City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket

Saturday, October 19, 2013
9:30 AM

Council Chambers

City Council Public Hearing
OPENING

1  Calling the Roll.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Euille, and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present.

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New Business Item: Mayor Euille announced the passing of former Council member Lois Walker and he asked all present to participate in a moment of silence to remember her service and dedication to the City of Alexandria.

2  Public Discussion Period.

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

1. Jack Sullivan, 4300 Ivanhoe Place, spoke about sanitary sewer in the City of Alexandria and how the pollution is going into the Potomac. Mr. Sullivan distributed a packet of information describing the problem and requested a change in the notification that the City has posted throughout the City to accurately reflect the amount of raw sewage that is flowing into the Potomac River.

2. Miles Holtzman, 204 Oronoco Street, representing the Old Dominion Boat Club, stated that at the most recent meeting of the Old Dominion Boat Club (ODBC), the Board decided to provide the City with a walkway across its property adjacent to the river, at a width to be determined by the two parties. Mr. Holtzman noted that the walkway would be integrated into a flood mitigation plan amendable to both parties. Mr. Holtzman also noted that the ODBC looks forward to achieving the mutual goals.

3. Cindy Engelhart, 3223 Ravensworth Place, thanked Council for reviewing the City’s recreational facilities and requested that Council consider the addition of a senior pool, one that has a warmer water temperature, to keep senior citizens active and as a vital part of the community.

4. Poul Hertel, 1217 Michigan Court, stated that public discourse between the public bodies (boards and commissions) and civic associations has become strained with those bodies being condescending and uncivilized to certain associations and community members. Mr. Hertel requested that the Council have a serious conversation about civil conversation and civic discourse during meetings.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission

None.
END OF ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

4  14-1999  Public Hearing of Recommendations from the City Council Naming Committee on the Proposal to Name the City Owned Former Duron Paint Building: The Conservatory Center at Four Mile Run Park.

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the recommendation of the City Council Naming Committee for the naming of the former Duron Paint Building: The Conservatory Center at Four Mile Run Park.

5  14-2000  Public Hearing of Recommendation From the City Council Naming Committee on the Proposal to Name the City Fields on Braddock Road: The Lenny Harris Memorial Fields at Braddock Park.

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the recommendation of the City Naming Committee to rename the City Fields on Braddock Road: The Lenny Harris Memorial Fields at Braddock Park.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

Planning Commission (continued)

6  14-1985  Special Use Permit #2013-0057
426 E. Monroe Ave. - Simpson Stadium Park
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to install lighting and to install light poles greater than 15 feet in height at an existing dog exercise area in Simpson Stadium Park; zoned POS / Public Open Space. Applicant: City of Alexandria, Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

7  14-1979  Alexandria Playspace Policy
Public Hearing and Consideration of the adoption of a public playspace policy.
Staff: Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Adoption 7-0
City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

8  14-1983  Special Use Permit #2011-0014  
3601 & 3951 Jefferson Davis Highway - Dominion Virginia Power Electrical Terminal  
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for an extension of an SUP approval and the removal of the Condition of Expiration for an electrical terminal station; zoned CDD-10/Coordinated Development District 10. Applicant: Dominion Virginia Power represented by Elizabeth Harper  
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 7-0  
City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

9  14-1991  Special Use Permit #2013-0065  
607 Notabene Drive - Day Care Center  
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to operate a day care center and a request for a parking reduction; zoned RA/Residential Multi-Family. Applicant: The Child and Family Network Centers represented by Lee Jackson  
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval as amended 6-0  
City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

10  14-1987  Text Amendment #2013-0010  
Public Schools and Social Service Uses  
Public Hearing and Consideration of a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to add public schools and social service uses in certain zones. Staff: Department of Planning and Zoning  
Planning Commission Action: Initiated and Recommend Approval 7-0  
City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

11  14-1988  Special Use Permit #2013-0060  
4401 Ford Avenue - Intellectual Disability Day Support Program  
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to operate a social service use; zoned CRMU-H / Commercial Residential Mixed Use High. Applicant: City of Alexandria Department of Community & Human Services  
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-0  
City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission.

