



CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 715 Princess Anne Street
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401

HON. MARY KATHERINE GREENLAW, MAYOR
HON. CHARLIE L. FRYE, JR., VICE -MAYOR, WARD FOUR
HON. KERRY P. DEVINE, AT-LARGE
HON. MATTHEW J. KELLY, AT-LARGE
HON. JASON N. GRAHAM, WARD ONE
HON. WILLIAM C. WITHERS, JR., WARD TWO
HON. DR. TIMOTHY P. DUFFY, WARD THREE

March 23, 2021

The Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, held a regular session on Tuesday, March 23, 2021, beginning at 7:30 p.m. using electronic communication through GoToMeeting pursuant to and in compliance with the City Council Ordinance 20-05, an ordinance to address Continuity of City Government during the pendency of a pandemic disaster.

City Council Present. Mayor Mary Katherine Greenlaw. Vice-Mayor Charlie L. Frye, Jr., Council members Kerry P. Devine, Dr. Timothy P. Duffy, Jason N. Graham, Matthew J. Kelly and William C. Withers, Jr.

Also Present. City Manager Timothy P. Baroody, Assistant City Manager Mark Whitley, City Attorney Kathleen Dooley, Assistant City Attorney Dori Martin, Fire Chief Mike Jones, Police Chief Brian Layton, Budget Manager Brenna Erford, Community Planning and Building Services Director Charles Johnston, Senior Planner Michael Craig, Community Development Planner Susanna Finn, Zoning Administrator James Newman, Historic Resources Planner Kate Schwartz, Parks, Recreation and Special Events Director Jane Shelhorse, Economic Development Administrator Bill Freehling, Deputy Clerk of Council Brenda Martin and Clerk of Council Tonya B. Lacey.

Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Council was led in prayer by Councilor Matthew J. Kelly, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Mary Katherine Greenlaw.

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update (D21-__). Chief Jones reported that the number of new cases in the Rappahannock Health District had dropped from 852 to 496. The number of cases in the hospital was 21 and the number in the ICU and on ventilators has dropped drastically. The number of deaths dropped from forty a couple weeks earlier, to six. The positivity rate for the local health district was 6.6%.

Statewide the number of patients recovering from COVID was going up, ICU and ventilator use was down. The State exceeded 10,000 deaths and it was at a 5.6% positivity rate.

Chief Jones reported that Johnson and Jonson would be providing five times more vaccines and it would add 48,000 more vaccine doses per week. There was also a fourth vaccine waiting for approval from AstraZeneca. Virginia has vaccinated 3.15 million people. 2 million had received their first dose and over 1 million had received their second dose. The average citizens being vaccinated across the Commonwealth was 50,000 to 70,000 per day. The number of hospitalizations was down and the Governor issued a change in the guidelines. The number at indoor/outdoor gatherings would increase from 10 to 50 for indoor and 25 to 100 for outdoor gatherings effective April 1. Entertainment and Public Amusement venues limit to 30 percent occupancy with a cap indoors of 500 and the cap for outdoors was removed. Spectator venues indoors went

from 25 to 100 and outdoors from 250 to 500. Graduations indoors have a limit of 500 and 5000 outdoors.

Chief Jones also recognized staff that worked hard to find and set up a vaccination site in less than a week. They were able to use James Monroe High School and they issued 500 doses on Friday. He said he was proud to work with the entire team.

Councilor Kelly asked that status of staff being immunized and Chief Jones reported that everyone who wanted to get vaccinated was vaccinated. He said they were working on all fronts to get those who were underserved registered and vaccinated.

Consent Agenda Accepted for Transmittal as Recommended (D21-__ thru D21-__). Councilor Kelly moved approval of the City Manager's consent agenda; motion was seconded by Councilor Graham and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

- Transmittal of Board and Commissions Minutes
 - Economic Development Authority – February 8, 2021 (D21-__).

Public Hearing (D21-__ thru D21-__). The regular session was recessed in order to conduct scheduled public hearings and immediately reconvened upon their conclusion.

Citizen Comment. The following comments were submitted to be read during the citizen comment portion of this evening's meeting.

Leigh D'Lugos (D21-__), 1311 Caroline Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms gas station given the increasing traffic in and around the downtown

Fredericksburg area, and the negative aesthetics and environmental impacts on the VCR trail. See D21-___, for more information.

