

# City of Alexandria

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



## **Action Docket - Final**

**Tuesday, September 10, 2019**

**6:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

**City Council Legislative Meeting**

**1. Calling the Roll.**

*Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of Council were present.*

**2. Closed Meeting.**

[20-0068](#)

6:00 p.m. - Consideration of closed meeting for consultation with legal counsel and staff regarding the disposition of publicly held real property and to discuss reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure and any other safety information subject to the exclusion for public safety records.

*City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:03 p.m. to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding the disposition of publicly held real property where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body and to discuss reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure and any other safety information subject to the exclusion for public safety records where discussion in an open meeting would jeopardize the safety of any person or the the security of any facility, building, structure, information technology system, or software program; specifically, the terms and conditions of a contract for sale of four publicly owned parcels in the City, a potential offer to purchase a portion of a publicly owned parcel in the City and a briefing by the Policy Department regarding City Hall security pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(3) and (A)(19) of the Code of Virginia.*

*City Council reconvened in open session at 7:15 p.m.*

*City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously circulated to Council. (RES. NO. 2896)*

**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:**

[19-2294](#)

The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2019;  
The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2019;  
The Special Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2019; and  
The Special Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2019

*City Council approved the minutes of the following meetings of City Council: the public hearing meeting minutes of June 22, 2019; the regular meeting minutes of June 25, 2019 and the special meeting minutes of July 22, 2019. City Council deferred approval of the special public hearing meeting minutes of July 9, 2019.*

**ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL ON BOARDS,  
COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

- \*Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors (Mayor Wilson)**
- \*Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC)(Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Chapman)**
- \*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)(Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Aguirre)**
- \*Virginia Railway Express (VRE) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker)**
- \*Alexandria Campaign on Adolescent Pregnancy (ACAP) (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Aguirre)**
- \*Local Emergency Planning Committee (Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker and Councilman Aguirre)**
- \*Citizen Corps Council (Councilman Seifeldein and Councilwoman Jackson)**
- \*Patrick Henry/Douglas McArthur Community Swing Space Meeting (Councilwoman Pepper and Councilwoman Jackson)**
- \*Alexandria Gang Prevention Task Force (Councilwoman Jackson and Councilman Seifeldein)**
- \*Alexandria Renew CSO Subcommittee Work Group (Councilwoman Jackson and Mayor Wilson)**
- \*Health and Safety Coordinating Committee (Councilwoman Jackson and Mayor Wilson)**

*City Council gave the reports.*

**ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

*City Manager Jinks reported on the Wellness Program that has been established for City employees and he gave some of the statistics that have been gathered from participants in the the program that was started on July 1. City Manager Jinks noted that 900 or 35% of employees where signed up to participate in the program and he pointed out that employees could earn rewards and cash incentives for participating in the program.*

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (five min.)****CONSENT CALENDAR (5-18)**

**(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)**

5. [20-0040](#) Receipt of the following resignations from Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee  
Melissa Kerley  
Sasha Rousseau  
Jessie Vital
  - (b) Commission for Women  
Geraldine Kalim
  - (c) Environmental Policy Commission  
Geoffe Goode  
Leslie Jones
  - (d) Human Rights Commission  
Jenny Wade
  - (e) Park and Recreation Commission  
Jennifer Atkins
  - (f) Public Health Advisory Commission  
Barbara Nowak

**Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:**

6. [20-0039](#) Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees:
- (a) Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee  
1 Citizen Member
  - (b) Alexandria Transportation Commission  
1 Representative from the Planning Commission
  - (c) Beaugard Urban Design Advisory Commission  
1 Professional member skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design
  - (d) Beautification Commission  
1 Citizen Member
  - (e) Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission

1 High School Student

(f) Commission on HIV/AIDS

1 Member from and representing an HIV/AIDS service organization which provided services in the City to the minority community

