

## CITY COUNCIL

The Alexandria City Council is composed of a Mayor, Vice Mayor, and five City Council Members who are elected at-large and serve a three-year term of office. The Mayor, who is elected at-large on a separate ballot, presides over City Council meetings and serves as the ceremonial head of City government. The current City Council was installed on July 1, 1997, and holds office through June 30, 2000. Mayor Kerry J. Donley, who formerly served as Vice Mayor, was re-elected Mayor in May 1997. In July 1997, City Council selected William D. Euille to serve as Vice Mayor.



*The members of the Alexandria City Council are Mayor Kerry J. Donley and Vice Mayor William D. Euille (seated); and (standing, left to right) Council Member Lonnie C. Rich, Councilwoman Redella S. "Del" Pepper, Councilman William C. "Bill" Cleveland, Council Member Lois L. Walker, and Councilman David G. Speck. (Photo by Mattox Photography.)*

First organized in July 1749, Alexandria derives its governing authority from a State Charter granted to the City by the Virginia General Assembly. Alexandria has operated since September 1, 1922, under the City Council-City Manager form of government, which assigns to City Council the authority to establish City policies; appoint the City Manager, the City Attorney, and the City

### Mayor Kerry J. Donley

Elected Mayor in a February 1996 special election, Kerry J. Donley has served on City Council since 1988 after many years of community service. He was re-elected as Mayor in May 1997 for a three-year term from July 1, 1997, through June 30, 2000. He served as Vice Mayor from July 1994 until his installation as Mayor in February 1996. Mayor Donley is heavily involved in efforts to promote economic development, meeting regularly with business leaders as part

### Councilwoman Redella S. "Del" Pepper

First elected to City Council in 1985, Mrs. Pepper served as Vice Mayor from February 1996 through June 1997. Councilwoman Pepper co-chairs the City Council Task Force on Information and Communication Technologies, the Beauregard Street Corridor Task Force, and the Welfare Reform Committee (Alexandria Works!). She also serves on the Library Board, the City Manager's Anti-Drug Committee, the

**Clerk; adopt the annual budget, including an appropriation of funds for the operation of the Alexandria City Public Schools; adopt ordinances; issue bonds; and appoint the members of City Boards and Commissions. The City Manager is responsible for carrying out City Council's policies, directing City personnel, and supervising the day-to-day operations of City government.**

**Legislative meetings of City Council are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers in City Hall, 301 King Street. Public hearings are generally held on the Saturday after the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. During July and August, City Council is in recess. City Council's legislative meetings and public hearings are televised live on Jones Communications' cable channel 11.**

of the Mayor's Local Business Outreach Program and chairing the Alexandria Economic Development and Tourism Board. Mayor Donley is also active in transportation issues, serving as chair of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and a member of the Northern Virginia Transportation Coordinating Council and the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Improvement Study Coordinating Committee. Mayor Donley also serves on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Board of Directors, the Washington Area Housing Partnership, the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission, and the Beauregard Street Corridor Task Force. In the community, he serves on the boards of the Alexandria United Way, the Alexandria Volunteer Bureau, the American Heart Association, and the Eisenhower Avenue Partnership, and co-chairs the King Street Metro Area Task Force. Mayor Donley's e-mail address is: mayoralx@aol.com.

### **Vice Mayor William D. Euille**

Elected to City Council in May 1994 and re-elected in May 1997, Mr. Euille was elected Vice Mayor by City Council on July 1, 1997, for the three-year Council term through June 30, 2000. Vice Mayor Euille is co-chair of the Alexandria Welfare Reform Committee (Alexandria Works!), and serves on the Alexandria Economic Development and Tourism Board and City Council's Human Services Committee. He is also a member of the Economic Opportunities Commission, the Local Emergency Planning Committee and the Pension Study Committee. He represents the City on the Metropolitan Washington

Commission on Aging and the Sister Cities Committee. At the regional level, she is on the Northern Virginia Planning District Commission, where she chairs the Regional Resources Committee and serves on the Ad Hoc Committee on Telecommunications. She also serves as the City's representative on COG's Air Quality Committee (MWAQC). In the community, Mrs. Pepper serves on the boards of the YMCA, the T.C. Williams PTSA, and RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) and is on the Transportation Committee of the Eisenhower Avenue Partnership. Councilwoman Pepper's e-mail address is: delpepper@aol.com.

