



The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council: Standing, left to right: [Councilwoman Redella S. "Del" Pepper](#), [Councilman William D. Euille](#), [Councilwoman Joyce Woodson](#), [Councilman David G. Speck](#), [Councilwoman Claire M. Eberwein](#); Seated, left to right: [Vice Mayor William C. Cleveland](#) and [Mayor Kerry J. Donley](#).

The Alexandria City Council is composed of a Mayor, Vice Mayor and five Council Members who are elected at-large and serve a three-year term of office. The Mayor, who is elected on a separate ballot, presides over City Council meetings and serves as the ceremonial head of City government. The City Council was installed on June 26, 2000, and will hold office from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2003.

First organized in July 1749, Alexandria derives its governing authority from a State Charter granted by the Virginia General Assembly. Since September 1, 1922, Alexandria has operated under the City Council-City Manager form of government, which assigns to City Council the authority to establish City policies, to appoint the City Manager, the City Attorney, and the City Clerk, to adopt the annual budget, including an appropriation of funds for the operation of the Alexandria City Public Schools, to adopt ordinances, to issue bonds; and to create and make appointments to 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 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 Government Access Channel 11.



MAYOR KERRY J. DONLEY
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Elected Mayor in a February 1996 special election, Mayor Kerry J. Donley has served on City Council since 1988, after many years of community service. He was re-elected in May 2000 for a three-year term. He is employed by Virginia Commerce Bank as a Senior Vice President. As the City's Mayor, he is very involved in efforts to promote economic development, meeting regularly with business leaders as part of the Mayor's Local Business Outreach Program. Kerry also serves as the chairman of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership, Inc. Board of Directors. Mayor Donley is active in transportation issues, serving as a member and former chair of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and as a member of the Northern Virginia Transportation Coordinating Council. He serves on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Transportation Planning Board and chairs the Washington Area Housing Partnership. He is a member and past chairman of the Virginia Municipal League's Legislative Committee. Mayor Donley also chairs the Alexandria Youth Policy Commission and serves on the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission. In 1999, he formed the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Reducing Teen Pregnancy, (now ACAP) which he chairs. In the community, he serves on the boards of the Alexandria United Way, the Alexandria Volunteer Bureau, and the Eisenhower Avenue Partnership. Mayor Donley resides in the Seminary Valley section of Alexandria's West End with his wife, Eva, and their five daughters.

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VICE MAYOR WILLIAM C. "BILL" CLEVELAND
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A member of City Council since 1988, Vice Mayor Cleveland served as Vice Mayor from 1991 to 1994 and was re-elected to the position in 2000. He serves on the Alexandria Carr/Norfolk Southern Design Review Board, the Alexandria Community Policy and Management Team, the Alexandria City/Hospital Task Force, the Local Emergency Planning Commission and the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission. He established Alexandria's first Neighborhood Watch program and led the City in establishing the Alexandria Enterprise Zone. Vice Mayor Cleveland serves on the Governor's New Partnership Commission, the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Advisory Committee under Governor James Gilmore's administration, the Virginia Geographical Information Network Advisory Board and the Attorney General's Task Force on Gangs and Youth Violence. He is a former member of the State Board of Corrections and the Commission on Parole Abolition and Sentencing Reform. In addition, Vice Mayor Cleveland serves on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Human Services and Public Safety Committee, Air Quality Committee, the Committee on Noise Abatement at Reagan National and Dulles Airports, and the Northern Virginia Planning District Commission. He serves on the boards of the Alexandria Volunteer Bureau, First Night Alexandria, The Untouchables, Christmas in April, the Eisenhower Avenue Partnership Membership Committee and the Northern Virginia Community College Foundation. A life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, he and his wife, Ruth, have lived in Alexandria for 26 years.

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COUNCILWOMAN CLAIRE M. EBERWEIN
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Councilwoman Claire M. Eberwein was elected to serve on City Council in May 2000. She serves on the Alexandria Task Force on the Waste-To-Energy Plant, the Alexandria Fair Share Task Force, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee and the City's Waterfront Committee. Councilwoman Eberwein was first elected to the Alexandria School Board in 1994, serving as its chairman from 1996 to 1997, and as its vice-chairman from 1998 to 2000. In addition, she has served on the Alexandria Board of Zoning Appeals and the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission. Councilwoman Eberwein has lived in the Parkfairfax neighborhood of Alexandria for 16 years with her husband, Greg Vogt, daughter Amara, 9, and son Caleb, 7. Her children attend the Alexandria City Public Schools. Councilwoman Eberwein served on the Parkfairfax Board of Directors from 1991 to 1996, and on its Architecture and Planning Board from 1987 to 1991. She worked for the Department of Architecture and Urban Design for the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, from 1979 to 1984. She received Bachelor of Science degrees in Architecture and in Natural Resources from the University of Michigan. Councilwoman Eberwein earned her juris doctorate from Georgetown University Law School in 1987.

