

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building
Regular Meeting
December 14, 2015 - 08:00 p.m.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. [Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag](#)
4. [Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations \(Items on the Consent Agenda \[marked by *\] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.\)](#)
5. [Approval of Agenda and Additions](#)

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. [Presentations](#)

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7. [Public Hearing on Acquisition of 10-A Crescent Road](#)

: The City has the opportunity to acquire the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) unit at 10-A Crescent Road which is next to the Greenbelt Museum at 10-B Crescent Road. These units are the only two units at that address. (In GHI language, it would be to purchase the Right of Perpetual Use.) The current Greenbelt Museum building was acquired by the City as part of its 50th anniversary in 1987. From the time the museum unit was acquired, persons associated with the museum have expressed an interest in 10-A being acquired as well for museum purposes. The unit at 10-A could become the office space for museum staff which would enable the museum to be available for tours on a more frequent basis. It would also provide space for hosting larger tour groups, provide space for researchers interested in Greenbelt, and present a comparison of original Greenbelt homes "then and now." The residents of 10-A, the Dwyers, had always been good neighbors to the museum, sharing information with interested visitors when the museum was closed. Another resident might not be so accommodating of these type of intrusions. The Dwyers resided in the home for 59 years and as such it is unknown when the unit might become available again. Megan Searing Young, Museum Director, will speak on the value and potential uses of the unit. Sandra Lange, an original member of the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM), will speak about the original vision of the museum. Steve Gilbert or Pamela Gregory, President and Vice-President of the current FOGM Board, will speak on the Board's interest. Following these comments, it is suggested comments from the public be heard. Discussions with Thomas Dwyer, who is executor of the estate, indicate he is willing to sell the unit to the City for \$200,000. Following the comment period, Council direction is sought. If there is interest in pursuing the acquisition, a resolution can be prepared for introduction at the January 11, 2016 meeting and adoption at the January 25, 2016 meeting. Because the unit is part of the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) cooperative, the GHI Board must approve the acquisition as well. This consideration is tentatively scheduled for the Board's January 21, 2016 meeting. (MPM)

[Memo from Megan Searing Young](#)

[7 - Reference](#)

8. [Petitions and Requests \(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.\)](#)

* 9. Minutes of Council Meetings

* Work Session, August 31, 2015

[Draft Minutes](#)

*Work Session, November 9, 2015

[Draft Minutes](#)

*Charter Meeting, November 9, 2015

[Draft Minutes](#)

10. [Administrative Reports](#)

* 11. Committee Reports

III. LEGISLATION

12. [A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of Design Services Required for the Redesign of Existing Parking Facilities and the Incorporation of Stormwater Best Management Practices at the Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot with Bradley Site Design, Inc., of Washington DC, at a Cost of \\$33,700 - 2nd Reading, Adoption - Reference: Draft Resolution](#)

Memorandum, J. Bellah, 10/12/2015

Concept Plan Map and Photos - The City received \$187,700 in grant funding through the Chesapeake Bay Trust's Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) practices in the Buddy Attick Park parking lot redesign project. A request for proposals (RFP) from qualified professional design/engineer firms to prepare concept and design development drawings for the project received four (4) responses. The responses were then thoroughly reviewed by Planning staff. Planning staff has indicated the proposal from Bradley Site Design will best meet the needs of the City. The Bradley Site Design proposal provides professional services associated with the design and construction of stormwater best management practices at the Buddy Attick Park parking lot at a cost of \$33,700. Council was briefed on the proposals at its work sessions on October 21 and November 18. Jessica Bellah, Community Planner, and Sharon Bradley, President of Bradley Site Design, will be present tonight to answer any questions. Ms. Mach introduced this resolution for first reading at the last meeting. It is recommended the resolution be introduced for second reading and moved for adoption tonight. (JB).

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[Draft Resolution](#)

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[Concept Plan Map and Photos](#)

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

13. [Letter to Governor Hogan - Support of Syrian Refugees - Reference: E-Mail, J. Hamlin, 11/19/2015](#)
[Draft Letter](#)
[List of Contact Agencies](#)
[Memorandum, L. Park, 12/09/2015](#)
[At the last meeting, Council accepted a petition from Joshua Hamlin requesting Council consider taking an action to: 1\) welcome Syrian refugees to Greenbelt; and 2\) urge local, state and federal leaders to work together to address the current Syrian refugee crisis by taking necessary steps to resettle refugees in the United States. Mr. Hamlin noted Governor Hogan's recent request that the federal government stop refugee resettlements in our State. As requested by Council, this item is included on the agenda for discussion. A letter to Governor Hogan has been drafted and included as reference. The draft letter has been shared with members of the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association \(GILA\). To date, six GILA members have responded and all support the letter. \(CM\)](#)

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14. [Draft Environmental Impact Statement \(DEIS\) for Federal Bureau of Investigation - Reference:](#)
[GSA Handout](#)
[MDP Notice, 11/13/2015](#)
[Memorandum, J. Bellah, 12/10/2015](#)
[City Council was briefed on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement \(DEIS\) for the FBI Headquarters Consolidation Project at its December 9, 2015 work session by Garth Beall of Renard Development. Mr. Beall and Renard are the lead seeking to bring the FBI Headquarters to the Greenbelt Metro Station. Mr. Beall noted that each of the three sites under consideration Greenbelt, Landover and Springfield have beneficial and adverse impacts. As noted in the DEIS summary published by the General Services Administration for the public hearing on December 8, 2015, which is included in Council's packet, the Greenbelt location has beneficial impacts in the areas of Surface Water, Land Use, Taxes, Employment and Income, and Stormwater Management among others. It has adverse impacts in the](#)

