City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, October 27, 2015
6:00 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 City Council were present.

14-4587 Roll Call Card

2 Closed Meeting.

14-4564 6:00 P.M. Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice on Specific Legal Issues.

City Council convened into closed meeting to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters, specifically the resolution of pending real estate assessment litigation and recently filed litigation regarding a land use matter, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(7) of the Code of the Virginia. (RES. NO. 2693)

3 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

4 Reading and Acting Upon the Minutes of the Following Meeting of City Council:


City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of October 13, 2015.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

* Virginia Municipal League (Mayor Euille)

* City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Euille and Councilman Wilson)

* Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)

City Council gave their reports.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-6)
(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

5  14-4514 Consideration of Approval to Lease City-owned Property at 211 Aspen Street.

6  14-4515 Consideration of a Proposed Lease of Office Space at Tavern Square for Multiple City Agencies.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the consent calendar, with the removal of item #5, which was considered under separate motion, as follows:

5. City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a lease of City-owned property at 211 Aspen Street to New Hope Housing at a rate of $1 per month for an initial term of three years and then two one-year renewals for rapid-rehousing of single men who are homeless with a preference given to veterans. (separate motion)

6. City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into a new lease for office space at Tavern Square, 400 block of King Street, which would extend occupation of this space by City departments for a period of 10.5 years (through 2026.)

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

7  14-4501 Consideration of the Proposed City Legislative Package for the 2016 General Assembly Session.

City Council: 1. received the proposals for the City's 2016 Legislative Package, as recommended by Council's Legislative Subcommittee and included in the attachment; 2. scheduled the Legislative Package proposals for public hearing on Saturday, November 14, 2015; and 3. scheduled adoption of the Legislative Package for Tuesday, November 24, 2015.


City Council received the report.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Mayor Euille congratulated and thanked Deborah Johnson with Dominion Virginia Power for her work with the City in state and local affairs. Ms. Johnson said she would be going into the customer service organization at Dominion and she introduced Travis Cutler, her replacement at Dominion.

2. Mayor Euille said the City's leaf collection program began October 26, and there are three ways to recycle: rake the leaves to the curb for vacuum collection, place them in paper leaf bags for collection or compost the leaves and yard waste at home.

3. Councilwoman Pepper reminded everyone that next Sunday, November 1 is the end of Daylight Saving Time and clocks will be turned back.
4. Councilmember Lovain said it was a pleasure to participate in the homecoming at T.C. Williams, and it is the 50th anniversary of T.C. Williams and a lot of alumni came back. ACPS took advantage of the opportunity to do the ribbon cutting for the tennis courts and it was great to see that come to fruition. He said it was a spirited pep rally and parade the next day.

5. Councilmember Lovain spoke of the Del Ray parade and said Council were judges and it was a great event.

6. Mayor Euille noted that on the high school’s 50th anniversary, the homecoming weekend was the opening celebration of the 50th anniversary and other events will take place throughout the remainder of the year, culminating with the scholarship gala in April. Mayor Euille gave thanks to businessman Jack Taylor, of Alexandria Toyota, who donated $50,000 to the scholarship fund in honor of the 50th anniversary.

Councilmember Lovain said that with the $50,000, Mr. Taylor’s donations are over $1 million to the scholarship fund.

7. Councilman Chapman said that he and Councilman Smedberg had the opportunity to visit the last public budget community meeting, and he noted that it was good to see citizens coming out and talking about the priorities of the City. He said there are a couple more meetings left and he encouraged citizens to attend.

8. Councilman Chapman said that on November 4 he will be going to Nashville to attend the National League of Cities annual convention and said he would speak on a panel with the Mayor of Caen, France about the work they do on the Sister Cities Committees.

9. Councilman Smedberg spoke of his aide Nancy Lavalle Perkins who was in the audience and she has recently relocated to Maine. Councilman Smedberg read a proclamation prepared in Nancy’s honor.

10. Mayor Euille recognized AlexRenew for their new field dedication that took place last Friday.

**ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

Mr. Jinks, City Manager, along with Mr. Lambert, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services, spoke of the Norfolk Southern ethanol transloading facility expansion.

**OTHER**

9  **14-4497**  Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: 1. received the updated Council schedule which includes dedication of the Leatrice Byrd Playground at Buchanan Park, 1501 Cameron Street, on Saturday, November 14, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.; and 2. approved the City Council schedule.

**Closed Meeting Continued (If Needed)**

10  **14-4565**  Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice on Specific Legal Issues.
The continuation of the closed executive session was not needed.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 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.