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COUNCILMAN WILLIAM D. EUILLE
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Elected to City Council in May 1994 and re-elected in May 1997 and May 2000, Councilman Euille served as Vice Mayor for a three-year Council term that ended June 30, 2000. Councilman Euille works on the Alexandria Fair Share Task Force. He serves on the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership, Inc. Board of Directors. He also is a member of the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission, the Local Emergency Planning District Commission, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, the City's Pension Study Committee and the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority Board. A native Alexandrian, he serves on the boards of the Eisenhower

Avenue Partnership, Hopkins House Association, the INOVA Alexandria Hospital Service Corporation, the Northern Virginia Urban League and the Alexandria Scholarship Foundation. In addition to serving as the Annual Campaign Chairman for the Alexandria United Way (1999-2000), he served on the Alexandria School Board from 1974 to 1984. As President/CEO of William D. Euille and Associates, Inc., an Alexandria construction services firm, Councilman Euille was honored as a 1996 finalist for the Greater Washington Entrepreneur of the Year.

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COUNCILWOMAN REDELLA S. "DEL" PEPPER
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First elected to City Council in 1985, Mrs. Pepper served as Vice Mayor from February 1996 through June 1997. Councilwoman Pepper co-chairs the Welfare Reform Committee (Alexandria Works!), the Beauregard Street Corridor Task Force, and Alexandria-Arlington Task Force on the Waste-To-Energy Plant. She also serves on the Commission on Information Technology, the Commission on Aging, the City Facilities Naming Committee and the Alexandria Council of Governments' Board of Directors and on COG's Air Quality Committee (MWAQC). She is a member of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (formerly NVPDC), where she also chairs the Regional Resources Committee. In the community, Councilwoman Pepper serves on the boards of the YMCA, the T.C. Williams PTSA, the Alexandria Arts Forum, Bienvenidos and RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program). She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Grinnell College and did her graduate work at the University of Wisconsin. She is married to F.J. Pepper, M.D. She has a married son, Murphy.

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COUNCILMAN DAVID G. SPECK

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Elected to City Council in an April 1996 special election to fill an unexpired term, Councilman Speck was re-elected in 1997 and 2000. He also served on City 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's Facilities Naming Committee, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Regional Transportation Board, the Transportation Coordinating Council of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, and the Transportation Safety Commission. In the community, he serves on the boards of the Robert S. Rixse Foundation, the Alexandria Education Partnership and Stop Child Abuse Now. In addition, Councilman Speck is a member of the Finance Committee of the Virginia Municipal League. He also serves as chairman of the Northern Virginia Regional Board of The Sorenson Institute for Political Leadership at the University of Virginia. Professionally, Councilman Speck is a Managing Director of First Union Securities. He holds a doctoral degree from The George Washington University. Councilman Speck and his wife, Marcia Neuhaus Speck, live in the Seminary Ridge area of Alexandria. He has two grown children, Elizabeth (30) and Jonathan (28).

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COUNCILWOMAN JOYCE WOODSON

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Joyce Woodson, newly elected City Councilwoman, is President of The Woodson Group, an Alexandria-based marketing and training firm. She attended Columbia University, Barnard College, graduating early with a degree in American Studies. Councilwoman Woodson serves on the Alexandria Commission of Information Technology, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Metropolitan Development Policy Committee, the City's Economic Opportunities Commission and the Alexandria Library Board. She previously served as an Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority Commissioner, and as a member of

the Fair Housing Testing Program Advisory Committee Task Force and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee. Other community service commitments include serving as Chairman of the Board for Project Discovery, the Executive Board of the Coalition for Fairness in Education, the Executive Board of the Alexandria Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and the Board of Community Lodgings. Councilwoman Woodson has been married for 24 years to Howard Woodson, Esq., and they have three children.

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