City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Saturday, September 13, 2014
9:30 AM

Council Chambers

City Council Public Hearing
OPENING

1 Calling the Roll.

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

2 Public Discussion Period.

[No more than 30 minutes. This period is restricted to items not listed on the docket.]

The following persons participated in the public discussion period:

(1) James Barlett, 6011 Ricketts Walk, representing the Alexandria Police Commanders Association, requested Council support in changing pay and compensation for sworn police officers in the City of Alexandria.

(2) Eric Rumph, 6409 May Blvd., representing Southern States Police Benevolent Association (SSPBA) Alexandria Chapter, noted that Alexandria police officers are among the lowest paid in the Northern Virginia area and the department has a hard time retaining certified officers. Mr. Rumph requested Council support in addressing the pay and compensation for sworn police officers in the City of Alexandria.

(3) Edward Milner, 80 Innsbrook Court, Stafford, representing the Alexandria Commanders Association, stated that the vast majority of the sworn police officers pay disparities have not been addressed and the continued problem has caused a problem with retention in the department. Mr. Milner noted that there are less officers on the streets of Alexandria and many new recruits leave to seek employment in other jurisdictions for higher pay and benefits.

(4) Sean Casey, 119 South Iris Street, Alexandria Committee of Police, Local 5, spoke about the compensation and pay problems for sworn police officers in the City of Alexandria and noted that it is causing a problem with retention and recruitment for the department. Mr. Casey requested Council support in changing pay and compensation for the police department and he requested that Council include a specific financial commitment in its budget guidance to the City Manager for this fiscal year.

(5) Van Van Fleet, 26 Wolfe Street, spoke about the proposal of including dedicated bike lanes on Prince and Cameron Streets and pointed out that the citizens of Alexandria have not had a chance to have any input on the decision for inclusion of these lanes. Mr. Van Fleet requested that enforcement be increased on Union Street to monitor the bikers not obeying the laws.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR (3-10)

Planning Commission

3  DSUP14-010  Development Special Use Permit #2014-0010
6125 and 6101 Stevenson Avenue - Stevenson Avenue Condominiums
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for an extension to previously approved Development Special Use Permit #2012-0002; zoned OCM(50)/Office Commercial Medium. Applicant: DYN Res, LLC; Steven A. Hansen, LLC; and WWIV Stevenson Avenue, LLC; represented by Mary Catharine Puskar, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 4-0

4  SUP14-066  Special Use Permit #2014-0066
5402 Eisenhower Avenue - Private Commercial School (Parcel Address: 5400 Eisenhower Avenue)
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to operate a private commercial school (fitness studio) with more than 20 students and a request for a parking reduction; zoned OCH/Office Commercial High. Applicant: The Worx by Maia, LLC represented by Sean Carney.
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval as amended 4-0

5  SUP14-067  Special Use Permit #2014-0067
5428 Eisenhower Avenue - Private Commercial School (Parcel Address: 5400 Eisenhower Avenue)
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to increase hours of operation at a private commercial school (martial arts school); zoned OCH/Office Commercial High. Applicant: European Martial Arts, LLC represented by Jenny Lankford
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 4-0

6  DSUP14-021  Development Special Use Permit #2014-0021
3750 Jefferson Davis Highway - Jack Taylor’s Alexandria Toyota
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for an amendment to previously approved Development Special Use Permit #2012-0009 to increase hours of operation for auto repair services; zoned CDD#7/Coordinated Development District. Applicant: Taylor Holdings, LLC represented by Mary Catherine Gibbs, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommend Approval as amended 4-0

7  DSUP14-015  Development Special Use Permit #2014-0015
1219 First Street - Braddock Gateway - Phase I Extension Parcel Address: 1225 First Street
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for an extension to previously approved Development Special Use Permit #2011-0002; zoned
CDD#15/Coordinated Development District #15. Applicant: Braddock Gateway LLC by Mary Catherine Gibbs, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval 4-0

8  TA14-004
Text Amendment #2014-0004
Outdoor Food and Craft Markets in Multi-Family Residential Zones
Public Hearing and Consideration of a Text Amendment to allow an outdoor food and craft market with a special use permit in the RCX/Medium Density Apartment Zone, RC/High Density Apartment Zone, RA/Multifamily Zone, and the RD/High Density Apartment Zone. Staff: City of Alexandria - Department of Planning and Zoning
Planning Commission Action: Initiated and Recommended Approval 4-0

9  TA14-005
Text Amendment #2014-0005
Environmental Management
Public Hearing and Consideration of a Text Amendment to amend Article XIII (Environmental Management) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance to incorporate additional regulations required by the State of Virginia Stormwater Management Act. Staff: City of Alexandria - Department of Transportation and Environmental Services
Planning Commission Action: Initiated and Recommended Approval 4-0

