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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** APRIL 4, 2012  
**TO:** THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL  
**FROM:** RASHAD M. YOUNG, CITY MANAGER  
**SUBJECT:** ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE TO ACCOMPLISH CHANGES TO THE WATERFRONT COMMITTEE'S NAME, MEMBERSHIP AND FUNCTION

**ISSUE:** Council consideration of an ordinance to amend and reordain Article E (the Waterfront Committee) of Chapter 4 (Committees, Boards and Commissions) of Title 2 (General Government) of the City Code to change the name, composition, and function of the Waterfront Committee.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** That the City Council pass the ordinance on the first reading on Tuesday, April 10, and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, April 14.

**DISCUSSION:** On February 25, 2012 the City Council adopted an ordinance incorporating the Waterfront Small Area Plan (Plan) as part of the City's Master Plan. That action followed City Council approval of the Plan at a January 21, 2012 public hearing. At the March 27, 2012 City Council meeting a staff memorandum, containing a series of changes, primarily initiated by the Waterfront Committee, was included as docket number 15. The City Council directed staff to bring forward changes to the Waterfront Committee as summarized below and as reflected in the attached ordinance:

- (1) The Waterfront Committee will become the Waterfront Commission;
- (2) The Commission's function is expanded to include implementation of the Plan;
- (3) The Plan boundary area will be included under the term "Alexandria Waterfront";
- (4) Membership will increase from 15 to 20, by adding (a) a representative of the Commission for the Arts; (b) a Planning Commission Member; and (c) representatives of the three Park Planning Districts; and
- (5) Membership will keep the at large citizen position, but the definition is slightly revised due to the addition of the three Park Planning District positions.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There would be no fiscal impact associated with this ordinance change.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: March 27 Docket Memo

Attachment 2: Proposed Ordinance and Cover Sheet

**STAFF:**

Faroll Hamer, Director, Planning and Zoning Department

James L. Banks, Jr., City Attorney

Joanna C. Anderson, Assistant City Attorney


EXHIBIT NO. 115  
3-27-12

## City of Alexandria, Virginia

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** MARCH 21, 2012

**TO:** THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** RASHAD M. YOUNG, CITY MANAGER 

**SUBJECT:** RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE WATERFRONT COMMITTEE TO ASSIST WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WATERFRONT SMALL AREA PLAN

**ISSUE:** Expansion of the Alexandria Waterfront Committee's role to include advising the City on implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan; and changes to the Committee's name and composition to reflect this added responsibility.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** That the Council direct staff to bring forward an ordinance for Council consideration to revise the City Code to expand the mission of the current Waterfront Committee to become the implementation advisory group for the Waterfront Small Area Plan; change the name of the Waterfront Committee to the Waterfront Commission; and expand the membership of the group as depicted in Attachment 1.

**BACKGROUND:** On January 21, 2012 the City Council approved the Waterfront Small Area Plan and on February 25, 2012 the Council adopted an implementing ordinance incorporating the Plan as part of the City's Master Plan. A critical next step is to identify an advisory group to help support, guide and track implementation of Plan recommendations.

Subjects about which an advisory group could be asked to review and advise the City Council, City Manager, and staff include:

- public improvements, including flood mitigation, new parks and improvements to existing parks, utilities, piers and the marina, and shoreline improvements;
- design guidelines or standards for new buildings and for the public realm (including parks, plazas, and other public spaces);
- implementation of the waterfront public art and history plans;
- private redevelopment and public-private partnerships such as the Beachcomber and the Food Court/Chart House;
- studies and recommendations related to transportation and circulation, including vehicular, bicycle, pedestrian, and marine travel;

- waterfront management, maintenance, operations and programming, including budgets, funding and phasing of planned improvements, and public safety issues; and
- governance and/or fundraising organizations or activities, such as a waterfront arts and history foundation.

The Waterfront Committee was cited by the Waterfront Plan Work Group and others as a logical existing advisory group that could fill this key role. Since its establishment by ordinance in 1989 (Title 2, Chapter 4, Article E of the City Code) as the Waterfront Committee, and prior to that as the Waterfront Task Force, the Committee has been charged with advising “the City Council, City Manager and appropriate City departments on matters pertaining to the use of the Alexandria Waterfront by commercial and private vessels.” City Code currently designates a total of 15 seats on the Committee, representing a variety of waterfront interests.

