



# City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester  
Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401

## Special Minutes - Final City Council

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Monday, January 26, 2015

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.  
City Council Chambers

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### Call to Order

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

### Invocation

Given by Alderman Pfeiffer.

### Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Pantelides.

### Roll Call

The roll call began with Alderman Littmann.

**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 as amended to postpone Item ID-33-15 City Council Citation to Ms. Pat Montague representing the Annapolis Drum and Bugle Corps until February 9, 2015 . Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

### Ceremonial Items

[ID-33-15](#)

#### City Council Citation - Pat Montague “Annapolis Drum and Bugle Corps”

Alderman Budge moved to postpone until February 9, 2015. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

### Petitions, Reports and Communications

[ID-5-15](#)

#### Transition Team Report - Recreation & Parks

This Informational Item was reported by Committee Chair Wilson Phipps.

### Reports by Committee

#### Standing Committee Meetings:

Transportation Board - January 28, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Finance Committee - February 3, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

## Comments by the General Public

*Walter Vasquez, 5 Juliana Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Latino Community spoke on small business and being part of the decision making process in the government.*

*Rob Savidge, 12 Wind Whisper Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on the Department of Neighborhood and Environmental Programs, the supervisors, the Department Director, retaliation from management, on the Forest Conversation Process, the Department of Natural Resources, the Rocky Gorge Project and Forest Conversation Act Ordinance.*

*Robert H. Eades, 32 Pleasant Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on public housing, New Towne Drive, Obery Court, College Creek Terrace and phase 3 of the projects, allegation in the Clay Street area, racial profiling, adequate public space for children, green space, proper recreation, Pennrose Development and Property Management Corporation and the Stanton Center.*

*Francis Insley, 135 Spa Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on issues in Truxton Heights, calling for a meeting with Department of Neighborhood and Environmental Programs, Alderman Budge and Planning and Zoning, crime and safety in the neighborhood, commercial vehicles, home invasions, Boxwood Road Residential Road, Neighborhood feeling like a slum, daycare, the lack of assistance, Items in back yards.*

*Gardner Golf, 107 Boxwood Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on not being able to park in front of his home due to commercial vehicles parking after 5:00 p.m., picking up trash.*

*Patricia Smith, Boxwood Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on property values and parking Issues.*

*Christie Neff, 195 Action Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on the community and being afraid to go outside, the foot bridge at dusk that connects the community to Truxton Park, the possibility of closing the foot bridge, homes being broken into, beefing up security, property values possible declining.*

**Mayor Pantelides declared petitions, reports and communications closed.**

## Continuation of Public Hearing from 1/12/15

### [R-36-14](#)

**Taxi Fees and Charges - For the purpose of increasing the authorized mileage rate charged by taxicabs licensed by the City of Annapolis from \$2.00 per mile to \$2.50 per mile.**

Sponsors: Budge

*Spoke in favor:*

*Robert H. Eades, 32 Pleasant Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401*

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

**Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing closed.**

## Public Hearings

### [O-30-14](#)

**A Modification To Parking Requirements And Adding As A Permitted Use In The B1 District The Use: Commercial, Trade, Vocational, Music, Dance,**

**Or Art Schools - For the purpose of implementing the West Annapolis Sector Study.**

**Sponsors:** Paone

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing on O-30-14 OPEN until February 23, 2015.

**Legislative Action**

**Second Readers**

**R-32-14**

**Considering the Acquisition of Land and Improvements Located at 110 Compromise Street - For the purpose of expressing the sense of the Annapolis City Council's consideration of acquiring the land and improvements located at 110 Compromise Street for a purchase price of \$4,500,000.**

**Sponsors:** Budge and Arnett

**Alderman Budge moved to withdraw R-32-14 on 2nd reader without objection. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**O-34-14**

**Local Zoning Map Amendment - For the purpose of rezoning parcel 0056, Grid 0017, Tax Map 051C, known as 61 West Washington Street, Annapolis, Maryland, to be zoned in its entirety as BR, "Business Revitalization" Zoning District.**

**Sponsors:** Paone

*Chief of Comprehensive Planning Nash was present and answered questions from council. On December 22, 2014, Mayor Pantelides accepted into the record a Memorandum to the Annapolis City Council from the Planning Commission dated 12/4/2014, and Memoranda from Acting Planning and Zoning Director Nash, to the Planning Commission dated 11/24/2014.*

