City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, June 24, 2014
7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting
14-2912  6:00 P.M. - Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting to Discuss the Performance and Salaries of Public Officers and for Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Pending or Potential Litigation.

At 6:00 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to discuss the performance and salaries of specific public officers, to discuss the possible acquisition of real property for a public purpose, and to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation, specifically the annual performance review and salary for Council appointees and constitutional officers, the potential acquisition of real estate for transportation infrastructure, and the litigation and/or settlement of certain land use matters and litigation and/or settlement of certain alleged personal injury matters, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(a)(1), (3) and (7) of the Code of Virginia.

At 7:00 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

14-2959  6:55 P.M. - Meeting with DASH Board of Directors.

City Council met with the DASH Board of Directors at 7:00 p.m.

1  Calling the Roll.

Mayor Euille called the meeting to order 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:

   14-2934  Regular Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2014
   Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2014

   City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of June 11, 2014, as amended, and the public hearing meeting minutes of June 14, 2014.

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

4  14-2962  Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the 75th Anniversary of the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

   City Council endorsed the proclamation.
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-11)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

5  14-2949 Receipt of the Following Resignation from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Community Policy and Management Team
   Marsha Padilla-Goad

6  14-2950 Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee
   1 Citizen Member

(b) Commission on Aging
   1 Representative of a Supportive Service Provider
   1 Individual with Leadership Experience in a Volunteer Organization

(c) Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors
   1 At-Large Member
   2 Restaurant Owner/Manager Representatives
   1 Historic/Preservation Representative
   1 Hotel Owner/Manager Representative
   1 Attraction Representative

(d) Economic Development Partnership
   4 Director Members

(e) Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission
   1 Citizen Member

(f) Human Rights Commission
   1 Economic Opportunities Commission Representative

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

7  14-2889 Consideration of a Grant Renewal to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Food Program for At-Risk After School Program for the FY 2015 School Year Snack Sponsored by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.
8 14-2926 Consideration of Acceptance of a Funding Allocation from the 2014 Local Emergency Management Program Grant in the Amount of $60,904.43 for the City’s Emergency Management Program.

9 14-2928 Consideration of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Budget Transfer From the Home Rehabilitation Loan Program to Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia (Habitat).

10 14-2964 Consideration of Release of Funds from FY 2014 Contingent Reserves to Support the City Manager’s Office Community Engagement Initiative.

11 14-2877 Consideration of Ratification of Submission of a Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), for Funding from the FY 2014 COPS Hiring Program (CHP).

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of items 9, 10 and 11, which were considered under separate motion, as follows:

5. City Council accepted the following resignation with regret: Marsha Padilla-Goad, Community Policy and Management Team.

6. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) appointed Ashley Hess as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee; (b) reappointed Jane King as the one representative of a supportive service provider and reappointed Mary Lee Anderson as the one individual with leadership experience in a volunteer organization to the Commission on Aging; (c) appointed Andrea Barthello as the one at-large member, Annee Gillett and Jeff Swedarsky as the two restaurant owner/manager representatives, Susan Hellman as the one historic/preservation representative and reappointed Tobias Arff as the one hotel owner/manager representative and waived the residency requirement and reappointed Stephen Marks as the one attraction representative to the Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors; (d) appointed Melissa Webb, reappointed Christopher Hartman, waived the residency requirement and reappointed William Hard and reappointed David Millard as the four director members to the Economic Development Partnership; (e) appointed Patrick Murphy as the one citizen member to the Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission; and (f) appointed LaDonna Sanders as the one Economic Opportunities Commission representative to the Human Rights Commission.

7. City Council authorized the City Manager to: 1. submit the at-risk after school grant renewal application to the United States Department of Agriculture for Fiscal Year 2015 (due date September 1, 2014); 2. affirmed that there are no funds available in the City budget to continue these activities once the grant funds are expended; and 3. execute all documents that may be required.

