

**CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA****Regular Meeting****Tuesday, September 25, 2007 - - 7:00 p.m.**

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

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Mr. Hartmann, City Manager; Mr. Pessoa, City Attorney; Ms. Evans, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Jinks, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Baier, Director, Transportation and Environmental Services; Ms. Boyd, Director, Citizen Assistance; Ms. Vosper, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Ms. Winey, Grants Coordinator, City Manager's Office; Ms. Bonds, Communications Director, City Manager's Office; Ms. Harris, Communications Officer, City Manager's Office; Mr. Maslanka, Division Chief, Transportation and Environmental Services; Mr. Johnson, Director, Office of Management and Budget (OMB); Ms. Wheel, Budget Analyst, OMB; Mr. Stewart, Budget Analyst, OMB; Ms. Triggs, Acting Director, Finance; Mr. Coleman, Division Chief, General Services; Mr. Josephson, Deputy Director, Planning and Zoning; Ms. Barnett, Deputy Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Mr. McCobb, Deputy Director of Operations, Transportation and Environmental Services; Fire Chief Thiel; Mr. Rule, Paramedic, Fire Department; Mr. Gerber, Paramedic, Fire Department; Sheriff Lawhorne; Ms. Davis, Director, Office of Housing; Police Captain Aden; Mr. R. Saenz, ITS; Mr. D. Saenz, ITS; and Mr. Lloyd.

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

**OPENING**

1. Calling the Roll.

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

2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

- (a) The Regular Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2007; and
- (b) The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2007.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of September 11, 2007 and the public hearing meeting minutes of September 15, 2007. The voting was as follows:

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

## **RECOGNITION OF YOUTH BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

None.

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

- 4. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring October 2007 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Alexandria.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 4; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

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

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

- 5. Recognition of Fire Department Medics of the Quarter.

City Council recognized Paramedics John Rule and Michael Gerber as the Fire Department Medics of the Quarter.

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER**

### **CONSENT CALENDAR (6-12)**

#### **(Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)**

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

- (a) Alexandria Archaeological Commission  
William Tabor
- (b) Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors  
Stephanie Pace Brown
- (c) Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission  
Samantha Ahdoot
- (d) Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission  
Rika Maeshiro  
Robert Younes
- (e) Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board  
Sabrina B. Wear

(A copy of the above resignations is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 6 (a-e); 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

7. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- (a) Alexandria Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee  
1 Representative of Councilman Justin M. Wilson
- (b) Alexandria Commission for the Arts  
1 Member Who Has Expertise in the Arts, Either As A Practitioner of Various Art Disciplines or As A Professional Administrator Working in the Field
- (c) Alexandria Community Criminal Justice Board  
1 Representative of the Business Community Recommended by the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce
- (d) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission  
1 Representative From the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Association  
1 Representative From the George Washington Masonic Memorial  
1 Representative From the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors
- (e) Alexandria Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee  
2 Representatives From the Potomac West Area

- (f) Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission  
1 Non-Health Professional Member

(A copy of the above appointments is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 7 (a-f); 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**(Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)**

8. Consideration of Submission of Application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, State and Tribal Grants Program for the Development of the Four Mile Run Stream Restoration Demonstration Project.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 18, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

9. Receipt of the Annual Committee Attendance Report for FY 2007.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 18, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

10. Consideration of Acceptance of a Funding Allocation from the National Capital Region (NCR) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI.)

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 19, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

11. Consideration of Authorization of Recommended Capital Project Allocations and Planned Expenditures.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 21, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

12. Consideration of a Request to Hold the King Street Mile Race on King Street from Market Square to Union Station on Monday, December 31, 2007, from 5:00 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. to Open First Night Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 17, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

## END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

6. City Council accepted the following resignations with regret: (a) William Tabor, Alexandria Archaeological Commission; (b) Stephanie Pace Brown, Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors; (c) Samantha Ahdoot, Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission; (d) Rika Maeshiro and Robert Younes, Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission; and (e) Sabrina B. Wear, Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board.

