

CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 27, 2007 - - 7:00 p.m.

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

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. Boyd, Director, Citizen Assistance; Mr. Mason, Special Assistant to the City Manager/Acting Public Information Officer; Mr. Johnson, Director, Office of Management and Budget (OMB); Ms. Davis, Director, Office of Housing; Ms. McIlvaine, Deputy Director, Office of Housing; Mr. Caton, Legislative Director; Mr. Blakeley, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Vosper, Landscape Architect, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Wheel, Budget Analyst, OMB; Mr. Herway, Director, ITS; Mr. Trobridge, Deputy Director, ITS; Ms. Barnett, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. Noelle, City Arborist; Mr. Bedwell, Fiscal Officer, General Services; Mr. Josephson, Acting Director, Planning and Zoning; Mr. McCobb, Deputy Director, T&ES; Mr. Williams, Assistant City Attorney; Mr. McPike, Division Chief, General Services; Ms. Hood, 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 the 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 Meeting of City Council :

- (a) The Regular Meeting Minutes of February 15, 2007.

WHEREUPON, upon motion Vice Mayor Macdonald, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of February 15, 2007. The voting was as follows:

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

RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

New Business Item No. 1: Councilwoman Pepper recognized Boy Scout Troop 301 from St. Mary's, who were attending tonight's meeting to earn Citizenship and Community badges. Councilwoman Pepper noted that she visited with the troop before the meeting and discussed the functions of City Council .

PROCLAMATIONS

4. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring March 3, 2007, as St. Patrick's Day Parade Day and the Month of March as Irish -American Heritage Month .

(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; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of the record by reference.)

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

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

5. Presentation of a Proclamation Endorsing the Continued Participation of Rebuilding Together Alexandria .

(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; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of the record by reference.)

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

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

6. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring March as American Red Cross Month .

(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; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of the record by reference.)

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

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

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

CONSENT CALENDAR (7-13)

(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

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

- (a) Alexandria Citizen Corps Council
Christina Richardson
- (b) Alexandria Commission on Aging
Helen McMaster
- (c) Alexandria Sister Cities Committee
Sueko Kumagai

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7(a-c); 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

8. Uncontested Appointments to Boards , Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Alexandria-Caen Exchange Committee
1 Citizen Member

- (b) Alexandria Archaeological Commission
2 Members-at-Large
- (c) Alexandria Commission on Aging
1 Citizen Member
- (d) Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee
1 Member Nominated by the American Legion
- (e) Alexandria Landlord-Tenant Relations Board
1 Tenant Member
- (f) Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission
1 Member From Planning District I
1 Member From Planning District II

(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 No. 8(a-f); 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

- 9. Consideration of the Annual Report From the Alexandria Volunteer Fire Department for 2004-2005.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 20, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

- 10. Consideration of the FY 2006 Annual Report from the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 22, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

- 11. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report For the Period Ending January 31, 2007.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 22, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

- 12. Consideration of Authorization of Recommended Capital Project Allocations and Planned Expenditures.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 22, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

13. Consideration of Funding Allocation for Rebuilding Together Alexandria .

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 22, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council approved the Consent Calendar. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows :

7. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) Christina Richardson, Alexandria Citizen Corps Council; (b) Helen McMaster, Alexandria Commission on Aging; and (c) Sueko Kumagai, Alexandria Sister Cities Committee .

8. City Council made the following appointments: (a) reappointed Patricia Chapla as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Exchange Committee; (b) appointed Lillie Finklea and reappointed Edward Pulliam as the two members-at-large to the Alexandria Archaeological Commission; (c) appointed Mary Clark as the citizen member to the Alexandria Commission on Aging; (d) reappointed William Aramony as the member nominated by the American Legion to the Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (e) reappointed Richard Sforza as the tenant member to the Alexandria Landlord-Tenant Relations Board; and (f) reappointed William Conkey as the member from Planning District I and reappointed Ripley Forbes as the member from Planning District II to the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission .

9. City Council received the report from the Alexandria Volunteer Fire Department and thanked the volunteers for their contributions to the City and Fire and EMS Department.

10. City Council received the Annual Report from the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission and thanked the Commission for its efforts on behalf of the City.

11. City Council received the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending January 31, 2007.

12. City Council authorized the capital project allocations and planned expenditures for the capital projects as detailed in the Capital Improvement Expenditure Summary.