Over the years, those appointed to the Waterfront Committee advocated not only for the interests of boaters but also for an enhanced, clean and safe and accessible waterfront. In that regard, the Waterfront Committee actively participated in the development of the Waterfront Plan and provided guidance on many Plan elements. The Waterfront Committee’s long involvement in waterfront-related issues, as well as its in-depth understanding of the Waterfront Small Area Plan, provides a sound basis for it having an important role in plan implementation.

On March 1, 2012, the Waterfront Committee held a special meeting and voted to send a letter to the Mayor requesting the following modifications to the legislated function and membership of the Committee. The letter dated March 5 is attached and recommends the following summarized changes:

- (1) change the name from the Waterfront Committee to Waterfront Commission;
- (2) add implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan on the list of matters for which the Commission is to provide advice;
- (3) include the boundary of the Waterfront Small Area Plan under the term “Alexandria Waterfront;” and
- (4) expand the membership from 15 to 18 by including a representative of the Alexandria Commission for the Arts and adding a net of two new citizen seats, with the current at-large citizen seat replaced with three new citizen seats, each representing one of the City’s three Park Planning Districts to enhance city-wide representation.

**DISCUSSION:** Staff recommends that the Waterfront Committee become the waterfront “implementation advisory group” to the City. While the City has a number of boards and commissions that look at a relatively specific set of issues (such as art, history, transportation, the environment) for the entire City, the Waterfront Commission would focus on a relatively narrow geographic area but consider a broad spectrum of issues for that geographic area. As a result, coordination among the boards and commissions with waterfront interests will be key and the Waterfront Commission will help to coordinate waterfront-related issues that involve more than one board or commission. It should be noted that the authority of the other boards and commissions will in no way be diminished by the role of the new Waterfront Commission.

That said, staff is recommending two membership changes to what the Waterfront Committee has recommended. Staff recommends the inclusion of a Planning Commission member and Traffic and Parking Board member on the Waterfront Commission. Representation by the Planning Commission would establish a direct line of communication between the new Commission and the Planning Commission. Such communication is important given the Planning Commission's role in reviewing, promoting and implementing the City's Master Plan. A direct line of communication with the Traffic and Parking Board also will be beneficial given its role in reviewing the Union Street Study, Waterfront Plan parking issues and potential street closings.

It should be noted that the Waterfront Committee discussed the difficulties that might arise from the large size of the group, and the advantages of creating a subcommittee process to work on specific issues that would then be brought back to the larger group for decision making. They noted that this worked well for them in the past when they established a subcommittee for development of a *Vision for the Marina* and that it works well for the Commission for the Arts and its Public Art Committee.

With staff's suggested addition, the attached copy of Title 2, Chapter 4, Article E (Waterfront Committee) reflects all the recommended changes. If Council concurs, staff would bring this back to Council for first reading on April 10 and then public hearing and adoption on April 14.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There would be no fiscal impact associated with this ordinance change.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1: Title 2, Chapter 4, Article E (Waterfront Committee) Recommended Changes

Attachment 2: March 5, 2012 Waterfront Committee letter to Mayor William D. Euille, with copies to City Council, City Manager and other City staff

Attachment 3: Letter from John Komoroske, Chairman, Alexandria Planning Commission

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**RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE WATERFRONT COMMITTEE, TITLE 2,  
CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE E**

**Title 2, Chapter 4, Article E – Waterfront Committee  
Recommended Changes in Strikeout/Underlined Format**

1. Section 2-4-50 Article E  
Waterfront ~~Committee~~ Commission
  
2. Section 2-4-51 Established.  
There is hereby established a standing committee to be known as the Waterfront ~~Committee~~ Commission (the “commission”) which shall replace the Waterfront ~~Task Force~~ Committee established by city council on ~~June 29, 1988~~ May 23, 1989.
  
