



REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, July 14, 2008.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta Mach, Rodney M. Roberts, Edward V. J. Putens and Mayor Judith F. Davis.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; John F. Shay, City Solicitor and David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager.

Mayor Davis asked for a moment of silence in honor of Greenbelt Resident and Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department Founder, Henry N. Wynkoop, Jr, and former residents Eleanor Knight and Frederick Andrew Slaugh. She then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA : It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Mr. Herling the consent agenda be approved. The motion passed 5-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

#### MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Meeting, June 2, 2008

Work Session, June 11, 2008

Interview, June 16, 2008

Regular Meeting, June 16, 2008

Approved as presented.

RESIGNATION FROM ADVISORY GROUP: Council accepted Paul Sciubba's resignation from the Advisory Committee on Education.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA : It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Mr. Herling that the agenda be approved as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS: There were none.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS : Bob Schmertz from Charlestowne North Tenants Association reported that the group had two new Board members. He noted that MaryAnne Scott had moved. The other Board members were introduced

#### MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Executive Session of June 11, 2008: Mr. Roberts moved that the minutes of the executive session of the City Council held Wednesday, June 11, 2008, be approved as presented. He further requested that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the Council met in executive session at 10:00 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building and that Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 10-508 (a)(7) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* to consult with legal counsel. Mr. Putens seconded.

#### ROLL CALL:

Mr. Herling - yes

Ms. Mach - yes

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

Executive Session of June 18, 2008: Mr. Roberts moved that the minutes of the executive session of the City Council held Wednesday, June 18, 2008, be approved as presented. He further requested that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the Council met in executive session at 8:05 p.m. in the Senior Classroom of the Community Center and that Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 10-508 (a)(7) of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland* to consult with legal counsel. Mr. Putens seconded.

#### ROLL CALL:

Mr. Herling - yes

Ms. Mach - yes

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Mr. McLaughlin reported on a memo about Charter Amendment 2008-1. He stated that this Resolution had only been advertised three times instead of the four required by State. As a result, the Resolution would be reintroduced at the August 11 meeting and re-advertised. He announced a Get Active/Play Day on Saturday, July 26.

Ms. Mach reported that she, Mayor Davis and Council Member Putens had attended the Greenbelt Foundation's grants award program. She recognized Cynthia Cummings whose photo at Attick Park had appeared in a recent Washington Post article.

Mr. Herling reported on the transit forum which occurred on July 9. He also reported on the MML Conference. Mr. Herling noted that Maryland Secretary of Aging, Gloria Lawlah, was interested in creating a pilot project at Green Ridge House which encourages seniors to grow and eat more vegetables.

Mr. Putens reported on newsletters that he picked up at the MML Convention. He also noted that the 2010 Census is recruiting workers and requested that this information be placed on the City's website.

Mayor Davis noted her attendance at the Potomac Trash Summit and reported on a trash netting system on the Anacostia River. She provided information about other green programs that the District of Columbia had implemented. Mayor Davis also reported on COG's foreclosure conference and provided information about foreclosure and real estate sales in the region.

## LEGISLATION

A Resolution to Repeal Resolution 1017 and to Establish Admission Fees and Pass Rates for the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, Effective September 2, 2008

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens introduced the resolution for second reading and adoption. Mr. Herling seconded.

## ROLL CALL:

Mr. Herling - yes

Ms. Mach - yes

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

The Resolution was declared passed (Resolution No. 1034, Book 8)

A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of a Public Restroom to be located in Buddy Attick Park with Restroom Solutions Inc., of Phoenix, Arizona, at a cost of \$111,670

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Ms. Mach asked about locks on the restrooms. Ms. Hofstra responded that the locks were on an automatic timer and they would lock when the park closed. Ms. Mach asked about vandal resistant paint colors. Ms. Hofstra responded that a salt and pepper interior paint scheme would be used.

Mayor Davis asked about stainless steel versus china. Mr. Kevin Mart of Restroom Solutions noted that stainless was much more expensive and also difficult to clean. He noted this was a subject of much debate in the industry, but indicated in his experience the china holds up very well.

Mr. Roberts asked about the site. Ms. Hofstra reported that PRAB had requested a change in orientation.

Mr. Putens requested that the exterior color be more brown than red.

Mr. Putens introduced the resolution for second reading and adoption. Ms. Mach seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Herling - yes

Ms. Mach - yes

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

The Resolution was declared passed (Resolution No. 1035, Book 8)

A Resolution to Authorize Deirdre Allen to Sign Checks, Vouchers, and Purchase Orders from July 28 to August 1, 2008

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Mach introduced the resolution for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. Putens seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Herling - yes

Ms. Mach - yes

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

Ms. Mach introduced the resolution for second reading and adoption. Mr. Putens seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Herling - yes

Ms. Mach - yes

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

The Resolution was declared passed (Resolution No. 1036, Book 8)

A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Herling introduced the Resolution.

Mayor Davis asked for information about the Dam Breach study proposal with CPJ Associates. Mr. McLaughlin responded that the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) was requiring this study. Mr. McLaughlin noted the lake was only 23 acres and that if the dam were to break, he believed that the impact downstream would be minimal and any water released would stop at the Public Works yard or Capital Office Park.

Proposed Federal Capital Improvements Program (FCIP) for the National Capital Region, Fiscal Years 2009 -2014: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mayor Davis noted the City's concerns with the Maglev project and requested that the City clarify which transit projects it supported. She also requested that Greenbelt Park be added to the list of facilities that the City should be kept informed about.

Ms. Mach requested that the City specify its support for purple line light rail.

Ms. Mach moved that the City Council transmit a letter to the National Capital Planning Commission that states the City has no specific comments to offer at this time on the projects included in the *Proposed Draft Federal Capital Improvements Program, Fiscal Years 2009-2014*. She further moved that the letter should reiterate the City Council's interest in being kept informed on the status of all development projects ongoing and/or planned for the Goddard Space Flight Center, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center and Greenbelt Park facilities, state the City' support for specific projects (especially the Purple Line-light rail) that promote investment in transit and emphasize the City's interest in seeing the use of green building techniques in all federal capital improvement projects. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

MEETINGS : Council reviewed the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT : A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Mach and seconded by Mr. Putens. The motion carried 5-0. The Mayor adjourned the regular meeting of Monday, July 14, 2008, at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Moran

Assistant City Manager

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the regular meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held July 14, 2008.

Judith F. Davis

Mayor