(g) Commission on Information Technology

1 Citizen member

(h) Community Criminal Justice Board

Chief of Police or his/her representative

(i) Community Services Board

3 Citizen Members

1 Consumer (current or former direct recipient of public or private mental health, intellectual disability, or substance abuse treatment rehabilitation services) or family members (immediate family member or the principal caregiver who is not paid) of a consumer

(j) Economic Opportunities Commission

1 Representative of the low-income residents certified by the Commission

1 Representative appointed by State Senator Adam Ebbin

(k) Emergency Medical Services Council

1 Representative of Federation of Civic Associations

(l) Environmental Policy Commission

1 Member from the field of environmental sciences (e.g. environmental/sanitary engineering, ecology, botany, hydrology, chemistry) or who have Alexandria waterfront expertise, provided that at least four members shall have scientific expertise

(m) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission

1 Representative from the Old Presbyterian Meeting House

1 Planning District I Representative

1 Planning District II Representative

1 Representative from Christ Church

(n) Human Rights Commission

1 Commission for Women Representative

(o) Landlord-Tenant Relations Board

1 Homeowner Member

- (p) Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority  
1 Citizen member appointed by Council
- (q) Potomac Yard Design Advisory Commission  
1 Member representing the Potomac Yard Civic Associations
- (r) Public Health Advisory Commission  
1 Representative from the Partnership for Healthier Alexandria Steering Committee  
1 Citizen member who is not a health professional
- (s) Real Estate Assessments Review Board  
1 Citizen Member
- (t) Sister Cities Committee  
2 Citizen Members
- (u) Social Services Advisory Board  
4 Citizen Members
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4 Citizens Members
- (v) Towing Advisory Commission  
1 Citizen at-large member with preference given to a citizen who has expertise in property management or who is a business owner
- (w) Waterfront Commission  
1 Environmental Policy Commission representative  
1 Park Planning District II Representative

### **(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)**

- 7. [19-2241](#) Consideration of a Petition to Expand the Boundaries of Residential Permit Parking District 4.
- 8. [19-2308](#) Consideration for release of \$50,000 from FY 2020 Contingent Reserves to further support the 2020 Complete Count Committee's Community Engagement and Outreach Activities leading to the 2020 Census.
- 9. [19-2337](#) Consideration of Renewal Application of the Justice Assistance Grant for Part I Crimes Task Force and the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles for an

Aggressive Driving/DUI Interdiction and Pedestrian Safety Grants for the Police Department.

10. [19-2360](#) Consideration of Approval for the Department of Community and Human Services to Utilize a Grant from the Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) to Support the Delivery of Substance Use Treatment Services.
11. [19-2362](#) Consideration of the Alexandria Community Services Board FY 2020 Performance Contract with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.
12. [19-2375](#) Consideration of Receipt of City Council Closed Meetings Report for FY 2018 to FY 2019.

**(Ordinances for Introductions)**

13. [19-2135](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 068.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning seven acres located on the eastern portion of the property at 5001 Eisenhower Avenue from, Office Commercial Medium (100)/OCM(100) to Commercial Residential Mixed Use (High)/CRMU-H with proffers in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2019-0001 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2019-0001 associated with Victory Center approved by City Council on May 18, 2019).
14. [19-2174](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage of an Ordinance to amend Section 10-4-8: Parking for more than 72 Continuous Hours.
15. [19-2175](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage of an Ordinance to Amend Section 5-8-93: Parking Meters; Hours and Days of Operation, Maximum Time Limits, Rates.
16. [19-2340](#) Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to authorize the owner of the property located at 500 Wolfe Street to construct and maintain an encroachment for a fence at that location (Implementation Ordinance for Encroachment No. 2019-0001 associated with 500 Wolfe Street approved by City Council on July 9, 2019).
17. [19-2342](#) 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 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. 2019-0004 (Implementation Ordinance for Text Amendment No. 2019-0004 associated with Greenhill South CDD approved by City Council on July 9, 2019).

