

ORDINANCE NO. 4526

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT), of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding thereto a new Article U (ALEXANDRIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION).

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 4, Title 2 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained by adding thereto Article U, to read as follows:

ARTICLE U Alexandria Transportation Commission

Sec. 2-4-160 Alexandria Transportation Commission Established.

There is hereby established a standing advisory committee known as the Alexandria Transportation Commission.

Sec. 2-4-161 Same - composition.

The commission shall consist of nine members, appointed by the City Council as follows:

- (1) two members from the Planning Commission, nominated by the Commission,
- (2) one member from the Traffic and Parking Board, nominated by the Board,
- (3) one member from the Environmental Policy Commission, nominated by the Commission,
- (4) one member from the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors, nominated by the Board,
- (5) two citizen members, who shall be residents of the City possessing qualifications in land-use, transportation and/or municipal finance, of whom one shall reside east of Quaker Lane and one west of Quaker Lane,
- (6) two, ex-officio, non-voting members from the City Council, who shall be selected from among Council members who serve on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Transportation Planning Board (MWCOG/TBP), Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA), Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) or the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA).

Sec. 2-4-162 Same - appointment, procedures, and organization.

- (a) The commission shall be appointed by city council. The commission members shall be appointed for terms of three years; provided, however, that, except for the two citizen members, a member's tenure on the commission shall terminate if such member ceases to be a member of his or her respective board, commission or council. Of the members first appointed, three shall serve a term of one year, three shall serve a term of two years, and three shall serve a term of three years, to be determined by lot. In the event a member's position becomes vacant before the expiration of his or her regular term, the appointment shall be for the unexpired portion of the term.
- (b) Except as to the manner of appointment specified in this article, the commission shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 2-4-163 Same - functions; powers; duties.

- (a) The Alexandria Transportation Commission is established to advocate and promote development of balanced transportation systems for the City through oversight of the implementation of the Transportation Chapter of the City's adopted Master Plan.
- (b) The responsibilities of the commission include:
 - (1) maintaining a comprehensive transportation development program that identifies the City's long-range transportation needs.
 - (2) recommending on an annual basis a transportation improvement program for the six fiscal years next ensuing,
 - (3) recommending priorities for project requests that are to be submitted for funding through state, regional and local transportation funding programs,
 - (4) recommending and prioritizing project requests that are to be submitted for funding through federal and state grant programs,
 - (5) receiving reports and findings on transportation project development studies and recommending follow up actions,
 - (6) recommending transportation projects for addition to or deletion from the metropolitan planning organization and regional long-range transportation plans,

- (7) recommending such amendments as may be necessary or desirable to the transportation chapter of the City's adopted Master Plan.
 - (8) preparing periodic reports on the City's progress in implementing its long-range transportation plan,
 - (9) providing upon request input to and support for the City's representatives to regional transportation boards and authorities, and serving as a public forum for discussion and consideration of matters such representatives may refer to the commission,
 - (10) considering such other transportation related matters as may be referred to the commission by city council and other City boards and commissions.
- (c) The commission shall receive public input through public meetings, work sessions and hearings as appropriate, and consider such public input in its deliberations and recommendations.
 - (d) The commission shall have the authority to do all things necessary to carry out the functions, powers and duties prescribed in this article, including without limitation the authority to appoint subcommittees and adopt rules and regulations in regard to procedures and other matters, so long as same are not inconsistent with the city code.
 - (e) A commission chair and vice-chair shall be elected annually by the members of the commission, and a secretary appointed, at the organizational meeting designated by the commission.
 - (f) The department of transportation and environmental services, assisted by the department of planning and zoning, shall provide administrative and logistical support to the commission.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

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Mayor

Final Passage: April 12, 2008