

# CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

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## Regular Meeting Tuesday, December 9, 2008 - - 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. Caton, Legislative Director; Mr. Castrilli, Communications Director, City Manager's Office; Police Chief Baker; Police Captain Ogden; Ms. Boyd, Director, Citizen Assistance; Mr. Kincannon, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities; Dr. Gilmore, Director, Mental Health/Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse; Ms. Hamer, Director, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Farner, Planning and Zoning; Mr. Mallamo, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria; Ms. Triggs, Director, Finance Department; Mr. Bland, Pension Administrator, Finance Department; Mr. Johnson, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Ms. Taylor, Office of Management and Budget; Mr. Catlett, Director, Code Administration; Ms. Collins, Assistant City Manager/Director, Human Services; Ms. Niebauer, Director, Office of Human Rights; Mr. Skrabak, Director, Office of Environmental Quality; Mr. Fifer, E-Government Administrator, City Manager's Office; Dr. Kaplowitz, Health Department Director; Ms. Orr, Director, Human Resources; and Mr. Lloyd.

Recorded by: Jacqueline M. Henderson, City Clerk and Clerk of Council

# OPENING

1. Calling the Roll.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Euille, and the 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 Meetings of City Council:

- (a) The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2008; and
- (b) The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2008.

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Gaines, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the regular meeting minutes of November 19, 2008, and the regular meeting minutes of November 25, 2008. The voting was as follows:

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

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

4. Presentation of Proclamations and Recognition of the Alexandria Little League and the Alexandria Youth Football Teams.

(A copy of the proclamations are on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 4; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

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

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

# PROCLAMATIONS

5. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring December 31, 2008 as Fair Weather Day Throughout the City of Alexandria.

(A copy of the proclamation is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 5; 12/9/08, 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"	

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

## CONSENT CALENDAR (6-22)

## (Resignations and Uncontested Appointments)

- 6. Receipt of the Following Resignations From Members of Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - (a) Alexandria Youth Policy Commission Alison DeCourcey

(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); 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

- 7. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - (a) Alexandria Beautification Commission 1 Citizen Member
  - (b) Alexandria Commission on Employment 1 Citizen Member
  - (c) Alexandria Commission on Persons With Disabilities 3 Citizen Members (Two of Whom Must Have A Disability)
  - (d) Alexandria Consumer Affairs Commission 1 Citizen Member
  - (e) Alexandria Early Childhood Commission 1 Member-at-Large
  - (f) Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee 1 Citizen Member
  - (g) Historic Alexandria Resources Commission
    - 1 Member Nominated by Carlyle House
    - 1 Member Nominated by Old Presbyterian Meeting House
  - (h) Alexandria Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee

1 Member Representing the Potomac East Area 1 Qualified Professional Skilled in Architecture

- (i) Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission

   Representative From the Alexandria Neighborhood Health Services, Inc. Board of Directors Nominated by Such Board
- (j) Alexandria Public Records Advisory Commission 1 Citizen Member
- (k) Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board 1 Citizen 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-k); 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

## (Reports and Recommendations of the City Manager)

8. Consideration of a Grant Application to the National County and City Health Officials to Support an Obesity Prevention and Coalition Building Initiative by the Healthy Lifestyles Work Group of the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

9. Request to Vacate a Position on the Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 1, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 9; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

10. Consideration of Funding Allocation for Rebuilding Together Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 26, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 10; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

11. Receipt of the 2008 Annual Report and Plant Survey from Comcast Cable Communications, Inc.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 3, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 11; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.) 12. Receipt of the 2008 Comcast Cable Communications Inc. Annual Subscriber Survey Report.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 3, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 12; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

13. Receipt of the Annual Report from the Public Records Advisory Commission.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 13; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

# (Ordinances for Introduction)

14. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the City's Purchasing Regulations to Conform To Recent Changes in State Law.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 17, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 14; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 14; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 14; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

15. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish the Open Space Trust Fund Funding Level for Calendar Year 2009.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 15; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 15; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of

Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 15; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

16. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Provide Enhanced Enforcement Against Littering and Related Offenses.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 16; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 16; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 16; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

17. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the City's Vehicle Impound Regulations to Conform To Recent Changes in State Law.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 3, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 17; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 17; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 17; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

18. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Master Plan to Incorporate Approved Changes Within the Potomac Yard Plan Area.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 18; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 18; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

19. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Incorporate Approved Changes Within the Potomac Yard CDD.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 19; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 19; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

20. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Simplify Small Business Approval Procedures and Standards.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 5, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 20; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 20; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 3 of Item No. 20; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

21. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Master Plan to Incorporate Approved Changes Within the Braddock East Plan Area.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 21; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 21; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

22. Introduction and First Reading. Consideration. Passage on First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Incorporate a New CDD Within the Braddock East Plan Area.

