City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, September 9, 2014
7:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting
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 Meeting of City Council:

14-3097 The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2014.

City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of June 24, 2014.

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

4 14-3092 Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring September 17, 2014, as Recovery Day.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

5 14-3091 Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the 75th Anniversary of the Alexandria Library Sit-In.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6 14-3090 Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing the 30th Anniversary of MetroStage.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

* Update on the Potomac Yard Metrorail Feasibility Study Group (Mayor Euille and Councilman Wilson)

* Update on the City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Euille and Councilman Wilson)
* Update on the Audit Committee (Councilman Smedberg and Councilman Wilson)

* Update on the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilman Smedberg)

* Update on the Virginia Railway Express (Councilman Smedberg)

* Update on the Waterfront Commission (Councilman Smedberg)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)

CONSENT CALENDAR (7-13)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

7 14-3104 Receipt of the Following Resignations From Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
   Kitty Montie

(b) Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee
   Ray Crowell

(c) Beauregard Design Advisory Committee
   Don Buch

(d) Beautification Commission
   Jamie Toraason
   Louren Chen
   Audrey Monish

(e) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission
   Samuel Hanoura

(f) Commission for the Arts
   Kathryn Dureska

(g) Commission on Aging
   Connie Haworth

(h) Community Policy and Management Team
Uncontested Appointments to Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
   1 Faith Community Representative

(b) Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board
   1 Attorney Representative

(c) Alexandria Gang Prevention Task Force
   1 City Manager or His Designee

(d) Citizen Corps Council
   1 Member in Good Standing of the CERT Program

(e) Commission on Employment
   1 Citizen Member

(f) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
   1 Citizen Member

(g) Community Services Board
   1 Citizen Member

(h) Community Criminal Justice Board
   1 City Manager Representative

(i) Emergency Medical Services Council
   1 City Manager or His Designee
1 Representative of the Alexandria Red Cross

(j) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
   1 Representative of the Torpedo Factory Artists’ Association
   1 Historic Alexandria Foundation Representative

(k) Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission
   1 Citizen Member

(l) Human Rights Commission
   1 Citizen Member

(m) Industrial Development Authority
   1 Citizen Member

(n) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board
   1 Landlord or Representative of Landlord

(o) Sister Cities Committee
   1 Citizen Member

(p) Traffic and Parking Board
   1 Citizen Member

(q) Urban Design Advisory Committee
   1 Qualified Professional Skilled in Urban Design, Architecture or Landscape Architecture

(r) Waterfront Commission
   1 Representative from the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

9 14-3018  Consideration of a Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) for Development and Expansion of Behavioral Health Services for Young Adults Ages 16-25.

10 14-3053  Consideration of the Appointment of a Management Alternate to the City of Alexandria Supplemental Retirement Board and Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Board.

11 14-3064  Consideration of a Grant Application for a Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) Award to Purchase a PhysioControl Lifepak 15.

(Ordinances for Introduction)
Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 2-4-31 (Creation, Composition, and Organization) of Article C (Historic Alexandria Resources 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.

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance Approving and Authorizing 1) the Acquisition of Property by the City of Alexandria at 204 Strand Street from Anita Mann, Trustee and 208 Strand Street from Jane Caster Sweeney, Trustee; 2) the Exchange of Undefined Potential Alley Access Way Rights Between City of Alexandria and Multiple Property Owners in the 200 block of Strand Street; and 3) the Exchange of Property Between the City of Alexandria at 0 Prince Street, 200 Strand Street and a Portion of 204 Strand Street and Associated and Extended Riparian Rights and the Old Dominion Boat Club at 1 King Street, 2 King Street and Associated Riparian Rights, and Adjacent Property Claims.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of item #13, which was considered under separate motion, as follows:

7. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Kitty Montie, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) Ray Crowell, Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee; (c) Don Buch, Beauregard Design Advisory Committee; (d) Jamie Toraason, Lauren Chen and Audrey Monish, (e) Beautification Commission; Samuel Hanoura, Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (f) Kathryn Duresska, Commission for the Arts; (g) Connie Haworth, Commission on Aging; (h) Dorothy Smith, Community Policy and Management Team; (i) Caryn Hederman, Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia; (j) John Baker, Human Rights Commission; (k) Derek Hyra, Planning Commission; (l) Quynn Nguyen, Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; and (m) Patricia Spicer, Society Services Advisory Board.

8. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Eric Weiss as the one faith community representative to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee; (b) appointed Lauren Reid as the one attorney representative to the Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board; (c) waived the residency requirement and appointed Jerome Fletcher as the one city manager or his designee representative to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Task Force; (d) appointed Jerome Cordts as the one member in good standing of the CERT Program to the Citizen Corps Council; (e) appointed Scott Seedorf as the one citizen member to the Commission on Employment; (f) reappointed Nyrisha Beckman as the one citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (g) reappointed Eugene Stammeyer as the one citizen member to the Community Services Board; (h) appointed Debra Collins as the one city manager representative to the Community Criminal Justice Board; (i) appointed Debra Collins as the one city manager or his designee and appointed Scott Kahler as the one representative of the Alexandria Red Cross to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (j) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Jolande Goldberg as the one representative of the
Torpedo Factory Artists Association and appointed Gail Rothrock as the one Historic Alexandria Foundation representative to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (k) reappointed Michael Commisso as the one citizen member to the Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission; (l) appointed Jordan Costen as the one citizen member to the Human Rights Commission; (m) reappointed Lynn Hampton as the one citizen member to the Industrial Development Authority; (n) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Christin D’Amato as the one landlord or representative of landlord to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (o) reappointed Paul Anderson as the one citizen member to the Sister Cities Committee; (p) directed the City Clerk to readvertise the opening on the Traffic and Parking Board; (q) reappointed Daniel Straub as the one qualified professional skilled in urban design, architecture or landscape architecture to the Urban Design Advisory Committee; and (r) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Jody Manor as the one representative from the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association to the Waterfront Commission.

9. City Council: 1. authorized the submission of an application to DBHDS for ongoing funding in the amount of $699,986 to be used to develop and implement an evidence-supported early intervention and treatment model designed to address the behavioral health needs of young adults; 2. approved a total of 4.5 FTE, fully supported by grant revenues, as follows: 1.0 FTE Therapist Supervisor (Grade 22); 1.0 FTE Senior Therapist (Grade 21); 1.0 FTE Caseworker (Grade 14); 1.0 FTE Direct Support Technician (Grade 12); 0.5 FTE Fiscal Officer (Grade 19). Grant funding is expected to be ongoing. Nevertheless, the individuals who fill these grant-funded positions will be notified that the positions may terminate if grant funds become unavailable in the future. They will also be required to sign an agreement of understanding about this as a condition of employment at the time they are hired. If grant funding becomes unavailable in the future, outcome data will be analyzed to determine the project’s effectiveness and may be used to search for alternative funding, and/or to reprioritize current DCHS funding, to support the program’s continuation. If, however, grant funding becomes unavailable and alternative ongoing funding cannot be secured, the positions will be eliminated; and 3. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

10. City Council appointed the following individual to the recently vacant management alternate position on the City of Alexandria Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Board and the Supplemental Retirement Board: Jack Browand, Division Chief of Public Relations, Special Events and Waterfront Operations, Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities. Mr. Browand will remain on both boards until removed by City Council or ending his employment.

11. City Council: 1. authorized the submission of the grant application (due on September 15, 2014) in the amount of $43,270.45; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

12. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and adoption on September 13, 2014.

13. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing and adoption on September 13, 2014. (separate motion)

**ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (14-16)**

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**14-3085**  
Consideration of a Resolution Designating the City of Alexandria as a Fair Trade Town and Encouraging Policy Regarding the Purchase of Certified Fair Trade Products.
September 9, 2014

City of Alexandria

Trade Materials in City Procurement. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

15  14-3039
Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Zoning Supplement Number 63. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

16  14-3038
Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to Adopt Supplement Number 110 of the City Code. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the roll-call consent calendar, with the removal of item #14, which was considered under separate motion, as follows:

14. City Council approved the resolution designating the City of Alexandria as a Fair Trade Town and encouraged policy regarding the purchase of a certified fair trade materials in City procurement. (RES. NO. 2639) (separate motion)

15. City Council passed the ordinance on first and second reading to adopt Zoning Supplement Number 63. (ORD. NO. 4898)

16. City Council passed the ordinance on first and second reading to adopt Supplement Number 110 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 4899)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

17  14-3116
Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member
City Council appointed Melissa Kerley as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee.

18  14-3115
Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association
1 Alexandria Hotel Association President
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Mary Anne Russell as the one Alexandria Hotel Association President to the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors.

19  14-3112
Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray Board
1 Citizen Member
City Council reappointed Matthew Slowik as the one citizen member of the Board of Architectural Review - Parker-Gray Board.

20  14-3111
Commission on Employment
1 Representative From Such Organizations as Educational Agencies, Organized Labor, Rehabilitation Agencies, Community-Based Organizations, Economic Development Agencies and the Public Employment Service
City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Lauren Unger as the one representative from such organizations as educational agencies, organized
labor, rehabilitation agencies, community-based organizations, economic
development agencies and the public employment service to the Commission on
Employment.