10  14-3134
City Charter Section 9.06 Case #2014-0002
1 and 2 King Street; 0 Prince Street; 200, 204 and 208 Strand Street; and the alleyway area in the 200 Block of Strand Street.
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for the Planning Commission to review whether: 1) acquisition of 1 and 2 King (and adjacent claimed rights); 2) acquisition of 204 and 208 Strand Street; 3) exchange of undefined potential alley access way rights between City of Alexandria and multiple property owners in the 200 block of Strand Street; and 4) transfer of 0 Prince, 200 Strand, and a portion of 204 Strand Street for use as private property is consistent with the City of Alexandria Master Plan pursuant to Section 9.06 of the City Charter. Staff: City of Alexandria - Department of Project Implementation
Planning Commission Action: The Planning Commission found the proposed property transfers and acquisitions consistent with the City’s Master Plan. 4-0

END OF ACTION CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket items #3, #6, and #7, which were considered under separate motions. The approvals were as follows:

3. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation, subject amendments to conditions #42, #55 and the conclusion on page 7. The amendments were as follows:

Condition #42: The developer shall provide a voluntary contribution totaling $147,224 (representing $2.43 per gross floor area of residential development), consistent with
the consistent with the conclusions of the “Developer Housing Contribution Work Group Report” dated October 2013.

Condition #55: Per Section 11-418 of the Zoning Ordinance, DSUP2014-0010 shall expire and become null and void, unless substantial construction of the project is commenced within 36 months after approval of this extension and such construction is thereafter pursued with due diligence. The applicant shall provide a written status report to staff 18 months after approval of this extension to update the City Council on the project status.

Conclusion amendment: In conclusion, Council approved DSUP #2014-0010 a four year extension request by the applicant for the previously approved DSUP #2012-0002 with an expiration date of September 13, 2018 subject to compliance with all applicable City codes, standards, policies and the staff recommended conditions. (separate motion)

4. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

5. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

6. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation. (separate motion)

7. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation, subject to an amendment to condition #39. The amendment reads as follows: Condition #39: Per Section 11-418 of the Zoning Ordinance, the development special use permit shall expire and become null and void, unless substantial construction of the project is commenced within 36 months after approval of this extension and such construction is thereafter pursued with due diligence. The applicant shall provide a written status report to staff 18 months after approval of this extension to update the City Council on the project status. (separate motion)

8. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

9. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

10. City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

Planning Commission (continued)

11 SUP13-095 Special Use Permit #2013-0095
1101 Janney’s Lane - Douglas MacArthur School
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for a classroom trailer at Douglas MacArthur School; zoned R-12/Residential. Applicant: Alexandria City Public Schools represented by Thomas Mulcahy
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Approval as amended 4-0
City Council approved the Planning Commission recommendation.

12 SUP13-059

Special Use Permit #2013-0059
3640 Wheeler Avenue - Wheeler Avenue Recycling
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request to operate a recycling and materials recovery facility; zoned I/Industrial. Applicant: Wheeler Avenue Recycling, LLC represented by Robert B. Nealon, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Recommended Denial 4-0
THE ATTORNEY FOR THE APPLICANT HAS REQUESTED DEFERRAL OF THIS ITEM.

This item had been deferred at the request of the attorney for the applicant.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

13 14-3100

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage 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. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved the ordinance 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. (ORD. NO. 4900)

14 14-3041

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage of a Proposed Amendment to Title 9 (Licensing and Regulation), Chapter 12 (Taxicabs and Other Vehicles For Hire), Division 2 (Certificates Of Public Convenience And Necessity) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as Amended. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved an ordinance of a proposed amendment to Title 9 (Licensing and Regulation), Chapter 12 (Taxicabs and Other Vehicles for Hire), Division 2 (Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended. (ORD. NO. 4901)

15 14-3028

Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage 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.

[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council approved 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. (ORD. NO. 4902)

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES (continued)

DEFERRAL/WITHDRAWAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Planning Commission (continued)

16  14-3135

Development Special Use Permit #2014-0002
5651 Rayburn Avenue - John Adams Elementary Parking Lot Expansion
Public Hearing and Consideration of a request for a development special use permit and site plan, with a modification, to expand an existing parking lot with parking spaces in excess of the zoning ordinance requirement for a school; zoned R-12/Residential (Alexandria West Small Area Plan).
Applicant: Alexandria City Public Schools represented by Kevin Van Hise, attorney
Planning Commission Action: Deferred without objection

City Council noted the deferral.

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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Note: The action docket is a summary of Council’s meeting deliberation 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.