7. City Council made the following appointments: (a) appointed H. Scott Johnson, Jr., as the representative of Councilman Justin M. Wilson to the Alexandria Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee; (b) appointed Terry Ann D'arcy as the member who has expertise in the arts, either as a practitioner of various art disciplines or as a professional administrator working in the field to the Alexandria Commission for the Arts; (c) waived the residency requirement and reappointed Ashley McNeff as the representative of the business community recommended by the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce to the Alexandria Community Criminal Justice Board; (d) appointed Harry Mahon as the representative from the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Association, waived the residency requirement and appointed Mark Tabbert as the representative from the George Washington Masonic Memorial and waived the residency requirement and appointed Stephanie Brown as the representative from the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (e) reappointed William Henderickson and Sandy Modell as the two representatives from the Potomac West Area to the Alexandria Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee; and (f) reappointed Richard Merritt as the non-health professional member to the Public Health Advisory Commission.

8. City Council authorized the City Manager to: (1) submit a grant application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) funding in the amount of \$716,800, to be matched by City funding in the amount of \$586,472, for the development of the Four Mile Run Stream Restoration Demonstration Project (There is no formal application deadline); and (2) execute all necessary documents and agreements that may be required to receive this funding under this grant program.

9. City Council: (1) received the report; (2) vacated the 10 positions listed on pages one and two of the report; and (3) authorized the Executive Secretary for Boards and Commissions to advertise the vacancies.

10. City Council: (1) authorized the City Manager to accept funding through the Urban Area Security Initiative in the amount of \$250,000; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents.

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

12. City Council permitted an exception to the Major Events Policy to allow First Night Alexandria to sponsor the King Street Mile Race in Old Town scheduled for December 31, 2007, to open the annual First Night Alexandria celebration.

The voting was as follows:

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

### CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

13. Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee  
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Amanda Gordon  
Vikash Mohan  
Adil Rasti  
Rita Yurow

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and the ballots tallied with the following results: No one received a majority vote; therefore, there had to be a second balloting. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Mohan
Pepper	-	Gordon
Gaines	-	Mohan
Krupicka	-	Mohan
Lovain	-	Yurow
Smedberg	-	Yurow
Wilson	-	Gordon

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were again distributed, tellers were again appointed and the ballots were again tallied with the following results: No one received a majority vote; therefore, there had to be a third balloting. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Mohan
Pepper	-	Yurow
Gaines	-	Mohan
Krupicka	-	Mohan
Lovain	-	Yurow
Smedberg	-	Yurow
Wilson	-	Gordon

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were again distributed, tellers were again appointed and the ballots were again tallied with the following results: City Council appointed Vikash Mohan as the citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Mohan
Pepper	-	Mohan
Gaines	-	Mohan
Krupicka	-	Mohan
Lovain	-	Yurow
Smedberg	-	Yurow
Wilson	-	Yurow

14. Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority  
1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

ENDORSED BY:

John Biechman  
David Pritzker  
Peter Straub

Rosalind Bovey

(Material pertaining to the above appointment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked collectively as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, ballots were distributed, tellers were appointed and the ballots tallied with the following results: City Council reappointed David Pritzker as the citizen member to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Pritzker
Pepper	-	Pritzker

Gaines	-	Pritzker
Krupicka	-	Pritzker
Lovain	-	Pritzker
Smedberg	-	Pritzker
Wilson	-	Pritzker

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR DISCUSSION

15. Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending August 31, 2007.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 20, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Deputy City Manager Jinks gave a presentation explaining the monthly financial report, including how the City's surplus would be allocated, and responded to questions from City Council about the report.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Gaines, seconded by Councilman Wilson and carried unanimously, City Council received the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending August 31, 2007. The voting was as follows:

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

16. Consideration of FY 2009 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Project Funding Requests. (#14, 9/11/07)

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 20, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Transportation and Environmental Services Director Baier and Division Chief Maslanka responded to questions from Council members about prioritization of initiatives and participated in a discussion about funding requests.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) approved the transportation projects discussed as those projects for which the City of Alexandria will request Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program and Regional Surface Transportation Program grant funding for FY 2009; and (2) authorized the City Manager to apply for these grants, and gave him permission to enter into necessary agreements



with the state to accept any of these grants that are provided by the Commonwealth. The voting was as follows:

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

17. Consideration of an Operating Agreement Among the City of Alexandria, the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership and the Alexandria Industrial Development Authority.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 18, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 09/25/06, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council: (1) approved the Agreement which restates the relationship between the City, the Alexandria Industrial Development Authority and the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement. The voting was as follows:

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

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

**None**

## **ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

(a) Vice Mayor Pepper reported that she and Councilman Smedberg attended a session at the Lee Center before the State Air Quality Control Board on September 13, as the co-chairs of the committee monitoring the Mirant Plant. Vice Mayor Pepper stated that the issue before the board was whether Mirant required a permit to began merging the stacks. Vice Mayor Pepper reported that the Board decided that Mirant needed a permit to merge the stacks and a future date was set when the Board would hear the issue again. Vice Mayor Pepper noted that the date for the meeting was October 10, 2007, in Richmond at 10 a.m., in the General Assembly Building (9th and Broad St.), House Room C.

