

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, August 9, 2010.

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:03 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 Mayor Judith F. Davis.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael McLaughlin, City Manager; David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager; Robert Manzi, City Solicitor; and Cindy Murray, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis asked for a moment of silence in memory of former Greenbelt residents Walter Charles Braun III, Rose Gold Amberg, Ray David Wickline Jr., Charles "Chuck" Dorsey and Eric Lee Moore. She then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Mr. Jordan that the consent agenda be approved. The motion passed 7-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Meeting, May 24, 2010

Work Session, July 7, 2010

Interview, July 12, 2010

Regular Meeting, July 12, 2010

Approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

75th Anniversary Committee, Report #10-1 (Committee Update): Council accepted the report.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF SHORT-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS: Council granted an extension of short-term disability leave for up to one additional year for Teresa Padgett.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Mr. Putens and seconded by Mr. Jordan that the agenda be approved. The motion passed 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS: None

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS: None

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mr. McLaughlin reported that the Fiscal Year 2010 street resurfacing work had been completed. He also reported the Welcome to Greenbelt Packets were delivered to apartment complexes and homeowners associations for distribution to new residents.

Mayor Davis thanked the Police, Public Works and Recreation Departments for their efforts in dealing with the tree damage and city-wide electric outages following the storm last week.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmembers commented on the nine National Night Out events held throughout the City. Mayor Davis thanked all the organizations who sponsored the events.

Ms. Mach announced that she and Julie McHale, Co-Acting Director of Recreation, had been reappointed to the Maryland Municipal League's (MML) Communications Committee. She also announced that Clean Air Partners and the Maryland Department of the Environment were sponsoring the Great Maryland Lawn Mower Exchange this Saturday at Camden Yards.

Ms. Pope announced that she and Mr. Putens had been reappointed to the MML Convention Planning Committee.

Mayor Davis commented on the MML Board Retreat, the Council of Government's (COG) Climate, Energy and Environmental Policy Committee meeting, the COG Leadership Training, the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum opening reception for "Green From the Start: A History of Gardening in Greenbelt", the Fox 5 News Hometown Friday show and Governor O'Malley's press conference in Greenbelt. She also reported that she, along with Ms. Mach, Mr. Jordan and Ms. Pope, had met with Sharon Porter, the new principal of Greenbelt Middle School. Mayor Davis announced she had been appointed to the MML Legislative Committee, MML Public Relations Oversight Workgroup, and Governor O'Malley's Blue Ribbon Commission on Transportation Funding. She also announced she had accepted positions on the Mayors Committee for the Sustainable Maryland Initiative and the Trash Free Potomac Advisory Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

LEGISLATION:

A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Herling introduced the resolution for second reading and moved that it be adopted. Mr. Putens seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Herling	-	yes
	Mr. Jordan	-	yes
	Ms. Mach	-	yes
	Ms. Pope	-	yes

Mr. Putens	-	yes
Mr. Roberts	-	yes
Mayor Davis	-	yes

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 1067, Book 8).

A Resolution Petitioning the Administration and the Maryland General Assembly to Reinstate State Shared Revenues Diverted from Municipal Governments to Fund Operations of the State and to Provide More Diverse Revenue Raising Authority to Municipalities

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Ms. Pope introduced the resolution for first reading and moved suspension of the rules in order to allow second reading and passage of the resolution tonight. Mr. Putens seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Herling	-	yes
	Mr. Jordan	-	yes
	Ms. Mach	-	yes
	Ms. Pope	-	yes
	Mr. Putens	-	yes
	Mr. Roberts	-	yes
	Mayor Davis	-	yes

Ms. Pope introduced the ordinance for second reading and moved that it be adopted. Ms. Mach seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Herling	-	yes
	Mr. Jordan	-	yes
	Ms. Mach	-	yes
	Ms. Pope	-	yes
	Mr. Putens	-	yes
	Mr. Roberts	-	yes
	Mayor Davis	-	yes

The ordinance was declared adopted (Resolution No. 1068, Book 8).

A Resolution to Establish a Greenbelt Middle School Task Force

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens introduced the resolution for first reading.

FEDERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION
FISCAL YEARS 2011-2016:

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Council reviewed the recommendations of Terri Hruby, Assistant Director of Planning, regarding the proposed Federal Capital Improvement Program as detailed in her memorandum dated August 4.

After discussion, Ms. Mach moved that Council transmit a letter to the National Capital Planning Commission that reiterates their interest in being kept informed on the status of all development projects ongoing and/or planned for the Goddard Space Flight Center, Beltsville Agricultural Research

Center, and the Greenbelt Federal Court House; states the City's support for the Purple Line and other projects that promote investment in transit except for the maglev proposal, and support for improvements to existing rail service between Baltimore and Washington rather than investments in new infrastructure projects; encourages the National Park Service to invest in Greenbelt Park; supports investing in improvements/upgrades to the National Agricultural Library; and encourages that all federal capital improvement projects be LEED certified. Mr. Putens seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

EMERGENCY CALL BOXES IN GREENBELT WEST:

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments.

Ms. Pope noted the need for two additional call boxes and cameras located centrally within the residential portions of the Empirian Village development. Mr. McLaughlin and Mayor Davis said that additional funding may be secured in the future and these locations could be considered at that time. Mr. Putens suggested that Empirian Village could contribute to the program also.

Mr. Putens moved that Council approve installation of an emergency call box on the south side of Metro Access Drive sidewalk, halfway between the flyover ramp and the intersection with Cherrywood Lane; installation of an emergency call box and security camera on the north side of Springhill Drive sidewalk, near the driveway entrance to Springhill Lake Elementary School; and installation of an emergency call box and security camera on the Cherrywood Lane sidewalk in front of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

OTHER REPORTS: Council provided information from the following meetings and conferences they had recently attended.

Mr. Herling -	COG Metropolitan Development Policy Committee Meeting
Ms. Pope -	National League of Cities (NLC) Small Cities Steering Committee Meeting
Mr. Putens -	NLC Small Cities Steering Committee Meeting
Ms. Mach -	NLC Human Development Steering Committee Meeting COG Leadership Retreat COG Air Quality Committee Meeting COG, Maryland Department of the Environment, District Department of the Environment and the District Department of Transportation Diesel Idling Reduction Campaign Press Conference
Mr. Roberts -	COG Transportation Planning Board Meeting
Mayor Davis -	COG Leadership Retreat COG Board of Directors Meeting

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Ms. Mach and seconded by Mr. Putens. The motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Davis adjourned the regular meeting of Monday, August 9, 2010, at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Murray
City Clerk

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the regular meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held August 9, 2010."

Judith F. Davis
Mayor