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Jackie Henderson

From: Christa Watters <wattrsedge@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:20 PM
To: William Euille; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Linda Owens; Rob Krupicka; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members
Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:20:03] Message ID: [36336]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront Plan

Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members:

Please vote for the Waterfront Plan tomorrow. It's a strong plan, and even improved since its long vetting through multiple groups and opposition critiques. I started attending planning meetings for it back at the very beginning of the process, and have followed it ever since. It's a good plan, well thought out, and based on solid financial ground. Alexandria cannot be a static

Comments:

museum. We need to be a vibrant city, alive with growth and commerce as well as residential property. This plan adds open space as well as life, improves access to our waterfront, and offers the opportunity to get rid of some eyesore warehouses and their surroundings. Please approve it. The opposition has had its say, and you don't need to delay longer or kowtow to the chronic naysayers any further. In a Democracy, the hard fact is that compromise sometimes means we don't get what we want. Those opposed to the

plan should realize that there has been plenty of public input. Majority rule means there also has to be a minority that does not get its wish. As long as their views were heard (and they were), they need to accept that not getting what they want does not mean the process was flawed.

Sincerely,
Christa Watters

Jackie Henderson

From: Monica Bell <monica.bell@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:21 PM
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: Waterfront Plan
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COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:20:50] Message ID: [36337]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Bell
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City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 22302

Phone: 703-362-6780

Email Address: monica.bell@comcast.net

Subject: Waterfront Plan

Mayor Euille and all city council members,
Please, please, please vote in

favor of the waterfront plan tomorrow. I am totally behind the plan and

think that it is what is best for the city. Please represent my wishes

when yu vote tomorrow.

I have given Rick and Ann Dorman the authority to

speak on my behalf tomorrow morning at the meeting because I can't be there

Comments:

to speak for myself.
Please listen to what they have to say.

I look

forward to hearing that the Waterfront Plan has been accepted by you.

Thank you.
Monica Bell
2714 Kenwood Ave.

Jackie Henderson

From: Chris Hartman <christopherdhartman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:07 PM
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: Alexandria Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:07:15] Message ID: [36332]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

First Name: Chris

Last Name: Hartman

Street Address: 2907 Valley Drive

City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 22302

Phone: 7039981265

Email Address: christopherdhartman@yahoo.com

Subject: Alexandria Waterfront Plan

I am a 10-year resident of the city and I work here as well for SunTust Bank. I also serve as Director and Treasurer of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership. I'm sure you are well aware of AEDP's position supporting the adoption of the waterfront plan, but I write you today as a citizen. We have an asset in the waterfront, the likes of which very few in the entire country have. It is beautiful and already serves as a critical and enjoyable part of our city's infrastructure and culture, but it is underutilized. We have an opportunity to make it better, and in the course of doing so, making the city's finances and appeal to residents and visitors alike better for years to come. As the Mayor alluded to at the final work group, this plan is malleable and will present opportunities to discuss and pause along the way, which is an important point because it gives everyone a chance to make sure everything continues to evolve in the best interest of the City. The important thing now is to recognize the opportunity we have and the progress we have made, approve this plan, and

get to work on the future vision and success of this city. Thank you for your consideration and I am hopeful of your favorable conclusions.

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JAN 20 2012

Pamela Kolesnik
1235 Roundhouse Lane
Alexandria, VA 22314

To: The Mayor, Vice Mayor, Members of City Council, the Planning Director, and the City Manager

From: Pam Kolesnik

(POK)

Date: January 20, 2012

Re: Waterfront Plan

I am a homeowner in Old Town and I SUPPORT the Waterfront plan. I welcome new hotels and restaurants and other improvements to the waterfront.

In my neighborhood of 125 townhouses I have heard no negative comments about the waterfront plan.

I believe the city needs to do a better job managing the tour buses and restricting tourist parking. Other tourist areas that I have visited have much greater restrictions than we have in Old Town.

Thank you.

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Jackie Henderson

From: Katherine Glennon <katherineglennon@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:47 PM
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: Letter of support for draft Waterfront Small Area Plan
Attachments: 4c3a36abe253f53e4bae086014c4426d.pdf; ATT00002.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:47:19] Message ID: [36327]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Katherine
Last Name: Glennon
Street Address: 26 W Caton Ave
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone:
Email Address: katherineglennon@gmail.com
Subject: Letter of support for draft Waterfront Small Area Plan
Dear Mayor Euille and Members of the City Council:

I am writing in support of the concept of the Draft Waterfront Small Area Plan. As a member of the city's Public Art Committee, I thank the Council and City staff for its support for the Waterfront Art Plan and for including key art concepts into the draft Waterfront Small Area Plan. I ask the Council to continue its support for the arts and to ensure that they remain a vital part of the Waterfront Small Area Plan, by addressing the following points as the plan moves forward:

- If the City Council creates a Waterfront task force or public work group, a person who represents the arts should be appointed to such a group, to ensure the inclusion of these interests in key planning and implementation phases. An active member with expertise in the arts will help promote excellence in civic

design and creative placemaking.

- I support the Work Group's

recommendation that there must be dedicated funding for arts and history

in the Plan. Putting mechanisms in place, such as developer

contributions and the formation of a non-profit organization for

dedicated cultural funding are necessary steps for ensuring that these

critical elements become realities.

Thank you for your consideration

of these points, and for your ongoing support for the arts in

Alexandria.

Sincerely,

Katherine Glennon
26 W Caton Ave
Alexandria

VA 22301

Attachment: 4c3a36abe253f53e4bae086014c4426d.pdf

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26 W Caton Ave
Alexandria, VA 22301

January 20, 2012

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Thank you for your consideration of these points, and for your ongoing support for the arts in Alexandria.

Sincerely,

Katherine Glennon

Jackie Henderson

From: Kismet Toksu <ktoksu@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:50 PM
To: William Eulle; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Rob Krupicka; Linda Owens; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Don't Rezone - Different Waterfront Plan & include Citizens
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:49:31] Message ID: [36329]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Toksu
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22101
Phone: 703 847-5184
Email Address: ktoksu@yahoo.com
Subject: Don't Rezone - Different Waterfront Plan & include Citizens
I just purchased a TH on Princess Street and am acutely aware of home property values, quality of life and major influencers of these.

There does not seem to be citizen involvement nor any hybrid approach that would require a mixed use of land i.e. small scale hotel built in architectural keeping with Old Town historic buildings with water front public park?

Comments: Black and white approaches are rarely strong approaches.
More time is needed.
More citizen involvement is needed.
A hybrid approach should be considered.
Don't rezone until a solid plan has been reached

Jackie Henderson

From: Deena de Montigny <demontigny@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:01 PM
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: Letter from National Trust for Historic Preservation
Attachments: 0e12afb748fa93b203d71b08e054d520.pdf; ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:01:14] Message ID: [36331]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: de Montigny
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State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703 519 4534
Email Address: demontigny@comcast.net
Subject: Letter from National Trust for Historic Preservation
Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members:

The attached letter of

January 19, 2012 from the National Trust for Historic Preservation

"... recommends
that the City defer adoption of the draft plan and

text amendment in order to continue the planning process

...".

This letter was also sent to Paul Loether of National Park
Comments: Services, Sonja Ingram of Preservation Virginia,
and myself. as well as

Al Cox of the Department of Planning and Zoning for the City of
Alexandria.

I strongly feel that this advice from Rob Nieweg, Field
Director and Attorney, for the National Trust for
Historic Preservation

should be seriously considered.

Sincerely,
Deena de

Montigny
Architect

Attachment: 0e12afb748fa93b203d71b08e054d520.pdf

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January 19, 2011

Mr. Al Cox
Historic Preservation Manager
Department of Planning and Zoning
City of Alexandria
301 King Street, Room 2100
Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Mr. Cox:

I am writing on behalf of the National Trust for Historic Preservation regarding the draft Alexandria Waterfront Small Area Plan.

As you are aware, the National Trust has been contacted by a number of property owners in Alexandria, including leaders of the Old Town Civic Association and members of the City's Waterfront Plan Work Group, who are concerned about the potential adverse impacts of the draft plan on historic Old Town, a designated National Historic Landmark. I am grateful to you and Lance Mallamo for meeting with me and Sonja Ingram of Preservation Virginia on December 19th regarding the draft plan.

The concerned residents of Old Town who have contacted the National Trust include architects, developers, and city planners who own historic properties in the waterfront neighborhood. The concerned residents have raised questions regarding a number of important issues, including:

- Scale and massing of the proposed new development encouraged by the draft plan on the Cummings-Turner Block, Robinson Terminal North, and Robinson Terminal South.
- Potential adverse impacts to residents' quality of life caused by increased traffic congestion and parking demands on the residential neighborhoods adjacent to the waterfront.
- And, the implications of the 2011 agreement to retire and permanently close the power plant adjacent to the area considered by the draft Waterfront Small Area Plan.

Mr. Al Cox
January 19, 2012
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We understand that the Old Town Civic Association has formally requested that the City Council should not adopt the current draft plan and text amendment until these and other issues are addressed.

There is much to recommend in the draft plan, including the emphasis on expanding public access to the waterfront and on protecting historic structures which survive along the waterfront. At the same time, in our view, the questions raised by the local civic association and by members of the public merit additional attention. The National Trust respectfully recommends that the City of Alexandria should defer adoption of the draft plan and text amendment in order to continue the planning process and expand its public education efforts to address these substantive issues and the public's concerns for the future of the waterfront.

Thank you in advance for considering the views of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Nieweg". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "N".

Rob Nieweg
Field Director and Attorney
Washington Field Office
National Trust for Historic Preservation

cc: Elizabeth Kostelny, Executive Director, Preservation Virginia

Jackie Henderson

From: Jana McKeag <jmgop@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:39 PM
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: Support for Council's Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:38:43] Message ID: [36322]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: McKeag
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City: Alexandria
State: Virginia
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703-684-1203
Email Address: jmgop@aol.com
Subject: Support for Council's Waterfront Plan
My husband and I both support your efforts to redevelop OT's waterfront.
We believe that tastefully done hotels, as we have seen with the Hotel Monaco and the Lorien, can enhance the waterfront along with providing a greatly needed source of tax revenue. We don't need any more parks and museums which do NOT provide revenue. The Robinson Terminal and the
Comments: Dominion Boat Club and their parking lot are unsightly and should be replaced by a hotel complex that could revive those areas.
Please do not
back down to reactionary citizens who are shortsighted about the city's future.
Thank you for your leadership.

Jackie Henderson

From: Roderick Belcher <rbelcher@belconinc.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:31 PM
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: Water Front Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:30:31] Message ID: [36319]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Belcher
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22302
Phone: 703-820-8323
Email Address: rbelcher@belconinc.net
Subject: Water Front Plan
Comments: Please vote in favor of the water front plan.