(b) Vice Mayor Pepper reported that Mayor Euille gave her an article from the Washington Post about coal power plants and the oppositions that they facing from

communities and environmental groups across the country. Vice Mayor Pepper distributed copies of the article to members of Council.

(c) Councilman Krupicka reported that he and Mayor Euille met with the City Council/School Board Sub-Committee last night and he highlighted some of the topics discussed during the meeting. Councilman Krupicka stated that Mayor Euille suggested that a Citywide Education Summit be held to discuss the schools and how to improve academic achievement and the School Board was receptive to the idea. Councilman Krupicka noted that the asbestos issue and the resolution of the issue was discussed. Councilman Krupicka reported that a long time was spent discussing the Capital and Operating Budgets for the Schools and the Chair reiterated that she would work closely with Council to make sure there is constructive communication during the process. Councilman Krupicka stated that the issue of Jefferson-Houston came up during the meeting and the School Board would be discussing those issues surrounding that school at their upcoming retreat, with an update for Council and the community following the retreat. Councilman Krupicka also reported that the superintendent search process will begin soon, with an online survey that anyone in the community will be able to complete, including Council members.

Vice Mayor Pepper stated that she hoped that Council would be offered a chance to offer suggestions about what qualities would be desired in a new superintendent. Vice Mayor Pepper also stated that many in the community were questioning why the asbestos was not found earlier and asked for a definitive answer.

In response to Vice Mayor Pepper, Mayor Euille explained that asbestos samples cannot be obtained while the building is occupied and the initial calculations were based on a formula used prior to evacuations. Mayor Euille noted that the asbestos was found following the move and the actual cost was determined at that time.

(d) Councilman Smedberg reported that he attended his first meeting of the VRE Board meeting this week as the representative for Alexandria.

## **ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

(a) Mayor Euille reported that on Saturday, September 29, 2007, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., "Be Ready" activities will be held throughout the City at three locations including: the Farmer's Market at City Hall from 6 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Home Depot on South Pickett Street from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Target on Jefferson Davis Highway from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mayor Euille stated that the purpose was to help the community be ready for the next emergency and disaster.

(b) Mayor Euille noted that the City's Economic Sustainability Town Meeting will be held Saturday, September 29, 2007, at 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Crowne Plaza Hotel, with registration and continental breakfast beginning at 8 a.m. Mayor Euille stated that this meeting was open to all citizens to contribute to the discussion on the

draft report of the Economic Sustainability Workgroup. Mayor Euille also stated that the purpose of the meeting was for the committee to complete the report for Council to discuss at its October 27 Retreat.

(c) Mayor Euille reported that last week he met with representatives from the U.S. Department of Energy, who have expressed an interest in collaborating with the City, particularly using the new high school as a lead participant and example of use of energy efficiency practices, as well as discussing many of the other energy saving initiatives the City has started. Mayor Euille noted that there will be follow up meetings with the City Manager and staff in the near future.

(d) Mayor Euille reported that the 8th Annual ENERGY STAR - Change A Light, Change the World Campaign, will be starting October 3, sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency along with the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the U.S. Department of Energy. Mayor Euille noted that the intent of the campaign is to encourage citizens throughout the country to become more energy efficient, simply by changing a light bulb to an energy-efficient bulb. Mayor Euille reported that City staff would be participating in the campaign during the week of October 3, with different planned events and the City was working with major retailers to distribute information and energy efficient light bulbs on Market Square. Mayor Euille stated that Governor Kaine has declared a sales tax holiday on ENERGY STAR products during October 5 through October 8.

(e) Mayor Euille offered congratulations to Pat Miller and Maria Wasowski, owners of A Show of Hands, a business in the Del Ray neighborhood, for being chosen as the Virginia Retail Business of the Year.