13. City Council approved an allocation of \$35,000 in Housing Trust Fund (HTF) monies as a grant to Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA) to support the organization's annual National Rebuilding Day program .

The voting was as follows :

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

OTHER

14. Recommendations and Status Report on Legislation Introduced at the 2007 General Assembly Session .

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 26, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

Legislative Director Caton reported that four of the five bills in the City package passed, the delegation was able to obtain money for some facilities in need of renovation, red light cameras were reauthorized, effective July 1, and the legislation combining the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) boards was passed with a reenactment clause .

Legislative Director Caton introduced the members of the Legislative Delegation present to discuss the legislation that was passed in the 2007 General Assembly Session. The members of the delegation present were as follows: Senator Richard Saslaw, Delegate Brian Moran , Delegate Adam Ebbin and Delegate David Englin .

The members of the Legislative Delegation answered questions and participated with Council in a discussion about the 2007 General Assembly Session .

City Council received the report .

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

15. Alexandria Board of Zoning Appeals
1 Citizen Member

(The following persons volunteered for appointment to above Commission)

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Robert DiBernardo Emard
Geoffrey Goodale

Scott E. Hendley
Jim Butler
Michael E. Hobbs

Nancy Hunt
Barbara Rosen

(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. 15; 02/27/07, 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 appointed Geoffrey Goodale as the citizen member to the Alexandria Board of Zoning Appeals . The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Goodale
Macdonald	-	Emard
Gaines	-	Goodale
Krupicka	-	Goodale
Lovain	-	Goodale
Pepper	-	Goodale
Smedberg	-	Goodale

16. Juvenile Detention Commission for Northern Virginia
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

Lillian Brooks
(Residency Waiver Required)

Michael Struztel
Melinda Douglas
S. Randolph Sengel

Doratheia Peters

(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. 16; 02/27/07, 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 appointed Lillian Brooks as the citizen member to the Juvenile Detention Commission for Northern Virginia . The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Brooks
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Macdonald	-	Peters
Gaines	-	Brooks
Krupicka	-	Brooks
Lovain	-	Brooks
Pepper	-	Peters
Smedberg	-	Brooks

PUBLIC HEARING

17. Public Hearing and Consideration of Report From the City's Naming Committee on the Proposed Naming of a City Field on Braddock Road in Honor of the Swanson Family.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 22, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

The following person participated in the public hearing for this item :

(a) Frank Shaforth, 410 Virginia Avenue, spoke in favor of naming the City field in honor of the Swanson Family and recognized others in the audience who were in support of the proposal.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper, seconded by Councilmember Lovain and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) received the report from the Naming Committee; (2) held the public hearing and accepted the proposal to name the new soccer field behind George Washington Middle School in honor of the Swanson family; and (3) postponed action on the request by the Ballyshaners to name Waterfront Park in honor of Colonel John Fitzgerald until after the Waterfront Plan has been completed. The voting was as follows:

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

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

18. Consideration of the Gypsy Moth Suppression Program for Spring 2007.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 26, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Macdonald, seconded by Councilman Krupicka and carried 6-1, City Council approved the 2007 gypsy moth

suppression program with the amended recommendations as follows: (1) Two aerial applications of "Gypchek" (subject to availability) over one spray block of approximately 75 acres that include 319 properties located in the Beverley Hills community bounded by South Overlook Drive on the north, Old Dominion Boulevard on the east, Allison Street on the south and Wellington Road on the west in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS). The first application will be made on or about the 1st of May. The second application will be made three to five days later; (2) In the event that the United States Forest Service is unable to provide "Gypchek" to the State for Alexandria's spray program, one aerial application of Bacillus thuringiensis (BT) will be made over the proposed 75 acre spray block; (3) Declaration that the aerial and ground spray programs are to be voluntary, that a 200-foot buffer zone will be maintained around the property of any resident or property owner objecting to the aerial application over their residence or property; (4) Notification of all residents and property owners within the proposed spray block and buffer area, and holding an open house to provide the public an opportunity to gather information and ask staff questions about the program; (5) Voluntary ground spray application of Bt for susceptible tree species located on properties within the 200-foot buffer zone created by an objecting property; (6) Authorization for the City Manager to enter into an agreement with a private contractor for the ground spray application of Bt and execute all required paperwork related to the gypsy moth suppression program; and (7) Implementation of other gypsy moth suppression measures to include the distribution of burlap for banding trees and educational materials in cooperation with VDACS. The voting was as follows:

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

19. Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding for the Potomac Yard Fire Station/Housing Project.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 23, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council authorized the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) once the parties have agreed on the final version of the MOU, and no later than the March 9 deadline for submission of an application for Low Income Housing Tax Credits. The voting was as follows:

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

20. Consideration of Proposed Planning Funding Agreement Between Nextel and the City For the Configuration of Public Safety Communications Equipment .