Kathy Anderson (D21-___), 1804 Washington Avenue, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project because the intersection was dangerous and she did not want the trails disrupted. See D21-___, for more information.

Linda Coker (D21-___), 308 Caroline Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project. She said the whole Lafayette corridor development was a disappointment. See D21-___, for more information.

Katie Pomeroy (D21-___), 915 Marye Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project. She said this would not promote clean, green renewable energy solutions. She also expressed concerns about relocating the trail and the financial impact of moving it. See D21-___, for more information.

Robert Lowry (D21-___), 614 Prince Edward Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project because it would negatively affect the community. See D21-___, for more information.

James Crockett (D21-___), 1102 City View Lane, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project stating that he was not informed by the developer or Royal Farms that they were planning a Royal Farms in that location. He said adding any gas station, food mart, or similar business would exacerbate the traffic, even with the current improvements on Lafayette Boulevard. See D21-___, for more information.

Kevin Brown (D21-___), 460 Riverside Drive, spoke in favor of the Royal Farms project stating that the \$300-350K annual opportunity cost to the city over the next

decade. He spoke of the need to increase the tax base to pay for capital improvements plus he said not approving the Royal Farms project would be egregious to forego. Mr. Brown said this project would not destroy the trail system. See D21-___ for more information.

Michael Theim (D21-___), 1613 Rampart Drive, spoke about his concern of how the Royal Farms would impact the VCR trail and walking path. He was concerned it would block the convenient access to the trail. He suggested Royal Farms pay for a flyover that would take the path over the Blue-Gray Parkway. See D21-___ for more information.

Gloria Lloyd (D21-___), 1314 Dandridge Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and ask City Council to vote no. See D21-___ for more information.

Beatrice Kerr (D21-___), 821 Brompton Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project because it would add too much light pollution, go against the goal of reducing fossil fuels and it would increase traffic. See D21-___ for more information.

David Primmer (D21-___), 1509 Caroline Street, asked the Council to consider: that the filling station was not consistent with the City Council's 100% renewable energy commitment, there was a need for climate-smart economic development that recognizes the reality of climate change and embraces the transition to renewable energy, the intersection was already very busy and congested and Royal Farms already had a station on Route 1 and another planned for Route 3 closer to the highway. See D21-___ for more information.

Leslie Rigby Kash (D21-__), 1410 Buckner Street, stated that she vehemently opposed the special exception unless Royal Farms paid for the trail to be moved. She said this would interrupt the trail and introduce danger to people using the trail. See D21-__ for more information.

Leslie and John Leahy (D21-__), 1412 Littlepage Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and ask City Council to vote no. See D21-__ for more information.

Brett Minard (D21-__), 507 Fauquier Street, stated that there were already three gas stations in the immediate area as well as Nader's Grocery, and he wanted to know why this proposed location was necessary. See D21-__ for more information.

Rosemary Ross (D21-__), 218 Princess Anne Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and said it would add more traffic to an already congested area. See D21-__ for more information.

Lawrence and Catherine Garfield (D21-__), 1315 Caroline Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and asked the Council to vote no. See D21-__ for more information.

Sue Eubank (D21-__), 1424 Franklin Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and stated that the increased traffic would put people who are utilizing the trail at risk. See D21-__ for more information.

Jeremy Larochelle (D21-__), 1201 Hearthstone Drive, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and said the City Council should not approve the special use permit unless there was a solid plan in place not to alter the safety of this section of the VCR trail. See D21-__ for more information.

Joel Fletcher (D21-__), 911 Sylvania Avenue, strongly spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and he said the tax benefits would cancel out because of the increase in congestion, the added hazards to driving and the pollution that would ensue. See D21-__, for more information.

Terri Pierce (D21-__), 1428 Franklin Street, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project. She said there was no shortage of convenience stores in the City. Ms. Pierce said her main concern was the impact on the City trails, Alum Springs Park and Hazel Run. She also spoke of the potential chemical runoff generated by this type of business, litter, increased traffic and investment in fossil fuel centric installation. See D21-__, for more information.

Charles Sharpless (D21-__), 1613 Sunken Road, spoke in opposition of the special use permit for Royal Farms. He said this development was the wrong choice for that location and the wrong investment for the future. It would create a traffic hazard for people seeking to use the heritage trail and then puts the financial onus of remediating that hazard on the city. Mr. Sharpless said it would be a slap in the face of the community who was counting on the Council to uphold their 2019 resolution to move our city towards a carbon free future. See D21-__, for more information.

