



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Minutes - Draft City Council

Monday, May 19, 2014

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Pantelides called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation

Given by Alderman Budge.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Pantelides.

Roll Call

In Alderman Littmann's absence tonight's roll call begins with Alderman Kirby.

- Present:** 8 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderman Budge, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett
- Absent:** 1 - Alderman Littmann

Closed Session Statement: Pursuant to the requirement of Maryland Annotated Code, State Government Article Section 10-508(a) (7) and (8) this statement is included in these minutes:

A closed session of the City Council was held at 3:05 p.m., Thursday, May 15, 2014 in the City Council Chamber.

Present: Mayor Pantelides, Alderman Budge, Alderwoman Finlayson, Aldermen Littmann, Kirby, Pfeiffer, Arnett, Alderwomen Pindell-Charles arrived at 3:14 p.m.

Staff Present: Acting City Attorney Murnane, Assistant City Attorney Elson, Finance Director Miller, Deputy City Clerk Bucalo, Acting City Manager Woodward arrived at 3:07 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken by the members present, and the session was closed. The authority under which the session was closed was Maryland Annotated Code, State Government Article, Section 10-508(a) (7) and (8). The purpose of the meeting was to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on legal matters or potential litigation. No Actions were taken in closed session.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the closed session was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

To move the appointments to the Annapolis Environmental Commission before the public hearings.

Alderman Arnett moved to approve as amended . Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Petitions, Reports and Communications

A. Reports by Committee

B. Comments by the General Public

William Small, 702 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke on traffic issues and the closing of the Eastport Bridge.

Mayor Pantelides declared petitions, reports and communications closed.

Public Hearings

O-18-14

Admission and Amusement Taxes - For the purpose of codifying the City of Annapolis' laws related to the admission and amusement tax authorized by the Tax-General Article, § 4-102(c), of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Sponsors: Pantelides

Acting City Attorney Murnane gave a brief presentation on the ordinance .

Spoke on the ordinance:

Larry Griffin, 92 West Washington Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing We Care and Friends.

Alderswoman Finlayson asked that the record reflect Mr. Griffin's testimony during the public hearings on the budget and budget related items.

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing closed.

O-19-14

Sidewalk Café Hours - For the purpose of permanently codifying the authorization in Ordinance 36-12 that permitted sidewalk cafes to remain open during the normal business hours governing such establishments.

Sponsors: Budge

DNEP Director Broadbent gave a brief presentation and answered questions from council.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing closed.

ID-179-14

The FY 2015 Budget and Related Legislation will be considered as a group. Those offering testimony may speak to any of the items listed below during their allotted time. The volume of speakers may necessitate limiting the allotted time to three minutes.

O-8-14

Annual Operating Budget: Fiscal Year 2015 - For the purposes of adopting an operating budget for the City of Annapolis for Fiscal Year 2015; appropriating funds for expenditures for Fiscal Year 2015; defraying all expenses and liabilities of the City of Annapolis and levying same for the purposes specified; specifying certain duties of the Director of Finance; and specifying a rate of interest to be charged upon overdue-property taxes.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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O-9-14 Capital Budget Fiscal Year 2015 - For the purpose of adopting a capital budget for Fiscal Year 2015; and appropriating funds for expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2015 capital budget.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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R-10-14 FY 2015 Fees Schedule Effective July 1, 2014 - For the purpose of specifying fees that will be charged for the use of City services for FY 2015.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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R-11-14 Position Classifications and Pay Plan - For the purpose of approving the FY 2015 position classification and pay plan effective July 1, 2014.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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R-12-14 Capital Improvement Program Fiscal Years 2015 - 2020 - For the purpose of adopting a capital improvement program for Fiscal Years 2015-2020 (July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2020).

Sponsors: Pantelides

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R-21-14 Fine Schedule for City Code Violations - For the purpose of specifying fines that may be imposed for violations of the City Code.

Sponsors: Arnett, Budge, Paone and Pfeiffer

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O-20-14 Water Service Charges - For the purpose of instituting charges for re-establishing water service after non-payment; authorizing a charge for billing adjustments; authorizing a charge for estimating property transfer charges; and for all other matters related to water service charges.

Sponsors: Arnett, Paone and Pfeiffer

Finance Director Miller gave a brief presentation on the budget and the budget related items, and answered questions from council.

*Spoke on the budget and budget related items:
Larry Griffin, 92 West Washington Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing We Care and Friends spoke on his nonprofit organization, and how the police and the staff in the Office of Emergency Management assisted his organization.*

Misha Callahan, 3041 Pike Drive, Riva, Maryland 21140 representing Annapolis Fire Department's Multi-Cultural Panel spoke in favor of OEM.

Christopher Hernandez, 181 Clay Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke in favor of OEM.

Carmen Taylor, 600 Rolling Hill Walk, Apt 204, Odenton Maryland 21113 representing Anne Arundel Community College as an Interrupter, spoke on the relationship between the college and the Office of Emergency Management and the citizens.

