

2025 LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

	Agency	Source	Title	Proposal Summary
1	COUNCIL	Councilman Aguirre	Local Authority to Regulate Rent Price-Setting Software	Local authority to protect rent stabilization from leasing software price gouging.
2	COUNCIL	Councilman Aguirre	Towing Fees	Amend VA Code 46.2-1233 to disincentivize towing at times when multiple added fees are permissible.
3	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Housing Right to Counsel	Explore the development of a right to counsel in eviction proceedings.
4	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Local Authority for Creative Tax Structures to Incentivize Development	Additional local authority for creative tax structures like land value capture taxes or “split taxes” to incentivize the development we want to see.
5	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Preserve Affordable Housing through Tax Incentives	Legislation to support the preservation of affordable housing such as tax incentives, etc.
6	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Faith in Housing	Faith in Housing for the Commonwealth Act. Permits a religious organization, defined in the bill, to construct affordable housing on real estate owned by such religious organization (i) on or before January 1, 2024, or for a period of not less than five years, and (ii) for which the religious organization retains a majority ownership interest.
7	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Campaign Finance Reform	The Alexandria City Council calls on legislators in the Virginia General Assembly to introduce and ensure passage of state-related campaign finance bills which limit campaign contributions, improve transparency through the mandatory disclosure of donors, restrict the personal use of contributions and allow localities to implement public financing of elections.
8	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins via Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Traffic & Parking Board	Automated Speed Enforcement Expansion	Expand local authority for automated speed enforcement.
9	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson	Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative	Protect and support Virginia RGGI participation.
10	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson	Skill Games Referendum	The City of Alexandria supports efforts to ensure that any legislation to legalize skill games provides localities the authority to decide their appropriateness for their communities, either through the action of the local governing body or by voter referendum. Such legislation must also establish a comprehensive regulatory framework that safeguards local zoning authority, ensures consumer protections, enforces strict oversight, and grants fair local taxation authority.
11	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson	Annual Animal Care Provider Inspections	Require annual inspections of animal care facilities to maintain safe environments for pets.
12	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson	Noise Cameras	Local Authority to deploy noise cameras, which can detect vehicles with illegally loud exhaust systems.

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13	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson NVTC, & Alexandria Transportation Commission	WMATA Funding	Expand state partnership and funding support for WMATA operations.
14	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson via VACo	School Construction Funding	School construction financing local authority options to tax
15	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Increase State Funding to the Housing Trust Fund	The Virginia Housing Trust Fund (VHTF) creates and preserves affordable housing and reduces homelessness
16	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins	Support Childcare Workforce, increased pay healthcare, mental health.	Support childcare workforce, increased pay healthcare, mental health.
17	COUNCIL	Councilwoman Gaskins via Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission	eBikes Rebates	Rebates/subsidies for purchase of ebikes by low income households
18	COUNCIL	Mayor Wilson	State Funding for Crisis Stabilization Centers	Crisis Stabilization Center state funding for an Alexandria operated facility and/or improvements to the 24 hour crisis care chairs that exist at Del Pepper Community Center
19	DEPARTMENT	Alexandria Police Department	Electronic Service of Court Orders	Amend VA Code 19.2-152.8 to allow electronic service of Protective Orders
21	DEPARTMENT	Department of Housing	Monetary Contributions for Affordable Housing	Amend VA Code 15.2-2304. Mandatory monetary contributions for Affordable Housing from developers.
22	DEPARTMENT	Transportation & Environmental Services	Support Virginia Clean Economy Act (VCEA) Amendment	Amend § 10.1-1308 of the Virginia Code to exempt municipal Waste-to-Energy (WTE) facilities from being regulated as fossil-fuel power plants under the 2031 carbon emissions reduction requirement.
23	DEPARTMENT	Transportation & Environmental Services Transportation Commission	Define Autonomous Vehicles in Virginia Code	Autonomous vehicles established definition in VA Code. Local Authority to permit usage of autonomous vehicles in jurisdiction.
24	DEPARTMENT	Clerk of the Circuit Court	Excess Court Fees Budget Amendment	Restore budget line in section 17.1-285 to restore excess fees local appropriation