(A copy of the informal memorandum explaining the ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 22; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.

A copy of the ordinance referred to in the above item, of which each Member of Council received a copy not less than 24 hours before said introduction, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked Exhibit No. 2 of Item No. 22; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

# END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council approved the consent calendar, with the exception of docket items #7(h) and 8, which were considered under separate motions. The City Manager's recommendations were as follows:

6. City Council accepted the following resignation with regret: (a) Alison DeCourcey, Alexandria Youth Policy Commission.

7. City Council made the following appointments: (a) reappointed Rick Tedesco as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Beautification Commission; (b) appointed Hector Huezo as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Commission on Employment; (c) reappointed Chester Avery (identified a disability), Tom Sachs and Pat Troy (identified a disability) as the three citizen members (two of whom must have a disability) to the Alexandria Commission on Persons With Disabilities; (d) appointed Karen Woody as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Consumer Affairs Commission; (e) appointed Sherry Delaney as the one member-at-large to the Alexandria Early Childhood Commission; (f) appointed Laurie Wavering as the one citizen member to the Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee; (q) reappointed Douglas Thurman as the one member nominated by the Carlyle House and reappointed Althea Burns as the one member nominated by the Old Presbyterian Meeting House to the Historic Alexandria Resources Commission; (i) appointed Gene Kendall as the one representative from the Alexandria Neighborhood Health Services, Inc. Board of Directors nominated by such board to the Alexandria Public Health Advisory Cornmission; (i) reappointed Nils Kandelin as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Public Records Advisory Commission; and (k) appointed Whitney Dubinsky as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board.

9. City Council declared as vacant one of the citizen positions on the Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities and authorized the Executive

Secretary for Boards and Commissions to advertise the vacancy.

10. City Council: 1. approved a grant of \$35,000 in Housing Trust Fund monies to Rebuilding Together Alexandria to fund its activities in FY 2009; and 2. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents and agreements.

11. City Council received the Comcast 2008 Annual Report and Plant Survey. The Commission on Information Technology reviewed the results of the report at its November 17 meeting and approved the staff analysis and also recommends that Council receive the report.

12. City Council received the 2008 Annual Subscriber Survey Report from Comcast. The Commission on Information Technology monitored the survey interviews during its July meeting, reviewed the results of the Comcast 2008 Subscriber Survey report at its November 17 meeting and approved the staff analysis, and also recommended that the Council receive the report.

13. City Council received the report of the Public Records Advisory Commission and thanked the Commission for their efforts on behalf of the City.

14. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 13, 2008.

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22. City Council passed the ordinance on first reading and scheduled it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on Saturday, December 13, 2008.

The voting was as follows:

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

7. Uncontested Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

(h) Alexandria Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee

 Member Representing the Potomac East Area
 Qualified Professional Skilled in Architecture

(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-k); 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Councilman Smedberg asked if they have a person who is being appointed to a second advisory committee, would that person be resigning from the current board he serves on, and if not, is that something that was discussed in the board and commission review.