12  14-1989  Vacation #2013-0003  
1607 & 1609 Russell Road  
Kaufman
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation. Mayor Euille appointed the following viewers for the vacation: Dak Hardwick (chair), Raighne Delaney, and Jeanette Ankoma-Sey.

13  14-1990 Vacation #2013-0004
3001 N. Beauregard Street and 3003 E. Campus Drive
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to vacate a portion of public access and emergency vehicles easements; zoned RA / Residential Multi-Family. Applicant: Northern Virginia Community College
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation. Mayor Euille appointed the following viewers for the vacation: Mindy Lyle (chair), Benjamin Klein, and John Hemphill.

14  14-1986 Text Amendment #2013-0008
Residential Parking Permits
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to add a new Section 11-514 concerning visitor and guest parking permits. Staff: Department of Transportation and Environmental Services
Planning Commission Action: Initiated and Recommend Approval 5-2

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

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PLEASE NOTE: City Council considered docket item #15 prior to docket item #14.

15  14-1984 Special Use Permit #2013-0053
650 Maskell St. - The Station at Potomac Yard Condominium
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for a parking reduction in exchange for affordable housing pursuant to Section 7-700 of the Zoning Ordinance; zoned CDD-10 / Coordinated Development District 10. Applicant: Alexandria Potomac Station Limited Partnership by Duncan W. Blair, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 6-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

16  14-1981 Master Plan Amendment #2013-0004
Rezoning #2013-0003
Development Special Use Permit #2013-0002
Encroachment #2013-0003
700 &710 North Washington St. - 700 N Washington
Public Hearing and Consideration of requests for: A) an amendment to the Old Town North Small Area Plan to change the land use and zoning maps from
CDX / Commercial Downtown Old Town North to CRMU-X / Commercial Residential Mixed Use Old Town North; B) amendment to the zoning maps to change the zoning from CDX / Commercial Downtown Old Town North to CRMU-X / Commercial Residential Mixed Use Old Town North; C) a development special use permit and site plan with modifications to construct a mixed use development with residential and ground floor retail and SUP approval for a parking reduction and for offsite parking located within 300 feet; and D) an encroachment into the public right-of-way for planter boxes; zoned CDX / Commercial Downtown (Old Town North). Applicant: Mahmood Investment Corp. represented by Harry Hart, attorney
Planning Commission Action: MPA #2013-0004 Adopted Resolution 6-0; REZ #2013-0003 Recommend Approval 6-0; DSUP #2013-0002 Recommend Approval as amended 6-0; ENC #2013-0003 Recommend Approval 6-0

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation with the removal of condition #31.

17 13-1671
Public Hearing to Consider an Appeal to a Decision of the Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray Board, for Property at 1015 Princess Street. Appellant: Brian Thomas.

City Council closed the public hearing and upheld the decision of the Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray District to deny the appeal and require that appropriate wood windows be installed.

18 14-1982
Development Special Use Permit #2013-0018
2401 Eisenhower Ave. - Hoffman Town Center Block 8
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for an amendment to a previously approved development special use permit with site plan (DSUP #2011-0020) to increase the allowable height; zoned CDD #2/ Coordinated Development District 2. Applicant: Hoffman Family, LLC represented by Kenneth W. Wire, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval 5-1

City Council closed the public hearing and approved the Planning Commission recommendation. City Council also moved to request that the City Manager bring back a resolution for Council consideration that expresses Council's desire to appropriate $500,000 from the tax revenues generated during the construction and initial assessment period of the National Science Foundation (NSF) building for affordable housing.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

19 14-2004
Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Create the Eisenhower Avenue Science Redevelopment District for the Purposes of Incenting the National Science Foundation to Move to Alexandria.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the ordinance to create the Eisenhower Avenue Science Redevelopment District for the purposes of incenting
the National Science Foundation to move to Alexandria, including the changes from the letter from McGuireWoods dated October 18, 2013. (ORD. NO. 4831)