Jackie Henderson

From: Jeniffer Morales <jeniffer.morales1@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:18 PM
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: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:18:14] Message ID: [36314]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Morales
Street Address: 350 S. Van Dorn Street #Q401
City: Alexandria
State: Virginia
Zip: 22304
Phone: 571-970-4948
Email Address: jeniffer.morales1@gmail.com
Subject: Waterfront Plan
Comments: Please vote in favor of the waterfront plan

Jackie Henderson

From: Audra Belcher <abelcher@belconinc.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:19 PM
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: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:18:33] Message ID: [36315]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Audra
Last Name: Belcher
Street Address: 3744 Keller Ave
City: Alexandria
State: va
Zip: 22302
Phone: 38207818
Email Address: abelcher@belconinc.net
Subject: Waterfront Plan
Comments: Please vote in favor of the waterfront development

Jackie Henderson

From: Vince LaPointe <vclapointe@clear.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:15 PM
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: Recommendations to CC RE: Waterfront Plan & WFWG
Attachments: 2b4e40c644d19fc441b6d2e7c80c2aac.docx; ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 14:14:35] Message ID: [36312]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Vince
Last Name: LaPointe
Street Address: Alexandria Archaeological Commission
Alex. Archaeology Museum
105 N.
Union Street, #327
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703-746-4399
Email Address: vclapointe@clear.net
Subject: Recommendations to CC RE: Waterfront Plan & WFWG
Dear Mayor Euille and Members of City Council,

For 37 years, the

Alexandria Archaeological Commission has offered careful advice to City

Council and Staff as an important primary source of expertise regarding the

City's rich heritage and its preservation. In keeping with this ongoing

role, the AAC would like to forward its recommendations to Council

regarding the current draft Waterfront Plan and the significant
Comments: contributions of the Waterfront Plan Working Group.
The AAC has been

honored to support the Waterfront Plan process. From participating in

public meetings and assisting Planning and Zoning research, to writing the

Alexandria Waterfront History Plan, a key aspect of the final Plan, the AAC

has demonstrated its expertise in and deep commitment to exploring,

describing, and preserving our City's unique and diverse past.
Throughout

the planning process, the AAC has been careful to limit its comments and recommendations about the SAP to aspects concerning History and Cultural

assets, interpreting those assets, and preserving them. It cannot offer advice on land use and development decisions beyond these areas. With that

limitation in mind:

1) The AAC supports the recommendations of the

Waterfront Plan Working Group concerning Arts and History, to include the

location of new assets such as any potential museum or history center, and

the creation of an oversight group to assist with implementation, and urges

that Council direct that these recommendations be included in the approved

plan.

2) The AAC supports the suggestions of Staff and Councilman

Krupicka to:

- Apply the Old and Historic District Guidelines to the

Robinson Terminal North Site, with BAR overview.

- Establish a non-profit

foundation to benefit the Waterfront, and ensure that the foundation helps

support implementing the Arts and History plans as part of a public/private

funding partnership.

- Quantify expected contributions from developers to

public realm improvements.

3) The AAC reiterates its support and request

for the inclusion of moderate public funding, or the provision for such

funding, to assure implementation of aspects of the Arts and History Plans

independent of developer and other expected revenues. The AAC points out

that the History Plan (which was incorporated into the SAP) includes a

careful budget and strategy to identify low cost and easily accomplished

Arts and History improvements – low hanging fruit – that can enhance the

Waterfront's cultural assets quickly.

Alexandria embodies the sweep of

American history and experience. As the Waterfront History Plan outlined,

the final Waterfront Plan should capture and showcase the nation's story.

We have the opportunity to create an exceptional Waterfront and a regional

and national jewel. Much of how the final Plan can do so must be explored and planned early in the implementation phase soon to follow. From the start, Alexandria's Arts and History organizations should play an important role in the implementation process to help define the content and expression of our cultural heritage. For that reason, we also urge once again that as part of the new Plan Council direct that collaborative work be started by the existing Arts and History organizations to combine the Arts and History Plans into a unified, cohesive vision in support of the final Waterfront Plan.

The AAC thanks City Staff, especially Planning

& Zoning, for their hard work over the past years. It would also like

to thank the WPWG for its many hours of careful consideration of the SAP,

the alternate plan, and the contributing plans such as History and Arts.

Finally, the AAC would like to recognize the many, many thousands of

citizen volunteer hours contributed to the waterfront planning process from

across the city. All these sources combined to make the Waterfront Plan a

community effort.

The AAC appreciates City Council's consideration of

these recommendations, and looks forward to assisting in the implementation

of the final plan alongside Council, Staff and the many other commissions,

boards, groups, and committees.

Sincerely,

Vincent C.

LaPointe

Chairman, Alexandria Archaeological Commission

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- 2) The AAC supports the suggestions of Staff and Councilman Krupicka to:
 - Apply the Old and Historic District Guidelines to the Robinson Terminal North Site, with BAR overview.
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Sincerely,

Vincent C. LaPointe
Chairman, Alexandria Archaeological Commission

Jackie Henderson

From: Ann Mazor <annmazor@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 2:16 PM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: waterfront

PLEASE don't sell our historic town down the river for money. We can figure a better way to raise revenue...that goes to city, not to council pockets.

Arra Ann Mazor
Citizen of Alexandria

Jackie Henderson

From: Carolyn Barnes <cbarnes2@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 12:26 PM
To: William Eulle; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Rob Krupicka; Linda Owens; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Rezoning the Waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 12:26:14] Message ID: [36294]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Carolyn
Last Name: Barnes
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State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703 519 8655
Email Address: cbarnes2@hotmail.com
Subject: Rezoning the Waterfront
I implore you not to rezone the Waterfront and not approve the current plan. The planning process ought to go slower and involve more citizen participation in the planning. The waterfront is the real charm of Alexandria and it is the main attraction for residents and
Comments: visitors.
Please listen to the voters of Alexandria who are against the rezoning plan as it stands.
Regards,
Dr. Carolyn Barnes

Jackie Henderson

From: Patty Sheetz <sheetzp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 1:09 PM
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: Please don't rezone the waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 13:09:26] Message ID: [36297]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Patty
Last Name: Sheetz
Street Address: 6320 Olde Towne Court
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22307
Phone:
Email Address: sheetzp@yahoo.com
Subject: Please don't rezone the waterfront
Comments:

Jackie Henderson

From: Tescia Yonkers <Tescia.Yonkers@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 1:12 PM
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: Don't Rezone the Waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 13:11:31] Message ID: [36298]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Tescia
Last Name: Yonkers
Street Address: 801 Rivergate Pl.
City: Alexandria
State: Va
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703.548.7456
Email Address: Tescia.Yonkers@gmail.com
Subject: Don't Rezone the Waterfront
Comments: Please Do No Vote to Rezone the Waterfront!

Jackie Henderson

From: Mary Morrow-Bax <SMSmmb@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 1:31 PM
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: Waterfront Plan
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COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 13:30:37] Message ID: [36301]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

First Name: Mary

Last Name: Morrow-Bax

Street Address: 302 S. Columbus St.

City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 22314

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Subject: Waterfront Plan

I had wanted to write an individually crafted letter to each of you. But,

like so often happens to so many of us these days, my list of obligations

is so long I'm short-cutting the process a bit to stay on track to best

meet all my other responsibilities and obligations. I'm sure you can

relate: Sometimes it's necessary to pass up "the ideal"

However, your

Comments: responsibility to the residents of Alexandria and particularly those of Old

Town, who will live the outcome of your vote each and every day, is

simply too important to rush. It has to be "the ideal." Something that

will be stand proudly for the present and will have enduring value for the

most...for as long as anyone can see.

Your vote has the power to

change life as we know it for Alexandria. Please, take your time. This

isn't
something that has to be done this moment in time. Another few
months isn't going to change the face of
Alexandria. But a wrong decision
will.

Why not do absolutely everything so you can always know there
were no stones unturned. No creative
ideas left unstudied. No clever
concepts obscured. All this controversy would indicate that we aren't
there yet.

I began working in Old Town in 1984 and moved her in 1987
and have always felt blessed to be able to call
this historic area
"home." But like so many Old Towners we've seen the streets grow busier,
the surface
parking all but disappear and friends and acquaintances
making fewer trips over here because as they
mention, "it's simply too
difficult to navigate." Single women friends comment that they don't "do"
underground parking for safety reasons.

I know you all are concerned
about paying the bills without causing huge tax burdens for residents, but
please don't rezone the waterfront in a perceived effort to improve cash
flow. Old Town has way too much
value -- not for just today but for all
the years to come. What you decide will be irrevocable and will stand
as
a reminder of either your wisdom or a foolish mistake most likely never to
be undone.

While you may have been in the planning process for a good
long time that doesn't mean that the output of
that planning is "there"
yet. Why not put the planning out for real design experts? perhaps letting
them all
compete for the privilege -- not unlike other precious monuments
and memorials in our area. And like
other treasures within just a few
miles, isn't that what we have here -- a crown jewel: sacred ground (and a

waterfront) that we need to protect and ensure is kept sacred for all those who visit over time.

We have all waited this long, doesn't it

make sense to do it very right. Slow down the planning process and listen

to all residents who want to be heard and then share all the findings with

professional design experts with broad expertise. Let them help you and

the rest of Alexandria's citizens design and develop a plan that will

make everyone proud.

Thank you for you postponing your vote. I know you

have other responsibilities but this one is so big it can't be expedient,

it needs further thought and consideration. Please do the right thing for

all of us now and for all those who come.

Sincerely,

Mary

Morrow-Bax
A Resident of Alexandria

Jackie Henderson

From: Sammye Collins <sler41@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 1:32 PM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: COA Contact Us: City Waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: City Clerk and Clerk of Council

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 13:32:12] Message ID: [36302]

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Subject: City Waterfront plan
do not rezone the waterfront now. slow down the process and include
Comments: citizens more than you have. i want a different waterfront plan.

Jackie Henderson

From: Brooke English <brooke.english@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 1:37 PM
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: waterfront debate
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 13:36:59] Message ID: [36303]

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Subject: waterfront debate

Given the uproar and fervor on both sides of this debate, I feel it is incumbent upon you as citizens of the city (you are all residents, are you not?), stewards of the land, and representatives of your constituents to ensure that all interests are considered, not merely those of development, finance, and revenue. And that that consideration be measured and slow and careful and deliberate. I'm sure you have had about enough discussion, but the city is at a crossroads and a very important aspect of life in the city

Comments: is at stake--livability.

These ventures, development of the various waterfront properties, will impact our city in the immediate future with construction, traffic complications, and the attendant disruptions massive building projects inflict. They will impact our city in the future with the potential for more jobs, granted, but also with the guarantee of more traffic along already clogged city streets, and with the influx of more tourists and visitors.

