

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, September 12, 2012, for the purpose of meeting to discuss the Community Visioning Event.

Mayor Davis started the meeting at 8:00 p.m. It was held in the Multipurpose Room of the Community Center.

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

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Molly Lester, Christopher Shuman, Barbara Simon, Bill Orleans and Cary Coppock.

Ms. Mach and Mr. Jordan mentioned a few revisions to the updated visioning goals report prepared by Mr. Perlman. Mayor Davis suggested they send their edits/comments to Mr. McLaughlin to update the report.

Ms. Lester, Hillside Road, suggested that Council postpone the community visioning activity until Council develops a process to prioritize ideas obtained from the activity and develop strategies for implementation of the ideas. Mayor Davis noted the financial impacts of implementing some of the goals.

Ms. Simon said it would be extremely helpful for participants to have an update on the 2008 visioning goals prior to scheduling the next community visioning activity.

Following discussion, Council agreed to proceed with the following steps: staff will provide a detailed updated on the 2008 visioning goals; community visioning activity will be scheduled this fall, preferably in November; a work session will be scheduled for Council to set goals based on the input obtained at the community visioning activity to establish long and short term goals; and schedule a work session after every election for new Councils to set its Council goals.

Mr. Roberts and Mr. Putens suggested a community visioning activity be held every four or five years. Mr. Putens added that Council review the community visioning goals and Council goals at its annual pre-budget work session.

There was discussion regarding the scheduling of the community visioning activity this fall. Council agreed to schedule three activities, one in each area of the City, on the same day and at the same time. They also agreed to the use of professional facilitators to run the activities.

Ms. Mach requested that transportation be provided for all residents to the visioning activities.

Informational Items

Mayor Davis reported that a new owner of 7726 Hanover Parkway had removed a load bearing wall in his unit which caused a structural problem with the entire building. She said that City Code Enforcement has responded and cited Greenbriar Condominiums but not the owner of the unit. She requested staff look into the situation.

The meeting ended at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy Murray
City Clerk*