

WHEREAS, on October 23, 1973, the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, passed a resolution establishing an Alcohol and Drug Abuse Control Coordinating Committee; and

WHEREAS, the city council has determined to consolidate the policy setting and coordinative function of the aforesaid committee and the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services Board (Chapter X Services Board); and

WHEREAS, the Chapter X Services Board will assume policy setting and coordinative responsibility for all substance abuse programming; and

WHEREAS, the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Control Coordinating Committee will be dissolved; and

WHEREAS, the city council wishes to establish a new committee to be called the Alexandria Substance Abuse Council; therefore

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

A. That Resolution No. 250, adopted on October 23, 1973, which established the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Control Coordinating Committee be and the same hereby is repealed.

B. That there is hereby established an Alexandria Substance Abuse Council (advisory council) which shall consist of seventeen (17) members as follows:

The city manager

The health director

The sheriff

The attorney for the commonwealth

The superintendent of schools

The police chief

A representative of the Alexandria Hospital

A representative of the Economic Opportunities Commission

A representative of the Mental Health Association

The recreation department director

Five (5) citizen members

A licensed physician citizen member

A citizen member of the Alexandria Center on Alcoholism
Advisory Committee

In addition to the seventeen (17) members there shall be a minimum of one (1) to a maximum of five (5) ex officio non-voting citizen members who shall be appointed by the Chapter X Services Board as their liaison with the advisory council.

A. citizen chairperson shall be elected by the advisory council.

C. That it shall be the responsibility of the council:

(1) To serve as the advisory council for the Director of the Division of Substance Abuse of the city's Mental, Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Department and for the Chapter X Services Board;

(2) To review initially all substance abuse related programs and budgets;

(3) To prepare an annual report which shall be incorporated into the Chapter X Services Board's annual report to be submitted to the city manager and city council;

(4) To promote and support the comprehensive drug and alcohol abuse program for the city;

(5) To develop, as it deems appropriate, additions to the drug and alcohol abuse services which shall include but not be limited to prevention, intervention, education, treatment, law enforcement, research and evaluation, and to develop legislative recommendations;

(6) To review interagency disagreements and recommend solutions.

D. That the council shall adopt its own bylaws and method of conducting business consistent with this resolution.

Adopted January 24, 1978

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