What is missing from these scenarios is the

citizenry: those of us who live and work in the city, who regularly shop in the stores, who pay the real estate and income taxes, who pay for parking stickers, and who elected you to represent us, not to represent/act on behalf of/entice big business and developers.

Let the hotels set up

shop at National Harbor. Make it an easily reached wayside for tourists.

Encourage shopping (though I would hope for fewer "adult" stores)

and dining in Old Town and make better use of the river. Let our waterfront

remain a waterfront, something perhaps a little industrial looking but

alive and being used as what it is. I don't want to live in a Baltimore and

its Harbor Place; I don't want a National Harbor. I have lived here all my

life and I like the warehouses; I like the "working" nature of

our waterfront. Seeing small businesses like the bike co-op spring up, and

more classroom space for the Art League, is encouraging, and revitalizing,

and making use of what is already there. We don't need pretty; we don't

need new. Encourage development of what is already there; foster new

ventures, new small ventures. We are OLD Town; leave us some authenticity.

Leave us some untouched, unrefined, undeveloped space. Every square foot of

land in our city is developed--leave something as is!

I recently

returned from a visit to Asheville, North Carolina. It has a bustling,

lively, thronged downtown, full of restaurants, shops, galleries, but only

one chain store. The remainder of Asheville is similar in its

development--sort of a large-scale Del Ray. There are shops of every type

imaginable, cheek-by-jowl, and not one chain. There are people on the

streets all day and all night; there are street performers; there are

gawkers and shoppers and strollers and diners. And a lot of what is

happening is occurring in re-developed buildings--old warehouses repurposed

into breweries and restaurants; old buildings made into shops and condos

and apartments. The buildings are all OLD but what's happening inside is

all new and alive and thriving. I wish you all could take a trip or talk to

some of the folks there, pick their brains about how they went about

re-forming, not transforming, their downtown. And all without losing the genuineness of their original architecture and layout, and without becoming

a, for want of a better word, "precious" manufactured faux city.

I promised myself I would be brief. I ask this, in sum: that you

delay a decision on the waterfront development until there is more

consensus, less acrimony, and more proof that these next steps have been

given thorough examination, and that you can give us assurance we will not

become just another plastic harborfront town.

Jackie Henderson

From: Paula Rutherford <paula@justaskpublications.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 11:31 AM
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Subject: COA Contact Us: Approval the Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 11:31:09] Message ID: [36290]

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Subject: Approval the Waterfront Plan
I support the waterfront plan.
Please vote to approve it on Saturday,
January 21, 2012.
Comments: I am a city resident and business owner who
votes.
Paula Rutherford

Jackie Henderson

From: Athena Williams <athenawilliams@att.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 12:03 PM
To: William Eulle; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Rob Krupicka; Linda Owens; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Waterfront Plan Vote on Jan. 21
Attachments: ATT00002.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 12:03:24] Message ID: [36293]

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Subject: Waterfront Plan Vote on Jan. 21
To Members of City Council,

I have lived in the City of Alexandria for over 25 years and am writing to ask that you do not approve the new Waterfront rezoning plan to be brought before the council on January 21, 2012. I believe the majority of Alexandria's citizens are opposed to the current plan and I noticed an editorial by Joe Demshar in the Washington Times that reflects my sentiments too, "in business, government and our personal lives, we don't move forward with decisions that are

Comments: inherently flawed. There is always time to make things right, to improve things and to avoid costly mistakes. The residents of Alexandria place our trust in those who serve to do the right thing, not to make unwise decisions for the sake of expediency."

The Alexandria Waterfront is a historic attraction for tourists. I've noticed more tourists coming to Old Town since National Harbor opened because it is so different from National Harbor. If the Alexandria Waterfront tries to copy National Harbor it will attract fewer tourists because it will lose its unique

character of a historic seaport. I think the desire for a continuous waterfront walkway is not in keeping with the historic nature of our waterfront. When I've mentioned to friends from out of town about the proposed changes to the waterfront they have commented to me that these changes to the waterfront will "ruin" the appeal of Old Town.

I implore the members of the city council to listen to its residents and vote no tomorrow to the changes in the zoning for the waterfront. I know some City Council members will not be facing re-election and I hope that does not influence your decision on this historic vote. Take more time to address the concerns of the citizens of this beautiful City. This is your legacy.

Jackie Henderson

From: James Banks
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 11:46 AM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: FW: Waterfront Conflicts of Interest
Attachments: Conflict of Interest Letter PDF.pdf

Jackie,

This letter came in yesterday. Could you make sure that it gets out to Council. Thanks.

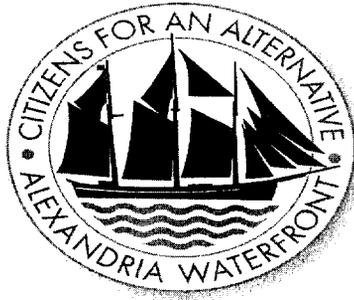
Jim

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-----Original Message-----

From: Anne Peterson [<mailto:anneamp@comcast.net>]
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2012 11:31 AM
Cc: Andrew Macdonald
Subject: Waterfront Conflicts of Interest

Attached please find a letter from Citizens for an Alternative Alexandria Waterfront Plan concerning conflicts of interest and the waterfront planning process.



By: Email, Letter
January 19, 2012

Mr. James L. Banks
City Attorney
City of Alexandria
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Re: Waterfront Plan and Conflicts of Interest

Dear Mr. Banks:

Citizens for an Alternative Waterfront Plan (CAAWP) is very concerned about what appear to be direct and indirect conflicts of interest involving several members of the City Council and the Planning Department who have made or will be making decisions about the redevelopment of the waterfront.

CAAWP formally requests that Vice Mayor Kerry Donley recuse himself from any vote having to do with the Waterfront Small Area Plan, and the text amendment that is part of this plan. The Vice Mayor is employed by Virginia Commerce Bank as a Senior Vice President of Community Banking. Virginia Commerce Bank has apparently extended a \$3.9 million loan to Virtue Feed and Grain. Virtue Feed and Grain stands to benefit financially from the redevelopment of the Alexandria waterfront, especially in light of its direct stake in the City's lawsuit against the Old Dominion Boat Club (ODBC). This is a direct and predictable conflict of interest for the Vice Mayor. The Vice Mayor has laudably recused himself in the past when such conflicts arise, and we request that he continue to be sensitive to his conflicts of interest and recuse himself from any further participation in this matter.

CAAWP is also very concerned about how the personal business interests of the Mayor, and specifically his investment interests in the restaurant Mango Mike's, might be seen as a conflict of interest. The owner of Mango Mike's is directly involved in Virtue Feed and Grain. A fair and reasonable person would question the Mayor's objectivity when an investment partner has such a direct interest in the outcome of the Waterfront Small Area Plan and text amendment. We also note that note Waterfront4All, a group made up of business owners like the owner of Mango Mike's, has held events recently at both Mango Mike's and Virtue Feed and Grain.

CAAWP has reviewed documents acquired under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) which show that the City was leaning toward rezoning the waterfront to allow higher density development even before the beginning of the current planning process. The FOIA materials indicate that the Alexandria City Council had fully embraced a higher density objective by the time the process was well under way.

The FOIA documents date back to 2008 and record meetings between the Mayor, City staff, representatives of The Washington Post/Robinson Terminal companies, and other owners and potential developers, along with their attorneys. They indicate that the path of the planning process tracked with the shifting desires of developers interested in the three key properties: Robinson Terminal North and South, and the Cummings-Turner block.

Although The Post was well aware of the then-current low density zoning, established in 1992, it did not object for sixteen years. Then, in 2008, it filed suit against the City, claiming that the zoning infringed its property rights. The City's initial response was that it did have the right to enforce the 1992 zoning, which was based on the 1983 settlement with the Federal Government.

However, subsequent negotiations with The Post came at a time of growing interest in waterfront development, stimulated in part by the example of National Harbor. These negotiations led an April 2009 "Tolling Agreement," in which The Post agreed to drop its law suit to allow more time for discussion, and the City signaled its growing interest in more robust development.

Ironically enough, the documents reveal that while The Post Company was initially favorable to hotel development, by 2010 it had decided that hotels would *not* be feasible at its Robinson Terminal properties and favored town house development instead. The owners of Cummings-Turner, on the other hand, still favor hotel development on their land, which is why, in the current City-preferred plan, hotels are *permitted* for Robinson Terminal North and South, but *required* for Cummings-Turner.

The FOIA documents indicate that throughout this period, during which the current planning process began, there was constant correspondence and numerous meetings between City officials, The Washington Post Co.'s attorney (Howard Middleton), the Turner-Cummings and other property owners and potential developers (Carr). These meetings were clearly a priority of senior city management.

The documents contradict the widely held belief, frequently reinforced by City officials, that the City felt obliged to make peace with the powerful *Washington Post* or lose a renewed lawsuit. Rather they suggest that by this time both parties were interested in

higher density development, and the only real issue was what form it would take. It is also clear from these documents that citizen participation in the process was at best a secondary concern to City Hall, and at worst an impediment to a preferred outcome. That is presumably the reason why the documents have not been made public before now.

The implications go well beyond the waterfront issue. They suggest that broader reform is needed to require full disclosure of discussions between City officials and individuals or companies that stand to gain financially from such discussions. This subject is discussed at greater length in an appendix to this volume Tom Greene's article, "Openness, Inclusiveness, Fairness and Transparency: An Assessment of the City's Planning Process" (Citizens for an Alternative Alexandria Waterfront Plan (CAAWP), *Parks, the Arts, and Museums: Keys to Rediscovering, Revitalizing, and Protecting the Alexandria Waterfront*, Oct. 30, 2011.).

Conclusions

1. The Vice Mayor has a disqualifying financial interest in the waterfront.
2. The Mayor has financial ties to a stakeholder involved in waterfront redevelopment.
3. Negotiations with The Washington Post Co. involving waterfront rezoning were conducted entirely behind closed doors and without the knowledge of citizens.

Andrew Macdonald, Co-Chair, CAAWP
CC: Alexandria City Council

Jackie Henderson

From: Kelly Dresen <kelly.dresen@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 11:46 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: Pass Waterfront Development Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 11:46:01] Message ID: [36291]

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Subject: Pass Waterfront Development Plan
I support a revitalization plan for the Alexandria waterfront that includes public amenities and business growth. Please pass the current plan. I assume that debate will still be allowed to rage for each individual site,
Comments: which should allow for some protection of the "historic character" of the waterfront.
There is too much other work to accomplish without becoming further mired in this one argument.

Jackie Henderson

From: Judy Miller <RltrMiller@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 11:15 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: Waterfront vote
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 11:14:36] Message ID: [36288]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

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Subject: Waterfront vote

Please support the citizens who voted you into the office and say no to the city's proposal for waterfront plan at tomorrow's meeting. Recent decades of development at Potomac Yards, Cameron Station, Old Town Village, and

Eisenhower Ave portray highest and best use of land is for housing.

