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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

JUNE 18, 2007

TO:

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING

MAY 31, 2007

ISSUE: Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending May 31, 2007.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council receive the following Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending May 2007.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: This report provides fiscal year (FY) 2007 financial information on revenues and expenditures of the General Fund for the period ended May 31, 2007. This report presents revenues and expenditures for the same period in FY 2006 for comparative purposes (Attachments 1 and 2) and provides charts of selected economic indicators (Attachment 3).

Overall, the City's economy continues to be strong with a low unemployment rate of 2.1 percent and new construction having added \$715.7 million, or 2.18 percent, to the City's tax base over the last year. Also, the recently released federal data now shows that the per capita income in Alexandria for 2005 (the latest data available) now totals \$61,147 per year which is tenth in the nation and the highest in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area. However, there are some areas where the statistics point to the City's need to focus more on economic sustainability. These statistics include an office vacancy rate of 11.4 percent, a hotel occupancy rate that has decreased by 6% over the last year, and a development market which favors residential development more than commercial development.

This report includes the budgeted final revenue projections for FY 2007 as reflected in Council's FY 2008 Approved Budget decisions, with all identified net additional revenues programmed as part of the FY 2008 Operating Budget and the FY 2008 Capital Improvement Plan.

REVENUE CATEGORY	FY 2007 BUDGET REVISED	FY 2007 BUDGET PROJECTIONS	BUDGET VERSUS PROJECTIONS
Real Property ¹	\$ 265.6	\$ 268.7	\$ 3.1 ¹
Personal Property-local share	31.5	34.6	3.1
Sales Tax	26.1	26.3	0.2
Consumer Utility Tax ²	17.9	13.1	(4.8)
Communication Sales and Use Tax ²	-	5.1	5.1
Business License Tax ²	31.0	30.2	(0.8)
Transient Lodging Tax	8.2	7.7	(0.5)
Restaurant Meals Tax	10.7	10.2	(0.5)
Recordation Taxes	5.1	5.7	0.6
Admission Tax	1.2	1.0	(0.2)
Cell Phone Tax ²	2.4	1.4	(1.0)
Other Local Taxes	6.2	5.7	(0.5)
Intergovernmental	50.1	52.0	1.9
Fines and Forfeitures	4.1	3.4	(0.7)
Licenses and Permits	4.9	5.4	0.5
Charges for City Services	11.0	10.3	(0.7)
Use of Money and Property	8.6	9.7	1.1
Net Additional Revenue			\$5.9 ³

At the adopted rate of 83.0¢ per hundred. Change in projection is attributable to the change in tax rate.

REVENUES (Attachment 1): As of May 31, 2007, actual General Fund revenues totaled \$342.9 million, an increase of \$5.3 million over the same period last year. This is primarily due to the budgeted increase in real estate tax revenue. Revenues reflect normal trends and present no cause for concern. There have been no changes in projections from the previous report.

Real Property Taxes: Second half 2006 real estate taxes were due November 15. As projected in the FY 2007 budget, second half 2006 real estate billings totaled \$136.6 million. With 2007 assessments increasing 4.43 percent, overall FY 2007 real estate tax revenue collections, when the first half 2007 taxes are received, will exceed budgeted levels. These tax receipts, due June 15, are still being tabulated. The assessment increase, at the FY 2008 Adopted Budget 83¢ real

² Certain telecommunications and cable television taxes have been replaced Statewide by the new 5% communication sales and use tax (see details under communication sales and use tax).

³ Revenues entirely programmed or designated as part of the FY 2008 budget process. See the FY 2008 Approved Operating Budget actions in Council meeting minutes for details.

