City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314

Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, May 23, 2017
6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council Legislative Meeting
1. **Calling the Roll.**

   Mayor Silberberg called the meeting to order and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll.
   All the members of Council were present, with Councilman Chapman and
   Councilmember Lovain arriving during the Executive Session.

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.

   City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:07 p.m., to discuss the use or
   investment of public resources where bargaining is involved, where if made public, the financial interest of the City would be adversely affected, specifically the
   acquisition of services in support of broadband communications infrastructure and
   the possible investment of public funds in support of transportation and parking
   infrastructure pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(6) of the Code of Virginia. (Councilman
   Chapman and Councilmember Lovain arrived during the executive session.)

   City Council reconvened the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

   City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to the closed executive session. (RES.
   NO. 2777)

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 Meetings of City Council:**

   16-6523

   The Special Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2017;
   The Regular Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2017; and

   City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the
   special meeting minutes of May 4, 2017; the regular meeting minutes of May 9, 2017;
   and the public hearing meeting minutes of May 13, 2017, subject to the corrections
   for the minutes May 9, 2017 and May 13, 2017 submitted by Mayor Silberberg.

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

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

*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (Councilman Smedberg)*

*Virginia Railway Express (Councilman Smedberg)*
*City/Schools Subcommittee (Mayor Silberberg and Vice Mayor Wilson)

*Quality of Life Committee (Mayor Silberberg and Vice Mayor Wilson)

*ARHA Redevelopment Work Group (Vice Mayor Wilson and Councilman Chapman)

*Visit Alexandria! (Vice Mayor Wilson)

*Workforce Development Coalition (Councilman Bailey and Councilwoman Pepper)

City Council gave the reports.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-6)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

5. 16-6451 Consideration of the City’s Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.

6. 16-6514 Consideration of the Submission of a Non-Competitive Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Litter Prevention and Recycling Program for Funding of the Adopt-A-Park Litter Control Program.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

5. City Council: (1) adopted the FY 2018 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development, which included the City’s application for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funding for an estimated $805,792 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and $395,514 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to facilitate submission of the Action Plan to HUD, as appropriate.

6. City Council: (1) approved the non-competitive grant application, due June 20, 2017, to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Litter Prevention and Recycling Program, for funding the approximate amount of $26,400 for the Adopt-A-Park Litter Control Program (the exact amount to be determined by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality by September 30, 2017); (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required; and (3) thanked all the organizations participating in this program for their support and efforts.
to improve the appearance of the City parks, and thereby, experience of the citizens visiting these parks.

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (7-8)

7.  **16-6378**  Consideration of a Resolution Requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to Make Changes to the VDOT Inventory of Roadways in Alexandria That Are Eligible for Annual Maintenance Payments From the State’s Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB).[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

8.  **16-6449**  Consideration of a Resolution from the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board Regarding the Voluntary Rent Guidelines. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council adopted the roll-call consent calendar. The approval was as follows:

7. City Council adopted the resolution: (1) requesting Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) update the list of roadways and lanes in the City that are eligible to receive annual maintenance payments from the State; and (2) authorizing the City Manager or his designee to forward the resolution to the VDOT. (RES. NO. 2778)

8. City Council adopted the resolution establishing the City’s 2017 Voluntary Rent Guidelines for maximum rent increases at a percentage of not more than 5% where the tenant pays utilities and not more than 7% where the owner pays utilities, as recommended by the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board. (RES. NO. 2779)

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

9.  **16-6380**  Update on Northern Virginia Community College.

   City Council received the update on Northern Virginia Community College.

10. **16-6341**  Work Session on Proposed Eisenhower East Small Area Plan Amendment.

    City Council held the work session on the proposed Eisenhower East Small Area Plan Amendment.

11. **16-6436**  Consideration of Adoption of the FY 2018 Long Range Interdepartmental Planning Work Program.

    City Council adopted the Long Range Interdepartmental Planning Work Program for FY 2018, adjusting the work program to accelerate Eisenhower East Phase 2 with the suggested staff timeframe and the need for additional resources (funding for infrastructure studies, consultant, staffing depending on start date, and land owner financial participation) and delay the Mount Vernon Avenue planning. City Council also requested that staff return with information to discuss the scope of the Mount Vernon Avenue planning, including some community engagement input.
12. **16-6427**

Oral Report on the Fire Station Optimal Location Study.

*City Council received the results of the Fire Station Optimal Location Study.*

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

1. Councilman Chapman stated that he has plans for some of the buildings in East Eisenhower and he would leave them on his desk in the Council office for his colleagues to review if they wished. Councilman Chapman noted that the next meeting of the Carlyle/East Eisenhower Design Review Board will be held in July and he welcomed any comments from his colleagues.

2. Councilman Chapman reported that the Virginia Municipal League (VML) held the first meeting of the Federal Advocacy Committee, a new committee constituted to address issues in Washington, D.C. and how they will impact the Commonwealth of Virginia. Councilman Chapman stated that the committee met at the National League of Cities (NLC) headquarters and talked about lobbying on behalf of VML and making the committee permanent.

3. Mayor Silberberg reported that she signed the City of Alexandria up to be an honorary member of the Raoul Wallenberg Foundation, a foundation established to tell the world about the achievements of those like Raoul Wallenberg, who fought against discrimination and intolerance and risked their lives to save persecuted individuals during the Holocaust.

4. Mayor Silberberg reported that the U.S. Conference of Mayors was sponsoring a resolution regarding the 400th Anniversary of the African American History Commission. Mayor Silberberg noted that Congress recently passed legislation authorizing the Commission, with the original legislation being authored by Virginia Senator Tim Kaine and Virginia Representative Bobby Scott. Mayor Silberberg stated that she has signed on as a co-sponsor of the resolution to be presented at the Annual Conference for the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Miami Beach in June.

**ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

None.

**OTHER**

13. **16-6537**

Consideration of City Council Schedule.

*City Council: (1) received an updated City Council schedule which includes a June 6 City Council Work Session on three topics (a) the Proposed Business Improvement District (BID), (b) Resolution 830 modernization and engagement process, and (c) Preliminary Andrew Adkins Redevelopment concept. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. and will be held at the Durant Center (1605 Cameron Street); and (2) approved the City Council calendar.*

**CLOSED MEETING (if needed)**

14. **16-6542**

Consideration of a Closed Meeting to Discuss or Consider the Investment of
Public Funds Where Competition or Bargaining is Involved.

The closed meeting was not needed.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:02 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.