8. City Council: 1. authorized the City Manager to accept the funding through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management in the amount of $60,904.43; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

9. City Council: 1. approved a budget transfer of $50,000 in Community
Development Block grant monies from the Home Rehabilitation Loan Program to the Housing Opportunities Fund; and 2. approved the allocation of $50,000 from the HOF to Habitat to assist in funding the rehabilitation of a resale restricted affordable homeownership unit. (separate motion)

10. City Council deferred this item to September. (separate motion)

11. City Council: 1. ratified the submission of a grant application (due June 23, 2014) to the U.S. Department of Justice that provides up to 75 percent funding for approved entry-level salaries and benefits for three years (36 months) for newly-hired, full time sworn officers; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required. (separate motion)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

12 14-2943 Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Salena Zellers as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

13 14-2945 Beautification Commission
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Bonnie Branding as the one citizen member to the Beautification Commission.

14 14-2944 Board of Architectural Review - Old and Historic District
2 Citizen Members

City Council appointed Kathryn Finnigan and Margaret Miller as the two citizen members to the Board of Architectural Review - Old and Historic District.

15 14-2952 Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors
1 Hotel Owner/Manager Representative
1 At-Large Member
1 National or International Trade or Professional Association Executive

City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Rich Casale as the one hotel owner/manager representative, waived the residency requirement and appointed Charlotte Hall as the one at-large member, and waived the residency requirement and appointed Karen Kotowski as the one national or international trade or professional association executive to the Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors.

16 14-2951 Economic Development Partnership
2 Director Members

City Council waived the residency requirements and appointed Brian Allen Jackson and Marjorie Bynum as the two director members to the Economic Development Partnership.

17 14-2946 Environmental Policy Commission
1 Member with Experience in Federal or State Environmental Statues, Regulations and Procedures (Preferably an Attorney)
City Council appointed Wendy Adams as the one member with experience in federal or state environmental statutes, regulations and procedures (preferably an attorney) to the Environmental Policy Commission.

18 14-2947 Northern Virginia Community College
1 Member Appointed by City Council
City Council reappointed Jason Middough as the one member appointed by City Council to the Northern Virginia Community College Board.

19 14-2948 Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee
1 Qualified Professional Skilled in Architecture
City Council appointed Jeremy Fretts as the one qualified professional skilled in architecture to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION (60 min.)

20 14-2789 Consideration of the Adoption of the Alexandria Children and Youth Master Plan’s Goals and Strategies.
City Council adopted the Alexandria Children and Youth Master Plan from the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission.

21 14-2844 Consideration of the Draft Procedure for Administering the Off Street Food Truck Pilot Program and the Draft Policy on Food Truck Vending in Public Parks and Recreation Centers.
City Council approved the draft administrative regulations for the administration of the Off Street Food Truck Pilot Program including the Policy on Food Truck Vending in Public Parks and Recreation Centers and authorized the City Manager to finalize the administrative regulations for the July 1 start date of the program.

22 14-2882 Consideration and Receipt of the Settlement Agreement and the Property Acquisition and Exchange Agreement Between the City of Alexandria and the Old Dominion Boat Club and Authorization for the City Manager to Enter into all Necessary Documents to Implement the Agreement.
City Council received the settlement agreement and property acquisition and exchange agreement and authorized the City Manager to execute these documents and any future documents necessary to implement these agreements.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Mayor Euille said he was at the U.S. Conference of Mayors meeting this past week in Dallas, Texas, and there were more than 236 mayors from around the country representing small and large cities. The purpose of the conference was to help mayors build relationships with the White House and Congress and the Federal Government, to leverage their relationships with the private sector, both public and private, and to bring national exposure and attention to the cities. He said they
concluded that cities must take the lead in the issues, whether they be social, infrastructure and education. He said it boiled down to mayors and councils having the responsibilities to provide the leadership and make things happen. It also discussed education and having a skilled and knowledgeable workforce. One of the major items that occurred was preserving a free and open internet system, so the net neutrality resolution passed unanimously. It also dealt with economic health in nations and cities, the minimum wage, immigration, early childhood education, school governance, municipal bonds, energy efficiency, transportation infrastructure, housing, help for returning veterans, the intersections between sports, race and politics in America. He said it renewed its long-standing commitment to reduce carbon emissions, promoting energy independence and efficiency, and developing renewable energy, and to also encourage the Federal and State governments to enact bipartisan legislation, policy and programs to assist mayors in their efforts to lead the nation toward energy independence, create American jobs that can’t be shipped overseas, protect the environment, eliminate waste and fight climate change. Mayor Euille said it had a session on bullying, so he signed onto an initiative on how as a City it will eliminate and prevent bullying.