estate tax rate, would increase expected FY 2007 real estate tax revenues to \$268.7 million, or \$3.1 million above the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Personal Property Taxes: Collections-to-date of \$34.3 million are 5.2 percent higher than this time last year. Personal property tax bills were due on October 5, 2006. The FY 2007 Approved Budget includes a \$31.5 million revenue projection for tax revenue collected directly by the City (including \$16.0 million for vehicles and \$15.5 million for businesses) and includes an additional \$23.6 million of intergovernmental revenue that the City collects from the Commonwealth under the provisions of the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 (PPTRA). The State's share of the local personal property tax payment this year was capped at \$23.6 million, as the State has made a change in the way this tax payment is computed and reimbursed. An additional \$0.2 million was received for payments related to prior year reimbursements. The total for all budgeted revenues related to personal property tax for FY 2007 is \$55.1 million. The total tax on all vehicles in the August billing, including the portion that the State reimburses the City under the PPTRA, increased by 5.25 percent. The total number of business personal property taxes billed and the total of the assessments of business personal property increased by 3.3 percent when compared to last year. Actual tax revenues of \$34.3 million exceed budget revenues by \$2.8 million. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that, after paying refunds to taxpayers moving out of the City, business and vehicle personal property tax collections will probably exceed \$34.6 million, an increase of \$3.1 million above the Approved FY 2007 Budget.

Personal Property Tax (in millions)	FY 2006 Actual-to-Date	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2007 Actual-to-Date
City share	\$ 32.7	\$ 31.5	\$ 34.3
Commonwealth reimbursement	22.4	23.6	23.8
Total	\$ 55.1	\$ 55.1	\$ 58.1

Local Sales and Use Taxes: Businesses remit sales tax to the Commonwealth within 30 days of the end of the month in which sales occurred. The Commonwealth wires the City's portion of the sales tax approximately one month later. Sales taxes received by the City in May represent revenues collected by merchants in March. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that sales tax collections will approximate \$26.3 million, a \$0.2 million increase over the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Consumer Utility Taxes: Consumer Utility Taxes are collected by the utility companies one month after billing and are remitted to the City the following month.

Utility	FY 2006 Year-to-Date Receipts	FY 2007 Year-to-Date Receipts	Increase/ (Decrease)
Telephone - Tax on Local Services	\$5,887,285	\$3,484,324	\$(2,402,961)
Electricity	4,654,903	4,743,254	88,351
Water	1,624,917	1,623,828	(1,089)
Natural Gas	1,871,257	1,889,947	18,690

Based on FY 2007 collections-to-date, telephone tax revenues for landline phones will continue to decrease. Since January 1, 2007, a portion of the City's consumer utility tax on telephone services has been replaced by a 5 percent communication sales and use tax being implemented statewide. Each month, the City will receive a proportionate share of the total statewide Communication Sales and Use Tax revenues based upon actual FY 2006 revenues. Based on these lower collections and reclassifying a portion of the tax, it appears that Consumer Utility Taxes will approximate \$13.1 million, a decrease of \$4.8 million below the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Communication Sales and Use Tax: Beginning January 1, 2007, a sales and use tax on communication services, in the amount of 5 percent of the sales price of each communications service, replaced the following taxes and fees:

- local consumer utility tax on telephone service (landline and wireless),
- State and local E-911 taxes and fees,
- portion of gross receipts tax in excess of 0.5 percent,
- cable television system franchise fee,
- video programming excise tax, and
- local consumer utility tax on cable services (by local general charters).

Initial Communication Sales and Use Tax revenues from the recently implemented 5 percent tax are coming in lower than the State's prior projections. While the City will eventually collect revenue based on the prior projections, it appears evident that this may not happen before the end of FY 2007. This current shortfall circumstance affects all cities and counties in the State. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that actual collections will approximate \$5.1 million, and no change from the previous projection, but \$0.9 million lower than the estimate the State provided last year.

Business License Taxes: The City's Business License Tax was due March 1. Collections-to-date, in the amount of \$29.3 million, are \$2.4 million higher than last year. Based on preliminary collections-to-date of delinquent taxes and staff's current estimate, FY 2007 actual payments will

total \$30.2 million, a decrease of \$0.8 million below the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection. A small portion of the Business License Tax (less than \$0.3 million) will be replaced by the 5 percent Communications Sales and Use Tax.

