

CHARTER MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, November 14, 2011.

Outgoing Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

STAFF PRESENT were Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; David Moran, Assistant City Manager; Robert A. Manzi, City Solicitor; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis asked to observe a moment of silence for residents Jeneen Desiree Dunn and Mabel M. Munson. She then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CERTIFICATION OF FINAL COUNT: Ms. Murray reported that in accordance with Section 8-9 of the City Code, she had posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building the Certification of Final Count of the Regular Council Election held Tuesday, November 8, 2011, as certified to the City Clerk by the chair and members of the Board of Elections. She said a copy of the board's Certification of Final Count was also provided to all the candidates in the City Council race. Designated representatives of candidates were present throughout the election procedures. Early voting and absentee ballots were accounted for and tallied by three election clerks in the Council Room of the Municipal Building in the presence of at least two members of the Board of Elections.

The results of the November 8, 2011, Regular Election for City Council in order of ballot were:

Edward V. J. Putens	1,243
Leta M. Mach	1,238
Judith F. Davis	1,383
Silke I. Pope	1,205
William A. Orleans	412
Konrad E. Herling	1,266
Rodney M. Roberts	1,354
Emmett V. Jordan	1,367

There were 1,764 ballots cast. Seven of the eight candidates received a number of votes greater than 40% of the total ballots cast. Thus, in accordance with the requirements of Section 31 of the City Charter, the following seven candidates were elected to serve as members of the Council for a two-year term of office:

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Emmett V. Jordan	1,367
Rodney M. Roberts	1,354

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OATH OF OFFICE: Silke I. Pope, Emmett V. Jordan, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Edward V. J. Putens, and Rodney M. Roberts took and subscribed to the oath of office before Judith F. Davis, Outgoing Mayor, as prescribed by Section 71 of the City Charter and state law. Copies of the executed oaths of office, attested to by the City Clerk, will be filed in the City Clerk's office.

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON: Mr. Herling nominated Mr. Putens to serve as temporary chairperson. Ms. Pope seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF MAYOR: In accordance with Section 6 of the City Charter, Mr. Putens called for nominations for the position of Mayor. Mr. Jordan moved that Judith F. Davis be nominated to serve as Mayor of the City of Greenbelt for the 39th term of Council. Ms. Mach seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO MAYOR: Judith F. Davis recited and subscribed to the oath of office before Marilyn Bland, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, as required by Section 71 of the City Charter and state law. Mayor Davis then assumed the gavel from Mr. Putens. Congratulations were extended to Mayor Davis by the rest of Council.

STATEMENT BY MAYOR: Mayor Davis thanked City Staff and the Board of Elections, election day clerks and judges, for a successful smooth election. She also thanked all the candidates, her campaign workers and supporters, and all the citizens who participated in the election process.

Mayor Davis enumerated some of her findings in talking with citizens while door-knocking for the campaign, and mentioned some of the projects that Council will be working on over the next few years including a second community visioning event to be centered on sustainability. She noted that the greatest asset of the City is the citizens, who when they work towards goals cooperatively, are successful.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM: Mayor Davis called for nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. Mr. Herling moved that Emmett V. Jordan be named to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Jordan by the rest of Council.

STATEMENTS BY MAYOR PRO TEM AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL: Mayor Pro Tem Jordan and Councilmembers Pope, Mach, Herling, Roberts and Putens all made statements thanking their friends and supporters and commenting on the major issues that the newly elected City Council would be facing.

OTHER BUSINESS: Mayor noted members of council will remain in the same seating order as the past council.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Mach made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 7-0. Mayor Davis adjourned the Charter Meeting of November 14, 2011, at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Murray
City Clerk

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the Special Charter Meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held November 14, 2011."

Judith F. Davis
Mayor