

City of Alexandria, Virginia
BUDGET AND FISCAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION
Monthly Meeting
Thursday August 15, 2019
7 p.m.
Alexandria City Hall
Sister Cities Conference Room #1101
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Summary Minutes

Commission Members:

Jesse O'Connell (Chair), Kathy Stenzel (Vice Chair), Paul Igasaki, Ben Klein, Nicholas Lee, Skip Maginniss, Joe Valenti

Absent: Janet Blair-Fleetwood (excused), Kirk McPike (excused), Greg Parks (excused), Robert Rapanut (excused), Deb Roepke (excused)

Vacant: Representative for Alexandria Chamber of Commerce

OMB Staff:

Morgan Roult, Arthur Wicks

Office of the City Manager Staff:

Sarah Taylor (Legislative Director)

Agenda:

1. **Call to Order: Chair O'Connell** called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. with a quorum present.
2. **Approval of the Minutes: Stenzel** moved to approve the minutes, **Valenti** seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
3. **City legislative agenda: Taylor** outlined the types of opportunities to raise revenue that might be available for the City to pursue during the next state legislative session, and she answered questions from the committee. Her key points included: 1) doing an assessment of current revenue authority (including if/how it was used and what the impact was), 2) clearly connecting a revenue source to being what is funded with it, 3) actually using any new revenue authority that is extended by the state. **O'Connell** will update the draft BFAAC memorandum on this topic to reflect this feedback and circulate to the committee for additional edits and contributions. BFAAC will review the updated memorandum at the September meeting, and assess if additional discussion/work is needed. The memo will go to a final vote no later than the October meeting.
4. **BFAAC Memo #6 (Budget Question 57):** The committee reviewed the final draft of the memo on unassigned/uncommitted fund balance and discussed minor edits/clarifications. **Klein** moved to transmit the memo to Council, with discussed edits. **Valenti** seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. **Affordable Housing Report:** **Valenti** shared the completed report on affordable housing. The committee discussed minor edits, clarifications, and finalization of citations. **Stenzel** moved to transmit the memo, with edits, to Council. **Lee** seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
6. **BFAAC Membership:** The Committee reviewed and discussed the draft memo recommending changes to BFAAC membership, specifically related to the Chamber of Commerce seats. It was agreed to recommend to Council that these seats be changed to 1) an at-large seat and 2) a seat representing the Alexandria business community (defined as someone that works for or owns a business located in Alexandria). **Valenti** moved to transmit the memo to Council (transmission pending **O'Connell** meeting with Chamber staff to make them aware). **Manginiss** seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
7. **OMB Update:** **Routt** updated the committee regarding where the start of the CIP 2021-2030 review process stands, and highlighted efforts to bring additional efficiencies into that process.
8. **Adjournment:** **Stenzel** moved that the meeting be adjourned, **Klein** seconded. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.
9. **Next Meeting:**
 - a. Regular Monthly Meeting, September 17, 2019.