18. [19-2344](#)

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 067.02 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the property at 600 South Pickett Street from, I/Industrial to CDD#28/Coordinated Development District #28 in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2019-0005 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2019-0005 associated with Greenhill South CDD approved by City Council on July 9, 2019).

## END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

*City Council approved the consent calendar. The City Manager's approval was as follows:*

*5. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Melissa Kerley, Sasha Rousseau, and Jessie Vital, Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee; (b) Geraldine Kalim, Commission for Women; (c) Geoffe Goode and Leslie Jones, Environmental Policy Commission; (d) Jenny Wade, Human Rights Commission; (e) Jennifer Atkins, Park and Recreation Commission; and (f) Barbara Nowak, Public Health Advisory Commission.*

*6. City Council made the following appointments to boards, commissions, and committees: (a) appointed Thomas Bradley as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister Cities Committee; (b) reappointed Melissa McMahan as the representative from the Planning Commission to the Alexandria Transportation Commission; (c) appointed Abed Benzina as the professional member skilled in architecture, planning, landscape architecture and/or urban design to the Beauregard Design Urban Advisory Commission; (d) reappointed Christina Mazurkevich as the citizen member to the Beautification Commission; (e) appointed Ashley Marie Sanchez-Viafara as the high school student to the Children, Youth and Families Collaborative Commission; (f) reappointed Andrew Torre as the member from and representing an HIV/AIDS service organization which provided services in the City to the minority community to the Commission on HIV/AIDS; (g) appointed Lynda Bennett as the citizen member to the Commission on Information Technology; (h) appointed Don Hayes as the Chief of Police designee to the Community Criminal Justice Board; (i) appointed Holly Batal, Mary Lyman and Sara Rhoades as the three citizen members and appointed Emily Ann Milton as the consumer (current or former direct recipient of public or private mental health, intellectual disability, or substance abuse treatment rehabilitation services or family member (immediate family member or the principal caregiver who is not paid) of a consumer to the Community Services Board; (j) appointed Janeka Cogdell as the representative of the low income residents certified by the Commission and appointed Michael Cohen as representative appointed by State Senator Adam Ebbin to the Economic Opportunities Commission; (k) appointed Joanne Bump as the representative of the Federation of Civic Associations to the Emergency Medical Services Council; (l) appointed Marta Schantz as the member*

from the field of environmental sciences (e.g. environmental/sanitary engineering, ecology, geology, botany, hydrology, chemistry) or who have Alexandria waterfront expertise, provided that at least four members shall have scientific expertise to the Environmental Policy Commission; (m) appointed Carol Black as the representative from the Old Presbyterian Meeting House, appointed Sam Hoffman As the Planning District I representative, appointed Maddy McCoy as the Planning District II representative, and appointed Herbert Tinkham as the representative from Christ Church to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (n) appointed Kendra Martello as the Commission for Women representative to the Human Rights Commission; (o) reappointed Elliott Waters as the homeowner member to the Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; (p) reappointed Sean Kumar as the citizen member appointed by Council to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority; (q) appointed Susan Richards as the member representing the Potomac Yard Civic associations to the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Commission; (r) reappointed Allen Lomax as the representative from the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria Steering Committee and reappointed Richard Merritt as the citizen member who is not a health professional to the Public Health Advisory Commission; (s) appointed Vann Howard Van Diepen as the citizen member to the Real Estate Assessments Review Board; (t) appointed Emory Newman and Sara Ramsey as the two citizen members to the Sister Cities Committee; (u) reappointed Shawna Gary and appointed Stephanie Kanwit, Sharee Talbert, and Stuart Venzke as the four citizen member to the Social Services Advisory Board; (v) appointed Charity Ave-Lallemant as the citizen at-large member with preference given to a citizen who has expertise in property management or who is a business owner to the Towing Advisory Board; and (w) reappointed Eldon Boes as the Environmental Policy Commission representative and appointed Patricia Webb as the Park Planning District II representative to the Waterfront Commission.