2. Mayor Euille said that in early June he had the opportunity to be invited to the White House to participate in a program the First Lady hosted for Mayors to get Mayors involved in a national challenge to end Veteran’s homelessness, and he signed a resolution to commit the City to address the issue.

3. Mayor Euille said Black Women for Positive Change - Change in the Culture of Violence in America are having a national week of non-violence and advocating for it August 16-23, and he presented it to the U.S. Conference of Mayors last week for their consideration.

4. Mayor Euille said congratulations to the boys track and field team at T.C. Williams who won, for the first time in the school's history, the State championship, and the boys soccer team also won the State championship for the first time in the school's history.

5. Mayor Euille said T.C. Williams had its successful graduation last Saturday.

6. Mayor Euille said congratulations go to the first two female Deputy Police Chiefs who were promoted, and he participated in that swearing-in ceremony, and congratulations go to Tammy Hooper and Diane Gittins, who were promoted along with 23 other officers at the Police headquarters.

7. Vice Mayor Silberberg said she attended the all-night graduation party for the T.C. Williams graduates and it was an amazing event. She said she was assigned to the casino, and one of the people at her table was the goalie for the soccer team and he was excited about the game that would happen the next day. She said all the students were impressive and her hats off to all the volunteers and parents who make it possible. She said she was told the graduation rate for this year was 90 percent.

8. Vice Mayor Silberberg said the Fund for Alexandria’s Child had a gala last Thursday night, and it is an amazing program that helps kids who are in foster care or to prevent kids from going into foster care, and it helps about 350 kids in the City. She said she is inspired by the work of the foster parents and the volunteers.

9. Vice Mayor Silberberg wished everyone a safe summer. She said she had an idea to have a swimming challenge to the students and young people, although they haven’t flushed out how to implement it. It is important that all the kids learn how to
swim, as it is a safety issue but it is fun exercise. She said she is open to suggestions for the implementation.

10. Councilwoman Pepper said she was part of the checking in of students at the all-night graduation party, and there were a little over 300 students, which is about half of the students that graduated. She said they have to keep the students busy or they will want to leave, so they are plied with food and lots of entertaining things. Everyone on this Council contributed to financing that event and their total contributions was just over $800.

11. Councilmember Lovain said he was pleased to be asked by the Smart Growth America to join their local leaders group and in that capacity they participated in a local leaders forum last week with folks from all over the country. He said it was amazing to see cities adopting smart growth policies.

12. Councilmember Lovain said that this morning he helped hand out awards at the National Press Club for the Commuter Connections Program, which has been around for 40 years, and it encourages employers to encourage their employees to use transit, bike, tele-work and some of the success stories for folks who got awards are amazing.

13. Councilmember Lovain said that at the Transportation Planning Board, he presented the revised comprehensive human services transportation plan to the Board and it will be approved at the next meeting. After that, it will run a grant program to hand out over $5.5 million to localities and non-profits and some private companies to run transportation programs for people with disabilities and seniors.

14. Councilmember Lovain said that on June 5, 150 T.C. Williams students were handed checks worth $400,000 in scholarships from the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria. He said it was a very enjoyable evening, listening to the student's aspirations for college.

15. Councilman Chapman said that after the last public hearing, he had the opportunity to go to the War of 1812 event boat cruise on the Potomac talking about the different parts and pieces and the role the Potomac River played in the War of 1812. He thanked Gretchen Bulova and the staff at Gadsby's Tavern and the Office of Historic Alexandria for the wonderful boat ride and incredible experience it was, especially working with a number of residents, including Peter Pennington and Bill Dickinson and Michael Pope. He said it was a good experience for all to take in the view the Potomac River offers, but to talk about the history of the City in regard to 1812.