3. Section 2-4-52 Composition.  
The ~~Committee~~ commission shall consist of ~~15~~ 20 members appointed by the City Council. The composition of the ~~Committee~~ commission shall be as follows:
  - (a) one representative from the Alexandria City Council;
  - (b) one representative from the Alexandria Commission for the Arts
  - (c) one representative from the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association;
  - (d) one representative from the Alexandria Parks and Recreation Commission;
  - (e) one representative from the Alexandria Planning Commission
  - (f) one representative from the Alexandria Traffic and Parking Board
  - (g) one citizen representative from the Old Town Civic Association;
  - (h) one citizen representative from the Founders’ Park Community Association;
  - (i) one citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and south of King Street;
  - (j) one citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of King Street;
  - (k) one citizen representative who resides east of Washington and north of Pendleton Street;
  - (l) from the Old Town Business Association;
  - (m) one representative from the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce;
  - (n) one representative from the owners of pleasure boats leasing space at the Alexandria Marina;
  - (o) one representative from the Alexandria Archaeological Commission;
  - (p) one representative from the Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission;
  - (q) one representative from the Alexandria Seaport Foundation; ~~and~~
  - (r) one citizen representative from Park Planning District I;
  - (s) one citizen representative from Park Planning District II; and
  - (t) one citizen representative from Park Planning District III.
  - (u) ~~one at large citizen representative other than from any group or area listed above.~~

4. Section 2-4-53 Appointment.

Members of the ~~committee~~ commission shall be appointed in the manner prescribed in title 2, chapter 4, article A of the City Code; provided, however, that members who are a representative of an organization shall be nominated by their organization and confirmed by city council.

5. Section 2-4-54 Functions.

The functions of the ~~committee~~ commission shall be to advise city council, the city manager, and appropriate city departments on matters pertaining to:

- the use of the Alexandria Waterfront by commercial and private vessels; and
- implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan.

For purposes of this article, the term “Alexandria Waterfront” shall include the area within the boundary of the Waterfront Small Area Plan and shall include all waters of the Potomac River located within the boundaries of the city and all piers, docks and other structures located on such waters which are or may be used for the docking of commercial or private vessels.

6. Section 2-4-55 Coordination with other public advisory bodies

The ~~committee~~ commission shall coordinate its activities with those of other relevant public advisory bodies within the City.

**ATTACHMENT 2 – MARCH 5, 2012 WATERFRONT COMMITTEE LETTER**



City Hall  
Alexandria, Virginia

*Alexandria Waterfront Committee*  
*Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities*  
*1108 Jefferson Street*  
*Alexandria, Virginia 22314*



March 5, 2012

The Honorable William D. Euille  
Mayor of Alexandria  
City Hall  
301 King Street, Room 2300  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Mayor Euille:

As noted in our recent letter, the Alexandria Waterfront Committee is eager to serve as the City's advisory body on Waterfront Small Area Plan implementation. At its regular meeting on February 21, 2012, every Committee member in attendance voiced support for the Waterfront Committee to serve in this capacity. We believe this role is consistent with the Committee's current responsibilities, to study and deal with issues related to the Waterfront.

At a special meeting held March 1, 2012, the Waterfront Committee discussed changes to the legislated function and membership of the Committee, which are established in Section 2-4-51 through 2-4-59 of Alexandria City Code. This letter conveys the recommendations of the Waterfront Committee for consideration and potential enactment by City Council. It describes the proposed functions, effects of change, and membership changes.

**Proposed Functions**

Underscore and ~~strike through~~ text below reflects the Waterfront Committee's proposed changes to §2-4-54 of the Alexandria City Code, which specifies the functions of the Alexandria Waterfront Committee:

The functions of the ~~committee~~ commission shall be to advise City Council, the City Manager, and appropriate City departments on matters pertaining to public, private, and commercial uses ~~the use~~ of the Alexandria Waterfront and the immediate area by commercial and private vessels, including implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan.

For the purposes of this article, the term "Alexandria Waterfront" shall include the area within the boundary of the Waterfront Small Area Plan and shall include all waters of the Potomac River located within the boundaries of the City and all piers, docks and other structures located on such waters which are or may be used for the docking of commercial or private vessels.

(Ord No. 3382, 5/23/89, Sec. 4)



These amendments would accomplish the following:

- Re-classify the Alexandria Waterfront Committee as the Alexandria Waterfront Commission. This action anticipates the appointment of a senior director within City government accountable for integrated management of the Waterfront, a central recommendation of the Waterfront Plan Work Group that was adopted by City Council in its approval of the Waterfront Small Area Plan on January 21, 2012. The Waterfront Commission would provide complementary public oversight of this new office in a structure that parallels that of other City departments advised by commissions—the Planning Commission that advises the Department of Planning and Zoning; the Transportation Commission and Environmental Policy Commission that advise the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services; the Park and Recreation Commission and the Alexandria Commission for the Arts that advise the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Activities, to name three examples.
- Clarify the role of the Commission, to reflect the current practice of the Waterfront Committee to study issues relating to the Alexandria Waterfront and to make recommendations to City Council, the City Manager, and appropriate City departments.
- Make explicit the Commission's advisory capacity regarding implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan.
- Specify the defined territory of the Commission to include the area within the boundary of the Waterfront Small Area Plan.