(f) Vice Mayor Pepper reported that the appearance of Jamieson Street, near the Federal Courthouse, was changed drastically during some of the high profile trials of the past few years. Vice Mayor Pepper stated that she met with residents and other parties affected by the changes (e.g., guardhouses, jersey barriers, steel plates in the street) to discuss a concept plan to remove the jersey barrier and install more attractive barriers, as well as remove the steel plates. Vice Mayor Pepper had a copy of the concept plan to give to a representative of the Planning and Zoning Department for review.

(g) Vice Mayor Pepper congratulated Suzanne Lank, a teacher at Maury Elementary School, on being named Virginia Regional Teacher of the Year.

(h) Councilman Krupicka requested a change in the City ordinance concerning City Boards and Commissions that would allow Council members to designate a representative to attend board meetings on their behalf. Councilman Krupicka requested that the City Attorney Pessoa and Rose Boyd, Executive Secretary for Boards and Commissions, work together to create the appropriate ordinance for Council consideration.

(i) Councilman Krupicka stated that there will be a Kickoff Fundraiser for the Soft Playroom at the Chinquapin Park Recreation Center on Saturday, September 29, 2007, at 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Councilman Krupicka noted that the racquetball courts will not be affected by the planned Soft Playroom.

(j) Councilman Krupicka requested an update on the murder over the weekend in the Inner City area during the City Manager's Oral Report.

(k) Councilman Wilson reported that he circulated a memorandum to the City Manager and other members of Council requesting consideration and a recommendation to be docketed for future action by Council on several changes regarding the enforcement of the Personal Property Tax. Councilman Wilson highlighted the five areas he would like staff analysis for the recommendation including: elimination of the decal, automatic registration, periodic billing/combined billing, annual certification, and DMV Local Vehicle Registration Program.

In response to Councilman Wilson, City Manager Hartmann stated that City staff is in the process of reviewing the memorandum and will present something to Council in the near future.

(l) Councilman Wilson congratulated T.C. Williams graduate and Executive Chef Rock Harper for winning the Hell's Kitchen competition on FOX.

(m) Councilman Wilson noted an article from the Washington Post, ("Md. Officials Plan To Expand MARC As Region Grows," Washington Post, September 25, 2007) discussing the plans of the Maryland Transportation officials to expand the MARC commuter train into Virginia, particularly into Crystal City.

(n) Councilman Lovain reported that "Walk to School Day" will be held on October 3 and he encouraged citizens to take part in the event.

(o) Councilman Lovain offered condolences to the family of Nancy Sparks, the former principal of George Mason Elementary School, who passed away recently.

(p) Councilman Lovain also requested that a couple of issues with boards and commissions be reviewed, specifically the lack of turnover on the boards and commissions. Councilman Lovain suggested looking at ways to offer new people a chance to serve, including having an emeritus status for long-standing members. Councilman Lovain also suggested looking at other issues with boards and commissions, such as usefulness of some of the boards and commissions and the possibilities of consolidation.

Mayor Euille noted that he would be designating two members of Council to work with staff on reviewing the boards and commissions process next week.

## **ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

(a) City Manager Hartmann introduced the new Communications Director, Jeanne Bonds, and welcomed her to City staff.

(b) City Manager Hartmann requested the Police Department give an update on the murder that occurred in the Inner City area over the weekend.

Deputy Police Chief Blaine Corle reported that the sixth homicide of the year was reported early Saturday morning, noting that the victim was a 26 year-old Prince Georges' County resident, who suffered a gunshot wound and was found at about 4 a.m., in the 400 block of North Columbus Street. Deputy Police Chief Corle stated that he could not discuss many of the details of the investigation because it is ongoing. Deputy Police Chief Corle stated that Police Chief Baker is confident that this murder is not a random act of violence.

Councilman Krupicka stated that many people in the community are concerned that this eight or nine block radius seems to be the primary location where these types of crimes keep occurring and he requested an update on what the Police Department was doing to prevent these crimes.

In response to Councilman Krupicka, Deputy Police Chief Corle stated that most of these crimes involved individuals with some connection to the Alexandria community and he pointed out that the Police Department understands the community concerns and are working to address them.

Councilman Gaines asked how was the Police Department addressing the pattern of crimes that was occurring in this particular part of the City and asked that a response be provided in the future for Council and the community.

Deputy Police Chief Corle stated that the Police Department routinely has the crime analysts look at the underlying factors, the individuals involved and how the event actually took place and that report can be made available.

