City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, February 24, 2015
6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting
1  Calling the Roll.

Mayor Euille called the meeting to order and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll. All members of Council were present, except Councilwoman Pepper, who arrived during the closed meeting.

2  Closed Meeting.

   14-3756  6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

   City Council convened in closed meeting to discuss the possible acquisition and/or disposition of real property for a public purpose, and to consult with staff and legal counsel regarding threatened or pending litigation regarding specific legal matters, specifically the possible exchange of real property interests in furtherance of the Waterfront Small Area Plan and potential litigation and/or settlement of certain environmental matters involving Federal issues pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(3) of the Code of Virginia. (RES. NO. 2663)

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 February 10, 2015.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES.

*  U.S. Conference of Mayors (Mayor Euille)

*  Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Mayor Euille)

*  Virginia Municipal League (Mayor Euille)

*  Library Board (Vice Mayor Silberberg)

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

*  Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)
* Alexandria Transportation Commission (Councilmember Lovain)

* Council of Governments Human Services and Public Safety Committee (Councilman Chapman)

* Eisenhower Partnership (Councilman Chapman)

* Virginia Railway Express (Councilman Smedberg)

* Northern Virginia Transportation Authority PCAC (Councilman Smedberg)

City Council gave reports on boards, commissions and committees.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-7)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

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END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

5. City Council approved the allocation of $20,000 from the Office of Housing's federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) earned deliverable fees to the Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) to support the organization's expansion of the Energy Masters Program into the City of Alexandria.

6. City Council authorized the City Manager to: (1) submit a grant application, in the amount of $5,000 to the Virginia Commission of the Arts' Local Government...
Ch... Grant Program; and (2) execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

7. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of an application to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) for $21,240 in FY15 and $13,440 in FY16 for the purchase of telepsychiatry equipment and for annual service fees in order to implement telepsychiatry services and thereby improve timely access to psychiatry services and maximize efficient use of existing Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) psychiatric resources; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

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

8 14-3530 Update on the 2015 General Assembly Session.

City Council received the updated report on the 2015 General Assembly Session.


City Council received the oral report on the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Update regarding redevelopment initiatives.


City Council received and provided comments on the revised draft planning priorities for FY2016.


City Council received the oral report on diversity in Alexandria.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Councilman Chapman reported that the Sister Cities Committee would be hosting its Annual Whiskey Tasting fundraiser on March 6, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at the Lloyd House. Councilman Chapman also noted that the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee would be hosting a wine tasting fundraiser in March as well.

(b) Councilman Chapman reported that he went on a ride along on a snow plow with the employees of the Transportation and Environmental Services department during the recent snowstorm. Councilman Chapman noted that he wanted to witness the operations to highlight how resilient the City of Alexandria is during these types of events and how that can be a benefit for economic development. Councilman Chapman asked Acting Director of Transportation and Environmental Services Lambert to respond to questions about scheduling of plowing and communication with residents.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER
None.

OTHER

12  14-3741  Consideration of the City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the revised Council Calendar which includes: the City Council budget work sessions from March 2015 to May 2015 and the Alexandria Police Fallen Officers Memorial Dedication, which is scheduled for Saturday, March 28, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at 3600 Wheeler Avenue; and approved the calendar.

Closed Meeting Continued (If Needed)

13  14-3757  Consideration of Convening a Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel for Legal Advice and to Discuss the Possible Acquisition of Real Property.

The closed session was not needed.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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Note: The action docket is a summary of City 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.