Transient Lodging Taxes: Transient Lodging Taxes are remitted to the City within 30 days after collection. Therefore, the revenue reflected in this report represents collections by hotels through April 2007. Collections total \$6.0 million, which is a decrease of \$0.1 million below collections in the previous year. This decrease is a direct reflection of a decline of about 6% in hotel occupancy in the City caused in part by an increase in the federal per diem which now covers the cost of many hotels in downtown Washington, as well as a decrease in usage of the Washington Convention Center compared to last fiscal year. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that Transient Lodging Tax collections will approximate \$7.7 million, a \$0.5 million decrease below the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Restaurant Meals Tax: Restaurant Meals Taxes are remitted to the City within 30 days after collection. Therefore, the revenue reflected in this report represents collections by restaurants through April 2007. Collections total \$8.4 million, an increase of \$0.4 million over collections in the previous year. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that Restaurant Meals Tax collections will approximate \$10.2 million, a \$0.5 million decrease below the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Real Estate Recordation Taxes: Real Estate Recordation Tax revenues are collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court and remitted to the City the following month. Collections-to-date of \$4.8 million represent a decrease of \$1.6 million from prior year collections and reflect a slowing real estate market. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that actual collections will approximate \$5.7 million, an increase of \$0.6 million over the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Cell Phone Tax: New in FY 2006, the effective date for the Cell Phone Tax was September 1, 2005. Collections-to-date of \$1.4 million reflect Cell Phone Tax revenue remitted to the City for service through December, the last date this tax was collected as a separate tax. As is the case with the Consumer Utility Tax, the City's Cell Phone Tax is now included in the new 5 percent Statewide Communications Sales and Use Tax.

Intergovernmental Revenues: The City's General Fund revenues from the federal government are primarily for federal prisoner per diem. The City has billed \$4.8 million for housing federal prisoners through the period ending May 31, 2007. The federal government generally pays the City for housing federal prisoners between 45 and 60 days after the end of the billing period. Based on collections-to-date, an increase in the number of guaranteed beds for the federal government, and an increase in the per diem rate the federal government pays to the City, it appears that total federal intergovernmental revenues will approximate \$6.1 million, an increase of \$0.7 million over the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Fines and Forfeitures: The decrease is primarily attributable to a decrease in parking fine revenue. The number of parking tickets issued decreased 14.5 percent below the number issued at this time last year. It appears that the decrease is attributable to the number of parking enforcement officer vacancies. The Police Department continues to address the vacancy situation. Based on collections-to-date it appears that actual collections will approximate \$3.4 million, a decrease of \$0.7 million below the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Licenses and Permits: Year-to-date revenues include increased construction related permits, primarily for multi-family dwellings. Collections-to-date are \$5.4 million, or \$0.7 million higher than collections at this time last year, primarily for building permits. Some of these revenues will need to be transferred to separate revenue funds for development-related activities. Based on these collection patterns and expected transfers, Licenses and Permits revenue are expected to be \$5.4 million, an increase of \$0.5 million over the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Charges for Services: The decrease below prior year collections is primarily attributable to the fact that sewer charges are recorded in a separate fund in FY 2007. Due to lower than budgeted collections for ambulance charges (\$0.2 million) and parking meter receipts (\$0.4 million), staff projects that actual collections will approximate \$10.3 million, a decrease of \$0.7 million below the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Revenue from Use of Money & Property: Increased revenues represent increased interest earnings on short-term City investments. Interest rates are almost 50 basis points higher than the rate earned at this time last year, thereby increasing City earnings. Based on collections-to-date, it appears that actual collections will approximate \$9.7 million, an increase of \$1.1 million over the Approved FY 2007 Budget and no change from the previous projection.

Other Revenue: Other revenues include gifts and donations, damage recoveries and recovered costs

Transfer from Sanitary Sewer Fund: This transfer represents the portion of the City's general obligation debt that is attributable to sanitary sewer projects and is being paid from the related sewer fees as approved in the Approved FY 2007 Budget. These funds will be transferred when the associated debt service is paid.

EXPENDITURES (Attachment 2): As of May 31, 2007, actual General Fund expenditures totaled \$389.3, an increase of \$18.0 million, or 3.6 percent, above expenditures for the same period last year. The Approved General Fund Budget is 4.9 percent higher than FY 2006. Except as noted below, increases in expenditures over those budgeted are attributable to budgeted expenditures for annual equipment replacement charges made at the beginning of the fiscal year. This expenditure pattern reflects the Approved FY 2007 Budget.

