



City of Annapolis

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Special Minutes - Draft City Council

Thursday, May 26, 2016

3:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Pantelides called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Invocation

Given by Alderman Budge.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Pantelides.

Roll Call

Today's Roll Call began with Alderman Budge.

Present: 9 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderman Budge, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Budge moved to approve the agenda. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Petitions, Reports and Communications

A. Reports by Committee

No reports were offered.

B. Comments by the General Public

No one from the public spoke.

CITY CODE SEC. 2.16.160 - Robert's Rules of Order.

STRAW POLLS NOT IN ORDER.

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**ROBERT'S RULES of ORDER:
STRAW POLLS NOT IN ORDER.**

A motion to take an informal straw poll to "test the waters" is not in order because it neither adopts nor rejects a measure and hence is meaningless and dilatory. If the assembly wishes to discuss and take a vote on a matter without the vote constituting final action by the assembly, it may instead vote to go into a committee of the whole or quasi committee of the whole. Under these procedures, the assembly considers the matter as would a committee, and its vote while in committee of the whole (or quasi committee of the whole) serves only as a recommendation to the assembly, which the assembly is free to reject just as would be the case with regard to the report of any ordinary committee.

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Business and Miscellaneous

[ID-251-16](#)

Discussion on FY2017 Proposed Budget Amendments

City Manager Andrews, Finance Director Miller and Public Works Director Jarrell spoke on the proposed budget amendments.

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Finance Committee Amendment to R-11-16 #1 Fund Sidewalk Repairs for FY2017 in the amount of \$250,000.

All present were in favor (Budge Y Finlayson Y Littmann Y Kirby Y Pfeiffer Y Arnett Y Pantelides Y)

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Finance Committee Amendment to O-13-16 # 1 Return the funding for Fleet Purchasing in the amount of \$465,675.

6 members were in favor 3 were opposed (Budge Y Paone N Pindell Charles Y Finlayson Y Littmann Y (but for a smaller number than 465,675) Kirby Y Pfeiffer N Arnett Y Pantelides N)

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Finance Committee Amendment to O-13-16 # 2 Increase the Police Overtime Budget by 350,000

All present were in favor (Budge Y Paone Y Pindell Charles Y Finlayson Y Littmann Y Kirby Y Pfeiffer Y Arnett Y Pantelides Y)

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Finance Committee Amendment to O-13-16 # 3 Increase the Community Grants to \$400,000

6 members were in favor 3 were opposed (Budge N Paone N Pindell Charles Y Finlayson Y Littmann Y (with an offset) Kirby Y Pfeiffer Y Arnett Y Pantelides N)

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Finlayson/Kirby Amendment to O-13-16 #1 1% across the board increase in salary for all City employees.

2 members were in favor 7 were opposed (Budge N Paone N Pindell Charles N Finlayson Y Littmann N Kirby Y Pfeiffer N Arnett N Pantelides N)

Meeting went into Recess at 5:17 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 5:28 p.m.

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Finlayson/Kirby Amendment to O-13-16 #2
Increase the Fire Department budget by \$10,000 to cover the cost of overtime for the staff
of the Office of Emergency Management.

2 members were in favor 3 were opposed (Budge Abstained Paone N Pindell Charles Y
Finlayson Y Littmann absent Kirby Y Pfeiffer Y Arnett N Pantelides N) Mayor Pantelides
stated that he is a likely yes vote after being provided with details

The council discussed the proposed Kirby Amendment to R-11-16
To fund the Proposed Improvements on Barbud Lane

Alderman Kirby withdrew the amendment.

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #1
Create position for "Spanish Services Coordinator" reporting to CM to ensure City
services are available to Spanish speaking population. Salary estimate assumes a step 1 at
a grade 10 with a \$45k salary, \$60k fully loaded.

The council discussed scheduling a follow up meeting.
All members present were conditionally in favor (Budge Y* Paone Y* Pindell Charles Y*
Finlayson Y* Littmann Y Kirby Y Pfeiffer Y* Arnett Y* Pantelides Y*) * with support
for the Public Housing Residents as well.

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #2
Provide 2 additional police officers

3 members were in favor, 5 were opposed and one abstained (Budge N* Paone Y Pindell
Charles N* Finlayson abstain Littmann Y Kirby N Pfeiffer Y Arnett N Pantelides N) *
were not in favor of this amendment but stated that they did support \$100,000 for Mr.
Browns proposal for HACA instead.

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #3
Eliminate Director Position for Recs & Park; have 2 existing chiefs report to CM;
reduction in salary for Director (\$147k salary, \$54k benefits)

2 members were in favor 6 were opposed (Budge N Paone absent Pindell Charles N
Finlayson N Littmann Y Kirby N Pfeiffer N Arnett Y Pantelides N)

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #4
Eliminate funding for Annapolis Partnership

2 members were in favor 3 were opposed (Budge N Paone absent Pindell Charles abstain
Finlayson abstain Littmann Y Kirby N Pfeiffer absent Arnett Y Pantelides N)

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #5
Reduce staffing in mayor's office Ombudsman, (1) Administrative Assistant, (1)
Community Relations

1 member was in favor 2 were opposed (Budge abstain Paone absent Pindell Charles N
Finlayson abstain Littmann Y Kirby abstain Pfeiffer absent Arnett abstain Pantelides N)

The council discussed the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #6
Transfer Ted Samporas salary (\$15,600) from Solid Waste Enterprise Fund to General
Fund (Mayor's Office)

Alderman Littmann withdrew the amendment

A straw poll was taken on the proposed Littmann Amendment to O-13-16 #7 Eliminate employee take home vehicles other than for K9 and undercover officers. Sell remaining fleet.

2 members were in favor 4 were opposed (Budge N Paone absent Pindell Charles N Finlayson N Littmann Y Kirby abstain Pfeiffer absent Arnett N Pantelides Y*) *with further study.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 PM.

*Hllary Roggio Raftovich
Deputy City Clerk*