

City of Alexandria, Virginia
BUDGET AND FISCAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, March 16, 2021
7 p.m.

ZOOM call due to COVID 19 per City Guidelines

Summary Minutes

Commission Members:

Jesse O'Connell (Chair), Kathy Stenzel (Vice Chair), Janet Blair-Fleetwood (Secretary), Christopher Ferrara, Amy Friedlander, Karen Graf, Ben Klein, Nicholas Lee, Skip Maginniss, Kirk McPike, Robert Rapanut, Deb Roepke

Absent: Paul Igasaki

OMB Staff:

Morgan Routt, Arthur Wicks

Citizen: Patrick Moran

Agenda:

- 1. Call to Order: Chair O'Connell** called the meeting to order at 7:03 with a quorum present.
- 2. New Member, Karen Graf: Chair O'Connell** welcomed the new At Large member. **Graf** explained her background and interest in BFAAC.
- 3. Public Commentary: Chair O'Connell** introduced the Public Commentary portion of the agenda, explaining how it will provide City citizens the opportunity to view BFAAC's deliberations. Patrick Moran introduced himself and explained his wish to observe City's governance efforts.
- 4. Approval of the Minutes from February 25, 2021 meeting: Friedlander** moved to approve the minutes with minor changes, **Klein** seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- 5. Response to the City Manager's FY 2022 Proposed Operating Budget and the FY 2022-31 Capital Improvement Program (CIP): Chair O'Connell** led the discussion on the draft response. The Committee reviewed each of the four sections: Revenue, Expenditures, Capital Investment Program (CIP), and Budget Process and Policy recommendations. There were editorial changes recommended to each of the sections, with no changes to the themes and recommendations. Since there were a number of changes, it was determined that a meeting is needed to finalize the document. **Chair O'Connell** asked members who agreed to make changes provide those to him, he would consolidate and send to **Graf** who would finalize the document for BFAAC approval. **Wick** agreed to send out options for meeting dates for later in March or early April.

BFAAC will approve the response in time for the BFAAC Work session with the City Council on April 12, 2021.

6. **Ad Hoc Stormwater and Utility Flood Mitigation Advisory Committee: Chair O'Connell** noted that Maginniss asked to be considered as the BFAAC member. No other BFAAC member asked to be considered so he was approved. **Chair O'Connell** asked if others were interested in supporting **Maginniss** and **Blair-Fleetwood** and **Rapanut** said they were interested, including participating in the web meetings as well as assisting in the work associated with the Committee. **Chair O'Connell** suggested that **Maginniss** convene a BFAAC subcommittee to coordinate the BFAAC input.
7. **OMB Report: Routh** explained that the City was adding additional work sessions for the City Council's budget efforts. **Chair O'Connell** noted that BFAAC could give up our work session with the Council and provide our input in writing if that helped provide additional time for the City to work through the budget effort.
8. **Adjournment: Blair-Fleetwood** moved that the meeting be adjourned, **Rapanut** seconded. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.
9. **Next Meeting:**
 - a. Regular Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, April 20, 2021.