City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, November 14, 2017
6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting
1. Calling the Roll.

Mayor Silberberg called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present, except Councilmember Lovain and Councilman Smedberg, who arrived during the closed meeting.

2. Closed Meeting.

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a Closed Meeting to Discuss or Consider the Investment of Public Funds Where Competition or Bargaining is Involved and to Discuss the Acquisition or Disposition of Publicly Held Real Property.

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:07 p.m., to discuss or consider the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved and to discuss the acquisition or disposition of publicly held real property; specifically, the construction of a certain transportation infrastructure project; and the possible disposition of certain City owned properties; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(3) and (6) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to the closed executive session perviously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 2795)


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

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


City Council approved the regular meeting minutes for October 10, 2017 and the public hearing meeting minutes of October 14, 2017.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. 18-7012 Presentation of a Proclamation Celebrating the Departmental Progressive Club’s 90th Anniversary.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

6. 18-7013 Presentation of a Proclamation for Giving Tuesday.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

7. 18-7014 Presentation of a Proclamation Honoring the Campagna Center’s Annual Scottish
Christmas Walk.

City Council endorsed the proclamation.

8. 18-7015

Recognition of the Graduates of the Citizens Academy.

City Council recognized the graduates of the Citizens Academy.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

*Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) (Mayor Silberberg)

*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) (Councilman Smedberg)

*Metropolitan Washington Area Transit Authority (WMATA) (Councilman Smedberg)

*COG Forum on Transit-Oriented Development (Councilmember Lovain)

*ARHA/City Redevelopment Committee (Vice Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)

*Update on Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilman Bailey)

City Council gave the reports.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (9-19)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

9. 18-7072

Receipt of the Following Resignations from Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(a) Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission
    Daniel Potter

(b) Waterfront Commission
    Jody Manor
Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

10. **18-7050**

Uncontested Appointment to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

(a) Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force
   1 At-Large Member From and Representing the Youth of the City of Alexandria

(b) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee
   2 Citizen Members

(c) Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee
   1 At-Large Member

(d) Beautification Commission
   2 Citizen Members

(e) Commission on Persons with Disabilities
   1 Citizen Member

(f) Community Criminal Justice Board
   1 Chief Magistrate for the City

(g) Community Services Board
   1 Sheriff’s Designee

(h) Economic Opportunities Commission
   1 Representative of the Poor Certified By the Commission
      1 Representative Appointed by Councilwoman Pepper, Certified by the Commission

(i) George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
   1 Member Nominated by the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association

(j) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
   1 Representative of Lee-Fendall House

(k) Public Records Advisory Commission
   1 Citizen Member

(l) Sister Cities Committee
   3 Citizen Members
(m) Waterfront Commission
   1 Representative of the Park and Recreation Commission
   1 Representative from Visit Alexandria
   1 Member Representing those East of Washington Street and North of King Street

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)


12. 16-6774 Consideration of Authorization to Advertise Delinquent Tax Listings Greater Than $1,000, Write Off Balances Less Than Twenty Dollars, and Destroy Records as Required By State Law.

13. 18-7031 Consideration of Participation in Regional GO Virginia Economic Development Grant Applications.

14. 18-7018 Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Alexandria and Arlington County for the procurement and ongoing support for Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG 9-1-1) call processing technology.

15. 18-7074 Consideration of Appointment of a New Viewer for Vacation #2017-0005 (116 West Alexandria Avenue) and Vacation #2017-0006 (118 West Alexandria Avenue).

(Ordinances for Introductions)


17. 18-6982 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 6-403 of Article VI (Special and Overlay Zone) and Section 7-1200 (Utilities) of Article VII (Supplemental Zone Regulations) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance with the Text Amendment Heretofore approved by city council on October 14, 2017 as Text Amendment No. 2017-0008.

18. 18-7058 Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading 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 Amend the Potomac Yard/Potomac Greens Small Area Plan Chapter of Such Master Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2017-0004 and No Other Amendments, and to Repeal All Provisions of the Said
19. **18-7059**

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Section 5-602 (Coordinated Development Districts Created, Consistency with Master Plan, Required Approvals) of Section 5-600 (CDD/Coordinated Development Districts) of Article V (Mixed Use Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance with the Text Amendment heretofore Approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2017-0006 to Increase the Maximum Number of Residential Units within CDD 10.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket items #12, #13, #18, and #19, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager’s recommendations were as follows:

9. City Council received the following resignations with regret: (a) Daniel Potter, Children, Youth, and Families Commission; (b) Jody Manor, Waterfront Commission.

10. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees: (a) appointed James Hatley as the at-large member from and representing the youth of the City of Alexandria to the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force; (b) reappointed Henry Brooks and Sasha Rousseau as two citizen members to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (c) reappointed Carolyn Griglione as the at-large member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee; (d) appointed Kathryn Chiasson and Kevin Dunne as the two citizen members to the Beautification Commission; (e) appointed Nicole Otallah as the citizen member to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (f) appointed Adam Willard as the Chief Magistrate to the Community Criminal Justice Board; (g) appointed Douglas Woehlike as the Sheriff’s designee to the Community Services Board; (h) reappointed LaVon Curtis as the representative of the poor and certified by the commission, and appointed Geoffrey Caldwell as Council woman Pepper’s representative to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (i) reappointed Joseph Shumard as the member nominated by the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (j) reappointed Laura Lieberman as the representative for Lee-Fendall House to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (k) reappointed LiMin Fields as the citizen member to the Public Records Advisory Commission; (l) appointed Eric Compton and reappointed Elizabeth Overmeyer and John Scales as three citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee; (m) reappointed Gina Baum as the representative from the Park and Recreation Commission, appointed Charlotte Hall as the Visit Alexandria representative, and reappointed Stephen Thayer as the member representing those East of Washington Street and North of King Street to the Waterfront Commission.

11. City Council received the monthly financial report.

12. City Council (1) received the listings of delinquent local property taxes; (2) authorized that those parts of the delinquent real estate and personal property tax listings deemed advisable by the Director of Finance be published on the City of Alexandria website; (3) authorized the Director of Finance to write-off uncollected tax balances less than twenty dollars each, totaling $1,356 as of June 30, 2017, for which...
the Director of Finance has determined that the cost of collecting such balances would exceed the recoverable amount, provided that the Director of Finance will not include any balance for which she has reason to believe the taxpayer has intentionally paid less than the amount due and owed; and (4) authorized the Director of Finance to destroy records associated with real estate taxes paid in calendar year 2011 and prior years in accordance with Code of Virginia 58.1-3129 (A). (separate motion)

13. City Council (1) endorsed Alexandria’s participation in the four regional economic development project proposals identified by the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (AEDP); and (2) authorized the City Manager to submit documents in support of four grant applications for the purpose of implementing regional economic development projects and enter into any agreements required to receive GO Virginia funds should any of the project proposals be approved by the GO Virginia regional and statewide oversight boards. (separate motion)

14. City Council endorsed the City of Alexandria’s participation in the National Capital Region (NCR) Next generation 9-1-1 (NG 9-1-1) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

15. City Council received the new viewer appointed by Mayor Silberberg and have the City Clerk notify her of the appointment and responsibilities. Mayor Silberberg appointed the following person as a viewer: Jeanette Ankoma-Sey. Mayor Silberberg also requested that Ann Tucker serve as the chair for this set of viewers.

16. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on November 18, 2017.

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ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (20)

20. 18-6995

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First and Second Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Supplement 123 of the City Code.

City Council passed ordinance to adopt supplement 123 of the City Code. (ORD. NO. 5090)

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

21. 18-7055

Alexandria Transportation Commission

1 Citizen Member, Who Shall Be a Resident of the City Possessing Qualifications in Land Use, Transportation and/or Municipal Finance and Shall Reside East of Quaker Lane.

City Council appointed Oscar Gonzalez at the one citizen member who shall be a resident of the City possessing qualifications in land use, transportation, and/or municipal finance and shall reside east of Quaker Lane to the Alexandria
Transportation Commission.

22. **18-7051**  
Commission for the Arts  
1 Student who Resides in the City and Attends High School in the City of Alexandria

City Council appointed Shaan Shuster as the one student who resides in the City and attends high school in the City of Alexandria to the Commission for the Arts.

23. **18-7052**  
Community Policy Management Team  
1 Parent Representative Who is not An Employee of Any Public or Private Program Which Received Funds from the Children’s Services Act

City Council appointed Stacy Chitick as the parent representative who is not an employee of any public or private program which receives funds from the Children’s Services Act to the Community Policy Management Team.

24. **18-7053**  
Landlord-Tenant Relations Board  
1 Tenant Member

City Council reappointed Jeannette Shepherd as the tenant member to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board.

25. **18-7054**  
Public Health Advisory Commission  
1 Citizen Member  
1 Neighborhood Health Inc., Board of Directors Representative

City Council appointed Patrick Killeen as the citizen member and waived the residency requirement and appointed Michael Millman as the Neighborhood Health Inc., Board of Directors representative to the Public Health Advisory Commission.

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

26. **16-6773**  

City Council received the Fiscal Year 2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

27. **18-6969**  
Consideration of the Resolutions to Establish the FY 2019 Budget Guidance.  
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted the proposed resolution updating the process to be used to adopt the FY 2019 operating budget and the FY 2019 to FY 2028 capital improvement program; and (2) adopted the FY 2019 budget guidance resolution with the following changes: (1) The “Taxes, Fees, Fines, and Service Changes” section should read as follows: In funding the proposed budget, the City Manager shall maintain the existing real estate tax rate of $1.13, but may consider changes to other tax rates, tax designations/reservations, fees/fines/service charges that are equitable, fair, and administratively feasible provided that these proposals are observant of the constraints imposed by the Code of Virginia. Such changes can only be considered where they
advance the priorities of the Council as stipulated in this resolution, through Legislative Sessions, or the Council Retreat and work sessions; and (2) The "ACPS Funding" should read as follows: That (1) the City Manager shall recommend for transfer to the Alexandria City Public Schools operating funding an appropriation no greater than the amount approved by City Council for FY 2018 plus the overall General Fund FY 2019 revenue rate of growth, the cost of FY 2019 increased enrollment and the new West End elementary school operating costs; (2) the Alexandria City Public Schools is requested by City Council to articulate in general categories and prioritize any City Fy 2019 appropriation requests above current services; (3) the City Manager shall develop options for potential funding for proposed public school capital needs for the FY 2019 through FY 2028 time period taking under advisement the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Joint City-Schools Facility Investment Task Force; and (4) the City Manager shall recommend ACPS capital project debt service in the FY 2019 proposed budget and include such amount as a separate element of his total recommended FY 2019 budget for the ACPS.