#### **Effect of Change**

With the change in function described above, subjects about which the Waterfront Commission could be asked to review and advise the City Council, City Manager, and staff could include:

- Public improvements, including flood mitigation, new parks and improvements to existing parks, utilities, piers and the Marina, and shoreline improvements.
- Design guidelines or standards for new buildings and for the public realm (including parks, plazas, and other public spaces).
- Proposals related to implementation of the waterfront public art and history plans.
- Proposals for commerce, private redevelopment, and public-private partnerships.
- Studies and recommendations related to transportation, parking, and circulation, including vehicular, bicycle, pedestrian, and marine travel.
- City management, maintenance, operations and programming of new and existing Waterfront facilities, including the Alexandria City Marina.
- Operating budgets, capital improvement programs, and funding for new and existing infrastructure, including phasing of planned improvements.
- Public safety and security issues.
- Environmental quality of the Potomac River, along its shores, and on adjacent land in Alexandria.
- Governance and/or fundraising organizations or activities, such as they affect the Waterfront

This list is inclusive of the advisory capacities of the existing Waterfront Committee, and includes new activities commensurate with implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan. This detailed list is not appropriate for inclusion in the ordinance itself, but could be adopted by resolution, administrative rules, procedures, or by-laws that specify this level of detail.

#### **Proposed Membership Changes**

Existing membership of the Waterfront Committee, as specified in §2-4-54 of Alexandria City Code, includes the following 15 members:

- 1 representative from the Alexandria City Council;
- 1 representative from the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association;
- 1 representative from the Alexandria Parks and Recreation Commission;
- 1 citizen representative from the Old Town Civic Association;
- 1 citizen representative from the Founders' Park Community Association;
- 1 citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and south of King Street;
- 1 citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of King Street;
- 1 citizen representative who resides east of Washington Street and north of Pendleton Street;
- 1 representative from the Old Town Business Association;
- 1 representative from the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce;
- 1 representative from the owners of pleasure boats leasing space at the Alexandria Marina;
- 1 representative from the Alexandria Archaeological Commission;
- 1 representative from the Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission;
- 1 representative from the Alexandria Seaport Foundation; and
- 1 at-large citizen representative other than from any group or area listed above.

To facilitate the mission of the proposed Alexandria Waterfront Commission, the Waterfront Committee proposes the following additional members:

- 1 representative of the Alexandria Commission for the Arts, given the significant emphasis of the Waterfront Small Area Plan on incorporation of the arts.
- 3 new residential representatives, to ensure adequate representation from residential areas of the City outside of Old Town:
  - 1 from Park Planning District I, which generally encompasses Old Town and the Eisenhower corridor to a point just south of Quaker Lane (see enclosed map)
  - 1 from Park Planning District II, which generally includes portions of the City west of the Metrorail tracks, north of Duke Street, and east of Quaker Lane
  - 1 from Park Planning District III, which generally includes portions of the City west of Quaker Lane

It is recommended that the existing at-large citizen representative other than from any group or area currently represented on the existing Committee be transitioned to one of the new residential representative seats. These changes would result in a net addition of three seats (four new seats minus the existing at-large seat), for a total of 18 Waterfront Commission members.

Mayor Euille  
March 5, 2012  
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On behalf of the Alexandria Waterfront Committee and the broad Citywide constituencies that we represent, thank you for your consideration of this matter. We look forward to working together with Council and our fellow citizens to improve our Waterfront.