Councilman Krupicka requested a status update on measures the City is already taking in this area of the City to curb crime.

Mayor Euille noted that the police was working diligently to solve the murder case and he pointed out that these types of incidents, unfortunately, will continue to occur. Mayor Euille also requested an update on the two robberies that occurred in Old Town last night.

In response to Mayor Euille, Deputy Police Chief Corle reported that there were two robberies in Old Town: one at the intersection of King and Fayette Streets and one on South Royal Street. Deputy Police Chief Corle noted that the same person is believed to be involved in both robberies that occurred approximately 20 minutes apart, possibly using a handgun. Deputy Police Chief Corle pointed out that there is no other

information available at this time. Deputy Police Chief Corle also reported that every year during the holiday season, police presence is increased with covert detail and high visibility uniform patrol to evade robbery issues. Deputy Police Chief Corle stated that Chief Baker's goal this year is to start the increased patrol earlier in order to prevent more robberies from occurring.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

18. Consideration of Alexandria Human Rights Commission Resolution on Immigration Issues.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 21, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council thanked the Human Rights Commission for their work on the proposed draft resolution and requested that two members of City Council (Councilmen Krupicka and Gaines) take the draft resolution, using resolutions from Arlington and Fairfax counties, and craft a new proposed Human Rights Resolution on Immigration Issues to be presented for consideration at the next legislative meeting. The voting was as follows:

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

## **OTHER**

19. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated September 21, 2007, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 09/25/07, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Mayor Euille requested that the Mayor's Annual Unity Breakfast on November 21, 2007, at 7:30 a.m., be added to a subsequent calendar.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded Councilman Krupicka and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the City Council schedule for the months of September 2007 through June 2008, with the following additions and changes: (1) schedule a work session with the Early Childhood Commission at 5:30 p.m. before Council's Tuesday, December 11 legislative meeting; and (2) receive the following schedule for the proposed FY 2009 budget following budget presentation at Council's February 12 legislative meeting. Council will docket the schedule for Council

action at the October 9 legislative meeting: Wednesday, February 13, 7:00 p.m., Revenue Budget Work Session; Wednesday, February 20, 7:00 p.m., Personnel Compensation Budget Work Session; Monday, February 25, 7:00 p.m., CIP Budget Work Session; Monday, March 3, 7:00 p.m., Joint Work Session with School Budget Work Session (tentative); Monday, March 10, 7:00 p.m., Transportation and Environmental Services Budget Work Session; Tuesday, March 18, 7:00 p.m. Public Safety Budget Work Session; Tuesday, April 1, 7:00 p.m., Budget Work Session (topics TBD); Monday, April 7, 7:00 p.m., Budget Work Session (topics TBD); Monday, April 14, 4:00 p.m., Budget Public Hearing; Wednesday, April 16, 7:00 p.m., BFAAC Budget Work Session; Monday, April 28, 7:00 p.m. Work Session on Preliminary Add/Delete List Review; Monday, May 5, 6:00 p.m., Work Session on finalization of Add/Delete List; and Monday, May 5, 7:00 p.m. Budget and Tax Rate Adoption Special Council Meeting; and (3) receive the revised calendar which includes: the Beasley Square groundbreaking ceremony on Friday, September 28 at 9:00 a.m., at 1323 Duke Street; the "Coming Together for Change" Tenants and Workers Support Committee educational forum on Saturday, October 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at George Washington Middle School, 1005 Mount Vernon Avenue; and the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Westin Alexandria on Thursday, November 1 at 11:00 a.m., 400 Courthouse Square. The voting was as follows:

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

#### **New Business Item #1: Executive Session**

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, at 8:50 p.m., City Council convened in Executive Session, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) and (A)(29) for the purpose of discussing the acquisition and disposition of property for public housing and other purposes, and the award of a public contract for the development of public housing. The voting was as follows:

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

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, at 9:46 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting. The voting was as follows:

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

Wilson            "aye"

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the resolution pertaining to the Executive Session. The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2245**

**WHEREAS**, the Alexandria City Council has on the date of this resolution recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

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

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

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**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, the regular City Council meeting of September 25, 2007, was adjourned at 9:48 p.m. The voting was as follows:

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

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APPROVED BY:



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WILLIAM D. EUILLE    MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Gloria A. Sitton, CMC    Deputy City Clerk