Christian Dorsey

Christian Dorsey was elected to the Arlington County Board in 2015 and is serving as Chair in 2019. Christian represents Northern Virginia jurisdictions as a principal member on the board of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) where he serves as Chair of the Finance and Budget committee. Mr. Dorsey also serves as one of three Arlington commissioners on The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC).

Christian has represented Arlington on the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) since 2016 and is currently serving as Vice Chair. In 2018, Mr. Dorsey served as Arlington’s Member on the Transportation Planning Board (TPB).

Outside of public service, Mr. Dorsey engages as a policy and communications consultant supporting progressive organizations in realizing their missions. Prior to joining the Board, Christian was a senior leader at the Economic Policy Institute, a think tank that promotes economic policies that foster broadly shared prosperity.

Throughout his career, Mr. Dorsey has been committed to improving the Arlington community. He had the privilege of serving as executive director of The Reading Connection, promoting literacy development for children facing housing insecurity. He also led the Bonder and Amanda Johnson Community Development Corporation, which provided essential community services and jump-started a moderate-income housing development in the Green Valley neighborhood.

Equally rewarding have been the many opportunities that Christian has had to serve our Arlington community as a volunteer, which have included serving on the boards of directors of the Arlington Free Clinic, A-SPAN, Leadership Center for Excellence, and Arlington Independent Media, and serving on County Board advisory commissions (Tenant-Landlord, chairman; Planning, member).

Christian has been a proud Arlingtonian for twenty-five years. He and his wife, Rachael, live in the Columbia Forest neighborhood and have two children in Arlington Public Schools.
Mayor Justin Wilson

With a commitment to ensuring every child’s opportunity at success, protecting Alexandria’s long-term fiscal health and investing in the infrastructure that improves our quality of life, Justin Wilson was elected Mayor of the City of Alexandria in November of 2018.

As Mayor, Justin represents the City regionally on the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Board of Directors. Within the City, Justin leads the City-Schools Subcommittee, the ARHA Redevelopment Committee, the Quality of Life Committee, Legislative Subcommittee, the Audit Committee, the Employee Pension/Compensation Committee, the Potomac Yard Metro Implementation Advisory Group and the Combined Sewer Outfall Project Review Team Workgroup.

An experienced community leader, Justin previously served 8 years on the City Council prior to his election as Mayor, including service from 2016 – 2019 as Alexandria’s Vice Mayor. Justin’s leadership has led to new investments in schools, transportation and environmental infrastructure. He has worked to expand early childhood education, address growing student enrollment, accelerate economic growth, advance climate policy as well as protecting and expanding housing affordability.

Prior to his election to the City Council, Justin served as the Chair of the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors, which operates the City’s DASH bus service, and served on the Budget & Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee. His neighbors recognized his leadership and twice elected him president of the Del Ray Citizens Association.

Justin chaired the City’s effort to promote participation in the 2010 decennial Census, and he represented Alexandria on the Board of Directors of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority—preserving and managing 11,000 acres of open space and 24 regional parks.

He was an appointee of Governor Mark Warner to the state’s Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and later to the Board of Juvenile Justice—a position he was re-appointed to by Governor Tim Kaine.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Information Systems from Virginia Commonwealth University, and is a Fellow of the Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership at the University of Virginia.

Justin is employed by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) as a Senior Director.

An avid runner, Justin has completed eight marathons, and he lives in the Del Ray neighborhood of Alexandria with his wife, Alex, a life-long Alexandrian, and their son, Eli and daughter Lena, both Alexandria City Public School students.
Karl Moritz

Mr. Moritz is Alexandria’s Director of Planning and Zoning, named in February 2015 after serving as acting Planning Director since July 2014. Major planning issues include: integrating land use and transportation (particularly transit, pedestrian and bike), zoning, maximizing new development’s preservation/creation of affordable housing, “retrofitting” suburban patterns of development, neighborhood revitalization, sensitive infill development, planning for successful retail, parking, and continually broadening civic engagement.

Planning in Alexandria requires an in-depth knowledge of planning theory and practice coupled with very strong working relationships with the public, with elected and appointed officials, and with staff throughout city government and beyond. Success depends upon constant dialogue with individuals, civic associations and other stakeholder groups, elected and appointed boards and commissions, small business owners and developers, and the many national subject matter experts who happen to call Alexandria home.

Mr. Moritz was part of the core team that developed and pursued the Arlington-Alexandria Amazon proposal. In addition, his department led the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan and the Oakville Triangle Corridor Plan, the two small area plans that anticipated large scale redevelopment near the new Potomac Yard Metro Station and prepared Alexandria for the Amazon-Virginia Tech project. Since the Amazon announcement, he is overseeing the series of planning and policy initiatives to welcome the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus to Alexandria, take advantage of this unprecedented economic development opportunity, and to manage the resulting change to maximize benefits to the full diversity of Alexandrians, including most specifically in the area of affordable housing.
Stanley W. Sloter is the President and founder of the Paradigm Companies. Paradigm is a full-service development, construction and property management firm with operations in Washington, D.C. and throughout the mid-Atlantic region. Paradigm has developed over 10,000 urban and high rise residential apartments, condominiums and townhomes, many as ventures with pension funds, landowners and even local governments.