16. Councilman Chapman said this past Saturday he had the opportunity to go to the Alexandria Wine and Food Festival, and huge congratulations to the Carlyle Community Council for hosting that event in partnership with the City. The benefactor for that was Volunteer Alexandria. Congratulations go to Sweetbriar Donna's that was the award winner for the food.

17. Councilman Chapman said he sits on the Council of Governments Human Services and Public Safety Committee and this past Friday foster care was their discussion for the month's meeting. He said about 68 percent of the City's foster care are forced to leave the City and find homes with those who are non-family members, outside of the City limits, so they have to change their whole life in order to be cared for. Councilman Chapman said that outside of fundraising, the real need is for those that may have a home to think about handling or work with some of the kids in the foster system. He said there are children that are waiting in the foster care system.
and if there is an opportunity, he asked that people have that discussion about caring for some of Alexandria’s children.

18. Councilman Chapman said one of the recent things that came up was some of the cooling issues that apartments go through, noting that an apartment complex in the West End lost its air conditioning for the last ten days. He spoke of the lack of a recreation center or community center in the West End and noted that there was no cooling center in that area to open up. By not having one of those in some parts of the West End, they lose that ability to offer that service or support of the community. He said it got him thinking of how they can talk to developers as they look to develop the West End and talk about looking for that down the road.

19. Councilman Wilson said the City/Schools Subcommittee had their monthly meeting yesterday, and a couple of items of importance came up. The first was that in its legislative package last year, they requested an amendment of the City Charter that takes away language that prohibited the City Attorney from also representing the Schools. They had a presentation from the City Attorney laying out a couple of different options for the School Board to consider, whereby now they may avail themselves of the legal resources the City Attorney’s Office has. It also had a good discussion about an overall rationalization of the pre-after and out of school time efforts and how they structure a discussion of that going forward, particularly using the Youth Master Plan implementation they were talking about earlier. Councilman Wilson said they had a lengthy discussion regarding the synchronization between the City and the Schools as far as the budget calendar is concerned. He said he was slightly disappointed, as the Schools did draft a draft budget calendar, which does of bring them to where they need to get as far as synchronizing the calendars. He said there is a commitment from the chair and vice chair to continue working over the summer with the staff to try to bring that calendar in better alignment.

20. Councilman Wilson said the Long-Range Educational Facilities Committee had a meeting last week to continue its progress. He said that they had the third of three community meetings on the educational specifications that the subcommittee has been finalizing. In the workplan for the staff this summer is looking at the sites they have in potential new development for possible school sites in the future and looking at the suitability and how it might utilize those sites in the future.

21. Councilman Wilson said he represents the City on the Potomac Yard Metro Feasibility effort and they have a meeting on Thursday to provide some significant updates in the process.

22. Councilman Wilson wished City Manager Young a Happy Birthday tomorrow.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Young recognized and acknowledged Planning Director Farol Hamer on the occasion of her retirement from the City on July 1.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

24  14-2902  
Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sheet No. 074.01 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," Adopted by Section 1-300 (Official Map and District Boundaries), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by Rezoning the Property at 206, 208, 210, and 212 South Patrick Street from, CL/Commercial Low to RM/Townhouse Zone in Accordance With the Said Zoning Map Amendment Heretofore Approved by City Council as Rezoning No. 2014-0003. (Implementation Ordinance for the Map Amendment Approved by City Council on June 14, 2014 for the South Patrick Street Residential Project) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the ordinance to rezone the property at 206, 208, 210, 212 South Patrick Street from CL/Commercial Low to RM/Townhouse for Rezoning No. 2014-003. (ORD. NO. 4895)

25  14-2903  
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 the Old Town Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2014-0003 and No Other Amendments, and to Repeal All Provisions of the Said Master Plan as May Be Inconsistent With Such Amendment. (Implementation Ordinance for the Master Plan Amendment Approved by City Council on June 14, 2014 for the South Patrick Street Project) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the ordinance to amend the master plan by adopting and incorporating the Old Town Small Area Plan Chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2014-0003. (ORD. NO. 4896)

