

City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester Street Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, October 10, 2016

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr. City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Pantelides called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Invocation

Given by Alderman Arnett.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Pantelides.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderman Arnett.

Present: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman

Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Kirby moved to approve the agenda. Seconded. CARRIED on voice

vote.

Ceremonial Items

ID-328-16

Attachments: ID-328-16 Citation.docx

This Ceremonial Item was presented.

Chief Charles H. Steele Award

City of Annapolis Fire Chief Stokes gave a brief presentation on the history of the Chief Charles H. Steele Award.

Chief Charles H. Steele Public Safety Award stated the following:

Chief Charles H. Steele Public Safety Award is Awarded to Firefighter First Class Russell Colt Carter For His Outstanding Commitment To Improve Public Safety For The Citizens of Annapolis.

Annapolis Fire Department September 2016.

Alderwoman Finlayson representing the Public Safety Committee presented the award on behalf of the Public Safety Committee Members and the City of Annapolis Fire Department.

The 2nd Chief Charles H. Steele Public Safety Award was presented to Firefighter First Class Russell Colt Carter for his ongoing work in improving the data and communications management for the Annapolis Fire Department.

Petitions, Reports and Communications

A. Reports by Committee

Standing Committee Dates: Rules and City Government Tuesday, October 11, 2016 | 4:00pm - 5:30pm **Finance Committee Meeting** Thursday, October 13, 2016 | 8:30am - 10:30am **Public Safety Committee** Monday, October 17, 2016 | 5:00pm - 6:30pm **Economic Matters Committee** Monday, October 17, 2016 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm **Finance Committee** Tuesday, October 18, 2016 | 5:00pm - 6:30pm **Transportation Committee** Tuesday, October 18, 2016 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm Housing and Human Welfare/Housing Tuesday, October 18, 2016 | 7:30pm - 8:30pm **Environmental Matters Committee** Thursday, October 20, 2016 | 1:30pm - 3:00pm

B. Comments by the General Public

Que Bronson, 1402 Damsel Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke on the Forest Drive Corridor, traffic, environmental concerns, annexations, water and sewer lanes, city officials, developers, zoning, the Crystal Springs Project, R-21-16 and the establishment of Citizen Observers Board.

Judi Jones, 10 Fleet Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on parking, R-32-16, in opposition to removing the escalating fines, fine approved in 2007, SP Plus Parking, 2 hour parking, King George and Prince George Streets.

Joe Tierney, 85 East Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on article in the Capital Gazette regarding hotel taxes, requested an update on the status of Air B&B Legislation, hotels or hotel rooms, the definition of hotel in the Anne Arundel County Code, the addition of moneys in the city coffers, identification of hotel properties and Senator John C. Astle.

Letter from:

154 Prince George Street Annapolis, MD 21401

October 10, 2016

City Council & Committee and Board Members

Ref: Resolution R-32-16: Escalating Parking Fines

The WORA Board is unanimously opposed to the elimination of escalating fines for parking violations in residential districts. These escalating fines have been the law for several years but were not enforced because the Enforcement Officers did not have the technology to know when the second, third or fourth violation occurred. In addition, they are not draconian fines since they only apply to repeat offenders of the law. It is the repeat offenders that make them necessary. Especially during Special Events when there is only a \$5 differential (gamble) between the daily garage rate and the possibility of having to pay a parking violation fine.

It seems premature to consider eliminating the escalating fines before we have actual experience and specific data on collecting fines from repeat offenders and/or reducing the frequency of repeat offenders - nine days of actually issuing tickets is not sufficient experience or data to judge the effectiveness of escalating fines. Just because a law has not been enforced in the past is not a good reason to change it.

Perhaps we should revisit this issue next year after we have actual experience and specific data related to repeat offenders. If that experience shows a decline in repeat offenders and a decline in revenue from fines, we might conclude that escalating fines achieved their objective. If there is no decline in the number of repeat offenders, we should expect an increase in revenue from the repeat offender fines that could be used to offset other worth causes, e.g., transportation department expenses, food for fines program, or dare I say taxes.

In conclusion, we ask that Resolution R-32-16 be withdrawn from consideration until we have actual data on the effect of applying the existing law.

Respectfully,

Carl Larkin

Alderman Kirby requested the letter from Carl Larkin, 154 Prince George Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 dated October 10, 2016 representing the Ward One Residents Association be added to the record.