21 14-3114 Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
1 Representative of the Lee-Fendall House

City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Laura Anne Lieberman
as the one representative of the Lee-Fendall House to the Historic Alexandria
Resources Commission.

22 14-3113 Planning Commission
1 Citizen Member

City Council appointed Melinda (Mindy) Lyle as the one citizen member to the
Planning Commission.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR
DISCUSSION

None.

ORAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

23 14-3072 Update on Virginia's New Voter Photo ID Law.

City Council received the update from the Voter Registrar.

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1. Mayor Euille spoke of the grand jury action to charge Charles Severence with ten
counts for the deaths of Nancy Dunning, Ruthanne Lodato and Ronald Kirby, and he
noted their thoughts are with the families. He said thanks go to the men and women
of the Police Department, the Commonwealth Attorney's Office and other law
enforcement partners such as the F.B.I. for their dedicated work on the cases, and
the public for stepping forward with information to assist in the cases.

2. Mayor Euille spoke of the domestic violence that was witnessed in a video by an
NFL player, and October is National Domestic Violence month, which is an
opportunity to have a renewed discussion about domestic violence and what role
everyone can play to help identify it and to help eradicate it.

3. Mayor Euille said they are aware of the incident in Ferguson, Missouri with the
death of an African-American teen at the hands of a police officer, and as a result of
that, they had a gut-check with the City. After that incident, as a member of the U.S.
Conference of Mayors, they were having conference calls with the White House
senior staff as well as the Vice President and President, the Attorney General's Office
and others in terms of what they can do to make sure an incident of that type could
not happen in their own communities. He said he had meetings with the City
Manager, Police Chief, the Courts, Human Rights Office, and the leadership of the
police unions and the Commonwealth Attorney.

4. Mayor Euille said this is the fourth or fifth summer in a row where the City has
gone without any major incidents involving any youth or young adults, due to a youth
employment program, recreation programs, and they have youth and young adults engaged in positive things.

5. Mayor Euille said the schools have opened and he had the opportunity to start off at 7:30 a.m. with the School Superintendent and out of the 15 schools, he visited 10 schools.

6. Mayor Euille said the U.S. Conference of Mayors launched a national bullying campaign, and he has signed that and will declare the month of October as National Anti-Bullying month. He said he has put together a workgroup from Court Services, Park and Recreation, the faith-based community and the Alexandria City Public Schools, and they are organizing a series of events to take place in October and culminating with a major program on October 20 at T.C. Williams High School from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

7. Mayor Euille noted that he will become president of the Virginia Municipal League, which is the statewide organization representing cities and towns and will carry that forward to the National League of Cities annual conference in Austin, Texas in November, and in January he will become chairman of the board for the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments, to be followed by the chairmanship of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority.

8. Mayor Euille noted that he has met with the members of Council one-on-one to check in for the upcoming current session.

9. Councilwoman Pepper said the Mayor was part of the fundraiser for ALS and did the ice bucket challenge.

10. Councilwoman Pepper said some of the activities they have had over the last couple of weekends have been proof that they are the fun side of the Potomac. Two weekends ago they had the commemoration of the Bicentennial of the War of 1812 and it brought out a lot of people. There was a tug-of-war, a cricket match and a yacht race, and Alexandria won all three. She noted the use of food trucks and said this is the one time where a food truck was parked on Prince Street by Waterfront Park and it was used and was necessary. She thanked Gretchen Bulova and the Office of Historic Alexandria and Gadsby’s Tavern.

11. Councilwoman Pepper said the 12th annual art festival is this weekend on King Street, with 200 artists and is one of the best in the country.

12. Councilwoman Pepper said that last week, they all attended the dedication of the Countrabands and Freedman’s Memorial, which was an outstanding event and presentation. She said Lillie Finklea and Louise Massoud put this together and pushed it through. Pam Cressey, the archaeologist at the time, also helped, as well as Genealogist Char McConnell Barr.

13. Councilwoman Pepper said for those interested in the Dominion 230 KV line undergrounding, the first workgroup meeting will be this Thursday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sister Cities conference room.

14. Councilmember Lovain said the memorial on Saturday for Freedman and Countrabands was very moving and powerful.

15. Councilmember Lovain said the ribbon cutting for the bus rapid transit line was held on August 23, which is the first bus rapid transit line in the D.C. region. He said it’s been a great year for transit, with the Silver Line and the street car line in D.C. in a
few months.

