

CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 9, 2006 - - 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor William D. Euille, Vice Mayor Redella S. Pepper, Members of Council Ludwig P. Gaines, K. Rob Krupicka, Andrew H. Macdonald, Paul C. Smedberg and Joyce Woodson.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Hartmann, City Manager; Mr. Pessoa, City Attorney; Ms. Evans, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Jinks, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES); Ms. Fogarty, Director, Planning and Zoning (P&Z); Ms. Boyd, Director, Citizen Assistance; Mr. Kincannon, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Lisa Baker, Director, Office on Women, Mr. Mason, Special Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Culpepper, Deputy Director, T&ES; Ms. Niebauer, Director, Human Rights Office; Mr. Herway, Director, Information Technology Services (ITS); Ms. Davis, Director, Office of Housing; Mr. Fifer, E-Government Manager, ITS; Ms. Griffin, Director, Office of Aging and Adult Services; Ms. Luddington, Long-Term Care Coordinator, Office of Aging and Adult Services; Mr. Howard, Director, Personnel Services; Ms. Metcalf, Housing Analyst, Office of Housing; Mr. Coleman, Fire Department; Mr. Lambert, Pedestrian/Bicycle Coordinator, T&ES; Dr. Konigsberg, Health Department; Ms. McIlvaine, Deputy Director, Office of Housing; Ms. Durham, Urban Planner/Open Space Coordinator, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Colevas, ITS; Mr. Yi, ITS; Police Lt. Uzzell and Mr. Lloyd.

Recorded by: Gloria Sitton, Deputy City Clerk and Clerk of Council

OPENING

1. Calling the Roll.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Euille, and the Deputy City Clerk called the roll; all the members of City Council were present.

2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

- (a) The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2006;
- (b) The Special Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2006; and
- (c) The Regular Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2006.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council approved the public hearing meeting minutes of April 22, 2006; the special meeting minutes of April 24, 2006, and the regular meeting minutes of April 25, 2006. The voting was as follows:

Pepper	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Gaines	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Woodson	"aye"	

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

New Business Item No. 1: Vice Mayor Pepper acknowledged students from Bishop Ireton High School who were in attendance at the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS

- 4. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing Alex, the Scotty Dog, as the Official Mascot of the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 4; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Woodson, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The voting was as follows:

Woodson	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Pepper	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
	Smedberg	"aye"	

- 5. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring May 20, 2006, as Commemoration Day.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 5; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Krupicka and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The voting was as follows:

Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Krupicka	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Woodson		"aye"

6. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring May 19, 2006, as Bike to Work Day.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 6; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The voting was as follows:

Krupicka	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Gaines	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Woodson		"aye"

7. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring May as Older Americans Month.

(A copy of the proclamation is file on in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council endorsed the proclamation. The voting was as follows:

Pepper	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Gaines	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Woodson		"aye"

8. Verbal Report of the Presentation of the Annual Report by First Night Alexandria's Executive Director Ann Dorman.

City Council received the report.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

CONSENT CALENDAR (9-22)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

9. Receipt of the Following Resignations From Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Alexandria Community Services Board
Michael J. Carrasco

(A copy of the above resignation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked a Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9(a); 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

10. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee
1 Citizen Member
- (b) Alexandria Commission on Aging
1 Citizen Member Who Is 60 Years of Age or Older
1 Individual With Leadership Experience In A Volunteer Organization
- (c) Alexandria Commission on Persons With Disabilities
2 Citizen Members
- (d) Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission
1 Representative Designated by State Senator Patricia S. Ticer
- (e) Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission
1 Health Professional Member
- (f) Alexandria Transportation Safety Commission
3 Members From the Alexandria Traffic and Parking Board

(A copy of the above appointments is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item 10(a-f); 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

11. Consideration of a Renewal Grant Application to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality for FY 2007 Pass-Through Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the City of Alexandria Air Pollution Control

Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Consideration of License Agreement with L.A. Yachts, Incorporated to Berth the *Potomac Belle* in Commercial Dock Space at the City Marina.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 2, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Receipt of a Report from the Planning Commission in Regard to its 9.06 Hearing on the City's Proposed Purchase of 210 Strand Street.

