

RESOLUTION NO. 562

WHEREAS, the City Council has and continues to accept funds from the Federal Community Services Administration (formerly the Office of Economic Opportunity) for the purpose of conducting the activities of a Community Action Agency; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has created the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission to serve as its Community Action Agency with the expressed purpose, among others, of developing and operating programs which will serve the City's low-income residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has and continues to accept funds under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, as amended (CETA) from the Federal Department of Labor for the purpose of conducting employment and training activities for unemployed, underemployed and economically disadvantaged Alexandria residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes a commonality of objectives between the Economic Opportunities Commission programs and the City's employment and training activities; and

WHEREAS, the Council passed resolutions on November 29, 1972 and May 14, 1974 establish an Advisory Committee which among other things is to plan, monitor and evaluate employment and training programs for the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that the administration of City programs be as efficient and economical as possible within their stated objectives; and

WHEREAS, it now appears to the City Council that the CETA - funded activities can be operated, and policy developed therefor, within the framework of the mission of the Economic Opportunities Commission; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL  
of ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:

1. That resolutions number 157 and 316 adopted by City Council on November 29, 1972 and May 14, 1974 respectively be and they are hereby repealed.
2. That, effective June 28, 1977, all Alexandria Comprehensive Employment and Training Act activities be transferred within the framework of operations and policy development of the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission.
3. That the Mayor's Comprehensive Employment and Training Advisory Committee be redesignated, the Comprehensive Employment and Training Advisory Committee.
4. That the responsibility of the Committee shall be:
  - (a) To advise the Economic Opportunities Commission, program staff, and the City Council in the planning, review and program development of all activities funded under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, as amended (CETA);
  - (b) To monitor and evaluate the program activities funded under CETA;
  - (c) To provide a vehicle for effective communications between the City of Alexandria and other jurisdictions or agencies in the Washington Metropolitan area conducting employment and training programs.
  - (d) To provide policy recommendations for the solution of employment problems, including training, job development, employment counseling, employment-related transportation and public service employment.
5. That the Comprehensive Employment and Training Advisory Committee annually elect from within its own membership a Chairperson who will lead the Committee in the conduct of its business.
6. That the Commission shall forward periodic reports of the Committee to City Council but no less than twice a year.

7. That the City Council may waive residency requirements for members of the Committee.

8. That the Committee shall be composed of the following members, who shall be appointed by the City Council and shall serve on the Committee as long as they hold the position identified;

- (1) Director of Vocational Education for the Alexandria City Schools
- (2) Manager of the Alexandria Office of the Virginia Employment Commission
- (3) Chairperson of the Economic Opportunities Commission

9. That the City Council shall appoint the following members for a two year term;

- (4) one representative of the poor from the EOC
- (5) one additional member from the EOC
- (6) Executive Director, Northern Virginia Branch of the Washington Urban League
- (7) Chamber of Commerce representative
- (8) Organized Labor representative
- (9) Alexandria United Way representative
- (10) Senior Citizens Employment and Services, Inc.
- (11) One employer at large
- (12-14) Three citizens at large, one of whom will be Spanish-speaking and one of whom will be low-income
- (15) Northern Virginia Community College representative
- (16) Commission on the Status of Women representative
- (17) One representative of the VPI Extension

10. That, in the case of conflict of opinions between the Comprehensive Employment and Training Advisory Committee and the Economic Opportunities Commission, the recommendations of both bodies be forwarded by the Commission to City Council for decision. If determined to be necessary by City Council, members of both bodies may be permitted to address the issue before City Council.

11. That the Director of the Economic Opportunities Commission shall be responsible for assigning staff to assist the Comprehensive Employment and Training Advisory Committee in the accomplishment of its activities.

Adopted June 28, 1977

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Mrs. Helen Holleman, Clerk of the City  
of Alexandria, Virginia