Housing residents desire swimming pools, tennis courts, soccer fields, tot lots, dog runs, etc.

Open space definition must change if city is to

Comments: benefit from the eight acres supposedly offered. Open space should not include roof-top terraces, garden patios, interior open spaces such as atriums. No guarantees given, little benefit accrues to common, ordinary people who might appreciate shade of tall trees, a gambol among grasses with freedom of movement for kites, balls, etc. The hundred feet of someone's back/front yard does not ensure freedom of movement.

Please

do not accept this plan whereby the current highest and best use is housing. And with SUP's much else is possible.
Developer/owners/investors

are not interested in the long-term haul, nor do they care for community interests. Their interest is to cut and run. Why give them that opportunity. Why let the horse out of the barn now. There are no guarantees as to what will be built.

The city's current plan gives no guaranteed economies of use.

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JAN 20 2012

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January 19, 2012

Re: Your decision on January 21 about the waterfront rezoning request.

Mayor Euille and Members of the Alexandria City Council:

Alexandria is over-developed and overly dense. Vigorously capturing as much open space as possible through your decisions is in the best interest of its citizens.

Surrendering our most precious asset; our waterfront, without a fight in exchange for the *promise* of an economic boost through increased tax revenues is a losing proposition. City Council should be fighting for public access to the waterfront to be expanded, not readily reducing it to almost nothing so that real estate interests can profit. Almost all Alexandrians will not see any of this profit. We will have to pay higher taxes when the reality of the deal brings in a new wave of impacts that we have to pay for and live with - not the developers. The "increased tax revenue" will not cover the bills, as we have experienced through past development deals where the citizens get the short end in the long run.

Please do not approve the current plan as it allows too many negative effects in exchange for short term profit for a few. On balance, it will not provide long term benefits to Alexandrians.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Kust

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January 17, 2012

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

Re: Waterfront Plan Work Group Report

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of City Council:

The Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission (AHRPC) has continued to follow Alexandria's Waterfront Small Area planning activities over the past several months. This keen interest continued with the efforts of your Waterfront Plan Work Group and the Work Group's report dated December 20, 2011. All involved in the development of the Small Area Plan should be recognized for their hard work and dedication to the betterment of the City—in particular, the members of the Work Group who spent countless volunteer hours fulfilling the demands of their charter.

In February 2011, the Commission sent the Council a letter recommending a Waterfront Steering Group to direct and oversee the implementation of the Waterfront Small Area Plan. We are pleased to note the implementation steps outlined in the Small Area Plan and the Work Group's report highlighting the need for an empowered management team "charged with plan implementation and waterfront oversight." The Commission again would like to stress the importance of a management group handling the execution of the Small Area Plan.

The Work Group Report lists several supplementary plans and engineering and design studies required before the Small Area Plan is ready to be executed. In this regard, the Commission would like to call attention to the Alexandria Historic Preservation Management Plan, an initiative contained in the City's Strategic Planning Goal #7. The objective in Planning Goal #7 deals with learning opportunities through arts, library, historical, archaeological and cultural resources, programs and services. It is important that completion of this management plan be added to the list of actions to be taken before implementation begins.

The Work Group states that the art and history components "must be fundamental to the design and development of the Small Area Plan." The Commission allies itself with this statement. We view with alarm the Work Group's contention that there are not sufficient funds or an assured funding strategy for this in the Small Area Plan. The elements of the excellent and highly regarded "Alexandria Waterfront Public Art Proposal" and "Alexandria Waterfront History Plan" must be integrated into the Small Area Plan, not simply mentioned in some parts of the plan and then appended to it. Finally, it is worth recalling Councilman Krupicka's comment at the City Council's work session on 10 January—historic buildings in the area impacted by the Small Area Plan should be identified and steps taken to assure their preservation before any redevelopment takes place.

This planning journey over the last months to achieve a world class waterfront for our City was long and sometimes contentious. But every step will have been worthwhile if through this process, the rich history of Alexandria's waterfront is preserved as the demands of modern times are addressed.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,


Charles L. Trozzo
Chair



cc: Rashad M. Young, City Manager

Jackie Henderson

From: burnskathy@earthlink.net
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 11:51 PM
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Cc: Jackie Henderson; Beth Temple; Judy Stack; john.o'neal@alexandriava.gov; Sharon Annear; Elizabeth Jones; nanella@aol.com
Subject: Council Meeting Jan. 21, 2012

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

I will not be able to speak before you all tomorrow, so I'm sending my comments under the #2 Open Mike slot.

First, thank you to the Mayor for trying to get VDOT to do the right thing, and make the Jan. 25 meeting a public hearing on the proposed RAMP for #395 and Seminary, not a "show and tell" forum, which is pointless. At a hearing, we all get to hear the questions and answers at the same time, and there is a coherent record. Please make one last effort with Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood to see if this format could be shifted. As a member of the BRAC Advisory Task Force for the past 3 years, we have all looked for viable, efficient, effective and affordable solutions to traffic and transportation. When the VDOT officials noted there would be MINIMAL improvements in the evening traffic, in spite of the enormous cost of \$80 million, this does not sound like they have yet reached the right solutions. I was also very surprised to hear---for the first time---that VDOT planned a massive overhaul of the pedestrian bridge and many aspects of that intersection, which everyone has been suggesting for many months, and that the money was hidden in that \$80 million package---and no one knew it. More transparency is essential for this process.

Second, as an Alexandria resident for more than 30 years, I would note that it is difficult for 7 people to represent 140,000 residents. But their wishes should be paramount versus a handful of wealthy developers who stand to be the major beneficiaries for the massive density proposed with 450 hotel rooms in an 8-block area on the Waterfront. Everyone supports comprehensive, long-range, intelligent and mutually beneficial plans to improve our community. This haphazard, piecemeal plan does not satisfy that objective. It will resemble more of a gated community. This was a skewed process from the beginning, since many people cannot make weekday meetings, as they go off to work, or send children off to school, or have a variety of other commitments. And it does not appear that the City gives equal weight to the dissenting opinions, which also happened in the recent Transportation Plan, where 2 of the 6 committee members were pretty much ignored.

For years, we residents have heard City officials and staff chant the mantra: "If you build it, they will come," and these future people will shower millions of dollars in their wake. But that has seldom happened.

With the Gen-On power plant now slated to become a major component of the Waterfront, with its 27 acres, Alexandria needs to plan for the WHOLE waterfront, not block by block, and it needs to include the broader community, not primarily the developers.

This has all the makings of another BRAC, where a rash decision leads to a negative transformation, in the guise of public good.

Unlike the negotiations underway regarding the Beauregard Corridor, the Waterfront proposals do not detail a single proffer by developers of all the dollars they will contribute for necessary road improvements or adequate transportation access to quickly move thousands of people in and out of that tiny corridor. Many of the small businesses---and large businesses---will have to pick up the many costs being ignored in the grandiose schemes of the developers. If the City grants massive shifts in the density and height, what will the Alexandria resident and taxpayer get in return?? ? Very

little. It's a bit like the Potomac Yards plans where the promise of a Metro Station is dangled like a carrot, and the bonding power is strained for 20 years. The developers there got the density up front, and the Metro may never happen.

One of the things that makes Alexandria distinctive is its history, dating back to 1749, and an appreciation by the majority of the citizens for the historic roots for the very foundations of America. Instead, we have the potential to turn it into an upscale Coney Island or Ocean City, geared primarily to visitors who come for brief stays---versus the residents who live here year round and have always looked at the Waterfront as something to be shared by everyone, not just tourists.

This decision will follow on the heels of the one in Arlandria, where hundreds of people who live there opposed the scope and scale of the overhaul. Except for Alicia Hughes, those pleas fell on deaf ears.

What I find very troubling is that when the Council votes on a plan that has the potential to radically alter the City and destroy a major part of its charm, two members who will be voting are Lame Ducks, and thus will not be held accountable at the polls for anything they now vote on until the end of their terms. They should seriously consider whether they should recuse themselves from this city-altering vote.

Sometimes I wonder if there is a "Magic Number" that the City is aiming for, and once we reach this saturation point for condominiums and hotel rooms, will the City finally burst at its seams. Is the goal to see how many people we can pack into this small city, per square foot, before all semblance of a "quality of life" is totally shattered?

People have moved to Alexandria because of its amenities, and the Waterfront is one of those. If I had wanted to live in a dense Condo Canyon, I would have gone to Crystal City or Ballston or Rosslyn. But I didn't. And thousands of others feel the same way.

This Waterfront plan is not in the best interests of the community, and is geared for the enhancement of the developers. I would ask you to rethink your stances. Re-work the plan to maximize improvements and to minimize the considerable short falls now present. Give yourself the time that an enduring plan will require.

On Sept. 17, 2011, we sat in the same City Council chambers for almost 8 hours, to testify about the myriad flaws in the Corridor C transportation plan for Beauregard/Van Dorn Corridor, thinking what we had to say would fall on deaf ears. Before a vote was even taken, the Council knew the outcome. No one in the audience was opposed to significant and comprehensive improvements in the plans, but that wasn't acknowledged, and the Council voted unanimously for a plan with gaping holes, such as not spelling out the starting and ending points for the routes; how it would connect to other areas; and how significant aspects of cost were not detailed.

I hope this will not be the same scenario this time around.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen M. Burns
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Jackie Henderson

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Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 6:43 PM
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: Please Vote NO - on Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 18:42:39] Message ID: [36365]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Eileen
Last Name: Grey
Street Address: 8 W Oak St
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-836-6442
Email Address: egrey1@comcast.net
Subject: Please Vote NO - on Waterfront Plan
Please vote No on the Waterfront Plan. It is too much, too fast.
That
enormous BRAC problem was exacerbated by a rushed planning process.
I
previously sent a comment to the City Council about the very, very few
women on the Waterfront Working Group (small working group). I truly think
there has not been enough outreach to all kinds of citizens for such a
monumental decision.
Comments: There is not a burning issue right now on the
waterfront. The waterfront is a precious resource and issuing permits for
big construction prematurely would be very damaging.
Please vote No and
allow more time for input, which should be limited to residents of
Alexandria.
Allowing the huge PTO complex in Eisenhower Valley was
unfortunate since there was not much net benefit to the City after costs
for services are taken out. That was too bad, but to rush into yet a third

giant land development project after PTO and BRAC is really bad judgment.

Please vote No.