16. Vice Mayor Silberberg said on the charging of Charles Severence, all their thoughts and hearts go out to the families - the Lodato, Kirby and Dunning family and special thanks go to law enforcement.

17. Vice Mayor Silberberg said that at the commemoration of the War of 1812, the Fife and Drum Corps was pheonominal, and Bob Wood was involved in making that happen, and there were so many volunteers, staff and hours and it all came together beautifully. She said she was at the wreath laying ceremony, where two books were presented to the City, which she presented to the Mayor: "Burials of the War of 1812 Veterans in the Commonwealth of Virginia" and "To Annoy or Destroy the Enemy - the Battle of the White House After the Burning of Washington." She said the City won the cricket match, they had the Navy Band that afternoon, as well as honor ceremony at Alexandria National Cemetery. Sunday morning was the three sailing races, and the Alexandria team was lead by Doug Savage, captain of the boat, and he and his crew won, of which she was a member. The British had a coin made that was given to everyone that sailed and the Royal Canadian Navy also gave her a coin.

18. Vice Mayor Silberberg spoke of the event for the Countrabands and Freedman's Cemetery, and every aspect of the dedication was moving. She encouraged everyone to see the sculpture.

19. Vice Mayor Silberberg said that earlier in the summer, she convened a group of advocates who want to stem the tide of hunger in Alexandria, and they will have a follow-up meeting tomorrow evening, which includes the executive director of ALIVE, the executive director of the Community Foundation of Northern Virginia, the Capital Area Food Bank of Northern Virginia, the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria, and the Economic Opportunities Commission.

20. Councilman Chapman said that as part of the ARHA Workgroup, ARHA will have a public meeting on their strategic plan and will have a public meeting on their plan on September 22 at 5:00 p.m. at the Ladrey Building.

21. Councilman Chapman said he had the opportunity to go to T.C. Williams and participate in the Chinquapin expansion meeting to hear the first thoughts of the community members as well as the staff about what a possible 50 meter pool could look like.

22. Councilman Chapman said he will report on the VML legislative committee next time, as they have a meeting on Friday where it will discuss the state budget, as well as ride-sharing.

23. Councilman Chapman said he will bring a report from the Governor’s Advisory Board of Volunteerism, as he has been appointed to the board for the next three years.

24. Councilman Wilson said relative to the War of 1812 commemoration, he had the pleasure of participating, at Congressional Cemetery, the Flee the British 5-K, as it had an Alexandria team that was put together and they were chased by the British and the team won. He said that while he did place 5th, former Councilman and now Delegate Rob Krupicka placed 3rd. He said that in addition to himself and Mr. Krupicka, Amy Freedlander, Craig Fifer, Nelsie Burch and Liz Williams all ran on the Alexandria team.
25. Councilman Wilson said the BRT opening is exciting, and after it opened, there was a great piece in the Richmond-Times Dispatch talking about how exciting a project it was and pointing out that they too would like to do something similar on Broad Street in Richmond, and in fact today, the Department of Transportation announced the Tiger Grant for the City of Richmond and Henrico County for $58 million.

26. Councilman Wilson said that in July, they received an update from staff on the green building policy that a previous Council adopted in 2009, and they provided an update on the development activity that occurred over those years on the green building policy and have achieved a very high level of compliance with the standards in that policy. Now that it's been in place for several years, it is probably time to review that policy and look at what their neighbors are doing and how they are working to push the envelope on environmental sustainable building policies. The Environmental Policy Commission spent a fair amount of its retreat over the weekend discussing the topic and they will be coming back with recommendations. The Planning staff is looking at whether they would include a review of that in a future planning work plan. He said he wanted to make sure that as they do that, they recognize the intersection with the recently adopted Housing Master Plan that Council approved.

Councilmember Lovain said he spoke to the Environmental Policy Commission about its five year review, the Transportation Master Plan is also five years old and wouldn't it be good to have, if not a formal review, at least a look at that to try it by the review of the Environmental Master Plan, as there are so many things that overlap.

27. Mayor Euille noted that this Thursday, September 11 will be the September 11 moment of silence, which will be at 8:46, 9:03, 9:37 and 10:03 a.m., which is to remember the nearly 3,000 people who died at the hands of terrorist attacks.

**ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

None.

**OTHER**

24  **14-3017**

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council approved: 1. the Council calendar which includes the schedule of City Council legislative meetings and public hearings for September 2014 through June 2014; and 2. noted that the DASH AT9 ribbon cutting ceremony, which was previously scheduled for September 17 at 10:00 a.m., has been postponed. The proposed new date will be communicated to Council as soon as it is received by staff; and noted the National League of Cities Conference November 18-22 in Austin, Texas.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 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.