Carol McClintock (D21-__), 1621 Raines Drive, stated that there was no need for a gas station in this area. She urged the Council to vote no. See D21-__, for more information.

Rebecca Hamner (D21-__), 138 Caroline Street, asked the Council to deny the special use permit for Royal Farms because the development jeopardizes protection of

the VCR Trail and its users, the development and super-sized parking lot contradicts the City Council's commitment to move the city to a 100% renewable energy future, and makes this commitment more difficult to achieve, the scenic degradation of a gateway to the National Park and to our historic downtown, there is no need for more gas stations and convenience stores in this location and the City does not have a comprehensive plan for protecting its valuable trails from encroachment . See D21-___, for more information.

Charles Koch (D21-___), 3108 Normandy Avenue, stated that the proposal for a Special Use Permit for the Royal Farms gas station and convenience store near the intersection of Rt. 3 and Lafayette Boulevard was at odds with the city's commitment to renewable energy that it made in December of 2019. Other reasons he would like it denied was that it was inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan and with the character of the neighborhood, it was near a Battlefield Park, bike and walking path and residences. See D21-___, for more information.

Craig Vasey (D21-___), 804 Marye Street, stated that Royal Farms should absorb the cost of rerouting the trail. Mr. Vasey asked the Council to vote no. See D21-___, for more information.

Andy Wofenbarger (D21-___), 1324 Walker Drive, stated that he supported the Royal Farms Project for the conveniences of the restrooms. He said it would be a welcomed stopping spot for families as they walk the trail. See D21-___, for more information.

Charles S. Fennell (D21-__), 1308 Caroline Street, spoke in support of the Royal Farms request for a special exception and he asked the Council to vote to approve the request. See D21-__, for more information.

Ernest Ackermann (D21-__), 1300 College Avenue, stated that it was a bad idea to build a Royal Farms at the corner of the Blue and Gray Parkway. He said building a gas station in this location would adversely affect the traffic and drain business from other similar operations in the City. See D21-__, for more information.

Amanda Stebbins (D21-__), 1613 Sunken Road, spoke in opposition of the Royal Farms project and said this development was not consistent with the City Council's 100% renewable energy commitment. See D21-__, for more information.

Ellen & TJ Schaefer (D21-__), 441 Hanson Avenue, spoke of the ever growing traffic congestion and increasing development and his disappointment to learn that another gas station/convenience store was proposed for the corner of Lafayette Boulevard and Route 3. The Schaefer's stated that this opposed the City's pledge to 100% renewable energy. See D21-__, for more information.

Laura LaBelle (D21-__), 211 Hillcrest Drive, requested the Council to vote no on the Royal Farms development. She said the number of cars crossing over the trail path would make the trail less accessible. See D21-__, for more information.

Pamela Grothe (D21-__), 116 Springwood Drive, stated that she vehemently opposed the Royal Farms gas station. She said she would not feel comfortable using the trail with her small child if the station were built there. She stated that the station goes

against the City's commitment to tackle climate change. See D21-___, for more information.

James Crockett (D21-___), 1102 City View Lane, stated that he like many of his neighbors opposed the building of Royal Farms or any other business at Fredericksburg Park because they were not informed prior to buying their homes, the traffic would be onerous, there was another Royal Farms building built just down the road and the high number of such stores already in the immediate area. See D21-___, for more information.

Council Agenda Presented. The following items were presented to Council for discussion.

- 8A. Noise Ordinance Update – Mayor Greenlaw & Councilor Kelly
- 8B. Board and Commission Updates
- 8C. Tree Fredericksburg – Councilor Devine

Noise Ordinance Update. Mayor Greenlaw updated the Council that Mr. Bill Freehling the Economic Development Director scheduled a meeting with downtown businesses. There were approximately twelve people in attendance representing the businesses, a member of the Economic Development Authority, a representative from the Chamber of Commerce, the Director of Main Street, as well as Chief Layton, Mayor Greenlaw and Councilor Kelly. All who attended agreed that noise was a problem and it was agreed that action should be taken to address the issue. The questions raised were timing and specifics of the noise ordinance.