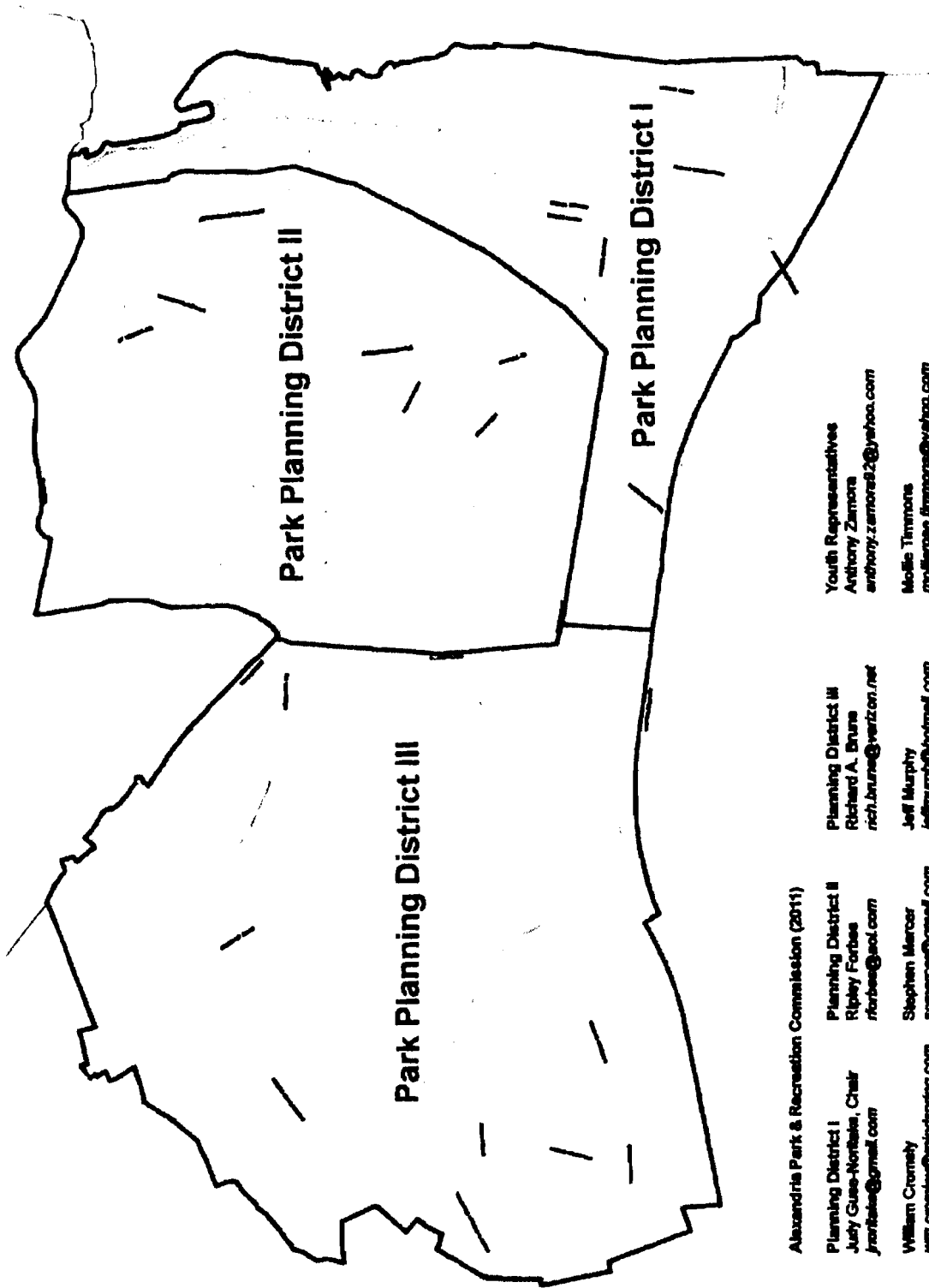
Sincerely,



Nathan M. Macek, Chair  
Alexandria Waterfront Committee

- CC: Alexandria City Council  
Rashad Young, City Manager  
Bruce Johnson, Chief of Staff  
Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager  
Richard Baier, Director, Department of Transportation & Environmental Services  
Faroll Hamer, Director, Department of Planning and Zoning  
Jeremy McPike, Director, Department of General Services  
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Jim Hixon, Department of Recreation Parks and Cultural Activities  
Alexandria Waterfront Committee

Enclosure: Map of City of Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission Park Planning Districts



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Attachment 3

## Alexandria Planning Commission

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John Komoroske, Chair

March 14, 2012

Dear Mayor and City Council:

At its March 8, 2012 meeting, the members of the Planning Commission unanimously requested that the new Waterfront Commission include Planning Commission representation.

