

Alexandria Archaeological Commission
Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2016 - FINAL

Members Present:

Elizabeth (Indy) McCall, Member at Large
(Chair)
Ann Davin, Alexandria Association
(Secretary)
Jacob Hoogland, Member at Large
Janice Magnuson, Planning District III
Edward (Ted) Pulliam, Member at Large
Ralph Rosenbaum, Member at Large
Rebecca Siegel, Planning District II

Members Excused:

Georgia (Katy) Cannady, Alexandria
Historical Society
Seth Tinkham, Historic Alexandria
Foundation
Mark Ludlow, Member at Large
Mary Jane Nugent, Friends of Alexandria
Archaeology (Vice Chair)
S. Kathleen Pepper, Society for the
Preservation of Black Heritage

City Staff:

Fran Bromberg, City Archaeologist

Call to order: The AAC's Chair, Indy McCall, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes: postponed to July 20 Meeting

Chair Reports:

HARC: Indy briefly discussed the proposals for the Ramsey Houses. Plans have not been finalized for development of this area. Two original structures possibly will remain to be used as residences.

Waterfront Design Discussion:

- Waterfront Commission Update – Ted Pulliam – Commission meets after the AAC meeting. Robinson Terminal South pre-demolition starts this month.
- Discussion of Waterfront history plan and interpretation on Waterfront – AAC needs to re-send the History Plan to City Council to remind them of what they voted for and hopefully redirect them from implementing development ad hoc. Fran Bromberg talked about the need to find funding to implement the history plan to ensure inclusion of history.

Indy will print out seven copies for City Council and one for Mark Jinks, City Manager, before July meeting.

Changes in management of Torpedo Factory Art Center may present an opportunity to relocate to the first floor where the museum would be highly visible. Museum visitation is up this year to over 47,000 visitors, partly due to the recovery of the ship.

Ad Hoc Advisory Group-Confederate Memorials and Street Naming – Re-naming Commission: Indy reported that no decisions or recommendations were made at the last meeting. AAC members discussed that the City has a process for re-naming streets and could proceed if it wanted to. Cost of re-naming is likely to be a factor. City also could

get a lot of attention by changing the street names. The flag flying policy is another contentious issue, even if the policy is to fly only state and City flags.

Ship News: The RFP is being written for the conservation process and Alexandria Archaeology staff will be meeting with the Finance Department on Friday. There are several labs that have the capability to do the conservation and staff will access their bids.

Miscellaneous Note: Mark Ludlow has requested that AAC members write a short bio so we can be better informed about our fellow commission members.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. Janice Magnuson moved that the meeting be adjourned and Ted Pulliam seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. for the walkabout.