Councilor Kelly said one of the main concerns was timing because business owners were worried about coming out of COVID and the music was bringing in business. The other issue was enforcement and the impacts it would have on the weekends. Ms. Glavé with Main Street offered to look at other localities to see the best practices. Councilor Kelly said he and Mayor Greenlaw asked the business members what they were willing to do to address the problem and they are awaiting their response.

Chief Layton said he thought that a different perspective was taken into account from those who attended.

Board and Commission Updates.

Board of Social Services – Dr. Duffy reported that the Board has been helping to understand the great challenges the department has been facing since the pandemic. They have been doing a great job providing many services to the community such as child and adult protective services. Many of those reports are down because there are fewer eyes on kids because they are not in school. The department continues to make sure those who are in need of benefits are receiving them. Many of the programs are in flux because they are constantly changing due to the pandemic but staff works hard to complete the applications.

Central Rappahannock Regional Library – Councilor Devine announced that the Library had reopened as of March 1, 2021. During the past year the library rose to the challenge of enhancing curbside pickup and they would likely continue that service. There were hundreds of new library cards issued virtually. In December, there was a

virtual ribbon cutting for the new Idea Space. All of the library staff has been vaccinated.

She said it was a challenging but successful year.

Community Policy Management Team – Mayor Greenlaw reported that the CPMT administers funding under the Children Services Act to provide assistance to families and children with special needs.

Mr. Whitley said the budget was \$3.9 million and \$1.4 million was in local funds. Year to date they have spent about \$1.6 million most of that was for private special day services and private special day which are the main costs.

Fredericksburg Area Museum – Mayor Greenlaw stated that the museum had reinvented themselves to the virtual environment. They have 36 programs for area schools for 4th and 5th graders. They offered Friday Night music offerings and they are working on a virtual Sounds of Summer. They are also working on the interpretive plan for the Slave Auction Block. The FAM was working with Park Recreation on field trips. They have an exhibit running called “Baseball in the Burg” and they were working with Germanna Community College and the Fred Nats on the exhibit. The FAM had to cut staff in order to make it through the pandemic.

Fredericksburg Clean & Green Commission – Councilor Devine reported that they were working on a number of projects. The Commission elected a new Chair, Sarah Hurst. They were focused on looking to assist the City and schools on sustainable efforts. The Commission has taken on a project to issue Sustainability Designations for businesses. This would allow them to award businesses for being sustainable.

Fredericksburg Regional Alliance – Mayor Greenlaw reported that their leads and projects were up and they have completed their update to the target industry cluster analysis. The top targeted industries for growth in this region were management scientific and technical consulting services, computer system design and related services, architectural engineering and related services, general medical and surgical hospitals including medical supply chain manufacturing distribution and logistics. They are applying to Go Virginia for a grant to create a regional job board for the area including the Northern Neck and the Middle Peninsula. The Alliance also meet with the local Economic Development Offices on a regular basis and they have several leads that they are working with Mr. Freehling on.

GWRC/FAMPO – Mr. Graham stated that some of the big topics were homeless summit, regional issues around homelessness, they are currently searching for a new Executive Director, there were talks around transit funding and the best ways to use the funding, and they are working on project prioritization and how to allocate the funding.

Councilor Kelly said the City was trying to get the board to confirm the City's commitment to transit development in the future. He said there were numerous pots of money and everyone was looking for money for road projects and trying to convert money so it could be used for road projects. He spoke of the importance to work as a region. They have hired a new director for FAMPO.

Healthy Generations Area Agency on Aging – Mayor Greenlaw stated that they were busy focusing on feeding the seniors and keeping up with those who would

normally eat at the café. She said they worked with local restaurants to help feed the seniors and they spent \$75,000 on senior nutrition.

Main Street Board – Mayor Greenlaw said they collected data from over 10 communities on their noise ordinance and they have received several grants and they have assisted businesses with those grants. On the first Friday of this month they coordinated a visit with Senator Kaine, they also had a ribbon cutting for Wine and Sparrow and they celebrated LaPetite's 40th year.

Tree Fredericksburg. Councilor Devine updated that Tree Fredericksburg reported that the tree stewards had donated 2185.5 volunteer hours which was valued by the State as \$59,445. They were not able to do all the activities they had planned in 2020 due to COVID but they did an amazing amount of mulching, pruning, planting and they trained 21 tree stewards. She said there was an amazing amount of time and effort maintaining the city's tree canopy.