It believes that this request is justified on several counts:

1. The role of the Planning Commission, under Virginia State law and the City Charter and Code, includes formulating, modifying, safeguarding, and implementing the City's Master Plan. The role of the new Waterfront Commission is to implement the Waterfront Small Area Plan, which is a part of Alexandria's Master Plan, and thus falls within the Planning Commission's responsibility and jurisdiction.
2. Even though they have a less direct relationship to the implementation of the Waterfront Small Areal Plan than the Planning Commission, several other City boards and commissions, including the Commission for the Arts, the Environmental Policy Commission, the Archaeological Commission and the Parks and Recreation Commission and are now part of the Waterfront's Committee's proposal to become the Waterfront Commission.
3. The Planning Commission is routinely asked by Council to appoint one of its members to take part in other City boards, commissions, task forces and work groups (e.g. BRAC-133 Advisory Group, Transportation Commission, High Capacity Transit Corridor Work Group, etc.). Such appointments are made so that the Planning Commission is more fully aware of the work of those groups as it impacts City planning, and because it adds a comprehensive planning perspective to the work of those groups. It is a model that has been used often and to good effect, and mirrors Council's frequently appointing one of its own members to such groups to foster coordination.

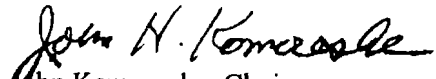
Therefore, because of the Planning Commission's role as keeper of the Master Plan that the Waterfront Small Area Plan is a part of, and because other City bodies with a less encompassing role in implementation of the small areal plan are proposed for the Waterfront Commission, we respectfully ask you to follow your frequent practice and include Planning Commission representation on the new Waterfront Commission.

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Thank you for your consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John H. Komoroske". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

John Komoroske, Chair  
Planning Commission

1	Introduction and first reading:	4/10/12
2	Public hearing:	4/14/12
3	Second reading and enactment:	4/14/12

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Title

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article E (ALEXANDRIA WATERFRONT COMMITTEE) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

Summary

The proposed ordinance amends the City Code to accomplish the changes to the composition and functions of the Waterfront Committee directed by City Council as discussed on docket item #15 on March 27, 2012.

Sponsor

Department of Planning and Zoning

Staff

Faroll Hamer, Director of Planning and Zoning  
James L. Banks, Jr., City Attorney  
Joanna C. Anderson, Assistant City Attorney

Authority

§ 3.04(g), Alexandria City Charter

Estimated Costs of Implementation

None

Attachments in Addition to Proposed Ordinance and its Attachments (if any)

None

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article E (ALEXANDRIA WATERFRONT COMMITTEE) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Article E of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended by deleting the text shown in strikethrough and adding the text shown in underline as follows:

Article E: Waterfront ~~Committee~~ Commission

Sec. 2-4-51 - Established.

There is hereby established a standing committee to be known as the Waterfront ~~Committee~~ Commission (the "commission") which shall replace the Waterfront ~~Task Force~~ Committee established by city council on ~~June 29, 1988~~ May 23, 1989.

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- (c) one representative from the Alexandria Parks and Recreation Commission;
- (c.1) one representative from the Alexandria Planning Commission
- (d) one citizen representative from the Old Town Civic Association;
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- (k) one representative from the owners of pleasure boats leasing space at the Alexandria Marina;



- 1 (l) one representative from the Alexandria Archaeological Commission;  
2 (m) one representative from the Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission;  
3 (n) one representative from the Alexandria Seaport Foundation; ~~and~~  
4 (n.1) one citizen representative from Park Planning District I;  
5 (n.2) one citizen representative from Park Planning District II;  
6 (n.3) one citizen representative from Park Planning District III; and  
7 (o) one at-large citizen representative other than from any group or area listed above  
8 except n.1, n.2, or n.3.  
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10 Sec. 2-4-53 - Appointment.

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12 Members of the ~~committee~~ commission shall be appointed in the manner  
13 prescribed in title 2, chapter 4, article A of the City Code; provided, however, that  
14 members who are a representative of an organization shall be nominated by their  
15 organization and confirmed by city council.  
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17 Sec. 2-4-54 - Functions.

