

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & SUMMARY MINUTES

Actions of the City Council for February 22, 2021

The following legislation was considered and acted upon by the City Council of the City of Falls Church. Copies of legislation are available from the City Clerk cityclerk@fallschurchva.gov or 703-248-5014.

Call to Order: Mayor Tarter called the virtual meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was held pursuant to and in compliance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and applicable emergency electronic meeting regulations enacted to address the COVID-19 emergency. All participating members of City Council were present through electronic means and members of the public could view the meeting fallschurchva.gov/CouncilMeetings. Public hearings were held electronically and public comments were accepted electronically at cityclerk@fallschurchva.gov.

Roll Call: Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mayor Tarter, Vice Mayor Connelly, Mr. Duncan, Ms. Hardi, Mr. Litkenhous, Ms. Schantz-Hiscott, and Mr. Snyder.

Annual Reports

Chair Dave Gustafson presented the Citizens Advisory Committee on Transportation's Annual Report.

Report of the Use of Force Review Committee

Chair Janis Johnson and Vice Chair Brian Creswick presented the final report of the Use of Force Review Committee.

Second readings of ordinances and other items requiring public hearings

(TO21-02) ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCES 2009, 2012, 2016, AND 2018 REGARDING THE BUDGET OF EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 FOR THE GENERAL FUND, STORMWATER FUND, AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FUNDS

MOTION to adopt (TO21-02) PASSED 7-0. (Ord. 2023)

(TR21-02) RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2018-37 TO CHANGE THE APPROVED VOLUNTARY CONCESSIONS, COMMUNITY BENEFITS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, DATED AUGUST 10, 2018 TO PROVIDE FOR ESCROW SECURITY FOR THE THEATRE USE INSTEAD OF WITHHOLDING RESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS "FOUNDERS ROW" ON APPLICATION BY MILL CREEK RESIDENTIAL TRUST (FOUNDERS ROW HOLDING, LLC) **MOTION to adopt (TR21-02) PASSED 6-1. (Res. 2021-06) (NAY – Mr. Snyder.)**

(TO20-26) ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REENACT, AND RECODIFY CHAPTER 48, "ZONING," ARTICLE II, "ADMINISTRATION," DIVISION 3, "AMENDMENTS," SEC. 48-90, "SPECIAL EXCEPTION" TO EDIT THE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY CRITERIA TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY BY ALLOWING CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS THAT PROVIDE NEWER, BUT NOT NECESSARILY ADDITIONAL, COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND TO SPECIFICALLY REFERENCE CONSIDERATIONS OF SMALL

AREA PLAN GUIDANCE, WALKABILITY, AND STREETSCAPE MOTION to adopt (TO 20-26) and direct staff to conduct a review that would enable smaller “residential only” projects where appropriate PASSED 7-0. (Ord. 2024)

Consent items

MOTION to adopt the Consent Agenda PASSED 7-0.

APPOINTMENTS

Appointment: Mike Nichols – Urban Forestry Commission - (04/01/19) – 03/31/22 (Unexpired Term)

Appointment: Stephanie Hamilton – Urban Forestry Commission - 04/01/21 – 03/31/24

Appointment: Joseph Schiarizzi – Environmental Sustainability Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/24

Appointment: Jessica Hegenbart – Citizens’ Advisory Committee on Transportation - 02/01/21 – 01/31/24 (Unexpired Term)

Appointment: Andrew Olesen – Citizens’ Advisory Committee on Transportation - 02/01/21 – 01/31/24 (Unexpired Term)

Appointment: Jason Garman – Citizens’ Advisory Committee on Transportation - 02/01/21 – 01/31/24 (Unexpired Term)

Appointment: Arthur Agin – Citizens’ Advisory Committee on Transportation - (02/01/19) – 01/31/22 (Unexpired Term)

Reappointment: Kimball Winn – Historic Architecture Review Board - 02/01/21 – 01/31/25

Reappointment: Alisa Macht – Human Services Advisory Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/24

BOE REQUEST: The City Council is requested to make the recommendation that the City Attorney submit a Praecipe and Order to the Arlington County Circuit Court requesting reappointment of Aaron Ford to the City’s Board of Equalization to fill the unexpired three-year term of February 1, 2021 To January 31, 2024.

Closed Session

Pursuant to Virginia Code section § 2.2-3711.A.(8) for "consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel" [advice on upcoming special exception applications.]

No further action was taken after Council reconvened in open session at 11:57 p.m. after proper certification of the closed session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 p.m.

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| Ord. 2023 | Record |
| Res. 2021-06 | Record |
| Ord. 2024 | Record |
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