Adoption of Minutes. Councilor Devine moved approval of the March 9, 2021 Public Hearing and Regular Session minutes; motion was seconded by Councilor Kelly and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

Resolution 21-23, Approved, Denying the Special Use Permit and Special Exception Applications Filed by Sumner Partners, LLC, for a Convenience Store with Gasoline Sales in Fredericksburg Park Land Bay A (D21-__). Mr. Newman presented a PowerPoint presentation to discuss the location,

property information, the revised General Development Plan (GDP), alternate trail, the view of the property, elevations, conclusion and recommendation.

Mr. Leming the applicant's attorney stated the planning staff had reported that the modification was appropriate because the applicant met and exceeded applicable engineering safety standards for the trail entrance intersection, in addition, the applicant proposes to dedicate an easement for the alternative trail. There were three major issues: transportation, parking and effects on the properties (lighting). He said the transportation issues had been largely resolved and the trips per day had been reduced by nearly 11,000 per day because of the improvements. He also noted that if this was a VDOT intersection they would be operating at a Level A.

Mr. Leming address the parking issue and said to project follows the original plan for this entire project which had significantly been reduced but they were still using those plans causing them to over plan for the stormwater by adding stormwater devices to the Royal Farms project.

Mr. Leming also addressed the lighting and the affect it would have on the homes being built. He said the most significant lights would come from the street lights and the industrial building. He said Royal Farms added additional trees and because of the elevation much of the project would not be seen. Mr. Leming clarified that there was not a lighting exemption for the entrance as stated in the denial resolution. He said the lights would be dimmed to meet the City's requirements. The exception was for the canopy lighting and that was only to allow the lighting to be brought up to industry standards. This lighting would be directed downward.

Mr. Leming said there were a few other issues such as the view shed from the Park and the Park Service said they did not see it as an issue. The other issue was the Lafayette overlay district which they were in compliance according to the zoning department. There had also been discussions about charging stations and Royal Farms has agreed to supply conduits when and if the demand materialized.

Councilor Graham asked what percentage of the day is the parking at 100%- 50%- 25% capacity and Mr. Klebenoff said they do not keep that information and they checked with Royal Farms and they do not have that data.

Councilor Duffy made a motion to approve Resolution 21-13 denying the special use permit and special exception applications filed by Sumner Partners, LLC, for a convenience store with gasoline sales in Fredericksburg Park Land Bay A; motion was seconded by Councilor Devine.

Councilor Duffy said he shared many of the concerns addressed by the citizens because the National Park Service was in the area, the intense use of the intersection, Hazel Run and the townhomes.

Councilor Devine stated there had been a number of meetings with staff with the goal of bringing businesses to the area and she appreciated staffs work and that goal, but because this project needed exceptions she had concerns. She said because of the impacts this project would have on the neighbors that are currently there and would be there, she did not think this was an appropriate use.

Vice-Mayor Frye reminded everyone that there was an industrial park in this location. He also stated that the traffic backs up terribly starting around 2:30 until 6:30.

Vice-Mayor Frye also had issue with people copying and pasting letters and sending them to the Council.

Councilor Graham said he would support the motion to deny and that his issue was with the excess parking. He said the additional parking was being planned for those busy times of the day and he did not think that was how it should be done because many of them would be empty for vast majority of the day. Councilor Graham said if the City was going to be a multi-modal city it must slim down the provided space for cars.

Councilor Kelly stated that one of his pet peeves was that if there was something the City wanted it must make it clearly known. He pointed out that Mr. Leming clearly stated what the market conditions were. He said there was a disconnect with what the market conditions are and what the City wants. He said these discussions should have occurred before getting this far into the project.

Vice-Mayor Frye said when projects come in that will help the City move forward on some of its initiatives the City must take them into consideration. He asked everyone who spoke about the trails to remember there are areas of the City that do not have any access to the trails.

Councilor Duffy said it was hard to say we will come up with a plan that will solve problems for the City, he said many of the things are driven by the market and they change, as well as by the needs of the City, which also change. He said the City was communicating to everyone what it wanted when it denies the project.

Councilor Withers stated that he was in support of the denial although he thought the trail workout was a reasonable compromise. He said this project was too intense for this neighborhood.