Jackie Henderson

From: Megan Evans <meganevans@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 4:46 PM
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: reduce density of Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00002.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 16:46:14] Message ID: [36352]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Megan
Last Name: Evans
Street Address: 4 Potomac Court
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703 683 4413
Email Address: meganevans@verizon.net
Subject: reduce density of Waterfront Plan
Please vote NO on current waterfront plan as the density increase will inhibit use/access to the river, will be incompatible with the adjacent residences and most importantly will make parking impossible in this neighborhood.
Any special event in the city fills all the parking spaces of surrounding six blocks. I've read the plan and do not find the parking improvements sufficient for the increased public use and truck deliveries.
Comments: From my reading and listening I believe the current plan will crowd the riverfront as happened at Ford's Landing - surely a grotesque development on an otherwise beautiful riverfront. The current zoning is completely adequate for small hotels, some restaurants, flood control , more parks that are deemed necessary.
Also please work

constructively with the ODBC - couldn't there be a park and boat/car

parking?

In the conversations I've had with city planning council

members, I've not seen/heard any open listening to
views other than their

own. They are blowhards. Listen to the residents who use live near the

waterfront,

think of alternatives and develop a plan that truly enhances

use of the riverfront !!

Jackie Henderson

From: Jonathan Krall <jonathan@jonathankrall.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 11:11 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: Please vote for the Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 11:10:36] Message ID: [36405]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

First Name: Jonathan

Last Name: Krall

Street Address: 6a E Mason Ave

City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 22301

Phone: 703 477 4186

Email Address: jonathan@jonathankrall.net

Subject: Please vote for the Waterfront Plan

Please vote for the Waterfront Plan. It is well thought out and will bring in enough money to pay for itself. We need a waterfront that can accommodate the many citizens and tourists who wish to visit Old Town. We need Old Town to support the economy of Alexandria (and not the other way around).

Comments: As for the transportation issues raised by Old Town residents?

That is a problem to be solved another day. Other historic cities have developed transit solutions to reduce automobile traffic and to accommodate more people. We in Alexandria are not idiots--we can solve our transportation issues and are already working to do so.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Jackie Henderson

From: Harriett McCune <harriett.mccune@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 9:27 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: WATERfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 09:27:17] Message ID: [36399]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

First Name: Harriett

Last Name: McCune

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City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 2230

Phone: 703-370-1652

Email Address: harriett.mccune@verizon.net

Subject: WATERfront Plan

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of City Council:

Please vote NO on the

Waterfront Plan today. It is full of flaws. The ban on hotels should not be overturned. Issues related to conflicts of interest have been raised, and these should be satisfactorily resolved before a vote should be taken.

We need less development, not more. I don't hear anyone praising the city for leasing prime waterfront property to the Chart House for 99

Comments: years. What a mistake. This is such an eyesore, blocking what could be a beautiful river view and access in the heart of Old Town. Don't make another such mistake by blocking public access and river views by allowing

greater density and height than is now permitted. The decisions related to BRAC have been bad enough. Don't compound the problems by making a another bad decision by voting for the Waterfront plan.

What about the 20+ acres

on the north waterfront where the Genon Plant was located. This should

certainly be part of a comprehensive plan, but this has not been addressed

by the current plan.

Please put the interests of the tax-paying citizens

and residents of Alexandria before political interests and the interests of

developers. The city should be willing to defend the 1992

agreement.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Harriett G. McCune

Jackie Henderson

From: Marianne McInerney <mmacva@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 8:54 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: Waterfront Plan: Don't Sell Out of Best Asset
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 08:53:36] Message ID: [36397]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Marianne
Last Name: McInerney
Street Address: 1403 Russell Road
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 7036832749
Email Address: mmacva@aol.com
Subject: Waterfront Plan: Don't Sell Out of Best Asset
To the Mayor, Vice Mayor and Members of the City Council:
The Alexandria
Waterfront is one of our city's greatest assets and I am increasingly
dismayed at the actions of city employees and our elected officials to hold
it ransom.
For years, planning efforts in Alexandria have treated our
Waterfront with hodge-podge solutions that have resulted in density issues
and traffic and parking issues that have placed our quality of life and
Comments: true enjoyment of the waterfront at risk. This latest attempt at
Waterfront Development is yet another example of our City officials risking
our quality of life in the name of tourism and "projected"
economic development.
For too long our City has been run by its
developers. Look at today's waterfront....mix use of offices buildings
define our waterfront vista. These mistakes can not be fixed by today's
proposals -- in fact they just lead us further down the path we are on.

First and foremost, any decisions should be based ONLY on what is best for our quality life of our residents -- not attracting tourism. We are a historic city -- and that alone has stood to attract tourists for years.

Retail development along our waterfront and the addition of 450 hotel rooms

-- in a city that does not have 100% hotel occupancy -- are not the answers. And stating that hotels will encourage use of our open space for residents is truly a fairy tale in the making. Let's start with a responsible approach that first and foremost improves the open space we have -- before we plow ahead with adding buildings to our vista. This approach will result not only in ensuring best use but it will save us from expensive lessons learned.

Our City Council also needs to step back and ask have they really included the residents in this dialogue. Information on the website and a few citizens' meetings is not panacea for inclusion. Outside of one non-profit conducting a survey, I have yet to see a comprehensive survey asking residents for their opinions. In fact the pre-referenced survey heavily indicated that residents wanted parks -- not buildings -- to define our Waterfront.

From an economic standpoint,

I would also ask if the City truly believes that introducing new retail sites will help or hinder our existing storefronts. Will national chains truly help our long-term small business owners? I tend to think not as I drive by the For Lease signs that no define King Street.

So today, I

urge you to listen -- truly listen -- and delay your vote. What are a few more months to ensure that a path that truly can benefit our residents is in place? By all estimations, the proposed plan misses the mark and will result in the selling our beautiful resident in a manner that will benefit a few developers at the risk of future generations.

Marianne McInerney

Jackie Henderson

From: Paddy Bowman <paddybowman@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 8:32 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: Don't BRAC the Waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 08:32:02] Message ID: [36396]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Bowman
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-836-7499
Email Address: paddybowman@verizon.net
Subject: Don't BRAC the Waterfront
Comments: This city has sold out to developers for decades, leaving us with pedestrian architecture, too little public parking, too few green spaces, and too few public spaces. Please do not rezone the waterfront for commercial purposes.

Jackie Henderson

From: Robin Grover <RGrover716@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 7:31 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: Waterfront plan.
Attachments: f03d3a8856444fa89054c1a21a391757.doc; ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 07:30:44] Message ID: [36395]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Robin
Last Name: Grover
Street Address: 306 South Fairfax Street
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone:
Email Address: RGrover716@aol.com
Subject: Waterfront plan.
Comments:
Attachment: f03d3a8856444fa89054c1a21a391757.doc

To the Mayor and City Council of Alexandria - I own a home at 306 South Fairfax Street where I have resided since 1988. I write in support of development of the Alexandria waterfront and a rapid solution to a decaying waste of what should be the crown jewel of Old Town.

At the outset, I must note that I do not question the motives of the majority of those opposing waterfront development; they sincerely don't want another Georgetown and neither do I. Nonetheless, there is a significant minority who will seem to accept nothing other than a park and a little used museum so as not to disturb their current homeowner lifestyle. I can only attribute this "I oppose everything" attitude to a desire for suburban living in the heart of the city, replete with on street parking, or even life in a quiet and somewhat quaint retirement village along the river. Neither idea is practical or should be allowed to prevail; ownership of a house in Old Town does not grant you ownership of the common areas of Old Town, including the waterfront or the right to prevent reasoned development that would pose a far better alternative to the current wasteland.

I live two blocks from the heart of the waterfront and run along it daily. In its current incarnation, it is no secret that it constitutes, for the most part a depressing set of warehouses and other industrial buildings, some abandoned, others decaying, leavened only by quality recent restorations such as the Virtue pub and Starbucks which through the investment of millions of dollars, took empty aging and decrepit buildings and turned them into models of historic restoration that bring some badly-needed LIFE into the heart of the city.. In the early morning hours, the waterfront is virtually totally deserted, an abandonment leavened only by the noise of an occasional beer truck (not a fancy yacht as its litigious members seem to dream) careening toward the "boat club". The waterfront is currently a truly mediocre venue – a status that would be changed by low-intensity commercial presence of hotels and shops. Whether a boutique hotel is viable on the waterfront is a business decision; I am certain no investor or business operator has the slightest interest in constructing a facility that will not be of quality or that could not attract customers. This is far preferable to the suggestion that the waterfront remain "as is" so that amorphous opportunities are preserved for future local entrepreneurs – in other words, we are to await the return of Alice from Wonderland to open a "local" coffee shop along the river, so let's keep it pristine, empty and dumpy until she emerges.

That's my two cents, for what it is worth as a long-time Old Town resident and homeowner who appreciates what business brings to this city and who is happy to share its many fine attributes with "OUTSIDERS" who will enjoy an improved waterfront, spend money and keep my taxes lower as a consequence.

ROBIN GROVER

306 South Fairfax Street

Jackie Henderson

From: Mark Delligatti <mdelligatti@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 7:43 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: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Mon Jan 23, 2012 07:42:41] Message ID: [36488]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

First Name: Mark

Last Name: Delligatti

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City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 22302

Phone: 7038201703

Email Address: mdelligatti@comcast.net

Subject: Waterfront Plan

I would like to express my congratulations and thanks to the city council and the mayor for your courageous decision to move forward with the Small

Area Plan for the Alexandria water front. Too often, vocal small groups attempt to hold our city hostage to their individual interests at the expense of the greater good. I think that the compromise reached at the

Comments: end of a long deliberative process is an appropriate one and I look forward to seeing the plan put into action. I realize that two members of the Council disagreed with the majority and I want to also let them know that I appreciate their consideration and deliberation on this matter. You folks all have a very difficult job and we all owe you a vote of thanks for your persistence and your obvious concern for our great city.

Jackie Henderson

From: david martin <david@goldworksusa.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 3:46 PM
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: voting for the waterfront
Attachments: 61e2feff5f01bc756f998bb765322cd0.JPG; ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 15:46:04] Message ID: [36456]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: david
Last Name: martin
Street Address: 1400 King Street
City: Alexandria,
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone:
Email Address: david@goldworksusa.com
Subject: voting for the waterfront
Aside from City Banners and Christmas tree lights in Old Town I have to extend my heartfelt thank you to you all for doing yesterday's work; all heroes and so much brain power. I am so grateful to be part of this city with you all as Council. I don't mean just for the

Comments: votes for the plan but for all the conscientious thought and planning that went into making your decisions. With that I say Thank you Mr Mayor and Council you have been able to turn the wheel.
Sincerely,

David Martin

Attachment: 61e2feff5f01bc756f998bb765322cd0.JPG

Jackie Henderson

From: Ursula.Weide@www3a.alexandriava.gov
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 3:45 PM
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: Council Meeting Point of Order
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 15:44:46] Message ID: [36455]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Ursula
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Street Address: 1302 Bayliss Drive
City: Alexandria
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Email Address: ursulaweide@earthlink.net

Subject: Council Meeting Point of Order
Your Honors, Council Members,

Having attended in toto the public hearing

yesterday concerning the SAP (I pointed to Marbury v. Madison as having

originated in Alexandria because of "riotous proceedings" there),

here is is my First Amendment comment:

Please run your meetings the

way courts do - in a fair manner. Courts do not allow any public reaction

Comments: to court room proceedings, positive or negative. Applause or the lack

thereof is permitted by Council, fine.
But please: if you censure a

single "booh", e.g. mine which was called

"disrespectful" by the Mayor, then also do not allow standing

and cheering as you did after the vote when the vote goes the way your

majority wants it. This is disrespectful of those who are in opposition,

violating their First Amendment

rights.