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23 ● implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan.  
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26 area within the boundary of the Waterfront Small Area Plan and shall include all waters  
27 of the Potomac River located within the boundaries of the city and all piers, docks and  
28 other structures located on such waters which are or may be used for the docking of  
29 commercial or private vessels.  
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31 Sec. 2-4-55 - Coordination with other public advisory bodies

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33 The ~~committee~~ commission shall coordinate its activities with those of other relevant  
34 public advisory bodies within the city.  
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36 Section 2. That Article E as amended pursuant to Section 1 of this ordinance, be,  
37 and the same hereby is, reordained as part of the City of Alexandria City Code.  
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Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE  
Mayor

- Introduction:
- First Reading:
- Publication:
- Public Hearing:
- Second Reading:
- Final Passage:

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4-10-12

**Jackie Henderson**

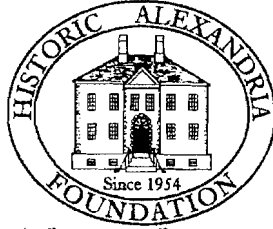
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**From:** Gail Rothrock <grothrock@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 09, 2012 8:48 AM  
**To:** William Euille; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Rob Krupicka; Linda Owens; Elizabeth Jones  
**Subject:** COA Contact Us: Historic Alexandria Foundation request to serve on Waterfront Commission  
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**COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members**

**Time:** [Mon Apr 09, 2012 08:48:17] **Message ID:** [38332]

**Issue Type:** Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members  
**First Name:** Gail  
**Last Name:** Rothrock  
**Street Address:** 209 Duke Street  
**City:** Alexandria  
**State:** VA  
**Zip:** 22314  
**Phone:** 703-549-5176  
**Email Address:** [grothrock@gmail.com](mailto:grothrock@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Historic Alexandria Foundation request to serve on Waterfront Commission  
The Historic Alexandria Foundation requests that Council include a representative from HAF on the Waterfront Committee/Commission to offer experienced, timely advice and perspective on historic preservation and  
**Comments:** design early and throughout the planning process for implementation of the plan.  
A representative of the HAF will speak to this request at the April 14th public hearing.  
Thank you.  
**Attachment:** 4f04b27d377783a5aab23636426dc840.pdf



## Historic Alexandria Foundation

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April 6, 2012

The Honorable William D. Euille, Mayor, City of Alexandria  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, 301 King Street  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

### **RE: Waterfront Commission representative**

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of City Council:

The Historic Alexandria Foundation (HAF) supports the reorganization of the Waterfront Committee as the Waterfront Commission, with the added tasks of evaluating the implementation of the Waterfront SAP, and advising Council. We support, as well, the additional members discussed by Council at the March 27, 2012 legislative session. However, HAF believes strongly, that the Commission would benefit by having a designated member, representing the interests of Alexandria's historic preservation community; especially since Council has asked the new Commission to review a larger area of the most historic section of the city, and since the Commission will be asked to comment on designs affecting the character of Old Town. *We therefore request that Council include a representative from HAF on the Committee to offer experienced, timely advice and perspective on historic preservation and design, early in the planning process, and about the waterfront in general.*

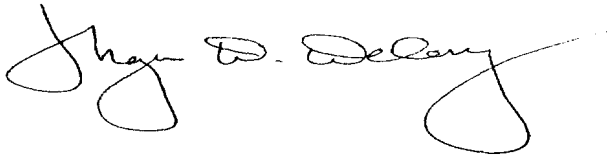
The addition of HAF to the Commission would be consistent with the role Council has asked us to fill elsewhere, and our area of expertise has direct relevance to the new tasks Council envisions. Our representatives on HARC and the Archaeological Commission contribute directly to the formulation of public policy in these areas. We regularly comment on design proposals before the Boards of Architectural Review and the Planning Commission, discussing historic designs and materials, from architectural forms themselves, to the smallest building details. HAF monetary grants have funded architectural surveys of historic buildings in the Rosemont and Del Ray neighborhoods, assisted in the restoration of the City's museum buildings, and sponsored research on Alexandria's cultural history. Most recently, the City has approached us regarding a grant to support a larger survey of the historic fabric of Alexandria.

Since 1954, HAF has been the leading advocate for preservation in Alexandria. With members from across the city, from all walks of life and background, our mission remains to educate, advocate and preserve, and to foster and promote interest in Alexandria's heritage. We believe that buildings provide an essential link to the past, reminding us of who we are and where we came from. Nowhere will HAF's

expertise about our historic built environment be more important and useful than on the waterfront, as we recall our very origins as a community.

HAF greatly appreciates City Council's consideration of this request, and looks forward to assisting in the implementation of the final plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Morgan D. Delaney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Morgan D. Delaney, MD, President  
for the Board of Trustees