

City of Alexandria

*301 King St., Room 2400
Alexandria, VA 22314*



Action Docket - Final

Tuesday, June 27, 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 arriving during the closed executive session.

2. Closed Meeting.

[16-6663](#)

6:00 P.M. - Consideration of a Closed Meeting for Discussion of the Performance of Specific City Council Appointees and Discussion or Consideration of the Investment of Public Funds Where Competition or Bargaining is Involved.

City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:19 p.m. to discuss the use or investment of public resources where bargaining is involved, if made public, the financial interests of the City would be adversely affected; and to discuss the performance of City Council appointees; specifically, the negotiated investment of public funds in support of a certain real estate development project; and the discussion of the annual performance review of the City Manager and City Attorney; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(1), and (6) of the Code of Virginia.

City Council reconvened the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

3. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

New Business Item No. 1: City Council appointed Gloria Sitton to be the next City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

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

[16-6665](#)

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2017.

City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of June 13, 2017.

ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

*** Virginia Railway Express (Councilman Smedberg)**

*** WMATA (Councilman Smedberg)**

- * **Transportation Planning Board (Councilmember Lovain)**
- * **Library Board (Councilman Bailey)**
- * **Northern Virginia Regional Commission (Councilman Bailey and Councilwoman Pepper)**
- * **City/Schools Subcommittee (Vice Mayor Wilson and Mayor Silberberg)**
- * **Visit Alexandria (Vice Mayor Wilson)**
- * **Patrick Henry Advisory Group (Councilwoman Pepper)**
- * **Climate, Energy and Environmental Policy Commission (Councilwoman Pepper)**
- * **Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (Councilwoman Pepper)**

City Council gave the reports.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR (5-7)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

5. [16-6576](#) Consideration of a Grant Application and Adoption of a Resolution to the 2017 Bark For Your Park Grant For Funding to Rehabilitate the Carlyle Dog Park. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
6. [16-6660](#) Consideration of a Grant Application to the Homeland Security Grant Program.
7. [16-6541](#) Consideration of a Grant Renewal to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Food Program for At-Risk After School Snack Program for the FY 2018 School Year Snack Program Sponsored by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Council approved the consent calendar, with docket item #5 considered under a separate motion. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

- 5. City Council: (1) adopted the Bark for Your Park Grant authorizing resolution. (RES. NO. 2785); and (2) authorized the City Manager to proceed with the grant*

application to the 2017 Bark for your Park Grant for \$10,000 in park maintenance funding to rehabilitate the Carlyle Dog Park. (separate motion)

6. City Council approved the submission of the two proposals for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP).

7. City Council authorized the City Manager to: (1) submit the At-Risk After School grant renewal application to the United States Department of Agriculture for Fiscal Year 2018 (due date September 1, 2017); (2) affirm that there are no funds available in the City budget to continue these activities once the grant funds are expended; and (3) execute all documents that may be required.

ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR (8-9)

8. [16-6631](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Establish the 2017 Personal Property Tax Relief Rates. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
9. [16-6543](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Repeal the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board Resolution Numbers 2408, 2420, and 2637. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

END OF ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

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

8. City Council adopted the resolution to establish the personal property tax relief rates for calendar year 2017. (RES. NO. 2786)

9. City Council: (1) approved the resolution to repeal the previously approved City Council Resolution Numbers 2408, 2420, and 2637 that established, outlined the roles, responsibilities, and the composition of the Torpedo Factory Art Center Board (TFACB), and (2) indicate City Council's appreciation for dedication and work of the members of the TFACB from its inception in 2011. (RES. NO. 2787)

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

10. [16-6440](#) Consideration of Authorization for the City Manager to Sign an Agreement Between the City of Alexandria, Fairfax County, and Alexandria Renew Enterprises to Establish the Cost Sharing Framework for West Side Wet Weather Facilities.
- City Council authorized the City Manager to finalize the agreement and enter into an agreement consistent with the draft agreement between the City, Fairfax County and AlexRenew regarding the cost sharing framework for construction of the West Side Wet Weather Facilities.*
11. [16-6093](#) Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding for a National Capital Region Next Generation 9-1-1.
- City Council: (1) approved the City of Alexandria's participation in the National Capital Region (NCR) Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG 9-1-1) Memorandum of Understanding; and (2) authorized the City Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).*

12. [16-6604](#)

Consideration of a Predevelopment Loan to Wesley Housing Development Corporation for an Affordable Housing Development on Fairlington Presbyterian Church Site.

City Council approved a predevelopment loan to Wesley Housing of \$400,000 for a proposed 81-unit affordable rental housing project.

12(a) [16-6682](#)

Consideration of an Ordinance to Create an Old Town Business Improvement District. [ROLL-CALL VOTE] (Public Hearing For This Item is Closed.)

