

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket - Final

Monday, May 6, 2013

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Special Meeting

Please take notice that the City Council will hold a Special Meeting on the Proposed Budget on Monday, May 6, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., (or immediately following completion of the Budget Work Session Scheduled at 6:00 p.m.) in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, for the purpose of considering the following items:

[13-1393](#)

6:00 P.M. - Budget Work Session Final Add/Delete

City Council held the work session.

OPENING

1 Calling the Roll

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

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

2 [13-1344](#)

Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Establish the Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Rates for Calendar Year 2013 (Fiscal Year 2014.) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council moved final passage of the ordinance to set the City's 2013 blended real property tax rate at one dollar and three point eight cents (\$1.038) on each \$100 of assessed value. The 2013 real property tax rate contains the following:

The sum of five tenths of one cent (\$0.005) on each \$100 of assessed value of the one dollar and three point eight cent real property tax rate will be collected for stormwater management and segregated in a separate special revenue fund to address operating and capital needs related to stormwater management.

The sum of two point two cents (\$0.022) on each \$100 of assessed value of the one dollar and three point eight cent real property tax rate will be collected and reserved for the Transportation Improvement Fund.

Beginning, July 1, 2013, the sum of six tenths of one cent (\$0.006) on each \$100 of assessed value of the real property tax rate will no longer be dedicated for affordable housing purposes. The city will continue to pay budgeted debt service on affordable housing bonds.

In addition, the sum of three tenths of one percent (0.3%) of total real property tax revenue will no longer be dedicated to the Open Space Trust Fund. The City will continue to pay budgeted debt services on borrowing that has occurred for open space purposes.

Ordinances will be introduced in June to codify the changes related to dedications of the real property tax rate.

The total blended real property tax rate for the City in 2013 will be one dollar and three point eight cents.

City Council moved that the tax rate for tangible personal property be increased

twenty-five cents (\$0.25) from four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$4.75) to five dollars (\$5.00).

The remaining personal property tax rates remain unchanged. (ORD. NO. 4801)

- 3 [13-1285](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Fire Department Fee Increases.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the Resolution to Adopt Fire Department Fee Increases. (RES. NO. 2550)
- 4 [13-1305](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Fee Increases for Parking Rates to be Charged to Employees and the General Public at City-Owned Parking Facilities for FY 2014. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution to adopt fee increases for parking rates to be charged to employees and the general public at city-owned parking facilities for FY 2014. (RES. NO. 2551)
- 5 [13-1314](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Fee Increases for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities for Fiscal Year 2014. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution to adopt fee increases for the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities for FY 2014. (RES. NO. 2552)
- 6 [13-1324](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Increase Stall Rental Fees and the Market Square Farmers' Market. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

Consideration of a resolution to increase stall rental fees and the Market Square Farmers' Market. (RES. NO. 2553)
- 7 [13-1322](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Code Administration Fee Adjustments. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution to adopt Code Administration fee adjustments. (RES. NO. 2554)
- 8 [13-1332](#) Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Increase the Impound Service Charge and the Impound Lot Storage Fee. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the ordinance to increase the impound service charge and the impound lot storage fee. (ORD. NO. 4802)
- 9 [13-1325](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Increase the Excavation Permit Fee, Commercial Refuse Collection Fee, Mulch Delivery Fee, Reserved Parking Fee and to Decrease the Residential Refuse Collection Fee. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution to increase the excavation permit fee, commercial refuse collection fee, mulch delivery fee, reserved parking fee and to decrease the residential refuse collection fee. (RES. NO. 2555)
- 10 [13-1248](#) Consideration of a Resolution Establishing the City's FY 2013 Virginia Retirement System Contributions Rates. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution establishing the City's FY 2013 Virginia Retirement

System contributions rates. (RES. NO. 2556)

OTHER

- 11 [13-1330](#) Consideration of Fee Increases for Planning & Zoning Development Review Applications.
- City Council adopted fee increases for Planning & Zoning development review applications.*

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

- 12 [13-1392](#) Consideration of the Proposed Annual Operating Budget for FY 2014 (Including Schools) and the Proposed Capital Improvements Program for FY 2014-2023 (Including the Schools CIP.)
- City Council moved adoption of the annual general fund operating budget for FY 2014 of \$624,848,747 with the following amendments to the City Manager's Recommended Budget. The details of each amendment are described in the May 3, 2013, budget memo from the City Manager "FY 2014 Final Add/Delete List" and will accompany docket item #11 as the Final Adoption Staff Report:*
- Technical expenditure increases (net of decreases) of \$85,999*
Other expenditure increases of \$8,684,173
Revenue Re-estimate increases (net of decreases) of \$1,937,569
Other revenue increases of \$6,832,603 including
An increase in the use of general fund balance of \$87,844.
Included in the FY 2014 General Fund Operating budget is an appropriation of \$185,611,472 to the Alexandria City Public Schools.
The total increase in expenditures compared to the City Manager's Recommended Budget is \$8,770,172, including an increase in cash capital funding of the FY 2014 – 2023 Capital Improvement Program of \$6,750,613.
- City Council authorized the City Manager to make technical adjustments to each affected Departmental Budget from the Non-Departmental Budget to reflect the proper allocation to departmental budgets of the adjustments related to items such as a merit/step increase, health insurance premiums and retirement contribution rates, details of these adjustments will be presented for approval by City Council in the context of the FY 2014 Appropriations Ordinance in the June.*
- City Council moved adoption of the proposed FY 2014 to FY 2023 Capital Improvement Program of \$1,228 billion in total and \$1.164 billion in local funding, with \$76.7 million in total and \$64.5 million in local funding in FY 2014. The specific dollar amounts for each year are as follows: FY2014: \$76,735,227; FY 2015: \$117,184,482; FY2016: \$350,855,808; FY2017: \$120,234,498; FY2018: \$147,311,018; FY 2019: \$102,133,321; FY2020: \$80,448,309; FY2021: \$86,089,888; FY2022: \$80,879,323; and FY2023: \$66,211,978.*
- City Council authorized the appropriation from General Fund Balance of \$6,187,633. This reflects an increase of \$87,844 compared to the City Manager's recommended budget.*
- City Council committed the assignments of Fund Balance proposed by the City*

Manager in the FY 2014 General Fund Operating Budget with the following adjustments for one-time expenditures. The source of these commitments is surplus revenue in FY 2013.

The assignments proposed by the City Manager in the Proposed Operating Budget include:

\$1,700,000 in Existing Encumbrances

\$6,187,633 to Fund the FY 2014 Operating Budget

\$242,000 to provide for indirect costs of the Transportation Improvement Program

To maintain the City's current financial policies regarding spendable fund balance as a percentage of general fund revenues, \$101,997 of the City's re-estimated FY 2014 revenue is recommend to be added to spendable fund balance.

OTHER

13 [13-1379](#)

Consideration of the Creation of Executive Pay Bands.

City Council adopted the creation of the executive pay bands.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:38 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.