Colonel Mike Barrett, 1004 Hyde Park Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing the Defense Force Headquarters and the Maryland National Guard spoke in favor of the Office of Emergency Management and the Emergency Operations Channel.

Mike Dunnaway, 1221 Madison Woods Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Red Cross and the Office of Homeland Security spoke in favor of the Office of Emergency Management and the Emergency Operations Channel.

Gary Simpson, 179 Holly Hock Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21409 founder of the Emergency Operations Department spoke in favor of the Office of Emergency Management and the Emergency Operations Channel.

Bill Hildabrand, 201 Oriole Road, Chestertown, Maryland 21620 spoke in opposition to the eliminating the Gold Route.

Barbara Mattison, 130 Hearne Road, Apt # 309, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Senior Citizens at Claiborne Place spoke in opposition to the elimination of the yellow and gold routes.

Mary Anne Fulford, 1740 Forest Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Heritage Baptist Church spoke in favor of the Back Buddies Program.

Chief Steward Truitt, 199 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Police Department spoke in opposition to the elimination of positions in the Police Department.

John Boller, 678 Discovery Court, Davidsonville, Maryland 21035 representing Amature Radio Operators spoke in favor of the Office of Emergency Management and the Emergency Operations Channel.

Jacqueline Wells, 203 Bloomsbury Square, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke in favor of the Gold Route for service to Sojourner Douglass College and the Office of Emergency Management.

Deborah Snyder, 21 Silverwood Circle, Unit #8, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing John Blaser spoke in favor of the Gold Route and the Office of Emergency Management.

Berry Toligner, 2023 Bay Road, Pasadena, Maryland 21122 representing Annapolis & Anne Arundel County Citizen Code and the Anne Arundel Community College's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department spoke in favor of the Office of Emergency Management and the Emergency Operations Channel.

Alice Estrada, Executive Director, 723 Second Street, Annapolis, MD 21403 representing the Annapolis Maritime Museum spoke in favor of the proposed grant from the City.

Mark Leone, 1111 Wood Hall Road, College Park, Maryland 20742 representing the

University of Maryland College Park Archeology in Annapolis Program spoke in favor of the proposed grant from the City.

Lawanna Elsafty, 130 Hearn Road, Apt # 309, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Senior Citizens at Claiborne Place spoke in opposition to the elimination of the yellow and gold routes.

Carol Benson, 2306 Whitehall Road, Whitehall, Maryland 21161 representing Four Rivers spoke in favor of the proposed grant from the city.

George Gallagher, 1212 Babud Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing his neighbors spoke on the Barbud Lane Road repairs.

Cathy Simmons-Jones, 45 Belle Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board spoke on the proposed fees in the Recreation and Parks Department.

Dawn Moyer, 1812 Bay Ridge Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board spoke on the proposed fees in the Recreation and Parks Department.

Christina Aist, 273 Hilltop Lane, Annapolis, MD 21403 representing the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board spoke on the proposed fees in the Recreation and Parks Department.

William Knight, 123 Market Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke in opposition to the elimination of the yellow and gold routes.

Rafella Cassandra, 17030 Bay Ridge Avenue, ANnapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke in opposition to the elimination of the yellow and gold routes.

Tawney Hamill, 111 Wardour Drive, Annapolis, MD 21403 representing the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board spoke on the proposed fees in the Recreation and Parks Department.

Kelly Trop, 7 College Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke in opposition to the eliminating the Gold Route.

Robert Clark, 9 South Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Historic Annapolis spoke in favor of the proposed grant from the city.

Sharon Kennedy, 9 Randall Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Historic Preservation Commission spoke on the proposed FY 2014 Budget for the Historic Preservation Division (HPC).

Patricia Zeno, 57 Cornhill Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on the circulator, the Park Place Garage and ways to cut back on City Services.

Twanna Offer, 135 Stepney Lane, Edgewater, Maryland 21037 representing Sojourner Douglass College spoke spoke in favor of the Gold Route.

Stacey Gallaway, 101 College Pkwy, Arnold, Maryland 21012 spoke in favor of the Gold Route.

Brian Callahan, 49 West Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing 49 West Coffee House spoke in favor of O-19-14 and public transportation.

Doug Smith, 5 Revell Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 requested the City Council begin the budget process in January and that the city expand its association with the County to include transportation.

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearings on the budget related legislation closed.

Legislative Action

Second Readers

O-19-14 Sidewalk Café Hours - For the purpose of permanently codifying the authorization in Ordinance 36-12 that permitted sidewalk cafes to remain open during the normal business hours governing such establishments.

Sponsors: Budge

Alderman Budge moved to adopt O-19-14 on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Budge moved to adopt O-19-14 on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderman Budge, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Kirby and Alderman Arnett

Business and Miscellaneous

AP-04-14 Appointments to the Annapolis Environmental Commission

Bevin Buchheister and Paul Murphy.

Alderman Paone moved to approve the appointments. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

*Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk*