

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Monday, July 9, 2018.

Mayor Jordan called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

Present were Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Colin A. Byrd, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Rodney M. Roberts, Edward V. J. Putens and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan.

Staff members present were David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager; Jeff Williams, City Treasurer; Terri Hruby, Planning Director; Todd Pounds, City Solicitor and Bonita Anderson, City Clerk.

Mayor Jordan asked for a moment of silence in honor of former Greenbelt residents Mary Carson and David Rowland and for the victims of The Capital Gazette shooting in Annapolis, Md.

Mayor Jordan led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: It was moved by Mr. Byrd and seconded by Ms. Davis that the consent agenda be approved. The motion carried 7-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

Committee Reports:

Forest Preserve Advisory Board #2018-02 (Recommendation that the City of Greenbelt create a science fund for studying the Forest Preserve): Council accepted this report and will consider it on the agenda of a future meeting.

Park and Recreation Advisory Board #18-02 (Proposed Location for an Additional Dog Park in Greenbelt): Council accepted this report and will consider it on the agenda of a future meeting.

Approval of Recognition Group Certification for Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance and Greenbelt Unplugged: Council accepted the certification.

Appointments to Advisory Groups: Council appointed Benjamin Friedman to the Advisory Planning Board and Consuella Harris to the Employee Relations Board.

Resignation from Advisory Group: Council accepted the resignation of Ema Smith and Selim Boukabara from the Youth Advisory Board.

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

PRESENTATIONS:

Lady Angels Basketball Team: Herbert Allen, Head Coach of the Greenbelt Lady Angels, and

members of the team attended the meeting to express their gratitude for the City Council's support. The Greenbelt Lady Angels won the National Championship in Toronto, Canada, and they have been involved with the international tournament since 2009. They would like to host their own games with other agencies in the City of Greenbelt. Mr. Byrd inquired about sponsorship opportunities for the team. Coach Allen stated that there is possible partnership with Landover Hills and that they are seeking funding from businesses. Coach Allen announced the upcoming game schedule for the month of August. There are videos of the Greenbelt Lady Angels Women's Basketball games on YouTube.

Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation: Mayor Jordan read a proclamation to recognize July as Parks and Recreation Month. Joe McNeal, Assistant Director of Facilities and Operations, received the proclamation and provided an overview of this year's summer recreation camps and programs.

Wave Cannabis, Medical Cannabis Dispensary: Mr. Tim Cook, Maryland State Resident Partner of Bethesda Biomedical, and Silvia Cuellar, a representative of Wave Cannabis, provided Council with their business plan. They are seeking a relationship with the City of Greenbelt. Wave Cannabis is one of two companies that was pre-approved as a medical cannabis dispensary in District 22. The medical cannabis program in Maryland is regulated by the Medical Cannabis Commission. There is office space zoned in Greenbelt. Mr. Cook informed the Council that they have identified a potential business location on Hanover Parkway. Council directed staff to setup a Work Session to discuss the business plan with Wave Cannabis.

Petitions and Requests:

Michael Hartman of Gardenway expressed his gratitude to the Council for their approval of the recognition group certification for the Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance and Greenbelt Unplugged.

Tom Taylor and Lore Rosenthal, residents of Greenbelt, requested that the Council send a letter to the Prince George's County Council in support of adding two new zoning definitions in the category of composting.

Bill Orleans, a Greenbelt resident, requested that the Council schedule a Green Ridge House Admission and Retention Policy Worksession.

Minutes of Council Meetings: None

Administrative Reports: Mr. Moran updated the Council about the recent power outage that was due to the replacement of a transformer by Pepco. He expressed his gratitude to City staff and everyone who was involved with the Fourth of July event. Ms. Pope mentioned an issue with boats being on the lake during the fireworks display and stated that the Fire Marshal has the authority to impose a fine. Mr. Moran replied that he will follow-up with additional information about Ms. Pope's concerns. Mr. Byrd inquired about the appointment of a Police Chief. Mr. Moran replied that he will follow up with Council on the status of the Police Chief's appointment. Mr. Byrd also inquired about the status of when residents will be able to pay City bills online. Mr. Williams stated that he has signed an agreement a week ago and that online billing should be in place during this calendar year. Mr. Byrd also asked about the sharrow

markings on newly paved Ridge Road. Mr. Moran will follow-up with Council. Mr. Putens inquired about the status of a potential attorney for the MAGLEV project and the status for moving forward. Mr. Pounds replied that they are in the process of moving forward.

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

Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

It was motion by Ms. Davis and second by Ms. Pope.

ROLL CALL:	Ms. Davis	-	Yes
	Mr. Byrd	-	Yes
	Ms. Mach	-	Yes
	Ms. Pope	-	Yes
	Mr. Putens	-	Yes
	Mr. Roberts	-	Yes
	Mayor Jordan	-	Yes

The resolution was declared adopted (Resolution No. 2060, Book 8).

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, “Parks and Recreation” of the Greenbelt City Code in Order to Revise Section 12-17, “Membership” for the Purpose of Changing the Size of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Mayor Jordan introduced the ordinance for first reading.

A Resolution To Repeal Resolution 2026 And To Establish Admission Fees And Pass Rates For The Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, Effective September 4, 2018

Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments.

Ms. Pope introduced this resolution for first reading.

OTHER BUSINESS

Zoning Text Amendment- Condominium Housing Proposal for 7010 Greenbelt Road: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. Mr. Roberts had some concerns about voting on the text amendment. Ms. Hruby stated that it would be unwise to not move forward on the zoning text amendment and gave some insight on the zoning regulations. Mr. Byrd asked if this would prohibit the City from moving forward if the Council did not act. Ms. Hruby replied that the City has a covenant over the land with the county, and that the City Council’s approval is

needed. It was moved by Ms. Davis that the Council support the revision to the covenant. It was seconded by Ms. Pope. The motion carried 6-1. (Mr. Roberts.)

CB-013-2018 - Proposed Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Rewrite: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. It was moved by Ms. Davis to approve the draft letter and seconded by Ms. Pope. The motion carried 7-0. It was moved by Ms. Mach to direct staff to draft a letter related to the composting request by Mr. Taylor and Ms. Rosenthal. It was seconded by Ms. Pope. The motion carried 7-0.

GHI's Request for Joint Letter Requesting R-P-C Legacy Zone: Mayor Jordan read the agenda comments. It was moved by Ms. Davis to send the joint letter and seconded by Ms. Mach. The motion carried 7-0.

Mayor Jordan left the meeting at 10:19 pm for business travel. Ms. Davis chaired the remainder of the meeting.

Greenbrook Lake Improvement: Ms. Davis read the agenda comments. It was moved by Ms. Mach to give permission to Soltez to apply for the Wetlands and Waterways permit with Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE). It was seconded by Ms. Pope. Mr. Putens had some concerns about the project. The motion carried 6-0.

Maryland Municipal League 2019 Legislative Requests: Ms. Davis read the agenda comments. It was moved by Ms. Mach and seconded by Ms. Pope to discuss the City's priorities. Council had decided on the following three proposed priorities for the MML 2019 legislative requests:

- Prohibit retroactive utility billing
- Online sales tax for municipal government
- Local authority over vegetation management

The motion carried 6-0.

GFAC Notice of Award to Heartline Fitness: Ms. Davis read the agenda comments. It was moved by Ms. Pope to accept the proposal and seconded by Mr. Putens. The motion carried 6-0.

Council Activities:

- Police Candidate videos (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach, Ms. Pope, Mr. Putens and Mr. Byrd)
- The Federal Theatre and Greenbelt (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mach)
- National League of Cities Summer Leadership Summit, Little Rock, Arkansas (Ms. Davis and Ms. Mach)
- Greenbelt July Fourth Summer Sing-Along (Ms. Davis, Mr. Byrd and Ms. Mach)
- Fireworks, Buddy Attick Park (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis and Ms. Pope)
- Meet and Greet, Police Chief Candidates (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis, Mr. Byrd, Ms. Mach and Mr. Putens)
- GHI Board of Directors Meeting (Ms. Davis)
- Kitten Shower (Ms. Davis and Ms. Pope)

- Meeting with Bermuda Economic Development Corporation Executive (Mayor Jordan, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mach)
- Magic In The Attick, Children's performance (Ms. Pope)

Council Reports: None

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Mach and seconded by Mr. Putens. The motion carried 6-0. The Mayor Pro Tem adjourned the regular meeting of July 9th, 2018, at 10:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonita Anderson
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 July 9th, 2018.

Judith F. Davis
Mayor Pro Tem