Economic Development Activities: General Fund expenditures in this category reflect all annual contribution payments to community agencies.

City Attorney: Expenditures-to-date reflect higher than anticipated outside legal fees. Staff will recommend an appropriations transfer in the context of the June Transfer Resolution as necessary to match these expenditures with budget authority.

General Services: General Services if facing higher than expected fuel costs. Staff will recommend an appropriations transfer in the context of the June Transfer Resolution as necessary to match the expenditures with budget authority.

Transit Subsidies: Payments represent all payments to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and the Virginia Railway Express.

Human Services: Human Services is facing a potential shortfall due to the loss of federal revenue in child-care programs and in the Department's revenue maximization efforts, as well as the increasing expenditures associated with the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families (CSA). During the FY 2007 budget process, Council designated \$1 million of fund balance for possible appropriation to address the potential revenue shortfall. These funds were appropriated to the Non-Departmental account in November and are available to offset most, if not all, of this shortfall. Staff will recommend an appropriations transfer in the context of the June Transfer Resolution if necessary to match additional expenditures with budget authority. Human Services is seeking grants and working on expenditure reductions to address the remaining shortfall.

Schools: The School Administration has reported \$158.6 million in expenses through May 31, 2007. The City's General Fund share of total School budgeted operating expenditures is approximately 76 percent of the total expenditures. This percentage was applied to total School disbursements to estimate School expenditures-to-date in the amount of \$120.6 million (i.e., 76 percent of \$158.6 million).

Other Education Activities: Expenditures-to-date reflect all quarterly contribution payments to the Northern Virginia Community College.

Non-Departmental: General Fund expenditures in this category reflect the City's contributions to the closed public safety defined benefit pension plan, senior citizens' rent relief, and payment for the City's liability insurance.

Cash Matches (MH/MR/SA, Human Services, Library and Miscellaneous Grants): To comply with grant awards, the City's share funding is transferred from the General Fund to the Special Revenue Fund at the end of the fiscal year.

Transfer to Housing: All housing programs are now reported in a separate Special Revenue Fund. These expenditures represent the cost of operations transferred to the fund. The budget

also includes cash match funds for housing grants that will be transferred at the end of the fiscal year.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1. Comparative Statement of Revenues
Attachment 2. Comparative Statement of Expenditures & Transfers by Function
Attachment 3. Selected Economic Indicators

STAFF:

Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager Laura B. Triggs, Acting Director of Finance Ray Welch, Acting Comptroller, Department of Finance Bruce Johnson, Director, OMB

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES GENERAL FUND FOR THE PERIODS ENDING MAY 31, 2007 AND MAY 31, 2006