### **Council Member Lonnie C. Rich**

Elected to Council in 1991 and re-elected in 1994 and 1997, Mr. Rich has taken an active lead in public education (high academic and disciplinary standards and the addition of new schools); crime ("zero tolerance" for nuisance activity, anti-panhandling ordinance, and increased landlord responsibility); scattered site public housing to avoid concentrated poverty; welfare reform with "work" as the important component; a balanced, "fair share" approach to other assisted housing; expansion of civil rights for the gay community; and fiscal responsibility. Mr. Rich sponsored the Americorps "Service to Alexandria" project and serves on its Advisory Board. He led the successful Alexandrians for an Elected School Board and was a founding member of Alexandrians for Better Community Schools. He serves as the City's representative on the Council of Governments' Human Services and

Council of Governments' Board of Directors (Alternate). In the community, he serves on the boards of the Eisenhower Avenue Partnership, Hopkins House Association, the Alexandria Hospital Service Corp., the Northern Virginia Urban League, and the Alexandria Scholarship Foundation. He served on the Alexandria School Board from 1974 to 1984. As President/CEO of William D. Euille & Associates, Inc., a construction services firm, Mr. Euille was honored as a 1996 finalist for the Greater Washington Entrepreneur of the Year. Vice Mayor Euille's e-mail address is: wmeuille@tidalwave.net.

### **Councilman William C. "Bill" Cleveland**

Councilman William C. "Bill" Cleveland A Member of City Council since 1988, Mr. Cleveland served as Vice Mayor from 1991 to 1994. Locally, he serves on the Alexandria-Carr/Norfolk Southern Design Review Board, the Alexandria City/Hospital Task Force, the Local Emergency Planning Committee, and the Economic Opportunities Commission. Mr. Cleveland established Alexandria's first Neighborhood Watch Program and led the City in establishing the Alexandria Enterprise Zone. He also serves as the City's representative on the Council of Governments' Committee on Noise Abatement at National and Dulles Airports and on the Northern Virginia Planning District Commission. Mr. Cleveland is a member of the Governor's Council on Self-Determination and Federalism, the Governor's Commission for Citizen Empowerment, and the Virginia Geographic Information Network

Public Safety Committee and Metropolitan Development Committee. He also serves on City Council's Human Services Committee, Economic Opportunities Commission, Pension Study Committee, and Alexandria City/Hospital Task Force. Mr. Rich's website is located at <http://members.aol.com/lonnierich> and his e-mail address is [lonnierich@aol.com](mailto:lonnierich@aol.com).

### **Councilman David G. Speck**

Elected to City Council in an April 1996 special election to fill the vacancy created by the election of Mayor Donley, Mr. Speck was re-elected in 1997. He also served on Council from July 1991 to June 1994 and in the Virginia General Assembly from 1980 to 1982. As a Member of City Council, he serves on the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors, the City Manager's Anti-Drug Committee, the Transportation Safety Commission, and the Alexandria-Arlington Task Force on the Waste-to-Energy Plant. In the community, he serves on the boards of the Hopkins House Association, the Robert S. Rixse Foundation, Senior Citizens Employment and Services of Alexandria, Inc., and the Alexandria Business Cares Foundation. Additionally, Mr. Speck is a member of the Steering Committee of the Public Safety Committee of the Virginia Municipal League and an appointee of the Virginia Senate to the Commission on State and Local Taxing Authority and Service Responsibility. Professionally, Mr. Speck is a Managing Director of Wheat First Butcher Singer. He holds a doctoral degree from George Washington

Advisory Board. In the community, Mr. Cleveland serves on the boards of the Alexandria Volunteer Bureau, The Untouchables, and Christmas in April. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Northern Virginia Community College Educational Foundation, Inc. Mr. Cleveland serves as an Officer with the U.S. Capitol Police Department. Councilman Cleveland's e-mail address is: bclevela@moon.jic.com.

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### **Council Member Lois L. Walker**

Elected to City Council in 1994 and re-elected in 1997, Mrs. Walker co-chairs the City Council Task Force on Information and Communication Technologies. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the Potomac West Alliance and the Waterfront Committee. Mrs. Walker represents the City on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro) Board of Directors, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, the Northern Virginia Transportation Coordinating Council, the Virginia Railway Express Board of Directors, and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Transportation Planning Board. She is the chair of the Virginia Municipal League's Transportation Policy Committee and is a member of the National League of Cities' Leadership Training Council. In the community, she serves on the boards of Healthy Families Alexandria and Opera Americana and with Mayor Donley co-chairs the King Street Metro Area Task Force. Council Member Walker's e-mail address is: lowalker@aol.com.