TITLE:

Consideration of the Proposed City Legislative Package for the 2016 General Assembly Session.

ISSUE: Consideration of the proposed City Legislative Package for the 2016 General Assembly Session.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: That City Council:

- (1) Receive the proposals for the City's 2016 Legislative Package, as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee and included in the Attachment;
- (2) Schedule the Legislative Package proposals for public hearing on Saturday, November 14; and
- (3) Schedule adoption of the Legislative Package for Tuesday, November 24.

DISCUSSION: Council's Legislative Subcommittee met with the City's General Assembly delegation on September 30 to discuss the City's preliminary 2016 legislative package. For the past several months, staff has been working with Council members, City departments, and boards and commissions to develop legislative and funding proposals for the City's 2016 Legislative Package. Thirty-three such proposals are described in the Attachment; all of them have been recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee for your consideration.

A Work Session with the City's Legislative Delegation will be held beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Work Room on November 10.

The 2016 General Assembly Session will be a "long" 60-day Session, beginning January 13, and ending March 12.

On December 17, 2015, Governor McAuliffe will submit his proposed FY 2017-18 biennial budget. Staff will report on the Governor's recommendations shortly after they are announced.

Legislative Director Bernard Caton will represent the City in Richmond again this year, and will report to you regularly on the status of legislative and budget issues that arise during the 2016 General Assembly Session.

ATTACHMENT: Proposed Positions for the 2016 Alexandria City Package

<u>STAFF</u>: Bernard Caton, Legislative Director