20  14-1869

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 10-200 (Parker-Gray District) of Article 10 (Historic Districts and Buildings) and Section 6-403 (General Regulations and Exceptions) in Section 6-400 (Height Districts) of Article 6 (Special and Overlay Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2013-0007. (Implementing Ordinance for the Parker Gray Regulations Text Amendment Approved by the City Council on September 21, 2013) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the ordinance to amend and reordain Section 10-200 (Parker-Gray District) of Article 10 (Historic Districts and Buildings) and Section 6-402 (General Regulations and Exceptions) in Section 6-400 (Height Districts) of Article 6 (Special and Overlay Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the Text Amendment heretofore approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2013-0007. (ORD. NO. 4832)

21  14-1872

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage 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 Such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2012-0005 and No Other Amendments, and To Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent With Such Amendment. (Implementing Ordinance for the Sanitary Sewer Master Plan Amendment Approved by City Council on February 23, 2013). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the 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 such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2012-0005 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said Master Plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment. (ORD. NO. 4833)

22  14-1903

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 5-2-29 (Street Encroachments) of Article A (General Provisions) of Chapter 2 (Streets and Sidewalks) of Title 5 (Transportation and Environmental Services) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended. (As Approved by the City Council With the Revisions to the Parker Gray Regulations on September 21, 2013). [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the ordinance to amend and reordain Section 5-2-29 (Street Encroachments) of Article A (General Provisions) of Chapter 2 (Streets and Sidewalks) of Title 5 (Transportation and Environmental Services) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 4834)
23 14-1996 Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 7 (Bicycles), Title 10 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the ordinance to amend Chapter 7 (Bicycles), Title 10 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia. (ORD. NO. 4835)

24 14-1997 Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend the City Code to Conform with the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA) with Regard to the Dollar Threshold for Informal Solicitations; to Authorize the City Manager, or his Designee, to Adjust Dollar Thresholds to Maintain Consistency with the VPPA; and, to Update Notification Procedures for Invitations to Bid to Reflect Changes in Technology. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the ordinance to amend the City Code to conform with the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA) with regard to the dollar threshold for informal solicitations; to authorize the City Manager, or his Designee, to adjust dollar thresholds to maintain consistency with the VPPA; and to update notification procedures for invitations for bid to reflect changes in technology. (ORD. NO. 4836)

25 14-2003 Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Repeal the Local Regulation Requiring Permitting of Massage Therapists and Establishments, Contained in Chapter 4.2 (Massage Regulations) of Title 11 (Health, Environmental and Sanitary Regulations), Section 9-1-59 of Chapter 1 (Business Licenses) of Title 9 (Licensing and Regulation) and Section 13-1-35 of Chapter 1 (General Offenses) of Title 13 (Miscellaneous Offenses) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, With the Exception of a New Provision That Disallows a Massage Therapist to Operate in the City of Alexandria Without a State License. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council closed the public hearing and adopted the ordinance to repeal the local regulation requiring permitting of massage therapists and establishments, contained in Chapter 4.2 (Massage Regulations) of Title 11 (Health, Environmental and Sanitary Regulations), Section 9-1-59 of Chapter 1 (Business Licenses) of Title 9 (Licensing and Regulation) and Section 13-1-35 of Chapter 1 (General Offenses) of Title 13 (Miscellaneous Offenses) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, with the exception of a new provision that disallows a massage therapist to operate in the City of Alexandria without a state license and including the amendments submitted by the City Attorney’s Office and the addition of language in subsection (a) to read “it shall be unlawful for any person to provide or administer a massage in the city FOR COMPENSATION except as specifically authorized by section 11-4.2-2(b). (ORD. NO. 4837)

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

DEFERRAL/WITHDRAWAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission (continued)
None.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

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NOTE: The action docket is a summary of 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 and of Council decisions made at the meeting.