



ORIGINAL

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Special Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2018**

Mayor Rachford called the Alexandria City Council Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the invocation and the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members answering roll call:

Stacey Graus Present	Susan Vanlandingham Present
Bob Simon Present	Scott Fleckinger Present
Sue Neltner Present	Andy Schabell Present

Also: Jan Johannemann, Asst. City Clerk Mike Duncan, City Attorney
Mike Ward, Police Chief

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 16, 2018

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve the minutes of August 16, 2018, seconded by Scott Fleckinger. All in favor, the motion passed with a 6-0-0 vote.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Duncan read the following for Second Readings:

ORD #2018-06: Approving a recommendation of the Alexandria Planning Commission to approve a zoning map amendment to rezone the Lange/Atkinson real estate located at 7010 Alexandria Pike from its current zoning of R-1V (Residential 1-V) to HC (Highway Commercial), subject to the submitted Site Development Plan, to the approved variances, and to the agreed conditions of approval in order to construct and operate an automated car wash.

Mike Duncan explained the process had gone before Planning Commission for rezoning, request of two variances, site development plan submitted and was given conditions which are attached.

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve ORD #2018-06, Andy Schabell seconded. All in favor 5-1-0 the motion passed with Susan Vanlandingham voted no.

ORD #2018-07: Providing for the assessment of real property within the corporate limits of the City of Alexandria and levying an ad valorem tax of 17.4 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation (\$1.74 per \$1,000) of real property in the City for the 2018 assessment tax year, and specifying the purpose for which the tax is levied.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Ord. #2018-07, seconded by Bop Simon.

Before the vote, Stacey Graus wanted to make a statement in regard to real property taxes. As a council they are able to keep the tax rate the same for the Alexandria property owners because there are other sources of revenues, including the recently instituted Gross Receipts Tax. It had come to Mr. Graus' attention there was some misinformation spread around to the citizens. Council did not want to raise taxes on the citizens that reside in the City. We want to continue to develop business which increases the tax base with the commercial properties. One of the revenue sources to keep this property tax where it is, is the gross receipt tax. The misinformation comes from fliers and Facebook posts saying businesses have been run out of the city because of the gross receipt s tax. He held up a flier that had been circulated and said if anyone wanted to discuss the businesses on flier, he would be glad to talk to them one on one because not one single business in the pictures has left or is gone because of the gross receipts tax. He then thanked Council for their time to let him speak.

The motion on the floor was brought up for a vote. All in favor, motion passed 6-0-0 vote.

Mike Duncan wanted to state this special meeting is taking the place of the first meeting in September due to not having quorum on the 6th.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Sue Neltner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Karen M. Barto, City Clerk Treasurer

Date: 9-21-2018



William T. Rachford, Jr., Mayor

Date: 9/21/2018

Approved: