

**MINUTES**  
**JOINT CITY COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET WORK SESSION**  
**ALEXANDRIA CITY SCHOOL BOARD**

**March 6, 2024 (7:00 p.m.)**

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**ROLL CALL**

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT AT THE WORK SESSION:

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Meagan L. Alderton  
Tim Beaty  
Kelly Carmichael Booz (Virtual)  
Abdel-Rahman Elnoubi  
Jacinta Greene  
Christopher Harris  
Tammy Ignacio  
Michelle Rief  
Ashley Simpson Baird

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Dr. Melanie Kay-Wyatt, Susan Neilson, Alexandra Bourdouane, Dominic Turner, Robert Easley

**Call the Work Session to Order**

The Joint City Council/School Board Work Session on FY 2025 Operating Budget was called to order at 7:01 p.m. All Board Members were present at the start of the meeting. Vice Chair Booz participated virtually and Mr. Elnoubi participated virtually until he arrived in person at 7:21 p.m.

Also present were Mayor Justin Wilson and Council Members Canek Aguirre, Sarah Bagley, John Chapman, Aliya Gaskins, and R. Kirk McPike. Vice Mayor Amy Jackson participated virtually.

**Discussion Topics**

**1. Joint City Council/School Board Work Session on FY 2025 Operating Budget**

Chair Rief shared the presentation by ACPS on the FY 2025 Operating Budget which included a \$10,537,000 increase from the Superintendent's proposed budget that includes a 2% market rate adjustment and additional salary step for staff, and 7.4 additional staff positions to support social/emotional well-being and advanced academic services. The School Board is asking City Council to fully fund its budget increase by approving a tax increase.

**Adjournment**

The Work Session ended at 9:29 p.m.

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Dr. Michelle Rief, Chair

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Clerk/Deputy Clerk

These minutes were adopted at the **DATE** School Board Meeting.