Mayor Pantelides declared petitions, reports and communications closed.

C. Update from the Mayor

Presented:

- Congratulations to the Annapolis Police Department on the most recent arrest and the recent discovery and confiscation of 2 hand guns this last weekend.
- On October 5th Michael Mitchell, 37, of Annapolis was arrested for the armed robbery that occurred on September 10 in the unit block of Chester Avenue. Mitchell was arrested in North Carolina by the United States Marshal Service. Annapolis Police Department detectives received information that Mitchell fled Annapolis to North Carolina. That information was forwarded to the U.S. Marshal Service.
- On October 4 I was part of the first conservation easement in the city since

2003!

- Roughly one half of the property where the Bay Village Assistant Living will be developed is going into a conservation easement held by the Annapolis Conservancy
- Once the project is completed, the easement will encompass three acres of forest and include a small wetland area on the site.
- I am grateful to the Annapolis Conservancy Board and to the applicant for creating a process that combined considerable outreach to the community and for gaining valuable input from the residents. This is about reclaiming a dump area so it can be improved and preserved as a natural resource.
- During the week of September 26th, I was involved in building a boat at Chesapeake Light Craft.
- After meeting John Harris, owner and CEO of Chesapeake Light Craft, I was enthusiastic about building a boat that could help me tell the story of Annapolis' proud tradition of the Maritime Industry.
- I built a Northeaster Dory which has an enduring popularity, going back 150 years, with the help of local business owners, organizations, and members of various clubs, including my own Eagle Scout Troop 771.
- Some students from the Center of Applied Technology (CAT-South), who are part of the Maritime building class, worked with me and I want to thank the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Cooperation for their help setting it up.
- Last month, I took a walk through the proposed Parkside Preserve.
- Last week we interviewed Harbormaster candidates: we will have an announcement in the very near future
- I had interviews last week and this week for Hispanic liaison
- Went to Annapolis Senior Center 10th Anniversary at Wiley H Bates
- Last week the city had a great community meeting with Greater Parole Community Association: myself, the City Manager and various Department Heads
- Last month I attended the 100th Anniversary Service and Dinner at the Asbury Methodist Church

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Alderman Kirby to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried: unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

Consent Calendar

CCM091216 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: September 12, 2016.pdf

A motion was made by Alderman Kirby to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman

Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

CCM092616 Special Meeting Minutes

Attachments: September 26, 2016s.pdf

A motion was made by Alderman Kirby to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman

Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

GA-13-17 2016-17 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant Program

Attachments: GA-13-17.pdf

A motion was made by Alderman Kirby to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman

Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

First Readers

O-38-16

Forest Conservation Reforestation - For the purpose of prohibiting certain development projects from cutting or clearing certain forests within the City of Annapolis unless the applicant offsets that loss with newly planted acreage; and providing for an appeal process.

Sponsors: Littmann and Arnett

Attachments: O-38-16 FCA No Net Loss and Appeal.pdf

O-38-16 Staff Report.docx
O-38-16 AG Opinion.pdf

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

This Ordinance O-38-16 was referred to the Economic Matters Committee.

This Ordinance O-38-16 was referred to the Environmental Matters Committee.

This Ordinance O-38-16 was referred to the Rules & City Government Committee.

This Ordinance o-38-16 was referred to the Planning Commission.

This Ordinance O-38-16 was referred to the Environmental Commission.

O-42-16 Bonded Employees - For the purpose of providing that as a substitute for a

bond, the City Council may authorize the City to insure the Director of Finance and the Assistant Director for Accounting under a Government Crime Policy.

Sponsors: Pantelides

Attachments: O-42-16 Bonded employees.docx

O-42-16 Staff Report.docx

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

This Ordinance O-42-16 was referred to the Rules & City Government Committee.

Committee

O-46-16 Sale of City-owned Property - For the purpose of approving the sale of the

Eisenhower Golf Course located in Anne Arundel County, Maryland at 1576 Generals Highway, Crownsville, Maryland 21032; for expressly authorizing said sale to be made at private sale and not at public auction; and all matters related to

said sale.

Sponsors: Pantelides

Attachments: O-46-16 Staff Report.docx

O-46-16 Sale Eisenhower Golf AAC.docx

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson,

Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

This Ordinance O-46-16 was referred to the Economic Matters Committee.

O-47-16 Extending Hours in Parking District 3 - For the purpose of extending the

Special Residential Parking District hours on certain streets in Murray Hill to

midnight, seven days a week.

