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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 4, 2017

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

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

DOCKET TITLE:

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 2-4-80 (CREATION, COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION) Of Article 1 (ALEXANDRIA ARCHAEOLOGICAL COMMISSION), of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT), of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

ISSUE: Consideration of a proposal to amend the Alexandria Archaeological Commission Ordinance to change the requirement that one member shall come from the Alexandria "Chamber of Commerce" to require the member to be selected from the "business community."

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: That City Council consider the amendment to the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and final passage on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

BACKGROUND: The Alexandria Archaeology Commission was established in 1975 and reauthorized by Ordinance No. 3773 in 1995 by Alexandria City Council as a citizen advisory board to Alexandria's Mayor and City Council on matters dealing with archaeological and historical resources located in the City of Alexandria. The Alexandria Archaeological Commission was the first such commission established in the United States. It is charged with advising on and setting policy and direction for archaeology in the City.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The proposed ordinance changes the requirement that one member of the Archaeology Commission come from the Chamber of Commerce to provide that the member may instead come from the business community as a whole. This will broaden the pool of potential volunteers who may serve on the Commission, while maintaining the original intent to have representation on the Commission from a local business.

FISCAL IMPACT: The will be no expected fiscal impact to these proposed changes.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Information on Proposed Ordinance Attachment 2: Proposed Ordinance