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 23, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 20; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the Planning Funding Agreement and authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. The voting was follows:

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

21. Consideration of Referring to the Planning Commission a Text Amendment to Provide for Smoke-free Restaurants.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 24, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilwoman Pepper , seconded by Vice Mayor Macdonald and carried unanimously, City Council made this referral to the Planning Commission and initiated the process of amending the Zoning Ordinance to require smoke-free restaurants in Alexandria. The voting was as follows:

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

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

None

The following items were heard together .

ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Councilwoman Pepper reported that she received a notice from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) that Mirant was exceeding its sulfur dioxide allowance by 11% from one of the monitors along the plant's perimeter. Councilwoman Pepper stated that City staff will be meeting with Mirant to discuss this problem. Councilwoman Pepper also reported that the work group had received notice that the Mirant Plant would be running full speed because PEPCO would be conducting maintenance procedures.

Councilwoman Pepper also noted that Mirant submitted a letter to the work group stating their objection to the City's memorandum about the report from the Federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry .

(b) Councilwoman Pepper inquired about the amount of money remaining for snow removal in the City .

Transportation and Environmental Services Director Baier stated that about half funds, about \$250,000 to \$275,000, remain for snow removal.

(c) Councilman Smedberg also reported on the Mirant notice from VDEQ. Councilman Smedberg noted that the exceeded allowances were captured by monitors in a few locations around the property. Councilman Smedberg stated that if modeling could be used, a more realistic and accurate view of the situation at the plant could be obtained.

(d) Councilman Smedberg stated that he was unhappy about the tone of the letter received from Mirant and felt that it was an inappropriate response. Councilman Smedberg submitted the letter to the City Attorney for examination and possible response.

(e) Councilman Smedberg requested the status of the mural that was supposed to be put on the fencing surrounding the plant .

In response to Councilman Smedberg, City Attorney Pessoa stated that the Park Service has not issued a permit and probably would not be issuing a permit for the mural.

Mayor Euille stated that the attorney for Mirant stated that the matter of the mural has been pulled and Mirant would not move forward with the issue .

(f) Councilman Smedberg stated that he and Director Baier attended a community meeting in Prince George's County to discuss the possibility of light rail across the Woodrow Wilson Bridge .

(g) Councilman Smedberg noted that it is not necessary to receive color handouts of powerpoint presentations in an effort to reduce the amount of paper used .

(h) Councilmember Lovain stated that he is working on ways to have better incident response to the highways in the region and he reported that he and Mayor Euille recently met with Pierce Homer, Secretary of Transportation for the Commonwealth of Virginia, to discuss some of the best practices for incident responses. Councilmember Lovain also stated that he shared the meeting's results with other lawmakers in the area, as well as with fellow members of the Transportation Planning Board and staff.

(i) Councilmember Lovain reported that the Transportation Planning Board has approved the MATOCP, Metropolitan Area Transportation Operation Coordination Program, which is a mechanism to share information and consulting about incidents that have a regional impact.

(j) Vice Mayor Macdonald reported that he met with Paul Ferguson and other staff in Arlington to discuss their greenhouse program and offered several suggestions to Council and the City Manager: (1) the City should take credit for all the initiatives that are already in place to reduce carbon dioxide; (2) the City should investigate hiring an Energy Manager to focus on energy conservation; (3) a request that the City Attorney review the utility tax rate to pay for programs; (4) possible consideration of a special rate for hybrid cars and clean fuel cars; and (5) to join an organization that will help the City prioritize the data, coordinate efforts with current programs and development a comprehensive environmental program.

(k) Councilman Krupicka stated the City would be participating with Arlington in the Community Bike Ride this year and recognized Yon Lambert, Pedestrian/Bicycle Coordinator, for all his efforts to create this cooperative venture.