At the end, the

"civility" of the hearing was emphasized by several of you. I do

not consider it "civil" to
allow cheering in support of your

vote while censure is meted out for an expression of displeasure. If

"civility" means not being allowed to express an opinion which

may not please you, this is a travesty of
the "democratic

process" several of you hailed for our City. And calls for more

"riotous proceedings" to
get democracy right at some point in

the near future. I have lived in the City for more than 25 years and

will continue to insist on my constitutional rights even when it

displeases most of you.

Ursula Weide, PhD, JD

Jackie Henderson

From: david martin <david@goldworksusa.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 3:38 PM
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: voting for the waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 15:38:19] Message ID: [36453]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: david
Last Name: martin
Street Address: 1400 King Street
City: Alexandria,
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone:
Email Address: david@goldworksusa.com
Subject: voting for the waterfront
Aside from City Banners and Christmas tree lights in Old Tow I have to extend my heartfelt thank you to you all for doing Yesterday all heroes and so much brain power. I am so grateful to be part of this
Comments: city with you all as Council. I don't mean just for the votes for the plan but for all the conscientious thought and planning to make your decisions. With that I say Thank you Mr Mayor and Council you have started a big wheel turning . David Martin

Jackie Henderson

From: Nancy Nissley <nissleyns@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 1:53 PM
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: Alexandria Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00002.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 13:52:34] Message ID: [36440]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Nancy
Last Name: Nissley
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Subject: Alexandria Waterfront Plan
HOORAY, kudos and thanks to Mayor Euille and the majority of Council members who supported the revised waterfront plan Saturday night. Council member Del Pepper has saved the day for crafting a compromise that the vast majority of Alexandrians not only support, but believe is long, long overdue. Hopefully, Frank Fannon's and Alicia Hughes' tenure on the Council will come to a swift end along with their short-sighted self-interest...as well as their camp's outrageous, hyperbolic language that simply back-fired.

Jackie Henderson

From: elizabeth gibney <bethgibney@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 1:09 PM
To: William Euille; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Linda Owens; Rob Krupicka; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Waterfront Vote
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 13:08:31] Message ID: [36438]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members
First Name: elizabeth
Last Name: gibney
Street Address: 300 south lee street
City: alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 7038368048
Email Address: bethgibney@gmail.com
Subject: Waterfront Vote
Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and Members of the City Council

With the

exception of Councilwoman Hughes and Councilman Fannon, I don't think I

have ever been so saddened and disappointed by the actions our city

leadership. The arrogance of elected officials to ignore the deafening

outcries of their community in favor of a business interests, fronted by a

Comments: so called citizens group, who hopes to profit from the development, such

as you have done, is astounding. And the hubris of the city attorney!

Actually it was frightening - and a wake up call. It was the first time I

could imagine what it must feel like to live in a totalitarian country

when the citizens voices are silenced. Thankfully we don't live in such a

country and our voices will be heard in elections.

Beth and Brian

Gibney
300 South Lee Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Jackie Henderson

From: Scott Brown <kevinscottbrown@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 11:31 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: Thank You!
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 11:31:24] Message ID: [36429]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Scott
Last Name: Brown
Street Address: 111 Harvard Street
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703-567-9928
Email Address: kevinscottbrown@yahoo.com
Subject: Thank You!
Dear Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Donley, Councilman Krupika, Councilman Smedberg, and Councilwoman Pepper.
Thank you for having the fortitude and vision to vote for the waterfront plan! It was the right thing to do.
Comments: Approving the waterfront plan is a huge positive step for Alexandria.

Thank you for all your hard work!

Sincerely,
K. Scott Brown

Jackie Henderson

From: Bill & Bonnie Rossello <bill.rossello@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2012 10:29 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: Waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sun Jan 22, 2012 10:29:07] Message ID: [36427]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

First Name: Bill & Bonnie

Last Name: Rossello

Street Address: 501 Cathedral Drive

City: Alexandria

State: VA

Zip: 22314

Phone: 703-587-8080

Email Address: bill.rossello@gmail.com

Subject: Waterfront

Well done! Thanks to those who supported the City plan. I am guessing that homeowners like us, who live outside of Old Town, did not participate much in the debate. That does not mean we did not care about the outcome.

We did. Two reasons -- one was articulated well by David Speck yesterday

regarding the financial future of the City. The other is this: For too long, the decisions about Old Town have been driven by a few loud voices emanating from the southeast quadrant. As a result, we have seen little in

Comments: the way of developing the waterfront that would attract us to come downtown. It's out waterfront too!

It's about time that a decision

was made for the majority of citizens who don't live there. We want an Old Town that not only brings more tourist revenue to our City coffers to offset our residential tax burden, but one that we can enjoy too! Many of us rarely venture east of Washington Street anymore. A more vibrant waterfront promises to bring us back. Thanks for your leadership, and for not backing down to the ideologues who believe that every transitioning

urban space should become a passive use park, and the provincial folks
who

believe that Washington Street is the City's western boundary.

Bravo!

Jackie Henderson

From: Alicia Spence <alispence1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2012 3:12 PM
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: No rezoning please!!!!
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Thu Jan 19, 2012 15:11:56] Message ID: [36220]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
First Name: Alicia
Last Name: Spence
Street Address: 431 N Columbus St
City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703-519-8713
Email Address: alispence1@yahoo.com
Subject: No rezoning please!!!!
Greetings, my City Council,

I just signed the following petition

addressed to: The City Council, City of Alexandria,

VA.

I am opposed to changes to the 1983 Waterfront

Agreement that would allow hotels and to changes to the
1992 W-1 zone

Comments: that would allow more density. I would prefer a waterfront based on arts,

culture and history,
as opposed to private commercial development. Please

vote "NO" on rezoning the waterfront.

Sincerely,

Alicia

Spence

PS- PLEASE REMEMBER YOU CONSTITUENTS!!

Jackie Henderson

From: Cicely Woodrow
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2012 3:31 PM
To: 'Donald Templeman'
Cc: Graciela Moreno; Jackie Henderson
Subject: RE: COA Contact Us: Rezoning the waterfront

Dear Mr. Templeman,

Thank you for submitting comments to the Department of Planning and Zoning. By copy of this email, I'm forwarding your message to Jackie Henderson, City Clerk and Clerk of Council, who will make your comments available as part of the official record.

Best regards,
Cicely Woodrow

Cicely B. Woodrow, PHR
Management Analyst III
Department of Planning & Zoning
301 King Street, Room 2100
Alexandria, Virginia 22314
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Fax: 703-838-6393

ECO-CITY ALEXANDRIA

In keeping with Eco-City Alexandria please consider the environment before printing this e-mail, print on paper certified for sustainability, and save energy by turning off your computer and printer at night.

From: Donald Templeman [<mailto:dtempleman@comcast.net>]
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2012 1:54 PM
To: PnZFeedback; Cicely Woodrow; Graciela Moreno
Subject: COA Contact Us: Rezoning the waterfront

COA Contact Us: Planning and Zoning General Feedback

Time: [Thu Jan 19, 2012 13:53:31] Message ID: [36203]

Issue Type: Planning and Zoning General Feedback
First Name: Donald
Last Name: Templeman
Street Address: 119 Princess St
City: Alexandria
State: Virginia
Zip: 22314
Phone: 703-836-5670

Email Address: dtempleman@comcast.net

Subject: Rezoning the waterfront
Don't rezone the waterfront.

We want a different waterfront
plan.

Slow down the planning process and include the views of
citizens.

I have been a resident of Alexandria for more than 34 years
and have looked forward to the day when the north Robinson Terminal
would
finally be removed and the waterfront opened up to use by its citizens. I
am not opposed to some of the present plan. But, I strongly object to the
construction of three hotels on the waterfront. There is no shortage of
hotels in Old Town.

Comments: Until very recently, I worked for 17 years as an
unpaid volunteer meeting and greeting visitors at Ramsay House. Never
once
did I hear anyone say that he/she had come to Old Town to stay at a nice
hotel on the waterfront. It is the history, shops and restaurants that
attract visitors here.
The Council should take advantage of this unique
opportunity to encompass the area around the old Mirant plant in the
overall redevelopment scheme.
This is a one-time opportunity. Don't
waste it.

Regards,.

Don Templeman

Jackie Henderson

From: Joanne Vinyard <jnvinyard@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2012 3:33 PM
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: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Thu Jan 19, 2012 15:32:47] Message ID: [36221]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

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Subject: Waterfront Plan

To the Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members:

It is my hope that you

will slow down the process of development along the waterfront.

Please

do not rezone the waterfront and include citizens with multiple ideas

Comments: representing all residents in the
planning process. With the Mirant Plant

going offline this year, the waterfront plan should be comprehensive
and

include that site.

We have one chance on this plan to get it right and

maintain the character of our city.

Joanne Vinyard

Jackie Henderson

From: John Pontecorvo <ponte.j@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 7:19 AM
To: William Euille; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Linda Owens; Rob Krupicka; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Waterfront Plan & Experience in Georgetown
Attachments: ATT00002.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 07:18:57] Message ID: [36394]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront Plan & Experience in Georgetown
Dear Mayor, Vice-Mayor, and Council Members:

I am writing because I

would like to share my experience with you. I moved to Old Town in April of

2010 because I couldn't stand living in Georgetown any longer. Having originally bought my home there in 1999, I watched as development and improvement plans were implemented until I found living there unbearable.

I attribute much of the problem to the increases in hotel and retail

Comments: shopping. Eventually, these simply overwhelmed the residents. On the weekends, it would take more than 20 minutes to drive my car from M and Wisconsin to the Key Bridge. Pedestrians constantly blocked traffic and gridlocking is unavoidable. Buses drop off loads of tourists onto the sidewalk every fifteen minutes making having to run any little errand a big hassle.

The whole purpose for my moving to Old Town was because it was not yet ruined as Georgetown is. In Alexandria's own information about the Waterfront Plan, it states that additional parking is being in anticipation

of the plan. This obviously means more traffic is expected. It also states that greater density is good. Yet, residents of Georgetown now have to avoid their own shopping areas due to the crushing foot traffic from all the tourists.