City Council tabled the original Old Town BID ordinance and adopted the memorandum dated June 27, 2017 directing the City Manager to: (1) prepare a revised ordinance that includes the commercial properties from the waterfront to the railroad tracks along King Street, extended to Cameron and Duke to the north and south respectively; (2) prepare a framework budget for the first three years of operation with identified priority areas based on the input that has been received from those who will be subject to the revised BID; (3) prepare a set of specific and measurable success criteria for each of the first three years of operation; (4) prepare a mailing to all business and property owners subject to a potential BID tax detailing the proposal and encouraging input; (5) host public meetings and update existing web content to reflect this revised proposal; (6) contract with a third-party election company to register eligible voters and conduct a vote of eligible business and property owners. Vote totals shall be reported using both methodologies (based on the proposed bylaws AND one vote per commercial taxpayer); and (7) if either vote total meets 55% approval, the City Manager shall docket the revised ordinance for approval by the Council no later than October 2017.

ORAL REPORTS AND ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

1. Mayor Silberberg reported that the Commission on Persons with Disabilities held an awards reception this evening in the Vola Lawson Lobby honoring several individuals for their work with the Commission.

2. Mayor Silberberg reported that she attended the U.S. Conference of Mayors this weekend in Miami Beach and she participated as a guest panelists on two panels: Strategies to Address Vacant and Abandoned Properties, highlighting the Landmark Mall property and the NRG site; and a panel for the Aging Task Force, noting that Alexandria was the first city in Virginia to be named An Aging Friendly City by AARP. Mayor Silberberg stated that she attend a number meetings and she had some valuable information to share with her colleagues and staff. Mayor Silberberg stated that there were a number of resolutions she endorsed on behalf of the City, including a resolution on civil discourse and a resolution in support of cities moving to 100% renewable energy. Mayor Silberberg stated former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg announced that he would be awarding \$200 million in grants over 3 years to cities with best practices that can be used through out the country.

3. Mayor Silberberg announced that she and City staff members will be going to New York City for the annual bond rating meeting.

4. Councilman Chapman reported that the Sisters Cities Committee is planning to have a meeting in July to discuss strategic planning and investigating the possibility of partnering with new Sister Cities. Councilman Chapman also stated that the states meeting for the Sisters Cities program might possibly convene here in Alexandria this summer.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jinks reported that the City signed up today with the Accelerator Workshop to learn how to apply for the grants from the program announced by former Mayor Bloomberg at the U.S. Conference of Mayors and City staff is reviewing what policies and programs the City have that may qualify for the program.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

13. [16-6643](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading, and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sections 4-900 (OCM(50)/Office Commercial Medium (50) Zone) and 4-1000 (OCM(100)/Office Commercial Medium (100) Zone) of Article IV (Commercial, Office and Industrial Zones) and Section 11-513 (Administrative Special Use Permit) Under Section 11-500 (Special use Permits) of Division B (Development Approvals) of Article XI (Development Approvals and Procedures) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council as Text Amendment No. 2017-0005. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted an ordinance to amend and reordain Sections 4-900 (OCM(50)/Office Commercial Medium (50) Zone) and 4-1000 (OCM(100)/Office Commercial Medium (100) Zone) of Article IV (Commercial, Office and Industrial Zones) and Section 11-513 (Administrative Special Use Permit) Under Section 11-500 (Special use Permits) of Division B (Development Approvals) of Article XI (Development Approvals and Procedures) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved By City Council as Text Amendment No. 2017-0005. (ORD. NO. 5073)

14. [16-6652](#) Public Hearing, Second Reading, and Final Passage of an Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Sections 2-111 (Amusement Enterprise) and 2-183 (Personal Service Establishment) Under Section 2-100 (Definitions) of Article II (Definitions) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in Accordance With the Text Amendment Heretofore Approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2017-0004. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

City Council adopted an ordinance to amend and reordain Sections 2-111 (Amusement Enterprise) and 2-183 (Personal Service Establishment) under Section 2-100 (Definitions) of Article II (Definitions) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance in Accordance with the Text Amendment Heretofore approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2017-0004 (ORD. NO. 5074)

OTHER

15. [16-6630](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

City Council approved the City Council schedule.

CLOSED MEETING CONTINUED (IF NEEDED)

16. [16-6662](#) Consideration of a Closed Meeting for Discussion of the Performance of

Specific City Council Appointees and Discussion or Consideration of the Investment of Public Funds Where Competition or Bargaining is Involved.

City Council reconvened into closed executive session at 9:51 p.m.

City Council reconvened the meeting in open session at 11:20 p.m., specifically to include reconvening in open session from the previously opened executive session to discuss the recruitment of the City Clerk.

City Council adopted the resolution previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 2788)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

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.