



**Minutes**  
**EPC MONTHLY MEETING**  
**June 16, 2025**  
**City Hall, Conference Room 2000**  
**7:30 – 9:30 p.m.**

**Attendance**

<b>EPC Members (12)</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Staff</b>
Dan Beattie	P	Jessica Lassetter, T&ES
Eldon Boes	P	Jesse Maines, T&ES
Benjamin Cuddy, Vice-Chair	P	Felipe Ip, T&ES
Jennifer Debias	P	Ryan Freed, Office of Climate Action
Charlie Garlow	P	Mike Moon, Interim TES Director
Kathie Hoekstra	E	Sophia Brown, IEQ Summer Intern
Perrin Krisko	P	Justin Carl, AlexRenew CEO & General Manager
Philip Mobilia	P	John Hill, AlexRenew Board Chair
Marta Schantz, Chair	P	<b>Guests</b>
Julia Slayden	P	Dave Hole
Yanique Revers	P	Emma, School student
		Megha, School student
		Councilman Canek Aguirre
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**P:** Present; **PR:** Present Remotely; **A:** Absent - Unexcused; **E:** Absent – Excused; **N:** Not a Member

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

Chair Marta Schantz called the meeting to order and provided an overview of topics to be covered. Introductions were completed for all attendee.

**2. Public Comment**

Emma and Megha, APCS students and members of the Mayoral Youth Forum environmental group, discussed desire to bring recycling to ACPS, and noted that there was currently a lack of proper recycling and limited guidance from the school. These students wanted to build the recycling efforts and were looking for the city’s support and guidance. Students’ contact information was provided, and students will work with Ms. Perrin Krisko and other members of EPC to address ongoing issues.

**3. AlexRenew Presentation**

AlexRenew CEO and General Manager Justin Carl discussed AlexRenew’s approach to Climate Change. During his presentation, Mr. Carl shared an overview of the

RiverRenew Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) project, providing an update on construction activities, including AlexRenew's superstructure — which is anticipated to be the first facility of its kind to meet silver Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) requirements. The presentation provided additional detail on how CSO reduction will help Alexandria achieve cleaner, healthier waterways.

#### **4. Stormwater Management Annual Update**

Ms. Jessica Lassetter and Mr. Jesse Maines, Stormwater Management Division, provided an update of the City's stormwater management program. Staff discussed water quality as it relates to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit and the Flood Action Alexandria program which focuses on flood mitigation. Staff discussed the Flood Resilience Plan that is currently under development and encouraged the EPC to complete and share an online survey to help the City learn more about the impacts of flooding.

#### **5. Administrative Items**

##### **a) Conduct Annual Elections for EPC Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary**

Nominations were received for Marta Schantz – Chair; Dan Beattie – Vice-Chair, and Phil Mobilia – Secretary.

- Secretary Phil Mobilia conducted the election for Chair and Vice-Chair.

Chair: Ms. Marta Schantz. Vote: Unanimous.

Vice-Chair: Mr. Dan Beattie. Vote: Unanimous

- Chair Schantz conducted elections for Secretary:

Secretary: Mr. Phil Mobilia. Vote: Unanimous.

##### **b) Approval of Meeting Minutes for May 19, 2025**

Vote on May 19, 2025, regular meeting minutes, for approval. **Motion:** Ms. Jen Debias; **Second:** Mr. Eldon Boes; **Vote:** Unanimous approval with Mr. Ben Cuddy and Mr. Phil Mobilia abstaining.

##### **c) Approve FY26 EPC Calendar**

**Vote** on FY26 EPC calendar for approval. **Motion:** Mr. Dan Beattie; **Second:** Mr. Eldon Boes; **Vote:** Unanimous approval.

##### **d) Reports from Commissioners/Staff**

**Waterfront Commission (Mr. Eldon Boes):** The Robinson Terminal developer is willing to come speak to the EPC about sustainability associated with the site.

**Update from Mr. Dan Beattie:**

**Transportation Commission (Mr. Dan Beattie):** No updates. Next meeting is Wednesday, June 18, 2025.

Bee City USA: Commission discussed citizen interest in the city joining Bee City USA. EPC discussed staying in touch with Parks and Recreation Board and Alexandria Beautification Commission on possible next steps.

**Retreat Recap (Mr. Ben Cuddy)**: Vice-Chair Cuddy provided a summary of the key topics identified during the retreat. Sample priorities identified include: (1) EPC members providing City Council updates during monthly public hearings, (2) establishing 2-on-2 meetings for EPC and Councilmembers, (3) OCA providing quarterly updates on programs, and (4) youth involvement. Student involvement will be led by Ms. Perrin Krisko and includes ideas such as including a student representative on the EPC and creating an Eco-City Junior Academy. EPC will work on including these items into agendas for FY26.

**Update from Ms. Julia Slayden**: City Manager, Jim Parajon, provided information regarding the end-of-year budget carryover process. City is currently analyzing EOY projections, which will finish prior to the end of the fiscal year. A project has to be partially implemented but not completed in the FY to be considered for carryover.

**Motion** to send a letter to the City Manager encouraging him to connect with the Office of Climate Action regarding merit of carry-over funds, given the definition of what qualifies: Mr. Charlie Garlow; **Second**: Mr. Dan Beattie; **Vote**: Unanimous approval. Ms. Slayden will draft the letter.

**Update from Chair Schantz**: EPC discussed summer subgroups to continue progress. Decided to pause on Community Choice Aggregate (CCA) subgroup until there is more clarity on the City's path forward with Dominion. Summer subgroups include:

- Budget & Legislative: Ms. Slayden and Chair Schantz
- City Council Engagement: Ms. Jennifer Debias and Chair Schantz
- Youth/ACPS: Ms. Perrin Krisko and Mr. Eldon Boes
- Office of Emergency Management: Mr. Dan Beattie and Vice-Chair Cuddy

**Update from Mr. Ryan Freed**: OCA relaunched the Eco-City Business program with a 10% efficiency commitment. Participation is up to 21 businesses since relaunch 6 weeks ago.

## 6. Adjourn

**Motion to Adjourn**: Mr. Charlie Garlow

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35p.m.

### **FY2025 Attendance**

Member	Sept 16, 2024	Oct 21, 2024	Nov 18, 2024	Dec 16, 2024	Jan 13, 2025	Feb 10, 2025	Mar 10, 2025	Apr 21, 2025	May 3, 2025 (Retreat)	May 19, 2025	Jun 16, 2025	TOTALS
Kishla Askins	P	P	P	PR	E	PR	E					100%
Dan Beattie	P	P	P	PR	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	100%
Eldon Boes	P	P	P	PR	P	A	P	PR	P	P	P	91%
Alexander Clark	E	P	E	PR	E	A						83%
Benjamin Cuddy	E	P	P	E	P	P	E	P	P	E	P	100%
Jennifer Debias	E	P	PR		PR	P	E	P	P	P	P	100%
Charlie Garlow		P	P	PR	P	P	PR	P	P	P	P	100%
Kathie Hoekstra	P	PR	P	PR	PR	P	PR	P	P	P	E	100%
Perrin Krisko							P	PR	P	P	P	100%
Philip Mobilia	P	P	P	PR	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	100%
Marta Schantz	P	P	P	PR	P	PR	P	P	P	P	P	100%
Julia Slayden	P	P	P	PR	E	P	E	P	P	P	P	100%
Yanique Revers				PR	PR	E	P	P	A	P	P	88%
James Vandeputte	E											100%

**\*NOTE: Dec 16, 2024 meeting was virtual only**