

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & SUMMARY MINUTES

## Actions of the City Council for September 11, 2023

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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:** Vice Mayor Hardi called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Upon roll call, the following members were present: Ms. Connelly, Mr. Duncan, Vice Mayor Hardi, Ms. Lian, and Mr. Snyder. Also present were City Manager Wyatt Shields, City Attorney Sally Gillette, and City Clerk Celeste Heath. Mayor Tarter arrived at 8:38 p.m. because of work obligations. Ms. Schantz-Hiscott was absent.

### **Proclamations and Special Presentations**

City Council issued the following proclamations declaring:

- September as Preparedness Month in the City of Falls Church
- September 8-17, 2023 As Welcoming Week in The City of Falls Church
- September 17-23, 2023 As Constitution Week in The City of Falls Church
- September 11-15, 2023 As Disability Voting Rights Week in The City of Falls Church

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

**(Requested to be rescheduled) (TO23-11) ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 48 “ZONING” TO INCLUDE AN AVERAGE UNIT SIZE AND DENSITY RESTRICTIONS IN THE T-1 TRANSITION ZONE; ELIMINATE SINGLE FAMILY AND TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE THEREIN; ALLOW FOR A TOWNHOUSE, APARTMENT AND CONDO OPTION AND ALLOW FOR EXPANDED LOT COVERAGE **Motion by Ms. Lian, seconded by Ms. Connelly to schedule a public hearing and second reading for (TO23-11) on September 26, 2023 PASSED 4-2 (Nay: Mr. Snyder and Mayor Tarter)****

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

**(TO23-12) ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 26, “MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,” ARTICLE I, “IN GENERAL,” OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH TO ADD THERETO A NEW SECTION 26-21 ALLOWING PHOTO SPEED MONITORING DEVICES AND ADDING A FINE FOR VIOLATIONS **Motion by Ms. Hardi second by Ms. Snyder to grant first reading to (TO23-12), schedule second reading and public hearing for September 26, 2023, and advertise the same according to law PASSED 6-0.****

### **Consent Items**

**MOTION by Ms. Hardy, seconded by Ms. Connelly to move the Consent Agenda PASSED 6-0.**

The City Council is requested to make the recommendation that the City Attorney submit a Praecipe and Order to the Arlington County Circuit Court requesting the appointment of Minna

Cavanaugh to the City's Board of Equalization to fill the unexpired term ending January 31, 2026. **Recommended.**

AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$150,000 IN A PURCHASE ORDER WITH SUZANNE H. NICEWONDER (DBA PRECISION ENGINEERING, P.C.) FOR CITY HALL EMERGENCY GENERATOR DESIGN SERVICES **Authorized.**

**Items removed from consent**

**(TR23-27) RESOLUTION SETTING THE COMPENSATION OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 MOTION by Ms. Connelly, seconded by Ms. Hardi to adopt (TR23-27) PASSED 5-1. (Res. 2023-25)**

**Other Business**

AUTHORIZE THE CITY'S PURCHASING AGENT TO SIGN A PURCHASING AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$172,485 WITH AXON ENTERPRISES, INC. TO OBTAIN TASER 10 DEVICES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT **Motion by Ms. Connelly, seconded by Mr. Snyder to authorize the City's Purchasing Agent to execute a five-year contract and issue a purchase order to AXON Enterprise Inc. for up to \$172,485.74 PASSED 6-0.**

**Minutes**

The minutes of July 13, 2020 were approved as presented.

**Adjournment**

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 pm.

	<b>Legislation</b>	<b>Action</b>
	(TO23-11)	PH 09-26-23
	(TO23-12)	PH 09-26-23
	(TR23-27)	Res. 2023-25