Director of Citizen Assistance Boyd said individuals who are incumbents on a standing committee are advised at the time they apply that they will have to resign, if appointed.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Gaines and carried unanimously, City Council reappointed Sylvia Sibrover as the one member representing the Potomac East Area and appointed Russell Kopp as the one qualified professional skilled in architecture to the Alexandria Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee. The voting was as follows:

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

8. Consideration of a Grant Application to the National County and City Health Officials to Support an Obesity Prevention and Coalition Building Initiative by the Healthy Lifestyles Work Group of the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 8; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.) Questions were asked about the process and timing of the grant, which were answered by Dr. Kaplowitz, Health Department Director.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. authorized the submission of a grant application in the amount of \$15,000 (with an opportunity for an additional \$25,000 that will be awarded upon completion of NACCHO's initial grant planning requirements.) The grant application was submitted on December 8, contingent on Council approval, since notification of the grant opportunity came too late for prior approval; 2. affirmed that, due to severe City budget constraints, no additional City funds will be available to fund this program in FY2010 or future years; and 3. authorized the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required. The voting was as follows:

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

## CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

23. Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Charles Gautier Mark Delligatti

(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. 23; 12/9/08, 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 Mark Delligatti as the one citizen member to the Alexandria-Caen Sister City Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Delligatti
Pepper	-	Delligatti
Gaines	-	Delligatti
Krupicka	-	Delligatti
Lovain	-	Delligatti

Smedberg	-	Delligatti
Wilson	-	Delligatti

#### 24. Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee 1 Member Nominated by the First Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

Thomas Marshall Smith

(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. 24; 12/9/08, 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 waived the residency requirement and appointed Thomas Marshall Smith as the one member nominated by the First Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line to the Alexandria George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Smith
Pepper	-	Smith
Gaines	-	Smith
Krupicka	-	Smith
Lovain	-	Smith
Smedberg	-	Smith
Wilson	-	Smith

25. Alexandria Library Board 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME:

**ENDORSED BY:** 

Lynn Jordan Dorothy Koopman James Lewis

(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. 25; 12/9/08, 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 Dorothy Koopman as the one citizen member to the Alexandria Library Board. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Koopman
Pepper	-	Koopman
Gaines	-	Koopman
Krupicka	-	Koopman
Lovain	-	Koopman
Smedberg	-	Koopman
Wilson	-	Koopman

26. Alexandria Sister Cities Committee 2 Citizen Members

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

NAME:

**ENDORSED BY:** 

Holly Beardow Mary Jo Johnson Mary Frances O'Brien

(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. 26; 12/9/08, 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 Holly Beardow and Mary Jo Johnson as the two citizen members to the Alexandria Sister Cities Committee. The voting was as follows:

Euille	-	Beardow, Johnson
Pepper	-	Beardow, Johnson
Gaines	-	Beardow, Johnson
Krupicka	-	Beardown, Johnson
Lovain	-	O'Brien, Johnson
Smedberg	-	O'Brien, Johnson
Wilson	-	Beardow, Johnson

## 27. Alexandria Social Services Advisory Board 1 Citizen Member

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

NAME: ENDORSED BY:

#### George Fachner

(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. 27; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, a motion was made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 5-1, City Council deferred this appointment and asked that it be readvertised.

In response to a question from Councilman Gaines, Councilman Wilson said the applicant indicated that he thought he lived in the City of Alexandria when he did not, and he wanted to see if they could get a resident from the City of Alexandria to apply for the position.

Councilman Gaines said it is not a requirement that an applicant be a resident for the board or commission.

The voting was as follows:

Wilson	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"no"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	absent
	Lovain	"aye"	

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

28. Consideration of the Report From the Council Committee on Boards and Commissions. (#22B, 6/24/08, #5, 10/18/08)

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandums dated December 3, 2008, October 15, 2008 and June 19, 2008, are on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibits No. 1 of Item No. 28; 12/9/08, and are incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Krupicka and carried unanimously, City Council received the report and adopted the following recommendations: 1. modify reference section of Personal Data Form to include list of names and addresses of four references that the applicant has contacted and support their application; 2. codify all standing committees created via resolution or docket item and task forces that have become ongoing groups; 3. require annual reports to be submitted that include a statement of specific goals for the coming year and submit the report with the Annual Attendance Report; 4. do not change the current residency waiver policy; 6. groups that meet on a monthly basis should determine whether they can meet on a bi-monthly or quarterly basis; 7. abolish the

following groups that have completed their tasks (Ad Hoc Task Force to Review new Police Facility Sites, Ad Hoc Transportation Policy and Program Task Force, Potomac Yard Fire Station and Affordable Housing Task Force, and Transportation Safe Commission); and 8. expand the role of the Beautification Commission to deal with beautification of City portals and tie this effort to the City's overall marketing efforts. The voting was as follows:

