



**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1999**

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Edward V.J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts, Alan Turnbull, Thomas X. White and by Judith F. Davis, Mayor.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; Robert Manzi, City Solicitor; W. Bowman Ferguson, Senior Management Analyst and David E. Moran, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis observed a moment of silence for Greenbelt residents: Harold Siegel, Helen Runyan, Sidney Kastner, and Janet Diane Johnson. Then, she led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. White removed item 24. With that change, Mr. Putens moved approval of the consent agenda. Mr. White seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0. CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. White removed item 24. With that change, Mr. Putens moved approval of the consent agenda. Mr. White seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

COUNCIL THEREBY TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

MINUTES:

- Regular Meeting, August 9, 1999
- Work Sessions, August 17, 1999
- Interviews, August 25, 1999
- Work Session, August 25, 1999
- Interviews, September 1, 1999

Approved as presented.

DESIGNATION OF VOTING AND ALTERNATE VOTING DELEGATES TO NLC CONGRESS OF CITIES: Council designated Mayor Davis as "voting delegate", and Mayor Pro-Tem White and Council Member Putens as "alternate voting delegates."

APPROVAL OF RECLASSIFICATIONS: Council approved the following reclassifications:

Current Position Recommendation

City Clerk, GC-17 Assistant to City Manager, GC-18

Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor, GC-16 Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor, GC-18

Executive Secretary - Recreation, GC-11 Recreation Office Manager, GC-12

Recreation Supervisor, GC-16 Recreation Supervisor, GC-18

Foreman - Special Details Crew, GC-13 Foreman - Special Details Crew, GC-14

Crewman VI, GC-9 Crew Leader, GC-12

Auto Mechanic I, GC-10 Auto Mechanic II, GC-12

REMOVALS FROM CITY ADVISORY GROUPS: Council removed Andressa Carter, Joi Loretz and Jaime Pereira from the Youth Advisory Committee and directed staff to prepare the appropriate letters of appreciation be drafted for the Mayor's signature.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Putens moved that the agenda be approved. Mr. White seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS: There were no presentations

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS: There were no petitions or requests. **PETITIONS AND REQUESTS:** There were no petitions or requests. There were no petitions or requests.

MINUTES

Executive Session, September 1, 1999

Mr. Roberts moved that the minutes of the Executive Meeting of the City Council held Wednesday, September 1, 1999 be approved as presented. He further requested that the minutes of this meeting reflect that the Council met in Executive Session at 8:03 p.m. in the Municipal Building Library, 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 (1995 Replacement Volume) to consult with legal counsel to obtain legal advice. Mr. Turnbull seconded.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mr. Turnbull - yes

Mr. White - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Mr. McLaughlin thanked the volunteers, city staff and patrons who participated in the Labor Day Festival, especially given the bad weather. He also noted that the adopted budget for FY 2000 had been printed and was available at the city

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Mr. McLaughlin reported that the city had survived the water restrictions and drought well. He noted that Mr. Phelan had reported the loss of a few annuals and now, the Horticulture crew was moving into Fall planting. Mr. McLaughlin also complimented Aquatic and Fitness Center staff for their pool cleaning methods, which had resulted in a significant water savings. Mr. McLaughlin reported that the City received 9 complaints and issued 4 warnings during the restriction period.

Mr. McLaughlin reported that The Bus Route 11 had begun and Route 15 would be started in October. Mr. White asked about promotional activities and believed that information was not available. He asked that the city look at flyers or other low tech mechanisms for promoting the service.

Mr. White asked about the water line work on Woodland Way. Mr. McLaughlin responded that WSSC was replacing the line.

Mr. Ferguson reported on the state of the theater. He noted an upcoming Clint Eastwood Film Festival.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens introduced the above titled Ordinance for second reading and adoption. Mr. White seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mr. Turnbull - yes

Mr. White - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

The Ordinance was declared adopted. (Ordinance No. 1187. Book No. 11)

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NEGOTIATED PURCHASE OF A STREET SWEEPER

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens introduced the above titled Resolution for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. White seconded.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mr. Turnbull - yes

Mr. White - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

Mr. Putens introduced the above titled resolution for second reading and adoption. Mr. White seconded.

Kenneth Hall introduced Kevin Nickey, the sales rep from Mid-Atlantic. Mr. Hall reported on the process that the 4-Cities had used to select this machine. He noted that Greenbelt would house and maintain the machine.

Mr. Turnbull expressed support for street sweeping. He asked how machine replacement would be determined. Mr. Hall believed that the cities worked well together and would be able to make that determination. Mr. Turnbull believed this should be addressed in the agreement. He asked about the machine's lifespan. Mr. Nickey responded that the lifespan is typically 6-8 years.

Mr. Roberts asked about the sweeper's MVA registration. Mr. Hall responded that it would be registered in all four cities names. Mr. Roberts asked about the determination to go with a larger machine. He also asked about operators. Mr. Hall responded that each city would assign 3 operators and only these 3 people would be allowed to use the machine. Mr. Roberts believed 12 operators was too many.

In response to the question about machine choice, Mr. Hall reported that a smaller machine had been favored initially, but problems had been reported by the City of Alexandria, so the group decided to proceed with the larger unit..

Mr. White suggested a line item in the Replacement Fund and asked if the other cities followed this practice. Mr. Hall noted that New Carrollton used one and College Park was moving to this mechanism.

Mr. Putens was glad we were moving forward with this purchase.

Sheldon Goldberg, 7848 Jacobs Drive, asked if this would cover the whole city. Mr. Hall responded yes the entire city.

Mayor Davis noted that the city had been sharing equipment previously.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mr. Turnbull - yes

Mr. White - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

The Resolution was declared adopted. (Resolution No. 902. Book No. 7.

Mr. Putens moved that Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Purchase and Maintenance Agreement once it was finalized. Mr. White seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

REPORT FROM SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. REPORT FROM SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Corporal Buerger briefed Council on the program. He summarized the report which was included in the packet. He noted arrests increased from 72 to 105.

Mr. White noted Officer Buerger's participation in forming an association of SRO's. He suggested the city pursue funding.

Council members thanked Officer Buerger for his efforts.

Mr. Turnbull asked Officer Buerger if he felt the system treated the kid's fairly. Officer Buerger believed the kids were treated too leniently. He did compliment the placement of a Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) intervention officer at the school.

RESPONSE TO SENIOR CITIZEN ANNUAL FORUM REPORT: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mayor Davis listed the items included on the report. Mr. Ferguson reported on some of the actions taken by the City to address the concerns raised in the report. Council directed that the staff response be shared with the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee. RESPONSE TO SENIOR CITIZEN ANNUAL FORUM REPORT: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mayor Davis listed the items included on the report. Mr. Ferguson reported on some of the actions taken by the City to address the concerns raised in the report. Council directed that the staff response be shared with the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee.

SUPPORT OF EXTENDED METRORAIL HOURS ON WEEKENDS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. SUPPORT OF EXTENDED METRORAIL HOURS ON WEEKENDS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. White moved that the City support the extension and communicate it to WMATA immediately. Mr. Turnbull seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

PRESENTATION OF Y2K COMPLIANCE PLAN: Mayor Davis read the agenda. PRESENTATION OF Y2K COMPLIANCE PLAN: Mayor Davis read the agenda: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. McLaughlin and Mayor Davis reported on the COG Y2K simulation drill.

Mr. Ferguson explained the development of the plan and outlined its rationale. He noted that the city had received compliance assurances from a majority of vendors. Mr. Ferguson also noted that the city was looking at contingency planning. He indicated that the plan would appear on Council's September 27 agenda for approval.

INTEREST IN NLC COMMITTEES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. INTEREST IN NLC COMMITTEES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

SUPPORT OF NEW CARROLLTON LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. SUPPORT OF NEW CARROLLTON LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. Roberts moved to support the telemarketing item. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK & PLANNING COMMISSION BUDGET HEARINGS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK & PLANNING COMMISSION BUDGET HEARINGS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. White and Mr. Turnbull suggested a more aggressive approach to the "request for funding". Mr. White thought the contribution should reflect the contribution made by citizens. Mr. Turnbull suggested a specific request and perhaps a plan to get it up to a certain level. Mr. McLaughlin agreed to hold this matter until the next agenda.

GUN BUY BACK PROGRAM: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. GUN BUY BACK PROGRAM: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. Putens moved that this idea be referred to the Public Safety Advisory Committee for review and report to Council. Mr. Roberts seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

MARYLAND MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. MARYLAND MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Council discussed the various initiatives and came to a consensus on the city's recommendations.

Mr. Putens moved that the City support the following:

- Electric Deregulation - Municipal Aggregation
- Fines Doubled for Speeding - Locally Designated Zones
- Charging for Regulating Use of Right-of-Way - Telecommunications Providers

- Arts and Entertainment Districts - Income Tax & Sales and Use Tax

Mr. Turnbull seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY ADVISORY GROUPS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. APPOINTMENTS TO CITY ADVISORY GROUPS: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Mr. White moved approval of the following appointments to city advisory groups and directed staff to prepare the appropriate appointment letters. Mr. Roberts seconded.

Joseph Otterman Advisory Committee on Education

Prasad Durvasula Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Leah Warner Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

Jessamyn Goshorn Youth Advisory Committee

Dorothy Bates Board of Appeals

MEETINGS: Council scheduled a work session on Roosevelt Center Issues for October 19. Council scheduled a work session with New Deal Cafe on September 21 following the ballot drawing.

Mr. Turnbull moved that Council schedule an Executive Session on September 21 with New Deal Cafe. Mr. Roberts seconded.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Putens - yes

Mr. Roberts - yes

Mr. Turnbull - yes

Mr. White - yes

Mayor Davis - yes

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Putens moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. White seconded. The motion carried 5 to 0. Mayor Davis adjourned the regular meeting of September 13, 1999, at 11:00 p.m

Respectfully Submitted,

David E. Moran, CMC

City Clerk

"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 September 13, 1999."

Judith F. Davis, Mayor