I would ask anyone considering voting in favor of this plan to go stay in Georgetown for a weekend. Drive there, park your car, walk around and try to do the things that any resident needs to do. Try hopping in your car and picking up groceries, walk to the dry cleaners, etc. Then ask yourself, if you really want the same thing for Old Town. As stewards of an historic city, I am hoping your efforts will be on preservation.

Thank you for your consideration,

John

Pontecorvo
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Jackie Henderson

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Subject: COA Contact Us: Waterfront Plan Vote
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 06:32:16] Message ID: [36393]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Auld
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State: VA
Zip: 22301
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Email Address: dennis.auld@comcast.net
Subject: Waterfront Plan Vote

Comments: I sincerely appreciate all the work that you have done, both Council and Staff, on this truly good waterfront plan. it is balanced, well thought out, and right for the City. I urge you to vote in favor of it today. I will be there to support it.

Jackie Henderson

From: Lynn Hampton <lynn.hampton@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 5:57 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: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 05:57:21] Message ID: [36392]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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State: VA
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Subject: Waterfront Plan
Today is a profiles in courage moment to vote for the City's Plan for the Waterfront. The plan has been well vetted. The plan brings vibrancy to the waterfront. And the plan is economically sound. The Planning Commission approved the Plan. The Waterfront Working Group approved the Plan. Many
Comments: changes have been made to the Plan as a result of the process. Voting against the plan rewards the opposition for their Uncivil behavior and tactics of misinformation, false and hurtful accusations. Do we want to see this as the norm of behavior in Alexandria-nasty robo calls? I encourage you to support the City by voting for the plan. Thank you for all of your work for all of the Citizens of Alexandria.

Jackie Henderson

From: Vladimir Tenev <vtenev@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 12:09 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: small area waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 00:08:56] Message ID: [36390]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: small area waterfront plan
Don't rezone the waterfront!
We want a different waterfront plan!
Comments: Slow

down the planning process and include citizens!

Jackie Henderson

From: Kremena Teneva <ktenev@ifc.org>
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 12:07 AM
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Subject: COA Contact Us: small area waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 00:06:44] Message ID: [36389]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: small area waterfront plan
Don't rezone the waterfront!
We want a different waterfront plan!
Comments: Slow

down the planning process and include citizens!

Jackie Henderson

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Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2012 12:04 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: small area waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Sat Jan 21, 2012 00:04:07] Message ID: [36388]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Tenev
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Email Address: stenev@ifc.org
Subject: small area waterfront plan
Don't rezone the waterfront!
We want a different waterfront plan!
Comments: Slow

down the planning process and include citizens!

Jackie Henderson

From: Susan Ginsburg <susanginsburg@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 11:57 PM
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: My vote and the rezoning plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 23:57:20] Message ID: [36387]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: My vote and the rezoning plan

Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

The major basis on which I

will cast my vote for Mayor and City Council Members is how the candidates

have voted and/or where they stand on the rezoning vote on January 31st.

I appreciate your hard work over considerable time which you have dedicated to the waterfront plan. And I very much appreciate the need for

Comments: a sound budget. I was disappointed that the recently appointed group was unable to find a third way bridging the divisions over this plan.

I

often walk my dog at night down King Street and around the pier, and for safety reasons alone, I am in favor of developing a lively, diversified

waterfront. But I am not persuaded that dense townhouse development on the

river is the way to accomplish this. I live near the Ford Plant homes and Harborside. However attractive they may be in and of themselves, their

riverfronts are incompletely available to non-residents during the day, and closed and unsafe at night for non-residents. This deficiency should not be replicated. Assuming a resolution of the yacht club's property interest, the entire riverfront should be visible, accessible, and designed for public safety.

As a native Washingtonian, I am used to tourists and in favor of tourism (just not those gargantuan, street-destroying busses). I enjoy and support Alexandria's businesses, and believe that a commercial-public mix can produce the best outcomes. But I am very concerned about the current approach. I view it as fundamentally premature, and strongly oppose the rezoning at this time.

As a resident of Old Town zone 1, I am particularly concerned about parking. Often when I return at night, after the dinner hour, there is no parking near my house, and I must park as far away as Union Street, three dark blocks from my house. Frankly, it makes me very uncomfortable. When city events occur - - parades and fairs -- it is quite difficult to park as well. I appreciate and participate in these special celebrations. But I am appalled that the City Council, even after the problematic experience of BRAC, plans to go forward without clear rules regarding parking (to say nothing of the flooding problem) which are compatible with appropriate height limitations.

I find the rezoning provisions for height and density aesthetically and historically inappropriate. In particular there appears to be no absolute height restriction that cannot be breached during further development. Revenues are important, but they should not drive the process; fulfilling the city's vision should drive the process, with revenues being an essential element toward that end.

My concern is not with amenities for their own sake. Rather, the plan does not highlight what is special about Alexandria and its history. I cannot understand how it came to be acceptable to move forward with building three hotels on the river. And this in a town where homeowners are asked not to remove

chainlink fences or modernize windows. I very much enjoy Market Square, but

I find the modern buildings surrounding it bland and lacking in charm. The river and Alexandria's place on it is to be featured and celebrated for the long term, rather than simply used for private homeownership and hotels which block it from view.

I am a lawyer and I appreciate litigation

risk. However, litigation risk is simply that, risk. With regard to the waterfront, there is everyone reason to take a stand and make Alexandria's

case. I believe the court of public opinion will largely be on

Alexandria's side, when what is at issue is seizing the opportunity to create a waterfront plan that accomodates business and the citizenry's desire to give Alexandria a greater competitive edge as a destination while also sustaining and drawing residents who want a highly livable, well managed city. It won't look particularly good for the owner pressing Alexandria against the citizenry's interests.

I'd like you to aim

higher and work with talented and energetic citizens and specialists to resolve the planning in a more satisfactory manner, blending history, business dynamism, and environmentally innovative problem-solving to create

a lively, nationally and globally notable, sustainable waterfront for all to enjoy.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Yours

truly,

Susan Ginsburg

Jackie Henderson

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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: Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 23:05:10] **Message ID:** [36386]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront Plan
At tomorrow's meeting in the waterfront plan, the City's plan has my
Comments: endorsement. Let's vote on it and get it
DONE!

Jackie Henderson

From: marianne anderson <marianneanderson@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 10:29 PM
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: Waterfront Plan...
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 22:28:58] Message ID: [36379]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront Plan...
Dear Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Donley, City Council members,
This plan

seems too aligned with development and developers and it seems to smack of

convenience rather than long-term esthetically pleasing, accessible waterfront space.

Closest to my home is Robinson Terminal North so I

have a strong interest in what might be developed on that land and how

Comments: dense and close to the water it all might be. And, how much traffic and infrastructure stress will be placed on the Parkway and surrounding area.

The north end of Old Town has not fared well in the world of architecturally pleasing structures. The current plan seems to allow for more of the same, only this time on a bigger scale. I am very wary.

Please do not pass the current Waterfront Plan. Thank you for your attention.
Marianne Anderson

Jackie Henderson

From: Patricia Butler <pbutler257@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 9:59 PM
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: Waterfront re-zoning
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 21:59:12] Message ID: [36376]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront re-zoning

Having lived at the present address since 1983, I have seen the positive re-shaping of the waterfront parks and have watched their increasing use by a wonderful variety of Alexandria's people and visitors who come out every day - and especially on weekends - to stroll, picnic, play, read, gaze at the river, and just BE in in this beautiful place. The plantings are lovelier every year too.

Comments: I am also old enough to have seen commercially ambitious city re-development schemes in other places that did nothing but degrade the distinctive character of cities and slump into failure and disuse.

I don't know what promises of personal gain or pipe dreams of enhanced tax revenue are driving present proposals to wall off and exploit the waterfront which is an Alexandria treasure available for all, but I know that mistakes made now will be very hard to undo. For that reason, I urge those acting on behalf of the public to stop and rethink how to make

changes that will enhance, not hurt, the appeal of this area for everyone.

Jackie Henderson

From: Susan Cohen <cohen2100@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 9:50 PM
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: waterfront proposal
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 21:49:41] Message ID: [36375]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: waterfront proposal

I wholeheartedly support and agree with the waterfront plan presently before the City Council for its consideration, and I urge the Council to adopt it. As a member of the Public Art Committee and a potter at the Torpedo Factory, I am particularly interested in seeing the "Art Walk" reach fruition, and am pleased by the plan's focus on using art and history as focal points to emphasize what makes Alexandria unique.

An extremely important element stressed in the Work Group document is the

Comments: need for a world class, holistic design vision, that unifies all aspects of the waterfront. The waterfront requires the involvement of people with a sense of vision to accomplish the mission of the Waterfront Plan. It needs people who will be able to integrate history and art, engineering and environmental concerns, as well as activities and new projects planned for the area.

I also support the proposal's recommendation that there should be a director who would be responsible for implementing and coordinating the waterfront plan. And I am confident that the art

community would like to remain actively involved in the waterfront plan.

Finally, we appreciate the Work Group's recommendation for finding additional funding for many aspects of the "Art Walk" along the river.

Thank you very much. Susan Cohen

Jackie Henderson

From: Kathy Beaty <kbbaumann@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 8:30 PM
To: William Euille; Frank Fannon; Kerry Donley; Alicia Hughes; Del Pepper; Paul Smedberg; Rose Boyd; Jackie Henderson; Linda Owens; Rob Krupicka; Elizabeth Jones
Subject: COA Contact Us: Vote on Alexandria Waterfront
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 20:29:47] Message ID: [36374]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members
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Subject: Vote on Alexandria Waterfront
Comments: Don't BRAC the Waterfront!

Jackie Henderson

From: John Patterson <john.patterson@me.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 7:38 PM
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: Support for Alexandria Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 19:37:53] Message ID: [36370]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Patterson
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City: Alexandria
State: Virginia
Zip: 22314
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Subject: Support for Alexandria Waterfront Plan
Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

I have been an Old Town

homeowner since 1999, and before that from 1988 to 1991. I live within 2

blocks

of the river, and 2 blocks from King Street. As an Alexandria

resident and local business owner, I welcome the City's Waterfront Plan,

and urge you to approve it.

The waterfront area has long been

Comments: neglected, and is currently an embarrassment to the City, which prides

itself on a lively history of shipbuilding and maritime commerce. Ugly

warehouses, dead-end walkways, limited access, and poor services

"hide" the current waterfront, providing no reason for residents

or

visitors to enjoy our fundamental natural resource.