26  14-2904  
Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 1-400(B) (Interpretation of Zoning Regulations) of Article I (General Regulations) and Section 7-1600 (Townhouses) of Article VII (Supplemental Zone Regulations) Both of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2014-0002. (Implementation Ordinance for the Text Amendment Approved by City Council on June 14, 2014 Regarding Townhouse Drive Aisles) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted an ordinance to amend and reordain Section 1-400(B) and Section 7-1600 in accordance with the text amendment approved by City Council as text amendment No. 2014-0002. (ORD. NO. 4897)

27  14-2863  
Consideration of a Resolution for a Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Transportation for Primary Extension Improvement Program Funding. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council: 1. adopted the resolution to apply for a primary extension improvement program funding allocation for $940,000 from the Virginia Department of Transporta
Transportation for the resurfacing of City-maintained primary route extensions; and 2. authorized the City Manager to submit the resolution and enter into any agreements with the State that may be required to receive these funds should the requested allocation be approved. (RES. NO. 2630)

28 14-2869 Consideration of a Resolution Concurring with the Alexandria City Public Schools’ FY 2015 & FY 2016 Virginia Retirement System Contribution Rates. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the resolution concurring with the Alexandria City Public Schools FY 2015 and FY 2016 Virginia Retirement System contribution rates. (RES. NO. 2631)

29 14-2925 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize Dedication of Temporary Construction and Grading Easements Across Property Known as Birmingham Green. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an easement document permitting temporary construction and grading easements on the property of Birmingham Green. (RES. NO. 2632)

30 14-2940 Consideration of a Resolution to Create an Ad Hoc Community Work Group to Consider Dominion Virginia Power Proposed Underground Transmission Line from NRG to Arlington County Glebe Road Substation, and New Substation at the NRG Site. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution, as amended, to create an ad hoc community work group to consider Dominion Virginia Power proposed underground transmission lines from NRG to Arlington County Glebe Road Substation and a new Substation at the NRG site and to authorize the City Manager to appoint an ad hoc DVP working group with membership as outlined in the staff report. (RES. NO. 2633)

31 14-2958 Consideration of an Amendment to Resolution 2608 on Establishment of Ad Hoc Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Advisory Committee. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council: 1. adopted a resolution to amend Resolution 2608 to add two additional at-large citizen representatives to the Ad Hoc Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Advisory Committee; and 2. authorized the City Manager to appoint the two new at-large citizen representatives to the Committee. (RES. NO. 2634)

32 14-2930 Consideration of a Resolution in Support of Federal Action to Address the Overuse of Antibiotics on Factory Farms. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the resolution in support of Federal action to address the overuse of antibiotics on factory farms. (RES. NO. 2635)

33 14-2971 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing The City Of Alexandria To Apply For Federal Funding Assistance From The Land And Water Conservation Fund To Renovate The Passive Use Space And Adjacent Playground In Simpson Stadium Park. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City to apply for Federal funding assistance from the Land and Water Conservation Fund to the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation to renovate the passive use space and adjacent...
playground in Simpson Stadium Park; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents required for funding. (RES. NO. 2636)

34  **14-2893** Consideration of a Resolution to Amend the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board and Consideration of a Resolution to Waive Utilities and Rent for FY15. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted a resolution to add two at-large members to the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board. (RES. NO. 2637)

**OTHER**

35  **14-2963** Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council received the Council calendar and approved the calendar.

36  **14-2942** Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting to Discuss the Performance and Salaries of Public Officers and for Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Pending or Potential Litigation.

At 10:57 p.m., City Council convened in closed executive session to discuss the performance and salaries of specific public officers, to discuss the possible acquisition of real property for a public purpose, and to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation, specifically the annual performance review and salary for Council appointees and constitutional officers, the potential acquisition of real estate for transportation infrastructure, and the litigation and/or settlement of certain land use matters and litigation and/or settlement of certain alleged personal injury matters, pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(a)(1), (3) and (7) of the Code of Virginia.

At 12:10 a.m., City Council reconvened the meeting.

City Council adopted a resolution pertaining the Executive Session (RES. NO. 2638)

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The meeting was adjourned at 12:11 a.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.