

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, September 25, 2017.

Mayor Jordan called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Rodney M. Roberts, Edward V. J. Putens and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Nicole Ard, City Manager, David Moran, Assistant City Manager, Karen Ruff, City Solicitor and Bonita Anderson, City Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA – Mayor Jordan requested that the minutes of the Work Sessions on July 5th and 24th be removed. Ms. Davis requested that the minutes of the Work Session on August 2nd and the Interview on August 21st be removed. It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Ms. Pope to move #17 Friends of Greenbelt Theater – Letter of Support for Grant Application to the consent agenda. All were in favor of approving the consent agenda as amended.

Council thereby took the following actions:

Interview, June 12, 2017
Work Session, July 31, 2017
Interview, August 14, 2017
Work Session, August 28, 2017
Work Session, August 30, 2017
Interview, September 13, 2017
Work Session, September 13, 2017
Approved as presented.

Friends of Greenbelt Theater - Letter of Support for Grant Application: Council approved the letter of support for the grant application.

Appointment to Advisory Group: Council appointed Javien Dawson to the Community Relation Advisory Board (CRAB).

Reappointment to Advisory Group: Council appointed Kevin Murray to a new term on the Employee Relations Board (ERB).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – It was moved by Ms. Davis and seconded by Ms. Mach to add item #25 Governor Hogan's Beltway expansion, Baltimore Washington Parkway and I-270. All were in favor, motion passed.

PRESENTATIONS – Mayor Jordan presented the Greenbelt Youth Baseball Plaque on behalf of Mr. Greg Fisanich.

Agreement with Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) re: Tugwell Special Collection Agreement: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Mr. Michael Gannon, Acting CEO gave remarks of the preservation on the Tugwell Special Collection.

Proclamation – Library Card Sign-Up Month: Mayor Jordan read the proclamation. Mr. Michael Gannon, Acting CEO accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Prince George's County Memorial Library Greenbelt Branch.

Proclamation – National Public Lands Day: Mayor Jordan read the proclamation. Mr. Brian Townsend accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Public Works Department, he gave an overview on the event for National Public Lands Day in the City.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS –

- Ms. Aileen Kroll asked about the status of the NCOZ letter and when will the letter be sent. Mayor Jordan noted that the staff is working on the letter.
- Mr. George Boyce asked about holding a rally at Beltway Plaza and the second rally will be held at Greenbelt Station Park.
- Mr. Ric Gordon asked the Council to consider taking a position against the speech coming from this Federal administration.
- Mr. Bill Orleans asked about an Executive Session of Council regarding annexation, acquisition of property and potential litigation.
- Mr. Colin Byrd requested the percentage of employees that are residents of the city. He would like to see more city employees as residents.
- John Drago, Arts Advisory Board submitted a packet on a project to be implemented by the Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board. Council will refer the project to AAB.
- Ms. Danielle Celdran would like the record to reflect that she will not be accepting any monetary donations or contributions for her campaign for the upcoming city election.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS –

Work Session, July 5, 2017, and July 24, 2017: To be deferred. Mayor Jordan moved to defer the minutes. Ms. Davis seconded. All were in favor.

Ms. Davis requested the minutes to reflect she was out of town during the Interview held on August 21st, 2017. Ms. Pope seconded. The minutes are approved as amended. Ms. Davis moved to have the August 2nd, 2017, minutes deferred. Mr. Herling seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Thanks to the staff participation in the Bike Rodeo. Thank you to Berwyn Heights for sponsoring the Emergency Preparedness Workshop. Staff has been working on updating the petition list. Mr. Roberts asked if the proposal to build the Townhouses at the Capital Office Park would go to the Advisory Planning Board. Ms. Ard stated that the developer NDR was not interested in proceeding at the present time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

LEGISLATION

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND, TO BORROW NOT MORE THAN TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF REPAIRING THE GREENBELT LAKE DAM AS REQUIRED BY MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT (MDE) CONSENT ORDER DSD-2010-5 AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, AND TO EFFECT SUCH BORROWING BY OBTAINING A LOAN FROM THE MARYLAND WATER QUALITY FINANCING ADMINISTRATION OR ISSUING ITS GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND IN EITHER CASE PLEDGING THE CITY'S FULL FAITH AND CREDIT TO REPAY THE BORROWING, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 3 AND SECTION 55 OF THE CITY CHARTER AND EITHER THE MARYLAND WATER QUALITY FINANCING ADMINISTRATION ACT OR SECTIONS 19-301 TO 19-309 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND DISPOSAL OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BORROWING; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT FOR THE PROMPT PAYMENT OF THE MATURING PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BORROWING; AND GENERALLY RELATING TO THE BORROWING AND THE REPAYMENT THEREOF.

Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Davis introduced the ordinance for second reading and adoption.

Mr. Putens seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Ms. Davis	<u>Yes</u>
	Mr. Herling	<u>Yes</u>
	Ms. Mach	<u>Yes</u>
	Ms. Pope	<u>Yes</u>
	Mr. Putens	<u>Yes</u>
	Mr. Roberts	<u>Yes</u>
	Mayor Jordan	<u>Yes</u>

The motion passed 7-0.

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM TO BE HELD AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND, THE QUESTION OF APPROVING THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BORROWING BY THE CITY OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 1332 OF THE CITY.

Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach introduced the ordinance for second reading and adoption.

Mr. Putens seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Ms. Davis	<u>Yes</u>
	Mr. Herling	<u>Yes</u>
	Ms. Mach	<u>Yes</u>
	Ms. Pope	<u>Yes</u>
	Mr. Putens	<u>Yes</u>
	Mr. Roberts	<u>Yes</u>
	Mayor Jordan	<u>Yes</u>

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 2055). 7-0

TIME FOR HEALING, LLC – MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY: Agenda comments were read into the record by Mayor Jordan. Ms. White and Mr. Carrington discussed their interest in locating in Greenbelt.

POTENTIAL PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Brian Townsend gave an overview of the mosquito control program.

US CONFERENCE OF MAYORS AND ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE MAYOR’S COMPACT TO COMBAT HATE, EXTREMISM AND DISCRIMINATION: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Ms. Mach moved that the Council support the Mayor’s Compact. Ms. Davis seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Community Development Block Grant Application for PY 44: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens moved that staff submit one application. Ms. Pope seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Award of Purchase – Police Vehicles: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Ms. Mach moved to approve the replacement of eight police vehicles. Ms. Pope seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Award of Purchase – Public Works Vehicle: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved to approve the replacement of one public works vehicle. Ms. Pope seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed.

State Legislation – Deadline for Local and BiCounty Bills: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Mr. Moran gave background information on the local legislative suggestions.

Governor Hogan’s Proposed Widening Project of the I-495, I-270 and Baltimore Washington Parkway: Council discussed sending a letter to all relevant parties opposing the proposed

widening project. Ms. Mach moved to send a letter to all relevant parties opposing the proposed widening project. Ms. Davis seconded. There was discussion by the citizens and the Council. Ms. Mach called the question. Ms. Pope seconded. Vote 6-1 (Mr. Roberts). There was a vote on the proposal to send a letter to all relevant parties opposing the proposed widening project, except for Mayor Jordan who was against sending the letter. Vote 6-1 (Mayor Jordan).

COUNCIL REPORTS: Councilmembers commented on their attendance at the following events.

- State Air Quality Control Advisory Council (Ms. Mach)
- Clean Air Partners (Ms. Mach)
- Cookies at the Bridge (Ms. Mach)
- Plein Air Painters, Roosevelt Center (Ms. Mach)
- Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council Meeting (Mr. Herling)
- Transportation Infrastructure Services Committee, NLC (Mr. Herling)
- Launch of the Model Volunteer Program, Old Greenbelt Theatre (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis and Mr. Putens)
- Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee, COG (Ms. Davis)
- Butterfly Gardens Clean-up, Greenbelt Elementary School (Ms. Davis)
- Blues Festival (Ms. Davis and Ms. Mach)
- Energy, Environment and Natural Resources (EENR) Conference Call, NLC (Ms. Davis)
- ATHA Governing Board Meeting, Bowie (Ms. Davis)
- PGCMA Meeting, Greenbelt (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Mr. Herling and Ms. Mach)
- Bike Rodeo, Beltway Plaza (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Pope, Ms. Mach and Mr. Putens)
- Senior Open Forum, Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach and Mr. Putens)
- Sustainable Maryland Executive Committee Meeting, Annapolis (Ms. Davis)
- Maryland Municipal League Committee Meeting (Mayor Jordan)
- Emergency Preparedness Workshop, Berwyn Heights (Mayor Jordan and Mr. Herling)
- Maryland ACTS Program on Immigration (Mayor Jordan)

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Mach moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Jordan adjourned the regular meeting on Monday, September 25, 2017, at 11:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonita Anderson
City Clerk