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

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Krupicka and carried unanimously, City Council adopted item #9. Rewrite the mission statement of the IT Commission to reflect 21st century technology with the City using the group as a sounding board. Telecommunications oversight, as well as cable subscriber complaints to be transferred to Consumer Affairs Commission. The voting was as follows:

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

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council adopted item #10. Restructure the member of the Commission on HIV/AIDS by broadening the positions and reducing its size. The voting was as follows:

Lovain	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Pepper	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Smedberg	"aye"
	Wilson	"aye"	2

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council adopted item #11. Fair Housing Testing Program Advisory Committee and Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) should be combined for better efficiency of operations. The voting was as follows:

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

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by

Councilman Krupicka and carried 5-2, City Council moved to adopt item #12: Unless specified by federal, state or City legislation, after serving 10 consecutive years on any board, commission or committee, at the expiration of the current term, the incumbent would not be eligible for immediate reappointment to that group, but can apply for the next vacancy. Incumbents as of the effective date of the ordinance would be eligible for at least one more consecutive term. Limitation would not apply to policy-making and/or regulatory authority. The voting was as follows:

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

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council moved to adopt the recommendations from the public hearing: 3. Add a sentence to the letter notifying the incumbents of term expirations that encourages them to look for other opportunities to serve, with a copy to the board members eight weeks in advance; and 4. Request that each advisory group develop a strong recruiting mechanism to attract the best candidates for board and commission vacancies. The voting was as follows:

Lovain	"aye"	Pepper	"aye"
Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Wilson	"aye"	2

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council moved to adopt item #5. Request each group to develop a leadership plan and make that plan and the recruitment plan a required element of their annual report, and the leadership plan should clearly include a regular cycle for turnover of leadership positions on their board. 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, City Council moved to adopt #6. Limit the number of task forces that one person can serve on to: one full-time committee by Council, one designated representative nominated by that committee to another full-time committee, and one temporary committee of any type. The voting was as follows:

Lovain "aye" Pepper "aye"

Smedberg	"aye"	Gaines	"aye"
Euille	"aye"	Krupicka	"aye"
	Wilson	"aye"	

29. Presentation of the Study of the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities by Matrix Consultants.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 29; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

Director of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities Kincannon, along with Mr. Gary Goletz of Matrix Consultants, made a presentation of the study and responded to questions of City Council.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the study; 2. referred the study to the Park and Recreation Commission and requested that they provide City Council with their comments by February 2009, with a copy to go to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee; and 3. scheduled the study for discussion at a future Council work session in March. The voting was as follows:

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

30. Consideration of a Report on Proposed Changes in Delinquent Tax Collection Methods. (#22, 11/25/08)

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 20, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 30; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Gaines, seconded by Councilman Krupicka and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the report; 2. approved the use of additional delinquent tax enforcement and collection methods, including bank liens, wage liens, third party liens, real estate liens, credit agency reporting, till taps, more frequent use of collection agencies, use of seizures, use of the State set-off-debt to collect delinquent real estate taxes, expansion of the DMV Stop Program to include business vehicles as outlined in this report, and annual reporting of tax delinquencies to credit reporting agencies; 2. approved using more frequent and aggressive tax collection methods only after other tax collection methods, such as a series of late or delinquent taxes with the City; 3. retain the annual issuance of the windshield vehicle decal, and fully implement Vehicle Automatic Registration; and 4. continue to explore

the use of tax payment bonds for restaurant meals and transient occupancy taxes where the business establishes a pattern of late payment of consumer-paid taxes. The voting was as follows:

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

31. Report on Calendar Year 2008 Grants and Other Special Revenue Funds.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 31; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried unanimously, City Council: 1. received the report; and 2. referred it to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee for review and comment on policies and procedures related to pursuit, approval, and reporting of grants from State and Federal sources, as part of its FY 2010 budget review by February 15, 2009. The voting was as follows:

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

32. Termination of Citywide Wireless Network Franchise with Earthlink, Inc.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 3, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 32; 12/9/08, 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 authorized the City Manager to execute a settlement agreement with EarthLink, Inc., substantially in the form reflected in the attachment, to terminate the wireless network franchise previously awarded to EarthLink, Inc. The voting was as follows:

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

## ORAL REPORTS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL and

# ORAL PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

(a) Councilman Gaines thanked the second grade class at Cora Kelly who invited him to participate in their elect to read program last month.