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MDP Notice

Memorandum, J. Bellah

15. Award of Purchase - Public Works Equipment - Reference: Memorandum, J. Sterling, 12/09/2015
NJPA Cost Sheets - The FY 2016 budget includes \$56,600 for the replacement of Public Works Parks Crew Units #429 (1989 Kubota Loader/Backhoe) and Unit #439 (1997 Kubota Mower). Unit #429 is a small backhoe with a failing hydraulic shift transmission that compromises its digging and lifting capabilities. The cost of repair would not be practical considering it is a 26 year old unit. Unit #439 has very limited capabilities, especially for snow removal, given it is a 19 year old unit. Public Works staff has identified a 2015 Kubota L3901HST Loader/Backhoe available for purchase at a cost of \$29,958.55 and a 2015 Kubota F2690 Front-Deck Mower available for purchase at a cost of \$26,850.15 through the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) contract #070313-KBA with Kubota Tractor Corporation. Both units will meet the needs of the Parks Crew. Additionally, the Front-Deck Mower will provide the Parks Crew with three small tractors capable of clearing sidewalks which would allow for sidewalks to be cleared quicker during snow removal operations. It is recommended Council approve the purchase of one (1) 2015 Kubota L3901HST Loader-Backhoe at a cost of \$29,958.55, and one (1) 2015 Kubota F2690 Front-Deck Mower at a cost of \$26,850.15, from Kubota Tractor Corporation in accord with National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) contract #070313-KBA. (CM).

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[Memo, Karl Skaggs](#)

[NJPA Cost Sheets](#)

16. [Council Reports](#)

* 17. Appointment of Councilmembers to City Boards and Committees -
At a work session on December 2, 2015, Council discussed the liaison assignments to various City advisory boards and committees. Listed below are the assignments tentatively agreed to at that meeting.

Advisory Committee on Education - Ms. Mach

Advisory Planning Board - Ms. Davis

Arts Advisory Board - Ms. Davis

Community Relations Advisory Board - Mr. Putens

Forest Preserve Advisory Board - Mr. Roberts

Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability - Mr. Herling

Park and Recreation Advisory Board - Mr. Jordan

Public Safety Advisory Committee - Ms. Pope

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee - Ms. Pope

Youth Advisory Committee - Mr. Roberts

Anacostia Trails Heritage Association - Ms. Davis

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* 18. Appointment of Councilmembers to Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Policy Boards and Committees - Reference: Letter, C. Bean, 12/04/2015 - The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is soliciting appointments to COG's policy boards and committees for 2016. Council discussed these appointments at a work session on December 2 and tentatively agreed to the following appointments for 2016:

Board of Directors - Mayor Jordan

Alternate - Ms. Davis

Transportation Planning Board - Mr. Roberts

Alternate - Mr. Herling

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Comm. - Ms. Mach

Alternate - Mr. Herling
Region Forward Coalition - Mr. Jordan
Alternate - Ms. Davis
Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee - Mr. Putens
Alternate - Ms. Pope
Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee - Mr. Herling
Alternate - Ms. Mach
Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee - Ms. Davis
Alternate - Mr. Putens

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[Letter, C. Bean](#)

* 19. Appointments to Advisory Groups - Reference:

Application - Council interviewed Katherine McElhenny on December 3, 2014, for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Education and Julia Sharapi on December 7, 2015 for appointment to the Youth Advisory Committee. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Ms. McElhenny to ACE and Ms. Sharapi to YAC. (CM)

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* 20. Reappointments to Advisory Groups - Reference:

Reappointment Application - Isabelle Gournay has indicated her willingness to continue to serve on the Advisory Planning Board. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Ms. Gournay to a new term on APB. (CM)

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* 21. Resignation from Advisory Group - Reference:

Email, J. Berard, 11/24/2015 - John Berard has submitted his resignation from the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to accept his resignation with regret. (CM)

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V. MEETINGS -

<u>Regular Meeting</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>12/14</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
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<u>Legislative Dinner</u>	<u>Tues.</u>	<u>12/15</u>	<u>6:00 pm</u>
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<u>Work Session – Council Goals/Priorities - Post Election Discussion (CC)</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>12/16</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
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<u>Work Session – TBD</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>12/21</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
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<u>No Meeting</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>12/23</u>	
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<u>No Meeting</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>12/28</u>	
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<u>No Meeting</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>12/30</u>	
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<u>Work Session – Cablecast Upgrades/Review of Digital Integration Proposal</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>01/04</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
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<u>Work Session – Volunteerism Report (CC)</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>01/06</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
<u>Regular Meeting</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>01/11</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
<u>Work Session – County Executive (tentative) (CC)</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>01/13</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
<u>City Holiday – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>01/18</u>	
<u>Work Session – M-NCPPC Zoning Rewrite (tentative) (CC)</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>01/20</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
<u>PGCMA Meeting (Greenbelt)</u>	<u>Thur.</u>	<u>01/21</u>	<u>7:00 pm</u>
<u>Regular Meeting</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>01/25</u>	<u>8:00 pm</u>
<u>Four Cities Meeting (College Park)</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>01/27</u>	<u>7:30 pm</u>

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