

### City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester Street Annapolis, MD 21401

# Special Minutes - Draft City Council

Monday, May 22, 2017 7:00 PM Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr. City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Pantelides called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Invocation

Given by Alderman Pfeiffer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Pantelides.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderman Pfeiffer.

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 Arnett moved to approve the agenda as amended to include the referral of O-25-17 Issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes to the Financial Advisory Commission and to include a City Council Proclamation for Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

#### **Proclamation - Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week**

Proclamation

WHEREAS The Chesapeake Bay is the largest and, at one time, was the most productive estuary in the United States, spanning six states and the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS The Chesapeake Bay watershed is an extraordinary and vital natural resource, as well as an integral part of the history and heritage of our State Capital; and

WHEREAS The Chesapeake Bay is fed by 50 major tributaries, and more than 100,000 streams, creeks and rivers which thread through the watershed, and contains more than 15 trillion gallons of water; and

WHEREAS The Chesapeake Bay's rivers and streams send about 51 billion gallons of fresh water into the Bay each day; and

WHEREAS The Chesapeake Bay stretches 200 miles from Havre de Grace, Maryland, to Norfolk, Virginia, has an average depth of 21 feet, and ranges from 3.4 to 35 miles wide;

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supporting 348 species of fish, 173 species of shellfish, and more than 3,600 species of plant and animal life, including 2,700 types of plants and more than 16 species of underwater grasses; and

WHEREAS The Chesapeake Bay area is home to more than 17 million people, many of whom rely upon the Bay for their livelihood and recreational activities; and

WHEREAS As an important source of food for Maryland and the east coast of the United States, the Chesapeake Bay produces more than 500 million pounds of seafood harvest annually; and

WHEREAS The rich history, pivotal economic importance, and astounding beauty of the Chesapeake Bay watershed never ceases to amaze residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS The City of Annapolis recognizes the importance of Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week and urges all citizens to observe and participate in events, activities, and educational programs designed to increase awareness of the importance of the Chesapeake Bay to our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL J. PANTELIDES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND AND THE CITY COUNCIL DO HEREBY PROCLAIM The week of June 2 - 12, 2017 as Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week

Alderwoman Finlayson presented the Proclamation for Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week.

#### **Petitions, Reports and Communications**

#### A. Reports by Committee

Standing Committee Dates Finance Committee June 6, 2017 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

#### **B.** Comments by the General Public

Arthur Robert, 108 Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on traffic flow solutions, trash in the bay, trash picked up by private companies, jobs, tax payer dollars, methane gas, shuttles, recreation center, sewer, water pollution and snow removal in front of the Mayor's house.

Samuel Brice, 1811 Old Annapolis BLVD, Annapolis, Maryland 21409 spoke on O-28-17.

Bill Kardash, 1 Acton Place, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 spoke on internal auditor, Council Manager Form of Government, referendum and the need to have the majority of the city council vote in favor of the charter amendment to insure the passage of the legislation.

Maria Brown, City of Annapolis Employees poke on parking, parking at the Gotts Parking Garage, using the shuttle to transport employees, doctor's appointments and other emergency situations.

Mayor Pantelides declared comments by the general public closed.

#### C. Update from the Mayor

Us Naval Academy - 53 years of Service Bike to Work Day Installation of New Bike racks Chipotle -Ribbon Cutting Acting Police Chief Baker Annapolis Fire Station - Recognition Naval Academy Graduation

Mayor Pantelides presented his biweekly update.

#### **Confirmations**

#### AP-18-17 Confirmation of Scott Baker, Chief of Police

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to postpone AP-18-17 Confirmation of Scott Baker, Chief of Police. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

AP -18-17 Confirmation of Scott Baker, Chief of Police was referred to the Public Safety Committee.

#### AP-17-17 Confirmation of Archie Trader, Director of Recreation & Parks

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to postpone AP-17-17 Confirmation of Archie Trader, Director of Recreation & Parks. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

AP-17-17 Confirmation of Archie Trader, Director of Recreation & Parks referred to the Housing and Human Welfare Committee.

#### **Consent Calendar**

#### **Approval of the Consent Calendar**

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

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-13-17

Parking Enforcement and Rulemaking Responsibilities - For the purpose of updating parking enforcement and rulemaking responsibilities in Chapters 2.36, 12.08 and 12.32 in the Code of the City of Annapolis; and matters generally relating to updating parking enforcement and rulemaking responsibilities.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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

Mayor Pantelides referred O-13-17 to the Public Safety Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-13-17 to the Transportation Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-13-17 to the Transportation Board.

O-27-17

Special Parking Permits for Transport and Contractors - For the purpose of establishing parking shuttle eligibility for special parking permits; limiting special parking permits within the Historic District; and clarifying conditions for issuing special parking permits.

Sponsors: Budge

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

Mayor Pantelides referred O-27-17 to the Public Safety Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-27-17 to the Transportation Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-27-17 to the Transportation Board.

O-28-17

Removing City Employee Parking from Hillman Garage - For the purpose of improving parking availability in the downtown commercial area by relocating most City employee parking from Hillman Garage to satellite parking facilities; and providing transportation to and from said satellite parking facilities.

**Sponsors:** Budge and Pantelides

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

Mayor Pantelides referred O-28-17 to the Public Safety Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-28-17 to the Transportation Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-28-17 to the Transportation Board.

O-29-17

Double Parking - For the purpose of authorizing double parking for the expeditious loading and unloading of commercial vehicles.

Sponsors: Budge

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

Mayor Pantelides referred O-29-17 to the Public Safety Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-29-17 to the Transportation Committee.

Mayor Pantelides referred O-29-17 to the Transportation Board.

#### **Second Readers**

O-6-17

Food Stores in C2A Districts - For the purpose of introducing Food Stores as a permitted use in C2A zoning districts; and removing the erroneous reference to a standard for Food Stores in the PM2 zoning district.

Sponsors: Budge

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

O-20-17

Transportation Network Service Companies - For the purpose of removing from Section 7.48.610 of the Code of the City of Annapolis the expiration date for imposing an assessment on Transportation Network Service Companies for trips that originate in the City of Annapolis; relocating reference to the fee associated with such trips from Section 7.48.610 to the Fees Schedule; and matters generally relating to imposing said assessment.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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

O-23-17

Certificate of Adequate Public Facilities - Police Protection - For the purpose of defining "police officer" as that term is used in connection with review criteria and certification for adequate police protection under Chapter 22.14.

Sponsors: Littmann and Pfeiffer

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

#### **End of Consent Calendar**

#### **Public Hearings Cont.**

O-21-17

Annual Operating Budget: Fiscal Year 2018 - For the purposes of adopting an operating budget for the City of Annapolis for Fiscal Year 2018; appropriating funds for expenditures for Fiscal Year 2018; 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

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing on O-21-17 closed.

#### **Public Hearings**

ID-198-17 CITY OF ANNAPOLIS PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ID-198-17.

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing on ID-198-17 closed.

O-18-17

Personal Care Establishments in the PM District - For the purpose of removing restrictions on the operation of a personal care establishment in the PM, Professional Mixed Office zoning district.

**Sponsors:** Paone and Pindell Charles

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

Mayor Pantelides accepted into the record a Memorandum to the Annapolis City Council from the Planning Commission dated May 4, 2017.

Mayor Pantelides declare the public hearing O-18-17 left open until June 12, 2017.

O-24-17

Boat Launch Enforcement Authority - For the purpose of permitting an authorized agent of the City of Annapolis to exercise limited authority in boat launch enforcement; ensuring that patrons that utilize boat ramp(s) pay appropriate launching fees; and matters generally relating to extending boat launch enforcement powers to an authorized agent.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing on O-24-17 closed.

O-25-17

**Issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes - For** the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis (the "City") to issue and sell, upon its full faith and credit, (i) one or more series of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,300,000, 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 (the "Bonds") and (ii) one or more series of its general obligation bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount equal to the maximum aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, pursuant to Sections 19-211 through 19-222, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (the "Notes"); providing that the Bonds and Notes shall 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 and the Notes; providing for the method of sale of the Bonds and Notes and other matters relating to the issuance and sale thereof; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of the Bonds and Notes; covenanting to levy and collect all taxes necessary to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and Notes; and generally providing for and determining various matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds and the Notes.

Sponsors: Pantelides

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

Mayor Pantelides declared the public hearing on O-25-17 closed.

#### **Legislative Action**

#### **First Readers**

R-20-17

Linnell Lane - For the purpose of renaming Chase Street to "Linnell Lane" for one day on the occasion of Linnell Bowen's retirement on June 9, 2017.

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

Alderman Budge moved to adopt R-20-17 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to suspend the rules to allow passage of the resolution at the meeting of its introduction. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to adopt on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Budge moved to amend R-20-17 as follows:

On page 2, in lines 20 and 33, Insert "and the street shall there after bear the name in an honorary capacity". Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Budge moved to adopt R-20-17 as amended 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

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Sponsors: Pantelides

Mayor Pantelides referred O-25-17 to the Financial Advisory Commission.

## ID-198-17 CITY OF ANNAPOLIS PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The City Council of the City of Annapolis proposes to increase real property taxes.

- 1. For the tax year beginning July 1, 2017, the estimated real property assessable base will increase by 3.5% from \$6,258,107,061 to \$6,478,005,607.
- 2. If the City of Annapolis maintains the current tax rate of \$0.649 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues will increase by 3.5%, resulting in \$1,427,141 of new real property tax revenues.
- 3. In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$0.627, the constant yield tax rate.
- 4. The City is considering not reducing its real property tax rate enough to fully offset increasing assessments. The City proposes to adopt a real property tax rate of \$0.649 per \$100 of assessment. This tax rate is 3.5% higher than the constant yield tax rate and will generate \$1,427,141 in additional property tax revenues.

A public hearing on the proposed real property tax rate will be held at 7:00 P.M. on June 12, 2017 at City Hall, City Council Chambers, 160 Duke of Gloucester Street.

The hearing is open to the public, and public testimony is encouraged.

Persons with questions regarding this hearing may call 410-263-7952 for further information.

Alderman Budge moved to request an additional public hearing on the Constant Tax Rate with the tax rate remaining the same. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

#### Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC City Clerk