As an example,

I have walked with my dog to the "park" at the foot of Duke

Street, to find an abandoned
and hidden area, with unsightly piers,

rubbish, views of dark warehouses and a dirty waterfront, evidence
of

homeless residence, and a feeling of fear. And, just last fall, I saw the

beautiful Colombian three-
masted ship off Prince Street, which I just

happened to see while walking out of Firehook on Union Street.
Later

that day, the ship moored between Wolfe and Duke Streets, and was all
but

invisible to anyone in Old
Town, other than the tip of one mast peeking

above the "beautiful" Robinson Terminal South. Another

opportunity lost to the many residents and visitors who probably didn't

even know it was a few blocks
away.

The waterfront is one of the

City's fundamental values, its connection to history, and yet it is now an

unsightly, inaccessible, and unusable mess. Fear of change is often an

inevitable knee-jerk reaction in
Old Town, but there is very little of

value, from historical, artistic, and civic perspectives to retain in the

current "waterfront" of Alexandria. We need change, and the

City has spent a lot of time, energy, and
money on a sensible, funded,

and well-designed plan with a view towards improvement, and the
planning

process provided numerous opportunities for citizen participation. The

CAAWP does not provide a
feasible, nor funded, alternative plan.

It's

time to move forward, not mark time yet again and "hope" for

something better from naysayers who
offer no reasonable

alternative.

Sincerely,

John

Patterson
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Jackie Henderson

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Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 7:32 PM
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Subject: COA Contact Us: Support for Alexandria's waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 19:31:37] Message ID: [36369]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

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Last Name: Valko

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Subject: Support for Alexandria's waterfront plan
Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

I support the Alexandria

waterfront plan. I own 323 Duke Street, three blocks from the waterfront,

and I look forward to the changes which will hopefully take place. I

rarely venture to the waterfront, as it feels seedy, abandoned, unsafe

and generally unwelcoming. It would be nice if the waterfront included a

nice area to dine

Comments: and enjoy the view, or perhaps a boutique

hotel...Something, or rather anything, that would encourage people to

visit and take advantage of all the wonderful things the waterfront

potentially has to offer. It currently feels like completely wasted

space. Please move forward with the waterfront plan, as I'm certain it

will benefit all of Old Town.

Regards,

Nikki Valko

Jackie Henderson

From: claire heffernan <heffernanclaire@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 7:23 PM
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:
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 19:22:43] Message ID: [36368]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject:

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of Council --

Don't rezone the

Comments: waterfront - this proposed plan is far too dense and will destroy our historical heritage, our quality of life and the heart of Old Town's identity. I support CAWWP's alternative plan.
Claire Heffernan

Jackie Henderson

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Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 7:21 PM
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: Waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 19:20:43] Message ID: [36367]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

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Last Name: Kuehnle

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State: VA

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Subject: Waterfront plan

I oppose the waterfront plan.

The increase in density and the first time

approval of multiple hotels on the waterfront will completely change the waterfront from a historical seaport to a common commercial district.

These commercial moves have been faced and rejected in the

past and the results have been amazingly positive. Several decades ago the

Comments: owners of what is now Founders Park wanted to build an apartment complex on

the site. Local residents opposed it and a land swap was eventually agreed

upon and the park is the result. Likewise during the urban removal era,

there was a proposal to destroy blocks of homes north of City Hall and

build a modern shopping mall to allow Alexandria to compete with the far

out suburbs. The proposal was defeated. The area is now an attractive

historic home area. A shopping center would be a horrible

eyesore.

Founders Park and the area just north of City Hall are part of what makes Alexandria so attractive to tourists. If the apartment house and "modern" suburban shopping center had been built, Alexandria would have a pathetic aspect that would turn off visitors and result in less tax money.

Remember, if the plan is approved, it can never be canceled or changed.

The waterfront will be a dense commercial district without any hope of restoring the historic seaport. The city council members supporting it will eventually disappear from the scene (as we all shall), but the loss will be felt forever.

Jackie Henderson

From: Mike Urena <Mike.urena4737@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 7:07 PM
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: Vote yes on the Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 19:06:32] Message ID: [36366]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Last Name: Urena
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State: Va
Zip: 22314
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Email Address: Mike.urena4737@gmail.com
Subject: Vote yes on the Waterfront Plan
Folks, hang tough tomorrow. This has been a nasty, dishonest campaign. I have nothing to gain from this financially and will surely bear some of the traffic burden but this is what's best for the community. I'm a federal civil servant so know the frustration that must come with the personal attacks on integrity but I encourage you to do what's best for all of Alexandria- not just those within 300 feet of the Waterfront. I'll be there to support the plan tomorrow.
Good luck,
Mike Urena

Jackie Henderson

From: Gail Gordon Donegan <gailkgordon@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:54 PM
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: Waterfront plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:53:48] Message ID: [36343]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront plan
My family and I support the waterfront development plan. The space we have
now is underutilized and doesn't bring revenue to the city. The plan would
Comments: not only generate tax revenue but would increase usage. What good is a
great space if only the rich people who can afford to live near it get to
use it?

Jackie Henderson

From: Doug redman <dprsox@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 4:15 PM
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: Waterfront Vote Yes
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 16:14:34] Message ID: [36345]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Waterfront Vote Yes
We urge you to vote for the City's waterfront plan tomorrow. We feel it
Comments: is by far the best plan for the city, residents and visitors. Let's get
it done. Enough with all of the nonsense of the last 6 month.

Jackie Henderson

From: Patricia Montague <patricia.montague@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 4:29 PM
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: waterfront
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COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 16:28:38] Message ID: [36346]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

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Subject: waterfront

Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

Please Vote NO on the current

proposal to rezone the Alexandria waterfront. Old town does not need

another hotel or office building, especially on the waterfront. We are

already overwhelmed with traffic, congestion, too many tourists, and a

lack of parking. Old town needs more open space and parks especially

Comments: along the waterfront. Save the hotels for the Gen On power plant site or

other more suitable inland locations that are Metro accessible. By

insisting on a better plan, with more open space than the proposed 5 acres,

and no more than one hotel (on the Robinson Terminal North site), you can

help insure that the Alexandria waterfront will be a resource that can be

enjoyed by all Alexandrians for many generations to come. On the other

hand, if you approve the current plan you will simply prove that

Alexandria's government has been
taken over by the developers and other

outside business interest, who did not elect you to office, who stand
to

gain financially by the overly dense proposal that has been submitted.
Now

is the time to remember who
voted you into office, and who will be most

impacted by increased density in Old Town.

Please do the right think

on Saturday and hold out for a plan that can be embraced by all

Alexandrians, and
especially those of us who live in Old Town and will be

most severely impacted by the over density of the
current proposal.

Patricia Montague

Jackie Henderson

From: Jane Weber <jane@weberdesign.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:29 PM
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: Waterfront Plan
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COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:28:41] Message ID: [36340]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

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Subject: Waterfront Plan

While having dinner at a restaurant on lower King Street, I couldn't help

overhearing the conversation at the next table. A group had come over on

the water taxi from National Harbor and were lamenting that they were not

staying in Old Town instead. They admired the charm and ambiance of the

neighborhood. They had quickly recognized what makes Old Town special and

the wish to see more development and hotels wasn't in the

Comments:

picture.  

I would urge you to rethink the whole

Waterfront Plan. When will the opportunity to redesign the waterfront

come before us again? We have only to look at the Torpedo Factory

residences, what is now the Hotel Monaco, etc. to see how uninspired,

uncreative development is a lost opportunity. Please don't spoil the

riverfront with massive boxes of red brick or maximum density housing

development. Let's be creative and
get this right.

Jackie Henderson

From: Angela J. Calanni <ajcalanni@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:29 PM
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: Council meeting 01-21- 2012
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:28:58] Message ID: [36341]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Council meeting 01-21- 2012

As a resident of Old Town Alexandria since 1983 and a voter, I implore the Mayor and City Council to refrain from voting on the waterfront issue at this time.

There is no need to precipitate a vote. There are far too many tax-paying residents of Old Town, myself included, who feel that the present plan will do nothing to enhance our lives and of those who come after us.

Our Old Town needs to be preserved. Some changes may be necessary, some even acceptable, but there is no need to rush. Two hundred years have passed since this city was founded, some previous changes have been beneficial, but many were not.

What is paramount in this entire subject is: The charm and the history of this old town must not be played with. If some people would like more hotels et al, there is plenty of room elsewhere. We do not need "chrome." Why put a decal on a Rolls-Royce!

Please, please do not go through with this vote, unless it
is to delay it in order to work out another plan.

Jackie Henderson

From: Mike Porterfield <mike@tartanproperties.com>
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 3:23 PM
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: Vote YES on the Waterfront Plan
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Fri Jan 20, 2012 15:23:17] Message ID: [36338]

Issue Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members
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Subject: Vote YES on the Waterfront Plan

The waterfront is a huge asset for ALL of Alexandria. Activity and commerce on the waterfront are a huge part of the city's history. Currently our waterfront is a huge underperforming asset, as it is currently lifeless and provides little to no commerce. I grew up rowing on the Potomac in the 80's, now 30 years later the river front is just the same as it was, save one restaurant, a tour boat company and two, almost private docks that we can't walk on. There is no where to get in the river, no where for anyone on the river to come to come to us and shop, or dine. Essentially we have a sign on the waterfront facing MD that says, "closed for business."

We need to expand the uses of the riverfront and provide more people, more opportunities to interact with the water. We need places to see the river, get in the river and get wet, places for people to come to us and dock boats, places for people to sit and watch the boats. The city needs to change with the times and this can be done respectful of our

history and our neighborhoods.

The waterfront is for everyone in the city including our guests, not just those that live in 22314. Their homes did not come with a covenant of "NO CHANGE." My father moved to S. Washington St. in the 60's. He always said Alexandria was kind of "shit hole" back then. Is that "History" the detractors of this plan want to hold on to? Thankfully the city has continued to grow and change. Don't allow the river front to become the Landmark Mall on the river.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael

Porterfield
Born here/Live here
Home Owner in Del Ray
Commercial

Property Owner in Old Town

Jackie Henderson

From: Andrew Macdonald <ahmacdonald@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2012 3:12 PM
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Subject: COA Contact Us: CAAWP - Waterfront -- Robo Calls
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

COA Contact Us: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

Time: [Tue Jan 24, 2012 15:12:11] Message ID: [36583]

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Subject: CAAWP - Waterfront -- Robo Calls

Dear Mayor and Council:

I want to state for the record that Citizens

for an Alternative Alexandria Waterfront Plan (CAAWP) does not know who

commissioned or organized the "robo calls" that some residents

apparently received prior to Saturday's waterfront hearing. CAAWP had

nothing to do with these calls. I had nothing to do with these calls. I

Comments:

have not even heard one. CAAWP has always put its name and contact

information on any material it releases to the public. We are a citizens

group concerned about the redevelopment of the Alexandria waterfront and

have nothing to hide.

I hope this puts to rest any rumors that we were

involved in this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew Macdonald
CO-Chair

CAAWP

CC: CAAWP BOARD