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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 6, 2023

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: JAMES F. PARAJON, CITY MANAGER /s/

FROM: KENDEL TAYLOR, INTERIM DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

DOCKET TITLE:

Consideration of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending April 30, 2023.

ISSUE: Receipt of the Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ending April 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council receives the Monthly Financial Report.

BACKGROUND: The following discussion is a summary of the Monthly Financial Report for this period pursuant to City Charter 5.04. Detailed comparative schedules of General Fund Revenues (Attachment 1) and General Fund Expenditures (Attachment 2).

As of April 30, 2023, General Fund revenues totaled \$532.5 million, a difference of \$37.7 million or 7.6 percent compared to the same period in FY 2023. Revenue does not track evenly throughout the year since many revenue sources have due dates that do not occur evenly throughout the year. The largest revenue source, real estate tax, is remitted twice per year. Personal property tax revenue is due on October 5 each year. Through the first nine months of the year, no category shows any significant economic variance from the budgeted amount.

Personal Property tax revenue collections in FY 2023 are higher compared to last year, which is to be expected given the increase in the budgeted amount. Through the end of April, Personal Property taxes total \$64.9 million or 97.1 percent of the budgeted amount, compared to \$56.2 million in FY 2022, which was 101.9 percent of the budgeted amount. The FY 2022 budgeted amount was developed during the uncertainties of COVID. Collections for personal property tax revenue are tracking at the expected rate.

Real Estate tax revenue is remitted to the City twice each year, in November and June. As of March 2023, the City has collected \$252.3 million or 49.0 percent of the budgeted amount of Real Property tax revenue compared to \$237.4 million in FY 2022, which represented 49.1 percent of the budgeted amount.

There are several significant differences between FY 2022 and FY 2023, but they are primarily timing, not economic. The technical change to the ARPA projects results in a Transfer from Other Funds of \$4.1 million in FY 2023, where no such transfer existed in FY 2022. Other Revenue includes the \$1.0 million gift to the City associated with the Winkler Preserve, which will be allocated at a later date for programs stipulated by the gift. Finally, the increases in the interest rates by the Federal Reserve are resulting in a significant

increase in the City's Revenue from Use of Money and Property. Through the first ten months of the year interest earnings account for \$14.5 million of the \$17.4 million of Revenue from Use of Money and Property. This compares to only \$1.5 million in total interest earnings in FY 2022.

Attachment 3 compares the consumer spending categories of Sales Tax, Transient Lodging Tax and Meals Sales Tax to the pre-pandemic levels. As previously noted, Sales Tax revenue was largely unimpacted by the pandemic, with the exception of April and May 2019 when many businesses were completely closed. With 8 months of receipts, Sales Tax Revenue exceeds FY 2022 by 9 percent. Meals Tax revenue has recovered to pre-pandemic levels and the trend line follows typical seasonal patterns. Transient lodging continues to rebound from the pandemic, exceeding last year's revenue by nearly 30 percent.

As of April 30, 2023, General Fund expenditures totaled \$659.3 million, a difference of \$13.0 million or 2 percent more than the same time period for FY 2023. Similar to the situation with revenues, no significant expenditure has occurred in the first ten months of Fiscal Year 2023 that is unbudgeted or unexpected. Increases correspond to budgeted increases in expenditure categories, such as debt service, cash capital and the transfer to the Schools. Bonds were refunded in FY 2022, but no such similar transaction has occurred in FY 2023.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Comparative Statement of General Fund Revenues

Attachment 2: Comparative Statement of General Fund Expenditures

Attachment 3: Consumer Spending comparison charts

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CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE PERIODS ENDING APRIL 30, 2023 AND APRIL 30, 2022

