

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor, Vice-Mayor & Member of City Council

FROM: James L. Banks, Jr.

DATE: December 9, 2010

SUBJECT: City Council Docket for December 14, 2010 – Item 20

By this memorandum, I request that the ordinance listed as item #20 “Ordinance to Amend the Appointment of the Resident Board Member of the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority” be removed from the docket. This is an item that has been requested by the Board of Commissioners for ARHA to slightly change the qualifications for the tenant representative on the Board. Currently, that representative is selected by the Alexandria Resident Council and then appointed by City Council. The Board desires that the representative be generally a resident of public housing without the need of the prior selection by the Alexandria Resident Council (apparently, the Council has not been very active of late and it is difficult to get the selection from the Council).

After looking at the matter more closely, I realized that the proper form for the action is by resolution rather than by ordinance. Therefore, I propose to remove the ordinance from the December 14 docket and include an appropriate resolution on the December 18 docket as an action item.