

City of Alexandria, Virginia
BUDGET AND FISCAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, May 18, 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, Paul Igasaki, Ben Klein, Nicholas Lee, Skip Maginniss, Deb Roepke

Absent: Kirk McPike, Robert Rapanut

OMB Staff:

Morgan Routt, Arthur Wicks

Agenda:

1. **Call to Order: Chair O'Connell** called the meeting to order at 7:02 with a quorum present.
2. **Approval of the Minutes from April 5, 2021 meeting: Klein** moved to approve the minutes, **Igasaki** seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
3. **BFAAC Draft Memorandum on American Rescue Plan (ARP) Review: Chair O'Connell** led the discussion asking members for comments and changes to the draft memorandum sent out before the meeting. Members provided clarification on areas of focus in capital and operational areas of the City, as well as uses that would better position the City for future Federal and State funding, including the Rep. Beyer list of priorities. After all comments were provided, **Chair O'Connell** said he would update the paper highlighting the comments and send it back out to the Committee for review. He stated that a short meeting might be required to approve the revised memorandum.
4. **City of Alexandria Stormwater Committee: Maginniss** stated the committee would start meeting on July 10th and that he would provide updated to BFAAC throughout the process. He is currently monitoring public domain discussion in preparation for the upcoming meetings.
5. **City Schools update: Stenzel** provided an update on the City Schools activities. She noted there is discussion about the budget process and aligning with the City's budget efforts. She said the difficulty is that the City Schools provide a budget document with more information than any other local jurisdictions. That document takes a great deal of time to compile each year.
6. **OMB Report: Routt** said the budget process is complete. **Wick** mentioned that the City staff is currently diligently working community input and project options for use of the ARP funding. He also mentioned that City received the first tranche of ARP funding.

7. **Adjournment:** **Stenzel** moved that the meeting be adjourned, **Graf** seconded. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.
8. **Next Meeting:**
 - a. Regular Monthly Meeting, August, 2021.