

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: AUGUST 31, 2023

TO: GLORIA SITTON
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK AND CLERK OF COUNCIL

THRU: KARL W. MORITZ, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING

FROM: GUS ARDURA, VICE-CHAIR
BEAUREGARD URBAN DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BDAC)

SUBJECT: FY 2023 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BEAUREGARD URBAN DESIGN
ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BDAC)

I am pleased to present this annual report for the Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee (commonly called “BDAC”) for fiscal year 2023, as required by City Code Section 2-4-7(i)(1).

The nine-member committee is comprised of four citizen appointees (one “at-large”), one citizen business community appointee, and four professional member appointees. Vice-Chair Gus Ardura, Jill Phaneuf, Abed Benzina and Christine Hoeffner are Professional Members, John Goebel and Jim Wilmot are citizen appointees, and Bud Jackson is the appointee representing the business community. Samantha Moore is the member-at-large. One committee seat is currently vacant for a citizen appointee. Long-time member and former Chair Donna Fossum was termed out on 6/30/2023, and Fatimah Mateen, citizen appointee, moved out of the City. The Committee will vote for a new Chair at the Fall 2023 meeting and is actively recruiting for a new citizen appointee.

BDAC is charged with reviewing Development Special Use Permit (DSUP) applications submitted within the Beauregard Small Area Plan (BSAP) to ensure compliance with the City’s Beauregard Design Standards and Guidelines. BDAC provides guidance to staff and applicants and makes recommendations to the Planning Commission and City Council through the Director of Planning and Zoning. BDAC meetings are scheduled as needed to review projects.

The Committee met four times in FY 2022-23, on September 26th, October 24th, December 5th and February 6th, primarily to review DSUP#2022-10027 The Rutherford, a new multifamily building in the Mark Center neighborhood. The Committee recommended support for the project at their February meeting and the project was approved by City Council in June 2023. They also received a FOIA refresher from the City Attorney’s office and had an overview and discussion on the parallel AlexWest Small Area Plan process.

Two committee member terms are set to expire during FY 2023. Board attendance for FY 2022

was as summarized in the attached table.

Attachment: FY 2022-23 Attendance Form

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
MEETINGS ATTENDANCE REPORT**

July 1, 2022 THROUGH June 30, 2023

COMMISSION: Beauregard Urban Design Advisory Committee

CHAIRPERSON: Vacant

MEMBER'S NAME	2022						2023					
	Jul	Aug	Sept 26	Oct 24	Nov	Dec 05	Jan	Feb 06	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Donna Fossum, Chair (termed out 6/30/23)	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	
Gus Ardura, Vice-Chair	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	--
Abed Benzina	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	--
Bud Jackson	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	--
Fatimah Mateen (left 6/30/23)	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	--
Christine Hoeffner	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	E	--	--	--	--
Gus Ardura	--	--	X	X	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	--
Jill Phaneuf	--	--	E	U	--	--	--	X	--	--	--	--
Samantha Moore	--	--	X	X	--			E				
John Goebel (appointed 2/14/23)			NA	NA	--		--	NA	--	--	--	--
Jim Wilmot (appointed 6/13/23)			NA	NA				NA				
<i>Citizen - Vacant</i>												

INDICATE: X - FOR PRESENT | E - FOR EXCUSED | U - FOR UNEXCUSED

LIST OF THOSE WHO DID NOT ATTEND 75% OF MEETINGS:

- Jill Phaneuf (term ends September 2023)

APPROVED: 

Gus Ardura, Vice-Chair