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25	DEPARTMENT	Office of Historic Alexandria	Douglass Cemetery Restoration	Budget Amendment, Douglass Cemetery Restoration, City matched \$500k
26	DEPARTMENT	Transportation & Environmental Services	Budget Amendment for Lake Barcroft Dam Redesign	Support budget amendment to fund improvements that would bring the dam up to current design standards. Lake Barcroft Watershed Improvement District is requesting this amendment.
27	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Alexandria Electoral Board	Deputy Registrar Pay Parity	Deputy Registrar pay parity. Amend VA Code 24.2-112 to compensate Deputies with the same specification as the General Registrar
28	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee	Affordable Housing Preservation Local Authority First Right of Refusal	Affordable Housing Preservation. Localities right of first refusal in public sale of Affordable Housing MDUs >10 units at risk of expiring affordability.
29	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission For Women	Fundamental Right to Reproductive Freedom and Protection from Punishment/Criminalization in Reproductive Healthcare	<u>Constitutional Amendment for Reproductive Rights</u> Provides that every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom and that the right to make and effectuate one's own decisions about all matters related to one's pregnancy cannot be denied, burdened, or otherwise infringed upon by the Commonwealth, unless justified by a compelling state interest and achieved by the least restrictive means. The amendment prohibits the Commonwealth from penalizing, prosecuting, or otherwise taking adverse action against an individual for exercising the individual's right to reproductive freedom or for aiding another individual in the exercise of such right, unless justified by a compelling state interest.
30	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission For Women	Affordable Housing Rent Stabilization	*Cap rent increases at 5%+CPI or 10% of the lowest rent. *Permit only one rent increase per year. *Local Authority to mandate quantity of new development set-aside affordable housing units.
31	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission on Aging	Require Continuing Education for Caregivers Assisting Persons with Dementia	Require continuing education for direct care workers to effectively interact, communicate, and care for persons with dementia and their caregivers.
32	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission on Aging	Increase Required Eviction Notice Periods	Increase notice period for evictions and other tenant safeguards
33	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Local Authority to Grant Commissions with Enforcement Authority to Hold Hearings and Award Equitable Damages	Local Authority to grant Human Rights Commissions to award damages.
34	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Restoration of Voting Rights	<u>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT</u> Restore voting rights for felons after time served
35	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Repeal Constitutional Ban on Same-Sex Marriage	<u>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT</u> Protect Marriage equality, Repeal constitutional ban.

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36	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Prohibit Employer Noncompete Agreements	Prohibit noncompete agreements for all employees (earning \$73k+) Virginia law prohibits noncompete agreements for employees making \$73,000 or less. In April 2024, the Federal Trade Commission issued a final rule enacting a comprehensive ban on noncompete agreements, except in a few limited situations. The enforceability of the FTC ban, meant to have taken effect on September 4, 2024, is currently being litigated in the federal court system.
37	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Increase Minimum Wage	Increase minimum wage.
38	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Oppose Requirement of Local Law Enforcement to Enforce Federal Immigration Laws	Oppose local law enforcement cooperation with federal immigration enforcement.
39	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Provide Diverse Housing Opportunities	*Tenants Right to Counsel during eviction. *Local Authority to enforce rent stabilization. *Local Authority to enforce penalties to landlord negligence *Extend 5-day to 14-day pay or quit *VA Housing Trust Fund funded to \$75m
40	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Social Services Advisory Board	Prevent Re-Traumatization and Increase Security for Survivors of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	Allow petitioners to type their statements, use an electronic system, or have the judge/magistrate complete the paperwork after interviewing the petitioner to reduce the administrative burden and automate the information to carry over between court orders to avoid retelling and re-traumatizing by having to continue handwriting every graphic detail. Create a shared database among jurisdictions to prevent delays in hand-delivering paperwork ensuring the physical and emotional safety of the petitioner. Establish a timeframe for the first attempt to serve an Emergency Protective Order (EPO), Preliminary Protective Order (PPO), and Protective Order, such as within 12-24 hours. Require the police officer who serves the order to contact the petitioner within an hour of service.
41	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Transportation Commission and Traffic & Parking Board	Bicyclist and Traffic Safety	Allow bicycle safety stops (allows bicyclists to treat stop signs as yield signs and treat red lights as stop signs), bicycles proceeding on walk signals, and bicycles riding two abreast in the lane.
42	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission For Women	Support Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Intimate Partner Violence	Expand funding in state programs to support survivors of domestic violence and assault in VDSS, TANF, DCJS.
43	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission on Aging	Establish a Certified Nursing Assistant Recruitment and Training Workforce Program	Establish a state-wide free Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) recruitment and training workforce program for nursing homes, assisted living facilities and veteran care centers.
44	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission on Aging	Increase Monthly SNAP Benefit for Older Adults	Increase monthly SNAP benefit for seniors from \$23 to \$50
45	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission on Aging	Increase Funding for Area on Aging Services	Increase state funding for core Area on Aging Services in response to the increasing senior population.
46	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Healthcare for Disproportionally Affected Communities	Increase funding for at-risk (HIV, Hep, STDs)infectious disease testing, prevention, and treatment.
47	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Public Health Advisory Committee	Protect Access to Reproductive Choice and Related Services	Reproductive rights protections, related services, and information access.
48	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Public Health Advisory Committee	Protect Health Information and Services for LGBTQ+	Funding health services to protect LGBTQ+. Protecting access to Alexandria information and resources. Support improvements to the Virginia LGBTQ+ Advisory Board.

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49	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Public Health Advisory Committee	Include Community Healthcare Workers' (CHW) Services Reimbursement Eligibility in Virginia Medicaid	Medicaid reimbursement for community health workers salaries. Most CHW positions are currently grant funded. Twenty-seven state Medicaid programs in the U.S. currently reimburse for CHW services. Adding CHW services to Virginia Medicaid's program would leverage 51% federal reimbursement for every Medicaid dollar spent by the Commonwealth for these services.
50	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Social Services Advisory Board	Increase Monthly SNAP Benefit for All	Increase monthly SNAP benefit to \$50 for all.
51	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Social Services Advisory Board	School Meals to Virginia Public School Students for Free	Free school lunches.
52	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Transportation Commission	Progressing Electric Vehicle Policies, with an Equity Focus	Fully fund the existing 2021 bill that provides a rebate for electric vehicles focused on lower income households, expand the authority to include rebates for electric bicycles for lower income households, and provide additional funding support for charging facilities for electric vehicles.
53	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee	Mandatory Relocation Notice and Financial Assistance for Redevelopment/Renovation	Amend VA Code 25.1-406 to mandate relocation notice, financial assistance during demolition, renovation, or redevelopment.
54	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission on Aging	Expand Virginia Code on Affordable Housing, Local Authority on New Developments to Include Assisting Living Facilities	Expand/Include new assisted living facilities in VA Code sec. 15.2-2305. Amend VA Code by adding a section numbered 15.2-2305.2 as follows: "Sec. 15.2-2305.2. Affordable housing: assisted living facilities. Any locality that has adopted an affordable housing program pursuant to sec. 15.2-2304, or 15.2-2305, or 15.2-23051 may by ordinance require that in an application for a special exception or special use permit in accordance with sec.15.2-2286 affordable rental units be included for any proposed development of an assisted living facility to be licensed pursuant to sec. 63.2-1701. Such ordinance shall apply to newly licensed assisted living facilities and permit applications approved on or after January 1, 2026."
55	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee	Support Statement for Other Partner Agencies	Support for other Alexandria Boards and Commissions Affordable Housing initiatives.
56	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission For Women	Access to Contraception	Expand access to contraception, eliminate cost barriers.
57	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Commission For Women	Black Maternal Mortality Crisis	BIPOC maternal health and reproductive rights justice to end disproportionate pregnancy outcomes. *Require licensed facilities allow for every birthing person to have a client-identified support person or Doula in the birth room or operating room, in addition to a partner or spouse *Require that licensed facilities have policies and procedures that prevent removal of infants from their families after birth *Require improved access for incarcerated people with regards to childbirth preparation, lactation information and support, menstrual products, and full range of reproductive healthcare. Mandate minimum of 6 hours of skin-to-skin contact after birth for an individual who is incarcerated who has given birth, include public reporting of these measures and accountability mechanisms *Require Maternal Mortality Review Committee to include representation of community-based organizations *Expand public and private coverage for full range of reproductive healthcare including but not limited to doula care and abortion care.
58	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Economic Opportunity Commission	Advocacy for Housing Stabilization Policies	Affordable Housing, Housing Stabilization
59	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Environmental Protections Commission	Protect Existing Virginia Climate Policies	Protect VCEA, participate in RGGI, ACCP (Clean Cars), Green Infrastructure Bank

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60	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Protect the Virginia Voting Rights Act	Protect voting rights. Expand access to voting.
61	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Protect Efforts on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	Protect DEI programs and efforts in universities, governments, businesses, and non-profits
62	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Protect Reproductive Rights	Protect individual reproductive rights under Roe v. Wade
63	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Waive Police Department Sovereign Immunity	Waiving sovereign immunity for police department - WATCH ISSUE
64	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Human Rights Commission	Support Statement for Other Partner Agencies	Supporting aligned issues with other Boards and Commissions
65	BOARD/ COMMISSION	Transportation Commission	Support for Free-Fare Services	Protect and expand accessibility to TRIP funding to be awarded for free-fare transit to jurisdictions such as ours that have demonstrated success with free-fare programs funded through TRIP.