**Alderman Paone moved to approve the findings of fact to comply with city code sec. 21.34.040 which are as follows: A. Existing uses and zoning classification of properties within the general area of the property that is the subject of the application.**

**B. The suitability of the property in question to the uses permitted under the existing zoning classification compared to the uses permitted under the proposed zoning classification.**

**C. The trend of development in the general area, including any changes in zoning fication of the subject property or other properties in the area and the compatibility with existing and proposed development for the area.**

**D. Whether there has been a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood where the property is located or that there was a mistake in the existing zoning classification.**

**E. The availability of public facilities, present and future transportation patterns.**

**F. The relationship of the proposed amendment to the City's Comprehensive Plan.**

**Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Alderman Paone moved to adopt O-34-14 on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Alderman Paone moved to adopt O-34-14 on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

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

## First Readers

### [O-2-15](#)

**Lease of City Dock Space to Chesapeake Marine Tours - For the purpose of authorizing for fiscal year 2021 the lease of certain municipal property located at the City Dock to Chesapeake Marine Tours, Inc. for the docking and mooring of certain boats.**

***Sponsors:*** Pantelides, Arnett, Budge, Littmann, Pfeiffer, Finlayson, Paone and Pindell Charles

*Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Paone requested their names be added as sponsors to the legislation.*

**Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-2-15 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Ordinance O-2-15 was referred to the Economic Matters Committee.**

**Ordinance O-2-15 was referred to the Environmental Matters Committee.**

### [O-3-15](#)

**Risk Management Rules and Regulations - For the purpose of providing that the Risk Management Committee may establish written rules and regulations as necessary in the interest of public safety and risk management.**

***Sponsors:*** Finlayson, Paone and Pindell Charles

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to postpone O-3-15 on 1st Reader until February 23, 2015. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

### [O-4-15](#)

**Building Permits - For the purpose of removing the Five Hundred Dollar construction project value requirement for the issuance of certain permits.**

***Sponsors:*** Pantelides

**Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-4-15 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Ordinance O-4-15 was referred to the Economic Matters Committee.**

### [O-5-15](#)

**Floodplain Management in the City of Annapolis - For the purpose of amending certain sections of Chapter 17.11 of the Annapolis City Code to comply with updates to new Flood Insurance Rate Maps delineated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and all other matters generally relating to floodplain management in the City of Annapolis.**

***Sponsors:*** Pantelides

**Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-5-15 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on**

voice vote.

Ordinance O-5-15 was referred to the Economic Matters Committee.

Ordinance O-5-15 was referred to the Environmental Matters Committee.

### [R-1-15](#)

**Committee Established by Resolution 3-14 - For the purpose of decommissioning the Committee established to express the intent of the City of Annapolis to explore the possibility of acquiring the property located at 110 Compromise Street.**

Sponsors: Pantelides, Budge and Arnett

**Alderman Budge moved to adopt R-1-15 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Alderman Budge moved to have the rules suspended to allow passage of the resolution R-1-15 at the meeting of its introduction. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Alderman Budge moved to adopt R-1-15 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

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

## Good of the Order

### Discussion on the Regulation of Uber and Unlicensed Carriers

*City Manager will require Uber to comply with City Code*

*Annapolis, MD (1-27-15) Mayor Michael Pantelides and other members of the Annapolis City Council are requesting that the City Manager Tom Andrews hold Uber responsible for not complying with the City Code. The city's enforcement actions will be against the drivers, not Uber directly.*

*During Monday's City Council meeting, City Attorney Mike Leahy said that Uber meets the Code definition as a taxicab operation under section 7.48.0208 B which defines a "Taxicab" as a motor vehicle for hire that is: a) designed to carry seven or fewer individuals including the driver; and b) used to accept or solicit passengers for transportation for hire between those points along highways in this city as the passengers request. According to 7.48.480 of the Annapolis City Code, no person shall operate any taxicab or vehicle used or solicit or pick up riders for fare in the City unless that person has a valid taxicab driver's license to operate a taxicab under the provisions of this chapter.*

*The city will begin the enforcement on Friday, January 30, and is planning to write warnings prior to issuing citations.*

*The city sent a letter to Uber Technologies in July of 2014 notifying them to cease their operations in Annapolis until they could obtain the proper registration to operate a taxicab service in Annapolis. Uber did not respond.*

**City Manager Andrews gave a brief presentation on the enforcement steps scheduled to begin on Friday, January 30, 2015.**

## Adjournment

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.**

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC  
City Clerk