City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, December 10, 2013
7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting
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6:00 p.m. - Work Session on the Potomac Yard Metro Rail Station Planning

City Council held the work session on the Potomac Yard Metro Rail Station Planning.

1 Calling the Roll.

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

2 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

City Council observed a moment of silence and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

14-2195 The Special Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2013; and
The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2013.


RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

PROCLAMATIONS

4 14-1978 Presentation of a Proclamation for First Night Alexandria.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

5 14-2040 Presentation of a Proclamation Issuing a Challenge to the British Embassy for the War of 1812.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6 14-2066 Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the Winners of the Health Workplace Awards Program by the Alexandria Childhood Obesity Action Network.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

OTHER

7 14-1954 Discussion with Senator Tim Kaine-Federal Issues of Concern to the City of Alexandria.

City Council received the report.
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)

CONSENT CALENDAR (8-14)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

8  14-2199  Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

   (a) Beautification Commission
       Gary Henson

   (b) Commission on HIV/AIDS
       Nicole Battle

   (c) Emergency Medical Services Council
       E. Susan Roe

9  14-2200  Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

   (a) Alcohol Safety Action Program Board
       1 U.S. Probation Office Representative
       1 Commonwealth’s Attorney Representative

   (b) Archaeological Commission
       1 Citizen Member

   (b) Beautification Commission
       1 Citizen Member

   (c) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission
       1 City Staff Member
       1 Young Adult Member
       1 High School Student
       1 Alexandria City Public Schools Member

   (d) Commission on Aging
       1 Citizen Member

   (e) Commission on HIV/AIDS
       1 Hospice of Northern Virginia Representative

   (f) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
1 Alexandria Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution
1 Member Who Attends High School in the City of Alexandria

(g) Public Health Advisory Commission
2 Non-Health Professionals

(h) Waterfront Commission
1 Old Town Civic Association Representative
1 Founders Park Community Association Representative

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

10 14-2166 Consideration of a Grant Funding Request of $300,000 to Repair and Renovate the Fire Department’s Burn Building.


(Ordinances for Introduction)

12 14-2120 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Owner of the Property Located at 2250 Mill Road (Tax Map #078.02-01-06) in the City of Alexandria, Virginia to Construct and Maintain an Encroachment into the Public Street Known as Dock Lane For a Bay on the Building and an Underground Transformer Vault. (Implementing Ordinance for the Encroachment Approved by the City Council on June 15, 2013 For the Eisenhower East Block 19 Residential Development)

13 14-2122 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Vacate a Portion of the Public Access and Emergency Vehicle Easement on the Private Street Known as East Campus Drive Located at 3001 North Beauregard Street and 3003 East Campus Drive (VAC No.2013-0004). (Implementing Ordinance for the Vacation Approved by the City Council For the Northern Virginia Community College on October 19, 2013)


END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of item #10, which was considered under separate motion, as follows:

8. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Gary Henson, Beautification Commission; (b) Nicole Battle, Commission on HIV/AIDS; and (c) E. Susan Roe, Emergency Medical Services Council.
9. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Eva Wall as the one U.S. Probation Office representative and reappointed Molly Sullivan as the one Commonwealth's Attorney representative to the Alcohol Safety Action Program Board; (b) appointed Mark Ludlow as the one citizen member to the Archaeological Commission; (c) appointed Jamie Toraason as the one citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (d) waived the residency requirement and reappointed William Chesley as the one City staff member, appointed Nelson Majano as the one young adult member, reappointed Samuel Hanoura as the one high school student, and reappointed Margaret Walsh as the one Alexandria City Public Schools member to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (e) appointed Michael Kreps as the one citizen member to the Commission on Aging; (f) reappointed Ralph Cagle as the one Hospice of Northern Virginia representative to the Commission on HIV/AIDS; (g) appointed Stephanie Campbell as the one Alexandria Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and appointed Katherine Campbell as the one member who attends high school in the City of Alexandria to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (h) reappointed Andrew LaVanway and Kathryn Taylor as the two non-health professionals to the Public Health Advisory Commission; (i) and reappointed Townsend Van Fleet as the one Old Town Civic Association representative and appointed Howard Bergman as the one Founders Park Community Association representative to the Waterfront Commission.

10. City Council authorized the City Manager to: 1. submit a grant application due January 1, 2014 to the Virginia Department of Fire Programs to repair and renovate the Fire Department's burn building; and 2. execute all necessary documents and agreements that may be required to receive funding under this grant program. (separate motion)

11. City Council received the monthly financial report for the period ending October 31, 2013.

12. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on December 14, 2013.

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CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

15  14-2206 Alcohol Safety Action Program Board
1 Citizen Member
1 Public Defender Representative

City Council appointed Todd Pilot as the one citizen member and appointed Jon Bourdon as the one public defender representative to the Alcohol Safety Action Program Board.

16  14-2201 Alexandria Marketing Committee
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Kara Batt as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Marketing Committee.
Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee

1 Qualified Professional Member Skilled in Architecture, Planning, Landscape Architecture and/or Urban Design

City Council appointed Matthew Clark as the one qualified professional member skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee.

Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission

2 Community Members with Expertise in Children, Youth and Family Issues, Public Safety, Medical/Health Related Profession or Non-Profit Experience

2 Community Members with Experiences as Parents, Guardians, Teachers and/or Expertise in Early Childhood, Youth or General Education Policy

City Council reappointed Glenn Hopkins and Daniel Solomon as the two community members with expertise in children, youth and family issues, public safety, medical/health related profession or non-profit experience, and reappointed Andria Cook and Sonia Price as the two community members with experiences as parents, guardians, teachers and/or expertise in early childhood, youth or general education policy to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (30 min.)

Consideration of the Transmittal of the Alexandria Fund for Human Services Review Committee Report.

City Council: 1. received the report of the AFHS Review Committee; 2. thanked the members of the Committee for their work; and 3. requested that the City Manager direct staff to develop specific responses and recommendations for implementation.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Mayor Euille noted that last week, when he was in Richmond at the Virginia Municipal League executive committee meeting, there was an annual VML finance forum in which town and city managers and finance and budget people from all over the state are invited to a presentation from the State Senate Finance Committee for the revenue and budget outlook. That presentation was presented by Betsy Dailey, the director of the Senate Committee. Mayor Euille said that as the City is starting its own internal budget process, some of the challenges the City Manager will be focusing on are some of the same budget challenges that the State is experiencing as well. Mayor Euille said the State does a two-year budget process. He said the economic outlook for the next two years will be characterized by slow growth and uncertainty. He said that when the Governor releases his two-year budget, the challenges they will be dealing with is uncertainty with regard to the national economic outlook and revenue forecast. The biggest unknown that continues to face the State and localities is going to be the Federal deficit reduction action. In addition, he said, there was a presentation by the Senate Finance Committee with regard to
the K-12 budget update, in which the Governor provided insight into where he is going with K-12 education funding.

2. Mayor Euille said that WMATA released its draft proposed budget at the committee meeting last Thursday, and there will be an increase of about $101 million in additional services for operations, and the drivers for the increases are the new collective bargaining agreements, fringe benefits, overtime increases, and materials and supplies. There is a projected increase to the City of $700,000. Fare increases are also on the table, so there is a laundry list of increases that will be subject to public hearings that will commence shortly.

3. Mayor Euille said that last Friday morning, the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association presented the City of Alexandria with the David G. Speck Tourism Partner of the Year Award for 2013 for the City’s hard work, commitment and dedication to supporting and promoting tourism. The event took place at George Washington’s Estate at Mount Vernon.

4. Councilwoman Pepper asked staff to give an update on the outages for Dominion Power.

5. Councilwoman Pepper said on docket item #12, the introduction of an ordinance on the encroachment at 4250 Mill Road, she noticed that the City protected itself from any kind of liability when it comes to offering an easement or an encroachment. She said she noticed that it also had a termination arrangement, which she thought would be a nice thing to have in all the easements. She said she hoped that if it wasn’t already a clause in the easements, then she would like one put in to protect the City for the future.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

20 14-2140 Update on the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan and Consideration of a Resolution to Establish an Eisenhower West Steering Committee. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council: 1. received the update; 2. approved the resolution establishing an Eisenhower West Steering Committee, subject to a revision of the language to change “business organizations” to “business representatives” and removal of line #4 altogether; 3. requested that the chairs of the Planning Commission, Transportation Commission, Environmental Policy Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission each nominate a member from their commission to serve on the Steering Committee; and 4. authorized the City Manager to appoint the remaining members and designate the Chair of the Steering Committee. (RES. NO. 2589)

21 14-2197 Consideration of a Resolution to Approve Change Orders to the City’s Contract With Lane Construction Corporation to Procure Additional Services for the Route 1 Transitway Project. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution authorize the City’s Purchasing Agent to issue up to $1.4 million in change orders to the contract with Lane Construction Corporation for construction of the Route 1 Transitway for a total contract amount of $14.5 million. (RES. NO. 2590)
22  **14-2204**  Consideration of City Council Schedule

City Council: 1. received the revised Council calendar which includes: the new Governor's Swearing in Ceremony will occur on Saturday, January 11, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. at the Capitol Square in Richmond; and 2. approved the calendar.

23  **14-2205**  Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for the Purpose of Consulting with Legal Counsel Regarding a Pending Legal Matter and to Discuss a Personnel Matter.

At 10:15 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to discuss the performance and salary of a specific public officer and to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation, specifically the performance and compensation of a Constitutional Officer and the litigation and/or settlement of certain land use matters, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(a)(1) and (7) of the Code of Virginia.

At 11:01 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

City Council adopted a resolution pertaining the Executive Session (RES. NO. 2591)

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 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.

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Public Notice:

The Mayor and Members of City Council will attend the grand opening of Potomac Yard Park on Saturday, December 14, 2013, at 8:30 a.m., at 2501 Potomac Avenue.

Work Sessions:

There will be a budget work session on Monday, December 9, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., in the Sister Cities Conference Room at City Hall.

There will be a budget work session on Wednesday, December 11, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sister Cities Conference Room at City Hall.