



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA
Work Session - Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC)

Municipal Building & Virtual

This meeting will be held in-person and virtual.

**25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770**

OR

Virtual Participation

Zoom Webinar Attendees:

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**Wednesday, November 9, 2022
7:30 PM**

I. Work Session Packet

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 - Discussion of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing
- Questions and Answers
- Other Items

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II. Meetings

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III. * Stakeholders

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City Council Work Session Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: November 9, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: Work Session Item

Agenda Section: Work Session Packet

Subject:

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WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, August 29, 2018, for the purpose of holding a stakeholder meeting with representatives of the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. It was held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

Present were Councilmembers Colin A. Byrd, Judith F. Davis, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, and Rodney M. Roberts. Mayor Emmett V. Jordan arrived at 8:20 pm. Councilmember Edward V.J. Putens was unable to attend.

Staff members present were Nicole Ard, City Manager; and Bonita Anderson, City Clerk.

Also present were Dr. Charles Onwulata, USDA Associate Director; Dr. Naomi Fukagawa, Bill Orleans, Kathleen Gallagher, Greenbelt News Review.

Dr. Onwulata indicated that he had been with USDA for the past four years. He also provided an overview of his professional background experience. Dr. Fukagawa indicated that she had been with USDA for three years. She also provided an overview of her professional background experience. Dr. Onwulata gave a status update on the relocation of the Bureau of Engraving to BARC. There had been conversations with BARC to transfer 100 acres to the Bureau of Engraving to build a new facility.

Mr. Roberts expressed concern about the deterioration and upkeep of the buildings at BARC. He was opposed to the farmland being transferred over to an industrial site. He stated that BARC is a beautiful place and needed to be maintained and that there were many nice buildings within BARC.

Ms. Davis noted that in the past there have been 500 vacant buildings. She also inquired about the repair status of the buildings within the past two years. Dr. Onwulata noted that there were 193 buildings that were occupied out of the 500 buildings. The Bureau of Engraving will provide the funding for building repairs and upgrade to the site. He also indicated that BARC currently didn't have the funding to renovate and repair the buildings.

Ms. Pope inquired about the number of active programs. Dr. Onwulata indicated that there were fifteen research centers which also include the National Arboretum and, in the past, there were 400 scientists. Currently, they had 235 due to the lack of funding. It was noted that the City Council wanted to see BARC obtain their full funding from Congress to maintain the facilities.

Mayor Jordan inquired about the status of new initiatives with BARC. Dr. Charles mentioned that there was a request of 200 acres for the proposed MAGLEV maintenance yard. BARC was waiting for a proposal request from the MAGLEV planning committee. MAGLEV will provide additional feedback to BARC for one site. BARC would provide the impact of the MAGLEV. Ms. Mach inquired that it would be a terrible thing to locate the site on BARC. Mayor Jordan noted to BARC officials that the City Council was opposed to the proposed MAGLEV project.

Ms. Davis inquired about the rental of the log cabins located at BARC. Dr. Onwulata indicated that the facilities were fully occupied.

Mr. Orleans suggested that the scientists attend the work session meetings to provide their input. He also inquired about the status of the Edmonston Road widening project. The BARC representatives were not familiar with the project. Mr. Orleans requested City and BARC opposition letters to Edmonston Road Project.

Informational items were discussed.

The meeting ended at 9:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bonita Anderson
City Clerk*

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11/4/2022 1:10 PM

**City Council Meetings & Work Sessions
Oct November**

Advisory Board Interview	Mon.	11/07	7:10 pm
Work Session – State Highway Administration (stakeholder)	Mon.	11/07	7:30 pm
Work Session – Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC)(stakeholder)	Wed.	11/09	7:30 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	11/14	7:30 pm
National League of Cities (NLC) City Summit (Kansas, MO)	Wed. -Sat.	11/16 - 11/19	
No Meeting	Wed.	11/16	
Work Session– Maglev Update	Mon.	11/21	7:30 pm
Special Meeting/Closed Session – Legal Matters	Mon.	11/21	Following WS
No Meeting	Wed.	11/23	
Regular Meeting	Mon.	11/28	7:30 pm
Work Session – Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan	Wed.	11/30	7:30 pm

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation, call 301-474-8000. Regular and Special meetings and Work Sessions are open to the public. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 or 301-474-3870 no later than 10 a.m. on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use Video Relay Services (VRS) at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk. Unless otherwise noted, meetings will be held in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building (MB) at 25 Crescent Road and virtually by Zoom. Zoom meeting information for public participation is posted on the City's website at www.greenbeltmd.gov on the meeting calendar.

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

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Ready to be scheduled:

Closed Session (*Cable Ordinance*)
Parke Crescent Apartment Complex
Board of Elections reports:
- Procedure for filling Council vacancies
- Proposal for voting by resident non-citizens
(*waiting for CRAB Report*)
- Early Voting
Police Reform
Virtual Meetings Accessibility for Blind and
Visually Impaired
Walk-way Light Fixture
Prince George's County Council
Space Study
Prince George's County State's Attorney
(*presentation*)
Plastic Bag Ban
School Board Representative (schedule after 11/8)

For later scheduling:

Zoning Enforcement
Parkway Apartment Owners/GHI (*parking*)
Northway Fields Master Plan
City Manager Updates (Jan, Pre-budget; July &
Sept/Oct)
Meeting with County on Transportation Plan
Department of Permitting, Inspections &
Enforcement (DPIE)
Museum Plan
Term Limits legislation (*referral submitted to
CRAB*)
ERB Reports: (#2020-01 Procedures for
Employee Appeals, Grievances (#2021-02
Collective Bargaining) (*waiting for CRAB
Report*)
Bernard Penney (*Memorial Donation in honor of
Leonie Penney*)
Economic Development Advisory Committee
(*refer to Economic Development Manager*)
Potential Bond Referendum/Capital Financing
Cemetery Plans
City Contracting Policy
MARC Train Service/ MDOT
Arts & Entertainment District

Annual															
Advisory Group Chairs	7/22														
Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station Mgmt.	12/21														
Greenbelt Center HOAs															
Greenbelt East HOAs and COAs/Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition	4/22														
Greenbelt Homes, Inc.	8/22														
Greenbelt Station HOA/Verde Apts.	8/22														
School Board Member	9/21														
State Highway Administration	11/20	11/22													
Biennial															
Beltsville Ag. Research Center	8/18	11/22													
Beltway Plaza	9/22														
Roosevelt Center Merchants	1/22														
NASA/GSFC	3/22														
Greenbelt Business Alliance															
Greenbelt Park NPS	1/22														
Greenway Shopping Center	12/20														
Religious/Spiritual Organizations	6/22														
Twice a Year															
County Council Person and At Large Members															
Meetings as Needed															
Apartments	4/21														
Comcast/Verizon	3/21														
Greenbelt Office Parks															
Greenbelt Watershed Groups	10/19														
Hotels															
PEPCO/WSSC	2/22														
Prince George's Economic Development Corp.	11/21														
Prince George's Planning Board	10/19														
Roosevelt Center Owner	8/20														
University of Maryland	4/15														
WMATA/PGDPW&T (Semi-Annual)	5/22														
Newly Elected/Appointed Officials (Presentation of a Council Regular Meeting)															
County Executive															
School Board CEO															
State's Attorney															

(Rev. November 1, 2022)