Sponsors: Budge and Pantelides

Attachments: O-47-16 Extending Hours Parking District 3.docx

O-47-16 Staff Report.docx

O-47-16 MHRA Parking Petition Map.jpg

O-47-16 MHRA Parking Petition.pdf

O-47-16 Transportation Bd Findings for O-26-16.pdf

O-47-16 Transportation Board Recommendation PHRA MHRA Parking

Districts 3 and 4 for O-26-16.pdf

O-47-16 Transportation Committee Amendments from O-26-16.docx

O-47-16 Uptown at Murray Hill Petition.pdf

O-47-16 Murray Hill Proposed Amendments Sept-20-2016.pdf

O-47-16 Resident Survey (Murray Ave).pdf

O-47-16 Uptown Parking Survey Mapping.pdf

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

R-30-16 Anne St. Clair Wright Legacy Tablet - For the purpose of accepting a

bequest from the late Alderman Richard E. Israel and approving a matching allocation of City funds to be used to purchase and install an outside Tablet in

honor of Anne St. Clair Wright.

Sponsors: Pantelides and Budge

Attachments: R-30-16 Anne St Clair Wright Legacy Marker Ordinance.docx

R-30-16 Staff Report.docx

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson,

Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

This Resolution R-30-16 was referred to the Historic Preservation Committee.

This Resolution R-30-16 was referred to the Finance Committee.

This Resolution R-30-16 was referred to the Heritage Commission.

R-31-16 "Pip and Zastrow" Legacy Tablet - For the purpose of accepting a bequest

from the late Alderman Richard E. Israel and approving a matching allocation of City funds to be used to purchase and install an outside Tablet in honor of former

Mayor Roger W. (Pip) Moyer and Joseph Zastrow Simms.

Sponsors: Pantelides and Budge

Attachments: R-31-16 Pip and Zastrow Legacy Marker Ordinance.docx

R-31-16 Staff Report.docx

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson,
 Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

This Resolution R-31-16 was referred to the Heritage Commission.

This Resolution R-31-16 was referred to the Historic Preservation Committee.

This Resolution R-31-16 was referred to the Finance Committee.

R-32-16 Amending Parking Fines - For the purpose of removing a graduated fines

structure for repeat violations; adding a multiplier for repeat violations; and matters relating to amending special residential parking district fines imposed for

parking violations.

Sponsors: Budge

<u>Attachments:</u> R-32-16 Amending Parking Fines.docx

R-32-16 Staff Report.doc

SPPlus Fine Escalation Reccomendation.pdf

Alderman Budge requested a public hearing on R-32-16.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson,

Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

This Resolution R-32-16 was referred to the Transportation Committee.

This Resolution R-32-16 was referred to the Public Safety Committee.

This Resolution R-32-16 was referred to the Finance Committee.

This Resolution R-32-16 was referred to the Transportation Board.

End of Consent Calendar

Appointments

AP-23-16 The Appointment of John Dillon to the Housing Authority City of Annapolis

Attachments: Appointment Letter.pdf

Bio.docx

Alderman Kirby moved to postpone AP-23-16 The Appointment of John Dillon to the Housing Authority City of Annapolis (HACA) Board until the Special Meeting on October 24, 2016. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Public Hearings Cont.

O-36-16 Elections - Absentee Ballot Application - For the purpose of amending Chapter 4.28 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning the deadline for filing an

application for an absentee ballot.

Sponsors: Pantelides

Attachments: O-36-16 Elections Code Amendment.docx

O-36-16 Staff Report.docx O-36-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing left open until the Special Meeting on October 24, 2016.

Public Hearings

O-43-16

Issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds - For the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis (the "City") to issue and sell, upon its full faith and credit, one or more series of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$64,000,000, pursuant to Sections Section 19-207 and 19-301 through 19-309, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and Article VII, Section 11 of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, as amended, to be designated as the "Public Improvements Refunding Bonds, 2016 Series", and to be issued and sold for the public purpose of refunding all or a portion of certain outstanding general obligation bonds of the City, as provided in this Ordinance; prescribing the form and tenor of the Bonds; determining the method of sale of the Bonds and other matters relating to the issuance and sale thereof; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of the Bonds; covenanting to levy and collect all taxes necessary to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds; and generally providing for and determining various matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Sponsors: Pantelides

Attachments: O-43-16 General Obligation Refunding Ordinance.docx

O-43-16 Staff Report.docx O-43-16 Fiscal Impact.doc

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing closed.

