



Public Health
Advisory Commission
of Alexandria, VA

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

**Thursday, May 18, 2017
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Fourth Floor Conference Room
Alexandria Health Department**

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- I. Establishment of quorum
- II. Approval of the February, March and April 2017 minutes
- III. Updates from the Chair
 - a. Working Group report
- IV. Health Department updates
- V. Action items
 - a. Revisit priority list
 - b. Request for 2018 Legislative Proposals
 - c. Extend monthly meeting to 7:30pm?
- VI. Standing reports
 - a. Partnership update
 - b. Neighborhood Health update
 - c. Inova Health System update
 - d. Fire Department/EMS update
- VII. Adjournment

Commission Members	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chair, Katya Wanzer
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**Minutes of the Thursday, May 18, 2017
PHAC Meeting
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Present	Ruth Chamowitz, Liz Ghandakly, Ann Harbour, Daniel Hawkins, Arlene Hewitt, Dr. Jessica Hill, Brian Hricik, Allen Lomax, Richard Merritt, Dr. Barbara Nowak, Tricia Rodgers, Katya Wanzer
Absent (Excused)	Keith Hearle, Dr. Michael C. Trahos, L. Tamara Wilson
Absent (Unexcused)	
AHD Representatives	Dr. Stephen A. Haering, Janine B. McCormick
Guests	Sarah Stott (Grassroots Alexandria), Barbara Murray (Grassroots Alexandria), Cedar Duorik (Grassroots Alexandria)

I. Establishment of a Quorum

- Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm. A quorum was established.

II. Approval of the February, March and April Minutes

- Allen Lomax (AL) moved to approve the February, March and April 2017 meeting minutes, Daniel Hawkins (DH) seconded, all in favor, minutes approved.

III. Health Department Updates – Dr. Stephen A. Haering

- Alexandria Health Department (AHD) will meet with consultants on the Alexandria facility strategic plan on Tuesday, May 30th.
- AHD will begin billing for STI services on July 1, 2017. Eligibility for free/ sliding scale prices for services will be the same as for Family Planning (e.g. minors will be considered individual economic units and household income is not considered – so no change in services at Teen Wellness Center). Those over the age of 18 can self-declare and be able to access STI services on a sliding scale.
- With the beginning of mosquito season, AHD has contracted with Clarke Pest Control to apply larvicide.

- AHD is launching the Health Matters in Alexandria Dashboard on June 7th. If space at the launch, Dr. Haering (SH) will invite PHAC members who expressed interest at the PHAC meeting.

IV. Standing reports

- a. Partnership Update – Allen Lomax**
- b. Inova Health System Update – Ann Harbour**
- c. Fire Department/EMS update – Brian Hricik**

V. Updates from Chair (Katya Wanzer) and Action Items

a. Revisit priority list

- City manager's office wants legislative proposals by September 1, 2017. Katya Wanzer (KW) asks all commission members to make an effort to attend the July meeting in order to finalize priorities in time. If attendance is low for June and July meetings, AL suggests adding a special meeting in early September. General discussion about state legislation on: Associate Physicians, assurance of healthcare funded through taxation of tobacco, sugary drinks and alcohol.

b. Future meetings

- Meetings will not be extended to 7:30 pm.
- There will be no June meeting for the PHAC

c. Request for 2018 Legislative Proposals

- A Legislative Agenda Subcommittee was formed. AL will take the lead along with AH, Richard Merritt (RM) and Tricia Rodgers (TR).

d. Grassroots Alexandria

- Reconsideration of Grassroots Alexandria's proposed City Council Resolution. Advised to categorize various aspects into a resolution (e.g. what Council asks of legislative officials) and other ideas (e.g. what community organizations can do, how people can obtain information). The Access to Care Subcommittee (formed by PHAC April 20, consisting of KW, DH, LTW and LG) will work with Grassroots on this.

VI. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.