City Attorney Dooley asked for acceptance of the correction in the denial resolution by striking out the words “and at the building entrance” and adopt as amended. Councilor Duffy accepted the amendment.

The motion passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget to Appropriate \$150,000 from the Fredericksburg Opportunity Fund for the Support of a Trail to be Constructed by Sumer Partners LLC (D21-__). There was no action taken on this item because it was contingent on the approval of the special use permit and special exception of the Sumner Properties.

Resolution 21-24, Approved, Initiated Amendments to the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Revising Chapter 8: Historic Preservation and Adopting a New Historic Preservation Plan (D21-__). After staff presentation Councilor Kelly made a motion to approve Resolution 12-24, initiated amendments to the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Revising Chapter 8: Historic Preservation and adopting a new Historic Preservation Plan; motion was seconded by Councilor Duffy and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

Motion to Suspend the Rules. Councilor Devine made a motion to suspend the rules to meet past 11:00 p.m.; motion was seconded by Councilor Graham and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (6). Councilors Greenlaw, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (1). Councilor Frye.

Resolution 21-25, Approved, Initiating Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance to Modify Appendix 72-A, Creative Maker District Form-Based Regulations, and Amend Sections 72-84, Definitions, and 72-4, Use Standards, to Clarify the Standards For Light Manufacturing and Prohibit Certain Industrial Uses in the Creative Maker Districts; and Initiating Amendments to the Official Zoning Map to Rezone Approximately 25 Acres of Land to the Creative Maker District, and to Apply Transect and Frontage Maps and Designations in the District (D21-___). After staff presentation Councilor Duffy made a motion to approve Resolution 21-25, initiating amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance to modify Appendix 72-A, Creative Maker District form-based regulations, and amend Sections 72-84, Definitions, and 72-4, Use Standards, to clarify the standards for light manufacturing and prohibit certain industrial uses in the Creative Maker Districts; and initiating amendments to the Official Zoning Map to rezone approximately 25 acres of land to the Creative Maker District, and to apply transect and frontage maps and designations in the district;

motion was seconded by Councilor Withers and passed by the following recorded votes.

Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

Resolution 21-26, Approved, Amending the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget to Appropriate \$40,000 from Donated Funds for the Purchase of a Van for Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation and Events (D21-__). After staff presentation

Councilor Graham made a motion to approve Resolution 12-26, amending the fiscal year 2021 budget to appropriate \$40,000 from donated funds for the purchase of a van for Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation and Events; motion was seconded by Councilor Withers and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

Resolution 21-27, First Read Approved, Amending the Fiscal Year 2021 City Budget to Increase the Forecast for Local Option Sales Tax Revenue and Appropriate Funds for Two Stormwater Projects (D21-__).

After staff presentation Councilor Duffy made a motion to approve Resolution 21-27, on first read, amending the fiscal year 2021 city budget to increase the forecast for local option sales tax revenue and appropriate funds for two stormwater projects; motion was seconded by Councilor Graham and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

Ordinance 21-07, First Read Approved, Postposing the Spring 2021 Due Date for Real Estate and Personal Property Bills (D21-__). After staff

presentation Councilor Withers made a motion to approve Ordinance 21-07, on first read, postponing the Spring 2021 due date for real estate and personal property bills; motion was seconded by Councilor Graham and passed by the following recorded votes. Ayes (7). Councilors Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly and Withers. Nays (0).

City Manager's Report and Council Calendar (D21-__ thru D21-__).

City Manager Baroody directed the Council's attention to the Manager's Update: Recommended Budget Fiscal Year 2021-2022, PERF Survey Closes on March 31, CSX Storage Tanker Cars Update, Racial Equity Plan Update, Ask the Mayor Video, 70th Annual Fredericksburg Fine Arts Show & Sale Winners, Summer Camps, Wall of Honor, Dog Easter Egg Hunt, COVID-19 Vaccination Update, Lafayette Boulevard Delays beginning March 8, 2021 Parks and Recreation Spring Catalog, FXBG Diverse City, Chatham Bridge Update from VDOT, Upcoming Council Meetings, Spring Programs and Fred Focus.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mayor Greenlaw declared the meeting officially adjourned at 11:27 p.m.

Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Mayor

Tonya B. Lacey, Clerk of Council, MMC