		FY2007 APPROVED BUDGET		FY2007 REVENUES IRU 05/31/07	% OF BUDGET		FY2006 REVENUES IRU 05/31/06
General Property Taxes	_		_			_	
Real Property Taxes	\$	265,646,462	\$	145,706,090	54.8%	\$	143,036,270
Personal Property Taxes		31,500,000		34,320,567	109.0%		32,701,055
Penalties and Interest		1,500,000		1,522,339	101.5%	_	1,546,913
Total General Property Taxes		298,646,462		181,548,996			177,284,238
Other Local Taxes							
Local Sales and Use Taxes	\$	26,100,000		18,919,124	72.5%	\$	18,320,519
Consumer Utility Taxes		17,900,000		11,741,353	65.6%		14,038,362
Communication Sales and Use Taxes		-		2,528,828	•		-
Business License Taxes		31,000,000		29,295,528	94.5%		26,863,955
Transient Lodging Taxes		8,200,000		5,996,145	73.1%		6,129,332
Restaurant Meals Tax		10,700,000		8,435,065	78.8%		8,039,810
Tobacco Taxes		2,800,000		2,456,888	87.7%		2,603,268
Motor Vehicle License Tax		2,400,000		2,379,889	99.2%		2,401,821
Real Estate Recordation		5,125,640		4,826,669	94.2%		6,473,805
Admissions Tax		1,200,000		879,141	73.3%		946,728
Cell Phone Tax		2,400,000		1,397,452	58.2%		1,830,441
Other Local Taxes		3,829,000		2,601,227	67.9%		2,514,134
Total Other Local Taxes	\$	111,654,640	\$	91,457,309	81.9%	\$	90,162,175
Intergovernmental Revenues							
Revenue from the Federal Government	\$	5,328,909	\$	4,234,282	79.5%	\$	3,560,279
Personal Property Tax Relief from the							
Commonwealth		23,600,000		23,778,360	100.8%		22,421,368
Revenue from the Commonwealth		21,185,396		17,937,118	84.7%		17,669,850
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	\$	50,114,305	\$	45,949,760	91.7%	\$	43,651,497
Other Governmental Revenues And							
Transfers In							
Fines and Forfeitures	\$	4,072,300	\$	3,125,209	76.7%	\$	3,212,360
Licenses and Permits		4,909,800		5,411,580	110.2%		4,761,562
Charges for City Services		10,988,543		6,446,067	58.7%		10,200,612
Revenue from Use of Money & Property		8,644,000		8,413,880	97.3%		7,489,860
Other Revenue		427,000		511,627			788,122
Transfer from Sewer Fund		1,063,895		<u>-</u>	0.0%		
Total Other Governmental Revenues		30,105,538	\$	23,908,363	79.4%	\$	26,452,516
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	490,520,945	\$	342,864,428	69.9%	\$	337,550,426
Appropriated Fund Balance							
General Fund		3,154,819		-	0.0%		-
Reappropriation of FY 2006 Encumbrances							
And Other Supplemental Appropriations		9,494,833			0.0%		
TOTAL	<u>\$</u>	503,170,597	\$	342,864,428	68.1%	<u>\$</u>	337,550,426

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS BY FUNCTION GENERAL FUND

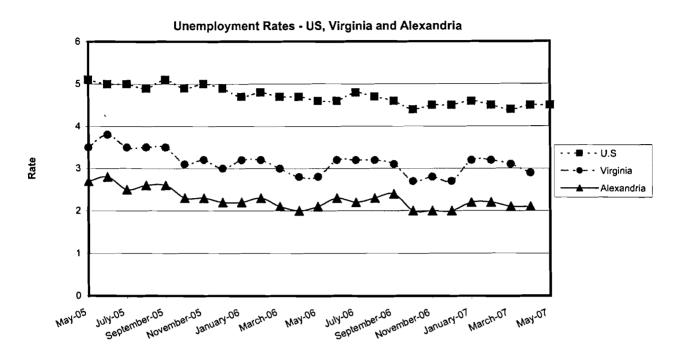
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	FY2007 APPROVED		EXP	FY2007 PENDITURES	% OF BUDGET	FY2006 EXPENDITURES	
FUNCTION		BUDGET	TH	IRU 05/31/07		TH	RU 05/31/06
Legislative & Executive	<u>s</u>	6,327,498	s	5,345,428	84.5%	\$	4,602,965
Judicial Administration	S	35,637,354	\$	32,246,661	90.5%	\$	29,932,111
Staff Agencies							
Information Technology Services	\$	8,283,530	\$	7,293,594	88.0%	\$	6,358,956
Management & Budget		1,173,351		1,034,662	88.2%		866,281
Finance		10,091,525		8,610,169	85.3%		6,909,483
Real Estate Assessment		1,521,042		1,314,136	86.4%		1,073,129
Personnel		3,156,379		2,920,764	92.5%		2,633,036
Planning & Zoning		5,620,332		4,347,886	77.4%		3,610,252
Economic Development Activities		2,798,072		2,731,548	97.6%		2,705,534
City Attorney		3,185,009		4,293,034	134.8%		2,225,866
Registrar		1,088,476		921,549	84.7%		889,961
General Services		12,638,040		11,885,668	94.0%		10,161,011
Total Staff Agencies	\$	49,555,756	\$	45,353,010	91.5%	\$	37,433,509
Operating Agencies							
Transportation & Environmental Services	\$	25,803,876	\$	23,265,476	90.2%	\$	21,347,272
Fire		35,749,973		33,349,394	93.3%		30,792,764
Police		49,425,375		45,153,993	91.4%		41,381,341
Transit Subsidies		6,825,042		6,546,214	95.9%		5,892,480
Mental Health/Mental Retardation/							
Substance Abuse		520,755		491,257	94.3%		545,624
Health		7,920,603		6,358,900	80.3%		7,009,481
Human Services		11,705,975		10,997,659	93.9%		9,507,918
Historic Resources		2,758,869		2,404,230	87.1%		2,293,284
Recreation		20,308,880		18,124,740	89.2%		16,774,775
Total Operating Agencies	\$	161,019,348	\$	146,691,863	91.1%	\$	135,544,939
Education							
Schools	\$	149,873,621	\$	120,559,532	80.4%	S	109,542,241
Other Educational Activities		12,548		12,548	100.0%		12,990
Total Education	S	149,886,169	\$	120,572,080	80.4%	\$	109,555,231
Capital, Debt Service and Miscellaneous							
Debt Service	\$	31,094,403	\$	13,753,051	44.2%	\$	12,752,181
Non-Departmental		11,809,221		6,139,015	52.0%		8,316,907
Cash Capital		4,854,808		4,854,808	100.0%		18,859,735
Contingent Reserves		330,757		-	-		-
Total Capital, Debt Service and Miscellaneous	\$	48,089,189	\$	24,746,874	51.5%	\$	39,928,823
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	450,515,314	\$	374,955,916	83.2%	\$	356,997,578
Cash Match (Mental Health/Mental Retardation/							
Substance Abuse, Human Services and Library							
and Transfers to the Special Revenue Fund)		33,887,830		-	0.0%		1,639,815
Transfer to Housing		4,385,398		1,204,086	27.5%		992,582
Transfer to Library		7,045,031		6,460,293	91.7%		5,904,039
Transfer to DASH		7,337,024		6,728,051	91.7%		5,815,614
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS	\$	503,170,597	\$	389,348,346	77.4%	\$	371,349,628