28. **16-6769**

Introduction and First Reading. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Section 3-2-141 (Transient Lodging Definitions) and to adopt Section 3-2-152 (Short-Term Residential Registry) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

*City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on November 18, 2017.*

29. **16-6731**

City Council Receipt of the Cameron Run Park Planning and Conceptual Design Final Report and Consideration of a Ten (10) Year Lease Replacement with NOVA Parks.

*City Council received the Cameron Run Park Planning Process Final Report and scheduled a public hearing for December 16, 2017.*

**ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

1. Mayor Silberberg reported Alexandria Police Officers Jensen, Battaglia, and Jobe, along with Capitol Police Officers Bailey and Greiner, were honored recently at the U.S. Capitol for their service. Mayor Silberberg noted that the officers were presented with the Medal of Honor at the ceremony. Mayor Silberberg thanked the U.S. Capitol Police for honoring the officers and she reported that she accepted a Medal of Merit award and certificate presented to the citizens and leadership of Alexandria, which will be on display in City Hall.

2. Mayor Silberberg reported that she attended a special meeting with eleven other mayors in New York City hosted by the U.S. Conference of Mayors and Mayor Bill de Blasio at Gracie Mansion with leading national civil rights leaders. Mayor Silberberg noted that the meeting had constructive discussions and there were many ideas that came out of the meeting, including support for the Dream Act, ensuring a fair and accurate 2020 Census, and encouragement for more residents to enroll in the Affordable Care Act by the deadline. Mayor Silberberg stated that there was assistance available to residents with City staff and through the Commonwealth for enrollment in the ACA.

3. Mayor Silberberg reported that she joined D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser and Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton on Capitol Hill to request that Congress
preserve the state and local tax deduction. Mayor Silberberg noted that she was representing the City, as well as the U.S. Conference of Mayors and the Council of Governments on this issue.

4. Mayor Silberberg stated that she has signed several items on behalf of the City, including a Statement of Principle sponsored by the PEW Charitable Trust supporting prioritization of infrastructure decision that improve the City's resiliency and makes residents less vulnerable to natural disasters and an Amicus brief to the Supreme Court on behalf of the City regarding the Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission case involving a baker who claims the right to discriminate against same sex couples. Mayor Silberberg noted that she signed supporting the position that the U.S. Constitution does not include the right to discriminate against LGBT individuals.

5. Mayor Silberberg reported that the Alexandria Film Festival was held over the past few days and was very successful with lots of people attending.

6. Councilwoman Pepper reported that on November 11, she and some of her colleagues attended the 35th Annual Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner at the Lee Center. Councilwoman Pepper noted that the event was sponsored by Alexandria Lodge 148 and Israel Temple 138 and the event was for the senior citizens in the community.

7. Councilman Chapman reported that he just returned from a 10-day trip to Japan sponsored by the National League of Cities. Councilman Chapman stated that group met with elected officials and leadership exchanging ideas and learning about economic development, flood mitigation and disaster planning, and urban planning. Councilman Chapman reported that he stayed with a family while there and gave him the opportunity to make some changes to the exchange program with our Sister Cities committees.

8. Vice Mayor Wilson requested that the Voter Registration Office be recognized for the efforts to get the new machines ready for the recent election and he noted that there were no problems due to their hardwork.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks reported that: (1) the City honored the many City employees who are veterans or still on active duty at the 3rd Annual Veterans Day City program, where Vice Admiral Mary Jackson was the guest speaker and Mr. Jinks presented Councilman Bailey and Councilmember Lovain with challenge coins in appreciation of their military service; and (2) the City has been a recipient of the Digital Cities Award presented by the National League of Cities for 13 years in a row and would receive the honor again at this year's conference. Mr. Jinks noted that the award recognized the City's commitment to technology advances and improving community engagement.

Mayor Silberberg reported that the Rocky Versace Veterans Day ceremony was held at the Mount Vernon Community Center.

OTHER

30. 18-7033 Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council: (1) received the updated City Council schedule for November 2017 to June 2018, which includes a work session with the State Legislative Delegation on
Tuesday, November 28 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Council Workroom; and (2) approved the City Council schedule. City Council requested that the calendar be updated to include an event on March 19, 2018 to honor former Mayor Patsy Ticer.

Closed Meeting Continued (if needed)

31. 18-7071

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of a Closed Meeting to Discuss or Consider the Investment of Public Funds Where Competition or Bargaining is Involved and to Discuss the Acquisition or Disposition of Publicly Held Real Property.

The closed meeting was not needed.

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 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 of Council decisions made at the meeting.