Beyond the daily responsibilities of Paradigm, Stanley also serves as an adjunct professor at The George Washington University, teaching a graduate level Real Estate Development course during the Fall Semester. He is a founder of Rocketship Education (a DC charter school), is a longtime supporter of Teach for America in DC, and serves as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Lycoming College. An advocate for affordable housing, Stanley has served on the DC Comprehensive Housing Strategy Task Force, the Arlington County Housing Commission, and the City of Alexandria Affordable Housing Work Group.

Stanley graduated from Lycoming College with a Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry-Management and received his Masters in Business Administration from the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to initiating a career in development, Stanley’s background was in construction lending with Pittsburg National Bank.
Susan F. Dewey is the Chief Executive Officer of the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA). The Board of Commissioners of the Virginia Housing Development Authority appointed her to this position, effective June 15, 1999. Prior to this, Susan served for three years as a VHDA Commissioner.

Susan directs all operations of VHDA, a multibillion-dollar independent, self-supporting public-private partnership that is responsible for addressing the statewide housing affordability needs of low and moderate-income Virginians. VHDA provides a variety of rental and homeownership lending and grant programs, and free homeownership education. VHDA also administers the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program and a statewide Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Previously, Susan worked for the Department of the Treasury for 17 years and was the State Treasurer of Virginia from 1996-1999. She directed all operations of the Department of the Treasury and the Treasury Board. As State Treasurer, Susan served on 16 state Boards and Authorities dealing with numerous public policy issues.

Susan currently serves on: the Board of the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development; the Virginia Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Local Advisory Committee (Member of the Host Committee); the Board of Housing Virginia (Executive Committee At-Large Member); the Virginia Commonwealth University Real Estate Circle of Excellence (Past President and Conference Committee); the Executive Committee of the Virginia Council on Economic Education (Board Campaign Chair); the Venture Richmond Board of Trustees and Projects and Economic Development Committee; the William and Mary Real Estate Foundation Board; the Virginia Chamber of Commerce Advisory Board; the National Housing Conference (NHC) National Advisory Council; the National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) Board of Directors and Task Force on Homeownership; and the Urban Land Institute Advisory Board.

Susan’s previous affiliations included the National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) Board of Directors (Past President); the Advisory Board of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta; the Fannie Mae Housing Impact Advisory Council; the Board of the Virginia Foundation for Housing Preservation; the Affordable Housing Magazine Editorial Board; the National Association of Realtors Housing Opportunity Advisory Board; the Excellence in Virginia Government Awards (EVGA) Steering Committee; the Statewide Transportation Analysis and Recommendation Task Force; the Institute of Internal Auditors (Board of Directors); the National Association of State Treasurers (Past Treasurer), the Virginia Executive Institute Alumni Association (Past President), and membership in several professional and community organizations.

Susan’s awards include the 2000 Federation of Appalachian Housing Enterprises (FAHE) Friend of Housing Award; the Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Richmond’s Top 20 Women Award in 2010; Virginia Beach Human Rights Commission’s 2010 Daniel M. Stone Humanitarian Award, one of the ten 2010 Richmond YWCA Outstanding Women Awards; one of the three Richmond women to receive the 2010 Executive Women in Business Award from Style Magazine; one of Housing Wire’s Influential Women 2011; the Better Housing Coalition Groundbreaker of the Year Award 2012; a recipient of the Richmond Boomers Magazine, Boomers & Shakers Award in 2013, and a 2019 Richmond Times-Dispatch Person of the Year Honoree.

Susan is a C.P.A. and received a B.B.A and M.B.A. from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. She and her husband reside in Chesterfield County, Virginia.
WALTER D. WEBDALE, President & CEO.

When Walter was named President and CEO of AHC in 1999, the organization operated solely in Arlington and had 13 multifamily rental properties. Today AHC operates in eight jurisdictions and has developed more than 50 properties with over 7,500 units. Under Walter’s leadership, AHC has expanded its operations to Greater Baltimore, established its own property management company and greatly expanded resident services programs at AHC properties. Prior to joining AHC, Walter was Director of the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development for 25 years. He is a past board member of the National Housing Conference, a past president and board member of the National Association of Local Housing Finance Agencies (NALHFA) and the National Association of County, Community and Economic Development Associations (NACCED). Walter has a Bachelor’s degree from Canisius College in New York, and was named a “Distinguished Alumni” in 2017. Walter was inducted into the Affordable Housing Finance Hall of Fame in 2019.
Mark B. Jinks was appointed City Manager for the City of Alexandria in April of 2015. Jinks joined the City in 1999 as Chief Financial Officer, responsible for the City's budget, finance programs, and information technology services. He served for 10 years in that role before becoming a Deputy City Manager. His portfolio in that position included the City's land use planning, zoning, historic preservation, transportation, environmental protection, code administration, affordable housing, parks, recreation, cultural activities, museums, economic development, project finance, and project implementation. He has extensive experience in the development, preservation and financing of affordable and workforce housing. Prior to his time in Alexandria, Jinks served as the Director of Management and Finance, and as Budget Director for Arlington County, Va.

Jinks holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in public administration from The Pennsylvania State University. He is an alumnus of executive education programs at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, the University of Virginia, and Syracuse University. Jinks has taught public finance and budgeting at universities in the United States and abroad. He served in the 1990’s as an economic development and financial management consultant to the cities of Warsaw and Krakow in Poland.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership. He served as Chair of the Chief Administrative Officers Committee for the Washington Metropolitan Area Council of Governments, Chair of the Alexandria-Arlington Waste-to-Energy facility board, and on the boards of public pension funds for both Arlington County and the City of Alexandria.