(b) Councilman Gaines mentioned recognition of Earl Stafford, Sr., and his family and foundation at Alfred Street Baptist Church, who have received national attention by providing \$1 million toward the inauguration to invite disadvantaged persons from all over the country to participate. The foundation has pledged \$.5 million to provide participants with tuxedos and ball gowns, and it is a remarkable example of philanthropy and caring, and he hoped the City would find a way to recognize Mr. Stafford and his family.

(c) Councilman Smedberg said the new Marketing Fund had a first round of grants which went very well, and he highlighted one of the projects approved by the group - the Old Town Boutique District, which has been getting a lot of press. He said it is an example of the kind of projects being brought forward by the group, and they are also planning a Marketing 101 for groups that are or might be interested in applying to the marketing fund to get the basic information.

(d) Councilman Smedberg said there is a building at King Street and Union Street, which is vacant and is up for auction. There are two big banners and signs, and he asked if there were rules as to how much can go up. He also noted that they have been looking for a visitor center building for the ACVA and asked if the City had thought of buying that building.

(Councilman Gaines left the meeting at this time - 9:10 p.m.)

City Attorney Pessoa said the Zoning Ordinance does prescribe limits to signs on buildings, particularly within the historic district, and they would take a look at it with the Planning and Zoning staff.

Deputy City Manager Jinks said a consultant's recommendation four or five years ago for the visitors center was roughly where the visitors center is now.

(e) Vice Mayor Pepper presented a certificate to Mayor Euille of the ASTD in recognition of the City being named as one of their champions of learning.

(f) Councilmember Lovain said he also met with the Cora Kelly kids and had a great time.

(g) Councilmember Lovain said he attended a briefing last Thursday by the Department of the Army and Duke Realty about the plans at the Mark Center site. They will have 6,400 employees and it will have a transportation impact, as 68 percent of them will come by single occupancy vehicle. He said they are considering a direct lane from the HOV bus ramp directly into the site. The western terminus of the street

car project is one short mile from the Mark Center and is a great way to improve mobility.

(h) Mayor Euille congratulated the Campagna Center on a very successful Scottish Christmas Walk Parade this past Saturday.

(i) Mayor Euille said he has been talking about the need for the City to monitor and look at the needs and take advantage of the Federal Economic Stimulus Package funding. He said he and Councilmember Lovain have had a dialogue because Councilmember Lovain is monitoring that as result of what he does for his company. He said they need to elevate it so they are doing something about it. Mayor Euille said he would appoint himself and Councilmember Lovain to work with the City Manager, Budget staff and the Legislative Director to monitor it and identify what the needs are to go after the funding.

#### ORAL REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Hartmann introduced new Human Resources Director Cheryl Orr.

Director of Transportation and Environmental Services Baier spoke about the Climate Communities Blueprint.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 5, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Orals; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Vice Mayor Pepper and carried 6-0, Council moved to endorse "Empowering Local Government-Climate Action-Blueprint for the New President and 111th Congress" and directed staff to consider the action items in the Blueprint as it develops the City's Climate Action Plan and track their progress at the federal level. The voting was as follows:

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

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

33. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend and Restate the City of Alexandria Plan for Firefighters and Police Officers (Closed Plan.) [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 25, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 33; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.) WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Smedberg, seconded by Councilman Krupicka and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the proposed fifth amendment to the Plan. The changes in the amendment are necessary: 1. To comply with rulings of the federal Pension Protection Act of 2006 so that the Plan will maintain its tax-preferred status; 2. to make technical corrections that add, delete, or modify Plan document language to clarify Plan administration; and 3. to restate the Plan document to combine the Plan document last restated effective December 31, 2001, and all post-adoption amendments into one document. The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2306**

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria maintains the "City of Alexandria Pension Plan for Firefighters and Police Officers" (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to adopt and incorporate certain amendments to the Plan as set forth in the Plan attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to restate the Plan attached hereto; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA THAT the Alexandria City Council does hereby recognize, adopt, amend, approve and restate the Plan to incorporate the amendments attached hereto and incorporated fully herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall be effective immediately; provided however, that the amendments hereby approved shall be effective as stated in the Plan.

34. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend and Restate the City of Alexandria Retirement Income Plan for Deputy Sheriffs, Emergency Rescue Technicians and Fire Marshals. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 19, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 34; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.) WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the proposed third amendment to the Plan. The changes in the amendment are necessary: 1. To comply with rulings of the federal Pension Protection Act of 2006 so that the Plan will maintain its tax-preferred status; 2. to make technical corrections that add, delete, or modify Plan document language to clarify Pension Plan administration or to eliminate provisions that are no longer relevant; and 3. to restate the Plan document to combine the most recent restatement in 2001 and all post-adoption amendments into one document. The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2307**

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria maintains the "City of Alexandria Retirement Income Plan for Deputy Sheriffs, Emergency Rescue Technicians, and Fire Marshals" (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to adopt and incorporate certain amendments to the Plan as set forth in the Plan attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to restate the Plan attached hereto; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA THAT the Alexandria City Council does hereby recognize, adopt, amend, approve and restate the Plan to incorporate the amendments attached hereto and incorporated fully herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall be effective immediately; provided however, that the amendments hereby approved shall be effective as stated in the Plan.

35. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend and Restate the City of Alexandria Supplemental Retirement Plan. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 19, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 35; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman

Smedberg and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the proposed fifth amendment to the Plan. The changes in the amendment are necessary: 1. To comply with rulings of the federal Pension Protection Act of 2006 so that the Plan will maintain its tax-preferred status; 2. to make technical corrections that add, delete, or modify Plan document language to clarify Pension Plan administration; and 3. to restate the Plan document to combine the January 1, 1999 Restatement and subsequent amendments into one document. The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2308**

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria maintains the "City of Alexandria Supplemental Retirement Plan" (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to adopt and incorporate certain amendments to the Plan as set forth in the Plan attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to restate the Plan attached hereto; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA THAT the Alexandria City Council does hereby recognize, adopt, amend, approve and restate the Plan to incorporate the amendments attached hereto and incorporated fully herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall be effective immediately; provided however, that the amendments hereby approved shall be effective as stated in the Plan.

36. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend and Restate the City of Alexandria Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Plan. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated November 19, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 36; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the proposed eighth amendment to the Plan. The changes in the

amendment are necessary: 1. To comply with rulings of the federal Pension Protection Act of 2006 so that the Plan will maintain its tax-preferred status; 2. to add to or modify Plan Document language to clarify Plan administration; 3. to allow the Plan Board to operate with the adopted election rules while having the flexibility to amend these rules as circumstances merit; and 4. to restate the Plan Document to combine the original 2004 Plan Document and all post-adoption amendments into one document. The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2309**

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria maintains "The City of Alexandria Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Plan" (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to adopt and incorporate certain amendments to the Plan as set forth in the Plan attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria desires to restate the Plan attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Plan Board has unanimously approved the proposed amendments attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Plan calls for public notice, and this notice was made, plan participants were invited to meetings for public comment and no objections were raised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA THAT the Alexandria City Council does hereby recognize, adopt, amend, approve and restate the Plan to incorporate the amendments attached hereto and incorporated fully herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall be effective immediately; provided however, that the amendments hereby approved shall be effective as stated in the Plan.

37. Consideration of a Resolution Extending the Term of the Affordable Housing Initiatives Work Group. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 3, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 37; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilman Krupicka, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0 by roll-call vote, City Council: 1. repealed Resolution No. 2240 which replaced the previous Resolution No. 2195 that established a work group on affordable and workforce housing, now known as the Affordable Housing Initiatives Work Group; and 2. adopted the resolution to extend the term of the Affordable Housing Initiatives Work Group through March 31, 2009. The voting was as follows:

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

The resolution reads as follows:

# RESOLUTION NO. 2310

WHEREAS, affordable housing is a high priority in the City of Alexandria as reflected in the City Council's Strategic Plan goal calling for a caring community that is diverse and affordable, and its related objective that an increased number of affordable housing units are available with emphasis on low and moderate income city workers, seniors, and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City operates a variety of affordable programs to make housing more affordable and also supports the production of affordable housing through various funding and land use mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, there are additional mechanisms for supporting affordable housing that merit further exploration for potential use in the City of Alexandria; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:

There is hereby established an ad hoc work group known as the Affordable Housing Strategy Work Group.

