

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & SUMMARY MINUTES

## Actions of the City Council for March 22, 2021

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The following legislation was considered and acted upon by the City Council of the City of Falls Church. Copies of legislation are available from the City Clerk [cityclerk@fallschurchva.gov](mailto:cityclerk@fallschurchva.gov) or 703-248-5014.

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**Call to Order:** Mayor Tarter called the virtual meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

*The meeting was held pursuant to and in compliance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and applicable emergency electronic meeting regulations enacted to address the COVID-19 emergency. All participating members of City Council were present through electronic means and members of the public could view the meeting [fallschurchva.gov/CouncilMeetings](http://fallschurchva.gov/CouncilMeetings) and on FCCTV (Cox 11, RCN 2, Verizon 35). Public hearings were held electronically and public comments were accepted electronically at [cityclerk@fallschurchva.gov](mailto:cityclerk@fallschurchva.gov).*

**Roll Call:** Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mayor Tarter, Vice Mayor Connelly, Mr. Duncan, Ms. Hardi, Mr. Litkenhous, Ms. Schantz-Hiscott, and Mr. Snyder.

### **Annual Reports**

Chair Kathy Philpott Costa presented the Urban Forestry Commission's Annual Report.

### **City Manager's Report**

Colin Brody from the Fairfax County Health Department updated the City Council about the COVID 19 pandemic and vaccinations.

### **Second readings of ordinances and other items requiring public hearings**

(TR21-04) RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AND DESIGNATING THREE NEW FALLS CHURCH SPECIMEN TREES **MOTION to adopt (TR21-04) PASSED 7-0. (Res. 2021-08)**

### **Resolutions and first readings of ordinances**

(TO21-06) ORDINANCE SETTING THE RATE OF TAX LEVY ON REAL ESTATE FOR TAX YEAR 2022 AND ON PERSONAL PROPERTY, MACHINERY AND TOOLS AND ALL OTHER PROPERTY SEGREGATED BY LAW FOR LOCAL TAXATION IN THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH VIRGINIA FOR TAX YEAR 2021

**MOTION to grant first reading to (TO21-06) [with a tax rate \$1.33], schedule public hearings for April 12 and April 26, schedule second reading and final consideration for April 26, and advertise the same according to law FAILED 3-4.**

**[AYE: Mr. Duncan, Mr. Litkenhous, Mr. Snyder]**

**[NAY: Vice Mayor Connelly, Ms. Hardi, Ms. Schantz-Hiscott, Mayor Tarter]**

**MOTION to grant first reading to (TO21-06) [with a tax rate \$1.34], schedule public hearings for April 12 and April 26, schedule second reading and final consideration for April 26, and advertise the same according to law PASSED 5-2.**

**[AYE: Vice Mayor Connelly, Ms. Hardi, Ms. Schantz-Hiscott, Mr. Snyder, Mayor Tarter]**

**[NAY: Mr. Duncan, Mr. Litkenhous]**

**[Mr. Litkenhous asked to change his vote to AYE after the motion was passed.]**

**(TO21-04) ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE BUDGET OF EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022: GENERAL FUND; SCHOOL OPERATING FUND; SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND; SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE FUND; CABLE ACCESS FUND; SEWER FUND; AND STORMWATER FUND MOTION to grant first reading to (TO21-04), schedule public hearings for April 12 and April 26, schedule second reading and final consideration for April 26, and advertise the same according to law PASSED 7-0.**

**(TO21-05) ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE FY2022-FY2027 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 MOTION to grant first reading to (TO21-05), schedule public hearings for April 12 and April 26, schedule second reading and final consideration for April 26, and advertise the same according to law PASSED 7-0.**

**(TO21-07) ORDINANCE TO SET THE STORMWATER UTILITY BILLING UNIT RATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 42, ARTICLE VII OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA MOTION to grant first reading to (TO21-07), schedule public hearings for April 12 and April 26, schedule second reading and final consideration for April 26, and advertise the same according to law PASSED 4-3.**

**[AYE: Vice Mayor Connelly, Ms. Schantz-Hiscott, Mr. Snyder, Mayor Tarter]**

**[NAY: Mr. Duncan, Ms. Hardi. Mr. Litkenhous]**

**(TR21-07) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 0.33 ACRES OF LAND FROM THE FALLS CHURCH CITY SCHOOL BOARD TO THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH (BEING A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY CODE NUMBER 51-221-008) LOCATED AT 7124 LEESBURG PIKE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A DEED OF CONVEYANCE, AND EXECUTE THE DEED OF RESUBDIVISION AND SUCH OTHER DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION MOTION to refer (TR21-07) to the School Board and Planning Commission for review and recommendations to City Council PASSED 7-0.**

### **Consent items**

**MOTION to adopt the Consent Items PASSED 7-0.**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Reappointment: Anne Norloff - Human Services Advisory Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/24

Reappointment: Cinda Rose – Historic Architectural Review Board - 02/01/21 – 01/31/25

Reappointment: Jon Ward – Environmental Sustainability Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/23

Reappointment: Michael Trauberman – Environmental Sustainability Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/25

Reappointment: Stacey Evers – Environmental Sustainability Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/23

Reappointment: Andrew Crawford – Environmental Sustainability Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/25

Reappointment: Sarah Bayldon Beaman – Environmental Sustainability Council - 03/01/21 – 02/28/24

Reappointment: Cory Firestone Weiss – Arts & Humanities Council of Falls Church Planning Commission Representative – (03/01/20) – 02/28/23

New Appointment: Maureen Budetti - Arts & Humanities Council of Falls Church Falls Church Arts Representative – (03/01/19) – 02/28/22 (Unexpired Term)

**Work Session: School Budget**

The City Council and School board met in work session about the FY22 budget.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 p.m.

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Legislation	Action
Res. 2021-08	Record
(TO21-04)	FCNP ad 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22
(TO21-05)	FCNP ad 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22
(TO21-06)	FCNP ad 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22
(TO21-07)	FCNP ad 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22
(TR21-07)	Refer to Planning Commission and School Board