	B	B.1	C	D=C/B	E	F	G=F/E
	FY 2023	FY 2023	FY2023	%	FY 2022	FY2022	%
	APPROVED	PROJECTED	REVENUES	OF BUDGET	APPROVED	REVENUES	OF TOTAL
	BUDGET	REVENUES	THRU 4/30/2023		BUDGET	THRU 4/30/2022	
General Property Taxes							
Real Property Taxes.....	\$ 514,554,739	514,959,597	\$ 252,287,386	49.0%	\$ 483,311,548	\$ 237,427,886	49.1%
Personal Property Taxes.....	66,776,000	64,833,000	64,866,560	97.1%	55,126,000	56,200,308	101.9%
Penalties and Interest.....	3,199,600	3,358,050	2,836,608	88.7%	2,600,000	2,779,211	106.9%
Total General Property Taxes	\$ 584,530,339	\$ 583,150,647	\$ 319,990,554	54.7%	\$ 541,037,548	\$ 296,407,405	54.8%
Other Local Taxes							
Local Sales and Use Taxes.....	\$ 37,440,000	39,000,000	\$ 25,854,059	69.1%	\$ 31,720,000	\$ 23,711,890	74.8%
Consumer Utility Taxes.....	11,760,000	12,520,000	9,542,379	81.1%	11,760,000	8,414,029	71.5%
Communication Sales and Use Taxes.....	7,245,080	7,245,000	5,670,479	78.3%	7,600,000	5,778,704	76.0%
Business License Taxes.....	39,824,300	39,824,300	37,560,688	94.3%	34,135,900	36,393,669	106.6%
Transient Lodging Taxes.....	9,500,000	11,200,000	7,721,384	81.3%	6,500,000	5,947,898	91.5%
Restaurant Meals Tax.....	27,600,000	31,200,000	21,546,010	78.1%	19,980,000	20,018,887	100.2%
Tobacco Taxes.....	2,100,000	2,030,000	1,547,563	73.7%	1,957,000	1,272,645	65.0%
Motor Vehicle License Tax.....	-	-	5,413	0.0%	-	-	0.0%
Real Estate Recordation.....	8,645,000	3,926,000	3,120,668	36.1%	8,645,000	6,408,611	74.1%
Admissions Tax.....	261,000	348,000	250,570	96.0%	124,000	180,526	145.6%
Other Local Taxes.....	4,103,000	4,031,000	778,043	19.0%	4,595,000	1,181,248	25.7%
Total Other Local Taxes	\$ 148,478,380	\$ 151,324,300	\$ 113,597,257	76.5%	\$ 127,016,900	\$ 109,308,107	86.1%
Intergovernmental Revenues							
Revenue from the Fed. Government.....	\$ 7,944,000	8,036,184	\$ 5,264,403	66.3%	\$ 7,932,000	\$ 3,920,220	49.4%
Personal Property Tax Relief from the Commonwealth.....	23,578,531	23,579,000	23,106,960	98.0%	23,578,531	23,106,960	98.0%
Revenue from the Commonwealth.....	26,001,491	27,051,688	21,375,491	82.2%	25,617,409	19,278,785	75.3%
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 57,524,022	\$ 58,666,872	\$ 49,746,854	86.5%	\$ 57,127,940	\$ 46,305,965	81.1%
Other Governmental Revenues And Transfers In							
Fines and Forfeitures.....	\$ 4,305,200	3,796,000	\$ 2,624,720	61.0%	\$ 3,762,200	\$ 2,234,799	59.4%
Licenses and Permits.....	2,867,350	2,464,500	2,247,502	78.4%	2,136,550	1,900,396	88.9%
Charges for City Services.....	15,071,741	15,241,101	13,853,668	91.9%	13,724,495	12,000,935	87.4%
Revenue from Use of Money & Prop.....	6,655,000	14,250,000	17,448,018	262.2%	4,139,167	2,661,040	64.3%
Other Revenue.....	2,490,701	4,005,500	4,125,287	165.6%	2,190,013	1,992,788	91.0%
Transfer from Other Funds.....	9,976,651	9,376,651	8,841,040	88.6%	10,142,543	10,142,543	100.0%
Total Other Governmental Revenues	\$ 41,366,643	\$ 49,133,752	\$ 49,140,234	118.8%	\$ 36,094,968	\$ 30,932,501	85.7%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 831,899,384	\$ 842,275,571	\$ 532,474,899	64.0%	\$ 761,277,356	\$ 482,953,978	63.4%
Appropriated refunding bond proceeds.....					\$ 11,782,546	\$ 11,782,546	
Appropriated Fund Balance							
Operating Budget	\$ 8,120,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	\$ -	-
Cash Capital.....							
Encumbrances And Other.....	5,775,449	5,500,000			5,538,625		
Supplemental Appropriations.....	50,526,898				26,133,457		
TOTAL	\$ 896,321,731	\$ 847,775,571	\$ 532,474,899	59.4%	\$ 814,731,984	\$ 494,736,524	60.7%

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS BY FUNCTION
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE PERIODS ENDING APRIL 30, 2023 AND APRIL 30, 2022**