The composition of the work group shall include two members of City Council as liaisons, and 14 members, as follows: one member of the Affordable Housing Advisory Corrimittee; one member of the Planning Commission; one member of the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority; one representative of the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation; one representative of Housing Action; one non-profit housing developer; one for-profit developer with affordable housing experience; one land use attorney with affordable housing experience; one person with expertise in affordable housing finance; one Chamber of Commerce representative; one teacher, police officer, or City employee; one representative of the Commission on Persons with Disabilities, one representative from the Commission on Aging, and one civic association representative.

The term of the Work Group shall not extend past the sunset date of March 31, 2009.

Members of the Work Group shall be appointed by the Mayor, with input from other members of the City Council; provided, that a member who is the representative of an organization shall be nominated by the organization. The members appointed shall serve until the expiration of the term of the Work Group; provided, that a member who is the representative of an organization shall cease to be a member at such time that such member shall cease to be a member in good standing of the organization for which such member serves as representative and may be replaced by another representative appointed by the Mayor.

The Work Group will:

(1) Review information on City demographics, and characteristics and affordability of the City's housing stock.

(2) Review tools and mechanisms for affordable housing production and housing assistance, including those used in the City as well as elsewhere, to include:

rental assistance programs

home purchase assistance programs

- other affordability programs for assistance to renters and homeowners
- mechanisms for preservation of existing affordable housing
- land use and financing tools for development of affordable rental housing

land use and financing tools for development of affordable sales housing

(3) Review existing City goals and targets for affordable housing.

(4) Make recommendations concerning the use of additional tools and mechanisms in Alexandria.

(5) Make recommendations for new or modified affordable housing goals and targets, to include numbers of units to be developed or preserved with specific mechanisms, and specify the funding and other resources necessary to achieve these goals.

The Work Group may adopt rules and regulations on procedure and other matters so long as same are not inconsistent with the City Code including, but not limited to, the establishment of sub-committees through which it may carry on its functions and purposes.

The mayor shall appoint from among the members a convenor, who shall serve as chairman.

The city manager shall designate City staff as needed to provide administrative and logistical support to the work group.

## OTHER

38. Consideration of City Council Schedule.

(A copy of the City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 2008, is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council, marked as Exhibit No. 1 of Item No. 38; 12/9/08, and is incorporated as part of this record by reference.)

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Vice Mayor Pepper, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0, City Council: 1. will convene an executive session to interview one applicant for the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Board on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Work Room; 2. reserved dates for the preliminary schedule for FY 2010 budget discussions (dates will be docketed for action on December 13, 2008); and 3. received the revised calendar which includes: the 32nd Annual Hanukkah Celebration at INOVA Alexandria Hospital on Tuesday, December 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the Atrium, 4320 Seminary Road; the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust's 8th Annual Conservation Breakfast on Thursday, January 8 at 8:00 a.m. at the Mark Center Hilton, 5000 Seminary Road; the Community Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration on Thursday, January 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2701 Cameron Mills Road; the Green Buildings Forum on Wednesday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m. (location to be determined); and the Salute to Women Awards Banquet on Monday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Old Town, 901 North Fairfax Street. The voting was as follows:

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

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

39. Consideration of Convening An Executive Session Closed to the Public To Discuss Utility Franchise Issues.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0, at 9:30 p.m., City Council convened in Executive Session, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(7), of the *Code of* Virginia for the purpose of discussing the terms and conditions of a public utility franchise. The voting was as follows:

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

**WHEREUPON**, upon motion by Councilmember Lovain, seconded by Councilman Smedberg and carried 6-0, at 10:02 p.m., City Council reconvened the meeting. The voting was as follows:

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

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

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

The resolution reads as follows:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2311**

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2008, 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 6-0, the City Council meeting of December 9, 2008 was adjourned at 10:03 p.m. The voting was as follows:

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

APPROVED BY:

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC, City Clerk

This docket is subject to change.

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