7. City Council approved the petition and amended the Residential Permit Parking District Map to include the properties on the 400 block of South Payne Street, the north side of the 1300 block of Wilkes Street, and the 400 block of South West Street in RPP District 4.

8. City Council approved that the City release \$50,000 from FY2020 Contingent Reserves to further support the 2020 Complete Count Committee's activities leading to the 2020 Census.

9. City Council: (1) authorized the submission of grant applications to the U.S. Department of Justice (JAG) in the amount of \$35,133 and to the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$45,259; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents that may be required.

10. City Council: (1) approved the Department of Community and Human Services(DCHS)Community Services Board (CSB)'s receipt of \$240,000 in one-year funding to increase staffing at the Alexandria Detention Center (ADC) and continue substance use treatment services at DCHS; (2) approved the addition of a position (1.0 FTE) fully supported by grant revenues; and (3) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required.

11. City Council approved the Alexandria Community Services Board's Performance Contract with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

12. City Council received the report of the Fiscal Year 2018 to Fiscal Year 2019 Report on City Council Closed Executive Sessions. (separate motion)

13. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for second reading, public hearing and final passage on Saturday, September 14, 2019.

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## ROLL-CALL CONSENT CALENDAR

19. [19-2233](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Obtain a Land Use Permit from the Virginia Department of Transportation for Lighting Retrofits on I-495 On-Ramp at the City's Public Safety Center.[ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted a resolution to obtain a land use permit from the Virginia Department of Transportation for Lighting Retrofits on I-495 on-ramp at the City's Public Safety Center. (RES. NO. 2897)*

## CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

20. [20-0077](#) Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee  
1 Representative of the City's faith community
- City Council waived the residency requirement and appointed Betsy Faga as the representative of the City's faith community to the Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee.*
21. [20-0076](#) Beauregard Design Advisory Committee  
1 Citizen Member
- City Council reappointed Peter Benavage as the citizen member to the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee.*
22. [20-0079](#) Commission for the Arts  
1 Member with expertise in the arts, including, but not limited to, arts educators, professional practitioners of various art disciplines and professional administrators working in the arts
- City Council reappointed Matthew Stensrud as the member with expertise in the arts, including, but not limited to, arts educators, professional practitioners various art disciplines and professional administrators working in the arts to the Commission for*

*the Arts.*

23. [20-0064](#) Commission for Women  
1 Citizen Member  
*City Council appointed Mary Kate Whalen as the citizen member to the Commission for Women.*
24. [20-0061](#) Commission on Aging  
1 Citizen Member  
*City Council reappointed Tiffany del Rio as the citizen member to the Commission on Aging.*
25. [20-0075](#) Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia  
1 Provider member  
*City Council requested that the City Clerk readvertise the vacancy on the Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia.*
26. [20-0065](#) Industrial Development Authority  
2 Citizen Members  
*City Council reappointed Allison DiNardo and appointed Jennifer Atkins to the Industrial Development Authority.*
27. [20-0066](#) Park and Recreation Commission  
1 Planning District II member  
*City Council appointed Dana Colarulli as the citizen member to the Park and Recreation Commission.*
28. [20-0078](#) Public Health Advisory Commission  
1 Citizen member who is a health professional  
*City Council reappointed Daniel Hawkings as the citizen member who is a health professional to the Public Health Advisory Commission.*

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

29. [20-0042](#) Oral Presentation by the Alexandria Health Department on the “Getting to Zero Initiative”.  
*City Council received the oral presentation by the Alexandria Health Department on the "Getting to Zero Initiative."*
30. [20-0069](#) Report from the Alexandria Opioid Work Group.  
*City Council received the report from the Alexandria Opioid Work Group.*
31. [20-0034](#) Consideration of Improvements to the Retirement Benefits and the Pay Scale of Alexandria Deputy Sheriffs.