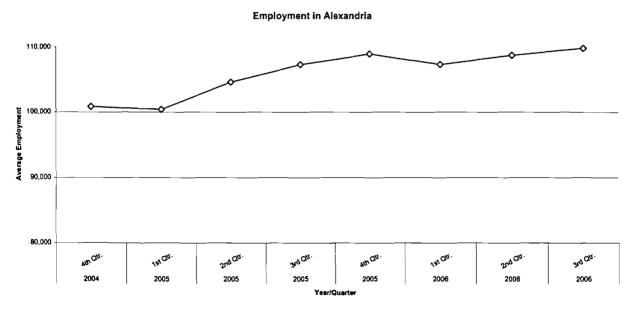
CITY OF ALEXANDRIA SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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	Current	Prior	Percent
	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Change</u>
Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) for the Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV Area (As of May 31, 2007) (Source: Published bi-monthly by United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)	133.0	128.8	+3.2%
Unemployment Rates Alexandria Virginia (As of April 30, 2007) (Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, as adjusted)	2.1%	2.0%	+5%
	2.9%	2.8%	+4%
United States (As of May 31, 2007) (Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)	4.5%	4.6%	-2%
Interest Rates (As of May 31, 2007) Prime Rate Federal Fund Rate (Source: SunTrust Economic Monitor)	8.25%	8.00%	+3%
	5.25%	4.90%	+7%
New Business Licenses (During May) (Source: Finance Department, Business Tax Branch)	88	68	+29%
Office Vacancy Rates (As of December 31, 2006) Alexandria Northern Virginia Washington DC Metro Area (Source: Grubb & Ellis)	11.4%	6.7%	+70%
	13.1%	12.9%	+2%
	11.6%	10.4%	+12%
New Commercial Construction (As of April 30, 2007) Number of New Building Permits Value of New Building Permits (Source: Fire Department Code Enforcement Bureau)	7	8	-13%
	\$90.1	\$53.9	+67%
Residential Real Estate Indicators (for the twelve months ended April 30, 2007) Residential Dwelling Units Sold Average Residential Sales Price (Source: Department of Real Estate Assessments)	225	218	+3%
	\$479,099	\$513,614	<+7%>