(l) Mayor Euille announced that there will be a Town Hall Meeting, March 1, 7:00 p.m., at the George Washington Masonic Temple. Mayor Euille noted there would be a status update from the Mayor's Economic Sustainability Work Group, Council will be participating in a question and answer session with the public, and there will be booths set up promoting volunteer opportunities in City. Mayor Euille also noted there will be a social reception at the conclusion of the program.

(m) Mayor Euille reminded businesses and citizens of the responsibility of cleaning and removing snow and ice on private sidewalks.

(n) Councilman Smedberg suggested that information be disseminated to the public about snow removal.

ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Hartmann thanked City staff for the hard work performed during the past few snowstorms. City Manager Hartmann stated that the City is working on improving snow removal methods to ease pedestrian movement and traffic movement throughout the City.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

22. Consideration of Resolution to Designate Potomac Yard as a Revitalization Area.
[ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 23, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 02/27/07 , and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilwoman Pepper and carried unanimously by roll-call vote, City Council approved the resolution designating Potomac Yard a revitalization area to allow Alexandria Housing Development Corporation (AHDC) and the City to pursue below market financing through Virginia Housing and Development Authority (VHDA) to support the construction of the mixed use, mixed income affordable and workforce housing component, and possibly, the retail and fire station portions, of the Potomac Yard Fire Station project. A designation confirming Potomac Yard's status as a revitalization area will also facilitate the housing project's consideration for receiving additional points on its March 2007 tax credit application to VHDA . The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows :

RESOLUTION NO. 2219

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 36-55.30:2.A of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, desire to designate the area (the "Area") described on Exhibit A attached hereto as a revitalization area ;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY DETERMINED as follows:

(1) the industrial, commercial or other economic development of the Area will benefit the City but the Area lacks the housing needed to induce manufacturing, industrial, commercial, governmental, educational, entertainment, community development, healthcare or nonprofit enterprises or undertakings to locate or remain in the Area ; and

(2) private enterprise and investment are not reasonably expected, without assistance, to produce the construction or rehabilitation of decent, safe and sanitary housing and supporting facilities that will meet the needs of low and moderate income persons and families in the Area and will induce other persons and families to live within the Area and thereby create a desirable economic mix of residents in the Area .

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 36-55.30:2.A of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Area is hereby designated as a revitalization area .

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER DETERMINED that the following nonhousing building or buildings (or nonhousing portion or portions of the building or buildings) located or to be located in the Area are necessary or appropriate for the industrial, commercial or other economic development of the Area :

FIRE STATION NO. 209 To be located on the ground floor level of the project , Station 209 will provide improved fire response and hazard protection services for the planned mixed use redevelopment at the Potomac Yard site, for neighboring commercial and retail properties and residential communities in the City, as well as for other Northern Virginia jurisdictions and key national security targets, pursuant to the City's mutual aid agreements with Arlington and Fairfax Counties and other localities .

RETAIL SPACE To be located on the ground floor level of the project, the retail space of approximately 1,500 s.f. is intended to be pedestrian-oriented, and will complement other retail uses planned for the adjacent Town Center area. Accordingly, the retail space will offer goods and/or services targeted for consumption, use and enjoyment by the project's residents and immediate neighbors in the Potomac Yard development.

OTHER

23. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated February 22, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council , marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 23; 02/27/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference .)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Macdonald, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the City Council schedule for the months of February 2007 through June 2007, with the following additions and changes: City Council rescheduled the joint budget work session with the School Board from Wednesday, April 11 to Wednesday, March 28 at 7:00 p.m., at a location to be determined . The voting was as follows:

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, at 9:35 p.m., City Council convened in executive session, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(3) for the purpose of discussing the acquisition of real property for a public purpose. Mayor Euille did not participate in the executive session. The voting was as follows:

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

Mayor Euille left the meeting at this time .

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0, at 10:00 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting. The voting was as follows:

Krupicka	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	absent	Lovain	"aye"
	Pepper	"aye"	

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to the Executive Session . The voting was as follows:

Krupicka	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	absent	Lovain	"aye"
	Pepper	"aye"	

The resolution reads as follows :

RESOLUTION NO. 2220

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 27th day of February 2007, 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 Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0, the regular City Council meeting of February 27, 2007, was adjourned at 10:04 p.m. The voting was as follows:

Krupicka	"aye"	Macdonald	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	absent	Lovain	"aye"
	Pepper	"aye"	

APPROVED BY:

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC Deputy City Clerk