*City Council authorized the City Manager to implement the following changes to the compensation and benefits of Alexandria Deputy Sheriffs: (1) transfer full-time Deputy Sheriffs to the Virginia Retirement System plan with enhances hazardous duty benefits, effective on or about January 1, 2020; (2) require Alexandria Deputy Sheriffs to pay 1.5% into the City Supplemental Retirement System, effective on or about January 1, 2020; and (3) approve a 2.29% increase to the Deputy Sheriff pay scale increase effective in October 2019.*

32. [19-2333](#) A Discussion of Regional Housing Initiatives and the Need to Increase the Production of All Housing, Including Affordable Housing, Over the Next Decade.
- City Council accepted the staff report and direct staff to continue to work on strategies which could result in the City working toward meeting the 2030 aspirational goals identified in the COG Regional Housing Initiatives process.*
33. [19-2238](#) Update on WMATA Platform Improvement Project
- City Council received the update on WMATA Platform Improvement Project from staff.*
34. [19-2377](#) Consideration of the Recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee to Change the Name of Simpson Triangle to Kettle Park.
- City Council: (1) received the recommendation from the City Council Naming Committee regarding name change of Simpson Triangle to Kettle Park; and (2) scheduled a public hearing for Saturday, September 14, 2019 and after closing the public hearing, adopt the recommendation of the City Naming Committee to name the Simpson Triangle Kettle Park.*
35. [19-2378](#) Consideration and Adoption of a Naming and Renaming Policy and Procedures for City Public Parks and Recreation Areas & Facilities.
- City Council adopted the City of Alexandria Naming and Renaming Policies and Procedures for Public Parks and Recreation Areas and Facilities.*

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

36. [20-0013](#) Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to execute an Agreement to finalize a Proposed Future Bequest from Jon H. Rosenbaum, Ph.D. and Betsey R. Rosenbaum. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]
- City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement to finalize a bequest, up to \$2.5 million, from Jon H. Rosenbaum, Ph. D. , and Betsey R. Rosenbaum to implement Point Lumley Park improvements consistent with the Waterfront Small Area Plan. (RES. NO. 2898)*
37. [19-2346](#) 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 the Eisenhower East Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2019-0002 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such

amendment (Implementation Ordinance for Master Plan Amendment No. 2019-0002 associated with WMATA Office Building approved by City Council on July 9, 2019).

*City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 14, 2019.*

**38. [19-2348](#)**

Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and reordain Sheet No. 072.02 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning a portion of 2393 Mill Road from UT/ Utilities and Transportation zone to CDD #2/ Coordinated Development District #2, for 2395 Mill Road from OCM(100)/Office Commercial Medium (100) zone to CDD #2/ Coordinated Development District #2 and UT/ Utilities and Transportation, for a portion of 2403 Mill Road from OCM(100) /Office Commercial Medium (100) zone and UT/ Utilities and Transportation to CDD #2/Coordinated Development District #2, for a portion of 2415 Mill Road from OCM(100)/ Office Commercial Medium (100) zone to CDD #2/ Coordinated Development District #2, and for a portion of 2421 Mill Road from OCM(100)/ Office Commercial Medium and UT/ Utilities and Transportation zone to CDD #2/ Coordinated Development District #2 and UT/ Utilities and Transportation in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2019-0003 (Implementation Ordinance for Rezoning No. 2019-0003 associated with WMATA Office Building approved by City Council on July 9, 2019).

*City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, September 14, 2019.*

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

### **(a) Council Orals: Consideration of a Resolution Renaming the Second Monday of October Indigenous Peoples' Day. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]**

**[20-0070](#)**

Council Orals: Consideration of a Resolution Renaming the Second Monday of October Indigenous Peoples' Day.

