

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & SUMMARY MINUTES

## Actions of the City Council for December 14, 2020

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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 7:43 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 City cable access channels. 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.

### **Reports**

The Retirement Board annual report was presented to Council.

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

**(TO20-25) ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE SALE OF CITY-OWNED LAND KNOWN AS THE PARKING LOT PROPERTY ON PARK PLACE [RPC NO. 52-309-415] TO INSIGHT PROPERTY GROUP INC., AND AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT OF PURCHASE AND SALE ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE AGREEMENT OF PURCHASE AND SALE **MOTION to grant first reading to (TO20-25), schedule second reading and public hearing for January 25, 2021; and advertise the same according to law PASSED 6-0 with Mr. Litkenhous abstaining.****

**(TO20-26) ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REENACT, AND RECODIFY CHAPTER 48, “ZONING,” ARTICLE II, “ADMINISTRATION,” DIVISION 3, “AMENDMENTS,” SEC. 48-90, “SPECIAL EXCEPTION” TO EDIT THE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY CRITERIA TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR SMALLER INFILL DEVELOPMENT BY ALLOWING CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS THAT PROVIDE NEWER, BUT NOT NECESSARILY ADDITIONAL, COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND TO SPECIFICALLY REFERENCE CONSIDERATIONS OF SMALL AREA PLAN GUIDANCE, WALKABILITY, AND STREETScape **MOTION to grant first reading to (TO20-26), with two amendments (1) deletion of the reference to “for smaller infill development” in the title and (2) addition of, on line 183, “compliance with all of” before the words “the primary criteria...”. [This item was also referred to the Planning Commission and Economic Development Authority for review and recommendation to the City Council; and second reading and public hearing were scheduled for February 22, 2021] PASSED 7-0.****

**(TR20-48) RESOLUTION PROVIDING GUIDANCE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FY2022 BUDGET **MOTION adopt (TR20-48) PASSED 7-0. (Res. 2020-42)****

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

**MOTION to approve consent items PASSED 7-0.**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Appointment: Andrea Caumont – Planning Commission - 01/01/21 – 12/31/24

Appointment: Mary Sellers – Arts and Humanities Council of Falls Church At-Large Representative - (03/01/19) – 02/28/22 (Unexpired Term)

Reappointment: Jordan Hicks – Housing Commission - 01/01/21 – 12/31/23

Reappointment/Transfer to Full Member Term – Dale Eppler – Board of Zoning Appeals - 01/01/21 – 12/31/24 **(Approved)**

**(TR20-51) RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE A VIRGINIA HOUSING AMAZON REACH GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3.75 MILLION TO INCREASE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH (Res. 2020-43)**

**(TR20-49) RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE USE OF FORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE TO EXTEND THE SUNSET DATE (Res. 2020-44)**

**(TR20-47) RESOLUTION AMENDING THE INVESTMENT GUIDELINES (1) FOR THE CITY’S BASIC AND POLICE PENSION FUNDS SECTIONS 3.1 FUNDING, 5.7 PLAN ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, 12.6 ACTUARIAL REVIEW, AND (2) FOR THE CITY’S POST RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN SECTIONS 3.1 FUNDING, 5.7 PLAN ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES AND 12.5 ACTUARIAL REVIEW (Res. 2020-45)**

**(TR20-45) RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE 2021 CITY GOVERNMENT HOLIDAY SCHEDULE (Res. 2020-46)**

**(TR20-50) RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT PAYMENT OF \$3,235.13 AND EXECUTE AND RECORD THE RELEASE AND SATISFACTION OF SUBORDINATE NOTE AND DEED OF TRUST AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH OTHER DOCUMENTS AS ARE NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION (Res. 2020-47)**

### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT**

**(TR20-46) RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH 2021 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM **MOTION to approve (TR20-46), which is to adopt the City of Falls Church 2021 Legislative Program, with the addition of a provision authorizing the use of the City’s police powers to regulate the location of vaping operations PASSED 7-0. (Res. 2020-48)****

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

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Legislation	Action
(TO20-25)	Advertise for 1-25-21
(TO20-26)	Advertise for 2-22-21
(TR20-48)	Res. 2020-43
(TR20-51)	Res. 2020-44
(TR20-49)	Res. 2020-45
(TR20-47)	Res. 2020-46
(TR20-45)	Res. 2020-47
(TR20-50)	Res. 2020-48