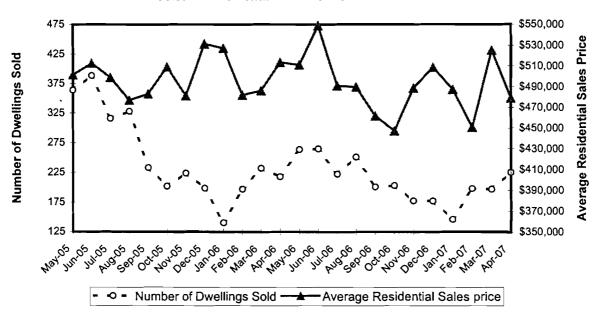


Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (as revised by BLS)

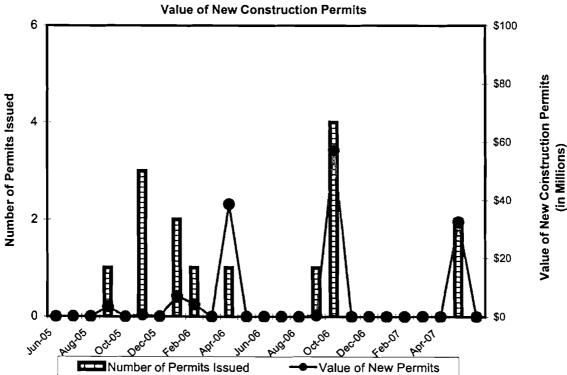


Source: Virginia Employment Commission, including the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

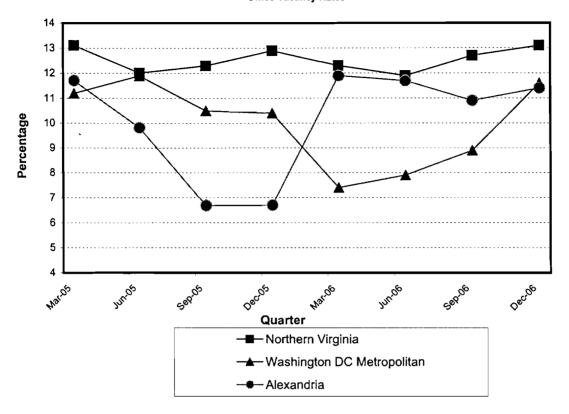
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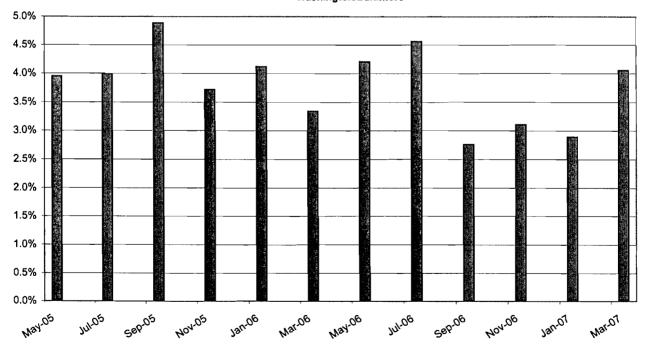
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Office Vacancy Rates

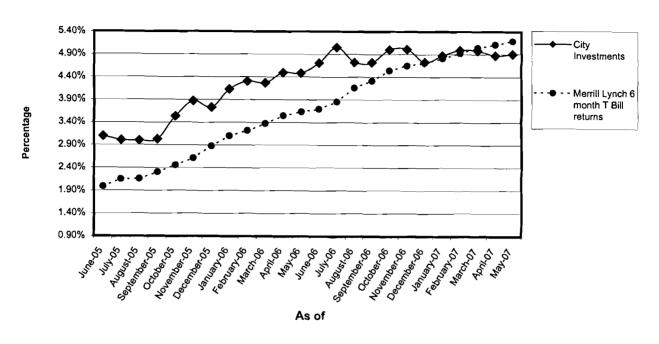


Twelve Month Annualized Percentage Change in Consumer Price Index Washington/Baltimore



Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Selected Interest Rates



Source: Suntrust Economic Monitor