*Councilman Seifeldein thanked all who worked on the proposed memorandum and resolution to rename the second Monday of October Indigenous Peoples' Day. Councilman Seifeldein also recognized members of the Native American community, particularly Opal Boyer, a member of Yavapi-Apache Nation and a program specialist with the Administration for Native Americans, who were present and who assisted him with research for the resolution.*

*City Council adopted a resolution proposed by Councilman Seifeldein and Vice Mayor Bennett-Parker to rename the second Monday of October Indigenous Peoples' Day. (RES. NO. 2899)*

**Council Orals:****(b) Other**

1. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the Friendship Firehouse Festival to celebrate the first fire company in Alexandria.*
2. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the Crime Commission hearing in Richmond and read the letter from the City Council before the Commission regarding gun safety legislation.*
3. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the Governor's Pre-K Stakeholder Listening Tour in early August to discuss funding for Pre-K educational programs in Northern Virginia.*
4. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the recognition ceremony for the 80 Anniversary of the Library Sit-In at the Queen Street library.*
5. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the Irish Festival and the owner of O'Connell's, John Brennan, will be the grand marshal at the St. Patrick's Day parade.*
6. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she attended the inaugural Emerging Writers Festival at the Athenaeum sponsored by Old Town Books. Councilwoman Jackson noted that the City's poet laureate participated in the event.*
7. *Councilwoman Jackson reported that she and Councilman Seifeldein attended Judge Rossie Alston's investiture to the Federal Court at the Bryan Federal Courthouse.*
8. *Councilwoman Jackson recognized the Friends of Guest House on reaching their 45th Anniversary and opening of a second location to assist women reentering society following incarceration.*
9. *Councilwoman Jackson welcomed all the students in the City of Alexandria back to school and wished them a successful school year.*
10. *Councilman Aguirre recognized the staff at VRE for his ride on the train and for sharing information with him about VRE.*
11. *Councilman Aguirre stated that he, along with Deputy City Manager Baker and other City staff, went to Richmond and received approval for the first part of the permit from the Department of Environmental Quality for the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station.*
12. *Councilman Aguirre reported that he attended the grand opening of the Play Garden at the Mount Vernon Community School last week.*
13. *Councilman Aguirre reported that he attended the Africa Festival on Saturday at the Patrick Henry School.*
14. *Councilman Aguirre thanked staff for putting up a Frequently Asked Questions list on the DCHS website about public charge to provide additional information and he would like to work with surrounding*

*jurisdictions to create a unified message for the region about public charge.*

*15. Councilman Aguirre would like to explore the option of providing full benefits (health benefits) to Council aides and would like more information from staff about the issue.*

*16. Councilman Aguirre requested that a proclamation be added to the next legislative docket recognizing Latino Heritage Month, which is September 15 through October 15.*

*17. Councilman Aguirre thanked his colleagues for approving an extra \$50,000 for the Complete Count Committee and he invited everyone to attend the meeting tomorrow at Cora Kelley Elementary School.*

*18. Councilman Seifeldein recognized Councilman Chapman for winning the bowling tournament sponsored by the NAACP for its Back to School celebration.*

*19. Councilman Seifeldein recognized his nephew's soccer team, Alexandria Soccer, for winning state championship during the summer and advancing to the regional competition.*

## OTHER

39. [19-2287](#) Consideration of City Council Schedule.

*City Council received and approved the updated September 2019 through June 2019 Council Schedule which includes: a ribbon cutting for the Four Mile Run Playground Renovation on Saturday, September 14 at 8:30 a.m. The event will be held at 3900 Bruce Street; a joint work session with the Arlington County in regard to Proposed Inclusive Growth Task Force on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 7:30 p.m., location to be determined; the Annual City Tree Lighting will be held on Saturday, November 23, 2019, from 6 p.m to 8 p.m., in Market Square; the Days of Remembrance is scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2010 at 12 p.m. in Market Square; the budget work session from February 2020 through May 2020; T.C. Williams Graduation, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2020 at 9 a.m. and will be held at GMU, Eagle Bank Arena; and the City Council Public Hearing has been moved to Saturday, June 20, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.*

## Closed Meeting (if needed).

40. [20-0080](#) Consultation with legal counsel and staff regarding the disposition of publicly held real property and to discuss reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building, or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure and any other safety information subject to the exclusion for public safety records.

*This meeting was not needed.*

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*The meeting adjourned at 10:14 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.*