(A copy of the Planning Commission docket dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 9, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 13; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

14. Consideration of Application for Renewal of the Justice Assistance Grant for the Police Department's Part I Crimes Task Force.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 2, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

15. Consideration of Request from the Alexandria Commission on Aging that City Council Ask the City's Congressional Delegation to Support Changes to the Medicare Part D Prescription Program.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 3, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER (continued)

CONSENT CALENDAR (continued)

(Ordinances for Introduction)

16. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an

Ordinance Soliciting Franchise Proposals to Use the Public Right-of-way to Provide Free Wireless Internet Access Service in the City.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 16; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 16; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

17. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Increase the Fees Charged for Ambulance Services.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 17; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 17; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Revise the Membership of the Consumer Affairs Commission.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 18, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

19. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the City's Master Plan to Designate Route 1 - Jefferson

Davis Highway as the Route for Transit-Bus Rapid Transit.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 19, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

20. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the CDD Zone Regulations to Provide for Transit-Bus Rapid Transit along Route 1 - Jefferson Davis Highway.

(This item was deferred.)

21. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the City's Master Plan to Expand the Boundaries of the Old and Historic Alexandria District.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 21, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

22. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map to Expand the Boundaries of the Old and Historic Alexandria District.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 22, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Woodson, seconded by Vice

Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the Consent Calendar, with the exception of items 13, 15, and 16, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

9. City Council accepted the following resignation with regret: (a) Michael J. Carrasco, Alexandria Community Services Board.

10. City Council made the following appointments: (a) waived the residency requirement and appointed Karyn Miller as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Gyumri Sister City Committee; (b) reappointed Lisa Burnard as the citizen member who is 60 years of age or older and waived the residency requirement and appointed Eileen Longstreet as the individual with leadership experience in a volunteer organization to the Alexandria Commission on Aging; (c) appointed Michael Carrasco and Tanishia Williams-Minor as the two citizen members to the Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities; (d) appointed Cecelia Godfrey as the representative designated by State Senator Patricia S. Ticer to the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission; (e) waived the residency requirement and appointed Robert Younes as the health professional member to the Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission; and (f) appointed Kevin Posey and reappointed Amy Slack and Patrick Warren, Sr. as the three members from the Alexandria Traffic and Parking Board to the Alexandria Transportation Safety Commission.

11. City Council authorized the City Manager to: (1) submit a renewal grant application to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality for FY 2007 pass-through funding from EPA, in the amount up to \$43,730, for the City of Alexandria Air Pollution Control Program; and (2) execute all necessary documents that may be required.

12. City Council approved and authorized the City Manager to execute the three-year and nine-month agreement (April 1, 2006 through December 21, 2009) with L.A. Yachts, Incorporated, allowing it to berth the *Potomac Belle* in commercial dock space at the City Marina.

14. City Council approved the application for the renewal of the \$50,690 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) grant.

17. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on May 20, 2006.

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19. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on May 20, 2006.

20. City Council deferred this item at the City Attorney's request.

21. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on May 20, 2006.

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The voting was as follows:

Woodson	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Pepper	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
	Smedberg	"aye"	

13. Receipt of a Report from the Planning Commission in Regard to its 9.06 Hearing on the City's Proposed Purchase of 210 Strand Street.

(A copy of the Planning Commission docket dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 9, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 13; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded Councilwoman Woodson and carried unanimously, City Council received the report of the Planning Commission approving the acquisition of the property at 210 Strand Street, pursuant to Section 9.06 of the City Charter. The voting was as follows:

Smedberg	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Woodson	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Macdonald	"aye"	

15. Consideration of Request from the Alexandria Commission on Aging that City Council Ask the City's Congressional Delegation to Support Changes to the Medicare Part D Prescription Program.

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WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council authorized the Mayor to sign the attached letters to the members of Alexandria's Congressional delegation, asking them

Laurence Altenburg, II
Thomas Walczykowski

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 23; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and the ballots tallied with the following results; City Council reappointed Thomas Walczykowski as the representative of the Crime Prevention Council or an individual with law enforcement or crime prevention experience to the Alexandria Citizen Corps Council. The voting was as follows

Euille	-	Walczykowski
Pepper	-	Walczykowski
Gaines	-	Walczykowski
Krupicka	-	Walczykowski
Macdonald	-	Walczykowski
Smedberg	-	Walczykowski
Woodson	-	Altenburg

24. Alexandria Commission for Women
2 Citizen Members

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission:)

NAME:	ENDORSED BY:
Donna Kloch	Charniele L. Herring, Chair, Commission for Women
Marian Pegram	Charniele L. Herring, Chair, Commission for Women
Erica Rossi	
Teresa Scalzo	