FUNCTION	B	C	D=C/B	E	F	G=F/E
	FY 2023	FY2023	%	FY 2022	FY2022	%
	AMENDED BUDGET	EXPENDITURES THRU 4/30/2023	OF BUDGET EXPENDED	APPROVED BUDGET	EXPENDITURES THRU 4/30/2022	OF BUDGET EXPENDED
Legislative & Executive.....	\$ 7,263,964	\$ 3,896,322	53.6%	\$ 4,778,319	\$ 3,755,711	78.6%
Judicial Administration.....	\$ 48,556,193	\$ 37,787,000	77.8%	\$ 45,008,863	\$ 35,603,287	79.1%
Staff Agencies						
Communications.....	\$ 2,315,978	\$ 1,292,964	55.8%	\$ 1,651,966	\$ 1,100,572	66.6%
Human Rights.....	1,118,760	748,630	66.9%	1,008,210	821,149	81.4%
Information Technology Services.....	17,396,386	12,897,595	74.1%	14,121,129	10,501,908	74.4%
Management & Budget.....	1,786,300	1,136,658	63.6%	1,476,120	981,130	66.5%
Finance.....	14,365,055	9,753,999	67.9%	13,211,768	9,410,433	71.2%
Performance and Accountability.....	868,232	669,959	77.2%	690,787	430,998	62.4%
Internal Audit.....	438,920	324,787	74.0%	461,431	310,584	67.3%
Human Resources.....	5,977,543	3,857,651	64.5%	5,051,787	3,156,993	62.5%
Planning & Zoning.....	7,593,713	5,256,228	69.2%	6,764,770	4,779,050	70.6%
Economic Development Activities.....	9,230,994	9,148,157	99.1%	7,036,340	6,738,228	95.8%
City Attorney.....	4,485,150	3,825,004	85.3%	3,847,491	3,117,680	81.0%
Registrar.....	1,561,822	959,257	61.4%	1,517,361	1,013,340	66.8%
Organizational Excellence	-	51,832	0.0%	193,448	129,623	67.0%
General Services.....	14,871,012	9,175,897	61.7%	11,602,845	9,054,155	78.0%
Total Staff Agencies	\$ 82,009,866	\$ 59,098,618	72.1%	\$ 68,635,453	\$ 51,545,843	75.1%
Operating Agencies						
Transportation & Environmental Services.....	\$ 27,346,250	\$ 18,583,966	68.0%	\$ 24,761,646	\$ 17,316,236	69.9%
Project Implementation.....	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%
Fire.....	56,279,199	44,300,425	78.7%	53,201,585	42,495,107	79.9%
Police.....	70,358,239	50,580,687	71.9%	61,943,105	48,191,656	77.8%
Community Policing Review.....	515,114	111,696	0.0%	500,000	16,000	0.0%
Emergency and Customer Communications.....	9,907,128	7,099,539	71.7%	9,145,532	6,732,308	73.6%
Code.....	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%
Transit Subsidies.....	19,354,561	17,449,706	90.2%	19,272,548	18,109,818	94.0%
Housing.....	2,081,133	1,542,579	74.1%	1,829,441	1,519,890	83.1%
Community and Human Services.....	17,885,881	12,717,604	71.1%	15,908,362	12,736,502	80.1%
Health.....	9,713,246	8,661,326	89.2%	8,937,817	7,379,007	82.6%
Historic Resources.....	5,279,693	3,042,941	57.6%	3,942,134	2,731,339	69.3%
Recreation.....	28,112,573	19,883,695	70.7%	25,308,382	17,672,243	69.8%
Total Operating Agencies	\$ 246,833,018	\$ 183,974,164	74.5%	\$ 224,750,552	\$ 174,900,106	77.8%
Education						
Schools.....	\$ 248,737,300	\$ 248,737,300	100.0%	\$ 239,437,296	\$ 239,437,296	100.0%
Other Educational Activities.....	15,750	15,750	100.0%	15,785	15,785	100.0%
Total Education	\$ 248,753,050	\$ 248,753,050	100.0%	\$ 239,453,081	\$ 239,453,081	100.0%
Capital, Debt Service and Miscellaneous						
Debt Service - City.....	\$ 41,170,131	\$ 35,676,442	86.7%	\$ 36,851,668	\$ 29,901,447	81.1%
Debt Service - Schools.....	\$ 31,941,000	27,678,834	86.7%	\$ 28,633,966	23,233,603	81.1%
Expenses on Refunding Bonds.....	-	-	0.0%	11,710,136	11,710,136	0.0%
Non-Departmental.....	\$ 30,505,558	11,788,648	38.6%	\$ 20,365,380	11,751,563	26.7%
General Cash Capital.....	\$ 57,881,807	27,647,901	47.8%	\$ 43,938,304	33,938,304	0.0%
Contingent Reserves.....	1,274,170	-	0.0%	1,074,170	-	0.0%
Total Capital, Debt Service and Miscellaneous	\$ 162,772,666	\$ 102,791,824	63.2%	\$ 142,573,624	\$ 110,535,053	77.5%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 796,188,757	\$ 636,300,979	79.9%	\$ 725,199,892	\$ 615,793,082	84.9%
Cash Match (Transportation/DCHS/ and Transfers to Special Revenue /Capital Projects Funds)...	\$ 59,075,874	\$ 7,342,346	0.0%	\$ 56,704,298	\$ 14,305,998	0.0%
Transfer to Housing.....	7,679,115	3,839,558	0.0%	4,588,522	4,588,522	0.0%
Transfer to Library.....	8,213,526	8,500	0.1%	7,680,826	6,894	0.1%
Transfer to DASH.....	25,164,459	11,851,865	47.1%	20,558,446	11,643,202	56.6%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS	\$ 896,321,731	\$ 659,343,247	73.6%	\$ 814,731,984	\$ 646,337,698	79.3%
Total Expenditures by Category						
Salaries and Benefits.....	\$ 256,555,601	\$ 188,681,490	73.5%	\$ 241,261,310	\$ 183,330,074	76.0%
Non Personnel (includes all school funds)	639,766,130	470,661,757	73.6%	573,470,674	463,007,624	80.7%
Total Expenditures	\$ 896,321,731	\$ 659,343,247	73.6%	\$ 814,731,984	\$ 646,337,698	79.3%