O-44-16

Issuance of General Obligation Bonds- For the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis (the "City") to issue and sell, upon its full faith and credit, one or more series of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$11,000,000, pursuant to Sections 19-301 through 19-309, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and Article VII, Section 11 of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, as amended, to be designated as the "Public Improvements Bonds, 2016 Series" (the

"Bonds") and to be issued and sold for the public purpose of financing and refinancing certain capital projects of the City as provided in this Ordinance; prescribing the form and tenor of the Bonds; determining the method of sale of the Bonds and other matters relating to the issuance and sale thereof; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of the Bonds; covenanting to levy and collect all taxes necessary to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds; and generally providing for and determining various matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Sponsors: Pantelides

<u>Attachments:</u> O-44-16 General Obligation Bonds Ordinance.docx

O-44-16 Staff Report.docx
O-44-16 Fiscal Impact.doc

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing closed.

Legislative Action

Second Readers

O-30-16 Supplemental Allocations - For the purpose of amending the City Code to

authorize the City Manager to transfer funds in the annual operating budget without City Council approval where the funds transferred do not exceed thirty-five TWENTY-FIVE thousand (\$3525,000.00) dollars through July 1,

2018.

Sponsors: Pantelides, Budge, Littmann, Pfeiffer and Pindell Charles

Attachments: O-30-16 Supplemental Allocations.docx

O-30-16 Staff Report.pdf

O-30-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf

GT Tracking.pdf

O-30-16 Finance Committee Proposed Amendments.docx

Alderman Pfeiffer moved to adopt O-30-16 on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Pfeiffer moved to amend O-30-16 as follows:

Amendment #1

On page 1, in line 4, after: exceed strike: "thirty-five" and insert:

"twenty-five. (\$25,000.00)"

For the purpose of amending the City Code to authorize the City Manager to transfer funds in the annual operating budget without City Council approval where the funds transferred do not exceed Twenty- five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars through July 1, 2018.

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Amendment # 2

On page 2, in line 2, after: ONCE strike: "APPROVED" and insert:

"REVIEWED."

1. The department head shall submit a request in writing to the Mayor FINANCE DIRECTOR. ONCE REVIEWED THE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHALL FORWARD THE REQUEST TO THE CITY MANAGER AND THE MAYOR FOR CONSIDERATION.

Amendment #3

On page 2, in line 17, before "TRANSFER" insert "EXCEPT AS LISTED IN PARAGRAPH C BELOW," On page 2, line 25, insert new paragraph C as follows: "ALL MONIES TRANSFERRED FROM BOND FUNDS OR CONTINGENCY FUNDS MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL. On page 2, line 26, strike "C" and insert "D". Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Pfeiffer moved to adopt O-30-16 as amended on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Pfeiffer moved to adopt on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson,

Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby and Alderman Pfeiffer

Nay: 1 - Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

O-36-16 Elections - Absentee Ballot Application - For the purpose of amending

Chapter 4.28 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning the deadline for

filing an application for an absentee ballot.

Sponsors: Pantelides

<u>Attachments:</u> O-36-16 Elections Code Amendment.docx

O-36-16 Staff Report.docx
O-36-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf

Alderman Pfeiffer moved to postpone O-36-16 on second reader until the Special Meeting on October 24, 2016. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

R-29-16 Establishment of Council Compensation Commission - For the purpose of

establishing a Council Compensation Commission to make recommendations to the City Council on the pay and compensation for the Mayor, City Council, and City Manager to be effective for the four year period beginning December 4,

2017; and matters generally relating to said pay and compensation.

Sponsors: Pantelides

<u>Attachments:</u> R-29-16 Council Compensation Commission.docx

R-29-16 Staff Report.docx

R-29-16 Council Compensation Commission Amended.docx

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-29-16 on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Pfeiffer moved to amend R-29-16 as follows:

Amendment #1

On Page 1, in line 42 after the word "of" insert the following: CAROLL HYNSON, SCOTT MACMULLAN, RICHARD HILLMAN, FRANK 42 PARENT and FAYE CURRIE. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-29-16 as amended on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Pantelides, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Littmann, Alderman Kirby, Alderman Pfeiffer and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderman Budge and Alderman Paone

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC City Clerk