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 24; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and the ballots tallied with the following results: City Council reappointed Donna Kloch and Marian Pegram as the two citizen members to the Alexandria Commission for Women. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Kloch, Pegram
Pepper	-	Kloch, Pegram
Gaines	-	Kloch, Pegram
Krupicka	-	Kloch, Pegram

Macdonald	-	Kloch, Pegram
Smedberg	-	Kloch, Pegram
Woodson	-	Kloch, Pegram

25. Alexandria Commission on Aging
1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission:)

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Janice Cooper-Levy
Linda Dienno

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 25; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Linda Dienno as the citizen member to the Alexandria Commission on Aging. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Cooper-Levy
Pepper	-	Dienno
Gaines	-	Dienno
Krupicka	-	Dienno
Macdonald	-	Dienno
Smedberg	-	Cooper-Levy
Woodson	-	Cooper-Levy

26. Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission
1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission:)

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

John Johansen
John Sprinkle
Charles Stulb Association Marguerite L. Lang, President, Rosemont Citizens Association

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 26; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots tallied with the following results: City Council appointed John Sprinkle as the citizen member Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Sprinkle
Pepper	-	Sprinkle
Gaines	-	Sprinkle
Krupicka	-	Sprinkle
Macdonald	-	Sprinkle
Smedberg	-	Sprinkle
Woodson	-	Stulb

27. Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board
1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to the above Commission:)

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Anthony Dale
DeShuna Spencer

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 27; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and ballots were tallied, with the following results: City Council appointed Anthony Dale as the citizen member Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Dale
Pepper	-	Dale
Gaines	-	Dale
Krupicka	-	Dale
Macdonald	-	Dale
Smedberg	-	Dale
Woodson	-	Dale

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

28. Consideration of the City's FY 2007 Draft One-Year Action Plan for Housing and Community Development. (#7, 4/22/06)

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 28;

05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Macdonald and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) approved the One-Year Action Plan for the Housing and Community Development for FY 2007, which includes the City's application for Federal Fiscal Year 2007 funding for \$1,284,295 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies and \$824,947 in Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) monies; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. The voting was as follows:

Smedberg	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Macdonald	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Woodson	"aye"	

29. Receipt of the Fiscal Year 2005 Workforce Utilization Analysis and Fiscal Year 2005 Applicant Tracking Report.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 29; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilman Macdonald and carried unanimously, City Council received the reports and thanked the members of the Commission on Persons with Disabilities, the Commission on Women, the Human Rights Commission, and the Commission on Aging for their continued support of the City's affirmative action initiatives. The voting was as follows:

Pepper	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Macdonald	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Woodson	"aye"	

30. Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Working Draft of Commonwealth of Virginia FY 2007-2012 6-year Improvement Program For Highways, Rail and Public Transportation.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Macdonald, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried 4-3, City Council approved the letter to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) requesting certain revisions in the Draft FY 2007-2012 Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP). The voting was as follows:

Macdonald	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Gaines	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Woodson	"no"	

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

None

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Vice Mayor Pepper stated that the Commission on Information Technology received a briefing from Deputy City Manager Jinks and Director of Citizen Assistance Boyd about some enacted State legislation and some pending Federal legislation concerning the telecommunications industry. Vice Mayor Pepper reported that the telecommunications tax laws will be revised and customers will be required to pay a 5% communications sales tax, noting that the revenues from the new tax will go to the State ceding some local control. Vice Mayor Pepper also reported cable television franchises may be offered without negotiating a cable television franchise if there is infrastructure available. Vice Mayor Pepper noted that the City may have to assume responsibility for the Public Educational and Governmental channels and total compensation for the use of rights-of-way cannot exceed 5% of the gross revenues. Vice Mayor Pepper stated that Congress is working on legislation that will give the authority to grant franchises to telecommunication companies to the Federal government, removing the control from local government.

(b) Councilman Smedberg stated that at the Northern Virginia Transportation Committee meeting there was a presentation by the interim director of METRO on transportation and mass transit.

(c) Councilman Smedberg requested an update on Mirant and an update on judicial action surrounding that issues.

City Attorney Pessoa updated Council on recent developments with Mirant and plant operations, particularly the plant in Alexandria and stated that the City will oppose the decree agreement in its present form. City Attorney Pessoa reported that the nuisance suit is on track and proceeding with the discovery phase. Council participated in the discussion and asked questions.

(d) Mayor Euille reported that he and Vice Mayor Pepper attended a meeting on the status of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge and went on a boat tour. Mayor Euille noted that the project was on budget and on schedule. Mayor Euille reported that there would be a dedication and opening ceremony on May 18; the bridge will be open to traffic on June 9; and then around July 14 demolition will begin on the Old Woodrow Wilson Bridge. Mayor Euille requested that representatives from the Woodrow Wilson Bridge project be invited to the next legislative meeting to give an update and status report.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Councilwoman Woodson announced that the City of Alexandria was featured in the Northern Virginia Magazine.

(b) Councilwoman Woodson reported that she attended a Housing Conference and she noted that she had many ideas that she has shared with staff about how to improve housing in Alexandria. Councilwoman Woodson stated that she hoped these ideas would be discussed at the upcoming Housing conference. Councilwoman Woodson stated that the National League of Cities (NLC) President, Jim Hunt, requested that participating communities pass an inclusionary communities resolution supporting affordable housing. Councilwoman Woodson also encouraged other members to get involved in NLC because the organization lobbies Congress on behalf of communities.

(c) Councilwoman Woodson requested that the City support and pass a resolution on the atrocities in Darfur and send the resolution to City's Congressional delegation.

(d) Mayor Euille announced that the City of Alexandria was selected as a "Hot City" by Ink Magazine.

(e) Mayor Euille announced that the City of Alexandria has been awarded the Tree City USA distinction for 2005.

(f) Mayor Euille announced that City of Alexandria has received recognition as begin an Arts destination for mid-size cities, ranked no. 12.

(g) Councilman Krupicka requested that Director of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities Kincannon update Council on parks in the community and the toys located in the parks.

Director Kincannon stated that there was a meeting with the community about posting signs in the parks concerning the toys and staff was trying to find a medium that works for the community and the citizens. Director Kincannon noted that the primary issue is safety and staff was diligently working on coming to a satisfactory resolution.

(h) Councilman Krupicka requested a memo on the oil spill at Hoofs Run Park and the communication surrounding the incident.

Director Kincannon gave a brief overview of the incident and noted that he would work with the Civic Association to resolve the issue.

(i) Councilman Smedberg stated that the bridge in Windmill Hill Park needed some repairs.

(j) Mayor Euille recognized Deputy Director of Recreation Roger Blakely for all the hard work put into cleaning up Ben Brenman Lake near Cameron Station.

(k) Councilman Krupicka requested that a do not deliver list be established to stop delivery of free newspapers to the citizens who wished to stop delivery.

City Attorney Pessoa stated that he would draft a memorandum for Council to review about the establishment of the do not deliver list. Director Boyd stated that the Washington Examiner will fine the distribution contractor \$100 per time they do not honor requests to deliver.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

OTHER

Please Note:This item was considered before Oral Reports by Members of Council

31. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated May 4, 2006, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 31; 05/09/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the City Council Schedule for the months of May through June, 2006, with the following additions and changes: schedule a work session on Affordable Housing/Workforce Housing at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 7 at a location to be determined and received the revised calendar which includes: the dedication of the King Street Metrorail Platform Extension and new Metrorail Station Access Project on Monday, May 15 at 8:30 a.m., at the new King Street Station entrance adjacent to the Hilton on Cameron Street and the Jamestown 400th Anniversary Commemoration opening reception on Saturday, May 27 around noon (exact time to be determined) at Founders Park T Pier. The voting was follows:

Pepper	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
	Woodson	"aye"	

New Business Item No. 2: Executive Session

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Woodson, seconded by

Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council convened in executive session at 9:28 p.m., pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of discussing the acquisition of real property for public park and recreation purposes. The voting was as follows:

Woodson	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Macdonald	"aye"	

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Woodson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, at 9:41 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting. The voting was as follows:

Woodson	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Macdonald	"aye"	

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Woodson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to the Executive Session. The voting was as follows:

Woodson	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Macdonald	"aye"	

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2184

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 9th day of May 2006, recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the city council that such executive session was conducted in accordance with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the city council does hereby certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters that were identified in the motion by which the executive session was convened, and that are lawfully exempted by the Freedom of Information Act from the Act's open meeting requirements, were heard, discussed or considered by council during the executive session.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilwoman Woodson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, the regular City Council meeting of May 9, 2006, was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. The voting was as follows:

Woodson	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Macdonald	"aye"	

APPROVED:

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton CMC Deputy City Clerk